All of her nine children were present. One of the daughters, Mrs. Preston Jones, explains, "Because Jones, explains, "Because our mother looks forward each year for her birthday to arrive, each of her chil-dnen makes a special effort to be phesent."

Despite hen advanced years, Ghandma Hull, as she is affectionately known, is well and unusually active. In fact, she served as the hostess at her own birthday party!

A covered dish dinner was served at noon and in the afternoon ice cream and cake

ternoon ice cream and cake were served — a number of cakes being required to serve the throng of relatives and

Mrs. Hull homesteaded near Meek in 1880 and hasresided on the same place continuously. She performs regular household duties and numerous chores and attributes an active life to her longevity.

Among those present for the anniversary affair were:

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hull and Claude Hull and family, of Niobrara; Mr. and Mrs. Guy Hull and family and Mrs. Glen Hull and family, of Lynch; Clyde Hull, of Atkinson; Mr. and Mrs. Arch Hull, of Crookston; Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Hull and family, of Sioux City: Mr. and Mrs. of Sioux City; Mr. and Mrs. Levi Hull, Mr. and Mrs. Ceiil Haynes and daughter, Darlene, and husband and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Everett Hull

MRS. SPELTS, 45,

Grand Island

Mrs. Spelts, the former Emma

Cerney, was born at Gregory,

Wood River cemetery.



Mrs. Sarah E. Hull . . the hostess at her 92d birthday party.

and family, all of Parmalee; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Miller and son and Mrs. Dean Daughty and sons, of Boone, Ia.; Mr. and Mrs. Leon Mellor and daughters and Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Bjornson and family, of Redbird; Mr. and Mrs. Preston Jones and family, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Devall and daughters Mr. ly, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Devall and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Crumley and son, Mr. and Mrs. Loyal Hull and family, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Crawford and family, of Phoenix; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nelson. Mrs. Paul Nelson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kaczor and son. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Walls and family of Kaczor and son. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Wells and family, of Redbird; Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Crawford and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Ross, Will Harvey, May McGowan, Mrs. Elizabeth Nelson, Mrs. Henry Lamb and Mrs. Mary Newton, of Saco, Mont.; Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Orr and son, Melvin, and Clifford Haynes, of Dustin; Mrs. Christina Walters and Clinton McMillan.

at Church of Epiphany CORN NEEDS TIME Rev. Lane Installed **CANCER VICTIM**

Wife of Former O'Neill
Lumberman Dies at

EMMET — Rev. Joseph Lane, formerly of Peetz, Colo., was formally installed as pastor at the Church of the Epiphany at 3 p. m. Sunday. Rt. Rev. J. G. McNamara, of O'Neill, was in

The congregation was well-Mrs. William T. Spelts, 45, wife of a former O'Neill lumber- visiting priests were also pres-

Island hospital where she had been confined during an extend- John J. O'Brien, who has been ed illness caused by cancer.

Funeral services will be held
Friday afternoon in Grand Is-

Omaha Hospital its immature condition-

S. D., on February 28, 1902. She was reared and educated there and on February 25, 1925 she was married in Gregory to Wilbile accident near Ewing Sun- of rye and wheat. Mr. and Mrs. Spelts came to O'Neill hospital tomorrow (Fri-O'Neill from Shelton in Febru- day) and taken to an Omaha reach the markets slightly earli-

under the firm name of control while he was enroute ket. Keith Abart, of tht Fredto Norfolk to meet his wife, erickson Livestock Commission Spelts-Ray Lumber company.

In December, 1946, Mrs. Spelts entered a Grand Island hospital entered a Grand Island hospital of the suntered automobile was expected to start there. where she remained until her

mother, Mrs. Emma Cerney, of Attend Unit Reunion -

Gregory; sister, Mrs. Lewis, of Denver. Colo.; brother, James Cerney, of Gregory. Another from North Platte where they business buildings. Mr. Spelts now resides in Grand Island where he is operating a lumber ward brother. Joseph Cerney, pre- had attended a reunion of the

Miss Harbottle Departs

Woman's Club in

erating a lumber yard.

Survivors include: widower;

The O'Neill Woman's club held its first fall meeting at the home of Mrs. J. D. Osenbaugh Wednesday afternoon when a guest tea was held. The hostesses for the affair were Mrs. e. L. Sherbahn, Mrs. Harrison Bridge and Mrs. Bennett Gilles-

After a musical program, tea was served with the president, Mrs. Paul Shierk, and the past-president, Mrs. H. L. Lindberg, pouring.

3 Additional College-Bound Students Named

Other college - bound O'Neill students, in addition to those listed in The Frontier last week, include:

Joan Brady, to Doane college, Crete; Kathleen Flood, to St. ary's college, Xavier, Kans.; Roy D. Johnson, to Augustana college, Rock Island, Ill.

REV. SMITH COMING

Rev. Ward Smith, of Chambers. will appear in the pulpit at the First Presbyterian church here at 11 a. m. Sunday, church officials have announced.

Enroll at Creighton -George Hammond and Edward Campbell drove to Omaha Wednesday to register at Creighton university. They were accom-panied by Mrs. Hammond and Mrs. Ira H Moss. Among other students who registered were Robert and Stephen Wallace and James Merriman Formal classes

will begin Monday.

man, died Tuesday in a Grand ent.

land, and burial will be in the Accident Victim Goes

William Jutte, of Chambers, have put fields in "excelwho was injured in an automoary, 1943 following Mr. Spelts hospital for further treatment. easiness in regard to the mar-

The Jutte automobile was here next week.

badly damaged.

C. W. Porter and Ira H. Moss

Miss Mildred Harbottle left Friday for her home in Pomona. Calif., after having visited her First Fall Meeting brother, John Harbottle, and Mrs. Harbottle for four weeks.



DONNA MAE IS 15

Donna Mae Fuhrer (above), O'Neill polio victim who gained widespread recognition in May in a nationwide radio broadcast by Ted Malone, tomorrow (Friday) observe her 15th birthday anniversary at her home two miles east of O'Neill.

Miss Fuhrer was born in Boyd county and moved to a farm east of O'Neill when she was a small girl.

The Neighbor Lady, of ra-dio station WNAX at Yankton, S. D., will be present for the celebration beginning at at 1:30 p. m.-O'Neill Photo.

FRED JUNGMAN

World War I Vet

the annual countywide convention held in Memorial hall here. More than 150 persons attended

Commander Jungman succeeds Paul ("Slats") Beha, of O'Neill, also a World War I

Mrs. Eugene V. Hickok, of

Atkinson, was reelected presi-

Every post in the county was represented at the meeting,

wnich was highlighted with a talk by Roy Lang, of Lincoln, of

the state department. His talk

dwelt principally on veterans'

rarley-Tuschla post served re-freshments to the visitors late

Commander Jungman's son,

Robert, was killed in action in

the European theater of operations during World War II.

Hotel Property Sold —
CHAMBERS—Mrs. Harve Lee recently sold the hotel property in Chambers to Mr. and Mrs.

Paul Roth. The new owners

are repairing and remodeling the structure for future use.

TO ESCAPE FROST

3 Weeks 'Grace' Needed

to Mature Short Crop

and Assure Yield

Holt county farmers have crossed their index fingers and

They want a two- to three-weeks' "grace" period before the weatherman dishes up a

killing frost. Most observers re-

port that the already short corn

a frost at this time because of

crop would not stand up under

lent" condition for fall seeding

An undertone indicates that

The week's weather summary,

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PAGE - Claude Hamilton.

about 50, a native of the Page vicinity and a farmer near here

was attributed to a heart ail-

He had been visiting with rel-

showed no outward signs of ill-

Funeral services were held

Tuesday at Early and burial was made there.

Mr. Hamilton was a son of Mr. and Mrs. William Hamilton.

Survivors include: Sisters.

Mrs. George Drey, of Early,
and Sister M. Cartilla, of Grand

Island; brother, Cyrl, of Califor-

attending the funeral were:
Mr. and Mrs. Dee Graff, Miss
Laura Graff, Ronald Graff, Mr.
and Mrs. Arthur Graff, Mr. and
Mrs. Lyndley Crumley, Mr. and
Mrs. R. D. Crumley, LaVern

Van Conet, and Bernard Allen, all of Page; and Mr. and Mrs.

REDBIRD- Mrs. Peter More

has received word from her son,

Kenneth, who has been station-

ed at the naval air station at

Whidbey Island, Wash., that he

is being transferred to Kodiak,

Percy Graff, of Ewing.

Gets Alaska Transfer

Among Holt county relatives

72 57

50

Dies Suddenly

at 8 a. m. daily, follows.

September 12

September 13

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September 16 ...

September 18 88

Ex-Page Farmer

are hoping.

ganization.

in the evening.

THE FRONTIER

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Elkhorn Yields After a Struggle

NEW LEGION HEAD For a month a crew of Omaha workmen, representing the Charles Roebeck Construc-Succeeds Paul Beha tion company, has been making smooth progress on the job of linking O'Neill's water mains with the city's new twin wells two miles south of as County Commander; ATKINSON- Fred Jungman. Atkinson stockman and World War I veteran, Monday night was elected commander of the Holt county American Legion at

A defiant Elkhorn river, refusing to be tunneled without a struggle, held up the workmen for two weeks before finally yielding to the men and their machines.

Laying a pipe-line six-feet under the river bed is not an easy process, and scores of O'-Neillites have been parading in their automobiles across the Elkhorn river bridge on the south outskirts of the city from where they have had an

excellent vantage point.

A dam was built a few yards below the state highway 281 bridge and the water was diverted initially through the dam by means of a highway culvert. Although the culvert affairs. Plans were also discussed for the annual Second district convention, which will be held in the new \$25,000 Legion building at O'Neill on October 12 successfully conducted the water, the ditchdigging and dewatering (removing water from the ditch) were a failure because of quicksand.

Dam Built Upstream
Finally, the workmen were
obliged to go upstream nearly three-quarters of a mile to a point where in years gone by the river had changed its course. With their machines another dam was erected and the entire flow of water was diverted from the new river

channel back into the old. At the site of the first dam, 2x10 timbers were driven vertically into the river bed, forming a cribbing. Unmolested by the quicksand, the workmen resumed digging the ditch six feet below the river's sand bed.

TRAGEDY MARS BOULDER VISIT

PAGE - Tragedy recently marred a "stop-over" visit at Boulder, Colo., for Mr. and Mrs. Otto Matschullat, of Page, who were returning from a five-weeks' trip to the West coast.

The Matschullats were visiting Mr. Matschullat's brother. Fred, and tamily when the nine-year-old daughter of the Boulder couple accidently shot her seven-year-old sister. The wounded child aled the fol-

The father of the dead child was born and reared at Page.

Gottfried Huth

September 11 after only a few Butte. days' illness. Rev. Jensen. of The mercury made news once Norfolk, conducted services at a send Lynch and Stuart into a funeral home on Sunday and tie. this week with a drop to 36-degrees during the early hours burial was in the new Lutheran Meanwhile, Chambers, the Monday. Fires were common cemetery in Norfolk.

1906 and after three years he sports turn to page 7.) based on 24-hour periods ending and his wife came to the United States to make their home Return from California -

> Chambers community and a sis- in Los Angeles, Calif. ter living in Germany.

TITLE RUNNING

First - Half Winner in Holt-Boyd Loop Not Yet Determined

Just as everyone had practically conceded Lynch as the best entry in the conference, Chambers toppled the Boyd county ans twice to gain the secondhalf title.

A postponed game stood between Lynch and the first-half Dies at Norfolk championship. The belated opthe Boyd countyans suffered a CHAMBERS-A long-time res- setback. As a result, Stuart ident of the Chambers commu- moves into the first-half lead nity, Gottfried Huth, 67, died at with only one defeat and a he Lutheran hospital in Norfolk game yet to be played with

A Stuart win would clinch the the United Lutheran church, of title, but a Butte win would

second-half winner, is primed Mr. Huth was a native of for the three-game title series Gilve, Germany, where he grew which will be played after the to manhood. He was married in Stuart-Butte meeting. (For more

They settled on their farm Mrs. Arthur Brinkman and southeast of Chambers where he son. Richard, returned Sunday spent the remaining years of his from a month's visit at the Besides his wife, the surviv- Gladys Walsh, in San Francisco, ors include a brother in the Calif., and with other relatives

John Phalin. of Los Angeles, Mrs. Mary Wetzler is visiting Calif.. visited his mother, Mrs. Mich., was a guest at the home relatives in Gregory, S. D., this departing F iday.

Mrs. Mary Wetzler is visiting Calif.. visited his mother, Mrs. Mich., was a guest at the home of Cecil Spry Wednesday. She is enroute to Ferndale. Wash.

LYNCH OUT OF

The Holt-Boyd baseball championship hangs in the balance as the result of a peculiar set of



Crossing river with pipeline is not an easy task. Dewatering is done through a surface pipe with suction through vertical pipes. William Barnett, Omaha Negro (extreme right), is a novelty to O'Neill youngsters . . . the only colored man in town.

Developments during the past 24 hours indicate that the frustrated pipe - layers would finally win the battle with the Elkhorn. Barring an unseasonal flood, in which event dams, culverts and machinery would be swept away, the Omahans will soon be on the last leg of their journey to the water wells.

That is, assuming that the ol' man river will be cooperative when it comes time to return him to his new channel, and that the crossing of the old channel will be less difficult than the first.



through a highway culvert .-The Frontier Photos by John H. McCarville.

School Hearing Plans Unchanged

Plans for the hearing on the reappraisal of Holt county's 77,000 acres of school lands, to be conducted by a representative of the state bord of educational lands and funds, remain unchanged this week following a switch in arrangements announced a

The hearing was initially set for the courtroom in the courthouse on September 18. Board Secretary Henry H. Bartling announced that the hearing would be postponed until next Thursday, September 25.

Meanwhile, Holt county officers say that the courtroom will not accomodate the county's 200-odd leaseholders and the hearing will have to be transferred to the O'Neill

public school auditorium. The session will begin at 9 a. m. Mrs. Earl Yenglin, of Romeo

STAR WOMAN, 42, DIES OF CANCER

100%

PRICE 5 CENTS

Paid in Advances

Mrs. Charles V. Cole. a Postmaster, Leaves 4 Children

STAR-Mrs. Charles V. Cole. 42, the Star postmaster for the wednesday at the family home near here. Death for the mother of four children followed a 312-year illness which had developed into cancer.

Funeral services will be helde at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Methat 2 p.m. Saturday in the Methodist church here with Rev. Lloyd W. Mullis, church pastor, officiating. Bu ial will be in the Star cemetery.

The late Mrs. Cole, the former Floramae Harzke, was born at Schuyler on May 21 1905.

at Schuyler on May 21, 1905.
Her parents were Mr. and Mrs.
Herman Harzke. She was reared at Wood River.
She came to Holt county in

1923 from Wood River and in-June, 1925, she married Mr. Cole in a ceremony that took place in the Methodist church in O'Neill.

They became the parents of five children, four of whom survive. They are Carol Cleone. 19. Delta Edean, 18, Claude Alton and Brenda Evonne, all of star. A son, Ridgeway Lloyd, died at the age of two weeks. Other survivors are the wid-ower; father, Herman Harzke, of Star; mother, Mrs. Fenette Thompson, of Sioux City; sister, Mrs. John Clark, of Manchester,

Okla., and one half-sister, Mrs.
Rose Marie Sportsman of Kansas City, Mo.
The pallbearers will be Arthur Alm, Richard Marston, William Derickson, sr., Ewalt Spangler, Ewalt Miller and L. A. Hansen.

Holt and Tri-County Prize-Winning Calves Entered at Ak-Sar-Ben

At least 21 4-H club calves have already been entered in the well - known Ak-Sar-Ben-nvestock exposition which will be held in Omaha September 27 through October 4.

Included among the entries will be Black Diamond, an 18-Elkhorn flood victims would not believe that the river's normal flow could be carried er Holt and Tri-County fair. prize-winners will also compete.

Lutherans Plan All-Day Mission Festival Sunday

An all-day mission festival will be held at the O'Neill public school auditorium Sunday under the sponsorship of the Christ Lutheran church here, according to Rev. Clyde O. Cress, church pastor.

There will be special music.

and songs by the church choir.
Rev. W. Hartman, of Ainsworth,
an ex-U. S. Army chaplain, and
Rev. Cress will be the speakers-

Golden Rod Club Hears X-Ray Plan

The Golden Rod Project club held a regular business meeting Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Lowell A. Johnson, There were 14 members and two guests present.

Mrs. Johnson gave a talk on the highlights of the mobile xray machine unit that is arriving here next month.

Afterwards, the guests held a surprise birthday anniversary party for Mrs. Bessie Wayman.

Dietician Departs for Post at Yale

PAGE—Mrs. L. G. Bernholtz and daughters, Velma and Bonnie, drove to Sioux City last week from where Bonnie went to New Haven, Conn., to take up her work as dietician in one of the dining halls at Yale university.

Pern'oltz and Velma returned to Page the following day. Velma left for Lincoln Saturday to take up her work at the Unive sity of Nebraska.

Dierks Goes to Land Meet in Rapid City

Lyle P. Dierks, representative of the National Farm Loan association at O'Neill. will attend a four-state 30th anniversary,
Federal Land bank convention
at Lapid City, S. D., September

The two-day meeting will see presidents and secretary-treas-urers of all 200 National Farm Loan associations in Iowa, Nebraska, South Dakota and Wyoming holding a joint convention for the first time in history. Nationally known speakers will discuss the growth and future of cooperative credit organization. As a delegate from the Elk-horn Valley association, Mr. Dierks will represent the cooperatives' 523 members in Boyd, Holt and Wheeler counties.

Mr. and Mrs. Dierks will leave for Rapid City Wednes-

4-Hers Highlight Holt Fair Donald Fullerton, of Amel-

until a few years ago, was dis-The 4-H role in the 55th covered dead in bed Friday at annual Holt county fair, his home in Early, Ia. Death which closed Friday at Chambers, was easily the highlight of the exposition, officials announced this week. Fair-goatives the night before and ers are still talking about the exhibits and judging.

Observers said that one

of the most striking exhibits was the array of 4-H dairy cattle. The Happy Hollow club, of Ewing, contributed most of the entries with others coming from C'Neill and Chambers. Holsteins. Shown were Guernseys, Jerseys and Brown Swiss breeds. The grand champion dairy heifer honors went to a Holstein owned by Catherine Helmrick, of Orchard.

Reserve honors were won by Velma Abney, of Ewing, with a Guernsey entry. Har-lan Nielson, of O'Neill, entered a champion Brown Swiss bull calf.

Billy Sitz, of Atkinson, showed the grand champion baby beef, an Angus steer, while Clifford Boettcher, of Atkinson, showed the reserve champion baby beef, a Hereford steer.

showed the grand champion stocker-feeder galf. and Gary Small, of Amelia, showed the reserve champion. In breeding classes, grand champion heifer of all breeds was shown by Nyal Rouse, of Chambers, and the champion was shown by Phylis Woods, of Ewing. Both champion and reserve champion were Herefords Nyal Rouse also showed

Wins Two Ribbons In the sheep division, Bob-by Beelsert, of Page, showed two lambs and received a

champion cow and calf.

Three 4-H'ers showed horses in the saddle stock division shown by Charlotte McVay, of Ewing, and reserve champ-ion by Phylis Wood, of Ew

The livestock showmanship contest was of special interest to many. Antelope County Agent W. A. bu-chanan, of Neligh, did the Individuals were judging. udged on handling and showing the calf as well as

It was necessary to demon-strate their ability by changing calves in the rink and showing another own-The champier's animal. on showmanship ribbon went to Don Fullerton, of Amelia. The second place ribbon went to Gary Small, of Amelia; third, to Elton Gunter, of Ewing: fourth, to Ronald Ressel, of O'Neill, and fifth, to Kenneth Small, champion cow and calf with of Amelia. Pilly Sitz showing reserve

The champion judge was Don ("Pete") Hoffman, of Chambers, with El-mer Schwager, of Ewing, sec-ond, and Wayne Hoffman, of Ewing, third. Other entries in the live-

stock division were: Tommy Ressel. Ronald Ressel, and Donald Ressel, of O'Neill; Robert Green, of Chambers; Charles Atkinson, Melvin Atkinson, and Donald Atkinson, of Chambers; Elmer Schwagr. of Ewing: Charlotte Mc-Vay, Ewing; Phylis Wood and Wood, of Ewing; Donald Hoffman and Diane Hoffman, of Chambers; Wayne Hoffman and Kathryn Hoff-

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