

**'Design Practical,
Near Perfection'**

One of the principal speakers at the St. Anthony's hospital dedication ceremonies will be Rev. J. LaVerne Jay of O'Neill, Methodist superintendent for the northeast Nebraska district.

In an interview on the eve of the hospital opening he expressed great admiration for the hospital, saying that perfection in practical design and completeness in the latest modern equipment assures its success as a great asset to this community.

"It should mark O'Neill," the Reverend said, "as an undisputed health center in this area."

Reverend Jay will speak at the dedication.

"I am honored to have a part in ceremonies dedicating one of O'Neill's important institutions for community welfare," Reverend Jay declared.

Reverend and Mrs. Jay came to O'Neill June 14, 1951, from Alliance where he had been a resident pastor for four years.

His new O'Neill district comprises a territory extending from Cherry county on the west to the Missouri river on the east. The northern border is the South Dakota-Nebraska line.

**Opportunity for
Contribution to Science—**

It is probable more than so, that in the years of medical and scientific development yet to come, St. Anthony's or some member or members of its staff will offer contributions.

The possibility can hardly be denied when it is considered that not yet has the world found answers to the most fundamental questions of science. What is the nature of the phenomenon called life? Can gravitational and electro-magnetic phenomena all be embraced in one great law? What is the ultimate nature of matter? Neither has medicine produced effective cures for the dread reaper, cancer, or the seasonal scourge of polio.



WHO WAS ST. ANTHONY?

... Many great institutions select for their patrons the person fitting the ideal of their aim and purpose. The "Wonder Worker of Padua" has been chosen as the patron of O'Neill's new hospital, because, even in his day, he was instrumental in curing numerous sick persons and working tirelessly among the plague-stricken. Fernando de Bouillon, the future St. Anthony, was born of noble parents, grandees of Portugal. He first joined the Augustinian friars, but after a short time in the hope of becoming a martyr for God, he procured permission to join the Franciscan order, which at the time was active in missionary work in Africa. The Roman Catholic church says his martyrdom, however, was to consist in his constant efforts in behalf of souls who were led to a truly Christian life through his own Christ-like example and labors.

Far Cry from 'Doc' Connley's Day

LINCOLN — And now a modern hospital opens its doors, makes available for the sick, for the injured, for those needing medical and nurse attention its facilities and its service. St. Anthony's staff invites you to come to the opening of their medical center now provided this community on Wednesday, September 24. This after careful planning now gives north central Nebraska a 37 - bed and modern equipped hospital, located in O'Neill and easily reached from all directions by rail or paved highways.

St. Anthony's is located in a quiet section of the city in a setting of natural charm and is reached by concrete driveways. It is the fruitage of community effort and a federal grant and represents a half-million-dollar investment, which alone means much to O'Neill.



**Romaine
Saunders**

Sisters of one of the orders of the Catholic church, trained especially in hospital work, and who will manage the institution, is assurance to the community of the best of care for all who go there for medical treatment. The medical profession in this territory no doubt is pleased to have an up-to-date hospital available at all times.

It is now a far cry from the days when "Doc" Connley and "Doc" Eisman rattled over the prairie behind a pair of broncs hastening to the bedside, probably only a tick filled with hay, and left a few pills and a bottle of medicine for the one groaning on the bed.

Whether it was a packing house, a flour mill, a chicory factory, a new church or school, a new courthouse or a fireproof hotel, when O'Neill went after a thing of community interest it was "put across."

Congratulations to the promoters of St. Anthony's!

**Florence Nightingale
—'Lady of the Lamp'**

Pioneer in the field of nursing was the renowned Florence Nightingale, English nurse and hospital reformer, born in Florence, Italy, and educated in England. She became interested in hospitals and nursing at an early age and at 22 began a training course at the Protestant Deaconess's institute at Kaiserwerth, Germany.

After she had served as super-

intendent of a hospital in London, she took a staff of 38 women to nurse the wounded during the Crimean war. In four months the death rate in the hospitals was reduced from 42 percent to two percent. She made her hospitals efficient but still found time to go around the wards at night with a lamp comforting the sick.

She became widely known as "The Lady of the Lamp."

Extra copies of this magazine are available.

Out of the night of a void keenly known,
Has arisen a light, like the sun at morn,
No longer the suffering must wait with moan,
A new and great hospital has been born.
And it stands indestructably great,
Offering a hand to help and heal,
Majestic yet warm, opportune albeit late,
The magnificent new hospital of O'Neill.

**Congratulations
to the People of
O'NEILL
on Their New
St. Anthony's Hospital**

We are glad to be a part of this enterprising community and to help in its growth and development. Establishment of the St. Anthony's Hospital here is an outstanding accomplishment which adds greatly to O'Neill and its surrounding territory.

Also, we congratulate the Sisters of St. Francis upon the opportunity which this splendid new hospital affords them to be of inestimable service to the people of this section of the Midwest.

Measured by telephone growth and development, also, O'Neill is outstanding. This year is the 50th anniversary of the establishment of the first telephone exchange in O'Neill. Telephone growth has been especially rapid in the last ten years. Since 1942, the number of telephones served by the O'Neill office has doubled, going from 627 to 1,255. During this period, the average number of local calls a day has increased from 1,612 to about 3,700 and long distance calls from 161 to 516.

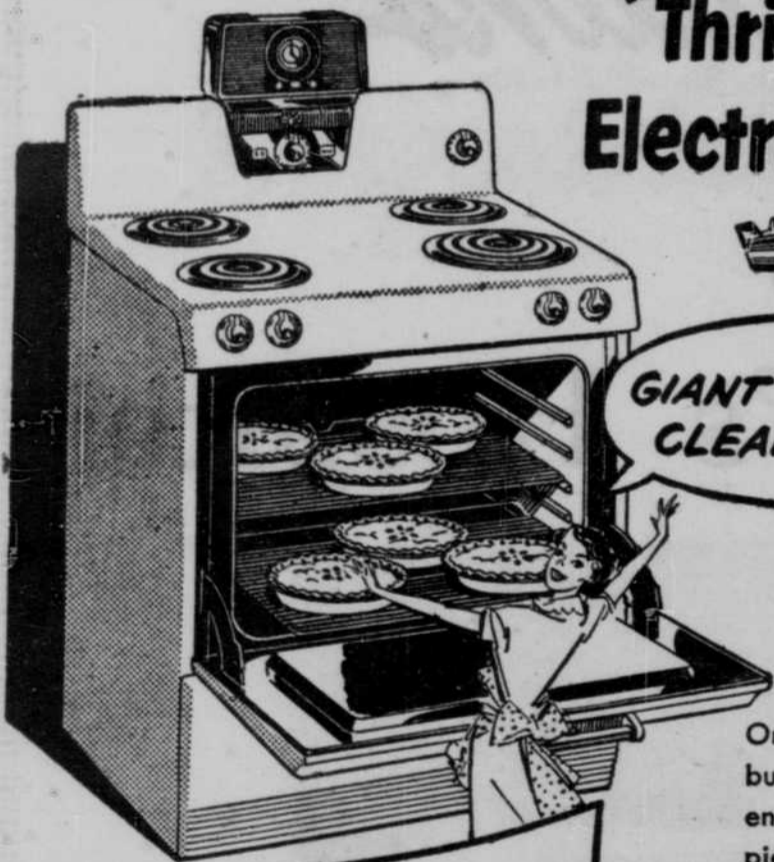
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