



Sister Maxine . . . at 80 with steady hand, keen eyes and mind she works before the easel.—The Frontier Photo.

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50th Jubilee Is Noted by Art Teacher

Sister M. Maxine, 80, Began Career in Her Native Germany

Eighty years ago in Upper Silesia (the province then was a part of Bismarck's Reich but now it is a part of red-controlled Poland) a girl was born in the Von Brinken family.

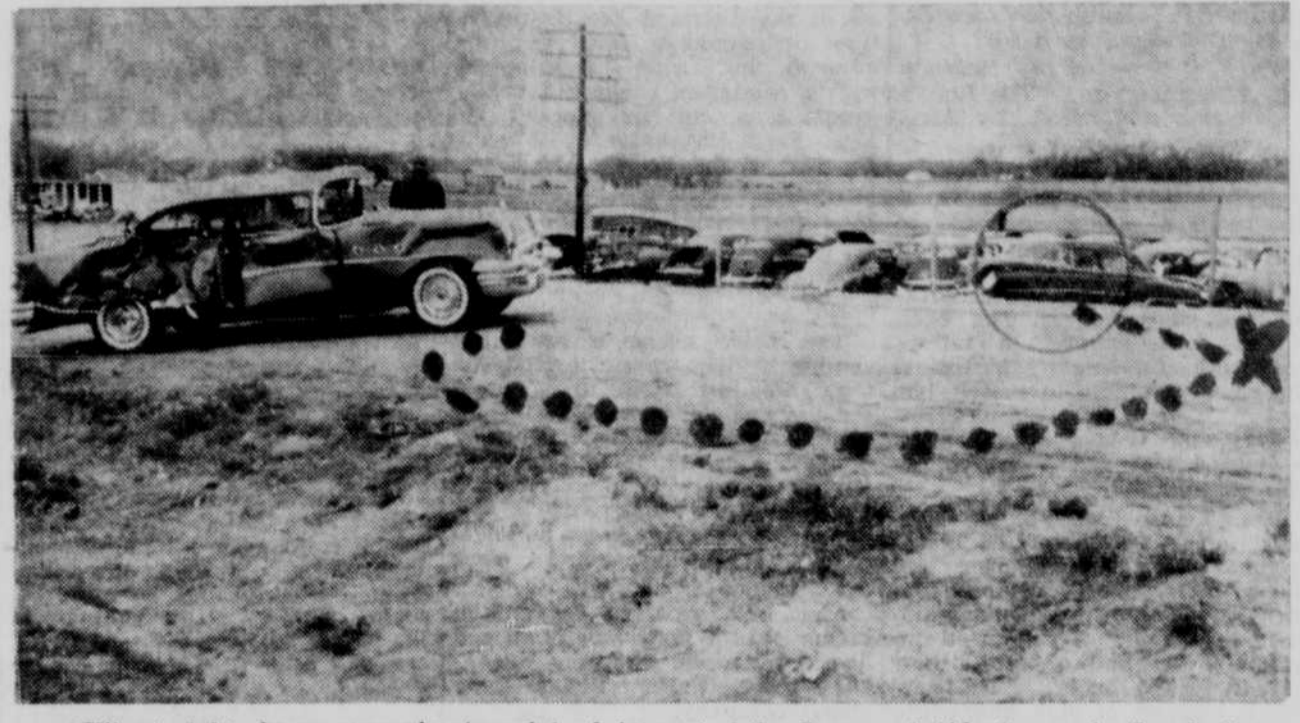
The Von Brinkens had three girls and one son.

Today only one of these is still living. She is Sister M. Maxine, art teacher at St. Mary's academy here.

Saturday, April 19, Sister Maxine renewed her vows in the order of the Sisters of St. Francis at a special high mass in her honor at St. Patrick's Catholic church. The following day—Sunday—she was honored at an afternoon tea and reception held in the academy auditorium. She was greeted by dozens of friends, former pupils and other well-wishers.

She was educated in Germany and at an early age became fascinated by art. After entering the Roman Catholic order but before her vows were finalized, her convent received a call from a girls' academy in Ohio. An art teacher was urgently needed.

Sister Maxine boarded a vessel in 1907 and came to America. Her arrival was finalized in 1908 at the OSM mother house in Buffalo, N.Y.



"X" at right shows approximate point of impact of the Jones and Lidgett cars in Tuesday's accident. Jones car came to stop headed in opposite direction; Lidgett machine is in ditch (circle).



Mrs. Norwood . . . to state in '70

Lora Norwood, 88, Holt Pioneer, Dies

Rites Held Saturday at Ewing

EWING—Mrs. Lora Norwood, 88, a pioneer mother of the Ewing community died at 6 p.m., Wednesday, April 16, at a rest home in Ewing. She had been in failing health for many months.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m., April 19, at the Ewing Methodist church with Rev. Ivan Turner officiating.

Burial was in the Clearwater cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Eben Graff sang "Rock of Ages", "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere" and "Face to Face" accompanied by Mrs. Wilbur Spangler. In charge of the flowers were Mrs. Maena Stevens and Mrs. Mae Pruden, both of Clearwater.

Pallbearers were Frank Nofke, Marcus Snyder, Jerald Black, Dave Pollock, William Snyder and Clifford Hahlbeck.

Mrs. Norwood was born March 20, 1870 at Manchester, Vt., and came to Nebraska with her parents when she was six-months old. Her parents homesteaded in Antelope county. They were Charles and Adeline Wyman.

On December 4, 1889, she was united in marriage to Wilson Norwood at Neligh.

The family came to Ewing in 1919 where she resided until her death. They became the parents of four sons and three daughters.

Preceding her in death were her husband, two sons, her parents, three brothers and three sisters.

Survivors include: Daughters—Lydia Norwood of Elgin, Mrs. Gladys Cooper of Kansas City, Mo., Mrs. Mildred Preve of Alhambra, Calif.; sons—Ernest and Everett, both of Ewing; five grandsons, one granddaughter, and 11 great-grandchildren.

Attending the funeral services were all her children and the following other relatives: Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Moore, Luella and Shirley Mitchell of Stapleton; William and Glen Hoge of Fairbury; Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Norwood, Linda and Kevin of Midwest, Wyo.

Jones Seriously Injured in Crash

Business Leader, 69, Has Crushed Chest

A prominent O'Neill business man was critically injured and a 17-year-old Chambers high school senior was injured at 9:15 a.m., Tuesday in a two-car accident at O'Neill's west city limits.

C. E. Jones, 69, is in St. Anthony's hospital suffering a ruptured lung, a crushed right chest, arm injury and possible other internal injuries. His condition for 24 hours following the accident was listed as critical.

However, late Wednesday he was resting even better than expected and relatives said doctors were offering hope he would survive barring complications.

Kenneth Lidgett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lidgett, was driver of the other car. He suffered only a bumped nose, scratches on the right arm and shock. He was not hospitalized.

Both vehicles were damaged beyond repair.

Jones, who had made an early morning business trip to Lynch, was southbound on U. S. highway 20-281. Lidgett was northbound and was attempting to make a left hand turn into the driveway at Wick's body shop.

State Highway Patrolman Robert Gude, who investigated, said the right rear of the Jones vehicle came in contact with the right front of the Lidgett car.

Skid marks showed Jones had applied the brakes of his 1955 Buick and attempted to pull to the left side of the highway. Following the impact in the west lane his car crossed the highway, traveled one hundred feet and came to an upright stop headed in nearly the opposite direction.

The Lidgett car was knocked into the ditch on the west side. Lidgett was driving a 1952 Chevrolet.

A rise in the highway—about 900 feet north of the West O'Neill corner—restricts visibility.

Jones is manager of the Central Finance corporation offices here and within a few weeks will have completed a one-year term as president of the Chamber of Commerce.



Jones . . . the other driver escaped unhurt.

Moisture-Laden Snow Falls Here

Almost daily precipitation brought 1.22 inches of moisture to O'Neill during the past seven days.

Wednesday afternoon rain turned to snow and the area residents this morning (Thursday) awakened to find a layer of moisture-laden snow on the ground.

Precipitation here after yesterday's 6 p.m. official closing totaled approximately .15 of an inch.

Winner, S. D., Springfield and Ainsworth reported heavy snowfall earlier Wednesday and the snow moved eastward.

Weather summary:

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April 17	80	50	
April 18	75	44	.06
April 19	63	38	.15
April 20	70	34	.00
April 21	63	44	.02
April 22	50	28	.06
April 23	43	32	.71
April 23 (after 6)			.15
Total			1.22

The Theater Men Score O'Neill Hit

Substitute Soprano Memorable

The Theater Men, an outstanding choral ensemble in its first year as an organization, may have proved that concert-goers here are partial to artists appearing in multiples.

A year ago it was the Tucson (Ariz.) Boys' Choir that wowed members of the O'Neill Community Concert association.

Sunday night's bill-of-fare by The Theater Men and a lovely soprano, ranging from novelty tunes through popular, semi-classical and classical, constituted a most pleasant evening.

The offering was slanted for popular appeal from start-to-finish. Enthusiastic popular response was the result.

The artists were recruited from Chicago's Lyric Opera by Bernard Izzo, baritone-director and the personality force of the group.

Miss Prudenella Bickus, a Lithuanian, was the billed soprano for the season, but she yielded to a scholarship opportunity which took her to the Italian opera for the summer.

Her place was admirably—and more than adequately—filled by Margaret Lucas, a Vienna-born blonde whose rightful name is Lukechevs.

The rousing Wagner number from Tannhauser, "Hail Bright Abode", opened the program with the ensemble achieving fine precision and excellent blend.

Miss Lucas, Mr. Linland and the ensemble then presented the dramatic prison song, "Misereere" from Verdi's Il Trovatore.

Beauty, Power

The soprano exhibited a voice of beauty, power and range and Mr. Linland proved to be a possessor of a fine tenor with ringing power.

In Carmen music (scene 1, act 1) by Bizet, Mr. Izzo, Miss Lucas and the ensemble gave evidence of vast operatic experience and musicianship.

Part two consisted of two duets by Jeffrey Wolfe and Mr. Izzo: "Solennne in Quest'Orto" from Romberg's Student Prince. This was a skillful blending of Mr. Izzo's baritone and Mr. Wolfe's tenor.

Part three included the light-hearted "I Whistle a Happy Tune" from The King and I by Rodgers; "Vissi d'Arte, Vissi d'Amore" from the opera La Tosca by Puccini; "How Are Things in Glocca Mora" by Lane; "Bess, You Are My Woman Now", from Gershwin's Porgy and Bess, and the universally loved "Riff Song" from Romberg's Desert Song.

Miss Lucas was memorable in the Glocca Mora quizzing, and there was liting sweetness that touched.

Following intermission, Ralph Dodds, pianist-composer, played two selected numbers on the grand piano. He proved to be an extraordinarily fine pianist.

The second half of the concert featured Richard Rodgers music in three-quarter time, and Miss (Continued on page 6).



Mrs. Kubik . . . ill since January

Mrs. Mary Kubik Dies at Niobrara

To U. S. from Europe at Age of 13

Mrs. Mary Kubik, 73, who was born in Czechoslovakia and came to America alone at the age of 13, died at 4 p.m., Tuesday, April 15, at the home of her youngest daughter, Mrs. Otto Dryak, at Niobrara.

She had been hospitalized since January 27, initially at Norfolk where she submitted to minor surgery. This was followed by five weeks of hospitalization and major surgery at Methodist hospital in Omaha. For convalescence she was returned to the Norfolk hospital, removed to the Lynch hospital and only recently went to her daughter's home where she died.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m., Saturday, April 19, at the CZBJ hall in Verdigré. Mrs. Kubik had been a member of the lodge more than 50 years. A large crowd from the Verdigré, Star, and Pishelville, communities attended.

Pallbearers were Leonard Ruzicka, Marvin Ruzicka, Frank Ruzicka, nephews of the late Mrs. Kubik, and Joe T. Pavlik, Joe Bartos and George Bartos.

Burial was in the Pishelville cemetery near the grave of her husband, the late Joseph Kubik, who died in July, 1948.

Ladd Kreysa of Clarkson delivered the funeral sermon.

Married in Omaha

Mary (Marie) Forman Kubik was born November 10, 1884. She came to the United States at 13 and her trip was sponsored by an uncle and aunt who lived in Omaha. She made her home with them for a time.

On May 18, 1902, she was married to Mr. Kubik of Omaha. They became the parents of four children—all of whom were born in Omaha where the couple lived for 10 years.

February 28, 1912 they moved to Knox county and lived on a rented farm 16 miles west of Verdigré for six years.

They purchased a 200-acre place where they lived until 1927 when they purchased a larger place in Holt county known as the east section of the Grant ranch. She made her home in the Star community over 30 years—until her fatal illness.

For a time members of the family felt she would recover from the surgery and the heart ailment, but the doctor on Sunday, April 13, told the family Mrs. Kubik's condition was deteriorating.

Survivors include: Sons — Joe and George, both of O'Neill; daughters—Mrs. Otto (Anthonie) Ruzicka of Redbird and Mrs. Otto (Mary) Dryak of Niobrara; eight grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; one brother and two sisters living in Omaha.

One brother, Fred, who stayed behind in Czechoslovakia, died shortly after World War I.

Mrs. Ed Thorin and daughter, Miss Lavonne, spent Tuesday visiting in Sioux City.



Autograph seekers surround Soprano Margaret Lucas following Sunday evening's concert: Curtis and Kenneth Peacock and Miss Sharon Hartroft.—The Frontier Photo.

Money in Hand, Tots Go Shopping

Little Timmy Cousins, 3, and his new neighbor, little Mary Spangler, 4, decided Monday was an ideal day for a shopping excursion.

They made it to the business district, stood wide-eyed before the display windows at Gilligan's Rexall drug, and finally ventured in to make a purchase. Mary had three cents.

After scrutinizing the merchandise for a time they were approached by a clerk, Mrs. Frank (Irene) Sullivan, who recognized the trip and finally authorized.

After a few pertinent questions, Mrs. Sullivan stepped to the phone to inform the bewildered parents.

Timmy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William ("Bill") Cousins and Mary is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Spangler.

Bad Bird Watches Self in Mirror

An O'Neill firm that operates trucks had a problem—at least until Sunday when a bee-see gun may have altered matters.

A vain robin for several weeks has patiently awaited the truck's return to the regular parking lot just off South Fourth street. When the vehicle is placed in its stall and abandoned by the driver, Mr. Robin would perch in front of the rear view mirror near the driver's door.

The bird would admire itself in the elongated mirror by the hour. Company workers would stand some distance away and watch the proceedings.

The entire act is amusing except to the fellow who has to wash the truck door each morning before the vehicle goes out on the road.

Early Holt Resident Dies At 80

'Tillie' Gallygan to County Before Town of Atkinson Founded

ATKINSON—Funeral services for Mrs. Matilda Beatrice Gallygan, 80, were conducted at 10 a.m., Tuesday, April 22, in St. Joseph's Catholic church.

Mrs. Gallygan died Saturday evening, April 19, in Atkinson Memorial hospital where she had been a patient several weeks.

Rev. Robert Morocco officiated at the requiem high mass, and burial was in the parish cemetery under direction of the Seger funeral home.

Pallbearers were Peter Morgan, William Morgan, Thomas Flannery, L. W. Ulrich, Arthur Andrus and C. E. Morgan.

Her maiden name was Matilda Nightengale. She was born at Kilkenny, Minn., February 14, 1876, a daughter of John O'Dempsey Nightengale and Ellen Connell Nightengale.

She came to Holt county with her parents in a covered wagon, arriving at the Judge Malloy residence at Emmet August 2, 1878. The overland trip required 57 days.

Lumber from Niobrara

Lumber for the 'Nightengale home was hauled from Niobrara. Their first dwelling—a small frame house—was erected 2 1/2 miles southwest of the present site of Atkinson. The family had reached the area before the city was founded. For a time the dwelling also served as the first school in the frontier community.

She was among the first graduates of Atkinson high school, finishing in 1898. She attended Wayne Normal in the days when it was a privately-owned school and later took work from the University of Nebraska.

Her father was a pioneer school teacher and conducted classes in sodhouses. Mrs. Gallygan was also a rural school teacher for many years. She was known in the community as "Tillie" Gallygan.

She married John F. Gallygan October 23, 1907, at St. Joseph's church.

Survivors include: Sons—John E. and James Marvin Gallygan, both of Omaha; sister—Margaret Nightengale of Atkinson; brothers—Thomas and James Nightengale, both of Atkinson, and Henry "Hilly" Nightengale of Lincoln, Calif.; and three grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, John; two sons, Francis and Thomas; and two grandchildren.

Mary L. O'Connell Burial in California

Mrs. Mary L. O'Connell, 71, a member of a pioneer O'Neill family, died Thursday, April 17, in San Luis Obispo, Calif., where she resided.

She had been ill about three weeks.

Funeral services were held at San Luis Obispo and burial was made there.

Mrs. O'Connell was stricken early in April while she was entertaining her brother, Walter O'Malley, who was visiting there. They had gone to Santa Rosa to visit friends. Mrs. O'Connell became ill and was returned to her home 300 miles away by ambulance.

Mrs. O'Connell's death was attributed to a combination of heart trouble and an asthmatic condition.

She was born at O'Neill June 21, 1886.

Her parents were the late Mr. and Mrs. Michael O'Malley, who homesteaded northwest of here. Her mother's maiden name was Mary Kirkwood.

In January, 1909, she married Harry Wilson. They became the parents of one son. Mr. Wilson died on April 22, 1940, she was united in marriage with Cornelius O'Connell of San Luis Obispo.

Survivors include: Widower—Cornelius; son—George M. Wilson of San Luis Obispo; brother—Walter O'Malley of O'Neill; sisters—Miss Elizabeth O'Malley of O'Neill and Mrs. Nora Quilty of Omaha.

Assist in Grief-Stricken Home

EWING—Mrs. Irwin Cloyd is spending much of her time at the Leslie Brook home near Norfolk and with her sister, Mrs. Brokaw, at a Norfolk hospital due to injuries received in a two-car accident.

Mrs. Lee Spittler is assisting at the public telephone system during her absence. Two Brokaw children recently were killed in a two-car accident at Norfolk.

Guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Danny Helmer were his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Helmer of Royal.

'Years Gracious to Us'

Mohrs Feted on 50th Wedding Date

ATKINSON—"The years have been very gracious to us."

Those were the words of Mr. and Mrs. John Mohr, Sr., Sunday, April 20, on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary even though four of their eight children are deceased.

More than one hundred friends and other well-wishers attended the open-house affair held at the Mohr residence, located one block west of the Campbell lumber company.

The open-house was preceded by a luncheon for 40 at 12:30 p.m. for immediate relatives.

Mr. Mohr was born October 11, 1894, at Steamers Prairie, a tiny community 12 miles east of O'Neill that has long since lost its identity. His parents were the late Alvin James Mohr and Katherine Mohr.

Mrs. Mohr's maiden name was Ethel Elsburry. She was born August 24, 1891, in Omaha, a daughter of John and Lisa Elsburry and was one of seven children.

When she was eight-years-old the Elsburrys moved to Atkinson where Ethel attended grade school and high school.

Her father was in the drayage business and the family home is only three blocks from where the Mohrs now reside.

The couple was married by Justice of the Peace, Ancel Hayden, at the home of her parents April 20, 1908.

They began housekeeping on a farm five miles northwest of O'Neill. Later they farmed for many years on different farms in the Emmet and O'Neill communities. In 1932 they moved to Atkinson where Mr. Mohr was active as a painter and interior decorator.

They were attended by Pearl

Mohr, the bridegroom's sister, and Frank Mohr, a brother. Pearl is now Mrs. Pearl Thorson of Minot, N.D., (her husband died several months ago). She was present for Sunday's celebration. Frank of Atkinson was unable to attend because he was hospitalized here.

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The Mohrs . . . he was born east of O'Neill; she was Ethel Elsburry before their 1908 marriage.—The Frontier Photo.

John Erb Dies at Slayton, Minn.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Curran and her mother, Mrs. L. A. Ott, went to Lake Wilson, Minn., on Monday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Ott's brother, John Erb, 63, who died Friday at his home in Slayton, Minn.

Burial rites were conducted Tuesday at the Methodist church in Lake Wilson.

Mr. Erb was reared in the Joy community north of O'Neill.

Eighth Grade Exam

Next on Schedule—

Next on the term-end calendar of activities for Holt county rural schools include:

Friday, May 2: Eighth grade examinations.

Thursday, May 8: Holt County Rural Teachers association meeting, O'Neill public school, Wednesday, May 14: Eighth grade promotion exercises.