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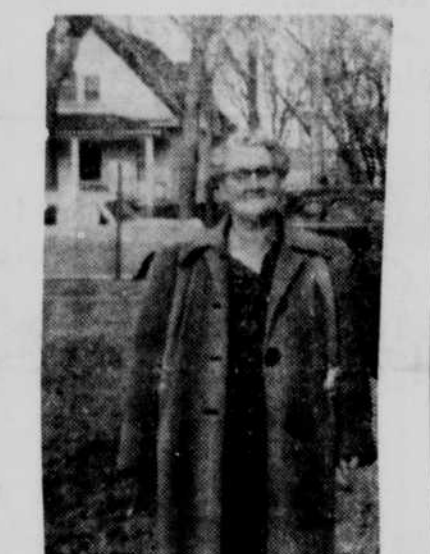
The Schueths . . . he is confined to bed.

Schueths Celebrate

Mrs. Ernest Harris, III 6 Months, Dies

Emmet Farm Woman Expires at Genoa

Mrs. Ernest Harris, 59, died Thursday, October 10, at a Genoa rest home after a six months illness. She had been hospitalized at St. Anthony's hospital and also in Omaha before going to Genoa. Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m., Saturday, October 12, with Rev. Glenn Kennicott, minister, officiating. Burial was in Prospect Hill cemetery under the direction of Biglin's.



Mrs. Harris . . . taken.

accompanied Mrs. Clay Johnson, Jr., and Mrs. Frank Eppelbach, who sang "Whispering Hope" and "The Way of the Cross Leads Home". Pallbearers were Otto Lorenz, Clarence Ernst, William Schmoer, Homer Ernst, Maurice Graham and Floyd Ringer. She was born at Bladen September 21, 1898, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe (Ada Tangard) Stahly. Her father was a native of Switzerland. Her mother came from Illinois. In 1914 she moved to Holt county near Emmet where she resided until her marriage to O'Neill at Ernest Harris of Atkinson on January 14, 1920. Two daughters were born to them. After their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Harris lived on a farm and then for a short time in Atkinson. From 1926 until 1952 they made their home in O'Neill. Since then they made their home south of Emmet. During their early years in O'Neill, Mrs. Harris united with the Methodist church and continued her membership. She was a member of the Royal Neighbors and an active church member. She was preceded in death by her father. Survivors include: Widower—Ernest of Emmet; daughters—Mrs. Kenneth (Beatrice Isabella) Bates of Fairbanks, Ia., Mrs. William (Marie) O'Brien of Pogie; mother—Mrs. Ada Spangler of O'Neill; sisters—Mrs. Carl (Josie) Lorenz of O'Neill, Mrs. Orville (Edith) White of Sioux City, and Mrs. Clarence (Velma) Wilkinson of Fullerton, Calif.; brother—Lavern Stahly of Fowler, Colo.; nine grandchildren.

General Rainfall Received in Area

General rains fell over most of Nebraska and southern South Dakota this week. Page received about three inches late Monday and early Tuesday; Amelia, 1.25. Chambers has received .80 thus far in October.

Weather summary:

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October 10	49	39	.01
October 11	54	42	
October 12	54	47	.01
October 13	66	50	
October 14	59	48	.28
October 15	64	47	.85
October 16	59	42	
Totals			1.15

GOING OVERSEAS
Sfc. James R. Lyons, army recruiter here several years, is being transferred to Europe. His family expects to follow later. This will be Sergeant Lyons first overseas assignment.

Auto Tax Case Goes to High Court

Atkinson Rancher Is Winner in District Court Decision Here

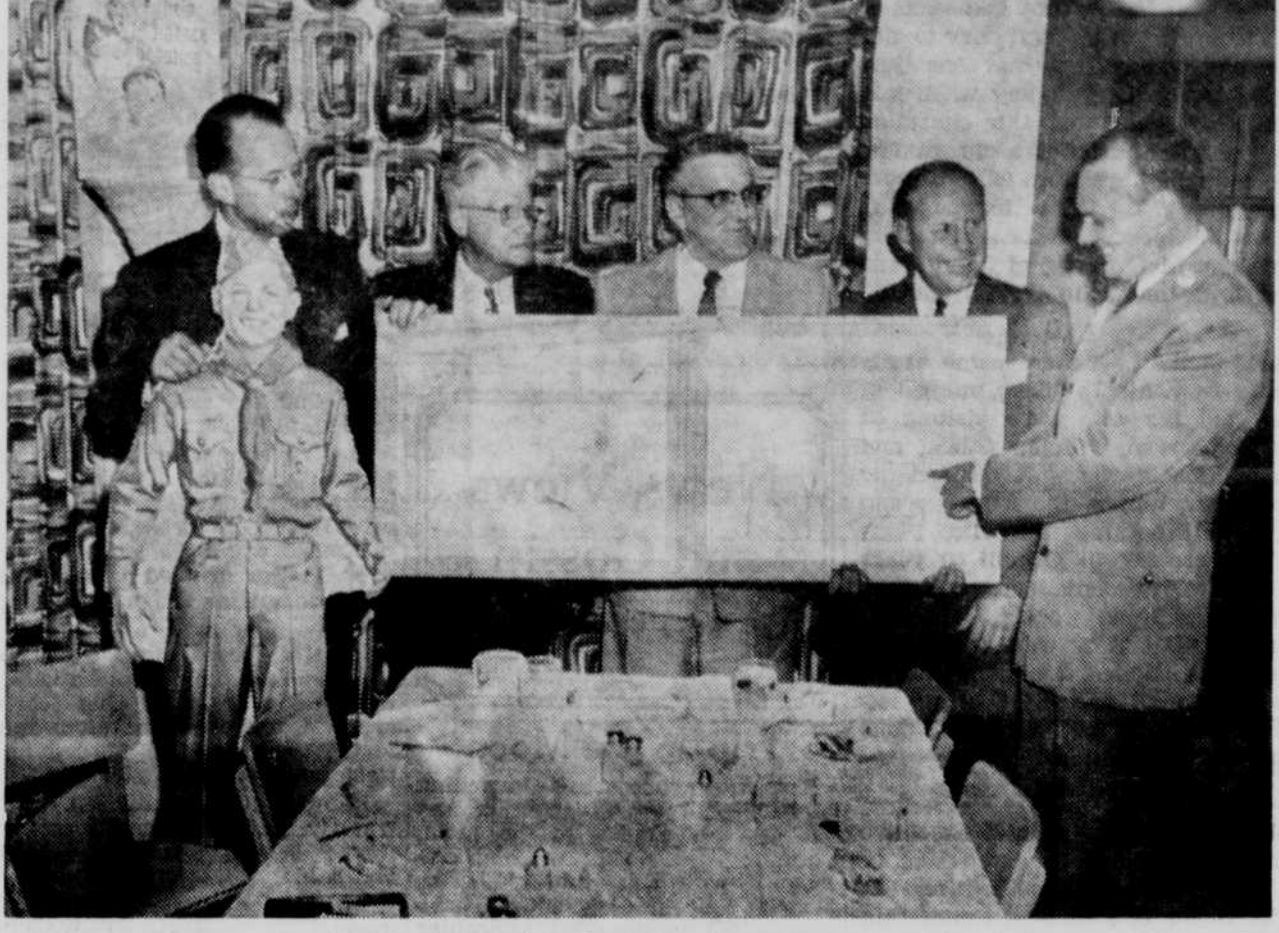
The state supreme court was asked Monday to review a Holt county district judge's ruling that Nebraska's motor vehicle tax law is unconstitutional. Judge D. R. Mounts made the finding of unconstitutionality at O'Neill last month. Observers said the case could have far-reaching effect. The suit was brought by Charles W. Peterson, well-known Atkinson rancher, against J. Ed Hancock, Holt county treasurer; William Wefso, county assessor, and State Engineer L. N. Ross. The action began after Peterson was refused a license for a 1955 Cadillac he had acquired on grounds he had not paid motor vehicle taxes on the machine. Peterson successfully contended that a 1903 law, never repealed, exempted him from paying property taxes on the car.

1903 Law

The 1903 law (section 77-1211 of the 1943 issue revised statutes of Nebraska; described how and when personal property brought into the county after March 10, and prior to July 1, should be listed for taxation that year. The act made no differentiation between motor vehicles and other types of personal property. The law said, among other things, that property brought in after March 10 need not be reported for taxation that year if the property was received in exchange for money or property already listed for taxation that year. Subsequently, however, the legislature set up special statutes covering motor vehicle taxation. These later laws (section 77-1240, 21) did not repeal section 77-1211 but were in conflict with it, Peterson contended. Peterson said he bought the automobile involved July 28, 1955, in exchange for money or property already listed for taxation. He was having to pay motor vehicle taxes on the auto that year, he was the victim of double taxation, he contended. Judge Mounts upheld Peterson and ruled that the later motor vehicle taxing law is unconstitutional and void. The law violates both state and federal constitutional bans against depriving a citizen or money or property without due process of law, the judge ruled.

Hip Fracture Fatal to Louis Kaiser

AMELIA—Funeral services were conducted Friday afternoon, October 11, at the Methodist church here for Louis Kaiser, 51, who suffered a broken hip, which resulted in his death. Mr. Kaiser, the son of Richard Kaiser, had been in a Beatrice home the past three years and it is not known how the accident occurred. Rev. Harold Bonath, pastor, conducted the services. Interment was in the Chambers cemetery. Pallbearers were cousins; Carl Schade, Stanley Thompson, Ronald Watson, Ira Lierman and M. H. Madsen. Mrs. Floyd Adams, Miss Florence Lindsey, Lloyd Waldo and Reverend Bonath, accompanied by Mrs. Clyde Widman, sang "In the Garden", "Old Rugged Cross" and "When the Roll is Called Up Yonder". Survivors include: Father—Richard of Amelia; brothers—Vern and Chester of Harding, Mont., and Art of Amelia; sister—Mrs. Helen Whitcomb of Amelia.



Participating in Scouting finance seminar here: Badger, Mounts, Gandy, Lohr and Miller.—The Frontier Photo.

Heart Attack Fatal to Mrs. F. A. Miles

Came to O'Neill to Reside in 1936

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m., Friday, October 18, for Mrs. Fay Miles, 56. A widow who lived alone at her home here, she became seriously ill late Monday, was transferred by ambulance to St. Anthony's hospital where she died about 6:30 a.m., Tuesday, October 15. Burial will be held at First Presbyterian church and Rev. J. Olen Kinnell will officiate. Burial will be in charge of burial in Prospect Hill cemetery. Pallbearers will be G. C. DeBacker, Lewis Coker, Robert Miles, Arlen Miles, Ray Bosn and Robert Lowery. The late Emerine R. Hudson was born April 17, 1901, at Sparks, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Hudson. She was reared in western Nebraska and taught school at Gordon. On July 12, 1924, at Hot Springs, S. D., she married F. A. Miles. They lived at Chadron before moving to O'Neill in 1936. Mr. Miles died January 21, 1956. For many years he was copublisher of the Holt County Independent. She also preceded in death by her parents; one sister, Edna Seldon, and one brother, Charles. Survivors include one sister, Mrs. L. J. Conklin of Altadena, Calif., who is expected to arrive here today (Thursday) with her husband.



Smokey and a companion, Milton Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Johnson of York, formerly of O'Neill. Photo was taken about five years ago.—The Frontier Photo.

Smokey Calls It Quits

Dakotan Dies of Crash Injuries

SPENCER—Martin J. McCloud, 55, of Marquette, S. D., died Monday night in a Lynch hospital of injuries suffered at 1 a. m. Saturday in a one-car accident on U. S. highway 281 at the Leo Marx corner. McCloud suffered head injuries, brain concussion, jaw fracture and other injuries. He lost control of the car which broke a guard rail and traveled about 100 feet in a ditch and overturned. Dean Havranek and Merle Jansen, both of Spencer, first to reach the scene of the accident, called Marshall Joe Lockett, the injured man was taken in an ambulance to the hospital. This is Boyd county's third fatality this year.

Mounts Illness Delays Jury Trial

District Judge D. R. Mounts suffered two heart attacks Saturday and the following day was admitted to St. Anthony's hospital where attendants say he is "resting comfortably". His illness caused postponement of the William Held vs. Herman Cooke jury trial, which was scheduled to begin at 9 a.m., Monday. Held is seeking 50-thousand-dollar damages from Cooke, alleging Cooke caused Held to be falsely arrested. A new date for the trial will be set. Last Thursday Judge Mounts sentenced Walter C. Gibbs of Kentucky to one year in the men's reformatory at Lincoln. Gibbs had admitted grand larceny at the L. D. Putnam ranch.

LEGION STAG TONIGHT

Simonson post 93 of the American Legion will hold a stag party tonight (Thursday) at the club rooms. Men of the area are invited. Commander George Janousek said.

Two Choices of 'Sputnik Special'

An O'Neill bartender currently is featuring a "Sputnik special" which he also refers to as a satellite surprise—a bit of the lighter side to emerge from Russia's historic launch of an earth satellite. Reports say the customer at the refreshment counter is offered two choices: 1. A trip to the moon. 2. A roundtrip to the moon. Junior Chamber of Commerce meeting Tuesday, October 29, at 7:30 p.m., at the Legion club. All members are urged to attend. Several good films are planned with a Dutch lunch to follow.

Scouting Finance Seminar Held Here

(Photo at left.) The Sandhills Boy Scout district finance seminar was held here Friday evening. Purpose was to acquaint community campaign personnel with the council budget, need for funds and use of campaign materials. Lloyd E. Gandy, of Bassett, district judge of Columbus, president of the council's campaign steering committee, showed film strips and explained importance of recruiting "right men for the job". D. G. Badger of Omaha, administrative assistant executive, explained the 1958 budget. Larry Martin of Bassett, Sandhills executive, told of successes of the kickoff breakfast programs. District Judge D. R. Mounts of O'Neill closed the seminar, urging communities to "do their best". The council territory includes 27 counties in northeast Nebraska. Dale French is O'Neill community finance chairman.

Holt Farm Woman Expires in Hospital

Mrs. Kretschman, 67, Long Ailing

ATKINSON—Mrs. William Kretschman, about 67, longtime resident of this community, died about 4 p.m., Wednesday, October 16, in Methodist hospital at Omaha. She had suffered a lingering illness and had been hospitalized in Atkinson several weeks before being transferred to the Omaha hospital, where she had been treated about three weeks. Seger's funeral home will be in charge of burial arrangements. Mrs. Kretschman's maiden name was Darphine Ringer, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Ringer of Davenport. She was reared at Davenport, farm six miles southeast of here. They had lived in the community about 40 years, and owned and operated their own farm. She was a member of the Presbyterian church. Survivors include: Widower—William, who was near his wife at the time of her death; brother—Ray Ringer of California, who also was in Omaha; sisters—Mrs. Edgar Bates of Oregon and Mrs. Bill Nelson of Milford. Two cousins, Mrs. Lewis Dickau and Mrs. Bill Tasler, live in Atkinson.

Broom Sales to Aid in Eye Transplants

The Lions club will be conducting a "broomarama" in the city Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Brooms will be sold door-to-door and proceeds will be used for an eye bank. Lions in Nebraska and Iowa are cooperating in the movement to transplant eyes of deceased persons to living persons handicapped by lack of vision. The transfer must be made by doctors immediately after the person who is relinquishing the eye expires. One O'Neill man already is in line to receive a "transplant" at Omaha.

Zahradnick Land Grosses \$38,500

The Zahradnick estate land, 480 acres of farmland and pasture, was sold at referee's sale here Tuesday. Charles Dvorak of Atkinson paid \$100.50 per acre for one quarter; \$78.75 for another quarter, and Mildred Zahradnick paid \$60 for the third quarter. The sale grossed \$38,500, according to the referee, John R. Gallagher of O'Neill.

Worth Drive from Coast to See Corn

ROCK FALLS—Mr. and Mrs. John Clausen of Lawndale, Calif., former O'Neill relatives, have been visiting relatives here for two weeks. Mr. Clausen has been so busy helping harvest corn he has been in town only once. "Never saw so much corn in my life," he exclaimed. "Was worth the drive back here just to see the fields."

Report Mercury at 118 in Mexico

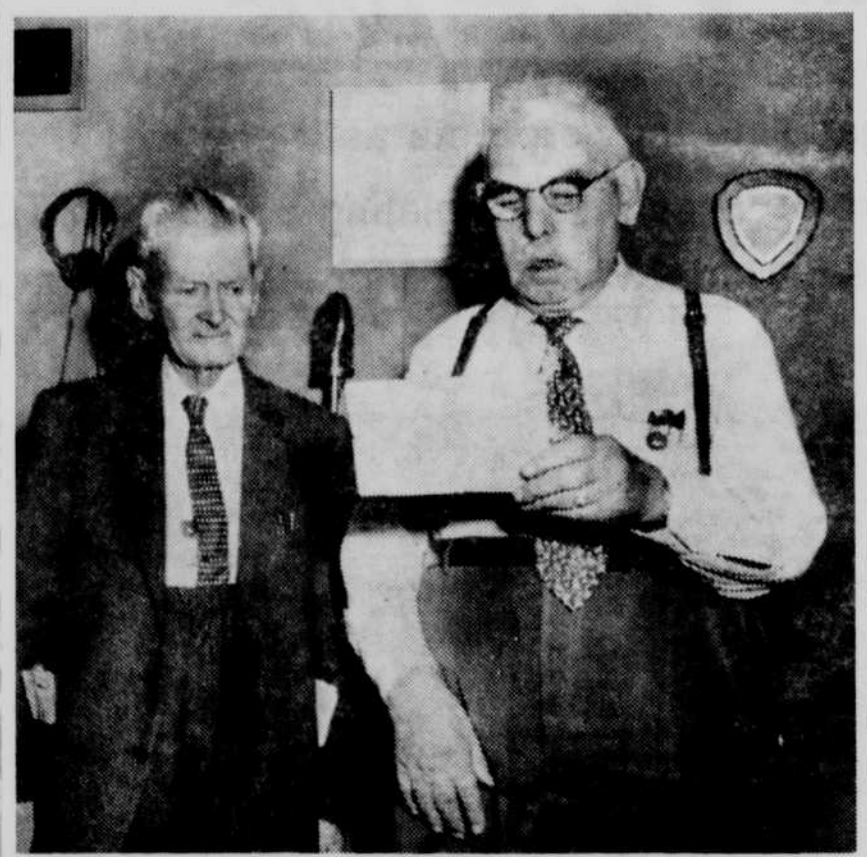
Mr. and Mrs. John F. Pribil returned Tuesday evening from a three-weeks trip through the southwestern states and Mexico. They visited relatives in Arizona, Oklahoma and Missouri, including Grand Canyon and the Boulder dam. Mr. Pribil said the temperature was 118 degrees, one day while in Mexico.

TO VOTE AGAIN

ATKINSON—Voters here will have another chance to vote for or against a municipal swimming pool bond issue proposal. The city council has approved resolutions calling for a special election November 5. Earlier this year the proposal failed to get voter approval by a small margin.

ELECTED PRESIDENT

George M. McCarthy and Andy Goeden drove to Omaha Monday. Mr. McCarthy attended a meeting of the Nebraska Fraternal congress Tuesday. They returned to O'Neill Tuesday night. Mr. McCarthy was elected to the office of president at the meeting.



Blinco, railroader here with Great Northern half-century ago, studies photo of Methodist men's group of 1896 with Gillespie.—The Frontier Photo.



This group consisted of the male membership of the Methodist church here in 1896. Seated in foreground—Leighton Shaw (with instrument) and Smith Merrell; seated second row—George Clark, Homer Nowell (behind Shaw), Rev. E. E. Hossman (with glasses, church pastor), Ernest Adams; standing—Ned Lucie, W. J. Lowrie, Merritt Martin, Ernest Blinco, Mr. Gillespie, Harvey Bentley and John Newman.