

SMA to Present Athletic Awards

At the annual St. Mary's academy athletic banquet, to be held in the school gymnasium on Sunday evening, April 29, awards for the 1955-'56 school year will be presented by Coach Don Templemeyer.

Maurice ("Skip") Palrang, director of athletics at Boys Town, will be the principal speaker. The SMA Athletic club, completing its second year, counts 18 lettermen. Club membership provides that a student must be a member of the squad at the end of the season.

In football, a player must have participated in one more than half the total varsity quarters played or be a first team regular during the latter part of the season.

In basketball, a performer must have played in 40 percent of the varsity quarters or be a first team regular during late season play.

Track qualifications provide for scoring of points equivalent to two first places in a dual meet.

All candidates for letters selected by the adult advisor must receive an affirmative vote from three-fourths of the active members.

Duane Weier is stationed at Baumholder, Germany, near the French border with the army.

Past Presidents Presented Pins

PAGE—Members of the American Legion auxiliary entertained the charter members at cards Monday evening at the Legion hall.

Mrs. George Wettlaufer earned high score; Mrs. Elsie Cork had low, and Mrs. Frieda Asher received the traveling award.

PAGE HIGH WINS PAGE—The Page high school baseball team was victorious over the Elgin team last Thursday at Page. Score was 16-1 in favor of Page. They also were victorious in the games with Inman and Clearwater. A game was scheduled with Orchard Tuesday and Page will play Oakdale Friday.

AMELIA WINS PAIR AMELIA—The high school and grade school pupils and their teachers went to Chambers school Friday afternoon for two ball games. Amelia won both.

Tune in "Voice of The Front" deliveries.

Holt Prairie Fire Creates Excitement

AMELIA—A prairie fire on the William Thompson and Louis Furgett lands caused considerable excitement Saturday forenoon.

The Thompsons were burning weeds from a field. Fire guards had been plowed around the field but the fire got away from them and spread to the Burgett pasture. The fire department soon brought the fire under control.

Mrs. Stella Sparks attempted to move the Bernard Blackmore pickup truck, which was endangered by a backfire. She was unable to shift the gears and as she jumped from the truck the fire was so close it singed her hair and eyebrows. Mr. Blackmore came in time to move the vehicle.

Other Amelia News Mr. and Mrs. Duane Summers, Mr. and Mrs. William Shaw and Miss Leila Shaw of O'Neill were Sunday dinner guests at the Kamphaus home.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bligh of Omaha spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pierce.

The Gene Thompson family has been moving to the west place on the McGinnis ranch the past week.

Mrs. Elsie Doolittle and boys of Chambers visited at the Marvin Doolittle home Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Hodgkin were supper guests last Thursday of Mrs. Edith Andersen.

Mrs. Julia White and Mrs. Etta Ott were Sunday dinner guests at Ed White's.

John Kamphaus of Bartlett was a Sunday evening caller at the home of his mother, Mrs. Julia Kamphaus.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Barnett spent Sunday at Geln White's.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Gruenborg and daughters of Stuart visited at the William Fryreare home Sunday.

Mrs. Mamie Sammons spent several days recently visiting her granddaughter, Mrs. Clinton Doolittle, and family.

The Tommie Doolittle family visited at the Jim Bilstien home Sunday.

Mrs. Julia Kamphaus, Miss Leila Shaw, Francis and Paul Kamphaus called at the Leonard Svatos home Sunday afternoon.

Several members of the GI agriculture class at Chambers helped lay the foundation for the new home at the Previtt ranch Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Kenny, Mr. Lindsey and Florence were Sunday dinner guests at the Leon Thompson home. Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Thompson and Edna were also callers there in the afternoon.

Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Hodgkin, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Winan and Marcia, Mr. and Mrs. Forest Sammons, Rochelle and Duane, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Miller and the Roy Miller family were sight-seeing at the White Horse ranch Sunday.

Bill Sammons, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Doolittle and Sally and Mrs. Mamie Sammons were supper guests Saturday at Blake Ott's.

Mrs. Julia White drove to Atkinson Friday to visit her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Ray White of Martin, S.D., who is in Atkinson helping care for her father, Paul Seger, who is ill.

A fire engine was demonstrated to the Amelia community on Friday morning. The school children were given a ride around the square.

Mrs. Lew Backhaus, Mrs. Vern Sageser, Mrs. George Fullerton and Mrs. Ernest Johnston went to Plainview Monday to attend the district WSCS meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Rees and family of Burwell visited at the parental Ralph Rees home Tuesday, April 17. Mrs. Bob Rees and family and Mrs. Ralph Rees called at the Heine Frahm home in the afternoon to see the twins.

The Amelia Progressive club met Wednesday, April 18, at the home of Miss Florence Lindsey. There were 11 members present. Mrs. Ralph Rees and Mrs. Clemens presented the lesson on "Know Your Sewing Machine."

A luncheon was served. The next lesson will be on sewing new materials. The club will meet at the home of Mrs. Ralph Rees.

Reverend and Mrs. Burnham and Judy left Monday to visit his parents in Oklahoma. While there they will attend a family reunion.

Mrs. Hugh Carr and family were Sunday afternoon visitors at the Julia Kamphaus home.

Lone Pine Tree Still Landmark

By MRS. N. D. CKES, SR. Feature Writer

PAGE—Arbor day each spring attracts special attention on a proud pine tree on the north slope north of the Hunt place about 1 1/2 miles south of Page. Situated on the east side of the highway, it still compels attention of passersby as it has for generations.

Much community history can be written around this lone pine tree. When it was ceremoniously planted it was the only tree in this locality north of the Elkhorn river.

A cone-bearing pine, it was carefully packed in a tub of dirt and brought in a covered wagon



The lone pine tree... holds many secrets.

from the Pine Ridge reservation near Chadron. Mr. and Mrs. Dan McMullin, who had visited kin at Chadron, brought it back. They dug a hole, stuffed carp into the bottom of the hole for fertilizer, and Aunt Mary carried the pine in her apron to the site selected for the seedling.

It was tended carefully and watered regularly when domestic water was being hauled into town. Later it received protection from a fence.

Ladies full of conversation used to sit in its shade on nail kegs provided by the Townsend Bridge company. Men settled world affairs there. Children played drop-the-handkerchief in summer and the proud landmark was a focal point for winter games. The Hunt children made the tree site their playground and the tree prospered despite the wear-and-tear.

Strangers traveling through were urged to make it to "lone pine" where they would be welcomed and could water horses.

One Washington-bound family, Mr. and Mrs. Orris Wilson and son, York, became caught in an early October snowstorm. They had it so good at the Hunts they stayed on all winter. Mrs. Dora Hunt Townsend recalls the Wilsons had fine voices; the Hunts had an organ.

Mr. Hunt was justice of the peace 18 years.

Duran Hunt filed at the land office at Niobrara on April 9, 1882, for the quarter known still as the Hunt place, now owned by Myrtle Hunt Fleming.

The tree shared all events—good and bad. Stella McMullin and three Hunt sisters died within two weeks and two were buried in one grave nearby.

The lone pine tree provided a trysting place for Miss Dora and her bridegroom—E. Roy Townsend, when they pledged their troth in 1900.

Walter Hunt's firstborn was buried beneath the tree and remained there until they left to make their home at Riverside, Calif. A fence of white palings surrounded the small grave.

For 70 years the lone pine tree has quietly and in its own way dominated the countryside. It richly deserves a plaque or some mark of distinction to protect it from falling prey to some eager-beaver's axe. For the tree will never tell the secrets it has stored.

THE LONE PINE By Dora Hunt Townsend Let us take a look at the lone pine tree.

As the wild winds browbeat the land: Glistening, sturdy, strong and rugged it sways, Its seventy years protected by God's hand. Many the storms it has weathered throughout.

A tornado once shook all its branches; Leaving some scars on the grey young trunk, But it stood—and the landscape enhanced.

Listen—it speaks; soft and low is its tone To birds building nests in its cages; But when the storms sweep fierce, Then it sings the song of the cages; So let us grow strong as the lone pine grew, Straight, sturdy and staunch as life rages; Roots deep in the earth as up and down we look, Singing the song of the ages.

Second Highest Marine Pte. Raymond C. Lewis (above), son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie R. Lewis of Butte, was graduated the second highest in his class from the radio telegraph operators course, communications - electronics school battalion, at the marine corps recruit depot at San Diego, Calif. Lewis has been transferred to the marine corps schools at Quantico, Va., for duty as a radio telegraph operator.

Before entering the service in May, 1955, he graduated from Butte high school.

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Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Stevens went to Oneida, S.D., Thursday, April 19, where they were overnight guests in the Dennis LaFave home and visited Miss Wanda Stevens. Saturday they were accompanied by Mrs. LaFave and daughter, Lynne, to Climax, Colo., where they will visit Mr. and Mrs. Keith Cable and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Stevens and Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Stevens at Buena Vista. They will spend two weeks there.

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Bonnie Heiss had supper guests and a slumber party Friday evening in observance of her birthday anniversary. Guests were the Misses Connie and Bonnie Riege, Ruth Evelyn Mewmaw, Juanita Ragland, Suzanne O'Brien and Carolyn Max.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Snyder left Monday for Savannah, Mo., where he will have a checkup. They were accompanied as far as Tecumseh by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Snyder, who will visit his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Jacke, during their absence.

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MAY 4TH — PARADE DAY 12:30 P.M.—Parade Units Gather 2:00—Parade, Judging of Floats 6:30-7:30—Free Concert, Tangier Shrine Band and Chanters 8:00-9:00—Show, Rusty Sosby's Ranch House Gang 9:15—Free Movies at Ball Park

MAY 5TH — WILD WEST DAY 2:30 P.M.—Abu Bekr White Horse Patrol 8:00—Jonny River's Palomino Show 9:30—Popular Dance, American Legion Hall

MAY 6TH — YOUTH AND DEDICATION DAY 12:00-1 P.M.—Bridge Dedication Luncheon (Invitation only) 1:45—Procession to Bridge 2:00-2:30—Ribbon Cutting Ceremony 2:30-3:00—Band Concert 3:00-4:00—Dedication Remarks from Honored Guests

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