

Wherry Attacks Stock Reduction

Majority Senate Leader, Heading Nebraska GOP Caravan, Would Increase Production

An estimated 300 persons welcomed the state Republican caravan, headed by Sen. Kenneth S. Wherry and Rep. A. L. Miller, during its two-hour stop-over here Tuesday. O'Neill was the most northeasterly point on the itinerary in the Fourth congressional district.

The O'Neill municipal band, replete with baton twirlers, added color to the gathering, and won praise from several of the speakers.

The caravan entered Holt county from the south, arriving from Bartlett at about 12:50 p. m., and departed at about 2:50.

Robert Crosby, present lieutenant-governor but not a candidate for reelection, served as master-of-ceremonies and introduced the speakers.

Senator Wherry, who rose to majority leader in the senate during his first term, severely criticized the government livestock reduction plan in his speech that was devoted mostly to livestock problems. He also rapped Communism and Communists in the government.

He told the audience that the government's cattle policy since 1946 has been "more grain and less cattle, sell them light and sell them young." "This," the senator said, "has resulted in a reduction of cattle numbers from 86 to 76 million." "And," he continued, "only in the past six months the department of agriculture asked that 500 thousand cows be killed."

He stressed the need for more production in view of commitments abroad and increased consumption at home.

The senator drew a wave of laughter from the audience when he accused a lesser light in the agriculture department of issuing an order pertaining to "steer oows."

Wherry described the urgency of the hoof-and-mouth disease threat from Mexico. He heads the committee which will go to Mexico soon to investigate the plague. Others on the committee include Sen. Chan Gurney, of South Dakota, and Sen. Milton Young, of North Dakota, and Sen. Elmer Thomas, of Illinois.

Mr. Wherry promised people "that we will do in this area (along the Niobrara river) what already has been done along the Republican river" in connection with reclamation.

Doctor Miller, the Fourth district congressman, said he would continue to fight government programs aimed at reduced production.

Mrs. Arthur Bowring, of Merriman, Republican national committeewoman, also spoke briefly.

Senator Wherry left O'Neill ahead of the caravan to make an appearance at the Atkinson Livestock Market, where the regular Tuesday sale was in progress. An Atkinson stop was the only other in Holt county for the touring group.

The caravan spent the night at Ainsworth and was to have spent Wednesday night at Alliance.

Included in the party that visited O'Neill were: Wherry; Miller; Crosby; Charles J. Warner, candidate for lieutenant-governor; Ray G. Johnson, auditor of public accounts; Edward Gillette, state treasurer; James H. Anderson, candidate for attorney general; Richard H. Larson, railway commissioner; Harold A. Palmer, candidate for railway commission (short term); Mrs. Edna Basten Donald, GOP national committeewoman, and Mrs. Bowring.

1885 Handwriting on Wood Still Legible

While removing molding from a door way in his home recently, Clyde Bowden uncovered the highly legible handwriting of the late Arthur Mullen, father of Leo Mullen. The elder Mr. Mullen was a carpenter and presumably had been working on the house and wrote his name in pencil on the non-facing side of the molding. The date was May 10, 1885.

Beha Electric in Successful Opening

The Beha Electric, headed by Matthew G. Beha, completed a successful grand opening Saturday in the former Suchy building, located two doors east of the old Nebraska State Bank building. Scores of persons visited the store during the all-day celebration. Associated with Mr. Beha are Ed Thornton and John J. Mullen.

To Wakefield Meeting

Leaving Monday for the state synodical meeting at Wakefield for members of the Presbyterian church will be Mrs. Ralph P. Rikly. After the board meeting, there will be three days for general sessions.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat McGee, of Omaha, visited Sunday at the Edward H. Moos home.

CHAMBERS SUN IN FINAL ISSUE

60-Year-Old Publication Terminates Career This Week

CHAMBERS—The Chambers Sun this week went to press for the last time. Cleo Alderson, editor-publisher since 1939 except for absence during World War II, has announced that he will begin farming and ranching operations and abandon the paper.

The mailing list has been purchased by the Holt County Independent. Both the Independent and The Frontier intend to enlarge their Chambers departments and provide the community with service next best to a "hometown paper."

Mr. Alderson said he has made no plans as yet to dispose of the equipment.

The Sun began in 1886. At the time it was called The Weekly Journal and was published by L. A. Woodward. The title soon was changed to The Bugle. R. C. Wry was the publisher for many years. J. Y. Ashton was his successor, but it was resold to Wry in 1896.

Fern Smith later published the paper until 1912 when it was sold to Clair Grimes, who owned it until 1915. R. H. Leinhardt headed the paper for a few months and in September, 1915, sold it to Martin Cronin, of O'Neill, who operated The Bugle until January, 1917, when it was sold to J. L. McLean. In July of the same year A. D. Sciss purchased it and W. B. Cissna was the editor. Cissna was replaced by Wirt Hiatt and about this time the title was changed to the Sun.

Mr. Hiatt purchased Mr. Scott's interest and the Sun remained in the Hiatt family until 1939 when Alderson took over.

Alderson's wife edited the Sun from April 1, 1943 until January 1, 1944, while Mr. Alderson was in the Navy. The paper suspended publication from January 1, 1944, until May 23, 1946.

'Inexperience' Blamed for Death

Investigation of the aircraft accident, which proved fatal early Wednesday, September 22, to Leonard Grossnicklaus, 33, of Bartlett, found no evidence of structural failure of the aircraft, according to officials of the Civil Aeronautics Authority.

CAA representatives visited the scene of the crash, seven miles southwest of O'Neill, the following day.

Grossnicklaus, married, was killed instantly when the two-passenger aircraft he was flying to O'Neill crashed. The report read: "At the time of the accident, there was a dense fog which obscured the entire area making visual flight impossible. The cause of the accident being attributed to the inexperience of the pilot to fly under instrument conditions."

Grossnicklaus was a well-known Wheeler county rancher, residing seven miles north of Bartlett. He owned several oil transports in addition to his ranching and livestock interests. His death was the sixth air fatality in Holt county since last November.

Workmen Ready to Pour Cement for Kaycees

ATKINSON—Work on the new Knights of Columbus building to be constructed in the near future is progressing rapidly. Workmen say they are nearly ready to "run" the cement for the foundation. The building will be located south of the Gonderinger garage and is intended to be an attractive addition to the city.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Darrell Nelson, 35, of Newcastle, and Aletha Strohm, 30, of Newcastle, September 22.

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O'CONNELL RITES BEING HELD TODAY

Atkinson Woman, 61, Dies at Home of Son After Lingering Illness

A Lifelong Resident

ATKINSON—Funeral services will be held at 9:30 a. m. today (Thursday) at St. Joseph's Catholic church here for Mrs. Timothy J. O'Connell, 61, a lifelong Holt county resident. She died Tuesday at the home of her son, Wallace O'Connell, located a half-mile north of the O'Neill airport.

The late Mrs. O'Connell had been in failing health for about two years.

Rev. A. A. Lehman, church pastor, will officiate in the rites and burial will be in St. Joseph's cemetery. The pallbearers were to have been chosen Wednesday night at the rosary service, which was held at the Seger funeral home in Atkinson.

Mrs. O'Connell, the former Alice Weller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Weller, was born April 22, 1887, in Atkinson and has spent her life in this community.

On July 2, 1908, she was united in marriage with Mr. O'Connell, of Atkinson. They lived for many years on a farm six miles southeast of Atkinson, where they reared their family of three children, all of whom were with their mother when she died.

Survivors: Widow; daughters—Mrs. Melvin Pettinger, of Boise, Ida., and Mrs. Harold Donohoe, of O'Neill; son—Wallace O'Connell, of O'Neill; brothers—Fred Weller, of Sheridan, Wyo., and George Weller and Myron Weller, both of Kansas City, Mo.

DAKOTANS HURT IN AUTO MISHAP

Jake Keierleber Taken to St. Joseph's Hospital in Sioux City

A car in which three occupants were riding is believed to have blown a tire near Midway Monday about 4:30. What actually happened is unknown, but it is believed that the left rear tire blew out causing the car to turn on its side. It bounced back onto its wheels and rolled to a stop against a tree.

The occupants were Mr. and Mrs. Jake Keierleber, of Clearfield, S. D., Chris Keierleber, of Winner, S. D. Jake Keierleber suffered a severe fracture of the pelvis and was taken to St. Joseph's hospital in Sioux City. Chris Keierleber suffered broken ribs, cuts and bruises but was able to return to Winner.

Mrs. Keierleber was uninjured.

BAND MEMBER

When the University of Nebraska's famed varsity band steps out on the sod in memorial stadium this fall, Paul Moseman, of O'Neill, will be one of its scarlet and cream clad members. Announcement of his selection as a band member is announced by Prof. Donald Lentz, who begins his 11th year as hand director. Paul plays the bass horn.



STORE MANAGER . . . John L. Daly, formerly of Albion and Omaha, has been named manager of Osborne's shoe store here, which will open in about 10 days. D. M. Osborne, of Holdrege, has announced that Mr. Daly is an experienced shoe man, having been in the retail shoe field since 1937. A formal announcement will appear in next week's issue.—O'Neill Photo Co.



SENATOR WHERRY GREETES FRIENDS . . . Following a street-corner address here Tuesday as the chief spokesman for the Nebraska Republican caravan, Sen. Kenneth S. Wherry mingled in the audience and shook hands with many of his listeners. He is shown (right) greeting Guy Cole, Emmet haydealer and livestockman. In the center background is Edward Gillette, state treasurer; Herman Grothe, sr., of Emmet; J. Ed Hancock, county treasurer; and Henry Winkler, of Emmet.—The Frontier Photo.

L. H. DOWNEY, WIFE WED 50 YEARS

'Generous Purse' Presented Page Couple by Townspeople

PAGE—Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Downey observed their golden wedding anniversary Wednesday, September 22.

In honor of the event, several ladies visited their home that evening and presented them with a "generous purse" donated by the citizens of Page. They received several other gifts and a number of cards.

Miss Bertha Tavener and Lewis Downey were married at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James T. Tavener, at 8 o'clock in the evening on September 22, 1898, in the presence of 75 relatives and friends. After the wedding, they left for Omaha, where they attended the world's fair. On their return, they began housekeeping at Inman. In 1902 they moved to Page where they have since resided, except for a few years at O'Neill. During these years, Mr. Downey was engaged in selling merchandise.

They were the parents of three children: Ora, of Page; Dale, of Southgate, Calif., and a daughter, Blanche Eloise, who died at the age of 18 months. They have one grandson, Mark Wayne Downey, of Southgate, Calif.

On Sunday, September 26, their anniversary was formally celebrated, Mr. and Mrs. Downey attending services at the Methodist church in the forenoon.

In honor of the occasion, they were presented a corsage and boutonniere of carnations and gladioli. At one o'clock in the afternoon, a dinner was served at the home of their nephew, John Lamason, and family.

The table was decorated with gold candles and gold waxed water lily nut cups. The wedding cake that centered the table was baked by Mrs. Harold Kelly and presented to the Downeys as a gift. It was later decorated for the occasion by Mrs. John Lamason.

Guests for the day were: Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Downey and son, Ora; Elmer Tavener, Miss Elsie Lamason, and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Lamason. The afternoon was spent taking pictures and visiting.

Bit of Wool, Hat Pin Sought in Ewing Hunt

EWING—The young people of the United Presbyterian church held a scavenger hunt on Saturday evening, September 25. The group split into teams to search for a list of items which varied from a bit of wool from a live sheep to a hat pin. The winning team was awarded a prize.

After the hunt, the group was served refreshments at the church. Betty Shrader was in charge. She was assisted by Neva Tucker, Beverly Montgomery, Betty Barrington, Doris and Audrey Henderson and Sally Christon.

Gloria Napier is president of the group. Ed Hanley left Wednesday, September 22, for Columbus, O., to attend a reunion of the 305th fighter control squadron held there on September 24 and 25.

New Lions President Conducts Meeting

Hugh Ray, lumberman and city councilman, Tuesday evening presided at a meeting of the Lions club at the M & M cafe. Mr. Ray recently was elected president. The club voted to sponsor another benefit basketball game this season. Providing lunches for pupils in the opportunity room at the O'Neill public school has again been undertaken under Lions sponsorship.

HOLT WITHOUT 3d BOARD MEMBER

Archer and Wade Only Members Todate on Draft Board

Wanted: A third member for the Holt county draft board. Todate, John Q. Archer, of Ewing, a holdover from the wartime board, and Glea H. Wade, a World War II veteran, are the only members.

While registering under the 1948 selective service law goes into the fifth week, activity has subsided at the draft office on the second floor of the First National bank building.

Nearly 750 have signed to date, according to Mrs. W. H. Harty, the chief clerk. No quotas have been announced for actual induction requirements.

Louise Ann Iler Named on Staff

Louise Ann Iler, niece of Mrs. Sumner Downey, has been appointed to the editorial staff of the 1949 Cornhusker, the University of Nebraska year book.

Miss Iler, an arts and science sophomore, will edit the section on university organizations. Her major responsibility will be to keep a file of all photographs used in the section and to edit all articles written by her workers.

Prior to entering the university, Miss Iler was a co-editor of the yearbook of St. Mary's Academy here.

Holt Home Agents Quits

Miss Catherine Kjrwan, Holt county home agent for the past two years, has resigned to accept a position as assistant 4-H club leader in the state 4-H office at Lincoln. She will be northeast Nebraska supervisor.

Ora Yarges, of Stuart, president of the Holt county extension council of the Knights of Columbus will initiate a class of candidates here on Sunday, October 10.

The initiation will take place at the O'Neill public school at 1:30 p. m., followed by a banquet at the American Legion auditorium for the Knights and their adies.

The banquet, beginning at 7 p. m., will be served by the Legion auxiliary.

MRS. KIRKLAND, 59, ATKINSON, DIES

Funeral Services to Be Held Today for Woman 59 Several Years

ATKINSON—Mrs. C. Wesley Kirkland, 58, died at 12:02 a. m. Tuesday at her home in Atkinson following a lingering illness.

Funeral services will be held at the Methodist church at 2:30 today (Thursday) with Rev. W. C. Birmingham, church pastor, in charge.

Pearl Beatrice West, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James L. West, was born in Atkinson on October 29, 1889.

Her illness included hospitalization at Sioux City.

Survivors include: Widow; daughters—Mrs. C. F. Small, of Amelia, and Mrs. Robert Friedrich, of Omaha; son—James, of Atkinson; several brothers and sisters.

The pallbearers are: Melvin Andrus, Merle Richards, Carlton Davis, E. G. Hicoek, and Ed J. Matousek, all of Atkinson, and Everett Key, of Ainsworth.

Prospective Members Urged to Attend

The regular meeting of Simon unit 93 of the American Legion auxiliary will be held Wednesday, October 6, at the American Legion club.

Officials are urging all members to attend and to bring any prospective members. All eligible members are invited to attend, an official said.

Lunch will be served at the close of the business session. A number of Legion and auxiliary members left by chartered bus on Wednesday morning to attend the district II Legion and Auxiliary convention at Newman Grove.

At a recent meeting of the executive committee of the Auxiliary, the date for the annual bazaar was set for December 4.

Retired Minister, 87, Flies to California

CELIA—Mrs. Asa Woods and Mrs. Ray Elder took Rev. Daniel Blair, 87, of Stuart, to Omaha Monday, September 20. He left Omaha the following day by plane for Los Angeles, Calif., where he will make his home with his daughter. Reverend Blair is a retired minister.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Wilson and family visited at Page on Sunday at the home of the former's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wilson.

KISSINGERS IN GOLDEN WEDDING

Atkinson Couple Drove 36 Miles in Carriage to Wed in Sioux City

'Open House' at Hall

ATKINSON—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kissinger, who reside seven and a half miles southwest of Atkinson, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary Sunday, October 3, at Memorial hall in Atkinson. They will receive their friends and relatives between 2 and 4 p. m. in an observance of "open house."

Numerous relatives are expected from South Dakota and Iowa.

Miss Ella Jenkins and Frank Kissinger, both of Washta, Ia., were married in Sioux City on October 4, 1897. They drove to Sioux City by team and carriage from Washta—a distance of 36 miles.

Nettie and Floyd Murman, who were attendants at the wedding, now reside in California. Although they have been invited, the Kissingers do not expect them at Sunday's celebration.

The Kissingers had planned to be married by a Congregational minister, but he was out of the city. Then they decided to go to the Methodist minister, but he, too, was away. They were finally married by a justice of the peace.

Their honeymoon was spent in Sioux City after which the couple went to their farm home near Washta.

The Kissingers and four children moved to Holt county in 1909 and they were met by Pete Fritchhoff. The Kissingers had purchased the Fritchhoff place, 10 1/2 miles north of Atkinson in the Celia neighborhood.

They resided there seven years, during which time three children were born. One daughter, Louise, died in infancy.

Later, they moved into Atkinson where their children were educated.

In the Spring of 1946, the Kissingers sold their home in Atkinson and purchased a 320-acre tract seven and a half miles south of town on highway 11, where they still reside.

There are now five children: Mrs. Clarence (Nettie) Tasler, of Stuart; Mrs. Waldo (Grace) Frost, of Stuart; Ralph Kissinger, of Atkinson; Mrs. Oscar (Leora) Fullerton, of Neligh, and Arthur Kissinger, of San Bruno, Calif. In addition, there are 14 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Most of their descendants will be in Atkinson for the golden wedding observance.

A dinner at noon will be served to the Kissinger family and other relatives at Memorial hall.

Hoffman's Electric To Open Saturday

Saturday has been fixed as the grand opening date for Hoffman Electric store here, which will feature General Electric appliances.

The store is located in the newly-redecorated Mellor building, adjoining the M & M cafe on the west.

A. M. ("Pete") Forsberg, of Hinton, Ia., is the manager. Mr. Forsberg is a former high school athletic coach. (See advertisement on page 5.)

Go to Church Parley at Ponca

Six members from O'Neill attending the Fall Presbyterial meeting at Ponca on Tuesday, September 21, included: the Mesdames Ralph Gerber, Ralph P. Rikly, George C. Robertson, Stanley Soukup, Christine Williams and Felix Hendricks.

Drama Told by 2 Pairs of Shoes

CELIA—The Bible says: Cast thy bread upon the water for thou shalt find it after many days.—Acts 11-1.

Back in 1921, Mary Lottie Westfall was a wealthy German woman presiding over a 28-room mansion on the outskirts of Hamburg. She was world-travelled and to ordinary Hamburgers it seemed that the Westfall dynasty was capable of going on forever.

One day the lady of the house gave a pair of shoes to her chambermaid, and told her to take them home to her sister, who she had learned was in need of another pair of shoes.

That chambermaid is now Mrs. Lee Terwilliger, well-known Celia farm woman. Last Spring Mrs. Terwilliger wrote her employer of a quarter-century ago. An exchange of correspondence revealed that adversity had overtaken the lady of the big mansion, and that she, herself, now is in need of shoes. This week a pair of shoes and an assortment of other everyday necessities are enroute to Mary Lottie Westfall.