

Wind, Rain, Hail Strike at Deloit

4-Inch Deluge Early Wednesday Washes & Damages Crops

DELOIT — A severe combination wind, hail and rain storm between 12:30 and 1:15 a.m. Wednesday, June 14, raised havoc in the Deloit community. The storm was local in nature and several miles in each direction away from this tiny community the storm diminished in ferocity.

Residents Wednesday were clearing away the debris and removing dead chickens, birds and several head of livestock that perished under the pounding of the ice pellets.

One resident of the community, 14 miles south of Ewing, declared that all of her chickens were killed. They had been left outside.

Mrs. Henry Reimers, The Frontier's correspondent, reported 11 dead birds under a single tree.

At the Augie Thiele place, all buildings were damaged with the exception of the house and barn.

Many frail buildings lost their roofs, trees were uprooted and some buildings were blown from their foundations.

But the costliest damage was to the crops. Most of the corn will have to be replanted. Rye was damaged. Fields were made smooth under the deluge and pounding.

Run-off of the water was orderly. The REA lines in the community went dead and until noon Wednesday had not been repaired.

Hupp's store reported less storm damage in that locality than residents farther south.

Mercury Climbs To 95 Degrees

Holt countyans had their first taste of summer heat Monday and Tuesday when the mercury climbed to 95 and 87 degrees respectively.

A hail storm forecast for late Tuesday failed to materialize, but .38 of an inch of moisture fell, beginning about midnight Tuesday night.

Storm was accompanied by a considerable electrical disturbance.

Weather summary, based on 24-hour readings taken at 6 p.m., follows:

Date	Hi	Low	Prec.
June 6	88	60	
June 7	84	62	
June 8	80	58	
June 9	78	53	
June 10	76	55	
June 11	86	65	
June 12	95	63	
June 13	89	73	.38

Doctor's Degree for Nadine Coyne

Miss Nadene Coyne, of O'Neill, is a candidate for the degree of doctor of medicine at the University of Illinois college of medicine.

Commencement exercises for the Chicago professional colleges of the university will be held at 2 p. m., Friday, June 16, at the Chicago undergraduate division at navy pier.

Three hundred and forty-seven degrees will be conferred by President George D. Stoddard at the exercises.

150 4-H Club Members in Meet Here

Seven teams comprising 150 members of Holt county's 4-H clubs convened here Monday for a practice session on the demonstration of respective projects.

Guy Davis, of Lincoln, state 4-H club leader, was on hand to give the members pointers on respective demonstrations. The day was held in preparation for the Holt county fair and other days when teams will be called upon to give explanation of demonstrations.

A film "Principles in Giving Demonstrations" was shown. Assisting during the day-long event were A. Neil Dawes, Holt county agent, and Mrs. Beryl Damkroger, Holt county home extension agent.

Holt Soil Election Results Not Available

Results of the Holt county soil conservation election, which was held Thursday, June 8, will not be made public until after the state soil conservation committee in Lincoln has reviewed and recounted the ballots.

This was announced this week by Robert Hill, head of the Holt soil conservation district. Hill said "results should be known in about 10 days."

Election was held to choose 2 supervisors for the Holt district.

MARKET REPORT Wednesday noon, June 14 (Prices subject to change)

Corn, No. 2 yellow	1.25
Oats	.80
Wheat	1.90
Rye	1.08
Barley	1.03
Butterfat, No. 1	.57
Butterfat, No. 2	.54
Eggs	.24

Lay Cornerstone For New Church

CHAMBERS — Services were held at 8 o'clock Monday morning, June 12, at the new Baptist church when the cornerstone was laid. Enclosed in the box placed in the cornerstone was the history of the church and names of officers.

Present for the occasion was Mrs. Alma Farrier, of Chambers, who was a charter member of the old Harold Baptist church, 7 miles southeast of Chambers. This building was later moved to town and has been used since as the Baptist church.

Pictures were taken. Taking part in the services were Leo Adams, Frank Porter, Vernon Smith and Rev. L. M. McElheron.

ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT OPENS

Qualifying Matches to Be Played on Sunday; Bridge for Ladies

Entries for the 26th annual open golf tournament, which will be held at the O'Neill Country club Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, June 18, 19 and 20, are pouring in, according to Joe McCarville, jr., and H. J. Lohaus, comanagers.

Eighteen holes of qualifying play are scheduled for Sunday, June 18, followed by 72 holes of match play on Monday and Tuesday.

McCarville and Lohaus said there will be flights of golf for every participant and trophies and prizes will be awarded winners.

Other activities include a dance Monday evening, June 19, and bridge for ladies is slated during the afternoons.

Kermit Mortenson, of Albion, is the defending champion, and he will be on hand to defend his crown. Harold Johnson of Norfolk, was last year's runner-up.

Newport Host to District Rebekahs

ATKINSON — The Rebekah district 50 convention was held in Newport on Tuesday, June 13.

Mrs. James Kubart, of Atkinson, served as president of the district for the past year. District includes Atkinson and towns west to Valentine.

Also present at the meeting were Mrs. Lois Harris, of Lynch, assembly state treasurer, and Mrs. Julia Blackmore, of Atkinson, assembly warden.

Francis Gilg Heads KCs

Francis Gilg, O'Neill contractor, Thursday, June 8, was elected grand knight of the Knights of Columbus chapter 701 here at O'Neill. Gilg succeeds Herman J. Janzing.

Other officers elected for the coming year include: Matthew J. Beha, deputy grand knight; Leonard Shoemaker, chancellor; James Mullen, recorder; Ray Bosn, treasurer; Norman Gonderinger, advocate; Leo Tomjack, warden; Andrew Schacht, inside guard; George M. Carthy, trustee; Herbert Hammond, financial secretary; Very Rev. Timothy O'Sullivan, chaplain.

Following the election of officers, a short business session concluded the meeting.

Here from Hastings

John Protovinsky, of Hastings, is spending 2 weeks vacation with his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Grutsch.



GRADUATE NURSE — Miss Maxine Golden (above) daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Golden, of O'Neill, graduated from St. Catherine's hospital school of nursing in Omaha on June 1. She will return to O'Neill July 7 and remain for 3 weeks. Miss Golden is a St. Mary's academy graduate, class of 1947.

MRS. S. E. HICKS O'NEILL, EXPIRES

Services To Be Held Today (Thursday) At 2 P.M.

Funeral services will be held today (Thursday) for Mrs. Stephen Hicks, 77, a pioneer resident of Holt county.

Services will be held at 2 p. m. at the O'Neill Presbyterian church with Rev. Ralph Gerber, church pastor, officiating. Burial will be in the Paddock Union cemetery.

Mrs. Hicks died Tuesday, June 13, at her home at 10:40 a. m. following a week's illness.

Pallbearers will be P. B. Harty, Henry Martin, Merrill Hicks, Woodrow Hubby, Gus Seiber and George Krikac.

Mary Gertrude Hubby was born in Polk county, Ia., January 1, 1873, the daughter of the late John and Mary Hubby. She came to Holt county during 1879 with her parents.

On March 24, 1892, she married Stephen Edward Hicks here and they became the parents of 3 children.

Mr. and Mrs. Hicks farmed for more than a quarter century near Paddock, northeast of O'Neill. They farmed Mr. Hicks' father's place.

During 1925 the couple moved to O'Neill where they have been living since.

Survivors include: Husband; daughters—Mrs. Edward (Julia) Hubby, of Hastings, and Mrs. Max (Adeline) Sporn, of Glendale, Calif.; son—Clarence Hicks, of O'Neill; 8 grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; sister—Mrs. Dede Moyer, of Seattle, Wash.

Haystack Fire Threat to Buildings

AMELIA — A fire which started in an old haystack and spread through the barnyard at the Maudie Hansen farm created considerable excitement before the blaze was brought under control.

Mrs. Hansen was alone at the place on Tuesday, June 6, when the fire broke out. She suffered a few minor burns in attempting to extinguish the flames.

Neighbors promptly answered the call for help and the fire was put out before there was any damage to buildings—although for a time it was feared the buildings would be destroyed.

Miss Birmingham Receives Honors

Miss Barbara Birmingham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Birmingham, was cited recently at Barat college, Lake Forest, Ill., where she has completed her sophomore year. Miss Birmingham received recognition for 2 scholastic honors. These honors were announced at the college's convocation exercises.

Miss Birmingham, who is a graduate of St. Mary's academy, was in the upper 10 percent of the sophomore class and in the upper 10 percent of the entire college of over 300 students.

She is a member of the choir and chorus and is active in the Sacred Heart sodality. She was also presented a medal for being elected to Infante de Marie sodality.

District Judging Day Slated June 21

District 4-H judging day is slated to be held here Wednesday, June 21, at the O'Neill public school, beginning at 10 a. m., according to A. Neil Dawes, Holt county extension agent.

The district is made up of Holt, Boyd, Wheeler and Garfield counties. About 200 4-Hers are expected to attend.

Livestock judging will be held at both the O'Neill Livestock Market and on farms near O'Neill.

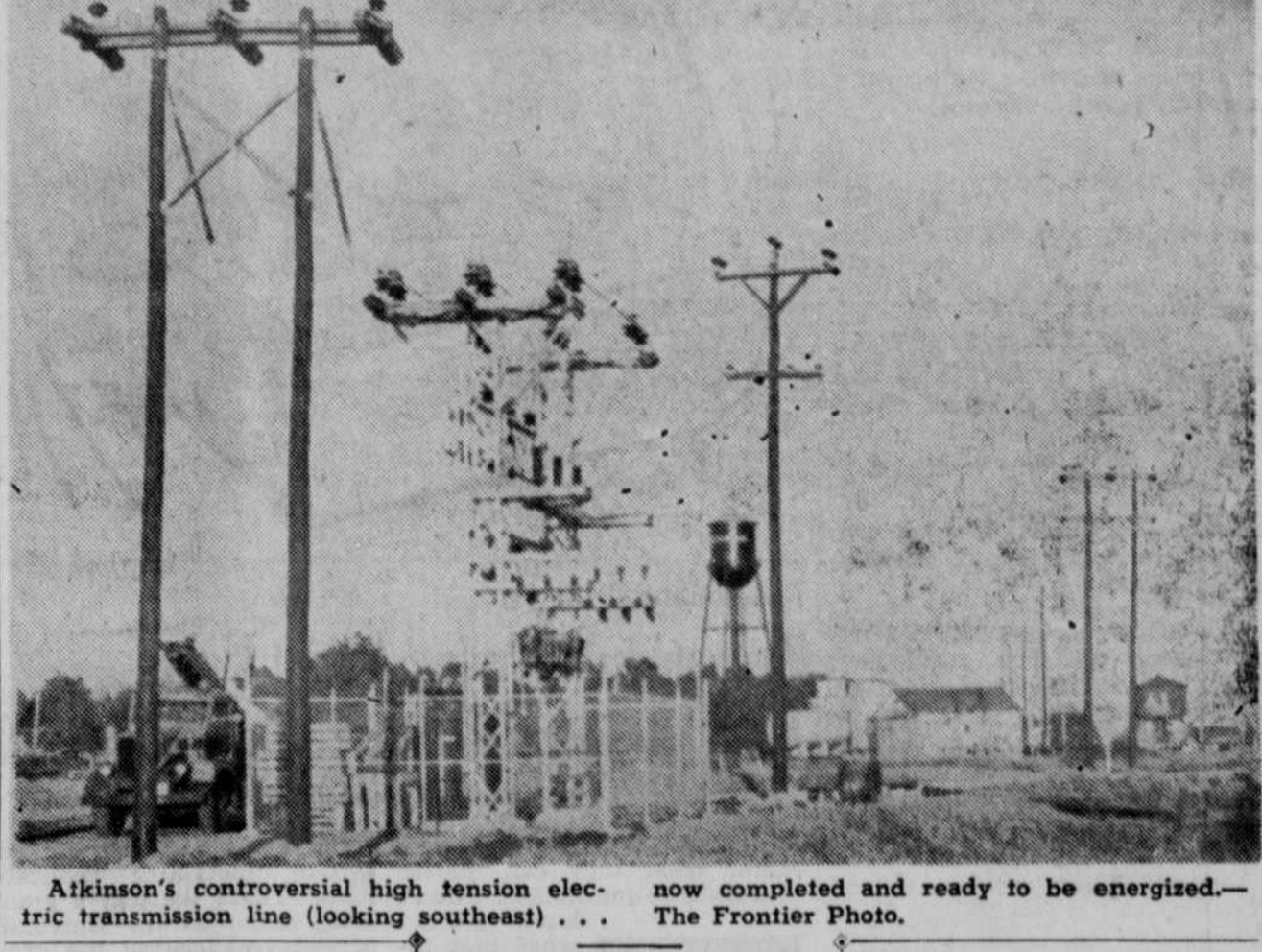
Other project judging will be held at the O'Neill school. K. C. Fouts, of Lincoln, and other officials of the University of Nebraska college of agriculture are scheduled to attend.

TREES COMING DOWN

Trees that might obstruct overhead power lines in connection with O'Neill's new "white way" street lighting system will be removed next week. City council gave Consumers Public Power district instructions to fell trees where necessary, and remove other obstructions.

Dakotans Here

Mrs. Claude Johnson and sons, Joseph and James, of Sioux Falls, S. D., are visiting Mrs. Johnson's sister, Mrs. John Grutsch. They plan to stay until Saturday, June 17.



Atkinson's controversial high tension electric transmission line (looking southeast) ... now completed and ready to be energized.—The Frontier Photo.

Council Establishes New Tax Levy

O'Neill taxpayers for the next fiscal year will pay 25.5 mills to finance the city's obligations. This new levy, which is a 4-mill increase, was established at the last regular meeting of the O'Neill city council. The 1949 levy was 21.5 mills.

Although the ordinance was passed by the members of the city council at the June 5 meeting, the levy actually became effective the first Tuesday in May, 1950.

In addition to the establishing of the new mill levy, the council passed an ordinance forbidding the sale or the discharging of fireworks within the city limits.

Christ Lutheran Gets New Pastor

Rev. Robert W. Olson will be the new resident pastor at Christ Lutheran church in O'Neill and Immanuel Lutheran church in Atkinson.

A recent graduate of the Springfield, Ind., Missouri synod theological seminary, he has just been ordained, and this will be his first post.

Reverend Hartmann, of Bloomfield, will preside when Reverend Olson is installed on Sunday, July 2.

Reverend Olson succeeds Rev. Clyde O. Cress, who transferred to Cleveland, O., 2 months ago. Meanwhile, the 2 Holt churches have been without a resident pastor. The new minister will reside in O'Neill.

'Freak' Accident Involves 3 Cars

Two Ewing men Monday were fined \$10 and costs when they pleaded guilty to "indifferent reckless driving" after they were involved in a "freak" accident near Ewing Friday, June 9. The men are William Steskal and William W. Evans.

Charges, which were filed by State Highway Patrolman Fay Robeson, grew out of a mishap that happened east of Ewing near the intersection of state highway 108 and Ewing's main street.

According to the investigating authority, Steskal was traveling north on highway 108 and he was about to make a left-hand turn onto Ewing's main street. Patrolman Robeson said Steskal failed to signal for the turn.

At the time Steskal was about to turn left off of the highway, Evans was passing the Steskal vehicle.

Evans at this point attempted to turn onto Ewing's main street to avoid an accident. Robeson said he (Evans) was traveling "too fast" to make the corner so he veered off to the northeast into a driveway where he slid 92 feet into the rear of a car owned by Mrs. Josie Versaw, of Ewing.

The truck driven by Evans and the vehicle driven by Steskal did not collide.

QUARTET GOES ON AIR

BUTTE — The Butte Full Gospel quartet will go on the air each Saturday morning at 8:15 over radio station KCOM, Sioux City, beginning June 17. Members of quartet are: Loris H. Anderson, first tenor; Carleen Anderson, second tenor; Bob Anderson, baritone; Alvin Jones, bass, and Darlene Anderson, pianist.

DISPUTED LINE READY FOR POWER

Consumers Workmen Get 'Go Ahead' From City Council

ATKINSON — The now famous high tension power line entering Atkinson from the east (O'Neill) is now completed and ready to be energized.

Consumers Public Power district workmen swarmed over the poles and substation last week after the Atkinson city council reversed its earlier standing and gave the "go ahead" signal to finish the line.

Routing of the line to the new substation had been a matter of controversy for several weeks.

Opponents of the present route held that the 23,000-volt line through the heart of the city was a hazard and would interfere with radio reception. These persons, including 3 members of the council, wanted the line routed in the "back door" where it would not be near residential properties.

Backers of the present routing, including Consumers engineers, said that high tension lines into the middle of cities and towns is imperative now to assure adequate service.

Workmen had been off-again-on-again as far as the Atkinson power picture was concerned, so when the council on June 5 gave the "go ahead" no time was lost in completing construction and readying for power.

Former Atkinson Businessman Dies

ATKINSON — Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 14, at 3 p. m. at the Seger funeral home for Herman A. Towers, 75, a former businessman and farm resident of this community. Rev. Orin Graff officiated and burial was in Woodlawn cemetery here.

Tower died at the home of his daughter, Iris, Saturday, June 10, at Morrilstown, N. J. The remains were shipped here for burial.

Survivors include: widow; and a daughter, Iris, of Morrilstown, N. J.

Open House Planned At Reclamation Office

The bureau of reclamation office in Ainsworth will hold open house to the public Saturday afternoon, June 17, from 2 to 5, in observance of the 48th anniversary of the reclamation act of 1902.

Clyde E. Burdick, area engineer in charge of the Niobrara Basin project office at Ainsworth in announcing this open house observance, stated that movies will be shown and all departments in the Ainsworth office will be explained to those attending.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Hammond and Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Chace, of Atkinson, went Sunday, June 11, to see R. E. Chace, who is a patient in a hospital in Sioux City. They returned Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Mangan and family, of Hastings, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Moore Sunday, June 11. Mrs. Moore returned with them and went on to Lincoln. She returned Monday.

2 Republicans File for Positions

Mrs. Esther Cole Harris, Republican register of deeds who had filed for reelection on Monday, June 12, filed for the position of county clerk. Mrs. Harris on Saturday, June 10, filed her withdrawal of nomination for register of deeds. A position for which she had originally filed on February 14.

George E. Collins, of Atkinson, Friday, June 9, posted his filing fee for the position of supervisor of the Seventh district. Collins filed on the Republican ticket.

Primary election will be held August 8.

Highway 20 to Have Info Booth

Setting up a tourist information bureau at Sioux City was the aim of representatives of U. S. Highway 20 association in session Tuesday, June 13, at Sioux City.

O'Neill, which is a member of the association, sent 2 delegates. They were: H. J. Lohaus and Paul Beha. They joined a 12-car caravan that originated at Lusk, Wyo.

Purpose of the information bureau would be to direct tourists and traffic along highway 20 to the Black Hills and Western states.

Highway 20 association's composition of towns and villages which are situated along the route.

Calling of the Sioux City meeting forced postponement of the regular monthly meeting of the O'Neill Chamber. Meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, June 13. Meeting was postponed until Tuesday, June 20.

President Melvin Ruzicka announced that at the June 20 meeting officers would be elected for the ensuing year.

Lorenz Family Holds Reunion

The Lorenz family held a reunion picnic Sunday, June 11, at the Bill Ernst home. Among those attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lorenz and Leonard, of Inman; Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Lorenz and family, of Chambers; Mr. and Mrs. William Dieckmann, of Aurora; Mr. and Mrs. Pascal Snarr, of Trumbull, Wyo.; and Mr. and Mrs. Otto Lorenz and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ernst and family, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lorenz, Mr. and Mrs. Austin Searles, Mrs. Melvin E. Lorenz and Loren, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon R. Lorenz and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ernst and daughter, Evelyn, all of O'Neill.

Holt School Boards In Annual Meeting

All Holt county school districts met Monday, June 12, in their annual meeting, as prescribed by state law.

The meetings were held to elect officers of the board; to decide on next year's levies; length of 1950-'51 school terms and other issues necessary for the functioning of the school district.

Mrs. R. H. Shriner and Bob Holsclaw drove to Omaha Saturday afternoon, June 10, and returned Sunday. Mrs. Shriner's sister, Mrs. L. C. Riley, and daughter, Peggy, came with them. Mrs. Riley has been hospitalized the past 7 weeks in Omaha. After a stay at the Shriner home, they will return to their home at Hay Springs.

KANSAS FIRM GETS CONTRACT

\$242,700 Low Bid for General Construction At St. Anthony's

Bids for the construction of St. Anthony's hospital here were opened Thursday, June 8, in a meeting of hospital committee members. The meeting was held at St. Mary's academy.

Low bidder on the general construction of the building was Busboon and Rauh, contractors, of Salina, Kans. They submitted a bid of \$242,700.

James Davidson & Sons, of O'Neill, was the low bidder on the plumbing, heating and ventilating contract. It was \$78,985.

Lester Electric company, of Wayne, submitted the low bid for the electrical contract. The bid was for \$17,798.

James M. Corkle, general chairman of the hospital building committee, pointed out that these low bids do not constitute the awarding of the contracts. Bids must be approved by state and federal agencies.

Overall cost of the completed hospital was set at \$420,000. Construction will get underway as soon as bids on contracts have been approved, Corkle explained.

Other bidders on the general construction contract were: Kealy Construction Co., of Hastings, \$262,550; John Clausen & Sons, of Grand Island, \$242,766; and Geer-Maurer Construction Co. of Grand Island, \$257,797.

Other bidders on the plumbing and heating contract were: Natkin & Co., of Omaha, \$90,750; Tyner Engineering Co., of Mitchell, S. D., \$85,400; and Master Plumbing Co., of Grand Island, \$94,843.

Other electrical bidders were: Electrical Engineer Co., of Lincoln, \$22,650; Vogel Electric, Blair, \$21,981; A. E. Irwin, of Kimball, \$28,328.94; Krueger Electric, of Norfolk, \$21,833; Battin Electric, of Yankton, S. D.; Nystrom Electric, of Sioux City, \$21,750; and Weaver Electric, of Sioux City, \$18,990.

People of O'Neill and of Holt county during the summer of 1949 raised more than a hundred-thousand-dollars as their part of the financial burden.

The federal government will grant \$200,000 and the Sisters of St. Francis, who will own and operate the hospital, will assume any reasonable indebtedness.

Site of the hospital is to be immediately west of St. Mary's academy.

Atkinson Juniors Win in Overtime

The Atkinson American Legion juniors eked out a 6-5 win over the O'Neill juniors in an 8-inning affair Sunday afternoon on the O'Neill lot.

Don Godel on the mound for O'Neill gained 14 strikeouts, but poor support in crucial moments cost the ball game. Tom Slattery went most of the way for Atkinson and yielded 7 hits.

In the last half of the 8th O'Neill got 2 aboard but couldn't score. Game was originally scheduled for 7 innings.

Line score:
O'Neill 201 200 00-5
Atkinson 103 010 01-6

Batteries: Atkinson—Slattery, Butterfield and Schaff; O'Neill—Godel and Grimes.

BAND CONCERT Saturday, June 17

1. "The Star Spangled Banner," Key.
2. March, "Purple Carnival," Alford.
3. Novelty, "The Mouse and the Clock," Whitney.
4. Waltz, "Alpine Sunset," King.
5. March, "Washington Grays," Grafala.
6. Trombone trio, "The Cavaliers," Johnson, by Don Peterson, Bruce McElhaney, Elizabeth Schaffer.
7. Overture "Bagdad," Buchtel.
8. Accordion solo, selected, by Miss Rosemary Vondracek.
9. Hymn, "Abide With Me," Monk.
10. March, "National Emblem," Bagley.

Plan to Sail For Europe

Mrs. Sumner Downey and her nieces, Misses Leah and Dorothy Hler, will leave on July 14 for an extended tour of Europe. They will be gone more than a month.

H. J. Birmingham returned Tuesday, June 13, from St. Louis, Mo.