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Seven Cents



Mary Minnick of Stuart goes on stage with pajamas and housecoat, which she made herself and modeled in the achievement day style show. She also made her own "scuffies" (footwear).

850 Exhibits Here in 4-H Achievement Day

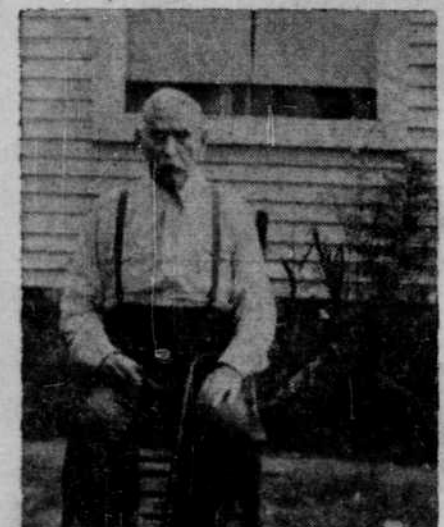
John H. Burke, 98, Succumbs Here

Rears Family of 10 in Nebraska

John H. Burke, 98, one of O'Neill's oldest residents, died about 3 o'clock Saturday morning, August 15, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Edna Coyne. He had been ill about five weeks. Funeral services were conducted at 9 o'clock Monday morning, August 17, from St. Patrick's Catholic church with Rev. Kenneth Carl officiating. Burial was in Calvary cemetery under the direction of Biglin Brothers and the following were pallbearers: G. C. DeBacker, J. Leo Moore, M. M. Langan, Frank Clements, P. C. Donohoe and Richard Min-ton.

The late Mr. Burke was born March 10, 1855, in Gage county, Iowa.

He married Bridget Duffin on August 29, 1882 in Duell county, Nebraska. They became the parents of 10 children, all of whom were born in Nebraska. The family resided for several years at Oshkosh and Burwell and for



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many years in the Greeley vicinity. His wife and two sons, William and Martin, preceded him in death.

Between the time of his marriage and 1912, the late Mr. Burke made his home in Nebraska. In 12 he moved to near Wauabay, S.D., where he resided on a farm until the death of Mrs. Burke on July 16, 1943. Since then he made his home with his daughter, Mrs. Coyne.

Survivors include: Daughters—Mrs. C. G. (Etta) Jensen of Lily, S.D.; Mrs. Lawrence (Blanche) Malley of Chambers; Mrs. Nellie Maloney of Webster, S.D.; Mrs. Edna Coyne of O'Neill; Mrs. John (Bessie) Becking of Webster, S.D.; Mrs. Dale (Emma) Winjum of Watertown, S.D.; sons—Thomas Burke of Summit, S.D.; John F. Burke of Ft. Pierre, S.D. All were present at the funeral except John F.

Other survivors include 29 grandchildren and 31 great-grandchildren.

Among out-of-town relatives and friends attending the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Jensen of Lily, S.D.; Mrs. Lawrence O'Malley and sons, Jerry and Leo, of Chambers; Mrs. Nellie Maloney of Webster, S.D.; Mr. and Mrs. John Becking of Webster, S.D.; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Burke and sons, Ronnie and Philip, of Summit, S.D.; Mrs. Dale Winjum of Watertown, S.D.; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Burke and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Burke, all of Oshkosh; Mrs. Leo Dowd of Schuyler; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph O'Malley of Los Angeles, Calif.; Sr. Mary Faith and Sr. Mary Eunice, both of Spalding; Sr. Miriam Patricia and Sr. Margaret Rita, both of Cedar Rapids; John Kennedy of Omaha; Mrs. Stella Coyne and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Coyne, all of Spalding.

The Saddle club will hold a rehearsal at the club grounds on Friday evening. The club has an engagement at Page August 31.

'53 Fair Dates Are Nearing

Final Preparations Are Being Completed for 61st Annual Show

CHAMBERS—This south-Holt county town is bustling with activity as final preparations are being made for the 61st annual Holt county fair. Dates for the four-day exposition are Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, September 1, 2, 3 and 4. Additional bleachers have been added onto the grandstand, swelling by several hundred persons the capacity of the stands.

Considerable repair and renovation has taken place in the exhibit halls and barns. The baseball diamond has been put in top shape, according to President Ver Sageser of Amelia, head of the organization which sponsors the fair—the Holt County Agricultural society.

Featured entertainment this year will rival all other arrays of talent ever brought into the county, explained Secretary Ed Wink.

"We're very proud to have contracted, several months ago, a reputable auto pushball organ-

PREMIUM LIST

The official Holt county fair premium list plus full details concerning the fair entertainment may be found in the 16-page supplement to this issue of The Frontier. Additional copies of the premium list are available through Fair Secretary Edwin Wink of Chambers, The Frontier office or the county agent's office in O'Neill. Over 3,600 copies were published and distribution has been arranged for most rural postoffice patrons in the county.

This will be something completely new in festival entertainment in this part of the country. The crowds will be pleased, we're sure."

Also carded are V-Roy and company, a magician with live rabbits and ducks and an elaborate stage setting; Lew Fine and Jeanie, comedians; "emcee" with music and dancing; Mary Jane Truax, champion baton twirler and acrobat, and the Cut-Ups, a small but colorful musical organization.

There will be lots of baseball, band music, midway entertainment and—most important—hundreds of wonderful livestock, farm produce and handiwork exhibits.

CRONIN TO BOSTON

Julius D. Cronin, O'Neill attorney and only nominee for president of the Nebraska Bar association, departed Sunday for Boston, Mass., to attend the annual meeting of the American Bar association. He stopped several days in Chicago, Ill., enroute to Boston and plans to visit New York City and Washington, D.C., before returning the first week in September.

The music identification contest was won by Karen Garwood, Sandhill Billies club, Amelia. Demonstrations: Food winners: Jennie Halsey and Marlene Ermer with their "Cookie Decorating," first; Carolyn Wintermote and Anna Mae Gartner, with their demonstration on "Making Drop Cookies," and Caroline Skopec with her "Freezing of Foods."

Homemaking demonstrations on "Making a 4-H Lamp" by Karen Garwood was a blue ribbon demonstration. A good clothing demonstration was given by Bonnie Burival on "Assembling a Dress."

The REA demonstrations were "excellent." One by Gary Holcomb, 212 South Fork club, Chambers, on an electrically heated chicken waterer, and one by Ronnie Hickman, Clover club, Atkinson, on installing a wall plug, were well received.

Other very good demonstrations were given by Pat Mullen and Ellen Havranek from the Hoosier Hot Shot club on preparing poultry for freezing and by Brenda Beelaert and Linda Cronk, Nifty Needlers club, Page, on farm windbreak planting.

SAILOR TO BE HEARD

INMAN — A transcription recorded on board a ship off the coast of Korea by Tom W. Clark, QM/3c, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Clark of Inman, will be broadcast over WJAO at 10:55 a.m., Friday on the "Voice of the News" program.



O'Neill Welcomes Natural Gas

Several hundred O'Neillites were on hand Thursday evening when City Council Chairman Emmett Crabb opened the valve that lighted a giant flare erected on North Fourth street in front of the Holt county courthouse. Mr. Crabb substituted for Mayor J. E. Davis, who was out of the city. Frank Soldan of Hastings, sales manager for Kansas-Nebraska Natural Gas company, was principal speaker and distributed prizes. Soldan told the audience the big flame was consuming enough gas to heat 350, average-size homes. The ceremony formally marked the arrival of natural gas here. O'Neill is the largest of 14 northeast Nebraska cities and towns being reached with natural gas by an expansion of the Kansas-Nebraska system.—The Frontier Photo.

Lucky 4-H'er to Get Top Calf

BUTTE—Some lucky 4-H club boy or girl will get a prize calf—a gift of the Nebraska Valley Hereford Breeders' association. The calf will be exhibited next Wednesday at the Boyd county fair in Spencer.

The boy or girl must be a resident of Boyd, Knox, Holt, Antelope, Rock, Brown, Keya Paha, Gregory or Charles Mix counties. County agents will assist in the selection of the winning youth.

CARHART DIES

Charles E. Carhart, 78, a prominent northeast Nebraska lumberman and Wayne civic leader, died in a Wayne hospital about 4 a.m., Wednesday. Mr. Carhart was owner and part-owner of a chain of eight lumberyards in Wayne, O'Neill, Hartington, Randolph, Bloomfield, Pierce, Plainview and Neligh. The O'Neill yard is the Moore-Noble Lbr. Co.

Holt Couple Feted in Park

A family picnic dinner was held Sunday at Ford's park in honor of the forthcoming 50th wedding anniversary of Archie L. Stearns and Nina Katherine Pelmulder Stearns, who will have been married a half-century on November 20. The observance was held prematurely because their daughter, Mrs. Earl Goree of Grants Pass, Ore., was able to attend and would be unable to come at the time of their anniversary. At the dinner, the centerpiece was a four-tier cake decorated with gold frosting and yellow roses. About 50 friends and relatives attended.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Stearns were married November 20, 1903, in the Methodist parsonage at Hurley, S.D., by Rev. Gordon L. Granger. The witnesses were Miss Matilda Christianson of Hurley, S.D., and Clarence Fay of Spencer.

After their marriage they lived near Gregory, S.D., and Spencer. They also homesteaded in Stanley county, South Dakota. A few years later they moved to a place near Eagle creek where Mr. Stearns carried the mail from O'Neill to Ankahr for many years. About 1930 they moved to O'Neill due to the failing health of Mr. Stearns, and they have lived here since that time.

They became the parents of eight children. They are: Mrs. Forrest (Carmen) Smith of Grand Island; Richard of Wood River; Mrs. Earl (Keve) Goree of Grants Pass, Ore.; Dale C. of Hastings, who was not present; Mrs. Laurence (Doris) Tenborg of O'Neill, and Mrs. Cecil (Cora) Spry of O'Neill. Two children, Harold Quentin and Lema Lillian, died in infancy. Lema Lillian was a twin sister of Mrs. Goree.

They have 22 grandchildren, five of whom were not present, and seven great-grandchildren, of whom all were present. Archie Stearns was born at Freeborne, Minn., and came to Spencer with his parents and grandparents at the age of 11. Mrs. Stearns was born near Centerville, S.D., later moving to Hurley, S.D., with her parents where she lived until her marriage. On December 1, both will celebrate their 75th and 82d birthday anniversaries, respectively.

CONDITION "GOOD"

EMMETT—William Grothe, sr., who recently fell down the basement stairs at his home and broke a vertebrae in his neck, is in the General hospital at Lincoln. He has been placed in a cast and his condition is "good."

Wind Research Is on Schedule; Sunday Open-House

The famous air force wind test project, officially known as the "Great Plains Turbulence Field Project," is being carried out on schedule, according to Ben Davidson, coordinator for the project.

The military and university science staff here has been at full force for three weeks and operations have been carried out on three different nights. Southerly winds are required for nighttime testing.

Open-house will be observed at the site on Sunday, August 23, between the hours of 2 and 4 p.m. The public is invited and guides will escort small groups of people to the various huts and explain in lay language the general functions and procedures. Maj. Oscar Tibbets, commander of the military establishment here, is organizing the tour.

Ordinary civilians will be awed when they find pingpong balls sliced in half spinning in the wind and exciting thousands of dollars worth of elaborate electric relays, amplifiers and counting machines.

Visitors will be advised that most of the testing equipment on the site has been custom-built or especially assembled for the O'Neill project.

North-Central Playoffs Begin

The season's-end playoffs will get underway Sunday among the top four teams in the North-Central Nebraska baseball circuit.

Bassett, Atkinson, O'Neill and Springfield finished the season in that order.

In the playoffs, to determine the tourney championship, O'Neill will face Atkinson under the lights at Atkinson on Sunday, August 23. The second game in the best-two-out-of-three series will be played at O'Neill Thursday night, August 27. The third game, if necessary, will be played on date and grounds not yet decided.

Springview will go to Bassett in the first of the two-out-of-three series with the league champions. This game will be played on Sunday night, August 23. Plans have not yet been announced for succeeding games in the Springfield-Bassett series.

Standings at the end of the regular playing season:

Team	W	L
Bassett	11	1
Atkinson	9	3
O'Neill	8	4
Springview	7	5
Stuart	4	8
Chambers	8	8
Ainsworth	0	12

Hereford Tourists Arrive

Group, 150 Strong, Feted by Chamber in Buffet Dinner

A group of about 150 Nebraska Hereford cattle breeders, feeders and persons closely related to the industry converged on O'Neill in the final phase of the annual state Hereford tour.

The delegation assembled Monday at Ord where a barbecue was served in the city park. Next came stops at Loup City, Ansley and Broken Bow, where the tourists spent Monday night. On Tuesday visits were made at Sargent, Taylor, Burwell and Bassett, remaining overnight in Bassett.

Setting out from Bassett at 7:30 a.m., Wednesday, the tour wended its way to the William Ripley, F. E. Titus and F. E. Wentworth ranches near Springview, inspecting and admiring purebred and commercial cattle on their way. They also visited the Kaup Bros. ranch inside South Dakota, near Gregory; L. J. Lechtenberg ranch near Bitter; and Clyde Fisher ranch at Spencer. Lunch was served at Spencer.

Wednesday afternoon stops were made at the C. C. Nelson ranch near Spencer, also the Walt Sire and S. R. Robertson ranches in Holt county.

The tourists were feted Wednesday evening in a buffet dinner at the Country club by the Chamber of Commerce.

CHOW LEFT-OVER

Because considerable buffet food was left-over Wednesday evening at the Hereford dinner, Chamber of Commerce officials have decided to organize a "left-over" dinner tonight (Thursday), starting at 6:30 p.m. Chamber members and their wives are invited. "There will be enough food for today's party to feed 150 people," Mr. Grady said.

Early stops today (Thursday) will be made at the Harold Melcher and H. A. and R. E. Van Horn ranches south of Page.

Later, they will visit the George Rowse and Whitaker & Whitaker herds near Chambers. Lunch will be served by the Methodist women of Chambers.

Afternoon visits will be made at the C. V. Robertson place west of Chambers. Verin Sageser ranch at Amelia, and the tour will be climaxed at the C Bar M Hereford ranch, five miles south of O'Neill.

J. B. Grady and John C. Watson headed the Chamber committee in charge of Wednesday's buffet dinner.

W. W. ("Bill") Derrick, animal husbandryman from the University of Nebraska college of agriculture, annually organizes and heads the statewide Hereford tour, now in its seventh year.

Robert Thompson Dies in Wahsington

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, July 29, for Robert Thompson, 39, of Seattle, Wash., formerly of O'Neill, in the St. Thomas Catholic church at Seattle. Burial was in the Greenwood cemetery at Renton, Wash.

Robert Thompson was born on December 23, 1914, at Creighton, and died on July 24, 1953, at Seattle, Wash., of a heart condition. He had been employed at the Montgomery hardware store for several years before going to Seattle.

Survivors include: Widow; three young sons; mother—Mrs. Carrie Thompson of Creighton.

Move to Ogallala

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Nissen left Saturday morning for Ogallala where they will make their home. Mr. Nissen has been transferred there by the Consumers Public Power district. R. D. Landis has been placed in the position formerly held by Mr. Nissen. Herman Renze of Hartington will read the meters, a post previously held by Mr. Landis.

Thomas Liddy of Columbus, who is replacing Harold Peterson as the district accountant, and his family have moved into the house previously occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Dale Nissen.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Wells of Axtell came Sunday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wells and other friends and relatives.



5 Generations Represented

This five-generation group posed for the photographer on Sunday, August 16, during a reunion at the Omer Poynts home at Atkinson. The infant is one-year-old Little Miss Tegni Martin, seated on the lap of her mother, Mrs. Richard Martin, 20, of Concord, Calif. The child's grandmother, Mrs. C. G. House, 38, also of Concord (extreme left), is seated beside her daughter. Standing in rear is Mrs. Omer Poynts, 53, of Atkinson, Little Tegni's great-grandmother, and seated in the foreground is Mrs. Poynts' mother, Mrs. J. R. Jarvis, 82, of Boulder, Colo., formerly of Atkinson. Mrs. Jarvis is Little Tegni's great-great-grandmother. Mrs. Alice Peabody and three sons of Dallas, S.D., also were visitors that day at the Poynts home. The Californians have begun their homeward trip.—The Frontier Photo by Elwood Brady.



Mr. and Mrs. Archie Stearns . . . soon to be wed half-century.—O'Neill Photo Co.