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—The Frontier Photo & Engraving

KTO Lad 14th, a Domino-bred Hereford bull consigned to the Bassett sale by Artice N. Wentworth, of Mills, gets a bath before the big sale. Lyle Orr, of Bassett, and Jesse Marshall, jr., of Ainsworth, do the honors as the big fellow unlimbers.

FORMER ATKINSON RAIL AGENT DIES

B. W. Planck, 60, Long Ill, Buried Monday at Woodlawn

ATKINSON—Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon, February 25, at 2 o'clock in the Methodist church at Atkinson for B. W. Planck, 60, who passed away in a Norfolk hospital Saturday, February 23.

Although Mr. Planck had been ill for a long time, his condition became critical only a short time before his death, which was the result of a heart ailment.

Boyd W. Planck was the son of John and Charlotte Planck. He was born at O'Neill April 13, 1891. When his father died 3 years later he went to live with his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Planck, at Bethany, Mo.

He served 3 years in the navy and after his discharge entered the railroad service. He was employed by the C&NW continuously until 1943. For many years he was depot agent at Atkinson.

On December 20, 1922, he was married to Vera McClenahan. They had one daughter, Dona Rae.

He was a member of the Methodist church and for several years was choir director here. He was also affiliated since 1913 with the Masonic lodge 164, AF&AM. Members of the lodge had charge of the services and burial was in Woodlawn cemetery.

Survivors include: Widow — Vera; daughters—Mrs. Dona Rae O'Connell, of Oakland, Calif.; Mrs. Lo Ree Findley, of Tilden; son — Kenneth, of New Haven, Conn.

Mrs. Findley and Kenneth Planck are children of a previous marriage.

Grassland - Stock Meet Today, Stuart

STUART—The annual grassland-livestock meeting, an all-day affair, will be held in Stuart today (Thursday) at the city auditorium.

Meeting will begin with a 10 a.m. coffee session and exhibits. W. W. Derrick will discuss "Livestock Management"; E. M. Brause, "The Grassland Research Program" (as it applies to Holt county); Joseph Watson, of West Point, will conduct a panel discussion, and Dr. S. W. Alford will lecture on "Livestock Diseases."

L. F. Bredemeier, of Valentine, district soil conservationist and a former O'Neill resident, will also speak.

Pollock New Owner of Gravel Firm

EWING—Allan Pollock, who has operated the Pollock service station for the past 3 years, has purchased the Walker Gravel Co. from John Walker. This company has been in business for about 3 years.

Mr. Pollock has begun to put the equipment in shape for the spring opening of business.

Shares in the Pollock station have been taken over by the Shaw Service, of Ewing.

At present, Mr. Walker states that his plans for the future are indefinite.

Corporal Green Back from Korea—

CHAMBERS — Cpl. Marvin Green has returned recently to the U.S. from Korea where he has been since September, 1950.

He is now in Colorado. He is a son of Mrs. Hamp Smith, of Amelia, and a brother of Troxel Green and Mrs. Duke Reed, of Chambers.

56 Bassett Bulls

Average \$717

Fifty-six bulls sold Saturday at the 21st annual spring show and sale of the North - Central Nebraska Hereford Breeders' association averaged \$717 each.

The grand champion, SD Aster 11th, sold to E. M. Jarman, of Chambers, for \$1,500. The champ was consigned by H. L. Buell, of Rose, was calved April 10, 1950, and weighed 1,370 pounds.

Reserve champion, Silver Caldo 5th, an Anxiety bull, was consigned by Harold Melcher, of Page, and sold to the Creighton Livestock Market for \$1,450. Weight was around 1,100 pounds.

F. E. & Artice Wentworth, of Mills sold Pioneer Pride 13th and KH Royal 21st, bringing \$1,300 and \$1,200, respectively. Fischer & Lowe, of Burton, purchased Pioneer Pride 13th.

One female, consigned by Joe J. Jelinek & Sons, of Walnut, brought \$385. She was Beauty Pioneer, calved June 30, 1950.

Harold Harms, prominent Valentine Hereford breeder, was the judge.

Elmer ("Tug") Phillips, secretary-manager, said buyers were on hand from 4 states.

The average price was considered "very good" although the top sellers did not equal the high mark established last November.

Peterson Suit to High Court

The state supreme court has been asked in a brief to declare the blanket mill tax levy unconstitutional.

The case is an appeal from Holt county, where Charley W. Peterson lost his action in district court to have the law ruled void.

The action was against J. Ed Hancock, Holt county treasurer. The blanket mill tax school levy provides that a levy shall be imposed on all property in all elementary school districts of a county equal to two-thirds of the operating costs of all such districts for the previous year. But it cannot exceed 4 mills.

The brief of Peterson's attorneys declares the tax is not levied uniformly and proportionately as required by the constitution of Nebraska, and of the United States, and is a "rank discrimination" against the taxpayers who are compelled to pay and pay for the exclusive benefit and local purpose of other taxpayers in school districts having 5 or more pupils.

Peterson lives in a district with less than 5 pupils so his district school received none of the tax levy money.

Before District Judge D. R. Mounds the Peterson suit was ruled void.

REJOINS CREW

Charles W. Jones, who was injured early January 24 after being left in front of his home by fellow workers, last week rejoined the Consumers Public Power District maintenance crew. Jones does not recall what happened which resulted in his being unconscious for several days.

Stores Open Saturday Nights 'Til 10—

Effective Saturday, March 1, O'Neill stores will remain open Saturday nights until 10 o'clock, according to a Chamber of Commerce policy. Throughout January and February the Saturday night closing hour has been 9 o'clock.

WJAG, 780 k.c. (adv.)

AXEL BORG QUILTS BOARD

Supervisor Resigns Before Term Expires; 3 Sons to Service

Resignation of Axel Borg, of O'Neill, Second district supervisor, was filed Wednesday afternoon with the board of supervisors while in a routine month-end business session.

The move came as a surprise although Borg, a republican, had not filed for reelection.

Borg was elected to the board in 1948 and took office January 1, 1949.

He did not publicly issue a statement as a reason for resigning but friends say that Borg has been hardpressed for help on his farm since 3 sons have gone into military service.

One son, Dwayne, is a corporal now on duty in Japan with the air force. He has been in service 2 years.

Donald is a corporal with army ordnance and is now stationed in France. He has been in uniform 13 months.

Six weeks ago Ronald was inducted by selective service and assigned to the marine corps. He is now in boot training at San Diego, Calif.

A special meeting of the board will be called at 9:30 a.m., Monday, March 3, when the board will consider appointment of a successor.

Meanwhile, last-minute filings for the April 1 primary election included: Ralph Walker, of O'Neill, for county judge, non-political; Roger Rosenkrans, of Dorsey, republican, and Andy Johnson, of O'Neill, republican, for Second district supervisor; Bob Tomlinson, of Star, democrat, for Second district supervisor.

All county filings to date include: For county superintendent: Miss Alice L. French, of O'Neill, non-political.

For county judge: Louis W. Reimer, of O'Neill; L. C. Walling, of O'Neill; Ralph Walker, of O'Neill; non-political.

For county supervisor: George Collins, of Atkinson, republican.

For county supervisor: Second district — George D. Hansen, of O'Neill, democrat; Bob Tomlinson, of Star, democrat; Roger Rosenkrans, of Dorsey, republican; Andy Johnson, of O'Neill, republican. Fourth district — Frank Cronk, of Page, republican. Sixth district — A. M. Batenhorst, of Stuart, democrat.

State Sen. Frank Nelson, of O'Neill, and District Judge D. R. Mounds, of O'Neill, earlier had filed with the secretary of state for reelection.

Deadline for filing was 5 p.m. on Thursday, February 21.

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Finishes 45 Years in Public Utilities

Retirement of L. C. Walling, manager of the O'Neill district of Consumers Public Power District, was announced this week. Effective date is December 31, 1952.

"Colonel" Walling, as he is best-known throughout the 13-county district, has spent 45 years in utility work. Last week he filed for the office of Holt county judge, a non-political post.

Mr. Walling was born on a farm near Greenwood in the vicinity of Lincoln. As a young boy he went out in the world on his own, worked in Omaha and in Chicago, Ill., where he attended night school to get some engineering and law training.

He joined Interstate Power Co. and worked up to a vice-presidency. He held the post of vice-president and general manager in charge of interstate properties when he came to O'Neill in 1928 as manager of the O'Neill district for that firm. At that time Interstate's properties administered by the O'Neill office embraced 13 Nebraska and 4 South Dakota counties.

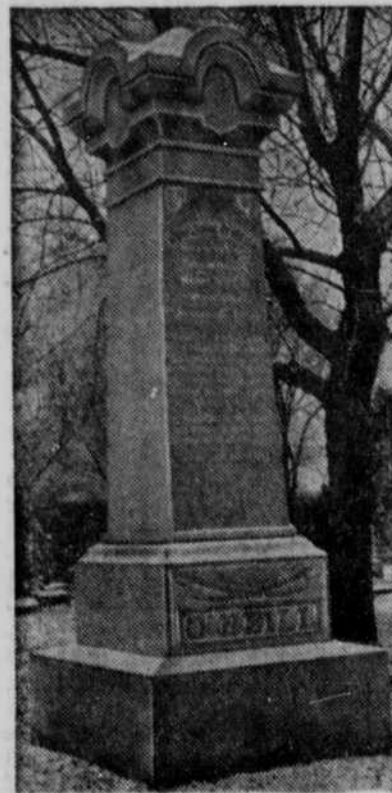
In 1940, when Interstate gave way to Consumers Public Power, Mr. Walling continued as O'Neill district manager. Presently there are 91 employees in the district.

During recent years O'Neill has become one of the state's principal power centers. With the completion of the Ft. Randall, S.D., dam several years hence and with ultimate further development of power along the Niobrara river, the city will become even more important in the mid-west power grid.

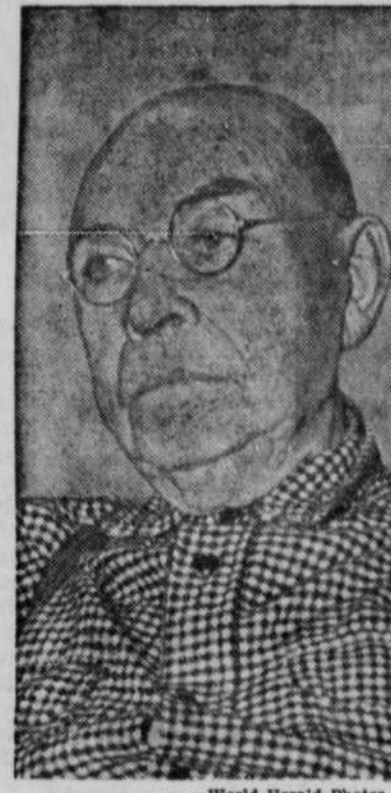
Mr. Walling has been active in this development and 2 years ago helped negotiate the purchase of the Scott block,



Mrs. Marsh . . . The soddies were snug.



General O'Neill's grave . . . The Irish declined.



Mr. Donohoe . . . The thief confessed.

Scranton Colony Migrated in 1877

Exactly 75 years ago this month a glib Civil war general persuaded many of his fellow Irish near Scranton, Pa., that for them the promised land was the untrammeled West.

For the Irish miners in eastern Pennsylvania's anthracite region he painted a lurid picture of fortune and adventure that awaited them on the plains.

One by one and in small groups the following spring, dozens of families pulled up stakes for the heira to the West.

Under the shrewd guidance of Gen. John O'Neill they came at last by train and wagon to newly-organized Holt county in Nebraska. Most of them found homesteads northwest of the present county seat, O'Neill.

Today only a few remain who made the trip in '77, but the pioneers left their stamp. Their descendants here are legion.

O'Neill, which in the early days also attracted an immigrant band from Michigan to settle northeast of town, is Nebraska's "Irish capital." The names are testimony.

Names of the early home seekers included Donohoe, Boyle, Hayan, Henegan, O'Donnell, Kearney, McCann, Timin, Biglin, Donlin, O'Malley, Jennings, Menish, Cook, Walsh, Early, O'Sullivan, Mallon, Ryan and O'Neill.

Among O'Neill's three thousand population are many of their progeny. Survivors of the original Pennsylvania group include J. B. Donohoe, Tom Donlin, Mrs. Kate Walsh and Ed Early.

Mr. Donohoe, long a rancher in this great hay and cattle country, retired recently and moved to town. One of 6 sons and 3 daughters of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Donohoe, he was 7 when the family moved West.

Like most of the others, the Donohoes went as far as Winer by train. There the railroad ended. They made the last one-hundred-odd miles up the Elkhorn river valley by team and wagon. They found the sandy prairie

bleak and not flowing in milk and honey.

"He was working for the railroad and all he cared about was the money he pocketed," said Mr. Donohoe of General O'Neill.

The colonists were plagued by drought, poor crops, prairie fires, grasshoppers, cold, homesickness (Continued on page 4)

"Again the mail man is your Red Cross solicitor," Mrs. Sullivan explained this week.

"We all know the needs of our servicemen everywhere, veterans and their families for sympathetic aid when problems arise, the need of disaster victims for shelter, food, medical aid and a return to normal living, the need of a wounded soldier for life-giving blood, and the need of Americans everywhere to be trained for the protection of themselves and their families.

"Our hearts go out to those in need and we answer promptly when we answer the call of the American Red Cross.

"I am confident Holt countyans will give generously and help us meet our responsibilities," Mrs. Sullivan declared.

Community chairmen are: O'Neill city—Mrs. Virgil Laursen; O'Neill rural—open: Stuart—Mrs. Noma Hall; Atkinson—Mrs. Fred Dunn; Emmet—Mrs. P. W. McGinnis; Chambers—J. W. Walter; Inman—Harold E. Wilhoit; Ewing—Mrs. J. L. Pruden; Page—Mrs. J. R. Russell; Amelia—Miss Florence Lindsey.

Mr. Walling's retirement is in line with a CPPD general retirement policy.

"I'd be lost without anything to do," he says.

Unwilling to quit work, the "Colonel" filed for the office of county judge.



L. C. Walling . . . a pioneer in field of electric utilities helped O'Neill grow.

ADALINE KELLY, 70, ILL 3 WEEKS, DIES

Widow of Larbee S. Kelly, Ill 3 Weeks, Dies at Page Home

PAGE — Funeral services for Mrs. Adaline Kelly, 70, widow of the late Larbee S. Kelly, were conducted at 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, February 26, at the Methodist church in Page. Rev. C. E. Wilcox officiated and burial was at Stanton under the direction of Biglin Brothers.

Mrs. Kelly died Sunday, February 24, at her home. She had been ill 3 weeks.

At the funeral rites, Mrs. Alton Braddock, Mrs. Gerald Lamason, Raymond Heiss and Edgar Stauffer sang "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere," "Near the Cross" and "No Disappointments in Heaven," with Mrs. Harold Kelly at the piano.

Pallbearers were Ed Stewart, Roy Zellers, Gus Robinson, Elmer Trowbridge, Merwyn French and Lindley Crumly. Burial was in the family lot at Stanton.

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Mrs. Adaline Kelly . . . a native Nebraskan.

Adaline Reed, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Reed, was born November 3, 1881, at Stanton. She spent all her early life at Stanton.

On December 27, 1899, she was united in marriage to Larbee S. Kelly at the home of her mother. Mrs. Wesley Reed. They began housekeeping on a farm where they lived for 9 years. They then moved to Stanton where they spent 4 years. In 1913 they moved to a farm 3 1/2 miles northwest of Page. This was their home until about 3 years ago when they built a new modern home in Page. Not long after they finished their home, Mr. Kelly contracted a lingering disease and died November 22, 1950.

They had observed their golden wedding December 27, 1949. At that time 140 persons signed the guest book.

Mrs. Kelly had lived alone much of the time since her husband's death. She enjoyed working with her flowers and visiting her neighbors.

Three children were born to the Kellys—2 daughters died in infancy and a son, Jesse S. Lives on the home place.

The late Mrs. Kelly was a member of the Royal Neighbors lodge.

Survivors include: Son—Jesse S., of Page; 3 grandchildren—Mrs. Cyril Hansen, of Wayne; Thomas and Ruth, both of Page; 2 great-grandchildren; brothers—Robert Reed, of Orchard; S. R. Reed, of Brunkick; A. D. Reed, of Stanton; sisters—Mrs. Elsie Best, of Bell, Calif.; Mrs. Rolan Duncan, of Rapid City, S.D.

Let Contract for 240 Miles REA

Bids were received Wednesday for construction of 240 miles of rural electrification lines in Holt and Boyd counties by the Niobrara Valley Electric Membership corporation.

Low bid of \$302,000 was entered by Thompson, Haight & Keister, of Oklahoma City, Okla.

Manager Ed Wilson explained that the bid is subject to confirmation of REA.

VISIT MONTANA

REDBIRD—Clifford Wells accompanied Leonard Buttolph to Saco, Mont. Tuesday where they will spend 3 weeks looking after business.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

Arthur Clarence Benash and Audree Rae Siders, both of O'Neill, on February 21.

Funeral services for Mrs. H. F. Plank, of Spearfish, S.D., a former O'Neill resident, will be held at 1:30 p.m., Friday, February 29, at First Presbyterian church. Mrs. Plank died early Monday at Spearfish following a lingering illness.

Rev. Samuel Lee, church pastor, will officiate and burial will be in Prospect Hill cemetery under the direction of Biglin Brothers. Pallbearers chosen are Everett Shaw and Harold Shaw, nephews, and Merlin Shaw, William Shaw, Robert Shaw, and Wayne Shaw, all grandchildren. The former Della Shaw was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Shaw.

Mrs. Plank was twice married. A child born out of the first marriage died at the age of 3.

Survivors include: Widower; sister — Mrs. D. H. Clauson, of O'Neill; brothers—Grover Shaw and Charles Shaw, both of O'Neill.

Funeral rites were held at Spearfish at 1 o'clock Wednesday afternoon and the body was forwarded to O'Neill, expected to arrive about 10 p.m.