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ANSWER FILED IN LEASE SUIT

Propst Hearing Scheduled Monday Before 3 Judges

An answer in the school land lease suit brought against the board of educational lands and funds which will be heard by a 3-judge federal court in Omaha Monday, October 29, was filed Thursday by Atty-Gen. C. S. Beck.

The action was brought by lease holder William Propst, of Grant, following a state supreme court decision holding unconstitutional a law passed by the 1947 legislature providing for automatic renewal of leases without competitive bidding.

The answer contends that 12-year leases issued subsequent to 1947 are invalid, holding that the board was not vested with power to issue such leases.

The answer shows that school lands were granted the state by congress in 1864 to be held in trust for the benefit of common schools.

The Holt County School Land Leaseholders' association is co-operating with Propst in the action.

Meanwhile, the state board has decided to soften leaseholders with direct-mail letters and trying to explain auctioning of the leases.

Ventriloquist Known Here Dies in Crash

Robert Evans, 36, of Belle Plaine, Ill., a ventriloquist who was born here, was killed early last Thursday when his auto smashed into a safety island near Belle Plaine.

The car knocked down a lamp post. There were no witnesses.

Evans was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Wes Evans, pioneer hotel proprietors here. He left O'Neill as a small child.

Mr. Evans had a wide reputation as a ventriloquist, performing with his dummy, "Jerry O'Leary," with the USO in France and England during World War II, recently appeared on TV, in a movie and in night clubs. His wife, Virginia, 31, is a former dancer.

Evans performed at the Country club here 3 years ago.

Ballagh Rancher Hunting Victim

BURWELL — Allen Lewis, about 38, a rancher in the Ballagh community about 30 miles northeast of here, was hospitalized 4 days following a hunting accident on the opening day of the hunting season.

Lewis had started the hunting expedition with several Oklahoma relatives and with a boy, who had been working for him.

The boy's .410-gauge shotgun accidentally discharged and struck Lewis in the back, near the base of his ribs on the left side.

Lewis was released from the hospital on Tuesday. Attendants said that not all of the shot had been recovered in the probing.

Visits Old Mexico

Mr. and Mrs. George Janousek went to North Platte on Sunday to visit Mrs. Janousek's sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Beckwith, and to get Mrs. Josephine Janousek, who has been visiting the Beckwiths, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Beckwith and Mrs. Josephine Janousek had recently returned from a 10-day sight-seeing trip in New and Old Mexico.

GETS CHICAGO ASSIGNMENT

Edward Hynes, son of Mrs. Loretta Hynes, of O'Neill, graduated Friday from the army's counter-intelligence training school at Baltimore, Md. He is being assigned to a Chicago, Ill., army unit.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

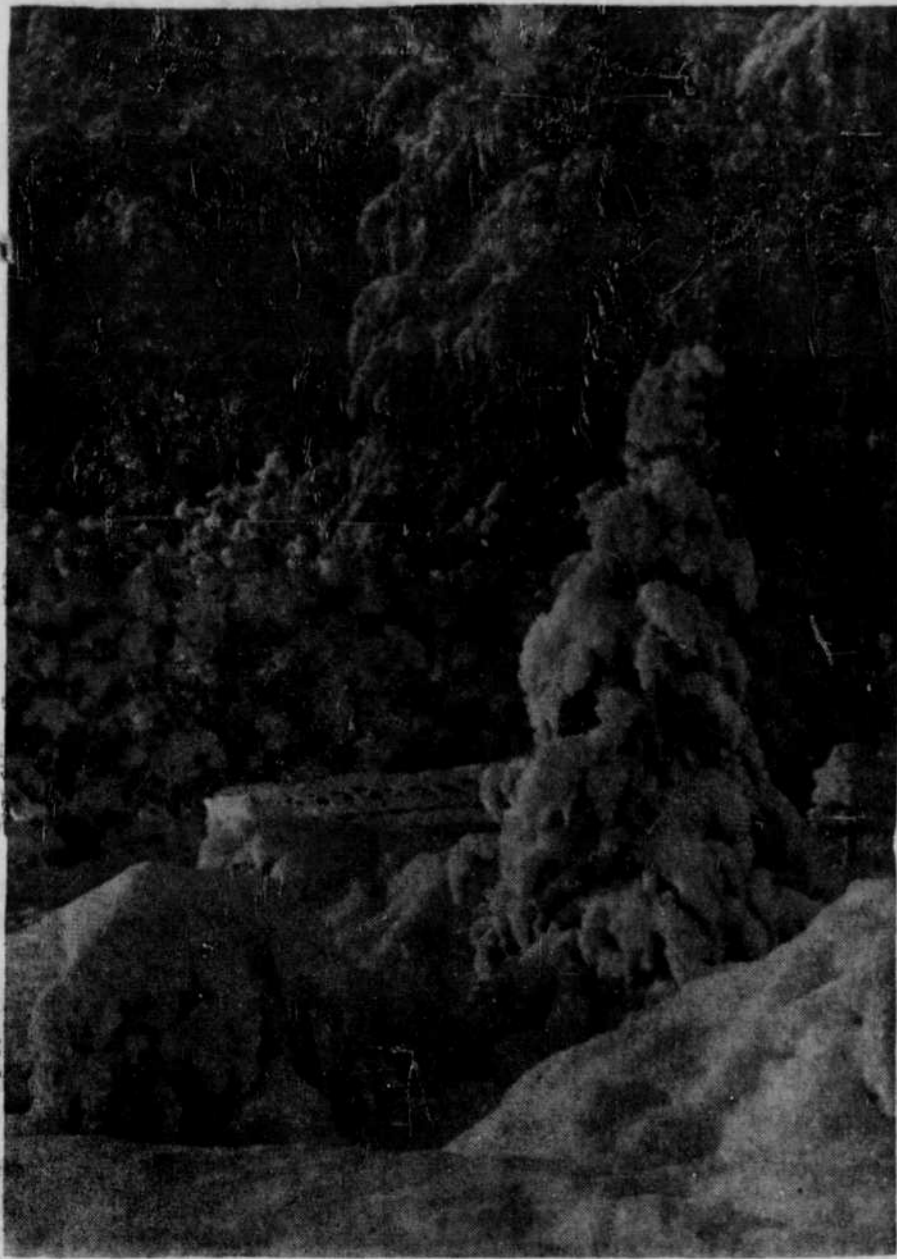
Richard Wayne Walton and Miss Elsie Mae Rockford, both of O'Neill, on October 19.

Kenneth Pollack, of Ewing, and Phyllis Carlson, of Orchard, on October 20.

WEEK'S WEATHER

Date	Hi	Lo	Pre.
October 17	49	36	
October 18	42	33	
October 19	44	34	
October 20	57	34	
October 21	45	30	
October 22	42	22	.45
October 23	59	34	

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SNOW QUICKLY DISAPPEARS . . . North-Nebraskans awakened Monday morning to find a gorgeous wintertime picture outside each window. Snow had begun falling late Sunday night, melted for a time, then turned to ice and snow. By noon Monday the snow had disappeared. The snowfall was not the season's first. Early Thursday morning rain turned to snow but melted upon reaching the ground. Above scene was taken on Benton street. —Photo by John H. McCarville.

Holt Gals in Big Town Have Whale of a Time

BR-R-R-ING: The phone's ringing at 4612½ Bedford (a very busy line) and a litting voice answers, "Burke, McCarthy, Sullivan and O'Troshynski."

No, it isn't an advertising firm nor is it a law office . . . but it is one of the best corporations in Omaha. That announcement, with its ring of Erin, is the way 4 Omaha telephone girls answer the telephone at the apartment they share.

Thus began an illustrated story in the October issue of the Northwestern Bell, a house organ published by the telephone company.

It would be difficult to find a more engaging, amiable, full-of-fun and cooperative foursome than Marguerite (Maggie) Burke, Beverly (Bev) McCarthy, Gertrude (Sully) Sullivan and Rita Troshynski . . . the prefix "O" is O.K. for Rita who explains, "I'm half Irish you know."

Living under the same roof isn't their only tie. All in their twenties, the girls also work under the same roof. Bev, Maggie and Rita are operators and Sully is a service assistant. "When we're all together, or even just 2 of us, we spend a lot of time talking about our jobs." Although the girls work different hours, they usually have the same Sunday "off."

"Sully has the most telephone service" and with that, they tell how their corporation came about. In 1945, after a year as a school marm, Sully started working in the O'Neill telephone office. Two years later, Bev joined the "family" and in a couple of weeks, Rita came from nearby Atkinson to complete the trio which later transferred to Omaha.

Rita and Sully came in 1950 and Bev in January, 1951. That's when Maggie, who had worked in the Omaha toll office since 1949, rounded out the foursome. They moved into the attractive 3-room apartment on the second floor of the brick home owned by Maggie's mother. (Mrs. Burke and Maggie's brother and sister live downstairs.)

It's a cozy, home-like apartment with ample space for the girls. "Well, we are a bit crowded for clothes closet space but we get along fine on that, too." Everything looks very new and shines with good housekeeping!

The living room is a popular spot when the girls want to concentrate on music (their record selections range from classical to popular with an album of Irish dances taking a special place). The colorful drapes by Rita before these pictures were taken — "We've been planning on getting some and just didn't get to it."

Their favorite room is the great kitchen, a gleam with white porcelain stove, refrigerator, cupboards and work table. It serves as the dining room and a general community center. "We entertain our guests out here" and it's no wonder, there's so much space, and so pleasantly informal.

Sleeping accommodations are solved very conveniently. The first two to retire get the bed in the one bedroom, the late comers sleep on the davenport-bed in the living room. "It's fun — we never know in advance where we'll be sleeping."

And the back yard doesn't go to waste! Complete with picnic table, benches, lounge chairs and outdoor fireplace, it's a perfect spot for their leisure hours and

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The life of Riley? Sure and it is for Burke, McCarthy, Sullivan and O'Troshynski . . . a foursome of Holt county "number please" gals who have been transplanted to Omaha. They're enjoying a "Sunday off" in their cozy backyard—Gertrude Sullivan, Marguerite Burke, Rita Troshynski and Beverly McCarthy.

they add, "Steak fries are a grand way to entertain our friends."

Believe it or not, the girls have never had a disagreement. There is a good deal of pleasant bantering (each one has a delightful sense of humor) but never any bickering or friction. With their happy dispositions and good sense, they combine fun with proper seriousness and good judgment.

Finances could be a bug-a-boo but not for these girls. Whoever has time does the shopping (that's true of cleaning the apartment, doing the laundry, ironing, cooking and everything). It's a team-work proposition, and no one has any assigned duties—they just do it. When a purchase is made for the household, the girl who spent the money signs the sales slip and puts it in "kitty" — a cute pottery choo-choo train.

Once a month at a financial session, expenses are straightened out. (One item in the account book reads, "budget book—29c.")

Rita, Bev, Maggie and Sully pay a lot of attention to good well — chosen — mostly tailored grooming. Their wardrobes are suits, dresses, skirts and blouses, and of course the inevitable jeans—their favorite "at home" attire. The girls always look trim and smart. And their hair—talk about a "crowning glory"—they have it! Sully, a blue-eyed colleen, has dark, wavy hair; Rita, lovely light brown tresses; Maggie is brunette and Bev, a golden-red head. In usual teamwork style, they assist one another on shampoo and pin curls.

A most persistent little guy, Dan Cupid is doing his best to break up the corporation. One of these days he'll win, but in the hearts of the girls, there'll always be a Burke, McCarthy, Sullivan and O'Troshynski, Inc.

Car, Truck Collide On Highway, Stuart

STUART—A car-truck accident occurred in Stuart about 9 o'clock Wednesday morning. A truck driven by Curtis Hitchcock, of Jameison, and a car driven by William Grunke, of Stuart, collided on highway 20 in front of the D-X oil station. No one was hurt and there was not much damage, except on Grunke's car—the fender was bent and wheels were knocked out of line.

Brown Burial Rites Held at Chambers

CHAMBERS—Funeral services for Mrs. Anna Brown, 93, of Chambers, were conducted at 2:30 p.m., Sunday afternoon, October 21, at St. Paul's Lutheran church in Chambers.

Rev. C. D. Ankney was in charge. Music was furnished by Mrs. Victor Harley, Mrs. Walter Haake, Mrs. Duane McKay, Mrs. L. O. Lenz, Delores Harley and Vivian Harley, with Mrs. J. W. Walter, pianist. Pall bearers were 6 grandsons: Henry Brown, Walter Brown, Joe Serck, Lloyd Jutte, Alvin Harley and Edward Neimand.

Burial was in the Chambers cemetery.

BASSETT HITS ATKINSON

ATKINSON — Rock county high gridders fashioned a 37-13 victory over the Atkinson high Balers Tuesday night, October 23, on the Atkinson grid.

Detours Bog Mail Delivery

Star Route Carrier on Winner Run Wants to Quit

Virtually impassable road conditions, principally on 2 detours between O'Neill and Spencer, are bogging down the O'Neill-to-Winner, S.D., star route mail truck.

And the disgusted carrier, Don Martin, of O'Neill, has told postal authorities he wants to quit.

Martin won a contract for hauling the mail between the 2 terminals and servicing towns of Spencer, Butte, Herrick, Fairfax, Bonesteel, Gregory and Colome when the Norfolk-Winner train service was discontinued a few weeks ago.

But Martin says he didn't realize the condition of U.S. highway 281, north of O'Neill. He says that he is due out of O'Neill around 8 a.m., after receiving mail from the Omaha-Rapid City train here. He has a connection to make at Spencer with another route, which services points east of Spencer, including Bristow, Lynch, Niobrara, Verdigré, Verdel and Creighton.

Frequently he has missed the connections because of the job of rolling his big tractor-trailer outfit through the quagmire between O'Neill and Spencer. This delays mail a day to the points east of Spencer.

The present schedule calls for arrival at Winner around 1 p.m. and departure around 5, reaching O'Neill on the return about 10 p.m. Several times the return trip has been delayed so that Martin has missed the eastbound Rapid City-Omaha train, due out of here at 12:20 a.m. the next morning.

"Worst place is the detour between Eagle creek and the Niobrara river. It's an improvised road alongside the main roadway. The stretch of detour is about 2½ miles long and I've spent as much as 5 hours getting through it."

"Another detour, south of Midway, is about as bad. The detour extends from Midway west a mile, south 5, then east again to 281. I've been stuck there."

"Still another detour is between Spencer and Butte where they're going to put down some blacktop. Right now it's clay and it's a headache."

"Once I didn't get back to O'Neill from Winner until 2 o'clock the next morning."

Martin said he had confidence the roads would be better maintained and provisions made to keep traffic rolling even while under construction at the time he signed the contract.

"But I can't battle those conditions and keep the people happy up and down the line. They want their mail—and on time—and it's impossible the way things are."

Martin said, "Today's my last trip. I've told authorities I can't hack it and I want out—unless some altogether new arrangements are made."

At the time Martin was the successful bidder there were a half-dozen other carriers interested, including several from O'Neill and Norfolk.

MRS. NEWHOUSE, 85, DIES AT CHAMBERS

CHAMBERS—Mrs. Clara Newhouse, 85, died Sunday, October 21, at her home in Chambers. She had been ill 12 months.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, October 24, at the Baptist church in Chambers. Burial was in the Chambers cemetery under the direction of Biglin Bros.

Pallbearers were Chet Fees, sr., Arthur Walter, Dwayne Miller, Herman Holcomb, Wilson Smith and Charles Grimes.

The late Mrs. Newhouse was born at Jackson, Minn., on August 16, 1866, a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hinchliffe. They became the parents of 5 children.

Mrs. Newhouse and her family came to Holt county from Belmont, S.D., in 1912.

Survivors include: Sons—T. E. Newhouse, of Chambers; Bernard Newhouse, of Bend, Ore.; James Newhouse, of Yakima, Wash.; daughters—Mrs. Tessie Holcomb, of Los Angeles, Calif., and Mrs. Gara Layton, also of Los Angeles.

Stuart Postmaster, W. J. Holliday, Dies

STUART—W. J. Holliday, postmaster at Stuart, died Saturday evening, October 20, in the Veterans hospital at Grand Island.

He had been in "poor health" for over a year.

Mr. Holliday was a veteran of World War I.

He is survived by his wife, the former Daisy Gardner, and a son, Don, who is with the air force at Scott Field, Ill.; 3 sisters and 1 brother.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, October 24, at 2 p.m. at the Stuart Community church.

The late Mr. Holliday was born April 7, 1893, at Broken Bow, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Holliday.

He came to Stuart in 1923 where he operated a tailor shop for a number of years. In 1935 he received his appointment as postmaster, a position he held until his death.

Kaycees Will Pray for World Peace

A statewide rosary for world peace will be recited Monday evening by members of the Knights of Columbus. The rosary will be said at St. Patrick's Catholic church, conducted by Charles Carroll of Carrollton council.

Plans for the rosary were made at a recent meeting of the state officers in Grand Island. Each council in the state has been asked to sponsor the recitation of the rosary in its parish church.

State officers decided on a time nearest to 7:30 p.m. in order to have the recitation at the same time throughout the state.