



Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Harding, sr. . . to O'Neill in 1920

Family Dinner Marks 57th Wedding Date

Lyle C. Smith, 47, Expires Suddenly

Funeral Rites Today at Inman

INMAN—Lyle C. Smith, 47, died unexpectedly about 10:30 p.m., Saturday, January 3, at his home here. A highway construction foreman, he had not been ill, relatives said.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m., today (Thursday) from the Methodist church in Inman with Rev. C. C. Chapell, church pastor, officiating.

Card Shower for Former Page Couple

PAGE—Mr. and Mrs. H. L. DeLancey of Denver, Colo., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Thursday, January 1.

Open house was held during the afternoon at the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Dr. and Mrs. Robert Young, also of Denver.

In the evening a dinner was served for relatives. Mrs. Young planned a surprise card shower for their friends at Page, where Mr. and Mrs. DeLancey formerly resided.

Mr. and Mrs. DeLancey were married January 1, 1903, at the home of the bride's parents near Hartington. They lived in Wayne, Cedar and Boyd counties before moving to Page in 1920. In 1946 they moved to Plainview and lived there until May, 1947, when they moved to Denver. Their address is 1943 S. Lincoln.

Mr. DeLancey is engaged in the sheet and metal work. They have one daughter, Mrs. Robert (Melba) Young, and one grandson. One son died in infancy.

Wheeler Bridge Soon to Be Closed

Traffic is now flowing across the top of the Ft. Randall, S. D., dam on the new route in preparation for the closing of the Wheeler, S. D., Missouri river bridge, it was stated last week by George O. Evans, area engineer for the U.S. corps of engineers.

South Dakota markers were put up a week ago. If left in position the Wheeler bridge would be inundated when water backs up in lake to be created. However, sections of the bridge, Dakota-owned property, will be moved upstream to Chamberlain.

Restricted traffic has been flowing across the top of the dam for several months.

To Kansas City—

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Cole of Emmet and Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Schaffer left Sunday to attend the annual National Stockgrowers association convention in Kansas City, Mo., on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. Mr. and Mrs. Cole returned to Lincoln to attend the governor's inaugural ball tonight (Thursday). Mrs. Schaffer's fur coat was stolen from the Schaffer's hotel room during the Kansas City stay.

Visitors Here— Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harnish of Norfolk and Mrs. Naomi Pierson and Jimmy of Neligh were Friday visitors in the home of Miss Ruth Harnish.

24 Polio Sufferers in 1952

15 Victims Receive Aid from Chapter; Treasury Is in Red

Staggering expenses in connection with the treatment and care for an unprecedented number of polio cases in the county in the past year have depleted the funds of the Holt chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

Continuing financial responsibility for present victims and an imperative need for research at the national level makes a grim situation as the 1953 march of dimes campaign gets underway.

Mrs. Lester Reige of O'Neill is Holt campaign director this year and she has expressed confidence that county residents will respond enthusiastically to the plea for dimes and dollars.

Campaign chairmen who have been appointed to serve in the various communities are: Mrs. J. W. Walter of Chambers, Mrs. H. D. Gildersleeve of O'Neill, Mrs. Noma F. Hall of Stuart, Mrs. John Q. Archer of Ewing, Mrs. John Mattson of Inman, Mrs. Melvin Smith of Page, Mrs. John Keating of Atkinson, Mrs. Grant Peacock of Emmet, and Mrs. Vern Sageser of Amelia.

The National Foundation faces a trying year in 1953, due to the greatest drain on its funds since the foundation was started. During the past year infantile paralytic attacks with the worst assault ever recorded.

"It was more widespread, it touched all parts of the United States, the outbreak began early and it dwindled late," Mrs. Reige declared.

Nebraska was one of the states hardest hit. Holt county had an epidemic—24 cases—the most ever recorded for the county.

Fifteen of the 24 cases required financial assistance for hospitalization, doctoring and therapy treatments. In addition, two cases, held over from 1951 were in need of financial help. All of these were assisted by the Holt chapter.

Following is a financial statement from Miss Francis Rotherham of Ewing, treasurer for the Holt chapter: The amount of \$3,488.34 was paid for patient care up to December 31. Bills that still must be paid amount to \$2,513.75. This will leave a deficit of \$490.14 in the Holt treasury.

Among the 24 stricken by polio in 1952 was Gleason Grimes, 13, of Chambers. He was in Clarkston hospital in Omaha for many weeks. The expenses were high and the Grimes family gratefully received assistance from the Holt chapter.

Mrs. Clarence Grimes, in a letter to Stanley Lambert, Holt chairman, had this to say: "We want to thank the Holt chapter for the assistance received; also all those throughout the county who gave to the march of dimes thus making this (Continued on page 10)

Man, 80, Suffers Stroke in Bath

ATKINSON—Frank Stanek, about 80, is in Atkinson Memorial hospital recovering from a stroke he suffered late Friday while taking a bath in his home in Atkinson. Mr. Stanek, who lived alone, climbed into the tub Friday evening, was stricken, and lay helplessly in the water until about 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

Neighbors, Charles Dobias and Francis Mohr, went into the house to investigate after they noticed that a light had been burning for a prolonged length of time.

Paralyzed on one side, Mr. Stanek was able to control hot water with one foot and keep warm. Mr. Stanek retired about a year ago from active ranch work although he has resided in Atkinson for a number of years. His wife died last year. Hospital attendants say his condition is "satisfactory."

Protestant Group Adopts Funeral Code

The O'Neill Ministerial association, a Protestant group of clergymen, this week adopted a code for funerals.

The code states that funerals and burial services "will be held only on days other than Sundays; stated hours shall be 10 o'clock for morning rites and 2 o'clock for afternoon services; caskets will be closed prior to entering the church and remain closed thereafter."

Memorial gifts will be encouraged, the signed statement declared, and "all arrangements and appointments for the burial should be in keeping with the expectation and simplicity of the Christian faith."

Mrs. Mullins, 83, Dies in Wyoming

ATKINSON—Mrs. Elizabeth Mullins, 83, of Manderson, Wyo., died in her home on Tuesday, January 6. She received a broken hip in a fall six months ago and had been ill since that time.

She was the daughter of the late Robert Alworth of Atkinson, an early settler of that community, a sister to the late Mrs. Henry Bauman, and an aunt of Mrs. J. P. Protivinsky, of O'Neill.

Survivors include: daughter—Mrs. Cecil Almsworth of Casper, Wyo.; sons—William, Robert, Henry, all of Greybull, Wyo.; and Richard of Manderson, Wyo.; and Robert Alworth of Trail, Ore.; sister—Mrs. Julia Preston of Pasadena, Calif.

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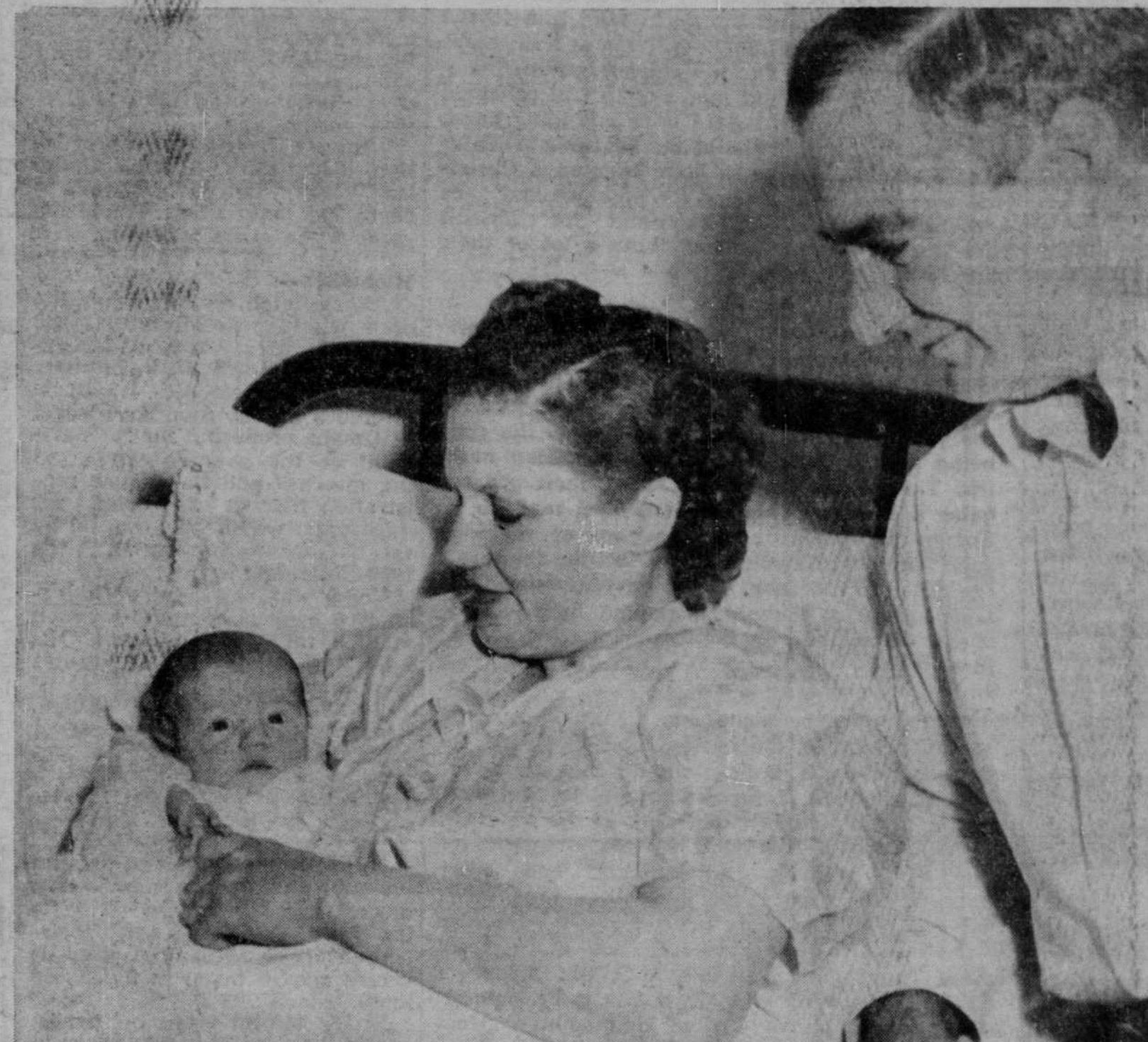
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"Lucky me, huh!" . . . Baby Derby Champ Randy Joseph Schaaf, mom and pop.

346 Registered Boy Scouts in '52

North-Central Boasts All-Time Record

The North-Central Nebraska district of the Boy Scouts of America finished 1952 with an all-time record membership of 346 boys in packs, troops and posts.

District officers are: Judge D. R. Mounts of O'Neill, chairman; Verne Reynolds of O'Neill, vice-chairman and finance chairman; Dr. J. M. Puelch of Spencer, camping activities chairman; Richard Perry of O'Neill, leadership training chairman; Ivan Pruss of O'Neill, advancement chairman; Don Lyons of O'Neill, district commissioner; R. E. Miller of Stuart, district representative.

Neighborhood chairmen are: Rev. Kenneth Carl of O'Neill; Lyle P. Dierks of Ewing (also Page chairman); John Schmidt of Spencer (also Butte); Stanley Cobb of Stuart; Ted Blake of Bassett; Don Lyons of O'Neill (also Atkinson).

A monthly meeting of officers and chairmen will be held at the M&M cafe on Monday, January 12.

Leaves Hospital— Baby Edmund George, infant son of Bernie Wilson and the late Mrs. Wilson, was taken home from the hospital just before Christmas by his father and his grandmother, Mrs. Thode Marousek of Des Moines, Ia. Mrs. Marousek and her brother, George Tucker, will be at the Wilson home for an indefinite visit.

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Incubator Baby Is 'Doing Fine'

ATKINSON—Little Stephen David Baker, who was born prematurely on October 22, 1952, and spent the first few months of his life in an incubator, is at home now with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Baker.

Stephen weighed 2 pounds and 14 ounces when he was born. When he went home on December 28 he weighed six pounds. His mother says he is "gaining steadily."

His father was in a Grand Island hospital suffering with polio at the time of Stephen's birth. He, too, is at home now and doing "fairly well." The hot pack treatments have been discontinued and doctors say with continued exercise they hope that the arm most severely effected will in time become normal again.

The Bakers have one other son, Danny, and two little girls, Jeanne and Maxine. Mrs. Baker is the former Mary Jane Moler of O'Neill.

CDa in Session— The Catholic Daughters held a regular meeting Tuesday evening in the Knights of Columbus hall. After the business meeting cards were played. The winners were Mrs. Delbert Robertson, Mrs. Russell Moler, Mrs. Fred Heermann won the door prize. Lunch was served by the committee.

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1st Baby Honors to Randy Joe

Schaaf Infant Winner; Born in Atkinson on New Year's Morning

A brown-eyed fellow who tipped the scales at 7 pounds, 11 ounces arrived at 5:25 a.m., new year's day in Atkinson's Memorial hospital.

It can be said he created quite a stir. Because Randy Joseph Schaaf, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Schaaf of Atkinson, qualified and won sweepstakes honors in The Frontier's seventh annual Holt county first baby contest. By virtue of his timely arrival, a jackpot of gifts awaits him—provided by 20 O'Neill merchants in cooperation with The Frontier.

Dr. J. E. Ramsay was the physician. Randy was only a few minutes old when The Frontier's first baby contest editor was rolled out of bed with a phone call and advised that the official entry blank would be in that day's mail.

Randy, a black-haired husky, wasn't bothered with all the confusion and talk about competition. Actually, Wayne Richard Harley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Harley of Chambers, was delivered by Mr. Stork at 6 p.m., on new year's eve in St. Anthony's hospital, O'Neill.

Wayne Richard qualified for an income tax exemption for 1952—though his dad is in the service—but missed the jackpot by six hours. Richard Francis Gallagher, son of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Gallagher, was the first born in the O'Neill community, putting in his appearance at 3:45 a.m. on Friday, January 2, at St. Anthony's.

Randy is a fortunate fellow in more ways than simply winning a baby derby. He has four brothers and two sisters—Larry, 14; George, 11; Richard, 9; Lonnie, 2; Mary, 12, and Anita, 4.

The Schaafs reside on a 400-acre farm 17 miles northeast of Atkinson, which they own. The father is a son of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Schaaf, who include Randy in their list of 55 grandchildren. Mrs. Fred Barnes, widow of the late Mr. Barnes, is the maternal grandmother. She numbers Randy as the 27th grandchild.

Both the parents of the new king were reared in the Atkinson community.

Here's a rundown on the gifts in Randy's pot of gold: Speltz-Ray Lbr. Co.—Five hundred pounds of coal; Jacobson's—A General Electric heating pad; Shelhamer Foods—case of Helina baby food; Midwest Furniture & Appliances—doll boudoir lamp.

McIntosh Jewelry—10-karat gold baby ring; Gilligan Rexall drug store—Tiny Tot gift set and a Stork nurser bottle; Beatrice Foods—case of Meadow Gold vitamin D milk.

Gambles—a hardwood nursery chair; Big Brothers Hardware—clothes hamper; Apparel Shop—a beautiful dress; Lee Stores—a bathrobe.

McCarville's—a pair of Red Goose baby shoes; Stannard's store—two boxes of Dennison diaper liners plus a baby book; New Deal Oil Co.—10 gallons of gas for pop's flivver.

McDonald's—a 34x50 satin-bound baby blanket; Coyne's hardware—High-Boy clothes dryer; O'Neill Photo Co.—one dozen 3x5 photographs, mounted.

New Outlaw Grocery—a case of Gerber's baby food; Montgomery's Hardware—a porcelain enamel bath tub; M & M cafe and Bakery—a decorated layer cake (for pop, mom, brothers, sisters and doting relatives).

Hendrickson and Mrs. Dorothy Smith, all of Omaha; 13 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; brother—Alfred Burbank of Spokane, Wash.

Winchells Are Hosts— Mr. and Mrs. Bert Winchell entertained friends at a new year's eve party. The evening was spent playing cards. After midnight a turkey dinner was served to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Vitt, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Minton and Larry, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sullivan, Mrs. Loretta Hynes, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Heermann, Mr. and Mrs. James Carney and Mr. and Mrs. Norbert Clark.

Mr. Vitt Surprised— Mrs. Loretta Hynes, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. James Carney and Mrs. Frank Sullivan surprised Louis Vitt on his birthday anniversary Friday, January 2. Cards were played during the evening after which lunch was served.

GIVES ADDRESS— STAR—Claude Cole, son of Charles Cole, lists the following navy address: SA 319-14-66, Box 18, Rec. Sta., Navy 128, care of FPO, San Francisco, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Carnes of Omaha left Saturday after spending the new year's holiday with Miss Ruth Harnish.



Polio victim Duane Braasch, 17, gets therapy treatment in new Hubbard tank. Miss Florence E. Case is the nurse. (Story above).

Council Issues 3 Building Permits

The O'Neill city council in session Tuesday evening issued three building permits.

Louisa Van Conett, represented by D. S. McCaig, was authorized to construct a 26x36 addition on a residence near the corner of Ninth and Douglas streets. The application stated the addition would be used for restaurant purposes.

Clarence Strong was given permission to construct a residence on lot 3 and part of lot 4, block 5, Fahy's addition.

Wiley Chandler applied for a permit to construct a warehouse on the south 50 feet of lot 4, block 5, Fahy's addition.

The warehouse will house the Independent Roofing Co., in which Strong and Chandler are interested. The house and warehouse will be on Hancock street in the industrial area of the city between the C&NW and CB&Q railroad tracks.