

Mrs. Carrie Blake Stricken Suddenly

Stroke Proves Fatal to Ranch Woman

CHAMBERS—Mrs. Carrie M. Blake, 93, a Holt county resident since 1915, died at 12:20 p.m., Friday, April 1, shortly after being admitted to St. Anthony's hospital at O'Neill. She had suffered a stroke four hours earlier and was transferred to O'Neill by ambulance. She had been in unusually "good" health until stricken by the stroke that proved fatal.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m., Tuesday, April 5, from the Methodist church in Chambers with Rev. J. M. Hodgkins, church pastor, officiating. Biglin's were in charge. Burial was made Wednesday in the cemetery at Wakefield. The body lay in state at the church between 10:30 a.m., Tuesday and the funeral hour.

Pallbearers were Thomas Blake, Troxel Green, Edward Coolidge, Clyde Blake, Arch Blake, William Gaukel, Jr., Bernard Nachtman and Frank Nachtman.

The late Carrie M. Blake was born August 11, 1861, in Michigan. She was the daughter of Isaac Miner and Lydia Bernintul.

She was married to Closs Isaac Blake at Jackson on March 10, 1877. They farmed near Wakefield, Dixon county, for many years and in 1915 moved to Holt county.

Mr. Blake died in 1946, and was buried at Wakefield.

The late Mrs. Blake has been making her home with her son, Guy, who resides on the Blake homestead located five miles west of Chambers and one mile south of Holt county.

The late Mrs. Blake was a member of the Methodist church at Chambers.

Survivors include: Sons—William of Ewing; Lee of O'Neill; Guy of Chambers; daughters—Mrs. Ray (Della) Coolidge of Amelia; Mrs. Bert (Maggie) Sybrant of Douglas, Wyo.; Mrs. Gien (Myrtle) McCullough of Herlong, Calif.; Mrs. William (Pearl) Gaukel of Burwell; Mrs. Fred (Bessie) Nachtman of Bassett; Mrs. Hamy (Gladys) Smith of Chambers; brother—Robert Miller of Wakefield.

Two sons, Frank and Edward, both of Rose, and one daughter, Mrs. Ralph Parks of Wakefield, are deceased.

Mrs. McCullough arrived Sunday from California to attend the funeral and was met at Grand Island by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Blake.

Dean Beckwiths to Sell at Auction

A complete dispersion sale has been scheduled by Mr. and Mrs. Dean Beckwiths of Emmet on Saturday, April 23. The auction will include the sale of the well-improved 534-acre ranch, situated four miles southeast of Emmet, livestock, machinery, shop tools and household goods.

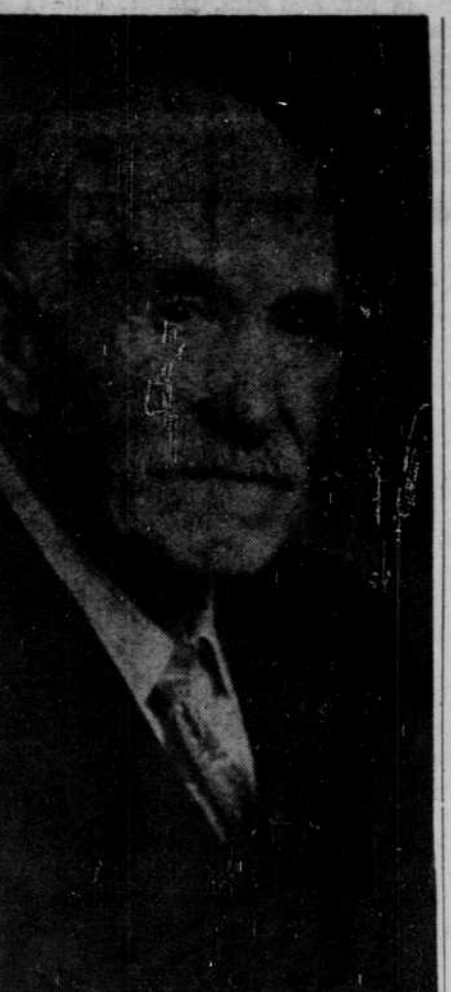
The Thorin-Bowker Auction Service will manage the sale and full details will appear in The Frontier next week. Descriptive handbills will be published this weekend.

Other sales: Saturday, April 16: Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Lamb will sell a four-room dwelling, two lots and residential building sites on premises; property known as Lamb's gladiolus gardens; also some personal property; Thorin-Bowker Auction Service, sales managers. (Details on page 11.)

Bryson French Killed in Accident

PAGE—Word was received here Tuesday by Merwyn French, sr., telling that Bryson French, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bryan French of Sacramento had been killed in a car accident that morning.

Funeral services will be conducted there today (Thursday). The French family home was the farm now occupied by the N. D. Ickes, sr., family.



Fred Watson... buried Monday. (Story at right.)

Clearwater Doctor Claimed by Death

Dr. Bennie Served Area 43 Years

CLEARWATER—Dr. J. W. Bennie, 72, a physician in the Clearwater and Ewing communities since 1912, died at 5 p.m., Saturday in the Orchard hospital. He had been active until about a year ago when his health began to decline. However, he continued to make house calls until his final illness.

A large crowd attended funeral services conducted at 2 p.m., Wednesday from the Clearwater public school auditorium. Burial was in the Clearwater cemetery. Robert Hanson of Nebraska Christian college, Norfolk, officiated.

The late Doctor Bennie was born October 31, 1882 at Chatham, Ont., Canada. He was graduated from Detroit (Mich.) College of Medicine and came to Clearwater 43 years ago.

He was married to Miss Olive Fletcher October 1, 1913, at Orchard.

Survivors include: Widow—Olive; brothers—Robert of Vancouver, B.C., Can., and Donald of Dover, Ont., Can.

Neigh Physician Fatally Stricken

NEIGH—Dr. U. S. Harrison, 65, widely-known Neigh physician and surgeon, suffered a severe heart attack about 5 o'clock Monday evening and died the following day.

Survivors include: Daughter—Mrs. Richard Koupal of Kansas; son—Sam, serving in the army's medical corps in Texas.

Assessing Job Over Half-Done

Holt County Assessor W. F. Wefso said Wednesday the 1955 assessing task, begun March 10, "over half finished". He indicated there were quite a few business schedules and city and town residential schedules yet to be reported, but most rural schedules have been filed.

Mr. Wefso estimated the shortened household form, enables assessors to process the schedules in about one-half of the time required to fill out one of last year's forms.

PLAN UNION SERVICE

Union Good Friday worship services have been planned between 12:30 and 2:30 p.m., at the Royal theatre under the auspices of the O'Neill Ministerial association. Several Protestant churches in the city as well as in nearby communities are cooperating.

Theme of the continuous rite will be "The Seven Last Words". There will be special music.

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Street-Widening Slate Triumphs

Prominent Leader in Holt Dies

Fred C. Watson, 87, Spends 64 Years in Amelia Community

AMELIA—A prominent south-west Holt county leader, Fred C. Watson, 87, a resident of this community 64 years, died about 5:30 a.m., Friday, April 1, in Atkinson Memorial hospital.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Monday, April 4, from the Methodist church here and burial was made in the Chambers cemetery. Rev. Albert Luginsland of Amelia officiated, assisted by Rev. J. M. Hodgkin of Chambers.

Pallbearers were nephews: Thompson Whitcomb, Claude Lierman, Leon Thompson, Vernon Thompson, Art Kaiser and Carl Schade.

Music at the funeral was furnished by Mrs. Laurence Barnett, Miss Florence Lindsey and Clyde Widman with Mrs. Widman at the piano.

Hymns sung were: "In the Garden," "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere" and "Abide With Me."

The late Fred C. Watson was born February 6, 1868, the son of Winslow and Mary E. Watson. His birthplace was Ellensburg Center, N.Y.

He came to Hastings with his parents in 1887.

About four years later the family moved to Holt county, settling on a ranch near Amelia.

On June 24, 1896 he was married to Frances Elizabeth Thompson. They became the parents of three children—one daughter and two sons.

In 1946 the Watsons celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. The late Mr. Watson was active in community affairs throughout his lifetime. He was a prominent republican and served in various township and board of education positions.

One daughter, Mrs. Oscar (Elsie) Greenstreet, died in 1943. Survivors include: Widow—Frances; sons—Asa of Amelia and Ronald of Atkinson; nine grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren.

Relatives from a distance attending the rites were: Oscar Greenstreet and Mrs. John Graves, both of Sedro Woolley, Wash.; Mr. and Mrs. John Carville of Omaha; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mason and Mrs. of Leadville, Colo.; Mr. and Mrs. Keith Greenstreet and sons of Lincoln; Mr. and Mrs. Lester Thompson and Richard Kaiser, all of Burwell; John Thompson of Denver, Colo., and Mrs. Robert Blackmore of Ainsworth.

MARINE RETURNS

Marine Cpl. Jack Carney reached O'Neill Friday, having completed a tour of duty in the Far East. Corporal Carney has one more year of his enlistment. He is visiting at the home of his father, Leo Carney.

Here's Vote Table MUNICIPAL TICKET

Table with 4 columns: Candidate, First, Second, Third, Total. Includes candidates for Mayor (L.C. Walling, Alva Marcellus), Council (M.J. Golden, Earl Rodman), and Board of Education (H.L. Lindberg, Mrs. Loretta Hynes, Leigh Reynoldson).

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SMA Again Receives Accreditation Notice

Mother Agnesine, who recently received her Nebraska life administrative certificate, has now been appointed to represent the Sisters of St. Francis at the convention of the National Educational Association to be held in Atlantic City, N.J., from April 12-15. She will have as her companion Sister M. Lenore of Denver, Colo. The theme of the convention is "Realizing Our Philosophy in Education."

The academy has received notification of acceptance of its continued membership in the North-Central association. St. Mary's is one of the 157 schools in Nebraska to be accredited by the association.

The invitation to the junior prom was given to the seniors Wednesday morning by the junior herald, Jimmy McCarthy. As a regal attendant he made the announcement as the bugler played fan fare.

Curtain Is Drawn; Sign: 'April Fool'

INMAN—A capacity crowd turned out Friday night for the spring concert of the Inman school band.

The program began with an amusing skit. Supt. Nelson made a short speech at the beginning to introduce the band, then as the curtains were drawn there was no band in place—only a large sign saying "April Fool". The band then came out for the program.

There were solos by Karen Brown, Conda Couch, Bill Coventry, Carolyn Reimers, Sam Watson, Kay Coventry, Bob Reimers and Lucy Cunningham. Neal and Ned Kelley played a clarinet duet, Sam Watson, Kay Coventry and Lucy Cunningham played a trombone trio.

THIRD IN COMPETITION

Eddie Tomlinson, son of Dick Tomlinson of O'Neill, last week ranked third in the "Mr. Nebraska" contest sponsored on the campus at the University of Nebraska college of agriculture.

Globe-Trotting Mrs. Taylor Is 87

INMAN—Mr. and Mrs. Ray Siders entertained at a dinner Sunday, April 3, honoring Mrs. Siders' mother, Mrs. Anna Taylor, on her 87th birthday anniversary.

On April 5, 1868, Anna Mary Moore was born in Iowa City, Ia. At the age of 12, with her widowed mother, three brothers and two sisters, she came to Nebraska, locating near Odell. Her father, a Civil War veteran, died shortly after being discharged from the army and a few weeks before she was born.

On November 16, 1886, she married the late C. J. Taylor. They spent 10 years of their married life near Odell, moving to Holt county in 1911. They purchased the Tullis place near Minnola. They resided there for over 25 years, selling their farm and later locating in Colorado where they lived for two years.

In 1945, they decided to go to Arizona for Mr. Taylor's health. They had been there six weeks when he died.

Mrs. Taylor spent nine years in Arizona, leaving there last May after the death of her oldest daughter, Mrs. Maggie Bruce.

On three different occasions she has made the trip alone from Arizona to Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, Washington and Idaho to visit her children.

Mrs. Taylor endured many of the difficult pioneer times, undergoing privation, suffering from drought, floods and pestilence. She is the mother of 11 children, nine of whom are living.

Marcellus New Mayor; New Record

Golden, Johnson Are Vindicated in Their Respective Wards

This ordinarily placid town was ready to burst at the seams Tuesday as a record number of voters marched to the polls.

The street-widening issue, which has been the dominant piece of conversation here for many weeks, flushed out 1,222 voters. Add to that 15 mail votes. Enthusiasts for widening of portions of Douglas street and South Fourth street, in order to retain U.S. highways 20 and 231 on location through the business district, succeeded in electing a mayor and managed to capture two of three council seats.

Alva Marcellus, Buick auto dealer, defeated L. C. Walling, retired Consumers Public Power district manager, in a bid for mayor.

O'Neill has been without a mayor since last summer when J. E. Davis resigned and moved to Arizona. Emmett Crabb, Third ward councilman, has been acting mayor.

The Marcellus margin was 114 ballots.

A hotel man, M. J. Golden, incumbent First ward councilman and a steadfast foe of widening streets to accommodate federal highways, was vindicated in his stand by the voters in his ward. He defeated Earl Rodman, a wholesaler who was aligned with the street-widening slate. The Golden margin was 35 votes.

Marvin Johnson, jeweler, defeated H. E. Coyne, veteran hardware dealer, in the Second ward council race. Johnson was the incumbent and supported street-widening negotiations during the term. Coyne, a former mayor, former councilman, and traditionally tough to beat in an O'Neill election, was on the opposition slate, which had the backing of the O'Neill Taxpayers' league.

The Johnson margin, after mail votes had been counted, was an even 50 votes.

Fred Heermann, motel operator, outpointed Dale Fetrov, appliance dealer, in the Third ward council race. Both are newcomers in the city's political arena. Heermann was the candidate of the so-called O'Neill Business Men group; Fetrov's try was sponsored by the league. Heermann emerged with a 32-vote lead.

Atkinson Election 'Very Quiet'

ATKINSON—Tuesday's election here was a dull affair.

Roy Griffin was elected city clerk; Michael Coday was named councilman from the First ward for the regular term, and Roy Gilg was chosen to fill a First ward council vacancy.

In the Second ward, B. E. Wilson was successful as a write-in candidate, and C. E. Spence was elected to fill a vacancy.

L. P. Hayes was elected to the council from the Third ward. Named to the board of education were Raymer Funk and Albert Lemmer.

Coulthard Fills Lynch Vacancy

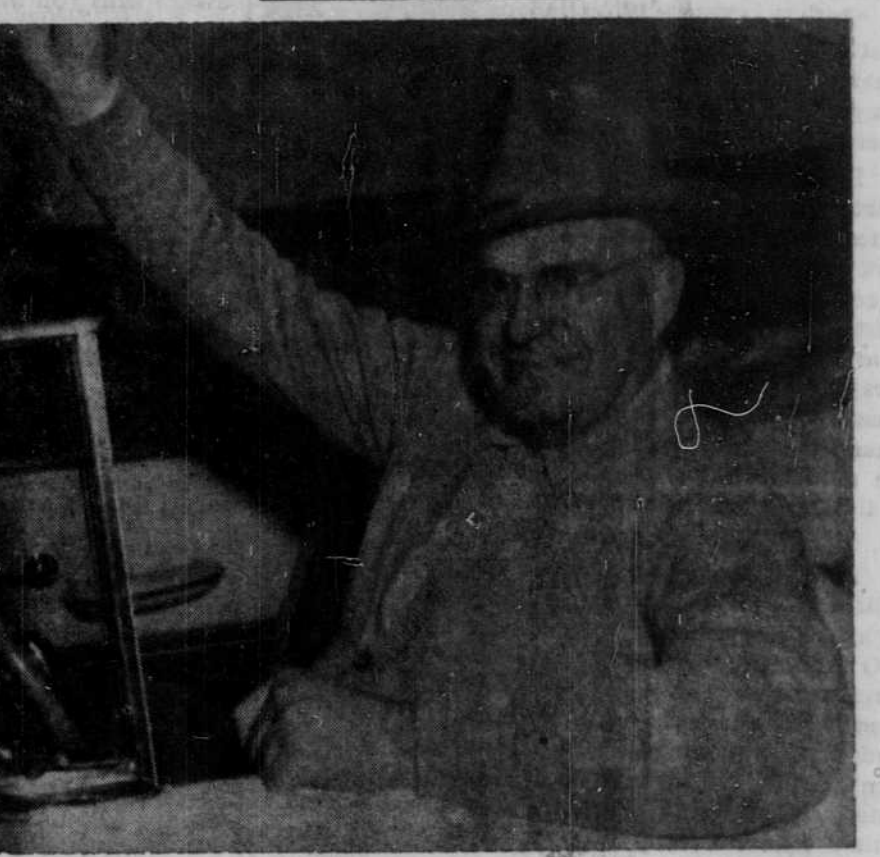
LYNCH—Clare Coulthard was elected to the village board Tuesday at Lynch to fill a vacancy. Merle Leuken was named police magistrate.

In successful bids for three-year school terms were Andy Classen and Bill Halva.

Lynch picks a chairman of the board (mayor) by vote of the board of trustees.

Oath Administered to O'Neill's New Guardsmen

Lt.-Col. Evar Peterson, chief administrative officer for the Nebraska national guard, administers the oath of allegiance (above) to recruits joining O'Neill's new tank company. The ceremony took place Wednesday, March 30, in the army. That same day the company was officially activated and became a part of the nation's military establishment.—The Frontier Photo.



O'Neill's new mayor, Alva Marcellus... defeats L. C. Walling in record turnout of voters.—The Frontier Photo.

Hernias Mended; Tonsils Harvested

When Duane Winkler, 8, and his little brother, David, 2, submitted to surgery Tuesday in St. Anthony's hospital here, even the learned medics were surprised with what was discovered.

Both were found to have hernias of the same type, on the same side, and mean ones, too. Doctors operated on the little fellows between 8 and 11:50 a.m. while the parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Winkler, paced the corridor.

David's hernia actually was worse than his older brother's, the father explained. Both boys were "doing okay" Wednesday night.

Last Thursday Mr. and Mrs. Ray Boon of O'Neill marched four of their children—Kathleen, Julie, Janet and Raynold—into St. Anthony's hospital for tonsillectomies. Four children from the same family getting the same surgery at nearly the same time can't be considered an everyday occurrence.

McCarville Heads Holt Polio Group

The annual meeting of the Holt county chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis was held on Thursday, March 31, in O'Neill.

A review was made of the patients aided in 1954, and also of the emergency march of dimes and the regular 1955 march of dimes fund drives.

Miss Alice French of O'Neill reported on plans made toward the proposed inoculation of Holt county's first and second graders with the Salk vaccine.

Results of the famous Salk vaccine tests are expected to be made public in a few days.

Election of new officers for the new year followed.

Mrs. John H. McCarville of O'Neill, chairman; Mrs. Robert Clifford of Atkinson, vice-chairman; Mrs. James McMahan of Inman, secretary; Miss Alice French of O'Neill, treasurer; Lyle P. Dierks of Ewing, Mrs. H. D. Gildersleeve of O'Neill and Art Givens of Stuart, members—at large.

Business College May Establish Here

'Term Applications' Will Be Taken

The director of the Grand Island Business college, one of the midwest's largest and leading business training schools, will establish a branch school at O'Neill providing a minimum of 25 to 30 students will qualify for the initial class.

This news was told to members of the Chamber of Commerce its monthly session here Monday evening by the college's director, Harry Anderson.

Mr. Anderson assured the O of C if sufficient interest is shown "term students" will be accepted here and taught four- and five-months' courses in general secretarial work, book-keeping, typing and shorthand.

Size of classes will be limited to a maximum of 30. Mr. Anderson said. In the event twice that number of students qualify for an initial term, it is possible afternoon and evening classes can be scheduled.

The college furnishes instructors, equipment and will rent suitable building space. The "term" students recently out of high school would be housed in private homes and subject to rigid disciplinary requirements.

Mr. Anderson told the C of C the branch business college idea is new to the midwest. The Grand Island college recently established branch schools at Hastings and Holdrege. Many persons, especially adult women, are enrolling in the other branch schools for additional training.

The college, he said, has numerous job placement openings for business college graduates. Young students readily step into these jobs everywhere, Mr. Anderson pointed out.

"Our older students as a whole remain in their respective communities and improve upon their ability and earning capacity."

The Grand Island school was given a formal invitation, in the form of a motion unanimously (Continued on page 6)



6 Confirmants at Christ Lutheran Rev. E. G. Smith, pastor of Christ Lutheran church, poses (above) on the altar with six Palm Sunday confirmants: Front row (left-to-right) — Barbara Miller, Janet Krugman and Sharon Hartrouff; top row — Karen Hartrouff, Elaine Krugman and Sharon Nelson. — O'Neill Photo Co.



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