

Eagles Squeak by Valentine 52-51; Win Revenge for Earlier Trouncing

A one-point difference gave O'Neill high school a 52-51 victory over Valentine Friday evening on the home boards when both teams presented a hard-fought game with plenty of thrills for the spectators.

It was a revenge game for O'Neill as the Eagles were given their first defeat of the season by Valentine in a 59-39 loss January 12.

Jerry Kileoin was high point man in the Friday game with 17 followed by Rich Hill, who had 16 points before fouling out in the fourth quarter. Stan Schmeichel scored 10 points.

It was Dennis Nelson with 17 for Valentine and he also fouled out in the fourth. Don Nelson had 13 points and John Mullin had 12.

Scoring was tied several times during the game with both teams taking the lead earlier in the evening. However, the local boys held the lead in the latter part of the game with Valentine slowing narrowing the difference until the gun sounded with the Eagles one point ahead.

Score by quarters:

O'Neill	10	11	20	11	52
Valentine	10	12	11	18	51

Class C Tourney Opens Monday; Spencer Seeded

Monday evening at the Lynch auditorium will be the opening game of the Class "C" District basketball tournament which will continue through the week, February 19, 20, 22 and 23.

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Winners of Monday night's games will play at 8:30 p.m. Thursday and Tuesday night's winners will have the early time Thursday at 7 p.m. Finals will begin Friday at 7 p.m. Leonard Campbell and Jerry Neely will be officials during the tournament. Admission prices are \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children.

Spall Named as Hunter-Safety Instructor

Harry Spall, State Game Commission officer, has been certified as a hunter-safety instructor by passing his National Rifle Association qualification test given by John Meierjurgens, state representative of the NRA, and Chet McClain, land management biologist for the commission.

The Holt county officer, and other law enforcement officers of the State Game Commission, will instruct volunteers in the program to become hunter-safety teachers. He will also hold courses for students.

Name Bowling Tourney Winners

The annual men's city bowling tournament ended Sunday with George Hammond as the all-events winner. His total score was 1,765.

Lewis Pierson was second with 1,751 and Elwyn Robertson, Chambers, was third with 1,748.

Top three winners in the singles were Chuck Hamik, Atkinson, 656; John Hynes, 637, and Kenneth Heiss, Page, 620. Winners in the doubles were Byron Grenier, O'Neill, and Fred Moore, Inman, 1,193; Nyal Rowse and Zane Rowse, both of Chambers, 1,166, and Dale Wilson, O'Neill, and Pete Schlessener, Orchard, 1,153.

Dick's Bar won first place in the team division with 2,883, followed by Mac's Bar, 2,810, and O'Neill National Bank, 2,796.

Mrs. Donald Graham will be in charge of the women's city tournament which will be held Sunday.

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Stuart Whips St. Joe 59-43

STUART — A 59-43 victory was garnered by Stuart Friday night when it entertained St. Joseph of Atkinson.

Outstanding offensive players for the local team were G. I. Medcalf and Larry Wedge who scored 17 and 15 points, respectively. Mel Schmaderer, Carl Clements and Jerry Steinhauser were good on the boards, and George Bigelow, Wedge and Mel Schmaderer had outstanding defensive plays.

Tilden Hands Cardinals 12th Loss of Season

In a game played Friday night at Tilden, the state's number one ranked Class "C" team spurted to a 56 to 33 victory over the young SMA squad.

Tilden, the only remaining undefeated Class "C" team took advantage of the visitors cold shooting and after a nine to nine tie at the end of the first quarter, shot ahead.

With four of the first five hitting the basket for at least two points, the Cardinals wound up with a tie at the first quarter end. Means and Rethwisch fired the nets with 8 points each the next quarter and pushed the heavily-favored Tilden team to a 26-16 half time lead.

The third quarter started badly and wound up that way as the home team shot ahead by out-scoring the Redbirds 20 to 8 in that period and wound up with a third period lead of 46-24.

St. Mary's hustled back the next quarter but the Tilden neophytes had built up a lasting lead. With Spitzberger and Oetter furnishing the fireworks, SMA battled Tilden on even terms the last period.

Floor mistakes were not so much the deciding factor in this game as was the shooting percentage. The Cards got their hands on the ball 59 times and could cash in on only 10 field goals to send the usually 40 per cent shooting Cards to defeat number 12.

The Tildenites featured a high-geared, well-balanced team, paced by the 13 points each of Means and Rethwisch, and followed by Hash with 10 to provide the downfall.

Scoring honors for SMA went to Spitzberger with 11, backed by Pruss with 8, and Oetter chimed 7.

BOX SCORE				
SMA				
	FG	FT	TP	
Spitzberger	4	3	11	
Pruss	2	4	8	
Oetter	2	3	7	
Hammond	1	2	4	
Belina	1	0	2	
Sindelar	0	1	1	

TILDEN				
	FG	FT	TP	
Rethwisch	5	3	13	
Means	5	3	13	
Hash	4	2	10	
Dekert	4	0	8	
Grubb	2	1	5	
Brown	1	0	2	
Mandt	0	1	1	

Score by quarters:

SMA	9	7	8	9
Tilden	9	17	20	10

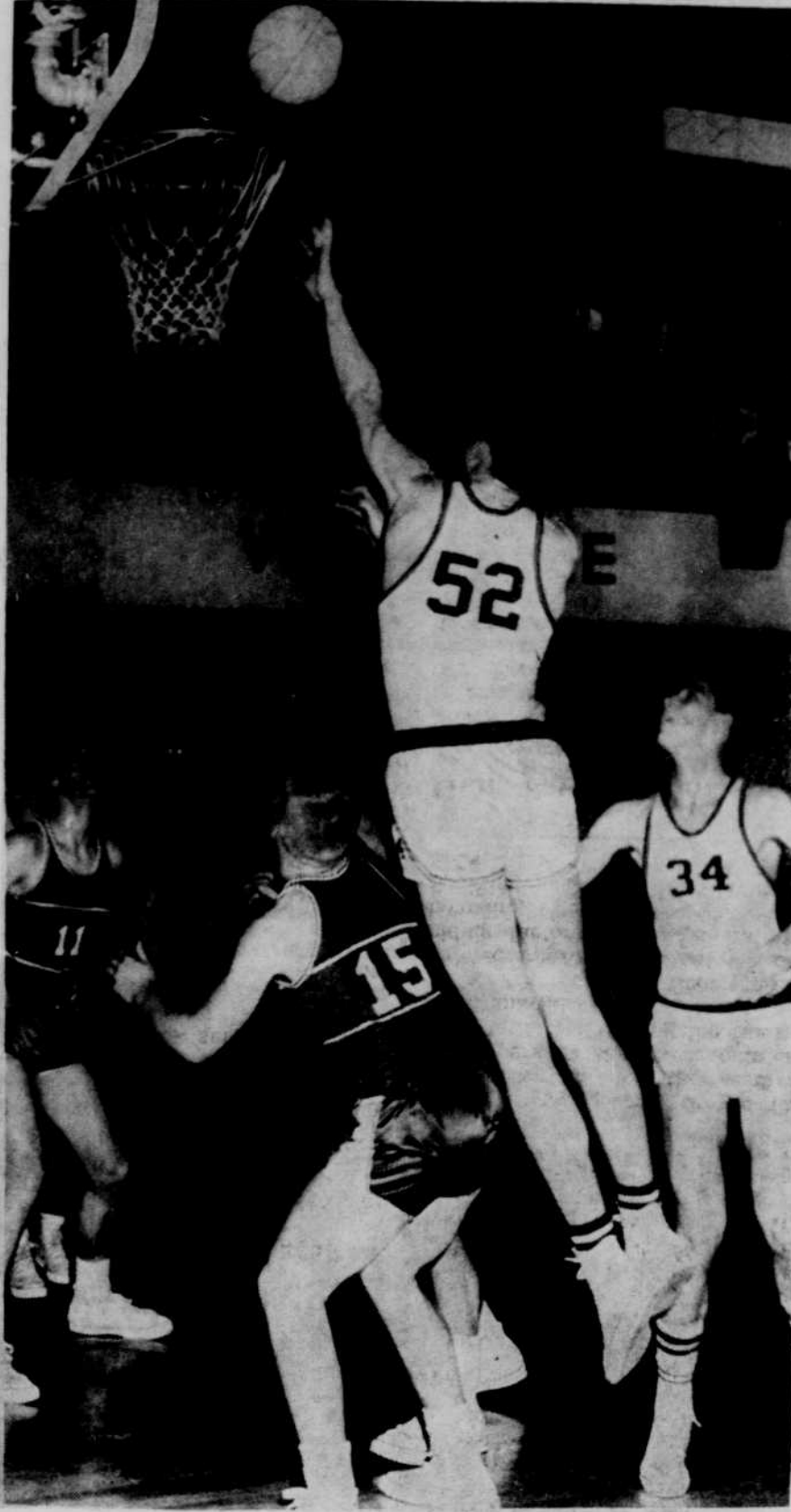
Eagles Defeat Plainview 65-48

OHS added another win to its string Tuesday evening when the Eagles defeated Plainview 65-48 in the O'Neill gymnasium.

It was O'Neill's game all the way with Jerry Kileoin leading with 17 points, including some nicely-executed lay ins. Rich Hill had 15 points followed by Stan Schmeichel with 13 and Ivan Hurley, 10.

High point man for the Pirates was Ron Weber with 17.

O'Neill's next game will be Friday night when they seek revenge for an earlier defeat to Bassett.



BIG RICH HILL adds two for O'Neill in Friday night's thrilling 52-51 victory over Valentine.

Spencer Takes Niobrara Valley Conference; Verdigre is Second

LYNCH — A hard fought thriller was played here Friday night when Spencer won the championship of the Niobrara Valley Conference tournament by defeating Verdigre, 58-55, after vanquishing a 19-point deficit in the fourth quarter.

Niobrara defeated Center 59-57 for the consolation berth in another quarter pleasing contest.

The Verdigre Hawks had Spencer down in the first three quarters and led 47-28. The Hawks came on in the fourth quarter to build a 22 point lead before losing several of their first five via the foul route. This paved the way for the Spencer Pirates gathered an amazing 30 points to take over the lead and the crown.

Ron Kopecky led the Spencer scoring with 17 points, followed by Leonard Kopecky with 15. Verdigre's top scorers were Leland Timmerman with 18 and John Mastilar with 16.

In the consolation game Niobrara, after leading by five points at halftime and only one point at the end of the third quarter, barely squeaked out a win when Center started connecting and scored 16 points to Niobrara's 8 in the last quarter.

A record attendance was present at the tournament this year. Thursday evening, 1,100 tickets were sold, and Friday night 1,250 were sold.

Score by quarters:

Spencer	10	12	6	30	58
Verdigre	17	14	16	8	55
Center	17	13	11	16	57
Niobrara	21	18	12	8	59

Verdigre Plans 75th Anniversary For July 12-15

VERDIGRE — A Diamond Jubilee celebration is being planned at Verdigre with four days of special events set for July 12, 13, 14 and 15.

The Verdigre Improvement club, after several meetings, has appointed a committee which approved the hiring of a professional firm which will plan the jubilee celebration. There will be a charge of \$5,400 by the firm in charge.

Since this will be a non-profit event, the Verdigre Diamond Jubilee organization will incorporate. Nine major productions are planned for the four-day celebration.

Betty Schultz Pledges Alpha Phi at K. U.

Betty Lou Schultz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Kersenbrock, O'Neill was among 346 women, most of them freshmen, who pledged 13 social sororities Tuesday, Feb. 6, at the University of Kansas.

Under rushing rules begun in spring, 1959, freshman women pledge during the spring semester. The new pledges will move into the sorority houses next fall. Miss Schultz, a junior, pledged Alpha Phi.

Frank Pickard Dies At Hillsboro, Ia.

Relatives in O'Neill have received word of the death of Frank Pickard Sunday at Hillsboro, Ia. He was a brother of the late Mrs. Albert Klingler.

Survivors include two sisters, Dorothy Pickard, Los Angeles, Calif., and Mrs. Sam Watson, Tarpon Springs, Fla., and a brother, Dr. B. H. Pickard, McAllen, Tex.

Royal Again Without Village Barber

ROYAL — The little village of Royal is without a barber, and the tonsorial parlor, fully equipped for business, is idle.

Visiting barbers served the village for several months but recently have discontinued this practice.

Royal Landmarks Are Being Razed

ROYAL — Two landmarks in Royal, the hotel building and the depot, are being razed.

The hotel building, which was constructed about 50 years ago by the late Silas W. Lytle, was used in later years as a school dormitory, a residence and then an apartment house. Both structures being torn down are owned by C. E. Rundquist.

Spalding Clips Cards 46-42

The O'Neill St. Mary's basketball team took the floor against Spalding Tuesday night and went down to another defeat by the score of 46-42.

The game was close all the way as the Cardinals displayed a better floor game and more hustle but the home court advantage and Dunning's 25 points kept the Cardinals from winning number 2.

The first quarter found some fancy shooting by the home cagers but SMA fought back to within 2 points at the first quarter which wound up 11 to 9 for the Shamrocks.

In the second quarter Oetter kept the Cards in the game with 10 points here but Dunning of Spalding was just as hot for the Shamrocks pumping in 10 points to push his team to a still slim half time lead of 25 to 23.

After the intermission St. Mary's came back and still stayed close, and at one time shot to a 7 point lead, but with Oetter being the only one able to hit consistently, the Spalding cagers still held their 2 point advantage at the end of the third period, 37 to 35.

The fourth quarter proved the disastrous one for the visiting Hilltoppers as they were outscored 9 to 7 in providing the final 4 point margin.

The St. Mary's floor game showed improvement, but the deciding factors were tips and rebounding strength.

Spalding 11 14 12 9 SMA 9 14 12 7

Gen. Paul Harkins To Command Post

Gen. Paul D. Harkins, whose wife is the former Elizabeth Conner, Ewing, has been named to head the United States military assistance command in South Viet Nam.

General Harkins has served as chief of staff for the late Gen. George S. Patton, and also has served under Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor. President Kennedy's personal military advisor.

A 57-year-old native of Boston, Gen. Harkins has specialized in plans and operations both in war and peace. His combat record includes eight major campaigns in World War II and two in Korea. His decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit and the Bronze Star.

The couple, married in 1933, has one daughter.

Justice Court—

Feb. 8—Fred Brethauer, Greeley, Colo., Overgross Interior Group of Axles, fined \$70.00 and \$4.00 — Officer, Clifford Kizire.

Feb. 12 — Robert Cole, Driver for Dan Snyder, Atkinson, Neb., No. 1 — Overgross Weight No. 2 — Overweight Capacity Plate fined \$50.00 and \$4.00 — Officer Clifford Kizire.

Feb. 12 — Norman Wilson — Driver for Colonial Pacific, Storm Lake, Ia., No Reciprocity, fined \$10.00 and \$4.00 — Officer Kizire.

Feb. 12 — Roger Lebsheir, Driver for Pillsbury Co., Des Plaines, Ill. No Reciprocity fined \$10.00 and \$4.00 — Officer Kizire.

Feb. 14 — Harold Alexander, Driver for International Transport Co., Rochester, Minn. Overweight on Axle fined \$80.00 and \$4.00 — Officer Donald Richardson.

Verdigre Church Plans Rally For Feb. 18-22

VERDIGRE — There will be an open house and week-long evangelism mission conducted at the local Lutheran church February 18-22 in conjunction with similar observances by over 70,000 members of the Lutheran Missouri Synod in Nebraska, Iowa and Wyoming.

The Rev. A. H. Ziegler, Jefferson, Mo., will conduct the services in the Verdigre Bethlehem church Sunday morning and during each evening of the week. A rally will take place at the Plainview high school auditorium for Lutherans in this area Sunday afternoon.

Members of the committee planning this event are the Rev. Bernard Gortzen, Donald Stoural, Dave Alder and Willard Horstman.

Youth Fellowship District Rally Held at Atkinson

A large attendance was present for the District Rally of the Youth Fellowship of the First Methodist church held in Atkinson Sunday.

The Page group was in charge of the opening of the meeting, and O'Neill had the closing session. Mrs. Carroll French, Page, showed slides on missionary work in Africa and presented a talk.

Lyman Anderson, Wausa, district president, gave a talk on the MYF mission tour of the southwestern states last summer and showed slides. Dinner was served by the WSCS. Randall Anderson, Wausa, was a guest.

Towns represented at the meeting were Page, Ewing, O'Neill, and Atkinson. Attending from Ewing were Cathy Kirschmier, Jane Hahlbeck, Roslyn Spragg, Evelyn Snyder, Florence Black, Jane Spragg, Marie Davis, Robert and Karen Woeppel, Mrs. Stanley Davis and Mr. and Mrs. Waldjo Davis.

Karen Harris, Kay and Connie Nissen, Caroline Max, Juanita Ragland, Alvin and John Crumly, Kent Stauffer, Linda Albers, Bonnie Heiss, Diane Kemper, Peggy Sue Kelly, Becky Beelaert, Durrell Heiss, Mrs. Merwyn French jr., and Mrs. C. French were present from Page.

O'Neill persons present were Kenneth and Curtis Peacock, Ruth Ann Walker, Christine Herley, Diane Gillespie, Richard Hill, Ewan Steele, Esther Young, Linda Gildersleeve and the Rev. and Mrs. Glenn Kennicott.

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Boy Scout Drive Collects \$1,308

Total money collected for the Boy Scout Finance drive was \$1,308.03. Drive Chairman Bill McIntosh said this week.

Century club members in O'Neill are L. D. Putnam, who also is the Century drive chairman, D. R. Mounts, James Earley, Esther Downey, Alan Van Vleck, C. R. Force, O'Neill National Bank and William Froelich.

Persons, organizations or firms who will receive Friends of Scouting awards for contributions of \$12 or more are: O'Neill Chamber of Commerce, O'Neill City Council, Lions club, Julius D. Cronin, Dick's Bar, Gillette Dairy, William Griffin, Virgil Laursen, McIntosh Jewelry, The Frontier, George Carstens, NW Bell Telephone Co., O'Neill Grain Company, Robertson Motors, D. C. Scherer, Shelhamer Equipment and Spelts Lumber.

Drive and Scouting officials expressed gratitude for the contributions to the drive, explaining that the Sandhills District has expenses of more than \$10,000 per year.

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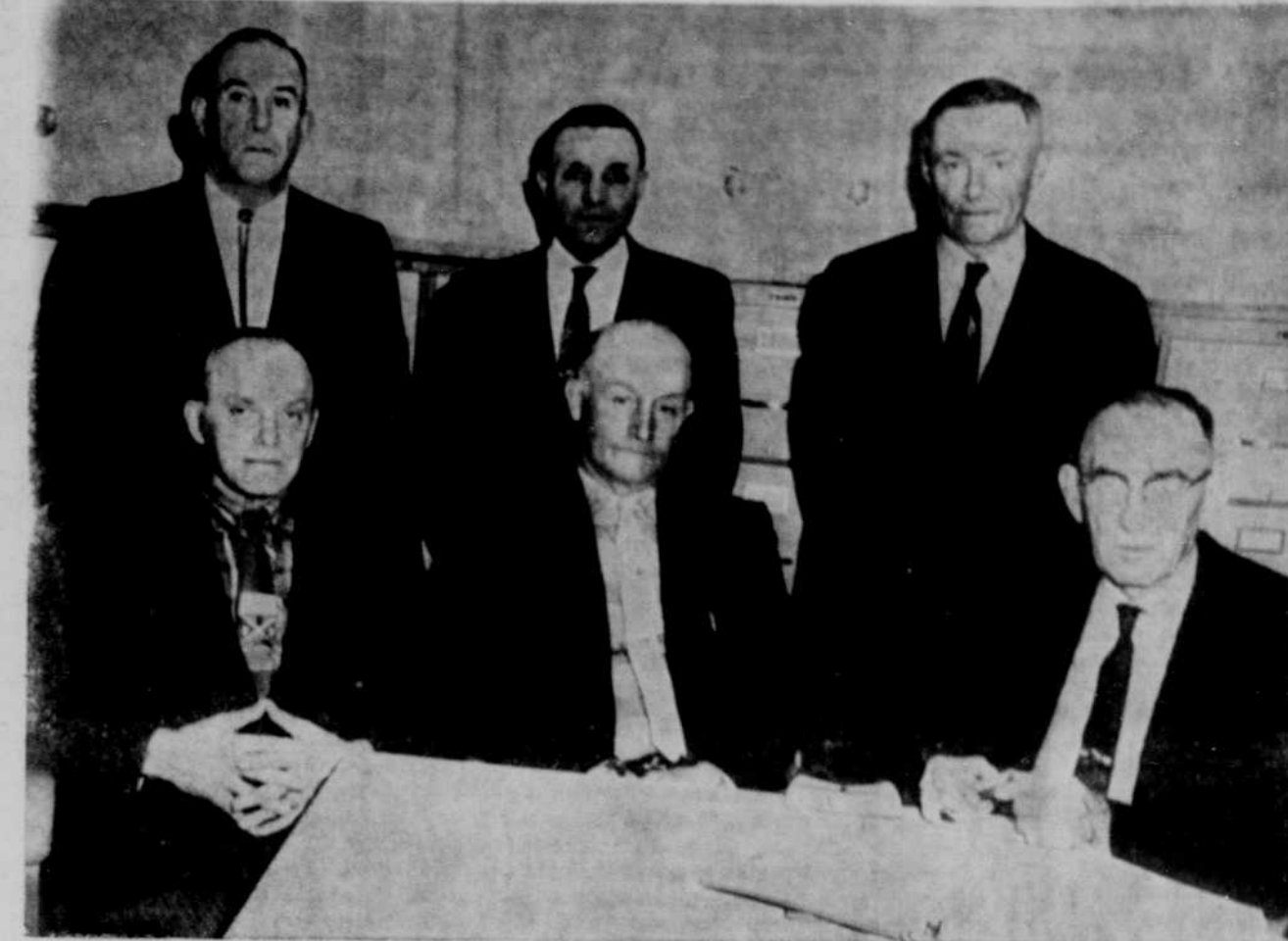
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Funeral services were held Monday morning in O'Neill at St. Patrick's church. Msgr. Timothy O'Sullivan officiated. Interment was in Calvary cemetery.

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OTTO OBERG, president and director from Wheeler County was re-elected to a three year term as director at the 28th annual meeting of the Product on Credit Association held in O'Neill Tuesday. Other board members named were (left to right) front row, Albert Lemmer, Holt county, Otto E. Oberg, Wheeler, James W. Rooney, Manager, (back row) M. L. Gribble, Holt county, Otto Krupicka, Boyd, and Vern Donner, Garfield. Nearly 200 members and guests attended the afternoon meeting. J. E. Arner, assistant vice president of the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of Omaha was guest speaker.



MEEK — Raymond D. Sharp, formerly of Spencer, who is with the U. S. Air Force, recently was promoted to staff sergeant.

He is stationed at French Morocco, Africa, where he has been for the past three years. His family is with him in Africa. His mother, Mrs. John Nolan, and two sisters, Mrs. William Hansen and Mrs. Kenneth Hansen, reside in the Meek community.

Christmas Seal Drive Hits \$1,336

Holt county has contributed \$1,336.50 for the Nebraska Christmas Seal campaign, according to a report from the Nebraska Tuberculosis association.

Only \$16.17 is needed to equal the 1960 amount of \$1,352.67.

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Inman News

By Mrs. James McMahan

Attend Funeral Service Of Sister-in-Law

Mrs. Lewis Kopecky sr. and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis F. Kopecky and son, Dick, went to Omaha Tuesday. On Wednesday they attended the funeral of Mrs. Matt Hudeck, sister of the late Lewis Kopecky sr. Lewis jr. acted as pallbearer. Burial was at Hillcrest Memorial park, Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hupke and son visited Mr. and Mrs. John Mattson Monday afternoon.

Ned Kelley, Omaha, spent the weekend visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Kelley and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Harte and family, Remsen, Ia., spent the weekend visiting Mr. and Mrs. Leo Harte and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Coventry and Bob spent Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Earl Fitch and son at Norfolk. Mr. and Mrs. George R. Coventry, Omaha, were also guests in the Fitch home.

Mrs. Ray Siders, Mrs. Josie Kopecky and Mrs. Violet Stewart visited Mrs. Arthur Hibbs and Lillian at O'Neill Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Tom Cunningham and son Tommy, O'Neill, visited Mrs. Ray Siders Thursday.

Mrs. James McMahan attended a stated meeting of Symphony chapter OES Thursday evening at O'Neill.

Kieth Kivett, Wayne college student, spent the weekend visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vaden Kivett.

Linelle Tompkins, student at Wesleyan university, spent the weekend visiting her grandmother, Mrs. L. R. Tompkins, and other friends.

Mrs. John Hipke and son, O'Neill, visited Mr. and Mrs. Wynn Baldwin Saturday afternoon.

A good crowd attended the Annual Mid-Winter Band concert Tuesday evening at the school auditorium. The band is under the direction of Leonard Sawyer. The girls' chorus, under the