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Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Sageser . . . Amelia ranch couple mark golden wedding date.—O'Neill Photo Co.



SAGESERS HOLD OPEN HOUSE

Friends and Relatives Come from Distance for Observance

SPECIAL TO THE FRONTIER
AMELIA — More than 100 guests called on Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Sageser Sunday — the date of their golden wedding observance. The Sagesers were married March 17, 1898 at Amelia, but they deferred their 50th wedding anniversary celebration for 11 days in order that some of their relatives could attend.

The interior of the home was decorated with bouquets of daffodils and yellow roses presented by relatives and close friends. Mrs. Sageser wore an orchid corsage presented to her by 2 grandsons.

A. E. Sammons, of Amelia, the bestman at the nuptial rite a half-century ago, was one of the special guests. The late Mrs. Harry White was the maid-of-honor. Mr. White, who presented Mrs. Sageser with her first dishes, was also a special guest.

Refreshments consisting of ice cream, cake, coffee and mint were served.

Among those coming from a distance were: Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Sageser, of Sedro Wooley, Wash.; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Erickson and daughter, Shirley, and Mr. and Mrs. Morris Nelson, all of Minneapolis, Minn.; Mr. and Mrs. John Lamason and Miss Marie Heiss, all of Page; Mr. and Mrs. William Arnholt, of Bassett; Mrs. Charley Petersen, of Atkinson; Floyd Sageser, of Manhattan, Kans.; Mr. and Mrs. A. Bower Sageser and Sandra, of Manhattan, Kans., and Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Sancher, of Ainsworth.

The Sagesers have 2 sons, Vernon, who operates the ranch, and A. Bower, a professor at Kansas State college.

Mr. Sageser is 80 and Mrs. Sageser is 70. Both enjoy "excellent" health.

'NEW LOOK' FOR EWING STREET

EWING — Ewing's main street is getting that "new look". Three new buildings are under construction. Vic Marquardt's new IGA store is about ready for occupancy. Mayor Clyde Allen's new Gamble store, a "twin" to the new IGA building, will be completed before summer. Ground was broken last week for the new Rocky Implement building.

A feature of the groundbreaking was the removal of a 30-ton tree, engineered by John Ruther and Lloyd Black, of Ewing, who were ably coached by numerous spectators. Rocky's old building, which was destroyed last fall by fire, has been purchased by Hans Petersen, who plans to remodel it.

2 FAMILIES MOVE IN

INMAN—Rev. J. W. Clapper, recent pastor of the Assembly of God church at O'Neill, moved to Inman with his family last week. They are occupying the M. T. Hopkins house. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Smith and family, of Clearwater, have also moved here and are living in the Mrs. Myrtle Young house in the south part of town.

PEO Luncheon—

Mrs. R. L. Bode, Mrs. C. E. Lundgren and Mrs. Ralph Rickly were hostesses to Chapter BU, PEO Sisterhood at a one o'clock luncheon today (Thursday). The regular meeting and initiation was held at the home of Mrs. Lundgren.

Weekend in Kansas—

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Lorenz spent the weekend in Beloit, Kans., visiting Mrs. Lorenz's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bowles.

Weekend guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Moran were her sister, Mrs. Ralph Zahn and sons, Dick and Don, of Nebraska City.

Holt Countyans Perspire and Freeze During 48 Hours

Holt countyans during the past week wiped perspiration from their brows last Thursday and less than 48 hours later they drained water from their automobile radiators and clung close to the fires. All because the midwest's weatherman, ed up extremes in temperatures ranging from a high of 78 degrees to a low of 15 degrees between midday Thursday and early Saturday.

Precipitation accompanying the changeable weather was negligible, although a light snow covered the ground early Saturday. In other sections of the state highway travel was especially hazardous because of sleet.

The week's weather summary, based on 24-hour periods ending at 8 a. m. daily, follows:

	Hi	Lo	Moist.
April 25	78	47	
April 26	72	25	
April 27	29	15	
April 28	47	24	
April 29	69	31	
April 30	56	33	
April 31	64	26	

RETURN BODIES OF 2 HOLT SOLDIERS

First War Dead Being Returned to Ewing and Atkinson

The bodies of 2 Holt county World War II dead are being returned to the United States for final burial. The bodies are those of Pfc. Warren M. Woepel, of Ewing, and Pvt. Robert W. Miller, of Atkinson.

The body of Private Woepel arrived in New York City aboard the John L. McCarty carrying 2,619 bodies from Cherbourg, France. Virtually all of the bodies were taken from D-day military cemeteries in Normandy.

Private Woepel entered the service in December, 1943, with the ground forces. He died near St. Lo on July 13, 1944, at the age of 21. Final burial will be in the Maxwell national cemetery, his relatives have announced.

Survivors are: Parents—Mr. and Mrs. Walter Woepel, of Ewing; brother—Russell; sisters—Betty and Marilyn.

The deceased Atkinson soldier is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude I. Miller, of near Atkinson. Private Miller was a member of the Fifth Marine division and was killed March 19, 1945, in the assault and capture of Iwo Jima, a strategic island in the southwest Pacific. He was 19.

Private Miller's body arrived at San Francisco, Calif., on March 22. A period of 2 weeks was to have elapsed before the body would be forwarded from Kansas City, Mo., to the final destination.

A memorial service for Private Miller was conducted on August 19, 1945, in the Methodist church at Atkinson, Rev. W. C. Birmingham in charge.

Private Woepel's body is the first of the World War II dead to be returned to Ewing, and Private Miller's body is the first to be returned to Atkinson under the government's plan.

CALLED TO ARIZONA

Mrs. Ina Wolfe departed Wednesday for Winslow, Ariz., where she was summoned to be near her sister, Mrs. M. G. Wright, who is ill.

Entertain at Inman—

Mr. and Mrs. A. Neil Dawes and family and Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Bredemeier and family were Easter Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Tompkins, in Inman.

Mr. and Mrs. Arlo Hiatt took their son, Gordon, and Marvin Holslaw, Marjorie McElhaney, and Donna Rae Clements to Lincoln on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. William McIntosh and son spent the Easter weekend in Meadow Grove and Madison.

INTEREST LAGS IN CITY ELECTION

Coyne Only Candidate for Mayor on the Ballot

O'Neill voters will go to the polls Tuesday to elect a mayor, 3 members of the city council, 2 members of the board of education, a city clerk, a city treasurer and a police magistrate. But interest is slim and the election at this point is generally regarded as only a formality.

Hugh E. Coyne, veteran hardware merchant, a former mayor and a former councilman, was literally "drafted" for mayor at a businessmen's caucus a fortnight ago. The present mayor, F. J. Dishner, earlier had declined to seek reelection.

Petitions grew out of the caucus (O'Neill's first in many years) and the following filed as petition candidates:

For mayor: Hugh E. Coyne. For city council: First ward—James Corlke; Second—Merle Hickey; Third—James W. Rooney, (all incumbents). For board of education: Ira H. Moss and Hugh J. Birmingham, (incumbents). For city clerk: O. D. French, (incumbent). For city treasurer: John C. Watson.

For police magistrate: H. W. Tomlinson, (incumbent). All of the city posts to be voted on are for 2-year terms. The school posts are for 3-year terms.

Meanwhile, Birmingham has declined to be a candidate for the school board and only Moss's name will appear on the ballot. E. F. Quinn, present city treasurer, is not a candidate for reelection.

Dishner was elected mayor in 1946, succeeding John Kershenbrock. Dishner served 1 other term prior to World War I.

Douglas Endorsed by Both Parties

ATKINSON — Dr. W. J. Douglas, ex-mayor of Atkinson who was defeated 2 years ago by Frank J. Brady by a margin of 2 votes, has been endorsed by both the Citizens' and People's parties in the municipal election next Tuesday. He is unopposed for mayor. Frank J. Brady, incumbent, is not a candidate for reelection.

A petition bearing Robert Keating's candidacy for mayor had been filed earlier, but Keating declined to run.

Meanwhile, there will likely be interest in races for 3 city council and 2 school posts.

Ralton Jarvis, incumbent of the Citizens' party, is opposed by Arthur Humpal, of the People's party, for the First ward council post. Carroll C. Raymer, incumbent, has been endorsed by both parties for the Second ward post. Hugh O'Connor, incumbent Third ward councilman, will be opposed by Fred Mack, of the Citizens' party.

Alfred J. Lemmer and Mike J. Brady are candidates for board of education posts for the Citizens' party, and Leo F. Seger is a People's party choice for 1 of the posts.

4 School, 6 City Candidates at Ewing

EWING—The city and school board posts at Ewing are not wanting for candidates in the April 6 election. There are 4 seeking berths on the board of education and there are 6 names on the city ballot. Two will be named to each board.

The board of education aspirants are: M. B. Hoffman, Lyle Mitchell, George Adrian and C. D. Vogel. The city council candidates are: E. L. Welke, M. B. Hoffman, Art Ruroede, William Spence, C. D. Davis and Waldon Davis.

The school posts are for 2-year terms; the city posts for 3-year terms.

Marriage Licenses

Edwin H. Hubbard, 26, and Donna Mae Shavlik, 19, both of Chambers on March 25.

Harry H. Neiman, 22, and Elaine Maxine Meyer, 19, both of Atkinson, on March 27.

Max E. Hamik, 28, of Omaha, and Agnes A. Judge, 22, of Atkinson on March 27.

Gathering at Russ Home—

Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Russ entertained the following guests on Easter Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hutton, of Wayne; Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Hutton and daughter, Vicki Sue, of Inman; Mr. and Mrs. William Luben, of Emmet, and Mrs. John Luben and daughter, Carolyn Ann, of Crawford.

Mail Carrier 39 Years Retires

By Mrs. E. R. Carpenter
SPECIAL TO THE FRONTIER
CHAMBERS—H. B. Burch, a veteran rural mail carrier out of O'Neill and Chambers post-offices, Wednesday completed 39 years of service. Effective today (Thursday), he joins the ranks of the retired.

Mr. Burch's first job as a mail carrier was on the O'Neill to Dorsey star route. After 2 years he transferred to the O'Neill to Chambers run, which he carried for 1 year.

On August 1, 1912 he began his career as a carrier on rural route 1, working north out of O'Neill. While on this route he abandoned the horse and buggy in lieu of the automobile.

He worked the O'Neill route 1 for 21 years and transferred to the Chambers route in June, 1933.

For 15 years he carried the mail to 75 families on the Chambers route, which is 30 miles in length.

During his 39 years as mail carrier, Mr. Burch has encountered many obstacles and has



H. B. Burch . . . regarded by many as the 'special mail man'.—O'Neill Photo Co.

permeated in overcoming most of them. He has been a steadfast upholder of the tradition that "the mail must go through."

Patrons say he has carried mail through storms and over bad roads and that he rarely failed to deliver mail to each box. Many times he has been obliged to "back track," driving considerably out of his way. Some of his patrons tell of occasions when Mr. Burch would walk quite a distance to deliver mail in order to keep his service record intact.

In 1935-36, when unusually deep snow blanketed the county through most of the winter months, he frequently made the trip with a team of horses and a bobsled.

Mr. Burch, however, is not impressed with his own record. He insists that "there have been compensations for his trouble." Among these, he says, are the eager children awaiting him at their boxes and many of these children, now adults, regard him as their "special mail man."

George L. Smith, Mr. Burch's substitute, took over the route today and will serve until a new carrier is appointed.

PLANS READIED FOR TAFT VISIT

Wife of Ohio's GOP Presidential Aspirant Will Talk Here

Plans are being completed for the O'Neill visit of Mrs. Robert A. Taft on Tuesday, April 6. The wife of the Ohio presidential aspirant will arrive at about 11:30 a. m. She will lunch and talk informally before a mixed audience at the American Legion auditorium before her departure at 2:30 p. m.

Mrs. Taft will be accompanied by a party of about 10 persons. Meanwhile, her husband, Sen. Taft, will be touring the central and southern portion of the state.

Senator Taft's name is among 7 on the Nebraska Republican preferential primary ballot. The election is April 13.

A luncheon will be served for Mrs. Taft and party by the American Legion auxiliary at the Legion club at noon.

At 12:45 p. m., Mrs. Taft will talk to the group, discussing pertinent election issues.

Guy Cole, of Emmet, chairman of the Holt county Taft-for-President club, said Wednesday that the O'Neill visit of Mrs. Taft is the only preprimary appearance of well-known personages on behalf of presidential candidates scheduled for this part of the state.

Mrs. Cole is in charge of reservations for the luncheon. Persons wishing tickets are requested to contact Mrs. Cole at Emmet before April 2.

Paul S. Kruger, of Grand Island, assistant chairman of the Nebraska Taft-for-President club, will be in the party accompanying Mrs. Taft. In addition the 3 car caravan will carry members of the state's press and several Republican leaders.

The Tafts will enter Nebraska from the West on April 5. Mrs. Taft will come from Grand Island to O'Neill, and will proceed from here to Wayne and Norfolk.

Mr. Cole has named committees to assist in connection with Mrs. Taft's visit. Mrs. E. M. Gallagher, of O'Neill, is chairman in charge of general arrangements, to be assisted by Mrs. Guy Cole, Mrs. Ira H. Moss, William W. Griffin and Mr. Gallagher. The reception committee will include Mrs. Frank J. Brady and Ralph Kelley, both of Atkinson, Mrs. W. J. Froelich, of O'Neill, and Joseph Brewster, of Stuart.

Ira H. Moss, of O'Neill, is area director of the Nebraska Taft-for-President movement.

TOMPKINS TO PRESIDE AT MEET

INMAN—Harvey R. Tompkins, of Inman, Norfolk district lay leader of the Methodist Rural Life program, will preside today (Thursday) at a luncheon in Norfolk in conjunction with a meeting of northeast Nebraska Methodist ministers and laymen.

Two hundred ministers and laymen are expected to assemble at the meeting. Bishop William G. Martin, resident bishop of the Kansas-Nebraska area, will be the main speaker.

Other speakers include: Miss Mildred Albertson, a missionary from India now on furlough in this country; Herbert W. Kendall, of Kearney, lay leader, and Rev. Ray Magnuson, of Waverly, Nebraska conference secretary of the town and country commission.

Burge Infant Buried Take Place Here

Lyle LeRoy Burge, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Glen A. Burge, of Inman, died Monday in Atkinson. He was born March 20.

Services were held Wednesday at the Presbyterian church in O'Neill with Rev. Claire Utterback, of Ewing, officiating, and burial was made at Prospect Hill cemetery.

Survivors include: Parents; sister—Myrtle Marie; grandparents—Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Jones, of Lincoln, and Mrs. Bessie Burge, of Emmet.

Star Light Club Meets—

Mrs. Lois Hartman entertained the Star Light Project club at her home March 17. Mrs. Bell Strong conducted the lesson. The next meeting will be held April 14 at the home of Mrs. James Harding.

College Mate Here—

Jodie Kerst, of Crete, spent the Easter holiday with Joan Brady, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Brady. Both girls are students at Doane college.

JOHN T. O'MALLEY DIES AT DETROIT

Funeral Rites Held Here Wednesday for Former Resident

Funeral services were held at St. Patrick's Catholic church here at 10 a. m. Wednesday for John T. O'Malley, 74, a resident here between 1878 and 1944. Ill only 8 days.

He died Friday in Detroit, Mich., where he had been making his home.

The late Mr. O'Malley was born at Scranton, Pa., on July 17, 1873, a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Michael O'Malley, who were early Holt county settlers.

He was reared and educated here and farmed for several years 8 miles northwest of the city. For a time he was employed in the Holt county treasurer's office. He was a livestock buyer in this vicinity before going to Detroit.

The body was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson, of Detroit. Mr. Wilson is a nephew of the deceased. Rev. Cyril J. Werner officiated in the rites and burial was in Calvary cemetery. Mr. O'Malley was single.

Survivors include: Sisters—Miss Elizabeth O'Malley, of O'Neill; Mrs. Nora Quilty, of Omaha, and Mrs. Conn (Mayme) O'Connell, of San Luis Obispo, Calif.; brother—Walter O'Malley, of O'Neill.

The pallbearers were: Herbert Jensen, Thomas J. Donohoe, P. W. McGinnis, H. J. Hammond and H. E. Coyne, all of O'Neill; N. W. Mechaley, of Neligh; Jack Troshinski, of Detroit, Mich.; and T. A. Quilty, of Grand Island.

Among the out-of-town people attending the funeral were: John Troshynski, of Detroit; Miss Bea McGinnis, of Omaha; T. A. Quilty, of Grand Island; N. W. Mechaley, of Neligh; Mr. and Mrs. Michael O'Laughlin, of Omaha, and Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson, of Detroit.

EWING HOST IN 4-TEAM WARMUP

Neligh, Inman, O'Neill to Compete Friday in Cinder Meet

EWING — Ewing high school has invited Neligh, Inman and O'Neill high schools to compete here Friday in a "warmup" track meet to be held at Ewing. Competition will be in all high schools events. Coaches from the competing schools will act as the officials and judges.

Ewing's athletic director, Marvin Miller, stated he looks forward to a good track season. He is expecting the following men to win some honors: Lorraine Montgomery, in the 220 and 440-yard dashes; Jerry Lampert in the low and high hurdles; Roger Bennett, David Cloyd, Jerry Koenig, and Montgomery in the 880-yard relay.

Last Spring Montgomery brought home a third place trophy from the state track meet.

Miss Betty Wiseman, of Omaha, was a weekend guest in the home of her sister, Mrs. C. V. Sullivan.

National Editorial Picture-Judging to Be Here Sunday

Awards for National Editorial Association's annual picture contest in the weekly newspaper field will be decided at a meeting in The Frontier office Sunday.

The National Editorial Association annually selects newspapers for general excellence, typography, editorial content and picture awards. The selection is known as the Better Weekly Newspaper Contest.

Heading the picture committee this year is Fred R. Zimmer, publisher of the Cedar County News at Hartington and a director of the Nebraska Press Association. The judging here will be done by E. C. Leggett, of the Ord Quiz, director of the National Editorial Association; Edward A. King, of the Quiz; Glenn Bunnell, of Hartington, formerly of the Stuart Advocate; G. E. Miles, of the Holt County Independent, and Carroll W. ("Cal") Stewart and John H. McCarville, of The Frontier.

Entries for the contest have been received from weekly newspapers all over the United States. The winners will be announced at the annual NEA convention to be held in July at Pinehurst, N. C.

Similar meetings of judges are being held elsewhere in the United States where judging is being done for general excellence, typography and editorial content.

Kilpatrick Home Scene of Reunion

A family reunion of the children of Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Kilpatrick took place Sunday at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Glenn Tomlinson. Guests included: Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Voecck and son, Stanley; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Erich, and Miss Loree Hill, all of Omaha; Mr. and Mrs. Gene Kilpatrick and daughter, Cheryl Ann, of Columbus; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hill and family of Orchard, and Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Kilpatrick and daughter, Arlene.

Prayer Conference Slated at Atkinson

The Elkhorn Valley Holiness association will hold a prayer conference at the Wesleyan Methodist church in Atkinson April 3. The first service will begin at 11 a. m.

Mrs. Moses Entertains—

The Merry Mix club met on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. S. Moses. Mrs. J. D. Osenbaugh won high score and Mrs. C. W. Porter low score. Guests of the club were Mrs. Ted McElhaney and Mrs. Edward Verzal.

Plan Bake Sale—

PAGE—The Women's Society for Christian Service met last Thursday at the church parlors with Mrs. C. A. Townsend and Mrs. J. I. Gray as hostesses. Plans were made for a bake sale to be held Saturday.

Return to Studies—

Mrs. H. J. Lohaus took her son, John Baker and John Gallagher, and Edward Condon to Lincoln Tuesday after they had spent their Easter holidays with their parents.

Entertain Husbands—

The members of Symphony chapter, Order of Eastern Star, will entertain their husbands at a card party Thursday, April 8 at 8 p. m.

\$200 PAY HIKE FOR TEACHERS

City School Reelects Entire Staff for Next Term

A \$200 per year blanket raise increase was voted members of the O'Neill city schools teaching staff at a meeting of the board of education Monday night.

Contracts are being offered to 14 members of the staff, while 6 others have been re-elected but contracts will be held up until August 1 due to technicalities.

Those reelected and their new annual salary figure follow: Supt. Ira George, \$4,800; Prin. F. E. Saindon, \$3,400; John R. Urton, \$3,250; Miss Alice French, \$2,600; Miss Esther Kinnier, \$2,600; Miss Viola Haynes, \$2,600; Miss Claire Tomjack, \$2,600; Miss Loretto Enright, \$1,865; Miss Hilda Gallagher, \$1,865; Miss LuVerne Schultz, \$1,750; Miss Catherine Fritton, \$1,750; Mrs. Harold Donohoe, \$1,750; Miss Alice Fritton, \$1,750; John C. Watson, \$2,400.

Deferred action contracts are being offered to Mrs. M. H. Klingler, Mrs. R. L. Bode, Mrs. Leo Mullen, Mrs. John R. Urton, Mrs. Charlotte Ressegieu and Mrs. Harry Petersen (who is a parttime instructor).

The teachers in the O'Neill city schools are paid on a 12-months basis.

Observe Anniversary—

PAGE—Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Steinberg entertained friends March 24 in honor of their 20th wedding anniversary. The evening was spent at cards with high scores going to Mrs. Elsie Cork and Glenn Nickel. Mrs. Bernard Mosil and Leo Neubear got low scores.

Robinson's Entertain—

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Robinson entertained at a party on Sunday in honor of the fourth birthday anniversary of their daughter, Starlyn. The guests were entertained at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Neigenfind.

WEED, CHEMICAL SHOW SLATED

24D Spraying, Results to Be Discussed Next Thursday

A weed spraying demonstration, a chemical show and a discussion of commercial fertilizer will take place here next Thursday, April 8, at the Holt county courthouse annex. Various types of spraying equipment will be on display.

County Agent A. Neil Dawes said that a specialist from the state department of agriculture and the University of Nebraska college of agriculture will be present to discuss equipment, application and results of spraying with 24D, and the use of commercial fertilizer.

Farmers, ranchers and other interested persons are invited to attend, Dawes said. The all-day program will begin with a motion picture at 10 a. m. Coffee and doughnuts will be served at noon.

The demonstration and conference will continue through 3:30 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Weatherford and family spent Sunday in Sioux City.