

90-mph Flight Lands Two Men in Jail

Parnell Golden Dies in Diego

Heart Attack Fatal to Ex-O'Neillite

Funeral services for J. Parnell Golden, 71, former O'Neill resident, were conducted Monday morning, November 30, in San Diego, Calif. Mr. Golden died suddenly Tuesday, November 24, presumably from a heart attack. He had been in failing health for several years but his death was not expected.

The late Mr. Golden, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Golden, was born July 13, 1882, at Grant City, Mo. He came to the young O'Neill community with his parents when he was a small infant. He was reared and educated here, attended the university, and in March, 1910, he married Mary Morrow at Scottsbluff.

Before leaving O'Neill to go to Casper, Wyo., and later to Omaha with an engineering firm, Mr. Golden was associated with his father in the abstract business.

He moved to California last year from Omaha.

Survivors include: Widow; daughter—Mrs. Mary Gell of San Diego; sons—Richard of Ft. Dodge, Ia., Frank and Thomas,



Golden . . . rites Monday both of San Diego; sisters—Mrs. P. F. Morgan and Mrs. F. J. Dishner, both of O'Neill; Mrs. I. F. Kinsman of Columbus, Mrs. John Robinson of Hampton, Ia., and Mrs. Clear Golden and M. J. Golden, both of O'Neill.

One son, Robert, a World War II flying officer, was killed in an aircraft accident in 1947 while serving as a flying instructor on the West coast.

The late Mr. Golden is remembered here for having helped to establish and layout the Country club golf course.

Gigantic Curved Wide Screen Coming

A gigantic curved wide screen is now being installed at the Royal theater here. No date has been set for the inauguration of the new screen and other equipment, according to the manager, Mrs. Georgia Rasley.

The new screen will measure the width of the theater—from wall-to-wall. Special new projection equipment including a made-to-order lens, rectifiers and power equipment is being added to provide "unexcelled viewing for Royal theater-goers," Mrs. Rasley added.

After years of research and experimentation, engineers have come up with a motion picture screen of the shape and size that adheres to the natural lines of vision of the eye, and is more comfortable for the viewer to watch, Mrs. Rasley said. "The human eye, being oval in shape, sees greater width than height and the tremendous size of the new screen puts every person in the theater audience right into the picture."

Due to the curve in the screen every detail is enhanced. The curve of the new screen matches the curve of the lens; consequently a better focus is obtained.

Value Experts Start Measuring Dwellings

Two representatives of E. T. Wilkins Associates, Inc., a Lincoln firm, arrived Monday to begin the scientific valuing of Holt county real and personal property. The specialists are Charles Smith of Fremont and Edward Coche of Kansas City, Mo.

The two men, who will hire assistants, have begun the task of measuring the outside of dwellings in the county. This is a preliminary step toward establishing the valuations. Heating and flooring will be studied to help determine a house value.

Smith and Coche will have temporary offices in the courthouse.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Harry C. Lampert, 25, of Orchard and Margaret Suzanne Moss, 19, of O'Neill.

William E. Gibbs of Norfolk and Doris Jean Bartak of Ewing.

Returns to Florida—Mrs. Margaret McMillan has returned to her home in Miami, Fla., after spending three months here with relatives and friends.

A 90-mile-per-hour chase on Holt county highways in somebody else's car with a state patrolman in armed pursuit has landed two O'Neill men in jail.

Clark Coulter, about 38, and Richard Davidson, about 24, will be charged with "unlawfully taking a vehicle owned by Walter Haake of Chambers." No date has been set for hearing.

Both admitted to Holt Sheriff Leo Tomack they took part in appropriating the car off Douglas street, near the Royal theater on Monday night. When Haake emerged from the theater about 11 o'clock and discovered his 1933 Plymouth had been taken, he notified O'Neill police.

City Policemen Andy Wettlauffer and Harry Jolly notified State Patrolman Robert Gude and together a systematic canvass of the city was made including county roads adjoining the city.

On a county road near a junction with highway 108, northeast of town, a Plymouth answering to the description was located and the occupants hastily drove away. Patrolman Gude took after the vehicle over the county roads and at times the speed attained 90-miles-per-hour. The roughest portion of the ride, according to Gude, was on the substitution country club road (from east to west). At the airport the big chase went north a mile, then back into town on highway 20.

Finally, the two cars raced eastward on O'Neill's Douglas street, turning south at the traffic signal. Gude fired several shots at the speeding car up ahead. Finally, the Plymouth went out of control and ended up in a plum thicket on U.S. highway 281 about three miles south of town just off the highway. It was after getting on the country road the Plymouth got out of control.

Both admitted to Sheriff Tomack having taken part in helping themselves to the car and both admitted having driven it. A wrecker had to be called to pull the Haake car out of the plum thicket. Otherwise, it appeared none the worse for the thrill ride.

The jail doors clanged shut about 12:30 a.m., and Mr. Haake started home about 1 o'clock.

Rain or Snow Forecast Today

To put Holt countynans in a yuletide mood, the weatherman obligingly predicted snow late Wednesday.

The precipitation started in the eastern part of the state and spread to the west, blanketing the entire state by early today.

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To Put Countynans in Yule Mood

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Mrs. George Marshall Expires at Orchard

ORCHARD—Funeral services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m., today (Thursday) from the Methodist church at Clearwater for Mrs. George Marshall, 72, who died Monday, November 30, in Our Lady of Lourdes hospital at Norfolk. She had been ill a short time.

Burial will be at St. Edward. Survivors include: Widower; sons—Frank O. of Stanton and James K. of Clearwater; daughters—Mrs. Floyd Gibbs of Orchard and Mrs. Everett Jacobson of Royal; 12 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren, and three brothers.

The late Mrs. Marshall lived many years in the Clearwater and Neligh vicinities, coming to Orchard last February.

Suffers Fractured Arm, Leg in Mishap

STUART—Elvin White, a rancher living northeast of here, suffered serious fractures of one leg and one arm Sunday afternoon when he was caught in the power takeoff of a tractor he was operating.

He was rushed to the Atkinson hospital and doctors plan to take him to an Omaha hospital as soon as his condition permits.

White was grinding feed at his ranch when the accident happened.

Dr. N. P. McKee, White's physician, said Monday the patient's condition was good, although he suffered from shock.

Frank H. Mackey of Niobrara Dies

Frank H. Mackey, 71, of Niobrara died in a Lincoln hospital. Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Tony Wengilo of Sioux City, and a brother, Clarence Mackey of Niobrara.

Mrs. Mable McKenna went to Omaha Wednesday, November 24, to spend Thanksgiving with her son, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McKenna, and family.

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Former Pastor Dies at 69

Rev. V. R. Bell Forced to Retire in 1952 Because of Health

Rev. V. R. Bell, 69, pastor of First Methodist church here between 1948 and 1952, died Thursday, November 26, in a Grand Island hospital. He had been in failing health for about two years.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m., Monday, November 30, from Trinity Methodist church in Grand Island.

The late Reverend Bell was born near Rushville on November 2, 1884. He was reared and educated in northwestern Nebraska, worked in a bank for a time and taught school.

He graduated from Nebraska Wesleyan university at Lincoln in 1916 and later attended the Iliff school of theology at Denver, Colo., from where he received the bachelor of divinity degree.

During his many years in the Methodist ministry, he served churches at Andrews, Marsland, Stuart, Hay Springs, Paxton, Sergeant, St. Paul and O'Neill in that order. His health forced him from the active ministry in March, 1952, and his retirement



Reverend Bell . . . served O'Neill parish 1948-'52.

became official in May of that year, being succeeded here by Rev. W. B. Smith.

Survivors include: Widower; sons—Rev. Joseph of Nashville, Tenn., who is with the national Methodist church board of missions, Franklin of Sergeant and Robert of Grand Island.

Upon leaving O'Neill, Reverend Bell and his wife went to Sergeant to reside where they owned residential property. Recently they moved to Grand Island to be near their son.

Among those from O'Neill who attended the funeral were Mrs. H. L. Lindberg, Mrs. Robert Kurtz, Mrs. C. W. Porter, Mrs. Emmet Crabb, Mrs. L. W. Reimer, Mrs. Dale Fetrow, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Rodman, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Bowen and son, John.

Also present were Mrs. Grant Peacock of Emmet, Mrs. George Stuessi of Kearney, Rev. and Mrs. Dawson Park of Central City, formerly of O'Neill, Rev. and Mrs. E. E. Jackson of Norfolk.

Mrs. Lindberg and Mrs. Peacock sang a duet, "Beyond the Sunset."

Husker Butter Output Is 4th

The state-federal division of agricultural statistics reported Tuesday 71,269,000 pounds of creamery butter were produced in Nebraska in 1952, to give the state fourth place nationally in creamery butter production.

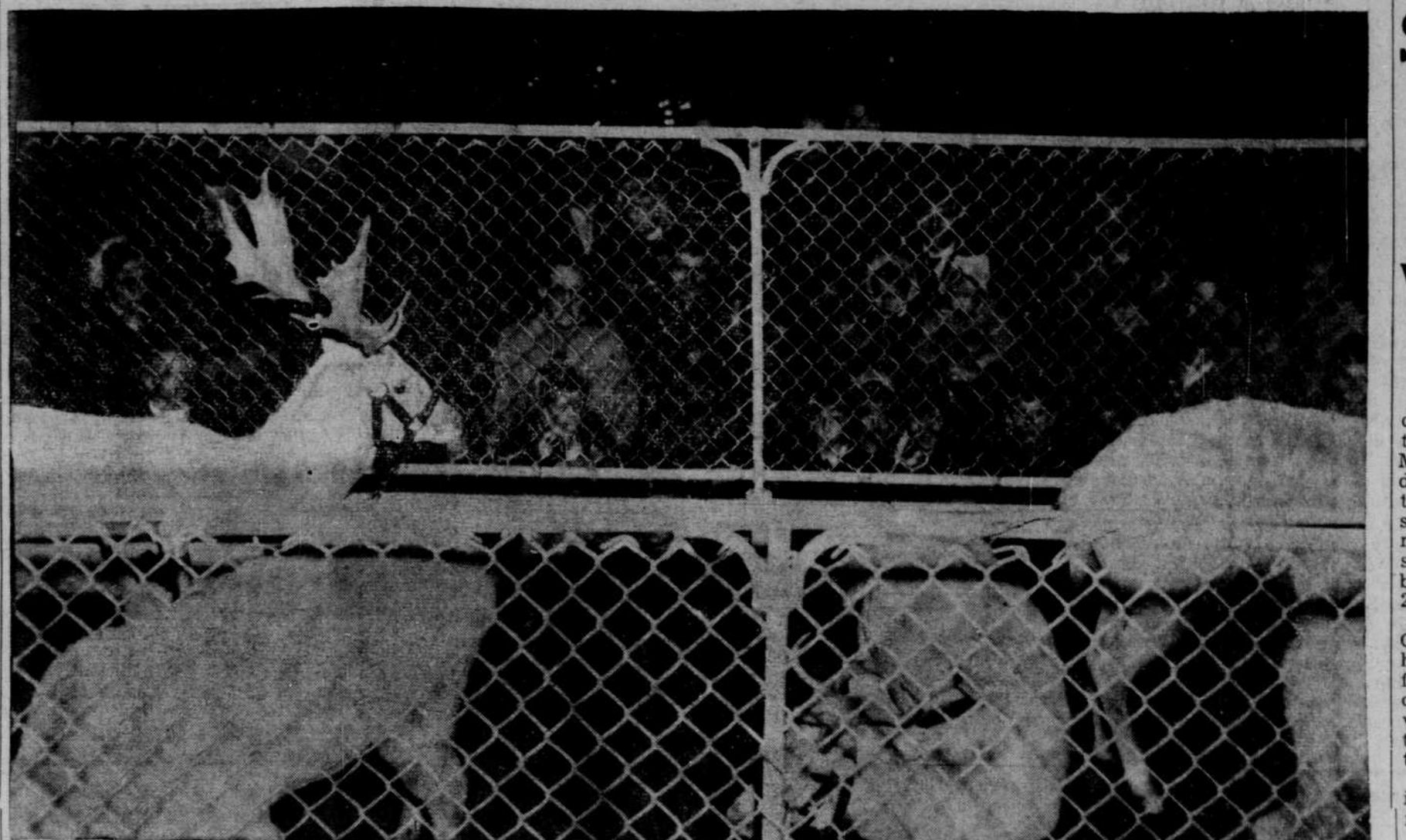
About 494,000 pounds of American cheese were manufactured, along with 9,120,000 pounds of cottage and creamed cheese.

Ice cream production reached 5,694,000 gallons and 1,440,000 gallons of ice milk were produced.

Learn of Brother's Death While in Iowa

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Dishner spent several days last week visiting Mrs. Dishner's sister, Mrs. John Robinson, at Hampton, Ia. While in Hampton the sisters learned of the death of their brother, J. Parnell Golden, 71, who died suddenly in San Diego, Calif.

Mr. Simonson said Saturday that the Mullen Methodist church has made the initial group contribution and receptacles for contributions have been placed in business houses.



Bug-Eyed Kids See Reindeer

On of the nation's best known Christmas parade units, a Nebraska product, stopped by in O'Neill Sunday evening and gave bug-eyed youngsters a glimpse of Santa's "helpers." The unit included several reindeer, shown above during the stop at Fourth and Douglas streets in O'Neill. Youngsters pressed close for a good look at the animals and other Santa Claus attractions. Their

Fall Sown Grass, Alfalfa Improves

Winter wheat has made marked improvement in Nebraska, due to the recent rain and snow. This report came Tuesday from the state-federal division of agricultural statistics.

"Wheat sown in dry soil that was not sprouted previously is coming up. With few exceptions, the temperatures have been high enough for wheat to grow," the report said.

Early sown wheat in the favorable areas has been furnishing some pasture.

The department said fall sown alfalfa and grasses also showed improvement, with chances for winter survival increased considerably by the moisture.

Husking of the few remaining fields of corn has been completed. Much corn has been placed under loan.

With the present supply of corn and stocks of old corn, there has been a good demand for feeder pigs at high prices.

Grading of potatoes continues in the west. A little difficulty has been encountered because of high temperatures in the storage caves.

Harvesting of a few scattered fields of sugar beets is practically completed.

Pastures, and western range were softened by the moisture and are more palatable.

Return After Vacation

ATKINSON—Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Miller have returned to their home here after a four-week vacation in California. While there, Mr. Miller attended the 49th annual convention of the National Association of Postmasters at San Francisco. Mr. Miller, owner of Atkinson's Miller Theater, and a group of relatives, were special guests of a Hollywood movie company on a studio tour.

Richard Hungerford, Wife Visit Here

Marine 2/Lt. Richard Hungerford and his wife, the former Wilma Davis of Lincoln, spent Saturday in O'Neill. Lieutenant Hungerford recently received his commission and wings as a marine jet pilot.

He received his training at Pensacola, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. John Schwartz of Atkinson visited at the Charles B. Houser home on Saturday evening.

Vanguard Arrives for Today's Stock Meeting

Shierk Motor Co. New Firm Here

A new firm joined the O'Neill business directory December 1. Paul Shierk has announced the establishment of the Shierk Motor Co., 212 South Fourth street, in a completely remodeled location, featuring new showrooms, offices and shops.

The firm will handle DeSoto and Plymouth cars, formerly sold by the Smith Motor Co., which was a partnership between Harry R. Smith and Mr. Shierk. The partnership has been dissolved and the DeSoto-Plymouth agency has been redesignated as the Shierk Motor Co.

Harold Benson will be sales manager for the new firm. A formal opening announcement is planned in the "very near future," Mr. Shierk said. (See advertisements on page 19.)

Mr. Shierk came to O'Neill in 1939. He has operated an insurance agency here and has been selling new and used cars here over 12 years.

Turkey Tickets to Fly Saturday

Saturday, December 5, will be turkey day in O'Neill. Tickets will be scattered at approximately 4:30 p.m., as trucks move out in four directions from the heart of the business district.

Lucky ticket holders may redeem them for turkeys and other fowl, which must be claimed at the Speltz-Ray Lumber company yards by 6 p.m., that day.

The O'Neill businessmen, in cooperation with the Chamber of Commerce, are providing \$300 worth of fowl for the stunt.

Meanwhile, the city is bedecked in yuletide decorations, making the business district and stores a sight to behold.

Tune in . . . "Voice of the Frontier" . . . thrice weekly.

Fire Takes Family's Belongings

"They need some help," he said. It is believed that the explosion of a power plant in the basement of the Erickson ranch home 16 miles north of Mullen set off the fire.

Mrs. Erickson and a neighbor woman dragged Mr. Erickson to safety after he was blown from his chair by the explosion.

The Mullen fire department and many neighbors responded, but were unable to save the house or its contents.

The young couple returned about a month ago from Tacoma, Wash., where he took treatment for several months. They are staying here with relatives.

Woman Hit by Car Improving

BRISTOW—Mrs. Ray Long, who was struck by a car at Lynch Saturday, was reported recovering well at her home northeast of here Tuesday.

Mrs. Long was badly bruised when a car driven by Andrew Classen, Bristow, hit her as she crossed a street near an intersection in preparation for an all-day regional meeting to be held today (Thursday).

An estimated 300 stockmen, their wives and members of their families may gather in the hometown of the associations president, D. C. Schaffer, who is now serving his second term.

Four speakers will appear on the program to discuss the agricultural outlook for 1954, the unicameral legislature, cattle support and beef promotion.

The morning session will begin at 9:30 a.m., in the Royal theater. Harold Breimyer, agricultural economic statistician from the U.S. department of agriculture, will discuss next year's agricultural outlook. He recently completed an economic study on that subject.

Erich Rohling of the American Meat Institute will discuss beef promotion and will attempt to stimulate advertising of beef—like other commodities are advertised.

Stan Matzke, former capitol city radio commentator and former member of the Nebraska unicameral legislature from one of the Lincoln districts, will discuss the one-house legislature—its good and bad points as seen by Matzke.

The cowbells, the ladies' auxiliary, will hold a luncheon at First Methodist church.

A banquet will be served in the evening at the American Legion auditorium. Principal speaker will be Carl E. Bahmeier, executive secretary of the South Dakota Bankers' association. Many O'Neill businessmen, farmers and their wives will join the Stock-growers in the evening banquet.

H. J. Lohns and James W. Roone have been assisting with advance arrangements for the regional meeting in behalf of the Chamber of Commerce.

To Lincoln—Mr. and Mrs. Dean Streeter went to Lincoln last Thursday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Matthews and other relatives. They returned to O'Neill on Sunday.

WORKS FOR BOEING

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fetrow returned Monday from Seattle, Wash., where they had gone the previous week, accompanied by their son, Paul, Jr., and Robert Knepper. The boys remained in Seattle where Robert will seek employment and Paul, Jr., has a position in the drafting department of Boeing airplane company.

RETURNS FROM ORIENT

Sixteen Nebraskans are among the 3,470 U.S. servicemen scheduled to arrive in San Francisco, Calif., today (Thursday) aboard the transport Gen. John Pope. All of the servicemen, including Marine Sgt. Gerald E. Davidson, have been serving in the Orient.

Special Session Possible

Belief that a special session of the legislature is inevitable spread here. The impression "Tuesday in the wake of an opinion by the attorney general that major fees collected for highway improvement cannot be expended for maintenance of roads not designated as part of the state highway system by the legislature."

Sen. W. J. Williams of Kearney said that he had talked to about a half dozen other senators and that all were of the opinion a special session could not be avoided.

Gov. Robert Crosby refused to comment on the opinion and its import until he has had time to study it and determine "what I can do by administrative processes first." He termed the opinion "critically important" as it could affect maintenance of highways including removal of winter snows. The governor said that he could not deny that a special session may be necessary.

Surfacing Highways Planned

Work to Commence in Spring on Route 281 North, South

The biggest single highway contract letting in Nebraska history has been scheduled for March 11 by the state highway department. Included in the letting will be contracts for hard-surfacing U.S. highway 281 both north and south of O'Neill and state highway 95 from Chambers east to the junction with 281.

State Sen. Frank Nelson of O'Neill, who called upon the highway department in Lincoln a fortnight ago, said this week the construction work on both highways 281 and 95 can be expected to start "as soon as spring weather opens up."

Senator Nelson has been pressing for the 281-95 work since he first went to the unicameral.

He explains that the emergency gas tax receipts made possible by 1953 legislation are "producing more moneys than originally expected" and contractors' bids generally are "running about 10 percent below our own highway department estimates."

The overall improvements, estimated to cost upward of \$6,500,000, will provide a prime example of the revenue increases authorized by the 1953 legislature. Tentatively scheduled for the March 11 letting are 24 projects involving 165 miles.

In eight cases, existing gravel surfaces will be replaced with blacktop. On two other projects concrete will replace blacktop.

But two relocation jobs—highway 2 between Bennet and Lincoln and U.S. 83 from Wellfleet north—will be dropped because of an attorney-general's opinion.

State Engineer L. N. Bess said it may be possible to add jobs to replace the highway 2 and 83 projects.

This could boost the contract total to eight million dollars. Work on which bids are scheduled for March includes:

U.S. 281, from 13 miles south of O'Neill to junction with highway 95, four miles blacktop replacing gravel, 125 thousand dollars.

U.S. 20, west from Jackson 4 1/2 miles, widening and resurfacing blacktop, 400 thousand dollars.

U.S. 281, from 1.5 miles north of O'Neill for 11.1 miles north, blacktop replacing gravel, 355 thousand dollars.

U.S. 281, from O'Neill north 1.5 miles to join project listed above, blacktop, 65 thousand dollars.

U.S. 81, from the junction with U.S. 20 straight north 17 miles, gravel, 645 thousand dollars. This relocation will remove a jog in U.S. 81 by moving part of it five miles east.

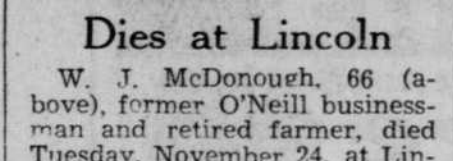
U.S. 20, between Emmet and Atkinson, three miles blacktop, 110 thousand dollars.

Federal-aid secondary highway projects:

No. 11, south from Atkinson, six miles blacktop, replacing gravel, 355 thousand dollars.

No. 95, from Chambers to U.S. 281, 5.5 miles blacktop replacing gravel, 130 thousand dollars.

No. 95 west from Chambers three miles, grading and gravel, 45 thousand dollars.



W. J. McDonough, 66 (above), former O'Neill businessman and retired farmer, died Tuesday, November 24, at Lincoln, where he had been residing. Funeral services were held Friday from St. Mary's Cathedral, Lincoln. Survivors include the widow, two sons and two daughters.

"I do not want to exaggerate the situation," the governor said, pointing out that only 20 percent of the generally considered system is affected. "However, it is an important 20 percent," he continued.

The opinion written by Ralph (Continued on page 6)