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Frank F. Peter... he suffered rheumatic fever when he was a small child.

## Esley H. Borrall Expires at Lynch

BUTTE—Esley Henry Borrall, 81, died Sunday, December 1, in the Lynch hospital after suffering a stroke. He had been living in the Kersch rest home at Spencer and was taken to the hospital by Jones ambulance about 10 days before his death. Funeral services were held Monday, December 2, at the Rayer mortuary here. Burial was in the Butte cemetery. He was born November 22, 1876, at Peoria, Ill. Survivors include: Sister—Mrs. Frank Truman of Butte. He was preceded in death by three sisters and four brothers.

## Dirt-Moving Stops on O'Neill-Emmett

Too much frost in the ground is given as the reason for stopping dirt-moving on the new U. S. highway 20 route between O'Neill and Emmet. Crews operating four giant DW-15 dirt moving machines, two crawler tractor-scraper and two road patrolers were called off the job Friday, and will resume in the spring. Bulk of the dirt-moving task for the 38-ft. wide grade was completed on one mile of the stretch. The oil mat will be 24-ft. wide. Dirt-moving is being done by Boham, O'Meara & Courts of Hartington, holders of a subcontract from Blacktop, Inc. Meanwhile, Nichols Construction company workmen of Geneva will continue work on the culverts—half of which are poured and completed. There are no bridges in the 6.5-mile stretch, according to Charles Nutter, project engineer for the state highway department. The culvert crews will continue to work until chased off the job by severe weather, Nutter said. Meanwhile, the highway department has scheduled a hearing December 12 at the highway commission room in Lincoln relative to the proposed abandonment of the present O'Neill-Emmett highway 20 route upon completion of the new highway.

EMMETT—Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Wills of Omaha were guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse C. Wills, for Thanksgiving.

## Clausons Travel by Rail, Sea, Air

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Clauson returned recently from a month's vacation in Hawaii. They kept a diary of their itinerary which follows. Excerpts from the diary tend to capture a tourist's impressions of the islands.

"Taking us to Grand Island were Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Patton. We boarded the City of Los Angeles train November 4 and arrived at Los Angeles the following morning. Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Sauer, formerly of O'Neill, met us and took us to their lovely home at Long Beach. Among places of interest we visited were the Farmers' Market, which covers more than a square block; Forest Lawn, where we received pictures of The Last Supper and the Crucifixion; the pet cemetery—unbelievable that people could love their pets to that extent with markers, flowers and verses of love.

"On November 6, Mrs. Clauson's cousin, Rev. Statia Mobely, arrived from Bell, Calif., to see Mr. Clauson's sister, Mrs. Dan Rooney. We went on to Knott's Berry farm, took in the sights and had one of their famous chicken dinners. We then went to Mrs. Rooney's lovely home for dinner. We went on to VanNues to visit Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hansen and four children. Friday, November 8, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Lord of Corona del Mar took us to Disneyland, which is most interesting. After taking different tours, we went to their new home and had a delicious chicken dinner.

Greet Kin "Sunday, November 10, Mr. Clauson's nephew and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Campbell, and two sons took us to their new modernistic home at Playa-del-Rey for a family get-together. It was so nice to be together again. That evening Roy and Ann (the Sauer) took us to the Aragon at Santa Monica to see Lawrence Weik in person on his TV show.

## Frank F. Peter, 31, War Veteran, Dies

### Spent 12 Months in Philippines

Frank F. Peter, 31-year-old World War II veteran who had suffered a heart ailment about five years, died Thursday afternoon, November 28, in the Veterans hospital at Omaha. Doctors were attempting to build up his condition preparatory to surgery, but death intervened. He had suffered rheumatic fever as a child, but saw duty in the Philippine islands during the war—entering the army at the age of 18½. Requiem high mass was held at 10 a. m., Monday, December 2, at St. Patrick's Catholic church with Very Rev. Timothy Sullivan, church pastor, officiating. Graveside military services were conducted at Calvary cemetery by Simonson post 95 of the American Legion. Pallbearers were cousins: Vincent Zrust, Frank Prokopec and Edwin Prokopec, all of Clarkson; Louis Dvorak and Cyril Prokopec, both of Stanton, and Francis C. Peter of Chambers. Rosary was recited at Biglin's funeral chapel by the Catholic Daughters of America at 4:30 p. m., Sunday; at 8 o'clock the parish rosary was held; at 8:30, Knights of Columbus. The late Frank F. Peter was born at O'Neill July 6, 1926, a son of Frank J. and Emma Prokopec Peter. He was reared here and received his education at St. Mary's academy. He was inducted into the army March 8, 1945 and spent 20 months in service, including 12 months overseas. After separation from the army, he farmed with his father south of O'Neill. Survivors include: Parents—Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Peter; brothers—Cyril C., Louis L., and George G., all of O'Neill; sisters—Mrs. Liemri (Frances) Hartl, Mrs. William (Anne) Buckendahl, Jr., of Stanton; Mrs. Leola (Helen) Dusatko of Emmet; Mrs. Ralph (Elsie) Adair of Amelia; and Mrs. Rudy (Tillie) Pekny of Clarkson; 26 nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by one brother and one sister. Out-of-town relatives came from Stanton, Clarkson, Howells, Beemer, Chambers, Amelia, Emmet, Page, Ewing, Stuart, Inman and Atkinson to attend the funeral.

## Jury Favors Grunke in Damage Action

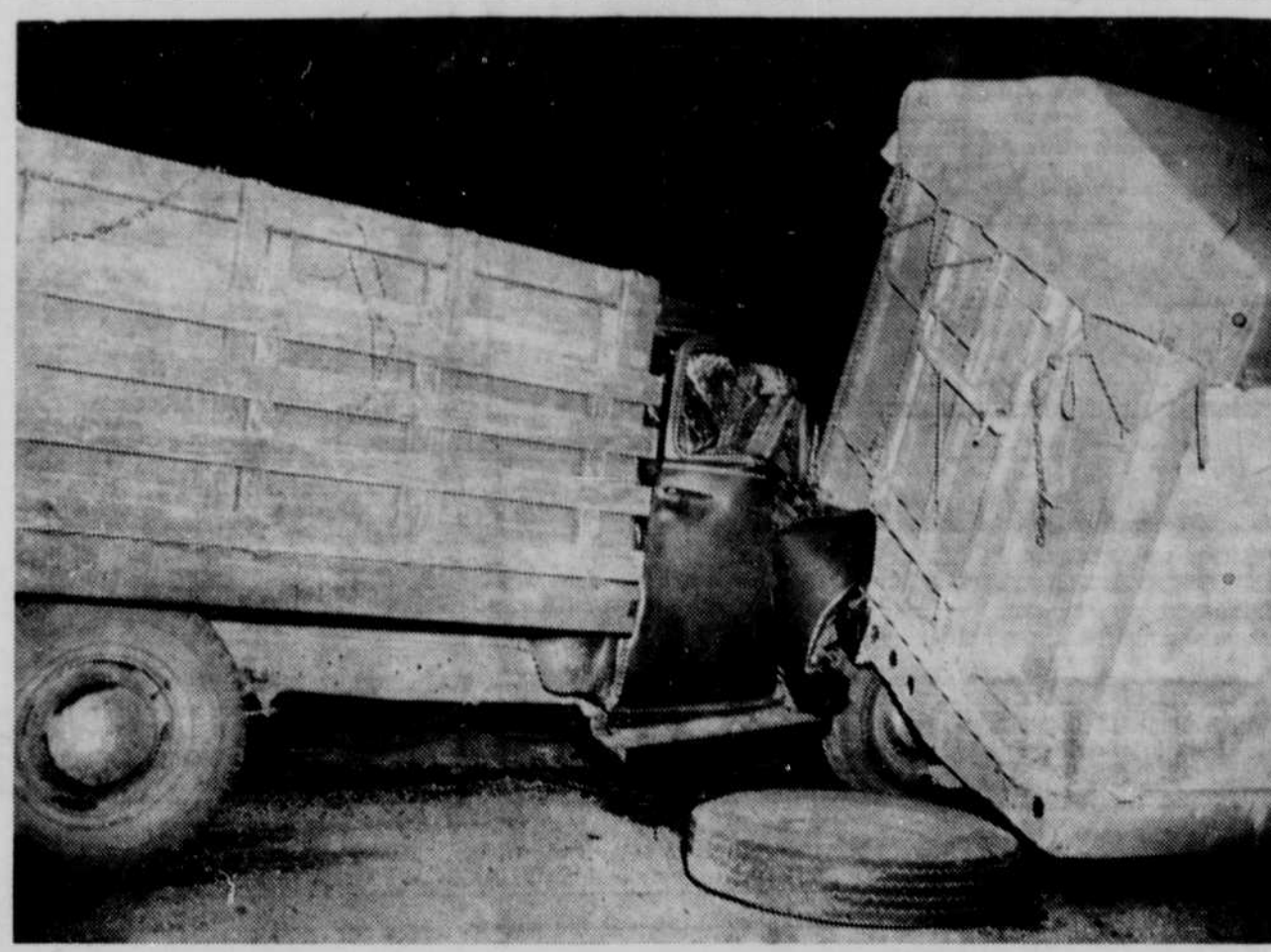
A Holt county district court jury was out more than six hours Wednesday night, November 27, in the Florence Milnar vs. Oscar Grunke personal injury and property damage action. Mrs. Milnar, an Atkinson woman, was seeking six-thousand dollars in damages against Grunke, an O'Neill farmer. The jury, found for the defendant. The William Held vs. Herman Cooke continuation is expected to be heard in December, according to District Judge Lyle Jackson of Neligh, who is substituting in the fifteenth district. Exact date for resumption of the Held-Cooke jury trial has not been fixed.

Here for Holiday—Miss Lu Moss, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Moss, was home for Thanksgiving from Omaha where she teaches.

## Booth, 51, Fatally Stricken

### Formerly Operated North - Nebraska Trucking Line

Clarence A. ("Red") Booth, 51, O'Neill resident 17 years and former operator of a Sioux City-to-Crawford truck line, died unexpectedly about 4 p. m., Wednesday, December 4, in St. Anthony's hospital. He became ill late Tuesday afternoon and was transferred at 8:30 p. m., from his home to the hospital. He was hemorrhaging and it is believed he suffered a heart ailment. The body is at Biglin's pending completion of funeral arrangements. He had been ill briefly about a year ago, but had been in apparent good health until Tuesday's attack. The late Mr. Booth was born at Burton, a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John G. Booth. He attended rural school in the Burton locality. In 1927 he entered the trucking field and operated the north-Nebraska freight route known as the Booth Transportation Line. About two years ago he sold the firm to the Valentine Motors. Mr. Booth's truck line operated virtually all of north-Nebraska and he operated a number of vehicles. On July 11, 1938, he was married to Irene Smith. Survivors include: Widow—Irene; sons—Duane, a University of Nebraska music major, and James, 7, at home; daughters—Miss Joan, 16, an O'Neill high junior, and Judy, 10, at home; brother—Harley of O'Neill; sisters—Mrs. Bernice Carr of Casper, Wyo., and Mrs. Beryl Willcuts of Grandby, Colo.



Henry Storjohann, 74, escaped fatal injury when his truck collided into stalled truck on highway.—The Frontier.

## Dusk Accident Near Fatal

### Doctor-Passerby Saves Life

Henry Storjohann, 74, farmer living north of O'Neill, was seriously hurt about 5:15 p. m., Wednesday, November 27, while driving a one-ton truck homeward from O'Neill. His life, however, may have been saved by a doctor-motorist who came upon the scene. His machine struck the left rear of a stranded truck which was parked on U. S. highway 281 about one mile south of Midway. Storjohann said the accident occurred as darkness was closing in. He told State Patrolman Eugene Hastreiter he was blinded by lights of an oncoming car and could not avoid the impact. The stranded truck, which was driven by Glen R. Kai, 21, of Pender and owned by M. C. Hesse of Pender, was not damaged by the accident. Lug wheel bolts had snapped causing the Pender man to leave the rig, loaded with sacked grain dryer, partially on-and-off the highway. Reflectors had been set out. Motorists reported the truck had been parked there several hours. Betty Hambeck of Spencer, who works in O'Neill, was traveling in the area, saw the crash and summoned help. Melving Johnson also came onto the scene. Mr. Storjohann suffered a severe jaw cut and lost considerable blood. He also suffered a bad knee cut. He was alone in the cab of the truck licensed to his brother, William Storjohann. Doctor David Lynch, accompanied by a nurse, approached from the north, offered first aid and removed the injured man to St. Anthony's hospital. Mr. Storjohann had lost considerable blood in the cab and the nurse applied pressure to prevent blood loss during the hurried trip to the hospital. Mr. Storjohann's condition was listed as fair for 18 hours after the accident, but his condition now is "good".

## Community TV Drive Reaches \$3,200 Mark

### Veteran Store Operator Dies

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## Santa Claus to Town in Sputnik?

Santa Claus will greet the small fry in O'Neill at 2 p. m., Saturday, December 14—that's the day for his annual visit sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce. There's talk about town he'll arrive in an oversized sputnik of some description, but this report cannot be confirmed. Best guess is the sputnik trip won't materialize unless Uncle Sam's launching luck is better than it has been lately. Sputnik travel or not, he'll be here with treats for the kids. In the event of a "baby moon" breakdown, he'll probably travel by conventional jet plane.

## Coon Population Declines by 15

CELIA—The coon population in northern Holt county declined 15 last week. Hunters took to the fields three nights last week. Taking part were Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Hoffman and sons, Ray Gotshall, Bob and Walt Slaymaker, Lyle Addison and Ed Hoffman. Oh yes, some good coon dogs also participated!

## August W. Bollwitt Funeral at Neligh

### Retired Farmer Dies in Hospital

EWING—Funeral services for August W. Bollwitt, 66, retired Ewing farmer, were conducted at 10 a. m., Tuesday, December 3, at Grace Lutheran church in Neligh. Burial was in the Zim cemetery west of Clearwater. Pallbearers were Lyle Mitties, John Bauer, Joe Thoenel, Garrett Kallhoff, James Tinsley, Robert Kreitzer. Mr. Bollwitt died late Saturday, November 30, in Antelope Memorial hospital at Neligh. He had suffered a light stroke in May and was stricken by a severe stroke October 28. The late Mr. Bollwitt was born



Mr. Bollwitt... strokes.

at Omaha November 14, 1891, the son of Mr. and Mrs. August Bollwitt, sr. When he was six-years-old he moved with his parents to Holt county. They homesteaded south of Ewing. He was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith. He married Gladys Gill of Norfolk at Madison October 10, 1918. The late Mr. Bollwitt farmed many years south of Ewing. He had been retired for several years. He was preceded in death by his wife and by two daughters—Mary Elizabeth, who died at the age of 12, and one daughter, who died in infancy. Survivors include: Daughters—Mrs. Gladys Reiling of Sioux City and Mrs. Margaret Murphy of Santa Clara, Calif.; four grandchildren; four great grandchildren; brothers—Fred, John and Frank Bollwitt, all of Ewing, and George of Kearney; sister—Mrs. Charles Snowdard of O'Neill.

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## Dr. Bradley of Spencer Dies At 78

### Physician, Surgeon in Boyd County for Over Half-Century

SPENCER—Dr. Edwin B. Bradley, 78, who practiced medicine in the Burke, S. D., and Spencer localities for more than a half-century, died about 3 p. m., Wednesday, November 27, in Sacred Heart hospital at Lynch. Funeral services were conducted at 2 p. m., Friday, November 29, at the Methodist church here with Rev. Harold Jensen, church pastor, officiating. Burial was in the Union cemetery here under direction of the Jones funeral home. Graveside services were conducted by Oran Lodge 261, AF&AM. Pallbearers were Gayle E. Couch, R. B. Drickey, Leonard Kinney, Ralph Friedrich, C. H. Fisher and Carl Schmidt. The late Doctor Bradley was born June 14, 1879, at Charles City, Ia. He received his early education in the Charles City schools and was graduated from Rush Medical college, Chicago, Ill., in 1903. He practiced medicine in Chicago for one year. When the Rosebud territory in South Dakota was opened for settlement, the West beckoned and he established a general practice at Burke. In 1909 he moved to Spencer where he was a general practitioner 45 years, retiring in 1954. At the time of his retirement he was honored by the Nebraska State Medical association and made a member of the 50-year club. His wife, Josephine, died December 12, 1952. He is survived by several nieces and nephews.

## Hammerberg Sale First in 65 Years

### County Officials Going to Parley

CELIA—When Mrs. O. A. Hammerberg and Mr. and Mrs. William Maloun held a farm closeout sale Friday, December 13, it will be the first sale ever held on the place in the 65 years the farm has been in the family. The Hammerberg farm is located 10½ miles north of Atkinson. Mr. Hammerberg died this fall. To be sold: Complete line of machinery, herd of dairy cattle, hay and feed and some household goods. The Malouns are planning to leave the state. Several Holt county officers will be attending the annual three-day convention of the Nebraska County Officials' association Wednesday through Friday, December 11-13. The sessions will be held at the Castle hotel in Omaha. HEARING SET The city council has fixed a hearing on a beer license application for Wednesday, December 11, at 7:30 p. m. Applicants are Jean Hynes and Lawrence Minton. The application is similar to their application which was rejected a month ago. WEATHER SUMMARY

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December 4	57	25	

## Auction Calendar

Friday, December 6: Administrator's sale of household goods belonging to the late Mrs. Fay (Emerine) Miles, 277 South First st., also modern live-room dwelling at private sale; William W. Griffin, administrator; Col. Ed Thorin of O'Neill, auctioneer; First National Bank, clerk. Friday, December 13: Mr. and Mrs. William Maloun will offer personal property belonging to the estate of the late O. Hammerberg at public auction on premises, 10½ miles north of Atkinson and one-fourth mile east; dairy cows; feed and grain; machinery and equipment and household goods. Ernest Weller and Dean Fleming of Atkinson, auctioneers; First National Bank of Atkinson, clerk. (Details on page 7). Friday, December 20: Mr. and Mrs. Daryl Walling of Ewing, who are moving to Phoenix, Ariz., in behalf of the health of their son, will hold farm close-out; Col. Ed Thorin of O'Neill, auctioneer. (Details in next issue).



The Clausons... Hawaii is a land of leisure, beauty, leis, pretty native girls.



Accident victim gets well wishes from brother, William Storjohann (right).—The Frontier Photo.