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Lincoln Highway Gets Nod O'Neill PCA Holds Over 'Forgotten Route' Through O'Neill

U. S. highway 20, which partitions Holt county on its East-West span from coast-tocoast, apparently is the "forgotten route"

It was omitted from the 20year national road building plan, which includes highway 30-often referred to as the Lincoln highway-which par-

Nebraska has a 481/4-million -dollar stake in the proposed 40-thousand-mile super-highway system which has been of the goals of the PCA here, recommended to congress. The 20-year, 11-billion-dollar program for a network of broad, high-speed truck highways places Nebraska on one of the three main East-West transcontinental routes.

Federal highway 30, running West from Omaha, gets the nod and will sprawl over 460 miles of Nebraska

The road building program Higgins, William Babutzke, Ray was drafted by the Public Siders, and D. C. Schaffer, all of base. Works administration in cooperation with the states. Congress has been asked to supply one-half billion dollars a year.

No North-South super-highways would cross Nebraska, but there would be one through Sioux Falls, S. D., Sioux City, Ia., Council Bluffs, Ia., a n d Kansas City Mo.

Only 41 miles of present Nebraska highway likely could m. to extinguish a prairie fire be used for the new road. In two miles East and half a mile general the route will follow South of here. No damage rehighway 30 but be "relocated."

Rooney Mentioned in Farm Credit Magazine

James W. Rooney, secretary of the O'Neill Production Credit association, is pictured and featured in a story in the Summer, 1949, issue of the Farm Credit Leader, an organ of the Farm Credit Administration of Omaha.

Rooney was mentioned in connection with his work in Oper-

the thick of storm relief work State bank at Ewing on July from the time the first blizzard | 7 hit on November 18 until the

the struggle in Holt country. It At the time of his arrest, Ko- handedly he performed the mentioned that the O'Neill PCA | petjka had on his person false maintenance operations that sponsored three special broad- identification. However, Holt kept small aircraft flying on casts from O'Neill over radio tation WIAG through the bard said Kopetjka confessed rural people. station WJAG, through the "Voice of The Frontier" studios. to his real identity.

Auto-Hayrack Crash

ORCHARD- A car-hayrack accident occurred on highway 20 near here Tuesday morning with damage to the vehicles and without personal injury, according to State highway patrolman Fay Robeson.

The driver of the Eastbound car, William Hamann, of Walcott, Ia., was passing the hayrack. The driver of the tractor, pulling the hayrack, turned left across the road when the accident occurred.

Driver of the tractor was Walter Anson, of Orchard. Patrolman Robeson estimated the damage to the car at \$\frac{1}{300}\$ while the hayrack, he \$\frac{1}{300}\$ while the hayrack, he and Henry Reimer.

Shaw Gurnsey, Fred Stearns, spent 36 out of 42 months of entired is the South ervised between one and five his navy service in the South Pacific participating in 10 ma- o clock every day except Sunwas completely demolish-

Bids Being Received On 214 Miles Line

Members of the board of directors of the Niobrara Valley Electric Membership corporation will open sealed bids in a meeting here Friday, August 12. The bids will pertain to approximately 214 miles of rural electrification construction for Holt county,

according to Ed Wilson, manager. At least three bids will be required before one can be accepted, pending confirmation by

REA in Washington, D. C. Meanwhile, first phase construction is nearing completion

in Boyd county. Holt construction will begin shortly after the contractor is

notified, Wilson said. New Home Agent

Assumes Duties Mrs. Berl Damkroger, new Holt county home extension a-

gent actively assumed her duties August 1. A June graduate of the University of Nebraska, Mrs. Damkroger received her bach-

elor of science degree in home The new home extension a gent announced Wednesday the meeting on August 9 of the woman's council to be held in the assembly room of the courthouse here. Plans will be outlined for the Fall and Win-

ter, Mrs. Damkroger said.

Annual Meeting

Fifty members of the O'Neill Production credit association attended the 15th annual picnicmeeting at Ford's park Sunday,

James W. Rooney, secretarytreasurer, of O'Neill, reported that member-capital increased \$2,815 and reserves were upped to \$6,263 during the first six months of 1949.

Member-capital now stands at \$68,380 with reserves totaling

Complete farm ownership, one will be reached January 1, 1950, when the final five-thousanddollars of government capital is

to be repaid.

Ray Siders, of O'Neill, and Otto Krupicka, of Spencer, were re-elected directors. Nine stockholders were presented with a gift in appreciation of their patronage. They were: E.J. Revell, of Star; Leslie Lamason, of Page; R. B. Geary, of Inman; Robert and Leonard Nay, of Elgin; M. B.

A 15-year service pin was warded to Rooney with John W. Nichlos, of Elgin, and Edith J. Davidson, of O'Neill, receiving a 10-year service pin.

GRASS FIRE

O'Neill volunteer firemen were called Sunday at 7:30 p.

COMPLAINT FILED IN CHECK CASE

\$20 Check

Loyd Angus, of Ewing, filed ation Snowbound. The article a complaint in Holt county themselves to fly. ates:

"Rooney . . . was involved in charging Clifford B. Kopetjka der is not in O'Neill to form-

> Kopetjka, allegedly AWOL in Norfolk after having been

Sheriff Hubbard returned Kopetjka to Holt county Wednesday afternoon to answer the complaint.

Fairview Church

Gets New Roof

DELOIT — The Fairview church was shingled recently by parishoners and friends of the church.

Taking part in the shingling bee were: Marvin Fuller, Donald Fuller, Victor Maben O'Neill. Howard Manson, Roy Buson,

Homecoming will be held at the church on August 7. Glen Williamson will be in charge. There will be basket dinner at



NEW SUPERINTENDENT ... Al D. Johnson (above), of Los Angeles, Calif., Monday became mechanical superintendent at The Frontier, succeeding Dudley J. Stone, who has gone to Detroit. Mich. Married, Johnson comes to The Frontier with a varied background in the newspaper work. Originally from Geneva, he worked on the Nebraska Signal there for two years and the Arapahoe Public Mirror for two years before going to Los Angeles. Mr. Stone and his family moved to Detroit last

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HE FRONTIER

HARPER ELECTED **LEGION CHIEF**

World War II Navy Vet Succeeds Gallagher As Commander

Gordon O. Harper, 37, manager of the O'Neill muncipal airport, Thursday, July 28, was elected commander of the Simonson post 93 of the American Legion here.

He succeeds John R. Gallalgher, O'Neill attorney, who de-clined to be a candidate for the

Harper, a World War II Navy air corps veteran, spent most of his tour of service duty at the Jacksonville, Fla., navy air

Entering the armed forces from Iowa, Harper was discharged from the Navy in 1946 as an aviation machinists' mate first class, after nearly three years of service.

Married, Harper has two daughters, ages nine and 12, and has resided in O'Neill since the war.

Commander Harper was born in Holt county and lived most of his life on the family farm 11/2 miles Southeast of

Since boyhood days Harper has been enthusiastic about flying and airplane mechanics,

according to the family. He and a childhood friend bought a plane that had been Ewing Man Charged with
Forging and Passing

\$20 Check

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to get it in flying condition.

By the time Summer rolled around, the plane was in flying condition and they taught

public and private groups that 27, with forging and passing ally comment on his election. consultant engineer to proceed fought the blizzard. He was in a \$20 check at the Farmers Harper, his family and his par- to draw up plans and estiments, are vacationing in the ates for a sewerage disposal state of Washington.

Harper was a central figure snow began to melt in the from the Army, was in custody during the state of emergency which existed here during the The article discussed at length arrested there Tuesday night. Winter of 1949. Almost singlerural people.

Other officers are: Eugene The complaint stated that Cantlon, 36, manager of Gamthe \$20 check was signed by bles department store, vice-Ralph J. Kopetjka and passed commander; Jack Arbuthnot, of Near Orchard on the Farmers State bank at O'Neill, sergeant-at-arms; Robert Ewing on July 7. ert Eby, of O'Neill, chaplain.

Elected to the executive committee are: Dorance Crabb, Bennett Gilligan, Melvin Ruzicka, H. L. Bennett and Elgin Ray. All are of O'Neill.

W. W. Griffin, Leo Carney Emmet Carr and Robert Miles composed the nominating ;com-

Commander Harper was elected on the first round of voting. Other candidates for top position were: Keith Abart,

jor engagements.

SHERIDAN CHEYEN SALT LAKE CITY LINCOLN DENVER PUEBLO WICHITAG SANTA LAS TULISA ALBUQUERQUE LITTLE ROCK FT. WORTH LAS CRUCES DALLAS BATON NOGALES SALVESTON

BISMARCK

Super-highway plan includes routs 30-the Lincoln highwaybut omits number 20, which passes through O'Neill and Holt

SEWERAGE PLANS TO BE DRAWN UP

Engineer Price Explains Various Disposal **Facilities**

Tuesday evening authorized Jim Gibbons. Miss Bennett Donald D. Price, of Lincoln, had accompanied her brothersystem here.

Preliminary estimates for the cost of a new disposal range from 30 to 130-thousand dollars, according to Price.

The city is confronted with the problem of the sewerage that is not flowing properly on the South side of the railroad tracks here.

Temporary repairs have to date cost the city close to three -thousand dollars, with the inadequacey still prevailing.

This is the first step toward a possible replacement of the 1911 river dumping disposal system, according to some ob- or and a hayrack, while her

The city council also agreed to pay for the electricity for hold and two wheels of the two lights to be installed by rack ran over the infant's Consumers public power dis- chest. trict in Ford's park.

Supervisors Hired-

William Herman, of O'Neill, has been hired as supervisor of O'Neill, Bud Cole, of Em- at Ford's park during the Vice - Commander Cantlon of the Parent-teacher's assospent 36 out of 42 months of ciation. The park will be supday during August.

O'Neill Girl Is Televised in Virginia-

Miss Barbara Bennett. daughter of Dr. H. L. Bennett, was televised recently while attending a sports event in Alexandria, Va. As she stepped up to the microphone for an interview, the emcee asked ner what state she was from He seemed very pleased to hear Nebraska and exclaimed The O'Neill city council Greely, Neb.," His name was in-law K. P. Ferree. Mrs. Ferree, her sister, saw the televised show at their home with

Deloit Infant Run Over by Hayrack

the Ferree's new daughter.

DELOIT - Mary Venteicher, six-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Venteicher. was run-over by a hayrack

She was lying on the ground on a blanket between a tractfather was unloading hay. The brake on the tractor failed to

The tot was rushed to a doctor in Elgin who said that she had suffered only minor

Mary was drinking from a bottle at the time of the accimet, and Dorance Crabb, of month of August, according to dent. The rubber tires on the Robert Kurtz, council member rack are credited with saving

the child's life. Mrs. Venteicher is the form-

WJAG . . . 780 on your dial!

Community Auction Goods Sought

scription.

The all-out campaign is on, James M. Corkle, drive chairman said, in order to obtain the money needed to send the fund over the minimum 100thousand dollar mark.

This must be popularly subscribed before federal aid is granted and the Sisters of St. Francis will asume "any reasonable indebtedness."

Saturday night, July 30, a calf was won by Joe Warnek, lows: of Anoka. It was then sold to repeated the process.

the buidling fund.

boost substantially the grand Station, 6 gal. Penwalld oil; ing fund, Corkle said.

committee to promote the live-

In addition to the donation ern, box cigars; Gillespie's, ra-

With the addition of \$7, of the Ray Siders' heifer, a dio; Schultz Store, 4 pound 298.71 since July 16, the St. yearling white face steer was coffee and coffee pot; Spelts-Anthony's hospital building donated by George Losher, of fund has been boosted to over O'Neill, while Hank Martin, of \$88,500 through popular sub- O'Neill, contributed an angus steer calf from his 1949 crop.

Meanwhile plans have been completed and many merchandise donations received for the community auction sale to be held Saturday, August 13, West of the Golden hotel.

of the sale. The merchandise

Marcellus Implement, n e w and auction were donated to el fruit; Cocker's Locker, bi-O'Neill Auto Supply, There is still a need for more Brown-McDonald Store, blan-Store, steam iron; Matt's tav- wire stretchers, four guarts,

Ray Lbr. Co., 2 gal. Pench- raska senior student. rome natural finish; Streeter's set; Osborne's Shoe store, pair jods ending at 8 a. m., daily childrens shoes, any size; Mc-Intosh Jewelry, K. Man's handtooled bill fold; Ap-Mrs. Edna Coyne and Mrs. parel Shop, purse, scarf; Stan-Harry Sullivan are cochairman dard oil company, five gallon Isovis motor oil; Davidsons that has been contributed by Plumbing, 1 double sink; Lo the O'Neill business firms fol- haus Motor Co., 600x16 tire; Tom-Tom cafe, five 1/2 gal lon ice cream, (may be picked Austine Hynes for \$50. He re-turned it and Dick Tomlinson 20 pounds coffee; H. L. Parker, parlor, box cigars; Council Oak 10 gal. basement tar; Nu-Way store, two sacks White Loaf In addition to the calf sale, Cafe, Case of canned vegetab- flour; John McManus, bathing proceeds from the bingo game les; New Outlaw Store, 3 bush- suit size 34, 6 yards drapery material; Elite cafe, case of A livestock sale and a grand Market, Nutrena feed; Chev-Shoe shop horse collar: Mecommunity public auction are rolet garage, 3 ton hydraulic Elvains, box cigars; Fetrow now in the making, which will portable jack; Crabb Service Garage, hot plate and pyrex coffee maker; J. C. Penny & total of donations to the build- Arburthnot Oil Co., case DX Co., shirt, tie, socks uniform, motor oil, any weight; Gillig- and toilet articles; Don's bar, L. D. Putman, of O'Neill, has an & Stout, Brownie camera; box cigars; Kersenbrock's Marbeen named chairman of a Howard's Market, 100 lbs. su- ket, gallon peaches; Virgin Egar; Gambles, plastic covered lectric, rubber flash light; stock sale to be held early in chair; Saunto's, necktie; Jonas Marie's Beauty shop, \$15 elec-September, according to Corkle. Furniture store, kitchen stool; tronic permanent; Coyne's porcelain tools; Hardwear, white, double drain tubs; Moore-Nocalf donations to make the sale ket; Firestone Home Supply ble Lumber company, t w o

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Pair Plead Guilty To Drink Charge

Two men were fined Wednesday morning in county court by Judge Louis W. Reimer after they pleaded guilty to a charge of driving while intoxicated.

The two men, Leo A. Joch-um, 22, of Elgin, and Keith M. Delashmutt, 25, of Burwell.

pended for 60 days.
State Highway Patrolman
Fay Robeson picked the pair up at a service station in West O'Neill after he had received three complaints about them.

According to reports, Jochum and Delashmutt had rounded the corner by the First Presbyterian church and hit a curb that resulted in damage to the car in which they were rid-

Manuel Siegler, of Dodge City, Kans., has been named head of Gambles main floor clothing department, succeeding James Harty, it was announced Monday by Gene Cantlon, store manager.

Siegler comes to O'Neill from Gambles store at Dodge City. Married, Siegler assisted this week in preparation for Gambles second anniversary sale which begins today, (Thurday).

HAYING DONE IN SOME AREAS

Moisture Helps But More Is Needed to Assure A Corn Crop

Grasshoppers, having and had accompanied her brother- moisture were prominent this week on the Holt crop front, County Agent A. Neill Dawes, reported Wednesday.

With the .47 of an inch of rain that fell Friday and Satbetter," the county agent com- his life there.

The cool weather that follow- them five children were born. ed the rain is particularly beneficial, the county agent said. Meanwhile, a number of

farmers Southwest of Ewing and Southwest of Atkinson reported their haying is com-According to the 1947 Nebraska department of agricul-

ture statistics, there were 327, 000 acres of native hay harvested that year in Holt county compared to 335,000 acres As some of the having in

the county is being completed, the grasshoppers a r e moving to the greener crops, mainly to the alfafa, Dawes Reports show there is a gen-

eral "light" infestation of grasshoppers, indicating from farmers there might develop heavier infestation in the Atkinson and Chambers areas, Dawes continued.

Assisting County Agent Dawes is Vince Rawson, of

The hottest mark of the week George. barber shop, Creme oil hair was reached July 28, when the dresing; Biglin Bros., d e s k temperature sored to 95 de- tional anthem, "Star Spangled lamp; McCarville's, necktie; grees. The seasonal high was Midwest Funiture, Duncan recorded July 26 at 99 degrees. Banner", by Key; march, "Barnum and Bailey's favorite", by Phyfe coffee table; Jacobson's This week's weather sum- K. L. King; march "The Hunt-Electric, stainless steel kitchen mary, based on 24-hour per- reess", by K. L. King; waltz,

follows:			
Date	Hi	Lo	Pred
July 28	95	67	
July 29	89	55	.31
July 30	70	52	.16
July 31	83	60	
August 1	93	60	
August 2	83	52	
Trugues a	0.0	50	

Mrs. Frank Taylor Dies in Kentucky

Ralph Rees this week received of the death of their South Dakota labor day celeonly daughter, Mrs. Frank bration. (Marjorie) Taylor. She died at Mt. Olivet, Ky.

ed immediately. unity for several years. Survivors include the wid- ing. ower and three small children.

DICK ROBERTSON DIES SUNDAY

PRICE 7 CENTS

Heart Attack Is Fatal To Lifelong Holt

Dick W. Robertson, 36, died were fined \$50 and costs and had their drivers' licenses susday afternoon at his farm home in Joy, about 12 miles North of O'Neill.

Resident

He was stricken in a tool shed. His wife found the body shortly before 6 p.m. A physician was summoned and pronounced death due to a heart attack. Earlier in the week he had

een working in the hay fields. Funeral services will be held today (Thursday) at 2 p. m. from the Presbyterian church with burial in the Joy ceme-SIEGLER NEW GAMBLES
DEPARTMENT HEAD | tery near the Robertson place.
Rev. Ralph Gerber will officiate. tery near the Robertson place. Pallbearers are: Emmet Crabb, Melvin Marcellus, Levi Fuller, Alfred Drayton, James McNulty, Harry Lansworth, Henry Martin and Carl Miller.

A son of a pioneer Holt

Dick W. Robertson, 36 . one of Holt's best-known farm-

county couple, Mr. and Mrs. urday, July 29 and 30, the corn John A. Robertson, he was crop in Western and Northern born on the Joy place on De-Holt county looks "somewhat cember 3, 1912, and resided all

On July 18, 1936, he married Even though, he continued, LaVerne Lillian Hartford, of there is a distinct need for O'Neill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. more moisture in those areas George Hartford, at the First to insure a good crop of corn. Presbyterian church here. To

> He graduated from O'Neill high school in 1930 and for two years attended the University of Nebraska at Lincoln. Returning from the university, he farmed for a time with his father. Mr. Robertson had farmed

and ranched all of his life and owned over 860 acres of land in Holt county at the time of his death. The late Mr. Robertson was

one of Holt county's best-known Besides his widow, he is survived by sons- Warren, Gary and Bruce; and daughter Car-

ol Ann; five brothers and five A daughter, LaDonna R a e died in infancy.

Muny Band Bookings Are Announced

The regular band concert will be heard Saturday even-Orleans, a University of Neb- ing at the O'Neill bandstand under the direction of Ira

> The program follows: Na-"Let the Rest of the World Go By", by Ball; novelty, "Teddy Bears Picnic". by Bratton;
> March "Gallant Zouaves", by
> K. L. King; "Trombone Toboggan", by Weber; vocal solo,
> "Tea for Two", by Helen Kubitschek, Gene Paul Georgeguest conductor; hymn, "Near-er My God To Thee"; "March of The Women Marines", by

Future performances of the band are as follows: August 11 -Burwell rodeo; August 16free day at Crofton; August 17-18-Atkinson Hay September 1 — Holt (Chambers) fair; September 5 -

The band will have two rehearsals a week during Aug-Mr. and Mrs. Rees and Mr. ust. These will be on Monday and Mrs. Robert Rees depart- and Friday nights. The junior recital will be given on Fri-The late Mrs. Taylor was a day, August 26. This will be teacher in the Amelia com- composed of students who have 18 months or less train-

AMELIA-Gene Hansen re-Details concerning her illness and resultant death are not cently purchased 120 acres of hay land from Lance Withers.