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Rogers (left) and Whitehouse... their flight to freedom took them through Colorado, Wyoming, South Dakota and Nebraska.—The Frontier Photo.

## Grassland Day Will Be At Stuart

O'Rourke, Lee to Be Speakers at Next Thursday's Meeting

STUART—This western Holt county town is putting on its best bib-and-tucker for entertaining farmers, ranchers and agricultural experts in the ninth annual grasslands day to be held Thursday, February 28. The event is jointly sponsored by the Community club and the Holt county extension office.

Free coffee will be served at 9 a.m., to start the activities. Between 10 a.m., and noon there will be a panel discussion on "Irrigation".

Between 1:30 and 2 p.m., L. F. Eredemeier of North Platte, former soil conservationist at O'Neill, will discuss: "What Can I Expect from My Pasture and Range in 1957".

Forrest Lee of Brownlee, president of the Sandhills Cattlemen's association, will talk between 2 and 2:30 on the subject, "The Cattle Picture in the Sandhills".

Charles W. O'Rourke, vice-president of the Union Stock Yards company of Omaha, will make a half-hour talk, starting at 2:30. His subject: "Marketing Livestock".

Phil Henderson, farm management specialist from the University of Nebraska college of agriculture, will speak at 3 o'clock. Subject: "Cutting Costs".

Farmers and ranchers of the Stuart tri-county area interested in the everyday problems of agriculture, are invited to attend and present their question or problem to the experts for an answer.

A special program has been arranged for the ladies at the Stuart theater from 1:30 until 3:30, according to Lawrence Hamik and Cleus Durr, who are helping with arrangements.

## Top 10 Herefords Average \$375 Here

Sagesers, Rowse Cop Show Honors

Ten top bulls in Tuesday's annual spring sale, sponsored by the Holt County Hereford Breeders' association, averaged \$375. The 25 bulls in the sale averaged \$289, and the seven heifers brought an average of \$188, according to Kieth A. Abart, secretary and sale manager.

The show in the forenoon and sale in the afternoon were held at the O'Neill Livestock Market.

M. L. Sageser Sons of Amelia exhibited the grand champion bull, Royal Prince, shown by Vern Sageser. The reserve champion bull, MT Shadow, was consigned by George Rowse of Chambers.

Rowse also consigned the grand champion heifer, Gwen Annie 10th Reserve champion heifer honors went to Karen Regent, consigned by Sagesers.

JO Mischief, top selling bull, was consigned by Rowses and was purchased for \$500 by Tyler McKillip of Elgin. The grand champion Sageser bull was purchased by Eugene and Donald Ermer of O'Neill for \$430. The reserve champ bull was purchased by Laurence Condon & Son of Creighton for \$480.

Gwen Annie 10th, the top female, sold to Nelson Bros. of Clearwater for \$250, and Nelsons purchased the reserve champion female for \$190.

Sagesers were presented The Frontier trophy for showing the best three bulls. Presentation was made by Lawrence Buller of The Nebraska Farmer.

Harold Harms of Valentine was judge; Charles Corkle of Norfolk, auctioneer.

## Rerouting of Hiway to Be Aired Friday

A representative of the Nebraska state highway commission will conduct a public hearing here at 9 a. m., Friday, February 22, at the city hall. Hearing will concern the proposed relocation of the highway from the West O'Neill corner to Emmet.

The highway department has told of plans to extend the new highway straight west, following the Chicago & North Western to a point near Emmet, and join up with a new stretch of road built two years ago.

Rockeyes to California—EWING—Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Rockey arrived Sunday at Lake Port, Calif., where they will make their home.

A series of farewell affairs was held in their honor.



Thirty persons in Holt county died of heart disease during 1956. At intermission in Tuesday night's basketball game played here, 30 spectators filled onto the floor to help dramatize the heart deaths. Heart disease killed 25 at O'Neill alone. Holt recorded a total of 73 deaths last year—43 of which were attributed to other causes.—The Frontier Photo.

## GI's Overpower Guard; Captured at Inman

Edith Castleman Dies in Hospital

Former Police Matron Long Ill

Edith Iola Castleman, 63, a resident of O'Neill since 1927, died at 11 a.m., Wednesday, February 20, in St. Anthony's hospital. She had been ill of cancer for three months.

Funeral services will be conducted at 10 a.m., Saturday, February 23, at the Methodist church. Rev. Glenn Kennicott, church pastor, will officiate and burial will be in Prospect Hill cemetery under the direction of Biglin's.

Pallbearers will be John Schmit, Richard Tibbets, John Bellin, D. C. Schaffer, Joseph Sivesind and Robert E. Moore.

She was born December 7, 1893, at Argos, Ind., in Marshall county, the daughter of Peter S. and Louisa Miller Castleman.

On October 12, 1912, she married Andrew Edward Bunn at Plymouth, Ind. They became the parents of four children. One son, Elmo Daar, died in 1938.

She came to O'Neill from Indiana and operated a restaurant for a number of years.

At the time she became ill she was serving as police matron and was in charge of the municipal water department office.

She was a member of the Methodist church here and of Simonson unit 93, American Legion auxiliary.

Survivors include: Daughters—Mrs. Louedva Catherine Kuhn of Rochester, Ind.; Mrs. Charlotte May Clay of Montpelier, O., and Mrs. Rosemary Nolen of Round Lake, Ill.; 13 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; brother—Herbert Castleman of Plymouth, Ind.; sisters—Mrs. Nellie Gurdeth of Tyler, Ind.; Mrs. Tina Ellinger of Plymouth, Ind.; Mrs. Faye Woodbridge of Culver, Ind., and Mrs. Carrie Johnson of Argos, Ind.

## Four in Lodge for Half-Century Feted

Mrs. L. G. Gillespie, Dr. and Mrs. L. A. Carter and Mrs. Mabel Henry were honored Friday evening by Eden Rebekah lodge members and Odd Fellow guests. Each has been a member of the Rebekahs a half-century or more.

Mrs. Gillespie exhibited certificates showing regular payment of dues down through the years. The ladies were presented yellow pom-pom corsages; Doctor Carter, a boutonniere.

The Misses Karen and Sharon Hartroft sang several vocal solos and Miss Diane Gillespie played a piano solo.

## Dry Goods Store Being Converted

EWING—The building in Ewing, which formerly housed the Ewing dry goods store, will be converted into a youth center. And teenagers are busy cleaning the building and readying it for use for youth activities.

Bob Tams of Ewing high school senior class is president of the youth movement; Carolyn Tams, a sophomore, is vice-president; Rowena Rotherham, a senior, is treasurer; Judy Cloyd, a senior, is secretary.

The Legion auxiliary will serve a pancake supper Saturday evening and proceeds will go to the center.

Carolyn Young of Orchard, a recent graduate from beauty school, began working last Thursday at O'Neill.

Two 21-year-old Ft. Carson, Colo., soldiers, who were sentenced by courtmartial for having been absent-without-leave, overpowered a lone guard Tuesday, February 12 while on a work detail. They wrested the guard's rifle, later abandoned it in a ditch, and made a short-lived flight across Wyoming, South Dakota and Nebraska.

Late Friday they were captured on a road one-half mile north of Inman while sleeping in a car. They were taken by Game Warden Fred Salak of O'Neill, who was making a routine patrol.

Arrested were: ALLAN ROGERS, Isabelle, S. D., member of the 82d airborne division.

RICHARD WHITEHOUSE, Stillwater, Okla., 15th army engineers.

Rogers, veteran of 18 chute jumps, had been in the stockade one month; Whitehouse, two months.

They tied up their guard and hitchhiked away from the work scene to Plattville. That evening they broke into a dwelling there and stole a 12-gauge shotgun, 22-gauge rifle and a bag of money, which represented a church collection. The money, mostly in small change, amounted to \$16, was kept in a bag bearing the label of the First National Bank of Greeley, Colo.

From the streets of Plattville they appropriated a 1950 model Mercury sedan, belonging to Mr. Fox, drove into Wyoming and stopped in an abandoned tourist court.

Later, they broke into a dry-cleaning establishment at Sturgis, S. D., where they helped themselves to a rack of clothing. Clothing they didn't need was stuffed under a bridge.

Rogers and Whitehouse threw away the Colorado plates and replaced them with South Dakota plates found in a Dakota junk yard.

On Friday they entered Nebraska from the north on U.S. highway 281, passed through O'Neill, and, upon reaching Inman, turned a half-mile off the road to grab some sleep. They were asleep when Salak approached them.

Next day an investigation was conducted by Holt County Sheriff Leo Tomjack and by the federal bureau of investigation, which was interested in the stolen car angle.

The Weld county sheriff of Greeley, Colo., came Sunday for the prisoners, who were extradited to Colorado.

## Fred Forslund Funeral Today

EWING—Fred Forslund of near Ewing died about 7 p. m., Monday evening at St. Anthony's hospital. He had been in failing health for several years.

Survivors include: his wife; one son Merrill at home; one brother, Carl, Stayton, Ore.; three sisters, Jennie, in California, Ruth Spangler of Ewing and Ella Gustafson of Clarinda, Ia.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday afternoon at 2:00 at the United Presbyterian church.

Completes Leave—Pfc. Eugene R. Janzing, who has been spending a 10 day leave with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Herman J. Janzing, left Friday, February 15th to return to Port Blakely, Wash., where he is stationed with A. Btry. 513th AAA Msl. Bn. (NICKE) Continental.

NAMED QUEEN—Miss Karen Hartroft, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Hartroft, has been named "Miss Cosmetology" at O'Neill. She is an O'Neill high school student.

## D. C. Gallagher, 58, Expires in Chicago

Donald C. Gallagher, 58, Chicago trial attorney and former Lincoln attorney, died in Bellwood, Ill., Thursday, February 14, following an extended illness.

Private funeral services were held Friday February 15, in Chicago, as had been requested by Mr. Gallagher.

Born in O'Neill into a pioneer banking family, Mr. Gallagher attended Cornell university in 1916, and was commissioned an ensign in the navy in World War I.

Following military service he received his law degree from the University of Nebraska, and returned to O'Neill where he practiced law. He was elected to the state legislature and served district 28 for one term.

Mr. Gallagher practiced law at Casper, Wyo., from 1923 until opening a law firm in Lincoln in 1925.

He entered government service in the early '30s and was trial attorney with the federal power commission until 1939, when he moved to Chicago. He served as trial attorney for the Chicago Transit authority and for several insurance companies.

Mr. Gallagher was a member of the Wyoming, Illinois and Nebraska state bar associations.

Survivors include: widow—Jeanne, daughter, Helen Ruth Resegnie of Lincoln; sons—Donald C. of Cedar Rapids, Ia., and Edward F., Lincoln attorney; brother—Edward M. of O'Neill, four grandchildren.

## Carl Boelter, Wife Plan Open-House

ORCHARD—Mr. and Mrs. Carl Boelter of Orchard will be observing their golden wedding anniversary on Sunday, February 24.

They will hold open-house and receive their friends and relatives in the parlors of the Venus Lutheran church, north of Orchard, between 2 and 4:30 p.m.

## Lynch Woman, 48, Long Ill, Expires

LYNCH—Mrs. Joseph Micanek jr., 48, died late Saturday in Sacred Heart hospital at Lynch. She had suffered a lingering illness and had been hospitalized two months.

Mrs. Micanek's maiden name was Gertrude Effline.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m., Tuesday, February 19, at Christ Lutheran church in Lynch. Rev. John Rath officiated. Burial was in Highland cemetery at Lynch under the direction of the Jones funeral home.

Survivors include: Widow—Joseph, jr.; daughters—Mrs. William C. (Lavonne) Bentz of Spencer and Miss Jolene of Lynch, a teacher; sons—Dwight of Lynch and Joe Randy, 12, also of Lynch.

## Door-to-Door Drive for Heart Funds

Sunday, February 24, has been designated as heart Sunday.

Holt county's quota for the 1957 fund drive is \$690. Mrs. John L. Baker of O'Neill is directing the drive both in the county and in O'Neill.

Various fund-raising methods are being used.

Between 1 and 3 p.m., on heart Sunday, block volunteers, representing members of the American Legion and auxiliary, will canvass the residential areas in O'Neill. These include Mrs. Ben Vidricksen, Mrs. Phil Cohn, Mrs. Gilbert Winchell, Mrs. Archie Bright, Mrs. James Lyons, Mrs. Al Hamik, Mrs. Floyd Wilson, Mrs. Lionel Siefken, Mrs. Glenn Miller, Mrs. Marlin Wichman, Mrs. Ralph Walker, Mrs. Elgin Ray, Mrs. Robert Stevens, Mrs. John Watson and Mrs. William Whitte.

At intermission of the St. Mary's academy-St. Boniface (Elgin) basketball game here Tuesday night, a freewill offering netted \$24. Mrs. Baker reports \$64 in contributions already received by mail. An incomplete canvass of the business district already has netted \$150. In addition there are coin collectors in many of the business establishments.

Arrives from Denver—Mr. and Mrs. James Harty and two children of Denver, Colo., arrived Monday to visit their mother, Mrs. W. H. Harty and Mrs. Simon Bosn.

## Mrs. Nels Finwall Dies in California

Mrs. Nels J. Finwall, who was reared in the Deloit and Ewing communities, died Sunday.

Survivors include: Widower; two sons; three daughters; sisters—Mrs. Richard Finwall of San Diego, Calif., and Mrs. Leland Clark of Elgin; brothers—John Manson of Norwood, Conn.; Howard Manson of O'Neill, and Otto Manson, who lives in California.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Manson and his sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Leland Clark of Elgin went to Sioux City, Ia. Mr. Manson boarded a train for Lake Point, Calif., where he will attend the funeral of his sister.

Returning home with Mrs. Manson was her mother, Mrs. Sidney Anderson of Elgin.

## Loys to Observe Golden Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. David N. Loy of O'Neill will be observing their 50th wedding anniversary on Sunday, February 24.

A reception will be held at the new Fellowship hall in the First Presbyterian church between 2:30 and 5 p.m.

All of the Loys' children will be present for the event.

The Loys request no gifts.

Mrs. Ethel Frisch and sons were at the Richard Clyde farm last Thursday to celebrate Mrs. Frisch's birthday anniversary. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. George Mott and Mr. and Mrs. Art Ennen and family of Verdigré.



George Rowse (left) exhibits Gwen Annie 10th, top heifer in Tuesday's registered Hereford show and sale here; Vern Sageser (right) shows the grand champion bull, Royal Prince, consigned by M. L. Sageser & Sons of Amelia.—The Frontier Photo.

## S-T-A Asks Rail Rules Changes

Would Force C&NW to Furnish Costs and Revenue Figures

The Save-the-Trains association has asked the Nebraska state railway commission to amend the rules under which the railroads seek to abandon trains. Object of the change would be to permit more information to be obtained from protesting parties.

The association is trying to prevent Chicago & North Western railroad from discontinuing trains 13 and 14, which offer passenger-mail-express service on the 450-mile line between Omaha and Chadron.

An association attorney, Elmer Viren, said he had filed an application with the state commission. He said what is sought by the change is actual income and expense information.

The S-T-A, through Viren, has asked the commission to amend general order 11, which is dated April, 1908.

Some of the provisions in that order have been generally ignored by all railroads and other carriers down through the years.

A hearing on C&NW's application to abandon these last two trains serving much of north-Nebraska was originally set for November 19 at Valentine. The matter was continued and the commission said it would announce a new date. Another hearing date has not been set.

C&NW claims an annual loss of 200-thousand-dollars. The losses are based on system averages.

Viren and the association are pressing for actual figures, which the railroad has not seen fit to furnish.

Meanwhile, the trains are running and averaging about 60 passengers per day. Between Valentine and Gordon—a distance of 92 miles—there is no bus service.

## Meadow Gold Picks Papers for Campaign

Newspapers will be the major media of Beatrice Foods company in its nationwide 1957 advertising program due to start on March 1, according to Bill Perry, manager of the O'Neill branch.

Total number of advertisements in newspapers will be the largest in the firm's history, covering all areas where the company's Meadow Gold products are sold. Advertisements will appear in approximately 240 newspapers in more than 200 cities.

Full page and one-third page advertisements will be used in metropolitan areas there will be two- and four-color ads. Each will be keyed to the local level to feature individual Meadow Gold dairy products.

Footo, Cone and Belding is the advertising agency for Beatrice Foods. The Frontier has been selected by the agency to handle O'Neill regional coverage.

## Armory Prospects Dampened Again

The Omaha World-Herald said Wednesday the word from the pentagon is that construction of eight Nebraska state guard armories, including the 200-thousand-dollar structure scheduled for O'Neill, will remain blocked—at least in the immediate future.

The word came just as the city of O'Neill was preparing to finalize the registered warrant purchase of an armory site here.

The newspaper said armories at O'Neill, Crete, Wahoo, Wame, Alliance, Chadron Fairbury and Ogallala ran afoul a new policy which prohibits construction in a community where the guard strength is below two hundred.

The O'Neill unit presently has 80 enlisted men and five officers on the roster but a recruiting drive is underway.

## Kaiser, Wabs Leave for Military Duty

Ivan Kaiser of O'Neill and Rudolph Wabs of Spencer departed from O'Neill early Tuesday for induction into the armed forces through the Holt county selective service office. Kaiser went as a volunteer.

Reporting for preinduction physical examinations were Harlan Neilsen and Harold Seger, both of O'Neill.

The contingent traveled by rail.

## PRAIRIE FIRE

DELOIT—What could have been a serious prairie fire was put out by neighbors Wednesday, February 13. The fire started from a tractor south of the P-fall place, west of Deloit. Two stacks and some meadow burned. Fields are tinder dry.

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