

Lorene Ziska Reigns as Hay Days Queen

ATKINSON — Miss Lorene Ziska, 19, a 1956 graduate of St. Joseph high school, Monday evening was revealed as queen of the 1956 Atkinson hay days and will reign in the hay kingdom for the ensuing year. She was crowned by Mayor William Larville while more than a thousand spectators looked on. The coronation and the ball that followed — climaxed the three-day celebration which began Saturday evening and continued through Sunday and Monday.

Over 1,800 pounds of beef was served at Monday's free barbecue.

Queen Ziska is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Ziska. She is employed as a bookkeeper at the Keating Implement Co.

Runnerup for hay queen honors was Miss Irene Ann Jansen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Jansen, sr., and she becomes the reigning princess.

Miss Leona Schmit, daughter of Nick Schmit, is the retiring queen.

Robert Kovrak of Burwell was judged the all-around cowboy at the rodeo contest. He won first place in saddle bronc and bareback riding and finished fourth in the Brahma bull event.

Other first place winners were: Ernest Voss of Valentine, steer wrestling "Skip" McKenny of O'Neill, junior bareback bronc riding; Louis Brown of O'Neill, Brahma riding; Mel Lowery of Burwell, calf roping.

Miss Sharon Miner of O'Neill was chosen rodeo queen.

An amateur program featured the Monday entertainment. Miss Joyce Lauby, acrobatic dancer, won first; four boys, performing as a military dance team, ranked second. The quartet included Ricky and Randy Stogart and Thomas and James Keller.

Miss Marcia Widman of Amelia, piano soloist, placed first in the senior division; Larry Haynes, pianist, second.

Lloyd Waldo Heads Small Schools Group

BURWELL—Lloyd Waldo of Amelia was elected president of the newly formed Nebraska Small Schools association Friday at an organizational meeting at the American Legion hall at Burwell.

Leo Clinch, Burwell attorney, was named secretary-treasurer and will serve as legal counsel.

Named to the board of directors for one-year terms were: Gerald Hennickson of Magnet and Harry Hochstein of St. Helena elected for two-year terms were: Clyde Widman of Amelia and T. J. McBride of Primrose; for three-year terms: Louise Cording of Cushing and Keith Miller of Brewster rural high school.

The group authorized the officers to attend Tuesday's meeting of legislative council at Lincoln.

The group feels the smaller schools have been discriminated against by the state board of education. At present, Amelia and Westerville (Custer county) high schools have obtained an injunction barring the state board from closing their high schools and the matter is awaiting decision in Lancaster county district court.

Eleven schools were represented at the meeting and 10 more have signified "keen interest," President Waldo said.

Dennis A. McCarthy Stricken Suddenly

Lifelong O'Neill Man Found Dead

Dennis A. McCarthy, 69, was found dead at his home about 10 a. m., Thursday, July 26. County Coroner William W. Griffin said death was by natural causes, probably a heart attack, and McCarthy had been dead several hours. He had been seen by a neighbor about 8 o'clock that morning.

Funeral services were conducted at 10 a. m., Monday, July 30, from St. Patrick's Catholic church. Very Rev. Timothy O'Sullivan officiated. Burial was in Calvary cemetery.

Palbearers were Thomas Matthews, Richard Minton, Andy Clark, John Vitt, Bert Shoemaker and D. F. Murphy.

A rosary was offered Monday evening at Biglin's chapel.

The late Mr. McCarthy was born June 6, 1887, at O'Neill, a son of Timothy and Catherine Sullivan McCarthy.

His parents came from Ireland. His father reached the O'Neill community in 1884 after spending several years in Michigan.

Mr. McCarthy was reared 7 miles south and 2 miles west of O'Neill.

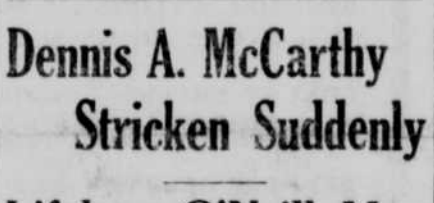
He farmed and ranched for many years and had been living in retirement here with his sister, the late Miss Margaret McCarthy, who died recently.

Survivors include: Sisters — Sr. M. Helen of Sioux Falls, S. D.; Mrs. Sam (Marie) Dancy of Holabird, S. D.; Sr. M. Immaculata and Sr. M. Patrice, both of Denver, Colo.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters Katherine and Margaret; brother — Timothy.



Queen Ziska . . . to rule kingdom of hay.—The Frontier Photo.



Dennis A. McCarthy . . . retired rancher-farmer.—The Frontier Photo.

Dankert Heads Chambers Legion

CHAMBERS — American Legion post 320 met on Friday evening, July 28 at the Legion hall.

The following officers were elected: Donald Dankert, commander; Raymond Walter, vice-commander; Merlin Grossnicklaus, adjutant; Vernon Harley, finance officer; E. R. Carpenter, child welfare and publicity; Stanley Lambert, service officer; "Shorty" Fauquier, sergeant-at-arms.

Various business matters were discussed after which the men enjoyed a social time and watermelon feed.

OFF TO ROME

Enroute to Denver, Colo., is Sister Mary Laurissa of O'Neill, a sister of Mrs. Edward Johnson of Omaha. From Denver, Sister Mary Laurissa will go to New York from where she plans to sail for Rome August 22. She will be there for two years in a teaching capacity.

PURCHASE DWELLING

Dr. and Mrs. H. D. Gildersleeve Saturday purchased the Walter Christon dwelling one-half block north of St. Anthony's hospital. The house was purchased at auction arranged by the O'Neill Company, Virgil Laursen, real estate broker.

LIGHT SHOWERS

Fourteen hundredths of an inch of rain fell early Wednesday. Another light shower fell here Wednesday evening.

Mrs. James F. O'Donnell of Los Angeles, Calif., and her daughter, Mrs. V. W. Credle, are here visiting in the home of Miss Anna O'Donnell and Mrs. Sue Deaver.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stutz and family returned Saturday from Hebron. They left Wednesday.

Stroke Fatal to Elizabeth Pelcer

ATKINSON — Mrs. Elizabeth Pelcer, 94, a longtime Atkinson resident, suffered a stroke about a week ago and died Tuesday, July 31, in Atkinson Memorial hospital.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, August 3, from the Methodist church. Palbearers will be nephews — Ed, Ben, Roy and Harry Wayman, all of Atkinson, and great-nephew — Norman Wayman.

Elizabeth K. Wayman was born at Portsmouth, O., December 25, 1861, a daughter of Herman and Mary Wayman.

Survivors include: Sons — Harry of Atkinson, with whom she had made her home, and Clarence of Bellingham, Wash., who had visited here recently; three grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; half-brother — Charles Wayman of Page.

Lorenz Fund Closes at \$7,573

The Leonard Lorenz fund drive ended officially at 3 p. m., Tuesday with \$7,573.56 having been contributed by good neighbors during the past five weeks.

Mr. Lorenz, 35, a navy B-24 pilot during World War II, lost both arms in a dreadful haybaler accident near Middlebranch on June 8. He was taken to the Veterans hospital at Omaha, later was transferred to the VA hospital at Minneapolis, Minn., where experts are fitting artificial arms.

The benefit fund was sponsored by the O'Neill newspapers — The Frontier and the Holt County Independent — in cooperation with the city's two banks. The fund will be held in trust and will go far towards underwriting Mr. Lorenz's hopes for a college education. He already has 1 1/2 years of college to his credit. He believes that he can become a teacher and earn a livelihood for himself and for his 9-year-old adopted son, Larry.

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Lifelong Holt Man Dies at 70

H. J. Harte Suffers a Lingering Illness; Burial Here Tuesday

Funeral services for H. J. Harte, 70, a farmer northeast of Inman until illness forced his recent retirement, were conducted at 9 a. m., Tuesday, July 31, from St. Patrick's Catholic church. Rev. Thomas Hitch officiated and burial was made in Calvary cemetery.

Mr. Harte died Friday evening, July 27, in St. Anthony's hospital. He had suffered a lingering illness.

His death was caused by aleukemic leukemia, relatives said.

A rosary rite was held Monday evening at Biglin's funeral chapel. Palbearers were Charles Kalina, Jr., Elmer Tavener, Joseph Gallagher, James Gallagher, Matthew McCabe.

The late Henry J. Harte, better known as "Harry", was born April 30, 1886, at Inman.

His parents were William and Elizabeth Lynch Harte, both of whom were natives of Ireland.

On October 2, 1917, at Atkinson, he married Nora Hayes. They became the parents of two children, one of whom died in infancy.

The late Mr. Harte spent his entire life on the family homestead, which is located one mile north of Inman.

Survivors include: Widow — Nora; son—John W., of Lincoln; brother—J. P. Harte of Twin Falls, Ida.; sisters—Sr. Mary Isabelle of Omaha; Mrs. Bert Laney of Inman; Mrs. Helen O'Donnell and Sadie Harte, both of Long Beach, Calif.

Among those from a distance for the funeral were: Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Harte, Mrs. Dennis Hunt and George Hunt, all of Lincoln; J. P. Harte of Twin Falls, Ida.; sisters — Sr. Mary Isabelle and Sr. Mary Genevieve, both of Omaha; Mr. and Mrs. P. Killmurry, George Meals, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Meals and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Meals, all of Atkinson; Mr. and Mrs. Neal Chase and Mr. McCabe, all of Sheldon, Ia.; Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Harte of Remsen, Ia.; Mrs. Elizabeth Ticknor of Denver, Colo.



Mrs. Chambers . . . native of Illinois. (Story at right.)

Frank Backhaus, 66, Expires in Hospital

Rites Wednesday at Amelia

AMELIA—Frank Backhaus, 66, of Amelia died about noon Sunday, July 29, in St. Anthony's hospital at O'Neill.

He had suffered a heart ailment.

The late Mr. Backhaus, who was retired, formerly was employed by Vern Sageser for 28 years.

He was a veteran of World War I.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, August 1, at Amelia at the Methodist church and burial was in Woodlawn cemetery at Atkinson with military rites conducted by the Chambers and Atkinson American Legion posts. Rev. Chester Anderson officiated.

Palbearers were Jack Wittings, Blake Ott, George Fullerton, Oscar Peterson, Edgar Peterson and Ernest Johnston.

Murman Signs at Wood River

Elmer Murman, O'Neill high school basketball coach the past two seasons, has signed to coach football, basketball and track at Wood River high school for the forthcoming term and will teach mathematics.

Mr. Murman is spending the summer at college in Greeley, Colo.

Collins to Plug for Ike - Herter

ATKINSON — Earl Collins of Atkinson has been appointed by Harold E. Stassen to head a drive in the Fourth congressional district plugging for the Eisenhower-Herter team at the state and national republican conventions.

The GOP national chairman, Leonard Hall, has announced Richard M. Nixon would be the vice-presidential candidate on the republican ticket. Eisenhower has said he would be "delighted" to again have Nixon as a running mate.

Gov. Christian Herter of Massachusetts has said he would place Nixon's name in nomination.

Collins said Tuesday he had not formulated plans yet to further the Herter boom.

Much News Omitted

The death of the mother of one of the lino-type operators, another operator on duty with company D of the national guards at Ft. Knox, Ky., and the overwhelming work of the official Holt county fair premium list necessitated restricting the number of pages to eight in this week's main news section. Communities with considerable news omitted include Chambers, Page, Rock Falls, Riverside, Stuart and Amelia, as well as some O'Neill news. Much of the omitted material will appear next issue.—Publishers.

Suffers Burns

William ("Bill") White (above) suffered burns on his hands and arms last Thursday when static electricity apparently started a blizz at the Arbutnot Oil company. Mr. White was assisting in moving large fuel tanks in connection with a construction project there.—The Frontier Photo.

Mrs. C. H. Chambers Dies at Valentine

Came Here in 1948; Burial at O'Neill

Mrs. C. H. Chambers, sr., 80, a former resident of O'Neill, died at 1 a. m., Monday, July 30, in the Valentine hospital. She had suffered a heart ailment, also other complications, and had been bedfast much of the time during past several months while making her home with her daughter, Mrs. M. E. Asher, at Valentine.

Funeral services were conducted at 10 a. m., Wednesday, August 1, at Valentine.

Burial was made in Prospect Hill cemetery at O'Neill near the grave of her husband, who died in December, 1949.

The late Mrs. Chambers, whose maiden name was Jessie M. Perry, was born October 17, 1875, at Peoria, Ill., the daughter of Walter and Minta Perry. She spent her early childhood in Illinois and in Nebraska, and then moved with her parents to Leadville, Colo.

She married Charles H. Chambers at Leadville on October 17, 1900. They made their home in Colorado, Kansas, and Oklahoma before moving to northern Iowa where they lived for 33 years.

In 1948 they moved to O'Neill to be near their son, Charles, and their two daughters, Mrs. M. E. Asher and Mrs. H. E. Asher.

Following the death of her husband, she made her home with her two daughters at O'Neill and Valentine, respectively.

Survivors include: Sons—Harry of Dubuque, Ia.; Lloyd of Columbia, S.C.; Charles of Ringstead, Ia.; daughters—Mrs. M. E. (Ethel) Asher of Valentine, and Mrs. M. E. (Esther) Asher of O'Neill, 15 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; three sisters and two brothers.



Glenn McClurg (left) receives a 30-year safe-driving plaque from the Continental Oil company for his long accident-free record, having never been involved in an accident with a company vehicle. Presentation to the Atkinson man was made by Paul Baker of O'Neill, district manager, while Conoco dealers from six counties looked on at the Golden Hotel.—The Frontier Photo.

Youth, 16, Suffers Facial, Arm Burns

Flaming Gas Sprayed by Balking Engine

AMELIA — Marvin Timmons, 16, son of Lee Timmons of Scotia, suffered severe burns on both sides of his face, both hands and arms Friday afternoon.

He and a companion, Carl Kamphaus, were working on the engine of an old touring car. They had poured gasoline into the carburetor. The engine backfired and sprayed flaming gasoline over young Timmons. The burned youth was rushed to Chambers by his companion and he was driven to St. Anthony's hospital at O'Neill by Glenn Taylor.

Young Timmons had been employed recently on the Ed Jungman ranch, working in the hay field. The accident occurred near the Jungman ranch house while the Jungmans were in O'Neill.

Timmons was not working for Jungmans at the time of the accident.

The Jungman ranch is located 10 miles west of Chambers and one mile north.

Timmons' condition is "good." Also witnessing the accident was Merle Thompson.

Van Every Will Manage Iowa Store

Eugene ("Ike") Van Every, who has been associated with Gambles here more than five years, has been appointed general manager of the company-owned store at Perry, Ia., effective August 13.

His wife, the former Patricia Kruse, and their two sons will follow as soon as housing arrangements can be completed.

In an announcement in The Frontier last week, it was stated Mr. Van Every would be designated as August sale manager for the 3 1/2 - floor O'Neill store as a part of the company's nationwide talent hunt "by spotlighting their experienced capabilities in other positions for the August promotion.

Over 300 managerial prospects had been similarly appointed by the general office formulated promotional plans, requested special purchases be made by the buying offices in Minneapolis, New York City, Chicago, Ill., and Los Angeles, Calif. Those plans had been forwarded for approval several weeks ago.

Mr. Van Every's preparation for this sale, marking Gambles' 22d year in O'Neill, plus the fact he has been one of the "top-performing" assistant store managers for over two years, gained for him the recognition of being the number one man in the company in line for promotion from assistant store manager in store management positions at that state.

Mrs. Van Every, who has been the bookkeeper for the O'Neill Livestock Market for six years, has resigned.

Visit at Osmond

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Grenier and Mrs. Dom McDermott and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Gene McDermott and family at Osmond Sunday.

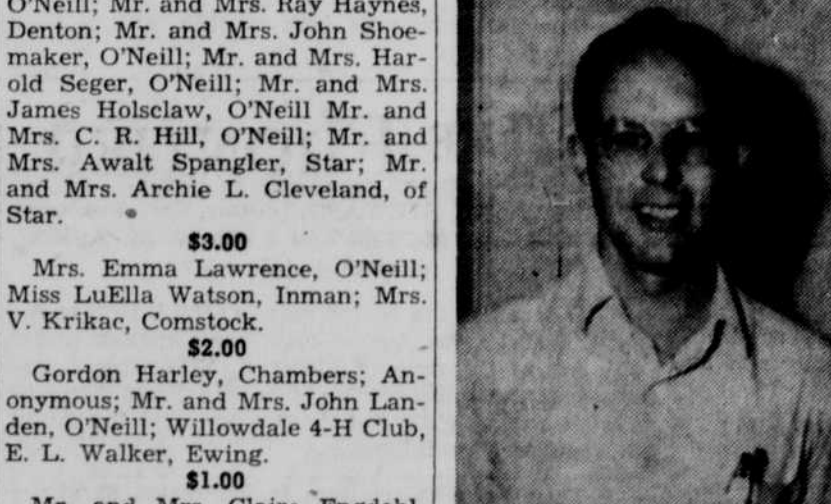
Kurtz, Pasadena, Cal.; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. O. Fricke, O'Neill; Walter O'Malley, O'Neill; Dorsey Ladies Aid, Dorsey; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Grothe, Jr., Emmet; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shoemaker, O'Neill; Francis C. Peters, Chambers; Mr. and Mrs. Orville Thorson, O'Neill; Mr. and Mrs. James Banks, O'Neill; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Summerer, Ewing; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Loy, O'Neill; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Krogh, O'Neill; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Haynes, Denton; Mr. and Mrs. John Shoemaker, O'Neill; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Seger, O'Neill; Mr. and Mrs. James Holsclaw, O'Neill; Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Hill, O'Neill; Mr. and Mrs. Awall Spangler, Star; Mr. and Mrs. Archie L. Cleveland, of Star.

Mr. and Mrs. Emma Lawrence, O'Neill; Miss Luella Watson, Inman; Mrs. V. Krikac, Comstock.

Gordon Harley, Chambers; Anonymous; Mr. and Mrs. John Landen, O'Neill; Willowdale 4-H Club, E. L. Walker, Ewing.

Mr. and Mrs. Claire Engdahl, O'Neill; Anonymous.

Total to date—
Wed. Noon, August 1 — \$7,573.56



Van Every . . . promotion.

64th Holt Fair Soon to Open

New 4-H Barn Will Handle Increased Number of Entries

CHAMBERS — The 1956 Holt county fair will be earlier than usual this year, starting Monday, August 13, and continuing for three days — Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, August 14, 15 and 16. A record number of livestock entries is expected.

To accommodate the continually increasing 4-H cattle exhibits, a new building, 18-ft. by 80-ft., has been erected along livestock "row". It is a pole type building with open sides. Most of the labor was donated, just as a new 4-H home economics building was constructed a year ago.

Cost of the newest addition to the grounds improvement was \$1,400. Some of the cash came from Ak-Sar-Ben and the part - mutual industry in the state.

Walter Plugge, the Wheeler county rodeo producer, once again will furnish the stock for the rodeo, which will be shown on two nights—Wednesday and Thursday, August 15 and 16. "Some of the country's best rodeo competitors will be on hand," according to Fair Secretary James H. Gibson.

Baseball games have been scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday afternoons. On Wednesday, the Chambers team will face Atkinson; on Thursday, the

Premium List

More than 3,500 copies of the official Holt county fair premium list are being distributed this week as a supplement to The Frontier.

home team will take on the O'Neill Rockets.

Jess Geyer and his famous band will provide music on Thursday night for dancing under the stars of the grounds.

A record number of school exhibits will be entered.

Lloyd Glead of Chambers is president of the Holt County Agricultural society, group that sponsors the fair; Vern Sageser of Amelia, vice-president; Steve Shavlik of Chambers, treasurer.

Board of directors besides the officers, includes Henry Wood of Ewing, Ray Beed, C. V. Robertson, George Rowse, T. E. Alderson and Ray Hoffman, all of Chambers.

Detailed fair program will appear in next week's issue.

Grazing OK in Holt; 574 Sign Soil Bank

The U. S. secretary of agriculture has approved Holt county to permit the grazing of the designated acreage reserve to and including August 31, 1956, it was stated Tuesday by Harry E. Reszel, O'Neill, chairman of the Holt county ASC office.

"Such grazing is only for the benefit of the producer's own livestock, and such land can not be leased to other producers for grazing," Reszel added.

If a farmer does not graze the corn acreage reserve by Friday, August 3, if the land is grazed during August and there is a possibility of a crop maturing, the crop must be destroyed by August 31, according to the soil bank regulations.

Meanwhile, 574 Holt county farmers have signed to participate in the soil bank agreements. The agreements represent 280-thousand-dollars.

Lynch Paper Is Reported Sold

LYNCH — Aldon Zink, editor publisher of the Lynch Herald-Enterprise for the past three years, has sold the publication and commercial printing department to Leo Thomson, according to an unconfirmed report.

Mr. Thomson, a native of Lynch and a graduate of the Lynch high school, served in the Korean war. He is married and has one child. He has been employed at the Herald-Enterprise for the past two years.

Mr. Zink has not told his future plans.

Fred Halvas Feted in Park Picnic

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Halva entertained a few of their relatives at a picnic dinner at the O'Neill park Sunday in honor of their son, Fred V. Halva, and family of Denver, Colo.

The annual men's golf tournament at the Country club will be held next week. Qualifying scores are to be turned into A. P. Jaskowski by Tuesday, August 7. M. J. Golden is the defending champion.