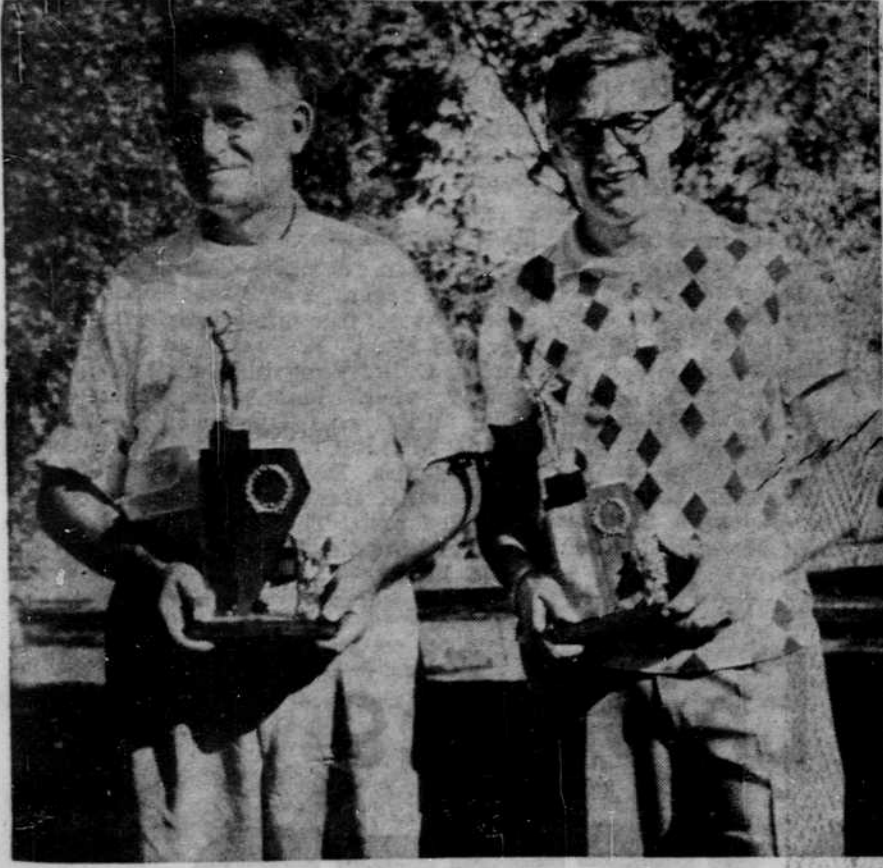
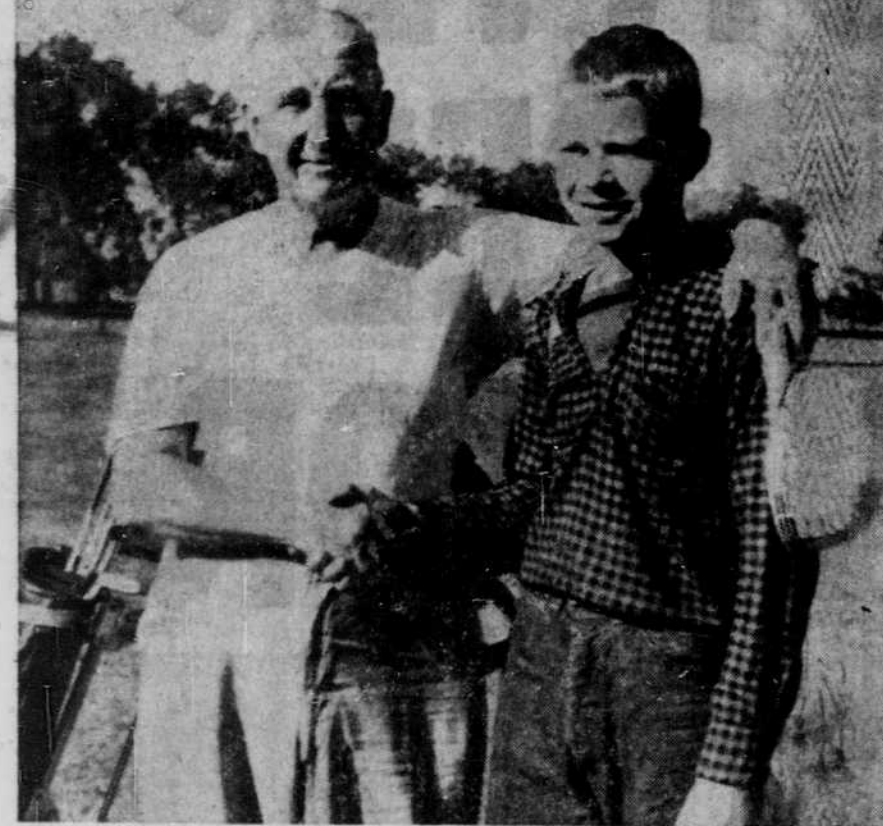


Golf Champions



George Lightner of St. Edward (left), a veteran of 28 O'Neill tournaments, won top honors in the 1954 meet. Edward Campbell, jr., of Racine, Wis., triumphed in the first flight. — The Frontier Photo.



Oldest and youngest entrants in the golf meet gained the finals in the second flight. Chris Mortenson, 69, of Albion yielded the honors to Ivan Kaiser, 16, of O'Neill.—The Frontier Photo. (See SPORTS on page 4)

Tornado Skips Across County But None Hurt

Rash of Filings for County Board

Four Toss Hat into 5th District Race

Business has been brisk this week in the office of Holt County Clerk Ruth Hoffman Baker as political hopefuls are coming forward to beat the July 1 filing deadline.

Latest filings: Supervisor, Second district — Henry W. Walters of O'Neill and Harvey A. Tompkins of Inman, both republicans.

Supervisor, Third district — Clarence Ernst of O'Neill, republican.

Supervisor, Fifth district — Kenneth L. Barthel of Chambers, Fred D. Smith of Chambers and Leslie Lieswald of Chambers, all republicans; Edw. A. Wink of Chambers, democrat.

Supervisor, Seventh district — Otto Gloor of Atkinson, republican.

Meanwhile, Howard D. Manson of O'Neill has been appointed to succeed Ira H. Moss as clerk of the Holt county district court, rounding out Moss's unexpired term. The appointment was made Tuesday by the board of supervisors. Moss will be pulling out of the clerk's office to become O'Neill's new postmaster.

His appointment by President Eisenhower already has been approved by the senate, but no installation date has been announced.

Moss has resigned as clerk, effective June 30. The unexpired term continues until the first week of January, 1955.

Jack Arbuthnot of O'Neill, republican, has filed for that office.

On Wednesday morning, Howard Manson filed on the republican ticket for the office of clerk of the district court.

McKenna Elected U.S. Jaycee Officer

Hugh McKenna of Omaha, son of Mrs. Mabel McKenna of O'Neill, Friday was elected vice-president of the United States Junior Chamber of Commerce. The election climaxed the annual national Jaycee convention, which was held in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Mr. McKenna recently completed a one-year term as president of the Nebraska Junior Chamber and he has been active in helping in organization of new groups throughout the state.

REPLACED ON BOARD CHAMBERS — Lloyd Glead, who has served as treasurer of school district 137 for 30 years, was replaced this year by Guy Blake.

CHAMBERS — A man-sized tornado hopped across the southeastern corner of Holt county Sunday evening, sent people scurrying for cellars and caves, and demolished a number of buildings. Luckily no one was hurt.

Except that Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Durre and their neighbor, Mrs. Julia Oetter, were visiting in Burwell when the storm struck and no one was at home on their respective farms, there easily could have been some fatalities.

Gene Hoerle, who operates the Hoerle station on U.S. highway 281 on the Holt-Wheeler county line, said he stood outside and watched the storm churning eastward. He said the time was about 6 o'clock.

"It was a dark funnel moving away from our place so I stood and watched it," he said.

First place hit was the Mrs. Julia Oetter place, about 1 1/2 miles east from the Hoerle station. All buildings on the Oetter place, except the dwelling, were demolished.

At the Durre place, one-half mile east of Oetter's, the aircraft hangar was wrecked and segments of the galvanized iron roof were carted away. One strip of iron was driven into a tree. Two windmills were completely wrecked and there was also damage to the barn.

Several hundred chickens and some geese were killed. Dead chickens were strewn all over the place. Huge cottonwood trees were uprooted.

The storm veered northeastward to the nearby Lloyd Knox place, but, apparently, lifted and caused no damage there whatsoever although it was obvious the Knox place was in the path.

About one mile south of the Knox place, the twister touched down again at the Edward Trenschel place. Most damage there was done to haystacks—18 out of 19 being scattered over the countryside.

The Frank Urban catleshed was torn apart and a brooder house damaged. The dwelling also was damaged.

Apparently the storm lifted again and touched down in the Deloit vicinity, topping over huge trees.

There were various reports of rainfall in the area southeast of Chambers ranging from 3 to 5 1/2 inches. Deloit reported over 3 inches—a hard, driving rain.

There was considerable hail damage in the path of the storm. Some hailstones as large as hen's eggs lingered until early Monday morning.

Neighborliness prevailed as cleanup operations began. Dozers and tractors came to the rescue, clearing fallen trees from driveways and general mop-up. Women brought lunch to the male workers.

Wind and hail losses also were reported by Gene Hoerle and

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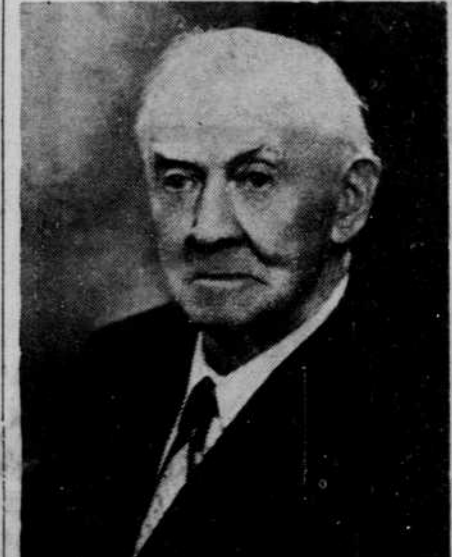
Celestial Show for Earlybirds June 30

Ex - Judge Harrington Dies at 85

Elected to District Bench in 1899 at 31; Demo Party Leader

Former District Judge J. J. Harrington, who in 1899 at the age of 31 became the youngest judge ever to serve the Fifteenth judicial district, died Friday, June 18, in St. Vincent's home at Omaha at the age of 85. Death came about noon following a seven years' illness. He had been a guest at the home only three weeks.

Requiem high mass was said at 9 a.m., Monday, June 21, in St. Patrick's Catholic church with Very Rev. Timothy O'Sul-



Judge Harrington . . . ill seven years. — O'Neill Photo Co.

livan, church pastor, officiating. Burial was in Calvary cemetery under the direction of Biglin's. Pallbearers were Peter Morgan, Dr. W. F. Finley, Bennett Gilligan, H. E. Coyne, Ira H. Moss, John R. Gallagher, F. V. Hickey and Edward M. Gallagher. A rosary was offered at 8 p.m., Sunday at the residence.

The late James Joseph Harrington was born Oct. 23, 1868, at Lindsay, Ont., Can., a son of the late John and Margaret Carroll Harrington.

He was educated in the Lindsay Separate school at Lindsay, attended Robinson's Commercial college at Omaha, and was graduated from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, college of law in 1894.

For a time he shared an office in partnership with his brother. As a young attorney he came to O'Neill in 1894 and established a practice. In 1899 he was elected to the district judgeship, a post he held for three terms during a historic era in which portions of his district were opened for settlement.

In 1912 he resumed private law practice in which he was active until ill health forced his retirement in 1948. He was prominent in democratic political circles in the state and for many years was regarded as the titular head of the party in the county. He was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic church, Charles Carroll of Carrollton council of the Knights of Columbus and Nebraska State Bar association.

In 1948 Mr. Harrington and his wife, the former Mary Ellen Daly, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. They were married at O'Neill October 26, 1898.

The late Mr. Harrington practiced extensively in both state and federal courts. He was active in the movement to secure a Carnegie library for Grattan township.

He was also active in the first major street improvement in the city's history, helping the city to receive a 75-thousand-dollar grant for paving Douglas and Fourth streets.

Mr. Harrington was a lover of good horses and helped promote race meets here many years ago. His health began to decline when he fell on icy sidewalks on November 17, 1947, fracturing his right hip.

The late Judge Harrington's brother, M. F., also was a prominent O'Neill attorney. Their mother resided in O'Neill for many years.

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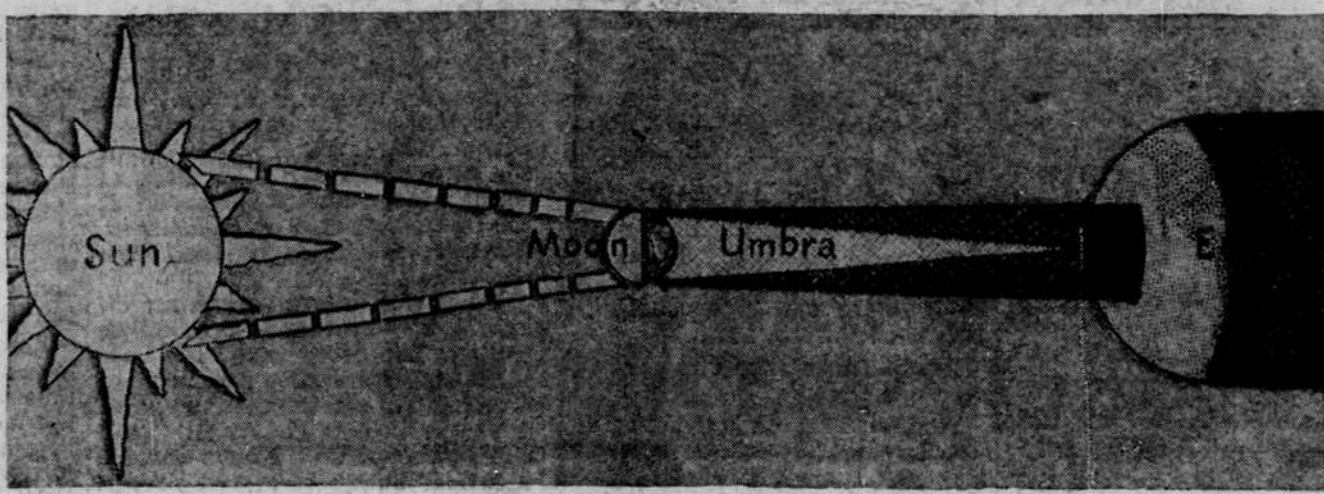
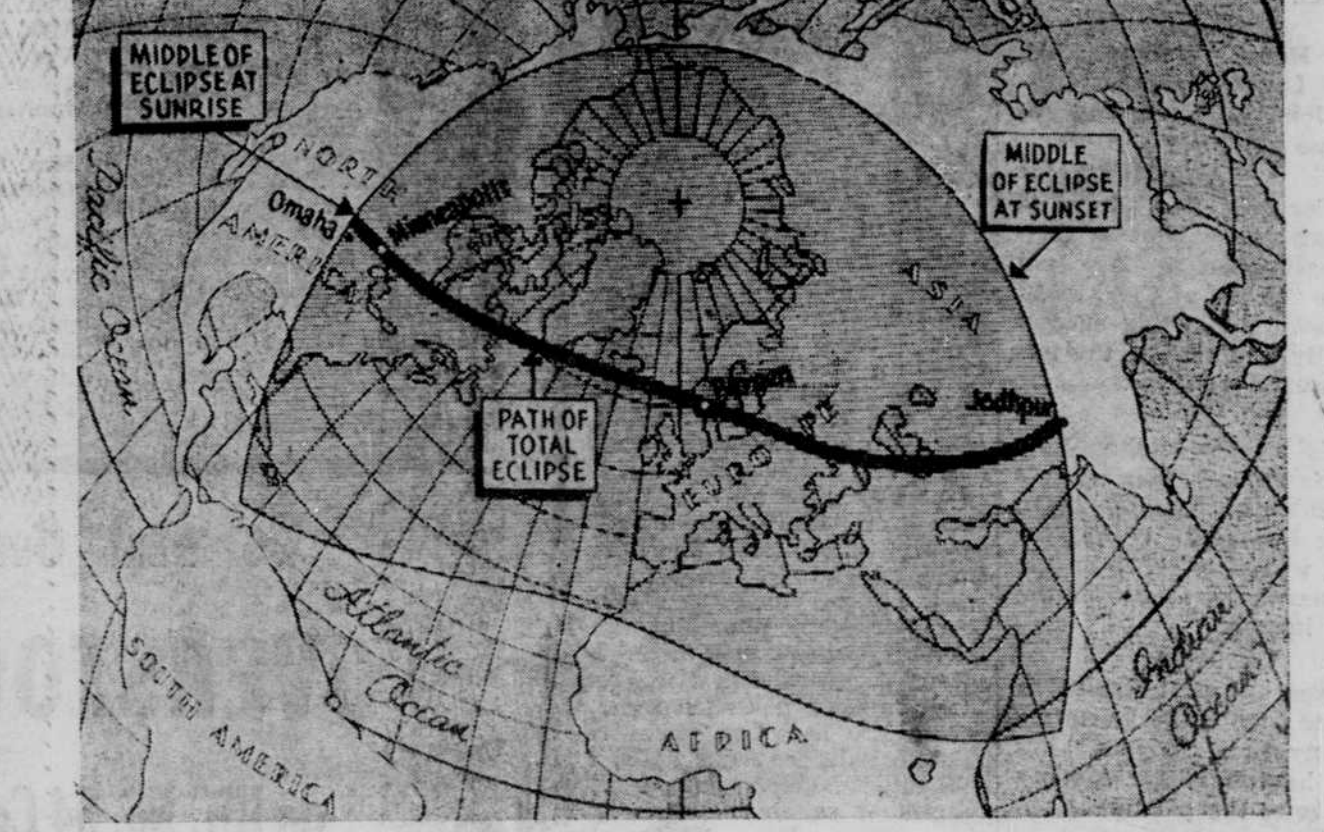


Diagram shows why the path of a total eclipse is so narrow . . . sun, moon and earth get directly in line.—Sketch courtesy Omaha World-Herald.



Path of total eclipse from sunrise in Nebraska (note arrow, which actually pinpoints Holt county) to sunset in India.—Sketches courtesy Omaha World-Herald.

By a Staff Writer Nature will stage an impressive blackout on Wednesday, June 30—a total eclipse of the sun—and scientists throughout the world will have Holt county pinpointed on their maps and charts.

The central point of the start of the eclipse—the last chance in this Twentieth century for millions to see this grand celestial show—is designated by the nautical almanac as longitude 99 degrees 4 minutes and latitude 42 degrees 22 minutes. This is pinpointed as 12 miles south of Atkinson and five miles west, or near the point that joins the W. A. Sitz, Joseph Dobrovoly, Albert Lemmer and Ernest Gotschal ranches.

Eclipse at a Glance

Date and time: Wednesday, June 30, approximately 5:06 1/2 a.m., (sunrise).

Starting line: On "front" extending from 3 miles west of Cumminsville corner to point 12 miles north of Bassett, Central point of the "front" in Ernest Gotschal pasture, 12 miles miles south of Atkinson and 5 west.

Duration: About 1 minute at Holt county's longitude and latitude. Duration lengthens and path broadens as blackout moving northeasterly.

Course of blackout: From Holt county to Lake Superior, Canada, Greenland, Norway, Sweden, Russia, Pakistan, India.

Warning: If the sky is clear do not view spectacle with naked eye, instead through smoked glasses or one or more thicknesses of developed film negative.

Don't be disappointed: If there is a thick early morning haze and the thrill is not as great as you had hoped.

If you elect to sleep: You'll not have another opportunity to see a total eclipse in these parts until 2048 in Omaha, even then Nebraska's largest city will be on the edge of it.

Best point of vantage in Nebraska: Probably on the highest hill in the Niobrara vicinity.

Those who'll want to see the rare spectacle of the moon blocking the sun will have to get up early. They'll see day turned to night in the total blackout, starting shortly after sunrise (approximately 5:06 1/2 a.m.)

Only those persons living in a narrow band of land extending from Holt county to Lake Superior will see the total blackout. But millions more Americans will be able to see from one-half to 90 percent of the sun bitten by the moon.

A total eclipse of the sun will touch in Maine in 1963, another in Florida in 1970, and a third will barely kiss the Pacific Northwest in 1979.

But the rarest of all astronomical shows next week will be second only to a total eclipse in Omaha in 1717, according to scientific data. And, of course, there were no white men around for that one and the site of Omaha belonged to the Indians.

Astronomers say there may be disappointments for residents and visitors because the hazard of horizon haze and clouds is greater at sunrise and the path of totality is narrower and duration shorter than it will be farther to the northeast.

The dark path of totality will measure about 75 miles wide, and just about its center will

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Archbishop to Lay Cornerstone Today

ATKINSON—Today (Thursday), in a 4 o'clock afternoon ceremony, Most Rev. Gerald T. Bergan, archbishop of Omaha, will lay the cornerstone for the new St. Joseph's Catholic church which is being built in Atkinson. Construction, which is proceeding at a satisfactory pace, according to Rev. R. J. Parr, pastor of St. Joseph's, was begun in mid-April. The new \$200,000 Gothic structure will have a seating capacity for more than 500 persons.

The foundation has been laid for the new church and the concrete floor poured. The Kasota stone exterior walls are going up and the laminated arches, which will form the superstructure skeleton, are to arrive in the near future. Since the razing of the old church, daily and weekly masses are being held in the Knights of Columbus hall in Atkinson.

Rt. Rev. Daniel E. Sheehan, chancellor of the archdiocese, will act as master-of-ceremonies at the cornerstone laying. Others in attendance will be the clergy of the O'Neill deanery, who have been invited to attend.

Bride-Elect Feted—Mrs. R. L. Owens entertained at a miscellaneous bridal shower on Wednesday evening honoring Miss Helen Kubitschek, who will be married Saturday.

Fortnightly Dinner—A dinner from 6 until 7:30 p.m., will be held at the O'Neill Country Club Sunday, June 27. Mrs. Larry Schaffer is chairman and her co-chairman is Mrs. Donald Peterson.

Attend Bible Camp—Rev. and Mrs. Samuel Lee are attending the boys and girls Bible camp being held in Columbus this week.

New Manager at Harding's

Ben E. Vidricksen has been appointed as manager of the Harding creamery here. He has recently been at Kearney but is originally from Salina, Kans.

Mr. Vidricksen, who is 27, is one of the youngest managers in the firm. He has been associated with Harding's for six years. He is married and is the father of four children. He plans to move his family to O'Neill as soon as housing can be found.

\$1,632 Collected for Hospital Aux—Reports were made on the results of the St. Anthony's hospital fund drive sponsored by the hospital auxiliary.

The following is a list of the amounts contributed in the various towns:

Table with 2 columns: Town, Amount. Includes Stuart (\$40.00), Chambers (\$70.00), Inman (\$158.50), Emmet (\$43.50), Ewing (\$80.00), O'Neill (\$1,105.65), Mail (\$135.00), Total (\$1,632.65).

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Farewell Sermons Sunday for Rev. Lee

Rev. Samuel Lee, pastor of First Presbyterian church at O'Neill and Bethany Presbyterian church near Chambers will deliver his farewell sermons in his Holt county pulpits on Sunday, June 27. The worship services will be held at the regular hour.

No replacement has been made for Reverend Lee, who with his wife and two children will be leaving for their new location at Osborne, Kans.

Farewell Event for Rev. Carl

Rev. Kenneth Carl, assistant pastor at St. Patrick's Catholic church in O'Neill for the past three years, has gone to his parish at Leigh after his vacation. As there was no opportunity for the usual farewell, his friends are invited to attend a farewell party for him at the Knights of Columbus hall in O'Neill Wednesday evening, June 30, at 8 p.m., it has been announced.

Father Carl's successor at St. Patrick's, Rev. Thomas Hitch, will be present for the affair.

Attend Bible Camp—Rev. and Mrs. Samuel Lee are attending the boys and girls Bible camp being held in Columbus this week.

Hay Days Queen to Film Capital

ATKINSON—Something new has been added to Atkinson's 1954 hay days celebration!

A. G. Miller, program chairman, has announced that the hay queen will be selected at a beauty pageant the evening of August 23, will be given a free three-day visit in Hollywood.

Mr. Miller says that towns in north Nebraska's hay country will be invited to send a contestant to participate in the final contest.

Present plans for the entertainment of the hay queen include: Roundtrip to California by air line; tours of Los Angeles, Hollywood and the homes of movie stars; an excursion at Catalina; a tour of motion picture studios; luncheon and interviews with movie stars; guest starring on a television show.

Bernie Wilson, Atkinson drug store owner, again is chairman of the parade committee.

Departs for East—Mrs. J. F. Bangs of Danbury, Conn., who had been a guest at the H. E. Asher home and attended the wedding of her son, Joseph, and Miss Evelyn Jean Asher Tuesday, June 15, left for her home Wednesday, June 16. She was taken to Omaha by Mrs. Asher, from where she left by plane for Connecticut.

Plan All-day Swimming Party—There will be an all-day swimming party held at the O'Neill swimming pool Wednesday, July 7, for all Boy Scouts of Holt County and the surrounding vicinities. The pool will be open to Boy Scouts only that day. Open swimming sessions will be held in the morning and competition between the various troops in the afternoon.

EMERGENCY APPENDECTOMY—Mrs. Ray Bartos left last Thursday for Omaha where she will meet her husband, Corporal Bartos. He expected to arrive there between June 23 and 25. For the past 18 months he had been stationed in Honou, Germany. Aboard ship enroute to the U.S., he underwent an emergency appendicitis operation.

UPPED TO SERGEANT—James E. Bridges, son of Mrs. Alice Bridges, was recently promoted to the rank of sergeant. Sergeant Bridges is in the medical corps of the army and is stationed at the army hospital at Ft. Bragg, N.C. He has been serving in the armed services since July, 1952.

Visits in Neligh—Dick Gaskill left Sunday for Neligh where he will visit for a week in the Robert Gaskill home.

Holt County Fair Dates Aug 16 to 19

CHAMBERS—Dates for the 1954 Holt county fair, annually sponsored by the Holt County Agricultural society, are Monday through Thursday, August 16, 17, 18 and 19.

Preparations are rapidly moving forward for this year's edition. Program plans are not yet complete. Premium lists soon will be published.

Lloyd Glead of Chambers is president of the society this year, succeeding Vern Sageser of Amelia.

Mrs. Sam Barnard Expires in Omaha

Mrs. Samuel Barnard, a former resident here and the mother of Mrs. C. E. Yantzi of O'Neill, died Tuesday, June 22, at a rest home in Omaha. She was more than 90-years-old.

Her husband, the late Samuel Milton Barnard, died February 15, 1953, at the age of 94.

The body of Mrs. Barnard was brought to O'Neill Wednesday and funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m., today (Thursday) in the Methodist church here, under the direction of Biglin's Rev. Samuel Lee, First Presbyterian church pastor, will officiate. Burial will be Prospect Hill cemetery.

Survivors include: Son—William ("Bill") Barnard of Casper, Wyo.; daughters — Mrs. C. E. (Edna) Yantzi of O'Neill and Mrs. Ruth Byrd of Omaha.

The former Flora Chapin and Mr. Barnard were married at Lusk, Wyo. M. Harold Y., son, Richard, and one daughter, Katie, preceded their parents in death.

Kersensbrock, Ralya Firms Close Doors

Two O'Neill firms are in the process of closing out their stocks: Ralya JGA store, next door to the Golden hotel, and the Kersensbrock Meat market.

Mr. Kersensbrock, who came to O'Neill from Osmond, December 24, 1923, 31 years ago, served 12 years as mayor of O'Neill. He has no definite plans for the future and plans "to take it easy for awhile."

The Ralya's, who came to O'Neill in 1944, have no immediate plans for the future.

Honors Sister—Mr. and Mrs. Joe Beckwith and family of North Platte arrived on Sunday to spend the week visiting Mrs. Beckwith's mother, Mrs. Led Janousek, and other relatives.

Mrs. Ed Schmidt entertained a group of ladies on Wednesday at a coffee hour in honor of her sister, Mrs. Beckwith.



Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Price and their three sons who have been ordained into the Catholic priesthood. The sons are (left-to-right): Rev. Basil Price, S.J., Rev. Peter Price, S.J., and Rev. Francis Price.—The Frontier Photo.

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