

General Rainfall Is Boon to Pastures



Clyde R. Elkins, 62, War Veteran, Dies

CHAMBERS—Funeral services were conducted at 2 p. m., Tuesday, April 23, at the Methodist church here for Clyde R. Elkins, 62, former mail carrier and veteran of World War I. He died about 6:30 a. m., Sunday, April 21, in Our Lady of Lourdes hospital at Norfolk.

He retired from active work in January, 1956, and spent about half of the intervening time in the Veterans hospital at Omaha.

Rev. Harry Myers, church pastor, officiated at the funeral rites. Burial was in the Chambers cemetery under the direction of Biglin's.

Funeralbearers were Glen Adams, Kenneth Adams, William Ermer, William Turner, all of Chambers, Clifford Harding of O'Neill, and Dale Buckmaster of Fremont.

Music was furnished by Stanley and Thomas Lambert, Ernest Farrier and Ray Hoffman, Organist was Mrs. Elwyn Robertson. In charge of flower arrangements were Mrs. Willard Thomson and Mrs. Vernon Smith.

A military escort was provided by Alderson post 320 of the American Legion.

Born at Chambers
Clyde Ralph Elkins, son of Charles and Lucretia Elkins, was born April 4, 1895, at Chambers. He was reared in the Chambers community and lived here until 1950.

He was united in marriage to Olive Mae Martin on December 27, 1915, at O'Neill. They became the parents of nine children. His wife, Olive, died in 1935.

One daughter, Nadine, died in infancy.

On March 15, 1936, he was married to Corine B. Wexox of Chambers. They have two children, one son, Roland Eugene, who is stationed in France with the armed forces.

Served in France
The late Mr. Elkins was a veteran of World War I. He served in France in the army's motor transportation corps.

For six years during the forties the late Mr. Elkins was star route mail carrier between O'Neill and Chambers. In late years he was engaged in farming, cattle feeding and selling of feed.

After leaving Holt he lived at Wisner and Norfolk.

Survivors include: Widow—Corine; sons—Vernon of Norfolk, Stanley of Chambers, Eldon of Johnston, Donald of Johnston, Wisner and Norfolk, Harold of Gordon and Holland, who is in France; daughters—Mrs. J. O. (Arlene) McCord of Stanton and Mrs. Harry (Bernadine) Putjener of Norfolk; sisters—Mrs. Myrtle Ellison of Los Angeles, Calif., and Mrs. Buelah Carpenter of Omaha; brothers—Clinton of San Francisco, Calif., and Ernest of Sioux City; 20 grandchildren; one great-grandchild.

Mother Agnesine 25 Years in Order
Mother M. Agnesine, superior at St. Mary's academy, Tuesday, April 30, will observe her 25th anniversary (silver jubilee) in the St. Francis order.

Her brother, Rev. Joseph Hargarten of Rushville, will say 7 o'clock mass in the chapel at which time she will renew vows.

A high mass will be said at 9:30 a. m., in St. Patrick's Catholic church.

The students at St. Mary's have planned a program following mass.

Her mother, Mrs. Hargarten, and other relatives will be present. The afternoon will be spent socially with relatives and other friends.

Wayne State Band Plays Here Tonight
The Wayne State Teachers college 60-piece band will present a concert at 8 o'clock tonight (Thursday) at the O'Neill public school auditorium.

Featured will be a trumpet trio and a xylophone solo. Small admissions on charge will be made and proceeds will go toward the purchase of band uniforms.

CREIGHTON—Hans Reppening, 75, of Creighton died Tuesday in the hospital here.

It was a million dollar rain that fell here Monday evening, buoying spirits and transforming the countryside into a veritable sea of green.

Precipitation here amounted to .63 of an inch. It was a slow, gentle rain extending over several hours.

Other rainfall reports: Ewing, 1.05 inches; Long Pine, .75; Atkinson, .75; Bassett, .60; Neligh, .50; Winner, S. D., .50; Burke, S. D., .25.

Niobrara, on the northeastern edge of the storm, measured only .10 of an inch; Creighton, .15; Plainview, .25.

Soaking rains fell Friday night and early Saturday in much of the region, but O'Neill itself was slighted—receiving only .02 of an inch.

Wind Damage
Creighton received 1.67 of an inch, including some hail which broke windows and did some damage. Winnetoon received heavier rainfall. Niobrara reported .36; Bristow, .25; Verdigris, 1.50.

Egin, Neligh and Tilden received approximately an inch of rainfall; Stuart, .25; Clearwater, .55.

A windshift sent the mercury down to 41 degrees here during the night.

An area north of Atkinson and Stuart reported more than a half-inch of rainfall.

The rainfall is considered a wonderful boost for pasture as well as readying the ground for crops.

SUMMARY:

	Hi	Lo	Prec.
April 18	66	49	
April 19	67	55	
April 20	62	40	.02
April 21	75	41	
April 22	75	53	
April 23	70	53	.69
April 24	71	45	

Peterson Files Big Damage Suit

Alleges Quarantining Illegal

Charley W. Peterson, Atkinson rancher, has filed damage action in Holt county district court.

He is suing Dr. J. L. George, state veterinarian, for \$33,183 for alleged illegal quarantining of 226 head of cattle for approximately three months. Cattle involved had been transported from Peterson's pasture in South Dakota to the Atkinson Livestock Market December 18, 1956.

Lee A. Wilcox, state-employed veterinarian, served quarantine notice, and is also named a defendant.

Peterson charges the impounding of the cattle was "without legal authority, negligent, wrongful and malicious." He said the cattle earlier were found to be in good health by a South Dakota accredited veterinarian.

The plaintiff asks \$7,833 in costs of feed and care of the cattle while being held.

He asks \$25,000 damages for "impairment of his (Peterson's) integrity."

Recently Peterson filed for a restraining order against the state and federal agricultural agencies in the establishment of a brucellosis area.

FFA Honors Three O'Neill Farmers

One hundred twenty-two persons attended the Future Farmers of America banquet held Tuesday evening at the fellowship hall in First Presbyterian church.

Three farmers who have befriended the FFA were given honorary memberships: Evert Miner, Walter Young and Elmer Deval.

The honorary memberships were based on contributions toward furtherance of FFA work. They furnished livestock for judging and transportation to and from judging events. FFA awards were presented to chapter members by Vernon Carpenter, instructor.

SMA Alumni to Gather Sunday

An estimated 225 persons will be served Sunday evening at the annual St. Mary's Academy Alumni association banquet to be held at the academy gymnasium.

Graduates and their guests will attend.

Auction Calendar

Saturday, May 4: George J. and Ida M. Mott of O'Neill, two dwellings east of fire station; consignments of personal property accepted; Col. Ed. Thorin of O'Neill, auctioneer—real estate broker. (Details next issue).

Wednesday, May 15: Clarence and Anna Mae Young, northeast of Chambers, moving to another state; livestock, machinery, household goods; Col. Ed. Thorin of O'Neill, auctioneer; Chambers State Bank, clerk. (Watch for details).

Badge Demonstrations to Be Presented

The Girl Scouts, who meet at the Methodist church basement Mondays after school, will present a program Friday, April 26, at 8 p. m., for the O'Neill Women's club.

A showing of Girl Scout work and badge demonstrations will be presented.

"Voice of the Frontier"
9:30-10 A.M. — 780 k.c.
Mon. — Wed. — Sat.

Spanish War Vet Dies at 78

Full Military Rites for Harry S. Prouty; Burial at Spencer

SPENCER—Harry S. Prouty, 78, who lived 10 miles southeast of Spencer and was one of Holt county's three surviving Spanish-American war veterans, died Thursday, April 18, in Sacred Heart hospital at Lynch. He had been ill four weeks.

Funeral services were conducted at 2:30 p. m., Easter Sunday, April 21, at the Methodist church in Spencer. Rev. Clyde Wells, church pastor, officiated. Burial was in Union cemetery at Spencer under the direction of the Jones funeral home.

Funeralbearers were Dr. J. M. Pucelik, Wayne Blair, R. P. Drickey, Roy Dresher, Henry McDowell and George Thompson.

Burial at Spencer
Full military rites were conducted at the cemetery.

Music was provided by a quartette, Mrs. Art Peters, Mrs. Ray Nemece, P. O. Friedrich and Ivan

Mr. Prouty . . . homesteaded in northern Holt.



Cornerstone Rites to Be Held Sunday

Christ Lutheran church is planning the cornerstone laying for its new church building, being erected at Seventh and Clay sts., in a special service and ceremony at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon, it was announced this week by Edwin Krugman, the cornerstone committee chairman, and Donald H. Kellner, chairman of the congregation.

After the regularly scheduled worship service at 9 a. m., Rev. A. S. Gedwillo, pastor of Christ Lutheran, will present some detailed information to the congregation with regard to the afternoon services.

The first portion of the cornerstone laying service is planned to be held in the church basement, beginning at 3 p. m. Rev. W. Hartmann, circuit visitor, and pastor from Ainsworth, will deliver the sermon as guest speaker and official. Reverend Gedwillo will be the liturgist, and Miss Sharon Nelson, organist and accompanist.

After the special service in the building, the congregation and all in attendance will be ushered to the exterior of the building and meet at the site of the cornerstone. The building contractor, Karl Otte, will place the cornerstone, and Reverend Gedwillo will officiate at the ceremony of the cornerstone laying.

Various documents from the files of the congregation and items of historical and statistical interest will be contained in a metal box which will be placed on the cornerstone by Mr. Kellner.

The Lutheran pastors and congregations from the O'Neill area are planning to attend. The public is invited.

Ewing Creamery in New Location

EWING—The Ewing Cooperative Creamery, now located in the former Rocky Implement building on Ewing's main street will hold open-house Saturday, April 27, it was announced this week by Manager Ray Sedivy.

Escorted tours of the building will be provided. The open-house affair will coincide with the annual stockholders' meeting.

The building has been extensively remodeled. Facilities include a loading and unloading dock, receiving room, conveyors, new piping, churn room, butter store room, egg storage.

The firm, originally the Ewing Creamery Co., was founded in 1923. In 1948 it was reorganized and converted into a cooperative. Today it numbers 410 members and assets are 67-thousand-dollars. Butter produced in 1956 totaled 319 - thousand pounds. Payroll is 17-thousand-dollars per year.

SMITH TO SPENCER

SPENCER—Mike A. Smith, 50, of Tekamah, who began his electric utility career at Bassett 22 years ago, effective May 1 will be chief operator at the Spencer hydro electric dam. He will succeed Elmer O. Frosted of Spencer, who died March 3. Mr. Smith was district manager and local superintendent for Consumers Public Power at O'Neill until October, 1949, when he was transferred to Tekamah by CPPD.

MOVING NEAR OMAHA

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Jareske and family are moving from Boy's Town, Omaha to Elkhorn, where he will be associated with Robert's Dairy. Mr. Jareske was employed at Boy's Town.

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New Books on Display in McDonald's Window

New books intended to appeal to youngsters and older alike went on display Wednesday at the J. M. McDonald Co. display window. The books were purchased by Grattan township library from one hundred and fifty dollars in receipts turned over to the library by the O'Neill Women's club. Funds were raised at a style show held five weeks ago. Viewing the display when the cameraman visited were Marvin Johnson, jeweler (left), and Gerald Reynolds, O'Neill public school student.—The Frontier Photo.

Mrs. L. C. Walling Dies Unexpectedly

Succumbs Visiting in Son's Home

Mrs. L. C. Walling, 70, died unexpectedly at 7:45 a. m., Monday, April 22, at the home of her son, James, 3328 Nebraska st., Sioux City.

Mrs. Walling and her husband had gone to Sioux City to spend the weekend.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p. m., Wednesday, April 24, at Biglin's chapel. Dr. William H. Ross, pastor of United Presbyterian church at Ewing, officiated. Burial was in Prospect Hill cemetery.

Funeralbearers were H. G. Kruse, F. E. Parkins, C. W. Porter, F. N. Cronin, H. J. Lohaus and P. C. Donohoe.

The couple lived at Laurel for a number of years where Mr. Walling managed the municipal power plant.

The Wallings came to O'Neill May 1, 1929. Mr. Walling managed north-Nebraska and southern South Dakota properties for Interstate Power Co. When Interstate sold to Consumers Public Power district in 1938, Mr. Walling became O'Neill district manager for Consumers. In 1952 he retired and the couple continued to make O'Neill their home, residing in an apartment at 120 1/2 North Third street.

Mrs. Walling was a member of the Order of Eastern Star here and First Presbyterian church.

Survivors include: Widower—L. C.; sons—Harry of Albion and James of Sioux City; two grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; sister—Mrs. Edward Blackmore of Sioux City.

Illness Fatal to 1 1/2-Year-Old Girl

Colleen Marie Druke, 18-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oswald J. Druke, who live north of O'Neill, died at 5:30 p. m., Saturday, April 20, in St. Anthony's hospital. The child had suffered a several days illness.

Mass of the angels was said at 10 a. m., Monday, April 22, in St. Patrick's Catholic church with Very Rev. Timothy O'Sullivan, church pastor, officiating. Burial was in Calvary cemetery under the direction of Biglin's.

Funeralbearers were four children: Jerry Brown, Bobby Young, Ricky Deval and Jerry Schmitz. Flowergirls were Linda Hynes and Cindy Brown.

Colleen Marie was born October 8, 1955, at St. Anthony's, a daughter of Oswald J. and Madeline Hynes Druke.

Survivors include: Parents; brothers—Thomas, 12; Marty, 6; Dennis, 4 1/2; Douglas Lynn, 3 1/2; sisters—Carol Ann, 10, and Connie, 4-months; grandparents—Mr. and Mrs. Austin Hynes of O'Neill and Mrs. M. A. Scheikopt of O'Neill.

Among those from a distance attending the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Leander Druke of Ainsworth and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Young of Ravenna.

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Pucelik Is V-P of District Bankers

Among those attending the Northeast Nebraska banker's convention in Norfolk Monday were: Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Cronin, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Grady, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Melena, Mr. and Mrs. O. D. French, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Gallagher, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Bright, and Mr. and Mrs. John Watson.

Dr. J. M. Pucelik, president of the Spencer State bank, was elected vice-president of the group III (district) association.

AWAITS HEARING

Leroy Rockford, 28, formerly of Butte and Martin, S. D., is being held pending hearing, possibly today (Thursday), by the Holt county sheriff's office in Scottsbluff. He is held for parole violation.

Barthel to Quit Board Is Report

Kenneth Barthel of Chambers, republican member of the Holt county board of supervisors, Wednesday was reported to have filed his resignation.

Holt County Clerk Kenneth Waring was out of the office late in the day and the resignation could not be confirmed.

Informed sources said Attorney John R. Gallagher drew the formal resignation document, and it was notarized by Irene Booth.

Linda Serck Heads O'Neill Honor Roll

Miss Linda Serck, senior, heads the O'Neill high school honor roll for the just-ended six weeks period with four A's.

Other seniors on the roll: Sylvia Harder, A A B B; Mary Johnson, A A B B; Judy Ann Liddy, A A B B; Judy Sanders, A A B B; Donna Summers, A A B B.

Juniors: Lynda Haynes, A A A B; Gale Holcomb, A A A A; Judy Johnson, A A A B; Michael Liddy, A A A A; Jane Petersen, A A A A; Linda Whaley, A A A B.

Sophomores: Joan Booth, A A A B; Velda Ernst, A A A B; Jeanette Fricke, A A A B; Larry Frisch, A A B B B; George Fuller, A A A B; Gerald Kaczor, A A A A; Elaine Krugman, A A A A; Connie Kurtz, A A A A; Merle Pease, A A A; Betty Rodman, A A A A; Carolyn Schmeichel, A A B B B.

Freshmen: Richard Ernst, A A A A; Connie Johnson, A A A B; Janet Krugman, A A A A; Bonney Lawrence, A A A A; Barbara Miller, A A B B; Paula Reed, A A A A; Joyce Summers, A A A B; Barbara Wayman, A A A B; Nancy Wray, A A A A.

Colonel Alderson in Pentagon Post

CHAMBERS—Col. Donald M. Alderson of Silver Springs, Md., son of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Alderson of Chambers, has been assigned to the office of the assistant secretary of defense in the pentagon building at Washington, D. C. He will be in the health and medical division which is charged with the planning and coordinating of health services.

Since 1955 he has been with the office of air force chief of staff. Alderson has a master's degree from Johns Hopkins university. His wife is the former Gilda Chamblin of Hastings. They have two children.

Legion Ball Hopefuls to Attend Meeting

Boys between the ages of eight and 18 and their fathers are urged to be present at 8 o'clock tonight (Thursday) at the American Legion club when Legion officers will draft plans for a summer baseball program.

"Simons" post 93 wants to enlarge the baseball program," Commander H. D. Gildresleeve said.

Two Polio Clinics to Be Established

Parents of school children are requested to return the polio shot information slips sent home from both schools recently, Mrs. Vernon Lorenz reported Wednesday.

A record is to be kept and, even though shots are not required, the information is desired.

Mrs. Lorenz, president of the Parent-Teachers' association, and Mrs. Mark Muff, president of the Friends of St. Mary's are co-chairmen of the preliminary details prior to setting up a clinic for school children at St. Anthony's hospital and the Atkinson Memorial hospital.

Divorcee, 17, Held

Mrs. Maria Ross, 17, a Tennessee divorcee who figured in the passing of several bad checks here in March while traveling with three young male companions, Monday was returned to Holt county by Sheriff Leo Tomjack. She is being held in jail. Her three companions were sentenced to six months terms at Waterloo, La.

WINDOW SERVICE NORMAL

Effective Tuesday, April 23, service hours at the O'Neill post-office window reverted to the original schedule—8 a. m. to 5 p. m. A fortnight ago Postmaster General Summerfield's austerity program caused the window hours to be shortened and denied window service on Saturdays.

SMA Banquet, Prom Scheduled Tonight

"Under the Northern Lights" will be the theme of the junior prom at the St. Mary's academy gymnasium tonight (Thursday). The prom will be preceded by the annual banquet at the Town House.

The Val Resky orchestra will furnish the music for the prom.

FIREMEN CALLED

O'Neill firemen were summoned at 7:45 p. m., last Thursday to the basement of the O'Neill Drug where a defective motor created considerable smoke. Firemen Wednesday were called to the George Weingartner farm to extinguish a grass fire.

Funds for Saddle Club Hit \$2,740

As the O'Neill Saddle club's drive for funds mounted to \$2,740, plans have been announced for a two-day rodeo—Saturday and Sunday, June 15-16 with a barbecue to be featured.

A fortnight ago a solicitation was begun to boost the Saddle club's efforts to purchase rodeo chutes, additional bleacher facilities and other arena equipment.

Last week the money collected totaled \$2,500. Additional donors include:

- \$50 Wm. Krotter Co., O'Neill Grain Co.
- \$25 Central Finance Corp., H. A. & R. E. Van Horn of Page.
- \$20 Wallace O'Connell.
- \$15 The Frontier.
- \$10 Homer Mullen of Scribner, McCarvilles, Dr. J. L. Sherbahn.
- \$5 Ira Summers.

Two-Day Rodeo Is Cared June 15-16; Barbecue Planned

Saddle club members will meet Friday evening for a volunteer "work detail" session. The workers will complete chutes and other equipment. Anyone wishing to assist in the project is asked to contact Bill Murray or Virgil Laursen.

Contributions for the club's funds will be accepted by any Saddle club member, Mayor D. C. Schaffer, L. D. Putnam, J. J. Berigan, who have helped spark the drive.

At a special meeting of the Chamber of Commerce board of directors held accepted Wednesday, the directors met with Saddle club officers. The rodeo plans were told—including an evening performance on Saturday, June 15; a matinee showing on Sunday, June 16.

The Saddle club appealed to the Chamber for assistance in making the event bigger than heretofore. Feasibility of a parade, carnival and barbecue was discussed.

The C of C directors voted to underwrite the barbecue which would be served free to all who purchase a rodeo ticket. The directors, however, reserved the final stamp of approval for the C of C membership at the May 6 meeting to be held at Slat's cafe.

Plan Shower for Goldfuss Family

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Due to a misunderstanding, the fire fighting crew was directed to the Willard Frericks farm.

The O'Neill fire department also answered the call and stood by with equipment and gave assistance.

The kitchen and back porch were burned off the house and the remainder was greatly damaged by smoke and fire.

A few articles were brought out, but the Goldfuss family suffered almost a total loss of their personal effects.

Only the providential awakening of Mrs. Goldfuss as she dreamed she smelled smoke kept the family from also being trapped.

Mr. and Mrs. Goldfuss and Johnny had just returned home from Orchard and had been in bed only a short time. Miss Pauline arrived later. Mrs. Goldfuss barely made the return trip from upstairs where she went to determine if Pauline had arrived. Mrs. Goldfuss was overcome by smoke and fumes.

The farm is owned by Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Murphy of Canon City, Colo. The Goldfuss loss was partially covered by insurance.

The farm house on the Merwyn French, jr., farm is being readied for occupancy. In the meantime, the family is staying at the Ickes home close by.

A benefit shower for the Goldfuss family will be held today (Thursday) at the Methodist church here. Cash gifts will be turned towards appliances. Articles of clothing and furniture will be accepted. Hostesses will be on duty at the church parlors between 1 and 5 p. m., and lunch will be served to donors.

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The farm is owned by Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Murphy of Canon City, Colo. The Goldfuss loss was partially covered by insurance.

The farm house on the Merwyn French, jr., farm is being readied for occupancy. In the meantime, the family is staying at the Ickes home close by.

A benefit shower for the Goldfuss family will be held today (Thursday) at the Methodist church here. Cash gifts will be turned towards appliances. Articles of clothing and furniture will be accepted. Hostesses will be on duty at the church parlors between 1 and 5 p. m., and lunch will be served to donors.