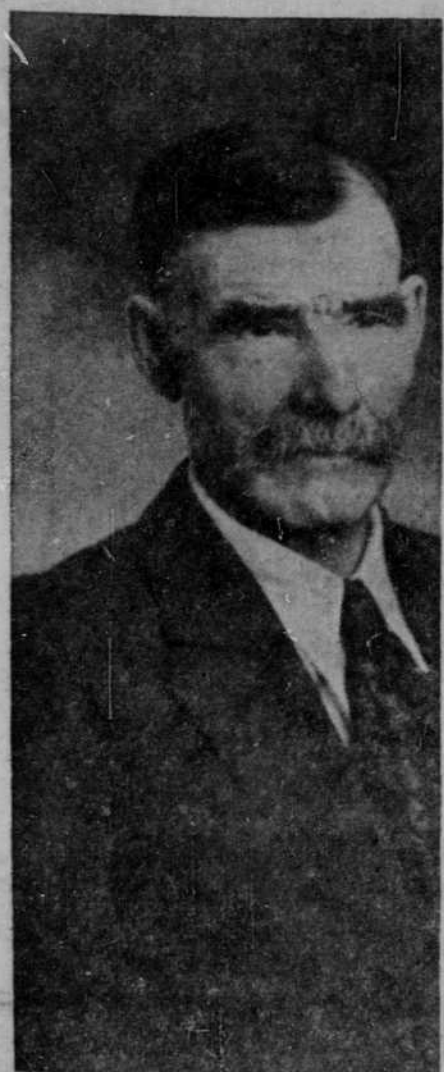


Cain to Conduct 500-Voice Chorus



Mr. Harding... born in Iowa.

Thomas W. Harding, Retired Farmer, Dies

Funeral Held Here Wednesday

Thomas W. Harding, 85-year-old O'Neill resident and a retired farmer, died Saturday, March 21, at noon at his home here in O'Neill. He had been ill for three weeks with a heart ailment and with complications accompanying his advanced age.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, March 25, at 2 p.m., from Wesleyan Methodist church with Rev. M. H. Grosenbach, church pastor, officiating. Burial was in Prospect Hill cemetery under the direction of Biglin Brothers.

The O'Neill resident was born October 12, 1887, at Macedonia, Ia., a son of John and Louisa Trotman Harding. Both of his parents were natives of England.

The late Thomas W. Harding resided in Cedar county before coming to Holt in 1921. He had been residing on the east edge of O'Neill.

He was married on January 1, 1886, at Macedonia to Rosa May Denton. They became the parents of 11 children.

They farmed in Iowa until 1901 when they moved to Nebraska and settled near Dixon. In 1913 they moved to Hartington where they farmed for seven years before coming to the O'Neill vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Harding celebrated their 57th wedding anniversary on their 75th birthday this year. Four of their children and their families were present.

Survivors include: Widow: Sons—Vernon of O'Neill; Thomas of Petersburg, Clifford of O'Neill, James of Loves Park, Ill.; daughters—Mrs. Frank (Ina) Nelson of Hartington; Mrs. Edna Huebert of O'Neill; Mrs. L. A. (Mildred) Hobbs of Ewing, Mrs. Lois Hartman of O'Neill and Mrs. Lorin (Wilma) Havens of Rockton, Ill.

Pallbearers were grandsons: Donald and Gerald Harding, Milton and Dwayne Hobbs, and Ronald and Harold Huebert.

Entire Teaching Staff Relected

The entire teaching and custodial staff of the O'Neill public school has been relected for the 1953-'54 school year.

The personnel will have until April 15 to accept or reject the contracts that have been offered.

Last month Supt. D. E. Nelson, who is finishing his second year here, was signed for a new three-year contract at \$5,500 per year.

Salary increases were voted for the teachers ranging from \$45 to \$108 per year.

Enroute to Hospital, Hurt in Accident

INMAN—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Luben and son, Raymond, and Lawrence Stevens left early Sunday morning for Omaha where Mr. Luben was to enter the University hospital on Monday for major surgery.

Near Hooper the party ran into rain and slippery pavement when the car skidded, left the road and overturned. Raymond Stevens was taken to the Dodge county hospital in Fremont. Mr. Luben received a gash on the head requiring two stitches. Mrs. Luben's face was cut by her eye glasses which were broken. The grandson and Raymond received only minor scratches and bruises. Lawrence Stevens suffered a slight concussion and loss of memory.

All were treated and dismissed from the hospital but Stevens.

The others went on to Omaha. Mrs. Livelie Butterfield, Clyde Ross and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Anson, when informed of the accident, drove to Fremont to see Lawrence. They returned Sunday night and reported his condition to be "slightly improved" and that he would be released as soon as his memory improved.

Mrs. Butterfield and Mrs. Anson are sisters of Lawrence.

\$100 Per Unit Reduction Told

The Chrysler corporation Wednesday announced a price reduction of one hundred dollars per unit on all DeSoto, Plymouth and other cars in the Chrysler line, according to Paul Shierk, manager of the Smith Motor Co., DeSoto and Plymouth dealers here.

Janzing Completes
Basic Training—
Army Pvt. Bernard Janzing of Camp Roberts, Calif., graduated with fellow members of his company as they completed basic infantry training last week.

Janzing was a member of company B, 77th armored infantry battalion, of the Seventh armored division. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman J. Janzing, who reside at O'Neill.

During the 16-week course, the soldier learned the duties of an infantryman in combat. The use of basic infantry weapons was particularly stressed. Private Janzing also underwent training maneuvers involving actual small arms and overhead artillery.

ANOTHER SIGN OF SPRING

Michael Hammond, 6-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Hammond, and Timothy French, 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. O. D. French, Sunday discovered a 45-pound beaver ambulating about the northeast residential section of the city. The game warden was called to take custody of the animal.

Visit Young Home—

Carol and Bob Summers of Chambers were Sunday evening callers in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Young.

ATKINSON — A nationally prominent choral conductor, Dr. Noble Cain, will direct a massed chorus of five hundred voices as the climax to the North-Central Nebraska conference's fifth annual choral music festival. The event will be held Friday in the Atkinson high school auditorium.

The massed concert will start at 8 p.m., and will be a public affair. Participating schools are Ainsworth, Atkinson, Bassett, Valentine, Long Pine, O'Neill, Springview, Stuart and Wood Lake.

Each school will be represented in the chorus by members from its own glee clubs and choruses.

Mr. Cain, a well-known conductor, composer and music educator, will direct an all-day clinic.

The chorus in the evening will perform three of Mr. Cain's original compositions as well as spirituals and miscellaneous choral music. Thirteen selections will be presented.

James Bastian, head of the choral department of O'Neill high school, said Wednesday he expects 79 O'Neill high students to come under Mr. Cain's instruction, and many of them will have an opportunity to sing while Mr. Cain conducts. Miss Leona Kilmurry, Atkinson high music instructor, is in charge of arrangements.

Doctor Cain earned early fame as a high school choral director in Chicago, Ill. He joined the National Broadcasting company in 1932 as producer and director of all choral activities in NBC's central division. He has presented over two thousand broadcasts.

The famous conductor is credited with developing new microphone techniques in connection with choral broadcasting. He quit NBC to become a music educator and has traveled extensively to lecture and give instruction at similar clinics. He has written music especially adapted to these situations. His "Seven T's" of choral music—tone, text, technique, taste, test, and truth—are universally accepted.

All told he has written over six hundred musical works that have been published, including cantatas, oratorios, folk music and novelty numbers. Among the best known and most widely sung are "Ode to America" and "Music of Life."

Mr. Cain's father was a bandmaster turned minister. His musical training began early. At the age of 12 he was a fair student of Greek. He attended a Quaker academy and learned Latin and mathematics. The three subjects are credited with a profound influence on his creative background.

During World War I he served in the aviation division of the navy and was commissioned an ensign. He retains aviation as a hobby.

Doctor Cain's book, "Choral Music and Its Practice," is used as a reference and text throughout the world.

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Orators Will Compete in Atkinson

To Select Champion for Nebraska in Monday's Contest

ATKINSON—The state finals in the American Legion-sponsored oratorical contest based on the constitution of the United States will be held at Atkinson on Monday, March 30.

Preliminaries will be in the morning and the finals will be in the afternoon. All sessions will be at the Atkinson high school.

District winners who will compete are: District 1—Glen Barth of Rushville; district 2—Craig Swoboda of Norfolk; district 3—Donna Lage of Wayne; district 4—Barbara Rystrom of Bayard; district 5—Barbara Warren of Sutherland; district 6—Loretta Lee of Kearney; district 7—Bruce Bernel of Humphrey; district 10—Charles McManigal of Hastings; district 11—Douglas York of Wilber; district 12—Jere McGaffey of Nebraska City; district 14—John Morfin of Omaha.

The 15th district contest will be held at Lincoln today (Thursday).

Charles E. Chace of Farley-Tushla post is state chairman for the oratorical contest, which is sponsored by the Nebraska department of the American Legion.

Now in Louisiana

Pvt. Freddie S. Bollwitt (above), son of Mrs. Nellie Urban, of Ewing, has been assigned to the 37th infantry division in training at Camp Polk, La. He is in C Btry, 134th F. A. Bn. He was drafted from Holt county January 20, 1953, receiving his eight-week basic training at Camp Polk and is waiting now for schooling. His address: Pvt. Freddie S. Bollwitt US 55327060, B Btry, 134th F. A. Bn., 37th infantry div., Camp Polk, La.

Good Friday Rite in New Church

Candlelight Ceremony at Bethany

The Bethany Presbyterian church will hold its first service in the new sanctuary on the evening of Good Friday, April 3. The candlelight service, which will include the sacrament of the Lord's supper, will begin at 8 p.m.

The new church is located two miles south and two miles east of the Chambers corner on U.S. highway 281.

The church construction, which was begun last May, is now nearly completed. For the past several months services have been held in the basement while work was being completed in the auditorium. A dedication service will be held later in the spring.

Marine Officer Dies in Korea

Marine 2/Lt. Henry Schleuter, who had been overseas only a few weeks, has been killed in action in Korea, according to reports received late Wednesday by relatives here.

Lieutenant Schleuter was the husband of the former Mary Jewell Walker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Walker of Aruba, a Dutch colony in the West Indies. Mrs. Walker is the former Julia O'Neill of this community.

Mrs. Schleuter and her 2-year-old son recently returned from California where they had bade their husband and father goodbye at the port of embarkation. Schleuter and son then came to O'Neill and visited from St. Mary's academy here in 1944, while both were attending school at the University of Nebraska.

Lieutenant Schleuter was reared at Abie, near Lincoln. He met his wife, who graduated from St. Mary's academy here in 1944, while both were attending school at the University of Nebraska.

Widow Recovers from Back Burns

Mrs. Melvin Steskal, 23, is recovering in St. Anthony's hospital here from severe burns on the back which she suffered on Wednesday, March 18, in the farm home fire in which her husband was fatally burned.

Hospital attendants Wednesday said her condition is "very much improved." The two Steskal children, Donna, 2, and Marvin, 1, were dismissed from the hospital a few hours after being admitted.

Mr. Steskal, a 24-year-old Inman farmer, died four hours after the explosion of a tractor fuel can in the farm home. A fire swept through the house and destroyed all the contents.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday at St. John's Lutheran church in Atkinson. Rev. R. W. Olson of O'Neill officiated. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. John Steskal of Inman.

Strong Winds for Mid-March Weather

Strong winds have characterized the weather during the past week. Summary:

	Hi	Lo	Prec.
March 19	60	22	
March 20	53	40	
March 21	58	35	
March 22	55	29	.03
March 23	45	29	
March 24	33	16	.01
March 25	47	18	

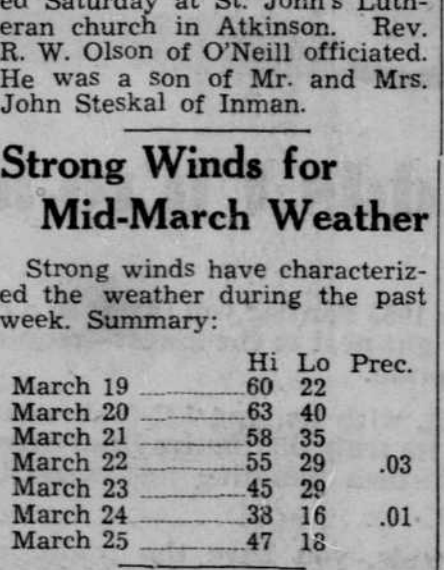
Boyd Farmer Buys Tom White Place

J. W. Rihaneck of Monowi, a Boyd county farmer, last week purchased the 320-acre northeast Holt county farm belonging to the estate of the late Thomas White. He paid \$25 per acre—or \$8,000.

The place and personal property were sold at public auction by William J. White, administrator. Col. Wallace O'Connell was auctioneer; John R. Gallacher, attorney.

Compete in Ag Judging

Twenty-four members of the O'Neill on-farm veterans agriculture class are pictured (above) following Saturday's competition with seven other vet groups in judging. O'Neill and Atkinson vet classes shared top honors. Kneeling (left to right)—Martin Langan, James Langan, Lyle Eppenbach, Marvin Rouss and Marion Woidneck; seated (second row)—James Rotherham, Hi Johnson, James McDonald, Albert Stauffer, In-



structor Pat Gallup, Marvin Snyder and Mick Gallagher; standing (third row)—Donald Cavanaugh, Edward Hanley, Francis Matthews, Hugh Langan, Leonard Lorenz and Joe Gokie; standing (back row)—Ernest Kloppenborg, Joseph Grutsch, John Dougherty, James Finley, Ed Young (partially hidden), Ruben Redlinger and William Sorenson.—The Frontier Photo.

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Kalhoff Is Killed in Car-Truck Crash



This twisted wreckage is the car in which William H. Kalhoff was fatally injured.—Frontier Photo.



O'Neill honors remains of Korean war veteran.—The Frontier Photo.

Retired Blacksmith at Deloit Suffers a Skull Fracture, Dies

CLEARWATER — William H. Kalhoff, 60, a World War I veteran and a retired blacksmith, was fatally injured about 8:45 p.m., Monday, March 23, in a car-truck crash at the east edge of Clearwater. The smash occurred on the east edge of the village on U.S. highway 275.

Mr. Kalhoff was rushed by ambulance to Antelope Memorial hospital, Neligh, where he died at 9:49 p.m.

Funeral services will be conducted today (Thursday) at St. John's Catholic church at Deloit. Burial will be in the church cemetery. The rites will begin at 10 a.m.

A rosary was offered at 8 o'clock Wednesday evening at the John Miller home in Ewing.

Condition of Alfred H. Daggett, 61, of Clearwater, who was riding with Kalhoff in the car, is "fair," according to Neligh hospital attendants. He is suffering a fractured hip and multiple rib fractures.

Kalhoffs machine collided with a semitrailer truck loaded with gravel driven by Raymond E. Gray of Albion.

Lt. Harry Brit of the Nebraska safety patrol said Gray's truck was traveling east. According to Brit, Gray said he noticed a car approaching from the south and said the driver seemed to hesitate and then drove in front of him. The truck struck the car broadside. The truck was loaded with 10 tons of gravel.

Clearwater residents said Kalhoff and Daggett had visited a cafe there shortly before the accident.

Kalhoffs car was knocked into a ditch on the north side of the road and demolished. Damage to Gray's truck was about one thousand dollars.

The late Mr. Kalhoff operated a blacksmith shop for many years south of St. John's church just inside Wheeler county. He had been retired for about 10 years and did not enjoy good health.

Basin Plan to Congress Soon

Rep. A. L. Miller, Nebraska's Fourth district republican congressman and chairman of the house interior committee, says he hopes congress will appropriate money to start work in the next fiscal year on the Niobrara basin irrigation plan.

Miller said Avery Batson of Denver Colo., regional reclamation director, told him the reclamation bureau expects to recommend the Niobrara project and others—for authorization by congress "within the next few months".

Miller revealed he has urged the reclamation bureau to cut down the number of field officers in western states, including Nebraska. He said he has talked with Batson about this.

Conoco Plans Super Service Station Here

Russell Bonge of Ainsworth, district manager for Continental Oil company, announced this week that his firm plans to construct a modern, new Conoco super service station at the corner of Second and Douglas streets.

Mr. Bonge said a long-term lease has been signed with A. W. Tibbets, owner of the 70x70-foot site of a small Conoco station which has been in operation for several years. Extra space is being leased from United Motor Ways, F. L. Kirschbaum, owner. Construction plans will be pressed in the very near future, Mr. Bonge added.

Record Throng at McKim Funeral

Flags were flying at half-mast in O'Neill Monday as the body of O'Neill's second fatality of the Korean war lay in state at Biglin Brothers funeral chapel.

Funeral services for Army Cpl. Lyle C. (Red) McKim, 24, were conducted at 2 p.m. at the Methodist church. An overflow crowd, one of the largest ever to attend a funeral in O'Neill, heard the sermon by the church pastor, Rev. W. B. Smith.

Simonson post 93 of the American Legion was in charge of the military burial rite.

The young man was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle McKim, sr., of O'Neill. He was killed January 8 in a jeep accident a few weeks prior to his scheduled return home.

Survivors include: Parents; brothers—Leslie, Kenneth and Keith; sisters—Mrs. John DeGeorge and Miss Hyldred, both of Omaha; Mrs. Howard Wales of Castro Valley, Calif.; Mrs. Dale Wales of Hayward, Calif.; and Miss Wilma of O'Neill.

All of the deceased soldier's immediate relatives were present for the funeral.

Others from a distance included: Carl Hemenway and Charles Salsbury, both of Neligh; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Loeve of Brunswick; Mrs. Forrest Storm of Royal; Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Stevens and Mrs. George Hemenway, all of Clearwater; Frank Osborne of Mission, S.D.; Mr. and Mrs. Dale Potts of Chambers; Vern Beckwith of Columbus; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Batenhorst; Mrs. Gene Batenhorst, Mrs. Harold Williamson and Mrs. Billy Marcellus, all of Atkinson; Mrs. Duane Patrick of Omaha; Mr. and Mrs. Art Engelhaupt of Gering.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton McKim and family of Mason City, Ia.; Darel Bright of Atkinson; Mrs. Bessie Simpkins of Omaha.

Work Begun on New Telephone System

CHAMBERS — Kenneth Werner started Monday to dig trenches and lay cables for the new telephone system he is installing.

The new switchboard was installed recently in the building he has purchased for a telephone office. The building is the former Legion hall. Mr. Werner remodelled the building and replaced the windows with glass brick to make it more nearly dust proof.

Firemen Learn New Techniques

EWING—The fire department held a regular meeting last Thursday evening at the town hall.

John Walker, fire chief, presided at the business session. After the routine affairs were discussed and completed, Lee Fowler, a representative of a fire equipment concern, presented new ideas as well as equipment in handling fires. Twenty men were present.

To New Jersey—

Ellwyn Benson took Mrs. Blake Benson to Omaha last Thursday from where she flew to Paterson, N.J., where she will spend three weeks visiting her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Louis J. Pautler, and family.