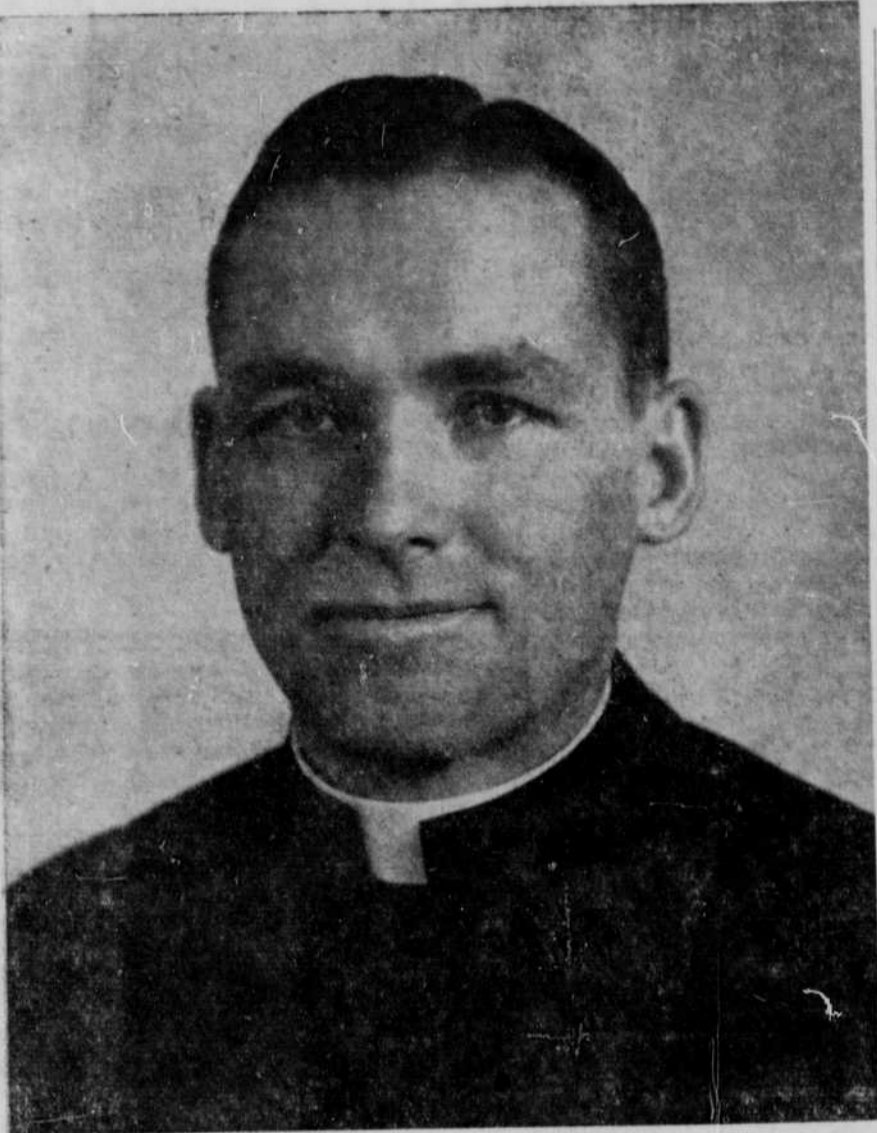


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Peter O. Price . . . after 13 years of study he is being ordained as a Jesuit priest. He will say his first solemn high mass in St. Patrick's Catholic church here Sunday, June 20.

To Be Ordained

Thirteen years of intensive study will be culminated Monday, June 14, when Peter O. Price, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest G. Price, becomes ordained in the priesthood of the Society of Jesus, an order of the Roman Catholic church.

The ordination will take place at St. Mary's, Kans. Most Rev. Joseph E. Ritter, STD, Archbishop of St. Louis, Mo., will conduct the ordination rite in immaculate chapel at St. Mary's college.

The new priest will offer his first solemn high mass on Sunday, June 20, in St. Patrick's church at O'Neill.

Mr. Price was born at Phoenix on February 3, 1916. He attended rural schools and received his high school education at St. Mary's academy in O'Neill.

He entered the Society of Jesus—or Jesuit order—at Florissant, Mo., on August 8, 1935. Since then he has pursued the regular Jesuit course of study, taking his philosophy at St. Louis (Mo.) university, and his theology at St. Mary's, Kans. He taught for 3 years in an Indian mission school conducted by Jesuits in South Dakota.

Rev. B. J. Leahy, of Fremont, former assistant pastor of St. Patrick's, will be the deacon at Father Price's first mass. Basil Price, Father Price's brother and an undesignated member of the Jesuit order, will serve as subdeacon. The master of ceremonies will be Rev. J. Kaupp, of Stuart.

Aerial 'Dusting' Show Planned Saturday

ATKINSON — A demonstration of the aerial application of the new 2, 4-D preparation will take place early Saturday at a time and place to be announced.

The demonstration is being worked out in cooperation with the Holt county extension service. A 2, 4-D conference will be held Friday evening in Memorial hall.

Several factors will enter into the selection of a site for the demonstration. These include the prevailing wind conditions at the time set for the "dusting."

Car Dives into Creek; 3 Injured

ORCHARD — F. E. Butterfield, who lives north of Orchard; his sister, Mrs. Mae Cook, of Walnut, and Mrs. John Van Horn, of Orchard were injured, not seriously when the car in which they were riding dived from a bridge west of Walnut and overturned in the creek bottom below about 5 o'clock Friday afternoon. Butterfield lost control of the car, from some unknown cause, as the car was crossing the bridge.

Butterfield suffered severe cuts and bruises on his head, and one thumb was nearly severed, a number of stitches being required in the wound. Mrs. Van Horn was unconscious for a time and remained in the hospital here overnight for x-ray photographs. Mrs. Cook suffered an injury to her right arm and bruises.

Poppy Girls Named—

Mrs. Dean Streeter, chairman of the American Legion auxiliary's poppy committee, has announced the selection of the following girls for selling the artificial flowers on the streets of O'Neill on Saturday. The girls are: Kathryn Judge, Rose Mary Corkle, Barbara Streeter, Mary Lois Kelly, Patricia Mullen, Marie Guthmiller and Marilyn Mangan.

A reception in honor of Father Price will be held in St. Mary's academy from 3 to 5 p. m. on the day of the first mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Price have a son, Rev. Francis Price, of St. Bridget's parish, Omaha, who was ordained 3 1/2 years ago, and a son, Basil, who belongs to the Jesuit order and is studying for the priesthood.

DIPLOMAS TO 42 AT ST. MARY'S

Commencement To Be Held Today; Terms Ended in Schools

During the past fortnight term closing activities have been held at O'Neill's 2 high schools—St. Mary's Academy and O'Neill high school.

Today (Thursday) at 10:30 a. m. at St. Patrick's Catholic church the commencement exercises for 42 St. Mary's academy will be held. Rev. Dan Twobing, of Lynch, will officiate at the morning exercises.

Nancy Froelich and Barbara Birmingham were awarded valedictory and salutatory honors respectively. O'Neill high school commencement exercises were held Thursday, May 13, for a class of 30 seniors. Dr. Victor Morcy, president of Wayne State Teachers college, delivered the commencement address.

Four of the class were awarded scholarships. Paul Moseman was given the regents' scholarship to the University of Nebraska; Mary Head was awarded the church school scholarship and also the alternate for the regents' scholarship; Helen Johnson won the state teachers' college scholarship; and Clayton Johnson received the scholarship to the Junior college at Norfolk.

Others from O'Neill high school eligible for scholarships were: Helen Urton, Walter Johnson, Gayle Wittfeldt, and Vivian Boelter.

STREET TORN UP

Workmen installing O'Neill's new sewer system have torn up the city's main thoroughfare at the corner of Sixth and Douglas street, near Grattan township library and the Arbutnot Oil Co. Traffic on federal highway 20 is being routed one block north.

BOWDEN RECOVERING

Clyde Bowden, who fell from the roof of the Country club on May 19, is recovering at the O'Neill hospital after receiving serious injuries.

BARN BURNS DURING STORM

ATKINSON — A large barn on the Fred Mack farm, a mile southwest of Atkinson, was destroyed by fire during an electrical storm Saturday night. The lightning struck about 11:45 p. m. One setting hen was the only loss of livestock or poultry.

The barn, which was located about 50 yards from the house and other buildings, had no livestock in it, but it was filled with hay and a power mower was stored inside the structure.

A hard rain during the course of the fire is credited with saving the other buildings. Neighbors less than 3 miles away reported no moisture whatsoever.

171 DIPLOMAS TO EIGHTH GRADERS

Donna Mae's Singing, Rhythm Band and Chorus Popular

By a Staff Writer One hundred and seventy-one Holt county eighth graders received their elementary diplomas in O'Neill Tuesday in the annual promotion exercises. The event was held in the O'Neill public school auditorium.

Nearly 400 persons gathered for the affair and the attendance was large in spite of the fact that a circus was playing less than 3 blocks away.

Miss Elja McCullough, Holt county superintendent of public instruction, presided and presented the diplomas and special awards to the graduates.

Highest rural academic awards went to: Joellyn Nackhaus, district 212; Betty Kramer, 168; Fred Van Vleck, 131; Charles Hamik, 242; Maxine Park, 57; Roxana Simmons, 248; Jacqueline Mosel, 173; Sandra Gilman, 211; Nicholas Sojka, 110; Lynn Prewitt, 243; Patricia Vanderschicht, 227; Wilda Stamp, 47; Dick Kamp, 70.

Highest town school academic awards were received by: Paul Fetrow, O'Neill; John Bode, O'Neill; Faye Moses, Stuart; J. C. Graver, Ewing; Barbara Bennett, O'Neill; Donald Calkins, O'Neill; Leona Fix, Amelia; Gene Tomjack, Ewing.

Winners of the essay contest were: Fred Van Vleck, first; Charles Hamik, second; Bessie Hartman, third. Other winners were: Evelyn Thompson, Roland Carr, Pauline Anderson, Bill Raymer, Shirley Tither and Lois Miller.

Winners of the current events contest were: Paul Fetrow, Betty Kramer and Sandra Gilman.

The afternoon's program highlighted the affair. Donna Mae Fuhrer, 15-year-old O'Neill polio victim and 1947 eighth grade graduate, sang 2 selections, including the "Cradle Song." Miss Fuhrer, who is almost completely paralyzed, appeared in a wheel chair.

A year ago when she received her eighth grade diploma in a special ceremony at her bedside, Miss Fuhrer was paid a tribute over a nationwide radio network by philosopher-reporter Ted Malone.

Karen Garwood, a fifth grader, sang as a solo a tune entitled, "I Don't Want to Grow Up." Two boys, Victor Schneider and Melvin Kryns, of district 205 played an instrumental duet.

Members of the Riverside 4-H club, sponsored by Mrs. Ed Boyle, presented a folk dance. Robert Sanders, of district 80, played an accordion solo, and Donald Calkins, of O'Neill, played a tuba solo.

The hit on the program was the "swing" rhythm band from district 213, directed by Eileen Krysl, the teacher. These juvenile "swingsters" played 3 selections and the audience clamored for more.

The Holt county rural chorus, which had been arranged by Miss McCullough and directed by Mary Dodson, of Wilbur, sang a group of songs. Mrs. Howard Manson, of O'Neill, substituted for the director, who was ill.

The 200-voice chorus, composed of grade school voices from all corners of the county, is a new venture. Their offerings were received in a way which indicated that the parents would like to see the chorus become one of the permanent activities in the county.

The program was climaxed with a performance by C. J. Kramer, of Stanton, a magician.

Recital To Be Held Wednesday

A grade school musical recital will be held at the O'Neill public school auditorium next Wednesday, June 2. Music pupils from both the O'Neill public school and St. Mary's academy will participate.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Bruns, Mrs. Irma Redd and daughter, Margaret, moved Monday to O'Neill from Barrett where they had been living.



Donna Mae Fuhrer, 15 . . . polio victim bedfast for 7 years, sings at eighth grade promotion program. A year ago (above) she received her eighth grade diploma in a special ceremony.—The Frontier Photo by John H. McCarville. (See story at left)

ALUMNI BANQUET ATTENDED BY 230

Many Out-of-Town St. Mary's Grads Return for Reunion

Many out-of-town St. Mary's academy alumni trekked into town over the weekend to be present for the annual reunion of the Alumni Association. The reunion and banquet were held in the academy.

Two hundred and thirty persons attended the 1 p. m. banquet at which John R. Gallagher, an O'Neill attorney, was the toastmaster.

The following program was presented: "Our Clergy," talk, Robert Shoemaker; clarinet, talk, Eileen Sullivan; solo, John Berigan; "Alma Mater," "Night and Day," song, St. Mary's academy girls' ensemble; "The Sisters," talk, Veronica Coyne; selections, girls' trio (Marde Birmingham, Bernadette Hynes and Lorraine Simonson); "Oh, No John," vocal, Dan DeBacker and Nancy Froelich; "Welcome to the Class of 1948," Dick Clark; response, Dorothy Clark.

The menu included fruit cocktail, vanilla wafers, tomato relish salad, ham with pineapple, green beans, mashed potatoes, gravy, pickles, olives, Parker house rolls, ice cream, cake and coffee.

The association officers are: Mrs. H. J. Lohaus, president; Mrs. H. J. Birmingham, vice-president; Mrs. James Harty, secretary, and Miss Claire Hickey, treasurer.

Among the alumni returning to O'Neill for the St. Mary's alumni banquet were: Harry Piercy, Bernard Rhode, Marv Ann Brendon; Mrs. Kevin Kocina of Creighton; Mrs. Thomas J. Abourek; Mrs. J. J. Freking and Miss Mae Hammond of Omaha; Rose Minton, Pat Scott, of Atkinson; Mrs. Ella Mae Peterson of Columbus; Mrs. Ray Determan, Jerry Tomjack, Teresa Parks, Marjorie Thiele, Mrs. Earl Buelow, Mrs. Hazel Determan, Ilene Krysel, Francis E. Nollette, Kay Crowe, Mrs. Vera Adkinson, Delores Simons and John Bond.

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WEEK'S WINNER. This is Curtis Collins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Collins, of O'Neill. He is the winner this week in the O'Neill Photo Co.'s children's picture contest.

CITY PREPARES TO HONOR DEAD

Parade and Program to Mark Memorial Day Observance Here

O'Neill citizens will join with others throughout the land Sunday paying respects to its war dead. A special Memorial day program has been planned here under the direction of Simonson post 93 of the American Legion.

Commander Glea H. Wade, who is in charge of general arrangements for the observance, has announced that all war veterans are asked to meet at the American Legion auditorium prior to 1:30 p. m.

The parade, led by the Municipal band, will depart from the Legion site at 1:30 and move west on Douglas street to the corner of Third and Douglas, turning north one block at the Knights of Columbus building. The parade will then turn east to the post-office corner, thence south to the main intersection at Fourth and Douglas streets. From this corner the body will move east along Douglas back to the Legion auditorium.

Gold Star mothers are invited to join in the parade. Mr. Wade said, and automobiles will be provided in which they may ride.

Legion officials explained that all veterans are urged to parade. They are invited to wear their military uniforms, their Legion caps or their usual civilian dress.

The Memorial day program at the Legion auditorium will begin at 2:30 p. m. Dr. Frank O. McIntyre, dean of Norfolk junior college, will deliver the address.

Following the service at the auditorium, the colors will be marched to Prospect Hill and Calvary cemeteries where a firing squad will salute the war dead during brief rites at the cemetery.

Because O'Neill business firms close on Memorial day when it falls on a week day, Chamber of Commerce officials have announced that member-firms this year will be closed on Monday, May 31.

Memorial Rites Planned at Paddock

There will be a Memorial day service at the Paddock Union church and cemetery, it has been announced.

Band Stand Moved; Concert Saturday

The Municipal band stand has been moved from near the Holt county courthouse annex building to the St. Mary's academy playground preparatory to the season's first concert Saturday night, according to Director Ira George.

Daniel DeBacker, St. Mary's academy baritone, will be featured soloist, singing "My Buddy."

The program: "Star Spangled Banner," by Key; march, "Military Escort," by Bennet; march, "Bugles and Drums," by Goldman; "Over There," march medley, arranged by Lake; march, "El Capitan," by Sousa; march, "Semper Fidelis," by Sousa; selection, "American Patrol," by Meacham; Mr. DeBacker's solo; march, "National Emblem," by Bagley; selection, "The Ramparts We Watch," by Beecher; march, "Stars and Stripes Forever," by Sousa.

Flower Growers Invited to Iris Exhibition

ATKINSON — All flower in this part of Nebraska have been invited to enter exhibits in the iris show at Memorial Hall in Atkinson on Saturday and Sunday, May 29 and 30.

The show is sponsored by the Atkinson Iris society in cooperation with the American Iris society. Although the principal exhibits will be iris, there also will be an opportunity for the display of other flowers.

The show will be open to the public at 2:30 p. m. Saturday and will continue throughout the afternoon and evening. The doors also will be open to the public on Sunday. There will be no admission charge to the show or fee for exhibitors. Tea will be served.

Highway 281 Gets Attention at Parley

Good Neighbor Policy Works at Chambers

CHAMBERS — A group of neighbors gathered at the Ernest Young home near here in an old-fashioned demonstration of the good neighbor policy.

With Mr. Young in a Norfolk hospital, the crowd moved in. They fixed the fences and put the cattle into the summer pasture. On Friday 10 men with tractors went to the Young place and plowed the fields. Next day they planted his corn. Later this week they plan to brand the cattle.

FIREMEN SUMMONED Defective wiring was blamed for a blaze Sunday at 7 p. m. at Hunt's Recapping Service in West O'Neill. Damage was slight. Occupants of an apartment in the rear sounded the alarm.

BLUEGRASS CROP OUTLOOK POOR

Most Corn Planted; Dry Topsoil Not Encouraging

Corn planting is progressing rapidly in the O'Neill region and by the end of the week it is expected to be virtually completed.

But all is not rosy at this point, because of the dryness of the topsoil. Some farmers report that the soil is too dry to germinate the corn and they may hold up some of their planting and await rain.

On the other hand, some of the early corn is coming up nicely.

Spotted rainfall visited Holt county last weekend. Showers fell in Atkinson and Stuart but a few miles away no moisture was received at all. In O'Neill threatening skies yielded hardly a trace.

Several term-end school picnics were dispersed by the showers, but when they discovered the abandonment was a mistake.

The bluegrass outlook is not bright, County Agent A. Neil Dawes said Wednesday. "If we don't get rain right away," he explained, "the crop will be very short and spotted. If we do get rain, there is danger that the underbrush will overtake the bluegrass and restrict the yield."

A season's high of 93 degrees was reached Thursday afternoon when a premature heat wave moved into the area. The week's weather summary, based on 24-hour periods ending at 8 a. m. daily, follows:

Table with 3 columns: Date, Hi, Lo. Rows for May 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26.

PRIVATE RITES FOR LT. MURPHY

PAGE — The late Lt. Robert L. Murphy, who died in New Guinea on September 12, 1943, was given final burial Tuesday in the Page cemetery. His body recently arrived in the United States from Hawaii.

An aircraft pilot, young Murphy was wounded in action over enemy territory and died back at his air base.

He graduated from Page high school in 1936 and attended the University of Nebraska prior to World War II.

Survivors: Widow; daughter —Marion; parents—Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Murphy; sisters—Beth, Mrs. Russell (Margaret) Sorenson and Virginia. Rev. Carl T. Rayburn, Methodist pastor, officiated in private graveside rites. The body arrived in O'Neill with military escort and Bglin Brothers were in charge of funeral arrangements.

Grievances Numerous; Condition of Highways in Area Aired

Highway and road grievances "too numerous to mention" dominated the road parley here Wednesday attended by members of Governor Peterson's Nebraska Highway Advisory committee, a delegation of state senators representing the state legislative council subcommittee, and interested persons from 8 northeast Nebraska counties.

It was a lusty and lively session in comparison with some of the others held elsewhere in the state, and the Holt county district court room was packed through most of the hearing.

County and city officials and others from Boyd, Garfield, Wheeler, Antelope, Pierce, Cedar, Knox and Holt counties were present.

Sen. John Doyle, of Greeley, presided at the morning session. Senator Doyle is a member of both the legislative subcommittee and the advisory committee.

A variety of suggestions were proffered for alleviating what was generally described as "deplorable road conditions." These suggestions ranged from adoption of a sales tax or a special gas tax to the issuance of bonds—all for road building purposes.

Just as in the other hearings being held over the state, no one came forward with a clear-cut scheme for paying for an extensive road building program.

Local emphasis was placed on highway 281, which is a north-south federally-designated road through O'Neill.

It was pointed out by Boyd and Holt representatives that the poor condition of this road deters southern South Dakota traffic from flowing toward O'Neill and to Grand island, Lincoln, Omaha and other Nebraska points. Instead, much of this traffic flows east on South Dakota highways 50 and 18.

Purpose of the hearings is to enable members of both the Advisory and legislative subcommittees to gather first-hand information on the road problems throughout the state. It is intended that after a preliminary study has been made, a better approach can be made to a long-range plan of road development.

Besides Senator Doyle, other senators here were: Arthur Carmondy, of Trenton; Fred Mueller, of Kearney, and Lester Anderson, of Aurora.

Advisory committee members present, besides Julius D. Cronin, of O'Neill, and James S. Pittenger, of Lincoln, the executive secretary, were: Mrs. Arthur Bowling, of Merriam; Lawrence Brock, of Wakefield; Mrs. Elsie Davis, of Hyannis, and J. E. McNally, of Schuyler.

'Fun for You' to Feature Home Talent

A rollicking home talent show entitled "Fun for You" will be presented at the American Legion auditorium Thursday and Friday, June 3 and 4, under the auspices of Simonson post 93.

The program will be in the form of a parade of "radio stars" who will be impersonated by home talent.

John R. Gallagher, as "Harry von Zell," will announce each act. Ladies will be attired in their "silliest" millinery creations and there will be a barn dance.

Among those on the program are: M. J. Golden, C. A. Weatherford, H. D. Grady, A. P. Jazkowiak, O'Neill Rural Youth club members, Mrs. Dean Streeter, William J. Beha, John H. McCarville, D. H. Clauson, Charles Yarnell and others.

A baby contest in connection with the show begins Friday. Members will be crowned king and queen of toyland. Mrs. Emmett Carr is chairman of the contest committee. All children from the ages of 1 to 6-years old are eligible.