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## WOMAN LEAVES 86 DESCENDANTS

### Mrs. Elias L. Clark, 77, Dies After 7 Years Illness

Mrs. Elias L. Clark, 77, died at 1:45 p.m., Sunday, December 23, at her home here, leaving 86 descendants.

She had been ill about 7 years. Funeral services will be held today (Thursday) at the Methodist church with Rev. V. R. Bell, church pastor, officiating.

The late Mrs. Clark, the former Eva May Walruth, was born May 5, 1874, at South Dannesville, N.Y. Her parents were Jacob and Sarah May Walruth. She was reared by the Kirstine Thomas family.

On March 23, 1890, she married Elias Luther Clark at Hornell, N.Y. They became the parents of 10 children, 4 of whom preceded their mother in death.

The Clarks came to Holt county from Bulah, W. Va., in 1907, and homesteaded 11 miles north of Page. They operated a telephone exchange known as the "Clark switch" for a number of years, later residing on the northeast outskirts of O'Neill.

Mr. Clark, who is 92, has been critically ill for many months. Survivors include: Widower; sons—Luther Clark of Wichita, Kans.; Floyd B. Clark, of O'Neill; daughters—Mrs. Sarah Timmerman, of O'Neill; Mrs. Rose Hansen, of Vona, Colo.; Mrs. Ella Murphy, of Ford, Kans.; Mrs. Mary Ferris, of O'Neill; brother—Benjamin F. Walruth, of Hammond's Port, N.Y.; sister—Mrs. Cora Trowbridge, of Hornell, N.Y.; 37 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; 21 great-great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Clark became a member of the Methodist church in 1944. She has been an invalid since September 21, 1944.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Methodist church. Burial will be in Prospect Hill cemetery.

Survivors include: Peter Weber, Ray Osborn, James Mullen, Robert Ferris, Charles Pritchett and James Van Every.

## Home Decoration Winners Named

Winners in the Chamber of Commerce's annual yule home decoration contest have been announced, according to President D. D. DeBolt.

They are: (North of Douglas street) Carl Asimus residence, first; Palmer Skulborstad residence, second.

South side (South of Douglas): Tim Harrington residence, first; Norman Medcalf residence, second.

## WEATHER SUMMARY

Week's weather summary, based on 24-hour periods ending at 5 p.m., daily follows:

	Hi	Lo	Prec.
Dec. 20	9	-3	
Dec. 21	6	-13	
Dec. 22	32	-1	
Dec. 23	20	-2	
Dec. 24	19	3	
Dec. 25	21	4	
Dec. 26	19	2	

## Miss Janet Strong Has Birthday

Mrs. Harold Strong entertained 11 girls in honor of her daughter, Janet, on Sunday, December 23. Games were played for entertainment. She received many gifts.

Frontier for printing!

## WM. STORTS, 86, DIES CHRISTMAS

### Retired O'Neill Rancher Ill Several Months; Born in Ohio

William Storts, 86, retired O'Neill rancher, died about 3:40 p.m., Christmas day, December 25, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Francis Clark, in O'Neill. He had been in ill health several months.

For many years Mr. Storts resided on a ranch 12 miles southwest of here. He was born September 6, 1865, in Ohio, and came to Holt county at the age of 15, arriving in 1880.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, December 29, at 2 p.m., at the Assembly of God church with Rev. Wayne A. Hall, church pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Prospect Hill cemetery.

On October 27, 1897, he married Ida Hershiser at O'Neill. They became the parents of 6 children. Survivors include: Son—Sam Storts, of Jewell, Ore.; daughters—Mrs. Francis Clark, of O'Neill, and Mrs. J. E. Terry, of Lindsay, Mont.; 14 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Storts died in 1942. The late Mr. Storts was well-known in south-Holt county. Before retiring he sold his ranch to Dewey C. Schaffer.

The body is at Biglin Brothers funeral home. Pallbearers will be Dewey C. Schaffer, Emmet McCaffery, Henry Benze, Andy Clark, James T. Earley and John M. Grutsch.

## 3d in Family Makes European Tour

Dr. Nadine Coyne, of Philadelphia, Pa., returned to the U.S. in time to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh E. Coyne, and her sisters, the Misses Mary Kathryn and Veronica.

She became the 3d member of the Coyne family to complete a European tour this year. The Misses Mary Kathryn ("Kay") and Veronica ("Ronnie") did the old country from Ireland to Italy during the summer and early fall.

Nadine worked in her travel abroad while transferring from a Philadelphia hospital, where she has been an interne, to a residency at Kansas City, Kans., where she will specialize in physical medicine. She reports to her new post January 5 and will be connected with the University of Kansas medical center.

In some respects the tours paralleled. Kay and Ronnie, barnstorming together, first went to France then to Spain, Southern France, Italy, Switzerland, Germany, the Low Countries, England and Ireland.

Nadine went to France, crossed into the Low Countries and travelled by boat up the Rhine to Switzerland. From there she went to Italy and Austria. She made the trip with a lady friend, starting in October.

Both tours were informally illustrated with colored slides Sunday evening at the St. Mary's academy library with the ladies giving commentaries on their travels.

## Club Holds Party—

The members of the RSS club held a Christmas party on Wednesday, December 19, at the home of Mrs. C. H. Switzer. A 7 o'clock dinner was served to 14 members. Gifts were exchanged.



—The Frontier Engraving  
**GETS AIR INDUSTRINATION**  
Pvt. Joe Hood, 21 (above), son of E. S. Hood, of O'Neill, is completing his air force basic airmen indoctrination course at Lackland base, the "gateway to the air force." Lackland is situated near San Antonio, Tex.

## Who'll Be No. 1 in 1952?

### Previous Champs

- 1947 KATHLEEN WANSEER 4 a.m., January 2, 1947
- 1948 NANCY ELAINE HARSHFIELD 6:35 a.m., January 1, 1948
- 1949 JAMES MICHAEL BEHA 7 a.m., January 1, 1949
- 1950 DAVID LYNN TRACY 1 a.m., January 1, 1950
- 1951 BETTY JEAN KNOELL 9:10 a.m., January 7, 1951

Neligh Creamery wants first baby strong and healthy—hence a case of vitamin D homogenized milk that may be drawn from any one of a group of O'Neill stores.

Jacobson's had big brother and big sister in mind, too, when they decided to give the first-come-a-Hank's Craft bottle warmer and vaporizer. Of course, it's electric.

Gambles have set aside a baby's car seat. Thus, baby can ride as proud and as comfortable as other members of the family when they take a spin in the car. New Outlaw Grocery has reserved a case of Gerber's baby food. Yes sir, a complete case!

Biglin Brothers join in the 1952 shower with a toilet adapter. Saves wear and tear on the washing machine and the diapers. Plastic, it rests on china toilet bowl.

Midwest Furniture & Appliance will present a child's training chair made from solid birch.

Shelhamer Foods wants the honored one to have a good start—hence a case of Heinz baby food.

McIntosh Jewelry will provide for the lucky one their customary gift—a 10-karat gold infant's ring. It's something he (or she) will cherish for life.

At Gilligan's Rexall store there will await the '52 champ a baby's water bottle.

McCarvilles will present a pair of Red Goose shoes. All children love Red Goose shoes.

Then, just for good measure The Frontier will toss in a one year subscription. The publisher recognizes that baby can't read (yet). But pop, mom, big brother and big sister can!

Entries must be postmarked by 6 p.m., on Monday, January 7, and official results will be announced in the Thursday, January 10, issue of The Frontier.

Come midnight next Monday and it'll be: On your marks! Get set! Go! The 1952 Holt county baby derby is underway!

## 19 Unnamed Men in January Draft

Holt county will furnish 19 men in the January draft call, it was stated Wednesday by Mrs. W. H. Hartly, chief clerk of the Holt selective service board.

Orders have not yet been sent to the men concerned, she explained, but most of the 19 will be drawn from the group of 29 who reported December 18 for preinduction physical examinations.

Three married men were included among the 5 registrants inducted from the county December 13.

## Frank Clyde, Wife Married 45 Years

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clyde, longtime Holt county residents, were honored at a family gathering on Christmas day. Their 45th wedding anniversary fell on Monday, December 24.

The Clydes were married at O'Neill by the late Judge Malone. Mrs. Clyde is the former Edna Smith, of Page. The Clydes have lived in the county virtually all of their lives. Both enjoy "good" health.

Mrs. Donald Clyde baked a 3-tier wedding cake with miniature bride and bridegroom on top. Their descendants include 3 sons, Melvin, Donald and Richard; a daughter, Mrs. Jack (Verne) Dailey, and 10 grandchildren.

## Announces Changes in Office Hours

The offices of the Holt soil conservation district were closed Monday in connection with the Christmas holiday. However, according to Bob Hill, unit conservationist, the work week will be rescheduled and the Monday holiday will be made up by working all day Saturday. The same procedure will also be followed for new year's.

He also reported that after January 5 the office will not remain open on Saturday mornings as has been the policy since September. In an effort to coordinate the program with that of other agencies, the soil conservation service directed that the offices remain open on Saturday mornings. However, after trying it for several months it was found that the office callers were not sufficient to merit a rescheduling of the personnel time in order to remain open.

These new directives, explains Hill, have brought about a change of regularly scheduled office days for the Holt office. Beginning January 10 the office will remain open on Thursday and will be closed all day Saturdays.

## Mark 3 Anniversaries—

Saturday, December 22, supper guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Neil Dawes were Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Bridge and Mr. and Mrs. Grant Peacock. The occasion was in honor of Mrs. Harrison Bridge, Mrs. Neil Dawes and Grant Peacock whose birthday anniversaries are on the same day.

Visit Here—Miss Patricia O'Donnell, of Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. P. J. O'Donnell, of Sioux City, and M. F. O'Donnell, of Dallas, Tex., visited relatives here for the holidays.

## 'Grandma' Bowden in Holt 65 Years

"Grandma" Bowden celebrated her 88th birthday anniversary on Christmas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Wettlaufer, of Page. Mrs. Wettlaufer is her daughter.

Those present were "Grandma" Bowden and Clyde Bowden, of O'Neill; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Wettlaufer and 3 sons, of Page; Mr. and Mrs. George Wettlaufer and Andrea, of Page; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Strong and family, of O'Neill; Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Wettlaufer and Gary, of Omaha.

The day was spent with a Christmas dinner at noon featuring a large birthday cake with 88 candles. The afternoon was spent playing cards.

"Grandma" Bowden is a Holt county pioneer. She has lived here 65 years, coming here as a bride from Winnebago, Minn. She lives with her son, Clyde, in O'Neill and is very active, doing all her own work. Fancy work and movies are her favorite pastimes.

She is the mother of 10 children, 6 of whom are living. They are: Daughters—Mrs. Andrew Wettlaufer, of Page; Mrs. A. W. Spangler, of Star; Mrs. Chester, of Yuma, Colo.; Harold, of Chicago, Calif.; Elvin, of Elko, Nev., and Clyde, of O'Neill. She has 23 grandchildren and 29 great-grandchildren.

## Benash Reschedules Closeout Farm Sale

Clarence Benash, who resides 17 miles northeast of O'Neill, has rescheduled his farm closeout sale for Friday, January 4. Sale was originally set for Friday, December 21, but storm conditions forced postponement. Col. Wallace O'Connell is the auctioneer. (See advertisement on page 9.)

Andrew Wettlaufer, who lives northeast of Page, has booked a farm sale on Wednesday, January 9. Col. Buv Wanser and George Colman are the auctioneers.

There are 3 registered cattle sales on The Frontier's calendar: Holt County Hereford Breeders' association, spring sale, O'Neill, Saturday, February 2. Holt County Aberdeen-Angus Breeders' association, O'Neill, Tuesday, February 5. Niobrara Hereford association, spring sale, Butte, March 7.

## FIREMEN CALLED

A charcoal heater in the rear of a Brown Fruit Co. truck upset Thursday evening, while the truck was parked in West O'Neill. O'Neill volunteer firemen were summoned but the blaze was extinguished when the firemen reached the scene.

Mrs. Ruth Morgan on Wednesday afternoon talked with her son, Richard, who is in the navy and stationed in San Diego, Calif. The call, a Christmas greeting, was delayed 24 hours due to congested wires. Richard ("Dick") is well, and he extended holiday greetings to his acquaintances.

James Langan, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Langan, arrived home from Sheppard Field, Tex., to spend the holidays with relatives.

Christmas day guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. D. DeBolt were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Farrier and daughter, Linda Sue.

## AIRMAN DIES IN JUMP FROM PLANE

### Cpl. Thomas Troshynski, 21, Abandons Flaming Aircraft

ATKINSON—The remains of Cpl. Thomas Troshynski, 21-year-old Atkinson airman reached Atkinson Sunday morning, and funeral services were conducted from St. Joseph's Catholic church on Monday morning, December 24.

Corporal Troshynski was killed Wednesday, December 19, when he bailed out of a burning air force plane near Briggs air force



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Troshynski . . . former basketball star.

base, El Paso, Tex. The plane was on a routine training flight and had just become airborne.

Troshynski, a son of Mr. and Mrs. August Troshynski, of Atkinson, was one of three men who leaped from the plane when it burst into flames during the take-off, probably due to static electricity. Troshynski and one other man were killed in jumping. The other man who jumped is reported still alive, but critically injured.

The plane landed safely at an emergency landing strip.

Corporal Troshynski, a former St. Joseph's hall basketball star, was a gunner on an air force B-50. He recently completed a 3-year enlistment and was serving an additional year.

Survivors include: Parents—Mr. and Mrs. August Troshynski; brothers—John Edward, Bernard and Leonard, all of Atkinson; Gerald J., of Omaha; Francis, of Detroit, Mich.; sisters—Mrs. Frank (Rosemary) Kilmurry and Lois Jean, of Atkinson, and Rita Ann, of Omaha.

## Assistant Holt Agent to Boyd

Assistant Holt County Agent Don Engel will become Boyd county agent January 1, succeeding the veteran Walter G. Sire. He will reside at Butte.

Sire will start a 30-day vacation from the post he has held a number of years and his resignation will become effective February 1. Mr. Sire explains that he is curtailing some of his activities for health reasons. Between 1940 and 1942 he served as Holt county assessor. After February 1 he will devote his time to his livestock interests.

Mr. Engel has been assistant Holt agent for several months.

## 24 Guests at Thorn Home—

A Christmas dinner party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Thornin included 24 guests. They were: Mrs. Blanche Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Meyers and Mrs. Minnie Meyers, all of Chambers; Mr. and Mrs. Dale Butterfield, and family and Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Butterfield, of Amelia.

## Mail Deliveries Speeded Through Air—

LYNCH—The Woolf brothers delivered mail to some rural patrons by air last Thursday and Friday.

Temporarily impassable roads had slowed deliveries.

Jack Darnell assisted in the postoffice during the yuletide rush.

Marks 1st Anniversary—Mrs. Virgil Tomlinson entertained at a dinner on Sunday, December 23, in honor of her little daughter, Jacqueline, who was celebrating her 1st birthday anniversary.

Miss Mary Condon arrived in O'Neill Monday morning from New York City, where she is employed. She will spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Hope Condon.

## Family Reunites—

Capt. Herbert O. Brennan, recently returned jet pilot from Korea, Mr. and Mrs. John Foster, of Lincoln, John Brennan, of Vankton, S.D., and Miss Patricia Brennan, a student at Omaha, visited their mother, Mrs. F. M. Brennan, and their aunt, Miss Bernadette Brennan, for the Christmas holidays.

## Fetrows Gather—

Christmas day dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Fetrow were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fetrow and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fetrow and family.