

Burglars Fail at Bristow Bank

New Glowing Street Lights No Aid As Vault Door Jams

BRISTOW—There was an attempted robbery of the Nebraska State bank here in the wee hours Saturday morning.

The effort was discovered when Assistant Cashier R. A. Roush opened the bank for the day's business. He found the burglars had entered the bank by prying open a window just north of the front door. The window lock was broken.

The combination dial on the vault door and bars were broken but the thieves did not get into the vault.

Roush believed that the intruders had jammed the door while knocking the dial from the vault. The frustrated burglars abandoned the scene by way of the rear door without a penny for their efforts.

Federal Bureau of Investigation agents and Boyd Sheriff Claude Collins are working on the case. Until late Wednesday no arrests had been made.

By coincidence, Bristow's new street-lighting system went into action Friday night for the first time. A handful of modern lighting fixtures like those used in O'Neill were energized for the first time that night.

It is believed the break-in occurred sometime after 3 a.m. Saturday. A dance was held Friday night at the American Legion club and the crowd was not dispersed until about 3 a.m.

Basketball Receipts Are Stolen

SPENCER—Thieves chose the night following one of Spencer high school's most important basketball games—with the largest gate receipts—to rob the school safe of an estimated \$225.

The school was broken into and the safe broken open some time Friday night or early Saturday morning, Supt. Leo M. Marx announced.

Sheriff Claude Collins and FBI agents were here Saturday investigating the robbery. If they found any clues they were not disclosed.

Mr. Marx said the thieves broke the locks on both the school house and the door to the superintendent's office. Both doors were locked.

The dial was pounded from the safe, after which the thieves were able to get it open.

The estimated \$225 loss included receipts from a basketball game with a traditional rival, Butte high school, and some other change kept in the safe.

Hold Farr Rites Saturday in Atkinson

EMMET—Relatives from a distance who came to attend the funeral of the late Mrs. Clarence Farr, which was held Saturday, were:

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Davis, of Casper, Wyo.; Mrs. Maude Sessler, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sessler and Mr. and Mrs. Neil Williams, all of Valentine; Mrs. Dorothy Thompson, of Kansas City, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. Algine Farr, of Crescent, Ia.; Mrs. Eva Weldon, of Oregon City, Ore.; and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Farr, of Newport.

Palbearers were Olie Maring, Homer Maring, William Guthe, jr., George Brainard, Leo Tundener and Andy Wettlaufer.

The funeral had been tentatively scheduled for Friday at the Methodist church in Atkinson but later changed to Saturday.

Mrs. Farr died suddenly Tuesday, January 8, in the Stuart hospital.

WEATHER SUMMARY

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

	Hi	Lo	Prec.
January 9	27	14	
January 10	37	1	
January 11	41	25	
January 12	34	15	
January 13	46	18	
January 14	45	28	.56
January 15	36	19	

Fink Open-House Will Be January 20

EWING—Mr. and Mrs. Bert Fink will hold an open-house observance on Sunday, January 20, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Fink, east of Ewing.

Originally they planned an open-house on December 16 in connection with their 40th wedding anniversary, but the observance had to be postponed.

COUNCIL SEEKS BIDS

The O'Neill city council is seeking quantity bids for all gasoline, oil and diesel fuel for all city-owned equipment and fuel oil for city-owned buildings at the February 5 meeting, according to City Clerk O. D. French.

To Hastings

Rev. and Mrs. Wayne Hall went to Hastings Monday, January 14, to attend a ministers' institute. They plan to return today (Thursday). They were dinner guests on Monday of Mr. and Mrs. Thad Armor, of Grand Island. The ladies are sisters.

Frontier for printing.

Prairie Chicken, Grouse, Robins Seen

There was variety, anyway, in the wildlife spotted by O'Neill residents during the past week.

At the Larry Johnson residence several robins have lingered rather close to generous food-providers all winter. Despite this week's sleet and snow they made an appearance.

A prairie chicken put in a bold appearance at the same residence and was promptly identified by a neighbor, Palmer Skulborstad.

Two telephone men, C. E. Arasmith and Robert Chaney, reported sighting a grouse near the corner of Sixth and Adams streets. The grouse was last seen disappearing into a hedge at the William J. Froelich residence.

X-Ray Unit Visits Chambers Today

The state of Nebraska's mobile X-ray today (Thursday) will finish a 2-day stand at Chambers.

Its remaining Holt county schedule follows:

INMAN—Saturday, January 19, 9 a.m. to 12 noon; Monday, January 21, 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 5 p.m.

PAGE—Wednesday, January 23, and Thursday, January 24, 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 5 p.m., both days.

EWING—Monday, January 28, 1 to 5 p.m.; Tuesday, January 29, and Wednesday, January 30, 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 5 p.m., both days.

STUART—Friday, Saturday and Monday, February 1, 2 and 4. (This visit has been arranged because of a mechanical failure which cut short the original visit.)

There were 856 chests X-rayed during the Atkinson stop and 1,312 at O'Neill. The service is free.

Visit of the unit to the county is under the auspices of the Holt county extension clubs.

Scout Visitations Start This Month

On Monday evening, January 14, the North Central district boy Scouts of America held its planning meeting for 1954.

The following were the highlights of the meeting:

Announcement by Don Lyons, district commissioner, that unit visitations will start this month and that the first presentation of the commissioner's flag will be made at the February district meeting.

Membership report by Les Jones, organization and extension chairman, revealed that for the past year the district had a substantial gain in boy membership, but that advancement and Boy's Life subscriptions did not increase proportionately.

Next on the agenda was an explanation of Boy Scout week, February 6-12. The major activities of the week are to be window displays, demonstrations, banquets and parties. All of these activities are to fit into a national celebration of the 42d anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America. During Scout Week all scouts and cubs should wear uniforms to school and to church on Scout Sunday, February 10.

The Scoutmasters overnight training session is to be held on the weekend of February 1, 2 and 3.

The cub leaders roundtable covered the blue and gold party, the scoutleaders' session, the troop open house party.

Refreshments were served after the meeting.

Gotschall No. 2 in FBI District

ATKINSON—Gerald E. Gotschall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Gotschall, of Atkinson, is now assistant special agent in charge of the New Orleans FBI field office, making him second top man of the G-men in the states of Louisiana and Mississippi.

"Gerry" is only 30 years old. His wife, the former Jane Auld, 2 sons, 8 and 5, and daughter, 16 months, are with him in New Orleans.

For the past 2 and a half years Gotschall has been administrative assistant to J. Edgar Hoover, chief of all G-men.

POLIO BENEFIT

Simonson post of the American Legion is sponsoring a polio benefit dance Saturday, January 19, at the Legion auditorium. The Rhythm Ramblers orchestra has been signed and all profits will go to the march of dimes fund.

Combination Session

The Delta Dek and Martez clubs met in a combined session on Tuesday evening with a 7 o'clock dinner at the M&M cafe. Cards were played at the home of Mrs. H. J. Lohaus following the dinner.

ALFONSE BEELAERT STROKE VICTIM

Retired Ewing Farmer, Native of Belgium, Dies at Norfolk

Alphonse Beelaert, sr., 75, a retired Ewing farmer, died Monday evening, January 14, in Our Lady of Lourdes hospital where he had been a patient. He had been stricken with an apoplectic stroke about 2 weeks before his death.

Funeral services will be conducted at 10 a.m., Friday, January 18, in St. Peter's Catholic church, Ewing, with burial at Ewing. Rev. Peter F. Burke will officiate. A rosary will be offered tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock at the home.

The late Mr. Beelaert was born at Berle, Belgium, on May 20, 1876. On January 9, 1904, he married Marie Capperiat, in Belgium. Three of their children—Gus, Jennie and Christine—were born in Europe.

The family reached Holt county 42 years ago. Mr. Beelaert farmed for many years 5 miles north of Page. During World War II he and Mrs. Beelaert retired from the farm and moved into Ewing where they continued to reside.

Survivors include: Widow; sons—Gus, of Spokane, Wash.; Evo, of Idaho Falls, Ida.; Alfonse, jr., of Orchard; Frank and Joseph, both of Page; daughters—Mrs. Frank (Jennie) Bohn, of Deloit; Mrs. Walter (Christine) Christon, of Page; Mrs. Gordon O. (Marie) Harper, of O'Neill; Mrs. D. D. Courtright, of Los Angeles, Calif.; Mrs. Neil (Julia) Ryan, of O'Neill, who disappeared December 23, 1949. There are 28 grandchildren.

Two daughters died in infancy.

Star Installation Follows Dinner

Symphony chapter 316 of the Order of the Eastern Star, met on Thursday, January 10, with a 6:30 o'clock covered dish dinner at the IOOF hall for Star members and their husbands.

The regular meeting followed the dinner after which there was an open installation of officers, planned by Mrs. Harry Petersen, the junior past worthy matron, with Mrs. C. W. Porter as installing marshal.

The officers installed were: Mrs. James McMahan, of Inman, worthy matron; Mrs. A. E. Bowen, worthy patron; Mrs. A. E. Bowen, associate matron; H. G. Kruse, associate patron; Mrs. Clarence Hansen, of Inman, conductress; Mrs. D. H. Clauson, chaplain; Mrs. J. L. Sherbahn, marshal; Mrs. Esther Harris, treasurer; Mrs. J. D. Osenbaugh, secretary; Mrs. Kenneth Smith, of Inman, Adah; Mrs. Bennett Sanders, Ruth; Mrs. S. Dwight Harder, Esther; Mrs. W. W. Walker, Martha; Mrs. H. E. Asher, Electa; Mrs. A. W. Carroll, warden; Mrs. Paul Shierck, sentinel; Mrs. H. L. Lindberg, organist.

Mrs. D. C. Schaffer, associate conductress-elect, was absent and will be installed at a later date.

Gifts were presented to Mrs. Petersen and C. W. Porter, past patron, by the chapter. Mrs. Petersen presented gifts to her outgoing officers.

Take Part in Sales Event

Burl Munsell, manager of Gambles store here, went to Fremont Saturday to assist in a 4-state merchandising display and conference held at the Pathfinder hotel and at the city auditorium.

George Head, manager of Gambles furniture department; E. L. Van Every, manager of the hardware department; and Mrs. Harvey Sawyer, manager of the soft lines department, went to Fremont Sunday. Many Gamble agency stores were also represented at the Sunday gathering. Mr. Munsell returned to O'Neill late Monday.

Missionary Group Makes Bandages

The missionary work band of Wesleyan Methodist church met with Mrs. Beth Ott on Tuesday afternoon, January 8. The afternoon was spent making bandages.

Mrs. Ott served a lunch after the meeting.

ASSESSOR TO PARLEY

County Assessor William F. Wefso departed Wednesday for the annual Nebraska county assessors' convention in Omaha.

The assessors will adopt a valuation code at the meeting in connection with the 1952 assessment program.

Mrs. Dora Doyle and Mrs. Fred Heermann went to Stuart Friday where they attended the funeral services for Frank Hytrek.

Moose Meat Cheaper in 450 Pound Lots

ATKINSON—Wayne Warner, enroute back to Spinnard, Alaska, following a month's visit with his mother, Mrs. Henry Warner, with his car struck a 450-pound moose on the famous Alaska highway. He killed the animal, hauled it to a game reserve and dressed it.

Mr. Warner found that moose meat comes quite cheap that way.

Upon arriving in Spinnard on January 10 he encountered temperatures 55 degrees below zero.

Less Money for Highways in '52

The state highway department plans to spend about \$9.3 million for construction in 1952, State Engineer Harold Aitken said Wednesday.

This figure compares with \$13 million in 1951 and \$18 million in 1950.

The reason for the decline is that in 1951 the department had the additional money collected in 1950 under the 1949 road revenue measures repealed by referendum in the November, 1950, election.

Aitken said the 1952 program includes 280 miles of grading, 20 miles of concrete paving, 140 miles of gravel surfacing, and 150 miles of bituminous.

It also includes 20 bridges.

Last year the department graded 320 miles, paved 21 miles, graveled 180 miles, and laid 200 miles of bituminous surfacing. Forty-five bridges were built.

Holt Pairings Are Announced

Pairings for the 15th annual Holt county prep basketball tournament, to be held here Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, January 22-25, have been announced:

First round: Tuesday—Inman vs. St. Joseph's hall, 6 p.m.; Stuart vs. Page, 7:30 p.m.; O'Neill vs. Chambers, 9 p.m. Wednesday—St. Mary's vs. winner of Inman-St. Joe game, 7 p.m.; Atkinson vs. Ewing, 8:30 p.m.

Semi-finals will be played Thursday night, finals Friday night.

Auxiliary Sponsors Cancer Crusade

The Nebraska division of the American Cancer society is pleased to announce that the O'Neill American Legion auxiliary under the direction of their president, Mrs. Axel Borg, will direct the activities of the American Cancer society in Holt county.

Many films and educational materials are available free of charge. Any one wishing to obtain any of these features may do so by contacting Mrs. Borg or the Nebraska division of the American Cancer Society, 4201 Dodge st., Omaha.

To Omaha—Mr. and Mrs. James W. Rooney are spending today (Thursday) and Friday in Omaha.



STATIONED IN GEORGIA... Pfc. Calvin L. Spencer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Spencer, of Lynch, enlisted in the army at O'Neill, took his physical examination in Omaha and was administered the oath of enlistment on February 1, 1951. He was sent to Ft. Riley, Kans., then was transferred to Atlanta, Ga., general depot, February 8 where he took his basic training. He spent a week at Ft. Benning, Ga., on rifle range, then spent several days' furlough with relatives at Lynch. He was then sent to headquarters and service company as a cook and still holds that position. His address: Pfc. Gerald L. Spencer RA 17309711, Hq. & S. Co. Det. 1, Atlanta Gen. Dep., Atlanta, Ga.

21 ENTER ARMED FORCES TODAY

Depart for Induction Station; Exams for 20 Others

Twenty-one young Holt county men today (Thursday) will march off to the wars.

They will represent the largest single group of Holt selective service registrants to leave the county simultaneously since post-World War II drafting was begun.

The contingent includes 19 who make up the January quota and 2 volunteers—Fred B. Kaup and Frank J. Hamik, jr.—who are leaving well ahead of their induction date.

Mrs. W. H. Harty, chief clerk of the selective service board, reports that the February quota also is 19.

Those who leave today for the induction center as selectees are: Dewaine Williamson, of Orchard; Richard H. Heiss, of Page; Donald J. Clark, of Ewing; Earnest G. Burgess, of Emmet; Richard Cunningham, of Page; James J. Gallagher, of O'Neill; Donald J. Park, of Page.

Mary J. Miksch, of Stuart; Gordon L. Sholes, of Inman; Max L. Kunz, of Stuart; George J. Kohl, of Stuart; Robert M. Summers, of Page; Orville C. Gilpin, of Stuart; Ronald E. Borg, of O'Neill.

Lawrence F. Pribil, of O'Neill; Gerald W. Davidson, of O'Neill; William A. Brady, of O'Neill; Murray D. Mellor, of Atkinson; and Ronald D. Wood, of Page.

Meanwhile, on Monday, January 14, 20 service registrants reported for preinduction physical examinations. They were:

Charles W. Tasler, of Atkinson; Lyle Addison, of Atkinson; Joe J. Ramold, of Atkinson; William D. Miller, of Atkinson; Robert G. Rohrs, of Atkinson; Robert Dobias, of Atkinson.

Edward J. Boyle, of O'Neill; Harlan Kloepper, of O'Neill; Richard R. McNichols, of O'Neill; Thomas C. Harty, of O'Neill; Darrell W. Heiss, of Page; Vertis G. Van Ostrand, of Ewing; Keith W. Barthel, of Amelia.

William E. Jardee, of Stuart; Donald G. McNair, of Stuart; Alvin J. Krysl, of Stuart; Gene Batenhorst, of Stuart; David L. Durre, of Ewing; Marvin A. Ruzicka, of Dorsey; Norman Farewell, of Inman.

Poem Honors Pair on 45th Wedding Date

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Chambers Methodist church met Thursday, January 19, at the home of Mrs. R. K. Platt with 30 members and visitors present.

Mrs. Mina Meyers and Mrs. Louis Neilson were assistant hostesses.

The president, Mrs. Charles Grimes, was in charge of the business meeting. Mrs. Sarah Adams led the devotionals. Mrs. Keith Sexton gave a reading. A musical trio was presented by Mrs. Kenneth Adams, Mrs. Darrell Gillette and Mrs. Louis Neilson with Mrs. Tom Hutton as pianist.

Mrs. Glen Adams gave the lesson which was followed by a skit of "Sharing," presented by several of the older members.

A poem and gift was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Platt as it was their 45th wedding anniversary.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Cliff Gillette on January 24.

TO TED AND MABEL PLATT

Just five and forty years ago, You two, with trembling voice, Stood 'fore the minister and said 'Each was the other's choice. Through clouds and sunshine you have walked, Together hand in hand, And you have found that love was strong To help you understand. Your home has been a happy place, Because God came to bless The years fulfilled loves promises And brought you happiness. Now as you face the sunset glow, You know that love like yours, Grows stronger with the passing years, And ever more endures.

—By Pearl Neilson

Lohaus Firm Fetes Departing Employee

James C. Gallagher, Lohaus Motor company employee who is departing today (Thursday) for military induction, was honored Tuesday evening by fellow employees and the firm manager, H. J. Lohaus, in a party at the Legion club.

Joins Firm—Miss Eileen Stanton is now employed at the J. M. McDonald company store.

7 on Stand Favor O'Neill-Winner Bus

Chambers Man's Ship Hits Mine

CHAMBERS—The Ernest T. Small navy craft, which recently struck a mine while cruising in Korean waters, recently limped back to San Diego, Calif., navy base for major repairs.

Aboard the Ernest T. Small was Marvin Hoerle, of Chambers, who arrived Saturday for a 10-day leave. After his leave he will report for duty at Great Lakes, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Walter left Chambers January 4 to take to the West coast Hoerle's automobile and the Hoerles returned with them.

Marvin is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hoerle, of Chambers.

Nebraska U. Concert Band Will Play Here

The 82-piece University of Nebraska all-male concert band, which includes 2 O'Neill students, John Berigan, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Berigan, and Paul Moseman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Moseman, will present a concert here Wednesday, March 12. The event will be held in the O'Neill public school auditorium under the auspices of the Lions club.

The Nebraska band is directed by Don Lentz.

The band will include O'Neill on its statewide spring tour.

The musicians will be housed overnight in private O'Neill homes. Persons who wish to entertain one of the musicians overnight are asked to contact A. E. Bowen, Lions secretary, phone 322-W, or Mrs. Marie Bright, O'Neill public school, phone 63.

Returns to Home in West Indies

ROCK FALLS—Mrs. Paul M. Walker, of Aruba, Netherlands West Indies, left for her home last Thursday after visiting her mother, Mrs. Mamie D. O'Neill, and other relatives in the O'Neill vicinity.

'Messiah' Proceeds to Piano Fund

Proceeds from the December 16 presentation of Handel's "Messiah," by the O'Neill Civic chorus, have been turned over to the O'Neill public school board of education to be set aside for a piano fund.

The proposed new piano would be used in the auditorium.

The \$66.40 check represented the balance after expenses were paid. There was no admission charged at the "Messiah" production. A freewill offering was taken.

The O'Neill Chamber of Commerce sponsored the presentation and wanted to utilize the balance for community purposes, President D. D. DeBolt said.

Entertainment Features P-TA Meet

The P-TA held a monthly meeting on Monday, January 14, in the band room at the public school. A film, "Child Emotion and Development," was shown by Miss Viola Haynes. Larry Johnson demonstrated "The Right from Wrong in Lifting."

Mrs. Donald Loy sang a solo, "I Walk Today Where Jesus Walked." Mrs. Loy, Mrs. Roy Johnson and Mrs. John R. Osenbaugh sang "You'll Never Walk Alone." Miss Barbara Bennett sang "How Beautiful Upon the Mountain," and James Bastian presented a piano solo, "Waltz in A Minor."

Candy bars were given as a prize to the grade with the most parents represented at the meeting. The second grade won.

Lunch was served by the second grade mothers.

CAR OVERTURNS

ATKINSON—A car driven by Mrs. Oscar Wondercheck and her 2 sisters-in-law, daughters of Frank Wondercheck, turned completely around and overturned on the road near the John Silverstrand farm about noon Monday. The machine had just crossed a bridge. A door flew open and one of the occupants was pinned under the car. Dr. N. P. McKee said she was slightly bruised.

Tune in "The Voice of The Frontier," Mon., Wed., and Sat., 9:45 a.m., WJAG (780 kc.)



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