STATE HIST SOC

O'Neill Truckers Meet Governor THE FRONTIER

to Lincoln to Seek **Ban Lift**

A delegation of O'Neill truck owners and operators Mrs. Howard Perkins, 61, met Tuesday afternoon in Lincoln with Gov. Val Peterson and State Highway Engineer F. H. Klietsch to protest present weight restrictions for trucks operating on North-Nebraska highways.

The O'Neill delegation was kins, 61, an O'Neill resident not alone, however. Earlier and a native of Holt county. arrangements with civic groups in Scottsbluff, Chadron, Gor-don, Alliance, Kimball, Wayne, Hay Springs, Valentine, Merri-Neuris Hour Landra Hattve of Holt county. About 5 p. m. Friday she be-came ill at her home here, next day she was taken to the O'Neill hospital where she died man, Bassett, Brewster, Harri-son, Ord, Neligh, Rushville, Hyannis, Pilger, Royal, Or-chard, Newport, Chambers, Stuart, Broken Bow, and oth-creation of the state of the st

Stuart, Broken Bow, and oth-er towns provided a delegation at 3 p. m. Monday in First of 250 for the hearing with Presbyterian church here with the Governor.

Gene Haylett, of Scottsbluff, was spokesman for the entire group. L. D. Putnam was spokesman for the O'-Neill delegation.

Among O'Neillites at the hearing besides Putnam, were: D. E. ("Bud") Seger, Clarence Booth, L. M. Diehlman, Ned Porter, Robert Yantzi, H. L. Lindberg, Verne Beckwith, John Turner, Donald Martin, James Fredrickson and Wayne Fox.

The protests failed to get and Katherine Ettleman. the weight restrictions lifted On September 18, 1904, Myrbut Governor the Zell Roby and Howard M. immediately, Peterson told Klietsch to make Perkins were married near a personal inspection of the Chambers. ighways, starting Wednesday, Except i

to "lift or ease restrictions on every mile you can." All "blacktop" and gravel highways in North - Nebraska were posted with a 10 thous-and pound per axle load limit by the highway department on by the highway department on Tuesday, March 15. Meanwhile, sons-Richard Earl Perkins, of Tuesday, March 15. Meanwhile, sons-Angeles, Calif., and De-gravel roads have been remov-ed from the restricted list a-long with two short bitumi-nous sections, and the load limit was raised to 12 thousand pounds. — Deterson declared — March 8, 1861, in County Tip-the March 8, 1861, in County Tip-of the late Mr. and Mrs. Hen-ry Wetz, was born at Warsaw, line, on April 9, 1877. Later, she went to Lincoln, where she was united in marriage to Dr. J. W. Gill on June 14, 1911. gravel roads have been remov-ed from the restricted list a- Wight D. Perkins, of Denver,

Governor Peterson declared, in answer to criticism, "We have imposed these restrictions in an honest attempt to protect our highways. Similar re-structions have been made in nearby states. If the law is wrong, repeal it. If it's right, then let's enforce it."

The Governor directed one remark to the truckers. He

Owners and Operators Go O'NEILL WOMAN **DIES SUDDENLY**

Succumbs Shortly After **Entering Hospital**

Mrs. J. W. Gill, 72, Dies Death Saturday claimed the at Home After Return life of Mrs. Howard M. Perfrom Hospital

Pneumonia Victim

CHAMBERS - Mrs. J. W. Gill, 72, wife of a Chambers doctor, died Wednesday evening, March 16, at her home in Chambers. Death was caused by a heart attack, relatives said Burial was in Prospect Hill Mrs. Gill had been hospitalcemetery under direction of

ized at Norfolk with a seige of Rev. Ralph Gerber officiating. pneumonia, but had recovered sufficiently to enable her to be removed to her home. JOHN S. KIRWIN Mrs. Perkins, nee Myrtle

in the Chambers cemetery.

Walter, Reed Bell, C. E. Tib-bets, William Reninger, Walter

Pallbearers were:

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WIFE OF CHAMBERS

DOCTOR EXPIRES.

Zell Roby, ws born Novem-ber 25, 1888, near Ewing, a Funeral services were conducted at 2 p. m. Saturday at the Methodist church with daughter of Frank and Mary Ettleman Roby. Rev. Ralph Gerber, of O'-Neill, officiating. Burial was

by their grandparents, George

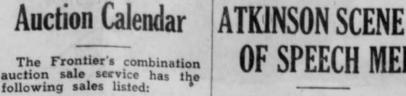
Biglin Bros.

Richards and Louis Neilson. Except for six years spent

Mrs. Robert Turner at the pi-ano. The quartette sang "The Old Rugged Cross," "Beautiful Valley of Peace" and "Blessed Mr. Kirwan went to Colo-Be the Tie."

In charge of flowers were: Mrs. M. L. Sageser, Mrs. Vern Sageser, Mrs. C. E. Tibbets and Mrs. Reed Bell. Berthe Meridian Col-tirement he was active in con-struction work. He was born nd Mrs. Reed Bell. Bertha Marie Wetz, daughter March 8, 1861, in County Tip-

PRIVATE FOX'S
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REMAINS ARRIVE
Final Burial Saturday for Holt Man Killed in
Action of Levto



North-Nebraska's Fastest-Growing Newspaper

of Stuart; Ed Thorin, auction-

quist close - out sale, three-fourths of a mile East of In-man: George P. Color man; George P. Colman, auctioneer.

(The combination auction sale service includes cadio and newspaper advertising, handbills, and free listing in this calendar - a "package" offer assuring maximum results at a minimum cost.)

DIES IN BOISE

of Ireland, a Veteran Idaho Builder

high, Ainsworth and Valentine; class B (with up to 150 average daily attendance) → Atkinson high, St. Joseph's of Atkinson, Keya Paha county high school, Stuart John Sarsfield Kirwan, 88, Music was furnished by a retired Boise, Ida., builder and quartette composed of Leo T. a former O'Neill resident, died Adams, Mrs. Letha Cook, Mrs. Adams and Ray Hoffman with in Boise, 1912 North 11th and Long Pine.

The morning program, be-ginning at 10 o'clock, follows: Original oratory: Class A ginning at 10 o'clock, follows: Original oratory: Class A — Ila Carter, St. Mary's; Eugene Harnish, Ainsworth. Class B— Bonnie Dickau Athiase B— One that will not soon be forrado from O'Neill and about Bonnie Dickau, Atkinson; Ber- gotten. Bonnie Dickau, Atkinson; Ber-nard Troshynski, St. Joseph's. Radio newscasting: Class A —Robert Spearman, Ainsworth. Interpretive oratory: Class A —Roberta Lawliss, Valentine; Stanley Price, St. Mary's. Class B—Rose Osborn, Atkinson; Lu-tille Mitchell Stuart: Bradley

was united in marriage to Dr. the Knights of Columbus. Bur-J. W. Gill on June 14, 1911. ial was made at Boise. They lived in Lincoln and Survivors include: Widow— Class B — Vallee Cook, Keya



PAGE-Mrs. Ida Townsend. 92, Page's oldest resident, is dead.

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PRICE 7 CENTS

This nonagenarian, also one of Holt county's oldest, succumbed at 4 a. m. on Sunday following a lingering illness. She had been seriously ill for wo weeks.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Tuesday in the Methodist church at Page with Rev. T. O. Brownfield, church pastor, in charge. Burial was

in the Page cemetery. Mrs. Townsend, nee Ida Farr, was born at Malone, N. Y., on July 27, 1856. Her parents were Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Farr.

When she was eight years old her parents moved to Wisconsin. On November 9, 1872, she was united in mar-riage to Waldron C. Townsend and to this union 13 children were born; nine having preceded her in death.

When this part of Nebraska was opened to homesteaders, the family came to Holt coun-

during the past seven days has netted nearly a half-inch of moisture. Most observers report that

There after, Mrs. Townsend spent several years in Wyom-ing where she took a claim. Later, she returned to her home in Page where she con-tinued to live until her death. At about the age of 20 she joined the Methodist church. She taught a Sunday - school Country roads, unattended for many months because of Ladies' Aid, and was a long-

day anniversary — July 27, 1948—the society voted to

Spath.

Former O'Neillite, Native



O'NEILL, NEBRASKA, THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 1949.

ATKINSON - Supt. John Ward and Atkinson high school Friday will be host to, the district III class A and B high school speech meet. More than 60 pupils will participate.

Judges for the program of individual readings and one-act plays will be D. S. Williams, of Lincoln, faculty member at the University of Nebraska, and Dean F. Graunke, of Norfolk, faculty member at Norfolk junior college.

Schools to be represented are Class A (with over 151

average daily attendance) — St. Mary's of O'Neill, O'Neill

said:

"I say if you want good roads, get behind some con-structive program and get money enough to build good

Board of directors of the O'-Neill Chamber met in special session last week to draft a protest on the weight restrict tions, wiring the Governor to say that the limit "threatened the economy of the region."

Steps were immediately tak-en to enlist interest of other civic groups.

o'Neill truck owners and op-erators met Monday morning to plan Tuesday's trip. L. M. Diehlman, manager of Tri-State Produce Co. and one

of the visitors at the hearing, indicated that "some good might have been accomplished, but I expect no immediate results until sometime Thursday.'

State highway department officials were in O'Neill early Wednesday to carry out the Governor's instructions to make a special inspection.

O'Neill truckers were in unanimous agreement that the 10 and 12 thousand pound per axle restrictions were "too severe" but that the 18-thousand to save the roads. They agreed that flagrant overloading was causing most of the road dam-

Elias Clark, Wife Married 60 Years

their 60th wedding anniversa-ry. Mr. Clark is in ill health and Mrs. Clark has been an in-valid for several years. They came to the O'Neill community from Hornelsville, N. Y., in 1906. They are the parents of 10 children. Mr. Clark will be 90 in June and Mrs. Clark has passed her 78th birthday anni-versary. versary.

Final Burial for

Ernest Hrbek

LYNCH-Final funeral services were held Friday for Ernest Hrbek, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hrbek, of Monowi, at the Mannen funeral home in Lynch. Ernest, a veteran of World War II, was killed on Okinawa April 29, 1945, where he served with the 17th Infantry division. Burial was held at Verdigre.

Shriners to Omaha -

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Shriner will depart today (Thursday) for Omaha to with the state of the state for Omaha to witness an ice carnival. They will return on Monday.

Action of Leyte

The body of Pfc. James I. Fox, returned recently to the United States from the Pacific



Rites will be held at 2:30 p. pound limit, provided by law, m. Saturday at Biglin Bros. "should be enforced" in order mortuary and burial will be in Prospect Hill cemetery.

Private Fox was killed in action on March 2, 1945, on Leyte. He had entered the Army on October 6, 1941, and spent three years over-seas. He was 25-years-old at the time of his death.

ters - Mrs. June Newton, of Mr. and Mrs. Elias Clark, of O'Neill, Wednesday celebrated their 60th wedding anniversa-of O'Neill. One infant brother

Ernst and White Reelected to Board August 1.

Holt county extension service Holt county courthouse annex building. More than two hundred persons attended. Clarence Ernst, of O'Neill,

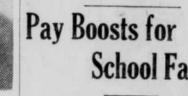
of pictures which he had taken on his recent European tour and talked on conditions abroad. Lyle P. Dierks dis-cussed "Farmstead Improve-met." Mrs. Edgar Stauffer, of Page, co-chairman of the home demonstration council, reviewed project work during the past year, and A. Neil Dawes, told of some of the extension work accomplished during Operation Snowbound.

For a number of years, Mrs. Gill frequently assisted Doctor Gill at the bedside of his patients. She was a homebody and took pride in her home and flowers.

Survivors include: Widower; daughter—Mrs. Frank (Melba) Spath, of Chambers; grand-daughter — Elaine Spath, of Chambers; sisters-Mrs. George Thomas, of Seward, and Mrs. Frank McBain, of Morehouse,

Mo. Her brother, William Wetz, preceded her in death,

Out-of-town people attending the funeral were her sis-Mrs. Dean Bachelder, of Seward; Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Gill and Gretchen, of Tekamah, and Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Gill, of Omaha.



Pfc. James I. Fox

high school teachers. tracts. They are: Supt. Ira George, Principal Lloyd Sex-ton, Marvin Miller, Esther Kinnier, Alice French, Claire Tom-

Contracts with two other teachers do not expire until July 1, and contracts with three oth-

The annual meeting of the was held last Thursday in the

district 3 supervisor, and Glen White, of Amelia, district 5 supervisor, were reelected to the board of directors. Mr. Ernst showed a number

WESLEYAN CHORUS COMING . . . The 24-voice Nebraska Wesleyan university male chorus will make a public appearance in O'Neill at 8 p. m. Monday. The chorus, on a 2,500-mile Spring concert tour, will appear at the Methodist church here. Prof. Leonard Paulsen is the director. Dale Jarvis, of Atkinson, is a member of the chorus.

wan, both of Boise. **O'NEILL NATIVE**

DIES IN WEST Raymond J. McBride, 49, Graduated from St. Mary's Academy

A former O'Neill resident, Raymond J. McBride, 49, died

recently in San Francisco, Cali., following a lingering illness. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward McBride, deceased pioneer ters, Mrs. George Thomas, of Seward; Mr. and Mrs. M. F McBain, of Morehouse, Mo.; Mary's academy. He later atin O'Neill, graduating from St. Mary's academy. He later at-tended the Colorado School of Mines and was a World War I veteran, having served with the army

Mr. McBride left O'Neill as a boy, moving with his family to Butte. Mont., later going to Los Angeles and San Francisco, where at the time of his death

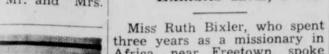
School Faculty School Faculty be was employed as an adjuster by General Motors Corp. Survivors include: Widow--

Mary, of San Franciso; sister-All members of the O'Neill Florence, of Los Angeles; brothpublic school faculty have been ers—John G., of Superior, Wisc., reelected. Pay increases of \$200 Leo F., of Mankato, Minn., and per year will be granted to grade teachers, and \$100 per year boosts will be extended to

San Francisco where Mr. Mc-Sixteen of the teachers have Bride was buried in Golden home here following a lingeruntil May 1 to accept their con- Gate national cemetery.

the time of his death. Survivors include: Parents— Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fox, of Emmet; brother—Richard; sis-Schultz, Florence Schultz, Helen daughters and two sons, Thomas,

> Mr. and Mrs. John Ross and ers, teaching on special permits, son, of Atkinson. Sunday vis-cannot be renewed until after ited his parents. Mr. and Mrs. Manford Ross.



Africa, near Freetown, spoke at the Wesleyan Methodist church on Tuesday, March 15. Miss Bixler showed moving pictures she had taken on her return trip home. Miss Bixler also showed souveniers from beads. worship as a god.

She is also related to Mr. and Mrs. Sewald Johnson, of Em-met, Frank Searles and Mr. Mrs. Lowell A. Johnson. and Her parents live in South Dakota.

March 22.

the heavy snow, have been Withers, Atkinson; Vesta Mit-chell, Stuart. time member of the WCTU. torn and chewed by bulldozers, About a year ago she was made a life member of the WSCS, (formerly Ladies' Aid) and on her last birth-

Most observers report that the Holt soil is in "excellent condition for Spring work." The orderly run-off of most of the snow has been a god-send, they say, and there seems to be an abundance of

Mrs. Ida Townsend . .

(See story at right.)

First Day of Spring Is

Ushered in by Rain

Turning to Snow

VISIT REGION

Page's oldest resident dies.

SNOW AND RAIN

chell, Stuart. Dramatic: Class A — Alice Scofield, O'Neill; Shirley Heer-man, Ainsworth; Dorothy Iler, St. Mary's; Joan Chicoine, Val-entine. Class B — Sue Nuens-wander, Atkinson; Mary Mock, tractors and other types of vehicles. In some instances flood waters have been damaging. Most roads are virtually impassable.

moisture in the ground.

Officials say that road rehabilitation and road maintenance pose the biggest problem of its kind in history. Until now Ol' Dobbin' has been the only sure means of conveyance off the main high-The one-act play contest will

March 17

John Deere Day

begin at approximately 3:50 p. m. Program follows: Comedy: Class A — O'Neill, "First Dress Suit," cast—Don-

na Crabb, Dwayne Borg, Mari-lyn Holsclaw, Donald Wagnon. Class B — Long Pine, "Sod"; Atkinson, "Giant Stair." Cast Jean Humphrey, Joan Jarvis, Douglas Rossman, James White: Stuart, "Comin' Around the Mountain," cast — Loretta Berry, James Batenhorst, Mildred Kaup, Roland Kunz, Joan Steinhauser, Laura Mulford, Marvel Jean Johnson and John Obermire.

Keya Paha.

Dramatic: Class A-St. Ma-ry's, "Dust of the Road," cast -Gerald Wills, Janice Jarmen, Jack Carney, John O'Neill; Valentine, "Cornhusked Doll."

March 18 March 19 March 20 March 21 March 22 March 23 Mrs. Cowperthwaite Succumbs Monday Total

f Los Angeles. Funeral services were held in San Francisco where Mr. Mc-died Monday at 4 p. m. at her

with a free lunch at noon at the American Legion hall.

LeZotte. She was born at Beaver Crossing on February

Survivors include: Widower: three sisters and one brother.

African Missionary

Exhibits Idols, Films

hree years as a missionary in the natives. One was a bag of By MAUDE SILVERSTRAND beads, which some natives Special Correspondent

bad weather.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

wide.

thereafter designate July 27 as "Ida Townsend Mission Day" and will raise funds to give to her favorite missionary work. She was a member of the Woodman Circle, a branch of the Woodman of the World ways. Lack of horses on many farms has been felt. Despite the wetness, a number of farmers have taklodge, for the past 50 years. Survivors include: Sons — Clint, of Page, and William, of Osage, Wyo.; daughters — Mrs. en advantage of recent good weather to remove last year's corn crop from the fields. Fred (Jessie) Swain, of Rapid City, S. D. and Mrs. Curt (Bernice) Ware, of Hanford, Calif.; half-sister— Mrs. Harry Weather summary for the past seven days, based on 24-hour periods ending at 8 a. m. Morrison, of Viroque, Wis.; 13 grandchildren; 28 great-granddaily, follows:

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Program Here Friday

children. All of the sons and daugh-ters were home at the time of Mrs. Townsend's death except Mrs. Ware.

L. R. Tompkins, Wife **Married 40 Years**

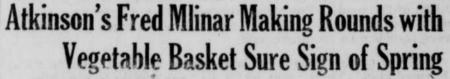
INMAN - Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Tompkins went to Norfolk Tues-days, March 15, returning Wednesday. The Tompkins were celebrating their 40th wedding Lloyd Collins Implement com-pany is sponsoring a John the Norfolk Methodist church Deere day entertainment here in 1909 by the late Rev. Charles Friday. Program will begin Wayne Ray.

Mrs. Tompkins was Miss Ethel Doughty, of Norfolk.

Highlighting the program will be the film, "The Sugar Plum Tree," starring Billie Burke and Don Wilson. In addition there will be several "interesting and educational pictures on John Deere equip-ment and modern farming practices," Mr. Collins said. The provide the several over 700 at Dance —

Over 700 at Dance -

The program originally was More than 700 persons atplanned for, January but had tended the St. Patrick's dance to be postponed because of at the American Legion ballroom last Thursday night.



ATKINSON- A sure sign of neers and was formerly Miss Bixler, who will tour Spring was seen in Atkinson farmer, real estate agent and churches in the United States for a year, is a niece of Mrs. Seraldia Johnson, of Emmet. many housewives with his ear- munity. ly fruits an vegetables was making the rounds with his market basket.

For many years, Mr. Mlinar has delivered the first delicious dam on the Elkhorn river will tang to the faded Winter menus be rebuilt, Frank J. Brady, a with his early horseradish and member of the state game, for-rhubarb. Later on he supplies estation and parks commission, Bobby Joe Rodgers, 20, of every vegetable imaginable has announced. He said com-Clearwater, and Gyva Rebecca from that well-worn basket. mission engineers will begin Ziegenbein, 28, of Clearwater. His garden is known far-and- work as soon as the weather

Mr. Mlinar, past 85, now is one of Atkinson's oldest pio-

TO REBUILD DAM

ATKINSON - The old mill permits.

er, 75, veteran Bassett lumber- | at Forest Lawn cemetery. Mrs. Cowperthwaite's maid-en name was Minnie Lorena 18, 1880.

LUMBERMAN DIES BASSETT — Harry Gallagh-Inde Unite Intre Tonowing a Higer ing illness. D'Neill to Omaha on Wednes-day by Biglin Bros. for rites

