

The accompanying story concerns Holt county side the building are Mrs. O. Poessnecker, E. Hale served October 12. Board members, pictured be-

Holt county rural school district 165 near O'Neill, and W. Morgan. Pupils in the interior photo are: which boasts a fine new school building. These Back row-Jimmie Hale, Arlene Zahradnicek, photos, however, were taken at district 69, north James Morgan and Anita Morgan; row nearest of Atkinson. District 69 completed the new struc- camera-John Morgan, Julie Akins, Gary Rocke, ture (above) in 1954 and open-house was ob- Bonnie Akins and Bruce Hale. The teacher is Alpha Kirkland. Some of the patrons are shown. Photo was taken on the day of the open-house.



## **Districts 165, 69 Not Ragged Beggars**

#### By MRS. N. D. ICKES, SR., Frontier Feature Writer

It has taken a long while, comparatively speaking, for the rural schools in Nebraska to reflect the prosperity and progress of the people. In other words, the architecture of most rural schools is of turn of the century variety and the conveniences of modern living hardly exist in most schools.

Many districts still use the oneroom school by the side of the road. The ragged beggar is heated with fuel manually carried in as needed from an outside supply. The wood or coal (or both) is fed into a potbellied iron hull in the corner of the room. Toilets usually can be found at each rear corner of the school yard. In winter they're usually snowed in or snowed under. At Hallowe'en time they stand as easy prey for pranksters.

The water supply for rural schools is solved in various ways, few proving entirely satisfactory. The wells that stand unused throughout the summer are risky propositions, even though some reliable board of education member comes along before the fall term opens and "pumps them Some parents won't even out." trust the old well at the school; hence water is transported from a nearby home. In warm weather the water ac-

uires a taste akin to licking the inside of the container.

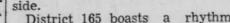
Let's take a look at a modern rural school in Holt county, built by patrons of district 165, situated five miles south and one mile west of O'Neill. This was the first modern rural school building in Holt county and was built in the summer of 1952.

The present school board consists of Francis Pribil, Melvin Rieck and C. C. Peter. The teacher, Miss La Vonne Rieck, is in her second year of school there. She received her training at

Wayne State Teacher's college. There are 12 pupils, representatives of the Cyril and Stanley Peter, Dick Clark, Verling Snell, Francis Pribil and Melvin Rieck families. Miss Rieck counts four beginners, two first graders, three second graders, one third grader and two fourth graders.

This building is a frame structure with windows on the south for lighting and high windows on the north for ventilation.

The class room is equipped with 20 movable and adjustable desks with plenty of play area for the smaller children. There is a primary table and chairs, a sandtable and children have loads of fun on a merry-go-round out-





### Rail Agents Study Public Relations

D. R. Fyfe (standing at left) conducted a public relations seminar for 11 Chicago & North Western station agents, assistants and operators Friday at O'Neill. The lecture hall was a special railway car. Fyfe has had amazing success at Rochelle, Ill., and several other points as a passenger-freight agent and is noted in the C&NW system as an expert on public relations. His lecture and a 21/2-hour question-and-answer period were preceded by a courtesy film. Fyfe made similar stops and conducted seminars at four other points along the Omaha-to-Chadron line of the C&NW where a concerted effort is

being made, both by the C&NW and civic groups, to make pay passenger-mail-express trains number 13 and 14, which have been operating at substantial losses. In the photo (leftto-right): V. J. Towle of O'Neill, John B. Beck of Atkinson, Sam Noring of Bassett, Richard Hutton of Bassett, Thomas Hutton of Inman, Don Shimerka of Atkinson, N. J. Rich of Norfolk (district freight agent), A. L. Eckles of Norfolk (division superintendent), L. A. Nelson of O'-Neill, W. N. Spence of Ewing, J. H. Johnson of Clearwater, J. C. Strode of Stuart and C. A.

Valentine 45; Bassett 44 ers with 23 points; Dick Turpin Here from Denver-BASSETT - The Valentine got 13 for the losing Tigers, Badgers earned a 45-44 victory

over Rock county high (Bassett) here Friday night. Earlier the and their son, Cpl. Donald Beck- and Mrs. Ted McElhaney and Badgers had defeated Bassett, 52- with, and Miss Nancy Watson her brother, Pvt Bruce McElwere Wednesday, January 5, din- haney, who was home on It was Valentine's fifth straight win. Wrage led the Badg- ner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur from Ft. Bliss, Tex.

Harley and family

Henry of Newport .- The Frontier Photo.

Mrs. Vannie B. Newman returne Sunday to O'Neill from Holdrege. Mrs. Newman and her sonin-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Babl and family, of Miss Marjorle McElhaney of Holdrege, had returned new Denver, Colo., visited over the Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Beckwith weekend with her parents, Mr. year's day to Holdrege from San Diego, Calif., where they had visited over the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Newman's son-in-

leave

law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. James Morris and family.

# **County Treasurer's Semi-Annual Statement**

### HOLT COUNTY, NEBRASKA

FUNDS:	Balances July 1 1954	Receipts 7-1-'54 to	Transfers from other	Transfers to other	Disburs'ts 7-1-'54 to	Balances Dec. 27
STATE FUNDS:	1334	12-27-'54	funds	funds	12-27-'54	1954
General	\$ 2,792.48	\$ 76,508.18	\$ 3,647.49	\$	\$ 63,079.12	\$ 19,869.03
Intangible	11.48	1,997.59			1,435.60	573.47
Univ. Hospital	18.67	855.77	28.06		647.14	255.36
Care Insane	851.81	20,290.34	1,028.77		17,006.20	5,164.72
Care Feeble Minded	226.44	5,855.03	271.22		4,849.39	1,503.30
Veteran's Aid	29.58	7.69			29.58	7.69
Spec. Building	854.29	19,227.28	1,028.77		16,350.35	4,759.99
Service Annuity	447 55	0 612 20	407 00		E 050 54	0.440.00

### THE FRONTIER, O'Neill, Nebr., Thurs., Jan. 13, 1955 .- PAGE 13.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS WD-Esther Downey to Mary Neiman 1-5-55 \$3500- Lot 1 Blk 1- O'N

WD-Hugh Carr to Virgil L aursen & wf 12-29-54 \$7000-Lot 8 & No 20 ft lot 9- Gilg & Swenson's Sub-division- O'Neill-(exchange)

WD- Virgil Laursen to Hugh Carr & wf 12-29-54- Exchange-Lot 10 & No 1/2 lot 11- Blk C- O'N & Hagertys Add- O'Neill

WD-Harold Savidge to Franes Rotherham 12-29-54 \$5000-North 10 ft lot 1 and all Lot 2 except the No 25 ft- Blk 8- Ewing WD-Donald L Carroll to Edward R Jansen & wf 22-31-54 \$1-East 62 ft lots 5-6 & 7 Blk 1-

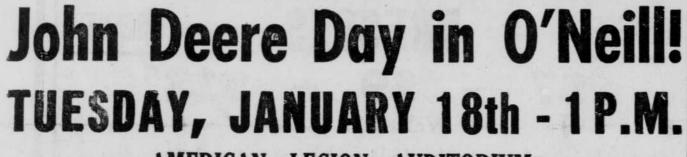
Atkinson- Correction Deed. WD-Edward Jansen to Edward J Jansen & wf 1-4-55 \$1- NE1/4

2-29-16 WD-Adam Tindall to Lizzie C Tindall 12-28-54 \$1- 1/2 Int in S1/2 21- NW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> 23- Twp 31-R 15 SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> 27- N<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> 34-29-15 & W<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> 3-28-15 WD- Adam Tindall to Adam Tindall & wf 12-28-54 \$1- All 6-

28-15 & SE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> 1-28-16 QCD-E V Sedivy to Ray E Sedivy & wf 12-31-54 \$1- S1/2 29-S½SW¼- SW¼SE¼ 28- N½ NW¼- SE¼NW¼ & SE¼NW¾ 32-26-9

WD-Addie L Wrede to Earl E Wrede- Vivian M Martin & Gertrude L Easton 8-4-52 \$1- Lots 19-20 & 21 Blk B- O'Neill & Hagerty's Add- O'Neill

WD - Joseph Rohde, et al to Romaine J- Agnes M and Francis R Rohde 11-15-54 \$9600- SW 1/4 28- NE1/4 33-32-12



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## AN IMPORTANT NOTE TO EVERY FARMER

Dear Friend: Just a line to extend a personal invitation to you and your family to be our queste on John Deere Day. The know you'll enjoy the program we're prepared for you - every minute fit. In fact, we think it's the kind of program the entire family will enjoy. The feature picture, "mise Hattie," the kind of story that makes your cel good way down inside. It's a full length film done in full color and features a cast of well known Sollywood players. There are many other colorful films, too - both enter-taining and educational. You'll like all of them . you may have already received your free tickets. I not - a if you need more, be sure to pick them up at our Remember - Leep this date open ! In the second products and the second se JOHN DEERE DAY Harry R. Smith **FREE PRIZES** 

band. The school is equipped to serve hot lunches and the building is lighted with fluorescent lighting. An oil burning furnace supplies ample heat. There are two indoor rest rooms. There is a cloak room and a water fountain furnishes sanitary drinking water. Patrons of district 165 are justifiably proud of their new school building, and frankly, I found it an impressive, interesting and mighty commendable place to

Strong Finish

Friday night.

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to build a 42-31 lead.

with a storybook finish.

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Boxscore of main event:

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Gatz ..... 3 0 3 6 Alton . ..... 6 1 2 13

Sanders ..... 2 3 1 7

Gaskill ..... 4 0 0 8

Strong ..... 2 0 4 4

Conarro ..... 1 2 1 4

Moon ..... 8 2 1 18

Alderson ..... 0 0 0 0

Baker ..... 2 1 1 5

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January 14.

O'NEILL (44)

NELIGH (43)

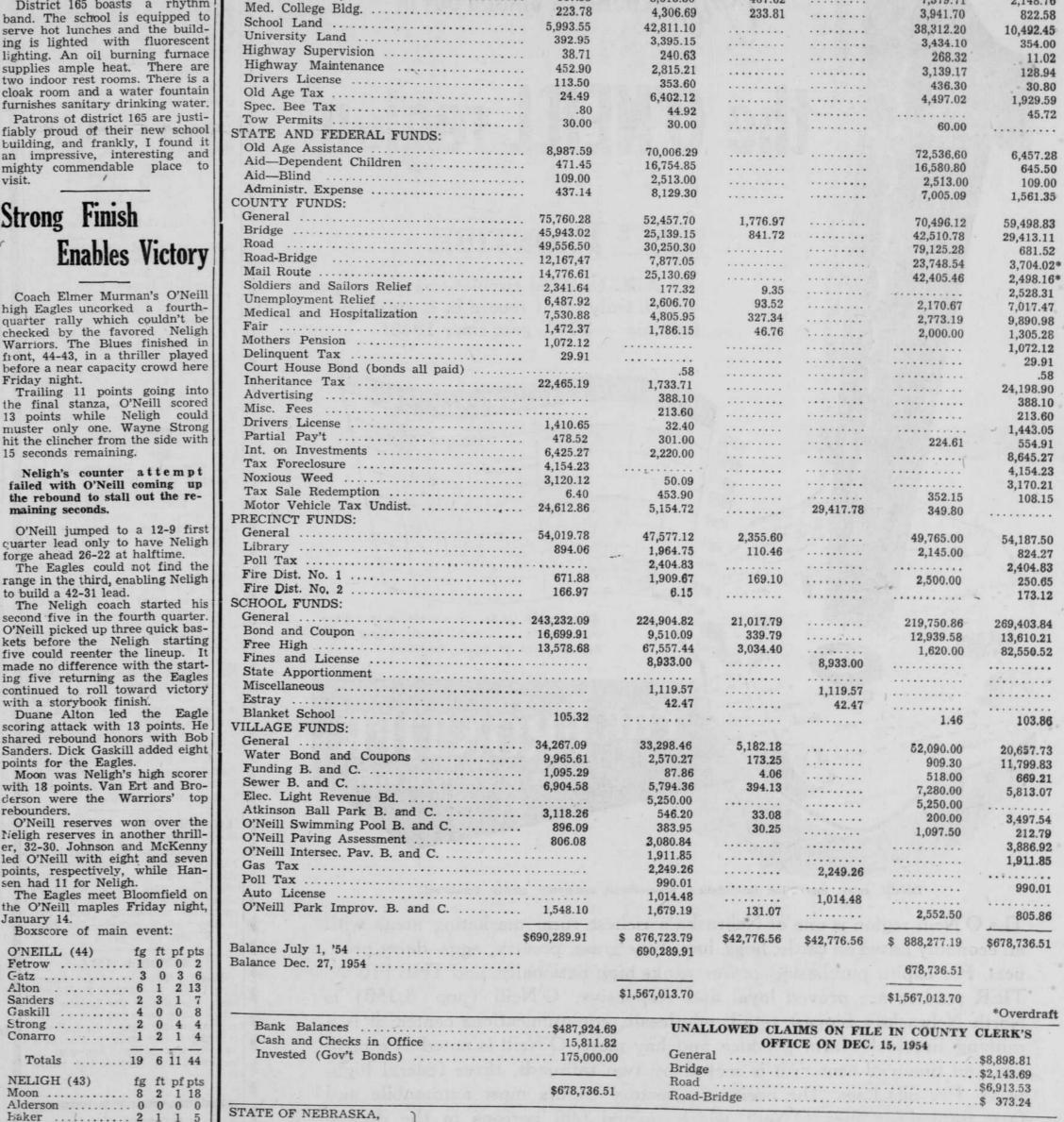
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Neligh's counter attempt

failed with O'Neill coming up

the rebound to stall out the re-

forge ahead 26-22 at halftime.





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COUNTY OF HOLT I, J. Ed Hancock, County Treasurer of Holt County, Nebraska, do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3rd day of January, 1955. (SEAL)

SS.

J. ED HANCOCK, County Treasurer RUTH HOFFMAN BAKER, County Clerk