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### Circus Arrives for One-Day Stand

#### Goodyear Soil Award to Holt

#### 6 - State Conference Here in 1955

The Holt county soil conservation district was named outstanding for the year 1953-54 and Nebraska co-winner in a national soil conservation awards program, it has been announced by the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., sponsor of the soil saving contest. The other co-winner was Papio district.

For purpose of the contest Nebraska was divided into an eastern and western division, with the top district in each being selected for grand awards.

Holt district, the western division winner, named E. J. Revell of Star as outstanding farmer-cooperator and Elmer Juracek of O'Neill, one of the district governing body members, to make the Arizona trip, which is the prize award.

Papio district, the eastern winner, selected Orrie R. Wilson of Hooper as outstanding farmer-cooperator and Hjalmer M. Quist of Blair, chairman of the district governing body, to represent them on a vacation trip to Litchfield Park, Ariz., in December, as guests of the program sponsor.

Second place honors in the eastern division went to Gage county district and in the western division second place honors were earned by Harlan county district. Gage district named Philip Heist of DeWitt as its outstanding farmer - cooperator and Harlan district accorded this honor to Victor Reiss of Wilcox.

Only the first place districts are to be represented on the vacation trip to Litchfield Park, Ariz., but both second and first place districts in the two divisions will receive bronze plaques as permanent symbols of their outstanding achievement in conservation work. Every state is represented in the program and there will be 100 winners making the vacation trip.

Members of the first place Holt district, in addition to Mr. Juracek, are: Stanley Lambert of Ewing, chairman; Elmer C. Allyn of Stuart; Clarence Ernst of O'Neill and R. L. Heiss of Page.

The presentation was made Saturday at Sheridan, Wyo., in connection with the six-state soil conservation conference. Holt was represented by Mr. Juracek, who was authorized by the O'Neill Chamber of Commerce to invite the conference to meet in O'Neill in June, 1955. The invitation was accepted.

Mr. Juracek was accompanied to Sheridan by his wife and family, returning Sunday evening.

#### John R. Gallagher Files for Attorney Band Concert Set for Next Wednesday

John R. Gallagher, O'Neill attorney, Tuesday filed for the office of Holt county attorney on the democratic ticket. Mr. Gallagher, a marine officer during World War II, has been practicing law here since 1948.

Mr. Gallagher is married and is the father of seven children.

**Eickhoffs Plan Open-House**

PAGE—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Eickhoff will observe their golden wedding anniversary on Sunday, June 13. They will hold open-house both afternoon and evening.

A daughter, Mrs. Viola Anderson of Fremont, has arrived to help arrange for the affair. The Eickhoffs have one son, Donald, and another daughter, Mrs. Pat Gallagher of Long Beach, Calif.

#### John R. Gallagher Files for Attorney Band Concert Set for Next Wednesday

First concert of the summer season by the O'Neill Municipal band is scheduled for 8 p.m., Wednesday, June 16, on the St. Mary's academy campus bandstand, it was announced this week by Band Director Charles B. Houser.

Two rehearsals were held in preparation. Regular rehearsal time is 7 p.m., on Mondays.

**Departing for Famous Camp**

Miss Mary Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Evans, plans to depart Friday, June 25, for the famous Interlochen music camp in Michigan.

Miss Johnson will major in flute and minor in piano. All instructors are well-known musicians.

#### Amos R. Bartlett Rites at Stuart Retired Farmer 111 Few Hours

STUART — Funeral services were conducted for Amos R. Bartlett, 84, on Wednesday, June 9, at 10 o'clock in St. Boniface Catholic church in Stuart.

Mr. Bartlett had been living at a nursing home at St. Edward for some time. He became ill Saturday, June 5, and was taken to the hospital at Columbus where he died soon after his arrival.

The late Amos R. Bartlett was born October 5, 1869, at Clarinda, Ia. He was married to Elizabeth Yunker in 1902 at Petersburg and they were the parents of two sons.

They lived on a farm northeast of Stuart for many years, later moving to Stuart.

Mrs. Bartlett died in 1941 and a son, Roy, died in 1950.

Survivors include: Son—Louis, who lives in California; nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Rosary was said Tuesday evening.

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**RODEO AT HAND**

The regular meeting of the O'Neill Saddle club will be held tonight (Thursday). All members are urged to attend and bring horses. Final plans are being made for the Saturday and Sunday RCA rodeo.

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## John Wells, Wife Are Honored

### Neighbors and Church Group Arrange for Golden Wedding

It was on June 6, 1904, at Center, Knox county, Nebraska, that Miss Goldie Brown became the bride of John Wells. The bride had been born and reared in the Star community (in Holt county) and Mr. Wells had emigrated from Iowa with his father, stepmother, brother and sister.

Fifty years later, a group of neighbors and members of the women's missionary group of the Assembly of God church at O'Neill planned an open-house observance in the church parlors. One hundred seventy persons signed the guest book as this pioneer couple observed their golden wedding.

Mr. Wells was born at Oskaloosa, Ia., July 4, 1870. His father was a farmer. The O'Neill man's mother died when he was a young lad, and his only schooling was gained in an Iowa school which he attended about three years.



Mr. and Mrs. John Wells . . . feted by neighbors.—The Frontier Photo.

### Mr. Wells as a young man assisted his father on the farm. After his father remarried, the family pulled stakes and moved to Knox county, Nebraska, in a covered wagon.

Goldie Brown was born in 1887 in northeast Holt county, and attended a rural school there.

Her older sister, Charlotte, married Mr. Wells' brother, Levi, in 1901. That courtship and marriage is what enabled Goldie Brown and John Wells to become acquainted.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wells began housekeeping on a farm eight miles northeast of Lynch, where they resided for 11 years. Then, they moved to Dorsey where they continued to reside until May, 1944, when they moved into O'Neill. During the later years at Dorsey, the couple ceased active farming but kept busy raising chickens and a big garden.

The Wells became the parents of one son, Lawrence, and one daughter, Rosie. The son was killed 23 years ago, at the age of 25, when he was thrown from a horse. He was single.

Rosie married William Hladik. The Hladiks have five children and now reside at Lincoln. Two of the Hladik sons are in the armed forces.

Mr. Wells enjoys "quite good" health although during the past few weeks he has not been feeling up to par. He is 83.

Mrs. Wells, with a twinkle in her eye, asserts her health "couldn't be better—considering 50 years of married life." She does her own housework, does some laundering and ironing for others and busies herself about her small garden. She is 66.

She appeared at the reception in a nylon print dress with a corsage. The Hladiks (except the sons in the service) were on hand.

A tape-recorded interview with Mr. and Mrs. Wells, conducted by The Frontier's editor, Cal Stewart, was broadcast on Monday's "Voice of The Frontier" program (WJAG, 730 k.c.).

Among those active in arranging for the open-house affair were Mrs. Floyd Saunders, Mrs. Lee Brady, jr., Mrs. Herbert Jansen, Mary Smith, Mrs. Henry Walters and Mrs. C. E. Worth.

Miss Lorene Wetzel was in charge of the guest book; Mary Smith was in charge of the gift table; Mrs. Bennie Wetzel cut the cake, and Mrs. Wayne Hall poured.

## Courthouse Fascinates Women

By HELEN KREYMBORG  
Holt Co. Home Agent

"I didn't realize there was so much to it!"

This was the typical reaction most often heard in the courthouse last Thursday afternoon when the representatives of the extension clubs visited the office of the county assessor, superintendent of schools, clerk, treasurer, judge, register of deeds, sheriff and the clerk of the district court.

"Where does the tax money go?"

This was the question which set the ball rolling. The extension council took up that matter and a committee began to trace what could be done about tracing the expenditures. Mrs. Warren Marr of Atkinson was chairman.

Other committee members were Mrs. Merrill Smith of Atkinson and Mrs. C. C. Schmidt of Chambers.

Alex Frickel, supervisor of the Seventh district, gave the committee a great deal of help and assistance in the planning of the day's program.

The ladies were escorted on their tour of the offices by County Supervisors Frank Cronk, Alex Frickel, Andy Clark and Alfonso M. Batenhorst. After the group returned from the tour, they had coffee while Mr. Cronk explained the relationship of the board of supervisors to the various offices, outlining the special responsibilities.

Ladies attending the county government study were Veral McDermott, Mrs. George Mellor, Mrs. Harry Ressel, Mrs. Ed

## Mrs. Jolley Expires After Heart Attack

### Funeral Services Set Friday Morning

Mrs. Harry Jolley, 74, O'Neill resident, was stricken about 6 p.m., Tuesday, June 8, at her home here with a fatal heart attack. She had been in ill health for only a short time.

Funeral services will be conducted at 9 a.m., Friday, June 11, at St. Patrick's Catholic church with Very Rev. Timothy O'Sullivan, church pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Calvary cemetery under the direction of Biglin's.

Pallbearers chosen are D. F. Murphy, H. E. Coyne, T. M. Harrington, Edward M. Gallagher, Dennis Murphy and Matthew Hynes.

A rosary will be offered at 8 o'clock tonight (Thursday) at Biglin's chapel.

The late Mrs. Jolley, whose maiden name was Nora Sullivan, was born February 21, 1880, at O'Neill, a daughter of Paul and Johanna Kelly Sullivan. Her parents were Irish immigrants.

On December 2, 1924, she married Harry Jolley at Sioux City. The couple farmed north of O'Neill for a number of years. They became the parents of one child, Mary.

Survivors include: Widower, daughter — Mrs. Mary Spain of Covington, Ind.; two grandsons; brothers — Peter J. Sullivan of Lincoln and Paul Sullivan of O'Neill; sister — Mrs. Larry Barrett of O'Neill.

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## Record Number Golf Entries Seen

### Tourney Also Serves as Homecoming

A record number of golf entries are expected for the 32nd annual O'Neill dad's day open golf tourney to be held here Saturday, Sunday and Monday, June 19, 20 and 21. A. P. Jaskowski is general chairman.

There will be prizes for winners and runners-up in all flights. Qualifying rounds will be played on Saturday and first round match play will begin at 9 a.m., Sunday. Qualifying scores also may be posted anytime during the preceding week.

A ladies' bridge in the enlarged, modern club house will feature Saturday afternoon activity. A ladies' luncheon followed by bridge will highlight Sunday afternoon clubhouse affairs. A Calcutta and Dutch lunch will be served Saturday night and there will be a dance Sunday night.

The tourney each year also serves as a homecoming, many former residents converging for the affair.

## O'Neill Man Active in Morse Observance

John J. Harrington of O'Neill, member of the U. S. Railroad Retirement board with offices in Chicago, Ill., recently played an active role in the annual luncheon and election of officers of the Chicago chapter of the Morse Telegraph Club of America.

The affair took place on the national observance of the birthday anniversary of Samuel F. B. Morse, the inventor of the telegraph.

Mr. Harrington, who is a past president of the Chicago chapter, was in charge of the entertainment. He is a former telegrapher and station agent for the Chicago & North Western railway.

Mr. Harrington's family resides at O'Neill. He is chief claims examiner for the board. Recently he spoke at a meeting of the Order of Railway Conductors in Columbus, O.

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## Smith Motor Gets Studebaker Line

The Smith Motor Co., companion firm of the Harry R. Smith Implements, today (Thursday) is being announced at the authorized Studebaker dealer for the O'Neill vicinity.

The Smith firm also handles John Deere and Farmhand machinery and equipment.

Open-house is planned at Smith's showrooms on three days — Thursday, Friday and Saturday — to coincide with this appointment announcement, which appears on page 12 of this issue of the Frontier.

## Joe Wert Emerges as Police Chief

### Acting Mayor Makes Appointment

Joe Wert, O'Neill police officer for nearly eight years, Monday evening was appointed by Acting Mayor Emmet Crabb as chief of police.

Meanwhile, Andrew Wetlaufer, who has been on the force for five months on a temporary basis, has been relieved.

Retiring of Wetlaufer reduces to two the number on the force. Walter Calkins, who is a veteran member of the force, will perform the night duties alone. Wert will be on duty during the day.

Calkins was appointed chief two years ago following the slaying of his brother, Chet.

Wert's appointment was confirmed by the members of the council who were present.

Residential building permits were issued to George Janousek, Robert Yantzi and Gail Dierberger.

Crabb, who is chairman of the council, is serving as acting mayor since the resignation of J. E. Davis, who now resides at Phoenix, Ariz.

## Verdigré Gets 3 1/2-Inch Deluge

The Verdigré community was visited by a cloudburst during the late Sunday and early Monday hours. Three and one-half inches of rain fell in the town and some nearby localities reported rainfall up to 5 inches.

Meanwhile, O'Neill received .43 of an inch, high winds were reported here, but little damage resulted.

Showers on three different days have brought to 1.11 inches the total amount of precipitation received here during the seven-day period ending Wednesday night.

Summary, based on 24-hour period, ending at 6 p.m., daily, follows:

	Hi	Lo	Prec.
June 3	58	42	.19
June 4	70	35	
June 5	76	54	
June 6	87	62	
June 7	75	50	.43
June 8	84	49	
June 9	82	59	.49
Total			1.11

## Methodists Announce 3 Changes

### Rev. Bridgen Receives Ewing Position; Rev. Smith Returns

Pastoral assignments for the new year were read Sunday in Lincoln at the close of the annual Nebraska Methodist church conference.

Rev. J. Lavern Jay of O'Neill was reappointed superintendent of the northeast Nebraska (O'Neill) district and is starting his fourth year.

Rev. Lee Bridgen of the Litchfield-Hazard parish has been assigned to the Ewing-Clearwater churches and will reside at Ewing.

He succeeds Rev. Charles W. Mitchell, who is attending Nebraska university at Lincoln and will be supply pastor at Lincoln Heights church.

Rev. J. Myrl Hodgkins of Meadow Grove has been assigned to the Chambers - Amelia churches and will reside at Chambers. He succeeds Rev. L. R. Hansberry, who has retired. Reverend Hansberry and his wife will locate at Mt. Zion church, in the McCook district. Mt. Zion is a small rural church usually assigned to pastors who participate in the conference's retired relations.

Rev. Leon Foster of Montana, formerly of Ainsworth, has rejoined the Nebraska Methodist conference and will be in charge of mobile ministry in the north-east district.

Rev. Robert Strasberger of Ellsworth succeeds Rev. E. A. Smith, retired, as pastor at Royal. Reverend Smith resides at Plainville.

The following ministers in this area were reappointed:

Rev. Wallace B. Smith of O'Neill, starting third year in the O'Neill - Emmet churches; Rev. E. G. Hughes of Atkinson, starting fifth year; Rev. H. F. Beebe of Creighton-Verdigré; Rev. Anna Nelson of Lynch, starting second year; Rev. Lisle Mewman of Page, starting second year at Page-Thuray; Rev. Marjorie R. Johnson of Spencer, starting sixth year at Spencer-Bristow.

## WSCS Furthers Banquet Plans

EWING—Committees were appointed and other plans completed for the father and son banquet to be held Thursday, June 17, at the Ewing Methodist church the Women's Society of Christian Service met Wednesday afternoon, June 2, at the church parlors. Mrs. Ralph Eacker is the chairman.

Mrs. R. G. Rockey presided at the business session. She also substituted for Mrs. Earl Billings in the presentation of the lesson on "Youth".

Mrs. J. L. Pruden had charge of the devotional period.

Guests were Mrs. Mary Gammert, Mrs. W. A. recently returned from Lander, Wyo., and Mrs. Bertha Jaco of Lincoln.

Mrs. Anna Pollock and Mrs. Robert Tams, hostesses, served refreshments. Bouquet of garden flowers made up the centerpiece. Nut cups and napkins in pastel colors completed the theme.

Mrs. Johnston

**WSCS Hostess**

AMELIA—Mrs. Ernest Johnston entertained the Amelia WSCS at her home May 26. Sixteen members and two visitors were present.

Mrs. Asa Watson had charge of the worship service on the subject, "The Might of Many."

"Those who have not turned in their treasure chests may bring them to the June meeting or give them to Elsie Doolittle, treasurer."

Marjorie Sammons reported the ice cream social netted the Amelia ball team \$56.

Bible school started May 31 and continued through the first week of June.

Mrs. Lawrence Barnett had charge of the installing services of the new officers.

Lunch was served by Mrs. Eob Rees and Mrs. Ernest Johnston.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Etta Ott.

## Creighton Grad

PAGE—Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Waring and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Heits went to Omaha Thursday where they attended commencement exercises at Creighton university that morning. Maurice Waring graduated from the School of Commerce. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Waring and a brother of Mrs. Heits.



Pictured (above) are the long line of pachyderms with trunks full of brand new tricks. These whoppers belong to the Al G. Kelly and Miller Bros. circus which will make a one-day-only stand here today. Both matinee and evening performances are scheduled.