

Tractor Upset Kills Elgin Farm Youth



Ernst... died under farm tractor.—O'Neill Photo Co.

ELGIN—Funeral services for Lyle Ernst, 18, Elgin farm youth and 1938 graduate of Wheeler county high school (Bartlett), will be conducted at 2:30 p. m. today (Thursday) at the Park Center church west of Elgin.

Young Ernst, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Ernst of Elgin, was killed Monday, June 23—his 18th birthday anniversary. A tractor he was driving overturned.

There were no witnesses to the accident and death was ruled accidental. The remains will lie in state at the church from noon today until the funeral hour.

Rev. Louise Dengler, Park Center pastor, and Rev. L. V. Anderson, pastor of the Methodist church at Elgin, will officiate. Brooks funeral home of Elgin will be in charge of burial.

The accident happened three miles north of the family farm, which is located 12 miles west of Elgin and one mile south. Young Ernst was driving the machine from one part of the field to another.

The mishap is believed to have occurred about 10:30 a. m. He was found dead at 1:30 p. m.

Survivors include: Parents—Mr. and Mrs. William Ernst of Elgin; brother—Gaylon of Elgin; grandparents—Mr. and Mrs. Louis Weeder of Elgin.

Young Men Admit Cattle Rustling

Two Ainsworth youths Tuesday were arraigned here before District Judge Lyle Jackson and are charged with cattle theft.

The youths are: Francis Stuft, 21, and Lester Stuft, 18. They had been given preliminary hearing earlier in Brown county court and were bound over to district court.

They pleaded guilty and were released on one-thousand-dollar bond. Judge Jackson took the matter under advisement until July 3.

The Stufts were charged with stealing four calves from Charley W. Peterson of Atkinson of Peterson's Brown county land.

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George Farman, counsel for the Stufts, entered a plea for a parole for the young men.

Francis was held from the time the incident occurred. Jackson was substituting for District Judge D. R. Mounts of O'Neill.

Smith said in recent months there had been several non-related incidents in which calves turned up missing.

Creighton Okays Swimming Pool

CREIGHTON—Voters in a special bond issue election here Tuesday approved a \$37,500 swimming pool by a 70 percent majority. The issue needed 60 percent approval.

The turnout lacked one vote of equaling the balloting in the hospital bond issue about five years ago. There are 50 mail and disabled voters but not enough to alter the outcome, according to Editor Keith Sanders of the Creighton News.

A total of 535 votes were cast. The pool will measure 28 feet in width at the deep end; 52 feet in width at the shallow end. There will be a wading pool and filtering system.

Exact location has not yet been picked, but work will start, it was estimated in about three months.

Bonds Okayed
VALENTINE—Voters in Valentine Tuesday approved a \$17,500 bond issue to bring the municipal airport up to standards for commercial air service. The vote was 642-91, a majority of 80 percent.

Two-Day Showing
of School Exhibits
Open house to rite Holt county school exhibits will be held Saturday and Sunday, July 5 and 6, from 1:30 until 5:30 p. m.

Plan to see the art work done by the Holt county children at this time urges Miss Alice French, Holt county superintendent of public instruction.

A sample of this work may be seen in the windows of the Ponton Agency and the Dr. H. D. Gildersleeve office this week.

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Svoboda Is All-Around Cowboy

Estimated 5,000 See 2-Day Rodeo Here; Weather Excellent

Jim Svoboda, 23, young Burwell cowboy, for the second successive year was named all-around cowboy at O'Neill's big rodeo, which came to a close late Sunday afternoon.

Svoboda placed first in saddle bronc riding on the basis of the two-day competition, ranked sec-

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ond in bareback bronc riding, and third in bull riding.

Tremendous crowds watched both rodeo showings under auspices of the Nebraska State Rodeo association, a non-professional organization.

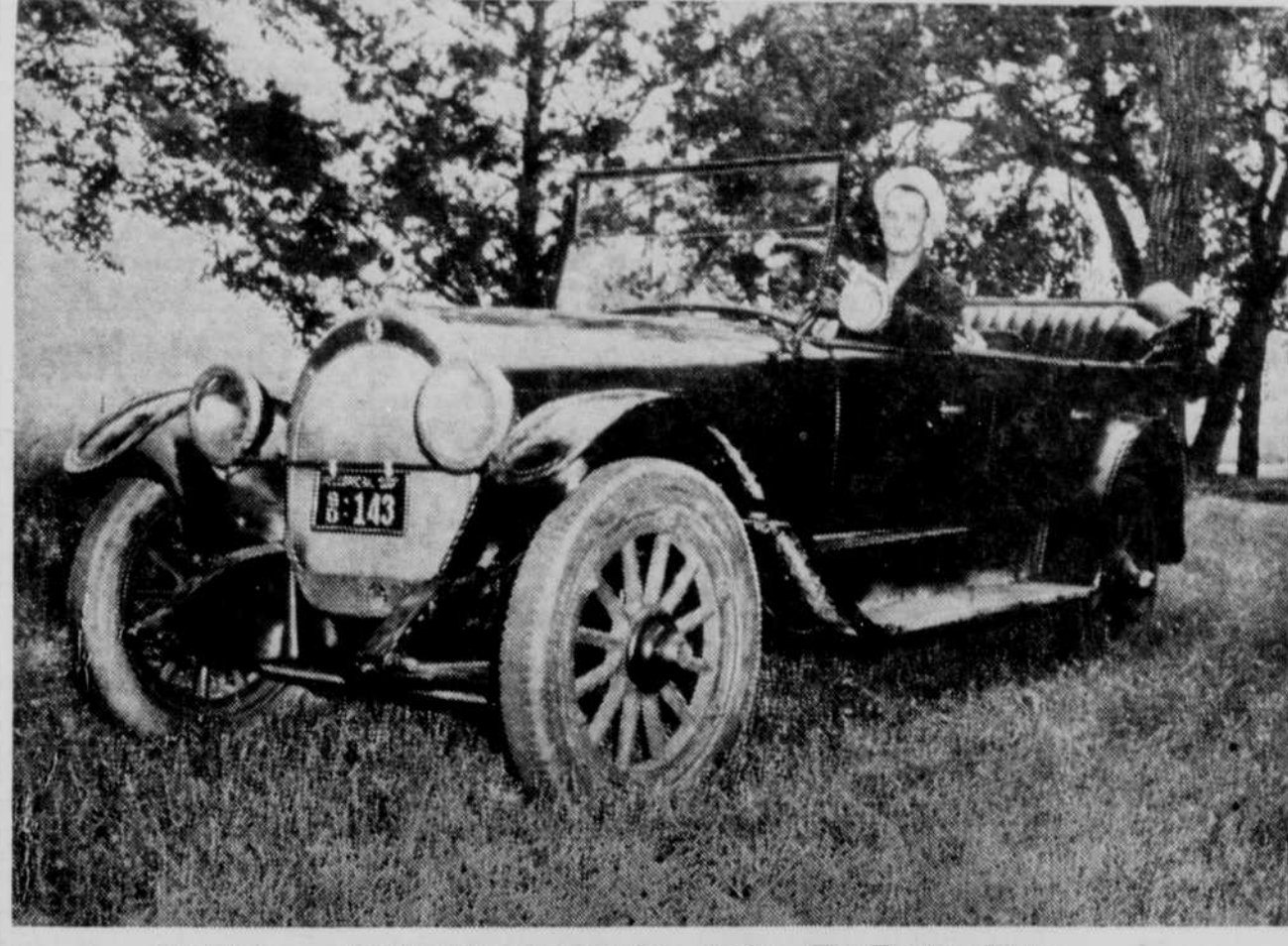
Svoboda, who hails from the famed rodeo community of Burwell and attended high school at Ord, admits he didn't get into the swing of rodeo competition until he attended the University of Nebraska college of agriculture. He is now county agent of Garfield county.

Svoboda will wed Miss Marilyn Mayberry of Burwell on July 13. His fiancée was Jim's ardent booster in the two-day O'Neill competition.

Two were hurt during the affair. Dan Judge, 17, of Atkinson bruised his left shoulder Saturday evening while in saddle bronc competition. Judge was competing his first year. The hurt ended his competition but he viewed the rest of the proceedings.

Larry Tomlinson, 16, of O'Neill suffered a forehead cut which required four stitches to close. He was bopped in the head by the knee of a horse.

An estimated five thousand persons witnessed the show, including two thousand on Saturday night and three thousand on Sunday afternoon. Holt and Boyd county cars were dominant with Knox, Pierce, Platte and Cedar counties represented in that order. Charles Mix, Bon Homme and Lyman (Continued on page 7.)



Bradshaw... this horseless carriage has stamina.—The Frontier Photo.

Only Duster, Goggles Lacking—

1916 Olds Gets Notice

A streamer-bedecked 1916 Olds mobile compelled its full share of attention in Saturday evening's rodeo parade.

The sleek eight-cylinder job of pre-World War I vintage proudly wended its way under the guiding hand of its owner, C. E. Bradshaw manager of the O'Neill Drive-In theater.

Bradshaw says "this luxury liner of yesteryear was manufactured at the Olds Motor Works, Lansing, Mich., and represents one of the first V-8 type engines built by General Motors and its predecessors. The engine bears the serial number 3,469.

The body is made of hard oak wood and metal that is heavier than the moderns.

The car was purchased new by Mr. Plasterer of Blainwood, Ia. But the southwest Iowa farmer was unhappy with the "H" (standard) gearshift, stored the limousine and reverted to model T Fords. Mr. Plasterer died and ownership went to a son in Omaha.

Bradshaw was angling for the big wheeler for several years before completing negotiations. It was transported to O'Neill aboard a truck earlier this year.

A few items were needed to get the granddaddy into operation. Bradshaw submitted specifications to the Chicago Gear company to have a new starter gear made. He admitted some tinkering had to be done with the carburetor to get the big seven-passer job purring.

"But it was fun and we got her going. Of course," he recalled, "we had to squirt gas into the priming cups on each cylinder, like the boys used to have to do. With a little coaxing we got her limbered up and now she runs fine."

Bradshaw took the rig to Southern State Teachers college at Springfield, S. D., where a trade school is located. Upholstering trainees refinished the interior.

The tires are 32 x 4 in size. When Bradshaw acquired the antique the tires had had it. He wrangled two new ones through a Horseless Carriage club, but is driving the machine sparingly until he can replace the front tires. Here's how that works: An order is placed with a tire manufacturer. When the manufacturer has backlogged 25 or more tires of a certain odd-ball size, he turns them out. Until the backlog, Mr. Bradshaw and other Horseless Carriage clubbers sit and wait.

This king of yesterday's trails has two-wheel brakes, crank, six-volt electric system, electric lights, side curtains, and the

speedometer shows a maximum speed of 60 mph.

The starter was one of the earliest electric contrivances of the era.

The harsh straight lines and rugged construction made it an aesthetic-looker in its day. Today its black body and simple innards compel more attention than any of its great-grandchildren that boast umpteen horsepower.

The Olds represented Meadow Gold in Saturday's parade.

The 1916 Olds is not the first antique of the road that has come under Bradshaw's ownership. Before purchasing this gem he owned a right-hand drive Rolls-Royce, made in England. He gave the Rolls to his sons, Russell and Richard, who live in Billings, Mont. At Martin, S. D., where Bradshaw lives during the winter, he has pieced together some of the major components of a Stanley Steamer. Still lacking, however, is a rather important feature: The boiler.

Court Stays Action Against 6 Schools

LINCOLN—Six Nebraska high schools which were disapproved by the state board of education in March were granted their requests Monday for court injunctions temporarily prohibiting the board from enforcing its disapproval.

High schools at Bristow, Petersburg, Farwell, Ong, Reynolds and Swanton had filed suit in Lancaster district court against the board power to establish accreditation standards.

George Morlang in State Office

George Morlang, who had been elected commander of district 11, Veterans of Foreign Wars, was installed at the state convention held in Scottsbluff from Sunday, June 15, through Tuesday, June 17.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Knoell of Bartlett have named their daughter, Jan Louise.

Young Fuller Is Placed in Cast

George Fuller, 16, son of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Fuller, is recovering in St. Joseph's hospital at Omaha following the June 16 ordeal in which he was run over by a crawler-type tractor.

The accident happened at a gravel pit east of Chambers.

He suffered a cracked pelvic bone, bruises, and torn tissues. For a time his condition was critical.

Some internal bleeding developed during the weekend. The youth's legs and hip were passed over by tracks of the eight-ton machine.

By Tuesday some of the leg swelling had receded and doctors Wednesday placed the O'Neill high senior in a cast. Doctors said they would attempt to bend the bone back into position without surgery.

The youth's father will remain in Omaha several more days. His mother will continue to stay near the patient.

Tuesday young Fuller ate his first "square meal" since his hospitalization.

S. S. Conner Rites Today At Ewing

Well-Known in Royal, Ewing Localities; Dies at His Home

EWING—Scott S. Conner, 75, resident of Ewing the past 26 years, died at 11:30 p. m. Monday, June 23, after a six-months' illness. He was hospitalized for about two months at St. Anthony's hospital in O'Neill.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p. m. (today) Thursday at First Methodist church here. Rev. Lee Bridgen will officiate. Burial will be in the Royal cemetery under direction of the Snider funeral home of Clearwater.

Ballbearers will be Kermit Jeffries, Ernest Pierson, Roy Roth, William Snyder, Earl Wright and Clifford Hahlbeck.

Singers will be Mr. and Mrs. Eben Grafft with Mrs. Wilbur Spangler as accompanist.

The late Mr. Conner was born April 22, 1883, at Clarinda, Ia., a son of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Conner. His education was obtained in rural schools west of Page. His parents had moved to that locality in 1888—when he was two-years-old.

He was married to Rhoda Styer on January 10, 1906, at the home of the bride's parents at Inman. The couple lived near O'Neill for a few months and then moved to Royal where they continued to reside for 26 years. In 1932 they moved to Ewing.

Mr. Conner was engaged in farming most of his life. Survivors include: Widow—Rhoda; son—Sammie of Dakota City; daughters—Mrs. James (Betty) Mechaley of Neligh; Mrs. Regina (Hazel) Belmer of Wisnora; Mrs. Loren (Wilma) Doty of Dakota City; Mrs. Helen (Margie) Schumacher of Holyoke, Colo.; Mrs. Guy (Dorothy) Couch of Oregon City, Ore.; Mrs. Clair (Glady's) Nothom of Eureka, Calif.; and Mrs. Charles (Ethel) Hayes of Gresham, Ore., his grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren; one brother and five sisters.

The Conners observed their golden wedding anniversary with open-house in July, 1955—several months in advance of their anniversary date in order that descendants from a distance could be present.

The couple's oldest and youngest child died in infancy. He was also preceded in death by four brothers and one sister.

Large Earth-Mover Drops into Canyon

VERDIGRE—A large earth-moving machine, owned by Joe Ribick of Snow, landed in a deep gully about 3/4 mile north of Verdigre. The machine rolled off state highway 14.

The machine was being driven by an unknown person, according to Mr. Ribick. It fell about 25 feet onto a canyon, rolled over once.

It is said there were two men aboard the earth-mover when it took the unusual ride.

Larry Chace Named U of C Track Aid

ATKINSON—Larry Chace, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Chace of Atkinson, has been named assistant track coach at the University of Colorado.

He is a former athlete at Atkinson high school and O'Neill high school. He was a three-sport star at O'Neill high.

HUBCAP PROBLEMS

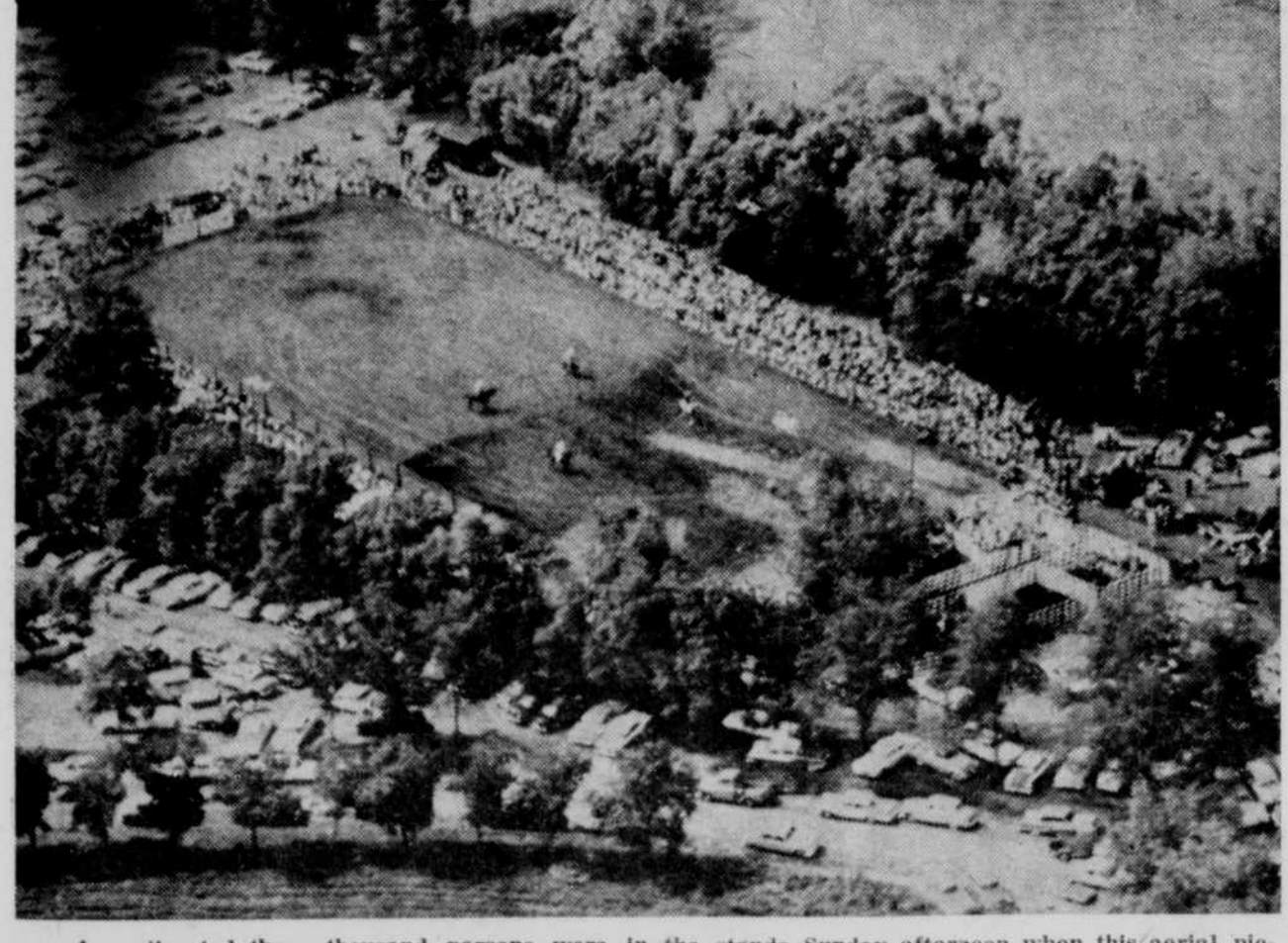
Don McKamy, O'Neill grainman, three times has had complete sets of nifty hubcaps stolen from his passenger car. One of the occasions was while McKamy and his family were vacationing last year in Montana. It's happened again: McKamy's car is limping around town minus one hubcap.

Robertson Guests—Mr. and Mrs. Noel Long of Colton, Calif., arrived Monday to visit her father, Sam Robertson, who suffered a heart attack Saturday. Another daughter, Mrs. Robert Weiss of Kansas City, Mo., is here. A sister of Mr. Robertson's and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Ernest Hutchinson, Kans., arrived Friday and returned Sunday. The three Long girls arrived a week ahead of their parents.

Auction Calendar

Saturday, June 28: Ida L. Boshchult, one mile south of the Lynch hospital will offer 640 acres of improved pasture (hayland and alfalfa) at auction, on the premises; Col. Ed Thorin of O'Neill, auctioneer—real estate broker.

Wednesday, July 2: Auction of personal effects of the late Mina Meyers, 8:30 p. m., one block west of Ed Smiths, Chambers; Col. Ed Thorin, auctioneer.



An estimated three thousand persons were in the stands Sunday afternoon when this aerial picture was snapped above O'Neill's picturesque rodeo arena.—The Frontier Photo.

Rain, Pranksters Spoil Gals' Stay

O'Neill was host last Thursday night to a Girl Scout troop from Seneca, Ill. The gals, 14- to 16-years-old, were enroute homeward from a trip to Yellowstone national park in a chartered bus.

They pitched their tents in Ford's park and settled down for the night. They were a bit weary of rain which had fallen virtually everynight to and from the park.

What did the weatherman offer during their overnight stay in O'Neill?

What did two masculine pranksters conjure up for the unsuspecting visitors? They loosened ropes on one of the tents and caused it to collapse.

O'Neill police were called to investigate.

PICNIC SCHEDULED

The Nebraska club in the Pacific Northwest will hold its annual picnic Sunday, July 20, in Lincoln park at Seattle, Wash. All former Nebraskans are invited, according to Mina Henning.



Five Become U. S. Citizens

Becoming naturalized citizens in the Holt county district courtroom Tuesday were: Left-to-right—Albert C. Block of O'Neill, native of Germany; Mrs. Robert (Beatrice) Pappenhelmer of O'Neill, Germany; Naida Passyka of Ainsworth,

Poland; Friederike Karoline Arnold of Ainsworth, Germany; Rev. Karl Kucera of O'Neill, Czechoslovakia; and Charles Rain, federal immigration officer. In background is District Judge Lyle Jackson of Neligh, who presided. Howard Manson administered the oath.—The Frontier Photo.