

Thomas To Serve Year; FBI Record Revealed

William Thomas Hale was sentenced to one year in the state penitentiary in Lincoln Monday by District Judge D. L. Mounts. Thomas pleaded guilty to writing a no fund check to Gilbert Poese, KBRX manager.

"Willie Thomas," as he is known here has been held by Holt county authorities since January 2 when Poese pressed charges. Thomas was accused of writing the \$280.30 check on a Broken Bow State bank to cover funds he had taken from the station accounts.

Thomas will be taken to Lincoln this weekend to begin his sentence. According to an official FBI report received by Poese, Thomas has received three previous prison sentences, totaling 17 years.

The report reveals that Thomas has used aliases of William Houhina, William Thomas Hale and William Hale in past activities. Thomas was first sentenced in 1942 to five years in prison for forgery and bad check charges. The second prison term was in 1944, again for five years. Thomas was in the U. S. Army at the time. In 1953 Thomas was sentenced to seven years in the U. S. Disciplinary Barracks at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., for forged checks and army desertion. It is not known how much time Thomas has spent in prison or where he served his terms.

Thomas came to O'Neill in November of last year from Broken Bow where he was employed by the radio station there. He is about 40.

Mrs. McPharlin Dies Wednesday in Omaha

Mrs. August McPharlin, about 90, died Wednesday at 5 p.m. in Omaha. She has been residing at St. Vincent's Home for the past few years.

Mrs. McPharlin has been ill with pneumonia and was hospitalized before her death. No particulars on funeral arrangements were available at press time.

Warren Seger, Neligh, Receives Face Injuries In Scuffle at Station

Warren Seger, Neligh, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Neligh, of O'Neill, was released Friday from an Omaha hospital. Seger was taken there recently for treatment for facial injuries received in a scuffle with an un-revealed assailant.

The incident occurred at the service station Seger operates at the Hilltop Cafe and Service Station site on highway 275 approaching the junction of 275 and 14.

Seger's father took him to Omaha again yesterday for additional x-ray and medical attention.

Services Held For Ed Hubby, Former Resident

Funeral services were held Wednesday at Hastings for Edward Hubby, former Holt resident. Rev. Paul M. de Freese, pastor of the First St. Paul's Lutheran church, Hastings, conducted the services.

Thursday services will be conducted at 2 p.m. at the Biglin Chapel with Rev. Glenn Kennicott, pastor of the First Methodist church, officiating.

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Edward Hubby, son of Merriedy and Nancy Hubby, was born on the old Hubby homestead 16 miles northeast of O'Neill, May 28, 1887 and died at Hastings Sunday, Feb. 14.

He was united in marriage with Miss Julia Hicks August 1, 1912. To this union five children were born, two having preceded him in death: a daughter, Charity, and a son, Duane.

Survivors include: Wife Julia; two daughters, Mrs. La Verel (Merry) Weese of Portland, Ore., and Mrs. Charles (Dorothy) Luth, jr., of Butte; one son, Woodrow of Hastings; two sisters, Mrs. John Moler, Wall, S. D., and Mrs. Susie Goodfellow, Auburn, Wash.; eight grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

The Hubbys moved from Butte to Hastings in 1947 where he was employed at the state hospital until his retirement two years ago. He spent his entire life in Nebraska except for six years at Spearfish, S. D.

Pall bearers were not yet announced when the Frontier went to press last night.

Burial will be in Paddock Union Cemetery.

Boyd Fair Dates Set

The 1960 Boyd County Fair dates were set for August 30-31 and September 1.



The line crew of the Niobrara Valley Electric Co-operative are shown with the safety awards they were given recently for their accident-free work. Pictured are, back row, Jerry McGinn, Jake Boucher, Gerald Schmaeder, and Ed Boyle. Kneeling are Alvin Carson and Harold Humrich. Frontier photo.

Mail Carrier E. E. Clark Honored At Retirement Party In Inman

Relatives, friends and fellow mail-carriers gathered at the Methodist church annex at Inman Sunday afternoon to honor Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Clark.

Mr. Clark was retired in December of 1959 after 35 years as rural mail carrier for the U. S. Government out of the Inman Post Office. He began his duties as carrier July 22, 1925.

The program was arranged by Mrs. Mary Hartigan, acting postmaster. Walter Fick was toastmaster. Experiences on the route were given by Mrs. Melvin Smith of Page, Mrs. George Fick and Karl Keyes, all patrons of the early route.

Mr. Clark can recall carrying the mail with horses, cars and in the 1948-49 storms he restored to the use of a plane to deliver the mail.

Toasts were given by friends, among whom were postmistress, Mary Hartigan, W. W. Crosser of Neligh, and Harden Anspach of O'Neill, who have known Mr. Clark most of their lives, having grown up together.

Toasts given by Association of Rural Mail Carriers members in-

cluded Alfred Marshall of Verdigris, State Vice President, Bill Loukota, Bristow, 3rd district committeeman of the association. Presentation of Award for 35 years of service given by Postmaster General Arthur Summerfield was given by H. W. Botsford, postmaster at Meadow Grove. A letter of Commendation was read by Ira L. Watson.

A quintet composed of W. E. Kelley, Harvey Tompkins, Kenneth Smith and Clarence Hansen, all of Inman, and M. M. Crosser of Neligh sang "Till We Meet Again."

Rev. Cecil Green, Norfolk pastor, dismissed the assembly.

The guest table was centered with a cake baked and decorated by Mrs. Kenneth Smith a replica of a flag. Seated at the guest table with his parents was Tom Clark, his wife and three children of O'Neill. Another son, Howard, with the air force at Rantoul, Ill., and a daughter, Mrs. Roy (Marguerite) Tiessen of Maywood, Ill., were unable to attend. The couple has nine grandchildren but only three were present Sunday.

A miniature mail box graced the honoree's table and held the cards

of congratulations received. At intervals telephone calls were received by the Clarks from California, Iowa, Illinois, Montana and Minnesota.

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Little Mike Sukup, son of Mr. and Mrs. Duane Sukup, who live northeast of Page, is a mighty lucky boy and his dog, Dix, to thank for saving his life. Dix stopped a herd of cattle from running Mike down. Evidently the work put a heavy strain on Dix. She went back to the barn and had four pups. Mike Sukup told the Frontier photographer that they will be looking for homes in a few weeks.

Troshynski Injured In Friday Collision

An intersection accident occurred Friday morning about 8:30 when a car driven by Fred Snoward Jr., and a pickup driven by Dallas Behrens, 24, collided at Madison and Benton. Michael Troshynski, a student at St. Mary's Academy, was a passenger in the Snoward car. He was taken to St. Anthony's hospital for treatment for face lacerations and disfigurement.

Chief of Police, Chris McGinn, who investigated the accident, said the Snoward car was a complete loss while damage to the Behrens' pickup was negligible.

Arbuthnot Has All A's

Jacqueline Arbuthnot was named to the first semester honor roll at the College of St. Teresa, in Winona, Minn. A freshman, Miss Arbuthnot attained a 3.00 grade average.



Mr. and Mrs. Gus Spath on their Golden Wedding anniversary. They celebrated Sunday with an open house held at the Lutheran church here in O'Neill.

Gus Spaths Observe 50th Wedding In Open House Celebration Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Spath of Inman were honored Sunday in an open house observance at Christ Lutheran church at O'Neill, for their 50th wedding anniversary. A family dinner was served at noon.

During the afternoon program Mrs. Charles Spath of Omaha read "This Is Your Life," a history of the couple in a humorous way. A grandson, Dennis Spath, presented several musical selections on the accordion.

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Dog Overcomes Fear, Rescues Small Boy From Cattle Drive

Legion Orders Flags

Ewing Legion Post No. 241 voted to order new flags with the 50 stars at their meeting Thursday at the Legion Club with Bob Eppenbach, commander presiding.

The group discussed the dedication of Highway 211 as a memorial to the American Legion. The Legion Auxiliary also met that evening in separate session.

Edwards Resigns As O'Neill Coach

Bill Edwards, O'Neill high school basketball coach and mathematics instructor, tendered his resignation to the school board this week to be effective at the end of the 1959-60 school year.

The board said they voted to re-hire the remainder of the high school teachers for the coming year.

Edwards has no future plans at the present time. He has been with the O'Neill high faculty for four years. Before coming here he was a coach at Coleridge. Edwards is a graduate of Wayne State Teachers College and received his master's degree from the University of South Dakota.

Edwards lives here with his wife and four children, two boys and two girls.

King, Queen of Hearts Chosen by SMA Sophs

Colleen Corke and Bill Shoemaker were crowned king and queen of the Sophomore Heart's Ball Tuesday night at St. Mary's Academy.

Junior attendants were Margaret Donohoe and Mike Wabbs; sophomore attendants were Mary Richards and Jim Decker and freshmen attendants were Carmen Benz and Marvin Peters.

In other St. Mary's news, the high school classes saw the movie "Quo Vadis." Friday afternoon as part of Valentine's day activities, grade school classes had valentine parties and were dismissed early.

District Tournament

The Class D district basketball tournament will begin here Tuesday evening with Orchard meeting Chambers at 7 p.m. and Lynch playing Bartlett at 8:30.

Page and Inman seeded one and two, drew byes to the semifinals.

Henry Wood Wins Hereford Show; Sageser Is Hurt Preparing Bulls

Henry Wood of Ewing, prominent south Holt county Hereford breeder grabbed top laurels at the annual spring show and sale sponsored here Tuesday by the Holt County Hereford Breeder's Association.

Wood stole the show with the champion, reserve champion, top three bulls and top three heifers. He also received the Frontier's trophy for best pen of three.

Top selling bull was Buster Rocket, consigned by Vern Sageser of Amelia and sold for \$970. Champion Bull, HW Shadow C. Blanchard, offered by Henry Wood went to Harold Harms of Valentine for \$320.00.

Reserve champion, HW Princeps, Domino consigned also by Wood sold to Jack Welsh, Verdigris for \$910.

The top ten bulls sold for an average of \$750.00. Top 20, \$680 and the average on 49 sold was \$466.

In the female showing the top seller was offered by George

200 Attend Ewing Rural Life Meet

Over 200 members of the parishes of the O'Neill deanery attended the first of five Rural Life meetings Monday at St. Dominic's Hall in Ewing.

The meetings, scheduled from February 15 through 19, are under the auspices of the Omaha Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women.

Monday's meeting followed a 10 a.m. mass at St. Peter's Church celebrated by Father Peter Dunne, Pierce.

The speakers for the day were Father Louis Miller, Elkton, S. D.; Joseph Meisner of the NCRIC, Des Moines, Ia.; Father Dunne, Pierce, Archdiocesan Rural Life director and Vince Kirby, attorney from Madison county.

The topics stressed spiritual, legal and material problems of the farmer.

A coffee hour with open discussion was held at 2:45. The noon luncheon was served by the Christian Mothers of St. Peter's Church.

Irrigation Meets Held In Area

The O'Neill irrigation committee continued with their schoolhouse meetings during the past week, holding meetings at schoolhouse No. 159, Conway school and No. 102.

Last Thursday night Don Meyers and Jim Champion met the bureau of reclamation men, Gordon Wendler and G. Johnson, at district 159 and spoke to about 12 people interested in irrigation. Only five land owners attended this meeting, however, but all of them showed a desire for irrigation.

Monday night Gil Poese met the bureau men at the Conway school and they talked to about 25 farmers.

Last night Dale Wilson and Joe Stutz met at the district 102 school north of Atkinson. Another good crowd was on hand for the talk.

Another meeting will be held tonight (Thursday) at the Plainview schoolhouse located 16 miles northeast of Atkinson.

Talent Booked For Holt Co. Fair

Pioneer Shows, a widely known carnival company, and Fred Wolf of Fairfax, S. D. have been signed by Holt County Fair Board members for the 1960 Holt County Fair at Chambers, Wolf will produce an RCA rodeo at the fair.

The talent was signed by board members, Jim Gibson, Chambers, and Vern Sageser, Amelia, while they attended the 51st session of the Nebraska Association of Fair Managers in Lincoln in January.

Entertainment brokers, carnival owners and rodeo producers representing 49 firms were at the convention.

Gibson and Sageser conferred with Casey Tibbs, nationally known rodeo performer and producer, in signing Wolf. Wolf will qualify as an RCA producer this season.



Dick Svoboda, Norfolk public school, won first place and \$25 at the American Legion public speaking contest held Wednesday in O'Neill. Pictured above are the winners, together with area commanders. From right, Jim Earley, O'Neill commander, Don Mason of Elgin, 3rd place winner, Mary Ann Backhaus of Norfolk Sacred Heart, 2nd, Dick Svoboda and District Commander George Wettlaufer, Page. The students spoke on the Constitution of the United States.—The Frontier photo and engraving