

Three Car Smash-Up Takes Life Saturday; O'Neill Man is Killed

A three vehicle accident took the life of Curtis D. Haakinson, 29, of O'Neill 17 miles north of the city on Highway 281 near the Spencer hydro electric plant.

Haakinson died in a Sioux City hospital Saturday of head and internal injuries.

Safety Patrolman Eugene Hastreiter of O'Neill said the Haakinson car (a Swift Co. automobile) plowed into a trailer parked on the dam and then veered across the road and struck a parked truck.

Haakinson was first taken to St. Anthony's and then transferred to Sioux City.

Patrolman Hastreiter said a car driven by Claude W. Higgins, 49, Pawhuska, Okla., pulling the two wheeled stock trailer, spun out of control when the trailer became partly uncoupled and overturned.

The trailer lay on its side on the highway, still connected to the safety device.

John Thompson of Spencer came by in a truck and stopped to assist Higgins in righting the trailer.

Haakinson's car then smashed into the trailer and knocked Higgins' car down a 30-foot embankment, then veered across the road and struck Thompson's parked truck. Haakinson was pinned in the car.

The fatality brought the Nebraska fatality count to 34 as compared with 33 for 1958 at the same time.

At the time of the accident, Haakinson was traveling from Winnebago, S.D. to O'Neill.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by one son, Raymond Clem, his mother, four brothers, one sister and a grandmother.

Funeral services were held in Sioux City his former home, early this week.

Those attending the Haakinson funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Beckwith, Mr. and Mrs. George Moriang, Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Land, Mr. and Mrs. William Jansen, Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Yantzi, Dale Herberg, George Janousek, Gene Closson and Sgt. Wm. Cousins.



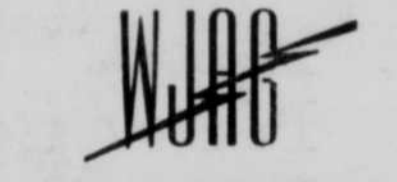
The Higgins Car in the Ditch

This is the car which was forced over an embankment when the Haakinson vehicle hit the trailer. The car is owned by Claude W. Higgins, 49, of Pawhuska, Okla., and was pulling the trailer which became partly uncoupled.—The Frontier Photo.



The Haakinson Death Car

The Haakinson vehicle slammed into a trailer, forced another car off the road down a 30-foot embankment, brushed a truck and finally came to a stop on Highway 281 over 100 feet from the initial point of impact.—The Frontier Photo.



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Seven Cents

Local Legionaires Sponsor District 2 Oratory Contest

Norfolk, Atkinson and Elgin students took top honors in the O'Neill American Legion oratorical contest Wednesday.

The winner, Bob Cook, representing Norfolk high schools will represent District 2 in the state meet.

Local Legion officials said the subject of the oratory was the U.S. Constitution.

Students from nine schools in the area met in O'Neill for the contest.

Second place honors went to George Penry of Atkinson (St. Joseph's) and third place to Karen Selting of St. Boniface of Elgin.

Each student was required to speak from a prepared paper for 10 minutes in addition to extemporaneously.

Local Radio Station Gets New Manager

Gilbert Poesse has been appointed manager of KBRX, a local radio station.

He replaces Al Wood, who will be joining a St. Louis station.

Poesse is a member of the Sun Broadcasting Co. Inc. He is a veteran of 12 years in radio.

He comes directly from station KUVR in Holdrege which is associated in ownership with the local station.

The Poesse's have four daughters. They include Patricia, 7, Jana, 6, Cindy, 5, and Nancy, 2.

The family will move to O'Neill soon.

CONGER DIES

Lee Conger, 83, of Inman died Wednesday afternoon at St. Anthony's hospital. The body is at Biglins Funeral Home. No funeral arrangements have been made.

Best in Their Class

FFA Blue Ribbons Are Awarded To Demonstrating O'Neill Youths

Three O'Neill FFA youths took top flight honors in the district four contest early this week.

The boys include Larry Ruegge, Nick Hammerlun and Ted Jareske, all of O'Neill.

The boys took first place in the demonstration division with their "dehorning" show.

They were awarded the top blue ribbon for their efforts and will represent O'Neill in the eight district state meet in Lincoln April 9.

Two other O'Neill boys also placed in the competition with red ribbons.

Leslie Breiner won a red ribbon in the "Creed" division and Merle Pease won a red ribbon for speaking.

The winners of those competitive divisions were Don Kalterman of Pierce and Leslie Hintz of Norfolk.

Red Cross Chairman Calls for Meeting

Red Cross Chairman, Ken Waring called a meeting for all the directors and officials and all other interested members for Tuesday evening, March 3, at the Town House, in O'Neill.

The meeting will begin with a dinner at 7 p.m. The main feature of this meeting will be final arrangements for the Red Cross drive.

At Methodist Meeting

The Rev. Robert L. Embree of O'Neill, Northeast District Superintendent of the Methodist church, attended a meeting at Kansas City, Mo.

Plans were made for the ministerial training school which is scheduled to open in the fall.

Minnie Reimer Funeral Held in Clearwater

The funeral of Mrs. Minnie Reimer, 95, who died at the Coiner rest home in Neligh, was held Tuesday at the Church of Christ in Clearwater with burial in the family plot in the Deloit cemetery.

Mrs. Reimer, who was born in 1863, was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wulf, homesteaders in the Deloit community.

She is survived by Judge Louis Reimer of O'Neill, Mrs. Roy (Emma) Johnson of Neligh, Mrs. Scott Clow of Denver, Mrs. Fred (Martha) Harpster of Ewing and Mrs. Anita Lee of Ewing.

Alford Funeral Monday At Assumption in Lynch

LYNCH—Funeral services for Mrs. Ray Alford were held Monday at 10 a.m. at the Assumption BVM church with Rev. Charles Kamber officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Agnes Doretha Alford was born in 1890 in Iowa, the daughter of Dennis and Catherine Zolck Fitzpatrick. She came to Lynch as a small child and has resided here since. She was united in marriage to Ervin Purviance in Feb. 1913.

One son was born of this union. Mr. Purviance died in Nov. 1920.

On Nov. 10, 1926 she married Ray Alford. They lived on a farm until 1953 when they retired and moved to Lynch. Mrs. Alford has been ill for the past 12 years. She died February 19, in Sacred Heart hospital where she had been a patient a few days.

Survivors include her husband; a son, LeRoy Purviance and four grandchildren—A2C LeRoy Purviance, jr., in the service, Mrs. Ivan Thomson, Leslie and Reta Purviance; one great grandchild, three sisters and seven brothers.

Vandals in High School

Vandals either broke in or were locked in the O'Neill public school during the week according to Holt county sheriff Leo Tomjack.

The sheriff said several chairs were overturned in the basement of the building but that no damage was done.

And Mama's Doing Fine, Thank You

Celia—This community is the "twinigest" "calviest" part of the country in the entire "Beef Empire."

If you don't believe it, ask a few of the ranchers and farmers around here.

The fourth set of twin calves was born to an Emil Colfack within a few weeks have been born here—and to the same rancher's cows twice.

First it was the Mark Hendricks place—twin black heifers were born to a Guernsey milk cow.

And then in about half the time it takes to tell about it, a third set of twin calves was born to an Emil Colfack Hereford stock cow.

And Emil is getting all the luck in this business. This time one of his cows gave birth to a bull and a heifer.

McGinnis Funeral

The funeral of Bea McGinnis who died in Omaha was held Tuesday at St. Patrick's church in O'Neill.

She is survived by a sister, Mrs. P. D. Mullen of Nebraska City and several nieces and nephews including Homer Mullen of O'Neill.

The Rev. Timothy O'Sullivan officiated.

Schedule P.T.A. Meeting

A P.T.A. meeting will be held Monday at 8 p.m. at the high school. There will be special entertainment, by the junior mixed chorus and soloists from the group.

Parents and friends are invited to attend.

Community Memorial

MATTLEY—The Dale Mattleys, Burwell, daughter, Ronda Lea, 7 pounds 13 ounces, Friday, Feb. 20.

Atkinson Memorial

LEE—The Francis D. Lees, Atkinson, son, Mark Thomas, 7 pounds 8 1/2 ounces, Thursday, Feb. 12.

JORDON—The Royce Jordons,

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Elsewhere

GALLUP—The Pat Gallups, Stratford, Okla., son, 8 1/2 pounds, Wednesday, Feb. 18. Mrs. Gallup is the former Leora Weyhrich, O'Neill. Mr. Gallup was a former agriculture instructor at the O'Neill high school.

STEARNs—The Sammy Stearns, Deloit, daughter, Sheila Ann, 9 pounds, Friday, Feb. 20 at Anelope Memorial hospital, Neligh.

Mrs. Mary Stearns is the paternal great grandmother.

FUNK—The Jack Funks, Deloit, daughter, Friday, Feb. 6, at Neligh hospital.

CURY—The John Currys, daughter, Friday, Feb. 20 in Kansas City. Mrs. Curry is the former Barbara Becker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Becker of O'Neill.

HARTY—The Jack Hartys' Chicago, Ill., daughter, Tracy Elizabeth, 6 1/2 pounds, Monday, Feb. 23. Mrs. Genevieve Harty is the paternal grandmother.

JONES—The Leon Jones, Lexington, son, 7 pounds 10 ounces, Thursday, Feb. 19. This is the couple's 4th child. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Jones of Chambers are paternal grandparents.

Sale Dates Claimed

Saturday, February 28: Thirty-eight registered Hereford bulls at auction. North-Central Nebraska Hereford association, annual spring show and sale, Tug Phillips, Bassett, sale manager.

March 6—Knox County land sale of Archie and Oral Cleveland located 13 miles north and 2 1/2 miles west of Orchard. Sale consists of 2 1/2 quarters. A six-room and a 3-room dwelling included. Col Ed Thorin, auctioneer and real estate broker.

March 14—Estate sale of W. R. Tomberg. Selling personal property and real estate, 160 acres including dwelling home in village of Emmet. Col. Wallace O'Connell, auctioneer; Ed Murphy, clerk.

Births

St. Anthony's FOREE—The C. R. Fores, O'Neill, son, Terence Alan, 8 pounds 12 ounces, Friday, Feb. 13.

McMANUS—The Edward McManus, O'Neill, son, Timothy Collins, 7 pounds 13 1/2 ounces, Wednesday, Feb. 18. This is the couple's 5th child.

KROTTER—The Robert Krotters, Spencer, daughter, Janet Leona, 9 pounds, Saturday, Feb. 14.

BOSKA—The Thomas Boskas, Spencer, son, Dennis Wayne, 8 pounds 6 ounces, Sunday, Feb. 15.

WATSON—The Stanley Watsons, O'Neill, son, Robert Gordon, 7 pounds 7 1/2 ounces, Thursday, Feb. 12. Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Watson are the paternal grandparents.

RYAN—The Tom Ryans, O'Neill, son, 7 pounds 2 1/2 ounces, Monday, Feb. 23.

McDONALD—The James McDonalds, O'Neill, son, Timothy Joseph, 7 pounds 1 ounce, Friday, Feb. 20. The couple have four other children. Mr. and Mrs. Charles McDonald of Deloit are paternal grandparents.

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Jump Seen in Actual Tax Valuation; 'Quite Reasonable' Assessor Explains

Taxation Table Shows Contrast With 1958

Here is a table showing the differences in livestock valuations from 1958 to 1959.

Registered Cattle	1958	1959
Calves to 6 months	\$ 50	\$ 60
Calves to 12 months	130	150
Heifers to 18 months	160	175
Heifers to 30 months	180	210
Stock cows	180	210
Milk cows	200	215
Herd bulls (minimum)	700	700
Commercial bulls (minimum)	350	350

Grade Cattle	1958	1959
Calves to 6 months	40	50
Heifers 6 to 12 months	40	50
Steers 6 to 12 months	95	110
Heifers 12 to 18 months	100	125
Heifers 18 to 30 months	150	175
Steers over 30 months	130	175
Stock Cows	180	200
Milk Cows	160	180
Bulls (minimum)	200	300

Horses	1958	1959
Race horses (minimum)	200	200
Saddle horses (minimum)	150	150
Other horses and mares (minimum)	70	70

Hogs	1958	1959
Butchers (per cwt)	18	14
Sows (per cwt)	16	12

Sheep	1958	1959
Ewes and rams (per head)	12	9
Feeders (per head)	20	17

Poultry	1958	1959
Turkeys (per dozen)	50	40
Chickens, ducks and sheep (per dozen)	7	5

Hay, Grain	1958	1959
Hay and Fodder (per ton)	5	5
Commercial baled hay (per ton)	8	8

Heifer and Cow Valuation Is Up Over 20 Percent

A sharp increase in the actual valuation of personal property and real estate will be felt in the "Beef Empire" according to figures released by the state assessors association.

Increases of as much as 20 to 30 percent in the valuation of livestock are shown.

Personal property and real estate will be assessed at 35 percent of actual value.

Bill Wefso, county assessor, said that the increase in actual valuation was "quite reasonable" in view of the increased market value of most stock.

He pointed out that stock cows and heifers 18 to 30 months of age increased by the greatest percentage.

Wefso said he believed the valuation was set higher on these two classes for two reasons. In addition to the sharp market increase on these two classes, last year's valuation was set too low, Wefso said.

The county assessor said assessors will meet Friday to gather materials for their work in Holt county. They will begin assessing on March 2, he added.

A complete list of assessors can be found on the inside pages of this issue of The Frontier.

Tomlinson Gets Award: 'Athlete of the Week'

Larry Tomlinson, a St. Mary's Academy athlete has been chosen "athlete of the week" by the World-Herald.

He will receive a card award from the newspaper.

He was chosen, according to a release by the newspaper, for his participation in the basketball win over Arnold when St. Mary's defeated them in the last few seconds of the game.

Tomlinson was also an all-state eight man football selection.

Hospital

ST. ANTHONY'S (O'Neill)

Admitted: Mrs. Edward McManus; Miss Lenna Fernau; W