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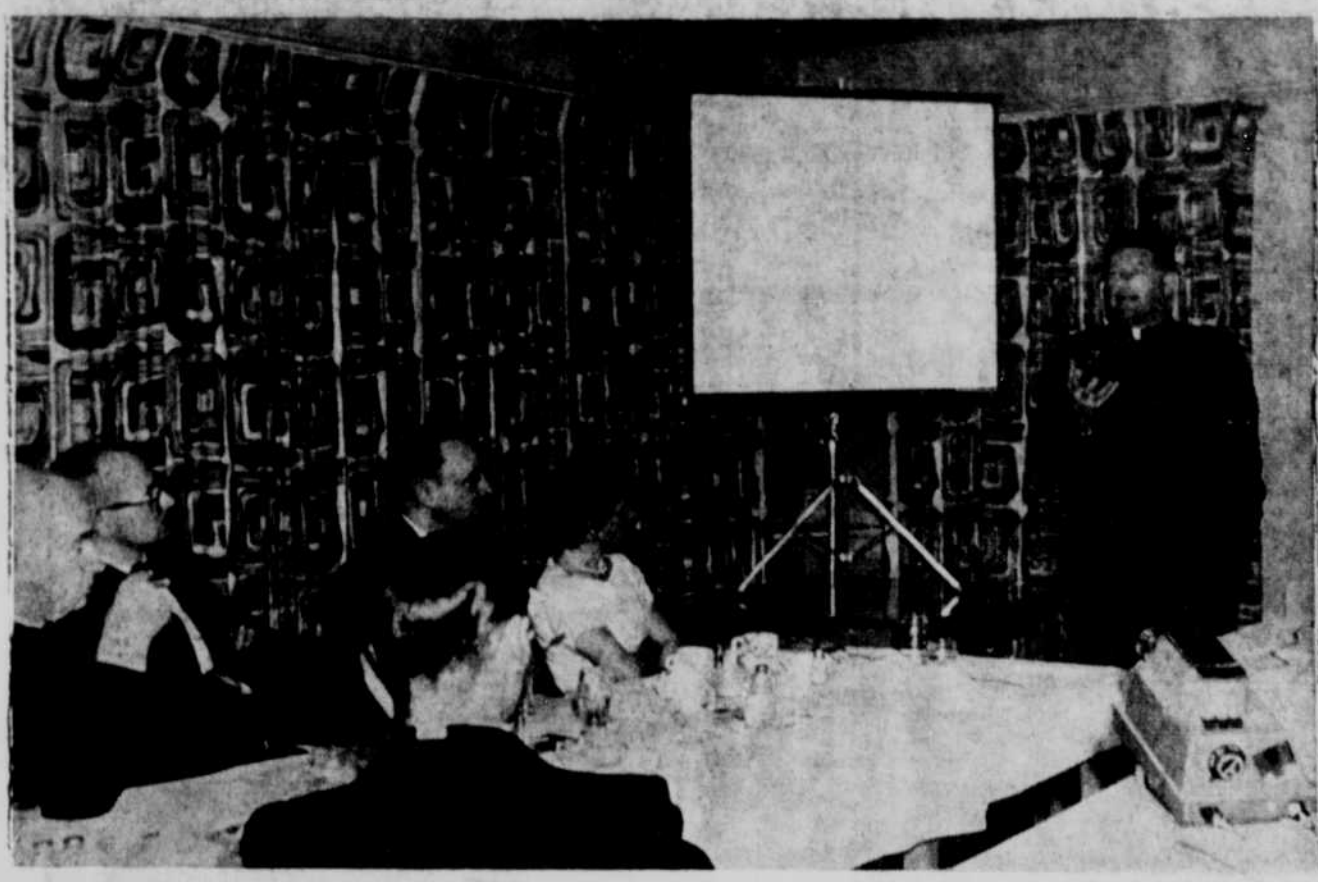
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Seven Cents

WEATHER
Generally fair and mild today.
High today expected to reach 54.
The week has been generally mild
with cold spells in the mornings.



Father Rinehart, S. J., president of Creighton University, speaks to members of the O'Neill and Atkinson Creighton alumni groups at the meeting held Monday night in O'Neill. Pictured from left are Monsignor Timothy O'Sullivan, Dr. Ed Gleason, president of the O'Neill group, and Mrs. F. J. Mancuso, Atkinson, president and father Rinehart.—The Frontier photo and engraving

O'Neill Chamber Sets Turkey Days For Next Week

O'Neill Chamber of Commerce representatives have announced the Christmas schedule of events to be held here in O'Neill. The Christmas season begins officially tonight as the O'Neill stores will be open until 9 p.m. to help Christmas shoppers. The stores will also be open Thursday nights, December 10 and 17. Next Friday and Saturday will be Turkey days here in O'Neill. Member stores of the Chamber will each be giving turkeys to the customers who can determine the number of people who will enter the store to register during the two days. Only one turkey will be given to each family. Saturday, Dec. 19, Santa will make his official visit to O'Neill. Stores will close for Christmas eve and Christmas day.

Veal Tuttle Injured Sunday

EWING—Veal Tuttle received a severely mangled arm Sunday afternoon when he was injured in a compicker incident. He was taken to the Antelope Memorial hospital in Neligh where an effort is being made to save the injured arm. Mr. Tuttle lives 8 1/2 miles south and east of Ewing.

Conservation Confab To Be Held Friday

Supervisors of the Holt soil and water conservation district will attend a meeting covering North Central Nebraska Friday. The meeting will be held at the Armory in Broken Bow. In addition to the district supervisors, the county ASC committee, the office manager, county extension agent, the soil and water conservation district clerk and the work unit conservationist will also attend the meeting.

Raymond Donohoe Electrocuted Monday Afternoon Near Center

Firemen Fight Carpet Pad Fire

O'Neill firemen were called out Tuesday afternoon to fight a fire caused when a carpet pad was placed over a floor furnace. The fire was at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Roberts. He is the new manager of the Lee store here. Both Mr. and Mrs. Roberts were at the store when the fire broke out. Mrs. Roberts had just purchased a new carpet pad and ordered it delivered to her home. The pad was placed over the floor furnace covering and began burning some time later. Firemen rushed to the home, pulled on the pad and sprayed water on the wooden floor which had also started to burn. The pad was a total loss and two holes were charred into the floor.

Mrs. Robert Martens Named March of Dimes Director

Mrs. Robert Martens, Atkinson, has been named the 1960 Nebraska March of Dimes director for Holt county, it was announced this week. Directing the campaign in Boyd county will be Mrs. Leroy Nyquist, Spencer.

The 1960 March of Dimes is scheduled for January 2-31. The National Foundation has added arthritis and birth defects in addition to polio for scientific research and study. Ted Hughes, State March of Dimes chairman of Seward, noted that Nebraska has had four times as much polio this year as last and there were eight deaths due to the disease. None of these had received their Salk shots.

Congressman, Senator Join Frontier Fight

Senator Carl Curtis and Congressman Larry Brock entered Nebraska's fight this week to retain the Frontier Airline service in Nebraska. Senator Curtis announced Tuesday that he has requested a hearing before the Civil Aeronautics Board. Senator Curtis wrote to CAB chairman James R. Duffee protesting the discontinuance of six Frontier flights and requested an early conference between the board and representatives of the State Aeronautics Commission. Before a Chamber of Commerce meeting in Norfolk, Congressman Brock expressed his disapproval of Frontier actions and has asked his staff to gather information on Frontier service to northern route patrons. Frontier Airlines intends to stop operations on six flights January 1. This will include the one North Nebraska roundtrip daily flight. Earlier in the week it was revealed that Clarence Davis, Lincoln attorney and former Solicitor General of the United States, and William C. Burt, Washington, D. C. attorney, have been retained as special counsel to assist with the case before the CAB. Meanwhile, the North Nebraska Travel Association is continuing its fight by entering protests with the CAB, the State Aeronautics Commission and the State Railway Commission.

A young O'Neill man, Raymond J. Donohoe, was electrocuted Monday afternoon near Center when he came in contact with an REA power line carrying 7,200 volts of electricity.

Donohoe, who drives a bread truck route out of O'Neill, was returning to O'Neill on the route when his truck slipped off the shoulder of the road and struck the power line pole. The truck smashed the pole and the power line fell to the ground starting a meadow fire.

Donohoe stopped Mrs. Ernest Foster of Center and asked her to go for help in fighting the fire. Mrs. Foster said that as she drove off she saw Donohoe in her rear view mirror as he was fighting the fire.

She said that suddenly he fell and that when she returned he was laying near the wire.

Funeral services for Ray Donohoe will be held this morning from St. Patrick's Catholic church, the Rev. Father Duffy officiating. Burial will be in Calvary cemetery. He was born December 25, 1937 at O'Neill, the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Donohoe. He was graduated from St. Mary's Academy in 1956. He then attended Norfolk Junior college for one year before entering the service.



RAYMOND DONOHOE

Donohoe entered the service in 1957 and was stationed in Germany for one year. He had been working for the bread company only six weeks.

Catholic Daughters held rosary services for Donohoe at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday afternoon and another rosary was said Wednesday night at Biglins Funeral Chapel.

Pallbearers at the funeral were Terry Wanser, Max Bohm, Jerry Cuddy, Eddie Cuddy, Tom Head and J. J. Hoffman.

Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Donohoe, three sisters, Mrs. Jerry (Karen) Rotherham, Ewing, Margaret Donohoe, O'Neill, and Mrs. Bud (Dorothy) Cloyd, Sidney, Ia. Five brothers, Edward James O'Neill, Donald E. of Portland, Ore., Wayne V. of Glendora, Calif., A-B Lawrence P. in the service at Amarillo, Tex., and Jerry of O'Neill.

City Council OK's Plan To Insure Employees

The O'Neill city council met in session Tuesday night and approved the city insurance plan, granted bingo licenses, heard a group of high school students and approved another paving estimate. In approving the city insurance plan which will effect nine city employees, the city now agrees to pay hospital and medical insurance and to carry \$1,000 life insurance on employees under age 60 and \$500 on employees over 60. The cost of such an insurance program is approximately \$450 per year.

Bingo licenses were granted to the O'Neill Legion club and the Knights of Columbus organization here. According to law, license holders must submit a financial record of each game held and give the city 10 percent of the gross receipts from the game. The city must give half of this to the state.

Emerson Steele, Darrel Clyde, Harry Bellin and Gerald Reynolds appeared before the council as a part of their project in American Problems class taught by Mrs. Lou Reimer.

The students petitioned the city to declare that no U-turns be made on 4th street from Douglas to the city limits. The group also asked that a 4-way stop be constructed at the corner of 4th and Adams. Adams street is the street just north of the school gymnasium.

In other action the council approved the third estimate submitted concerning the paving and construction in O'Neill.

Albert Pospishil Services Held

Funeral services for Albert Pospishil, 62, were held Wednesday at 2 p.m. from the United Brethren church in Orchard. Burial was in the Grimton cemetery. Mr. Pospishil died suddenly Sunday evening about 7:30 p.m. He had not been ill. The Pospishils live at Oak View Park site. Survivors include his wife, Lela; son, Harold of Sioux City and two grandchildren; a brother, Rudolph, who is hospitalized at Creighton and two sisters, Misses Vlasta and Viola Pospishil.

50th Anniversary Is Celebrated In Minden, Iowa

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thies of Minden, Ia., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary November 24. Open house was held at their home from 2 until 5 p.m. Mrs. Thies, the former Mary Storchmann, was united in marriage to Charles Thies of Avoca, Ia., November 24, 1909 at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hans Storchmann in the Phoenix community. The couple began housekeeping in Iowa where they located on a farm which Mr. Thies owned and operated. They lived there until 15 years ago when they retired and moved to Minden.

The couple became the parents of six children. Five of whom are living. A son, Melvin was killed in World War II. All of the children were present for the occasion. They are Elmer of Minden; John of Council Bluffs, Ia.; Wilber of St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. Jessie Perkins and Mrs. Max Jensen, both of Denver, Colo. also 9 grandchildren.



Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thies

The couple recalled that the weather then was very cold and there was 30 inches of snow on the ground. Mrs. Thies' sister, Mrs. Minnie Higgins and a brother, John Storchmann attended the celebration. Also present were Mrs. John Storchmann and Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Stewart and sons.



Stephen Hicks is shown here at his desk surrounded by the many pictures of his family and friends. The old gentleman celebrated his 89th birthday Saturday.—The Frontier photo and engraving

Stephen Hicks Celebrates Birthday; Says 1884 Indian Scare Is Hoax

Stephen Hicks, an 89 year resident of Holt county, quietly celebrated his 89th birthday Saturday at his home in West O'Neill.

The old gentleman, who many will remember for the gardening and hedge work that he did for many years here in town. Lives alone on West Fremont surrounded by the many pictures and mementos that accumulate during 89 active years.

Mr. Hicks came to the area in 1878 at the age of eight. His father was employed as the government butcher at Ft. Randall at the time and he lived there with his brother and sister.

In 1879 he and his mother came to Holt county and picked out a site for homesteading. They liked the land along the Redbird creek and in 1880 the family moved onto the place.

The cabin which the Hicks built on Redbird creek is the only remaining cabin in the area to tell of that bygone era of homesteading. The cabin sets by Redbird

and is located 5 1/2 miles east and 1 mile south of Midway garage.

Mr. Hicks was 17 when the great blizzard of 1888 hit the community. He recalls being stranded in a house there with very little to eat and being in charge of 17 girls at the house.

He said that the blizzard was the worst ever seen in these parts and said that it "dam near wiped out many of the people located in that area."

Mr. Hicks frequented many of the Indians who knew the area during the early days but has this to say about the big Indian scare of 1884. "It wasn't a scare at all. It was just those soldiers at Ft. Randall having target practice. There wasn't any scare around Redbird anyway."

Mr. Hicks married Gertrude Hubby in 1892 and farmed at the home place until 1925 when he moved to O'Neill. Three children were born to the union and two of them, both daughters, are still living. A son, Clarence, died in 1953 and Mr. Hicks' wife died in 1950.

The daughters are Mrs. Ed (Julia) Hubby of Hastings and Mrs. (Adeline) Sporn of Glendale, Calif.

After he moved to O'Neill, Mr. Hicks was active in the community doing carpentry and masonry work for many years. After that he started doing hedge and yard work and at one time took care of 36 yards in one O'Neill. His son, Clarence, was also doing this work, having worked for Wm. J. Froelich and caring for that lawn for 16 years.

Mr. Hicks now spends his days reminiscing and smoking at his home. He has quite a collection of old match boxes and says some of the neighborhood kids come around often and play with the boxes.

His wrinkled face, white mustache and flowing hair show his age, but the twinkle in his eyes lets everyone know that he has enjoyed every minute of his life.

Area Farmers Cited for Trees

University of Nebraska extension office area farmers this week that four area farmers are among the men named and certified "tree farmers" by the organization.

E. J. Revell, O'Neill, Ernest Billstein, Amelia, Joe Koenig and Harry Frauen, both of Bassett, were the honored farmers.

The men received the awards for demonstrating outstanding ability in growing and managing trees.

E. J. Revell has 160 acres planted to trees for farmstead and field protection and for game habitat. The original windbreak was started in 1932 for farmstead protection. Revell lives 26 miles north-east of O'Neill.

Ernest Billstein has 200 acres of trees for farmstead and field protection. Billstein hoped to harvest fence posts for the first time this year.

John G. Cleveland Funeral Services Held Saturday at Orchard

Funeral services were conducted Saturday for John G. Cleveland at the Orchard Evangelical United Brethren church with the Rev. Duane W. Lentz officiating.

Burial was in the Orchard Cemetery and pallbearers were Leo Don and Vern Cleveland, all of Orchard, Bob Cleveland, Neligh, Keith Jewell, Albion and Earl McClanahan, Ewing all nephews.

Mr. Cleveland died last Wednesday at the age of 75 at St. Anthony's hospital in O'Neill.

John George Cleveland was born June 15, 1884, near Moorhead, Ia. He spent his early life in Iowa, later moving with his family to near Blair and then to Pierce County. He had been a resident of the Orchard community for 45 years.

He was married to Gertrude Odren September 23, 1917. They farmed in the Paga and Orchard communities until 1942 when they moved to Orchard.

He is survived by his wife; three daughters, Mrs. Della Thompson, Plainview, Mrs. Helen Wilson, Waterloo, and Mrs. Frances Dalton, Naperville, Ill.; four sons, Archie, Ewing, Kenneth, Nutly, N. J., James, Oceanside, Calif., and Virgil, Spokane, Wash.; one step-son Esadore Odren, O'Neill; 17 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; four sisters and four brothers.

EWING JUNIORS HAVE PLAY The Ewing high school juniors have scheduled their class play for this evening at the Ewing high school.

Cardinals Beat Atkinson, 50-43

St. Mary's Cardinals jumped off to a big victory Tuesday night as they won their season's opener over Atkinson high school, 50-43 at Atkinson.

The game proved a close one until the final quarter. The Cardinals led 13-9 at the end of the first quarter, but trailed 21-24 at halftime and 33-35 at the three quarter mark.

Gale Stevens picked up his fourth foul early in the second period and played cautious ball until he erupted in the fourth quarter on three quick drive-in shots. He continued his deadly accuracy in the final period as he piled up 6 field goals and a pair of charity tosses in the stanza.

Stevens led the scoring with 23 points followed by Gokie who canned 12. G. I. Medcalf of Atkinson dropped 16 points to lead the losers.

Neither team had too much luck finding the basket in the opener. St. Mary's hit on 30 percent of their shots and Atkinson had only 28 percent find the mark.

The O'Neill reserves had easy going in a 36 to 14 victory. The young Cardinals held Atkinson to only 2 points in the second half after trailing 9-12 at halftime.

Box Score

Player	fg	ft	tp
Kamphaus	1	0-1	2
Gokie	5	2-4	12
Holly	3	0-2	6
Spitzenberger	2	1-5	5
Stevens	10	3-10	23
Medhoff	5	2-3	2
Atkinson	6	0-1	12
Dobias	5	0-1	12
Punk	3	2-5	8
Calven	0	2-4	0
Medcalf	7	2-4	16
Braun	3	1-1	7

Gail Robert, field representative of the Norfolk Social Security office will be in the Assembly room of the Court House December 9 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.



A scene from the St. Mary's senior class play, "Once and for All". Pictured are Don Bosh, Mardelle Vitt, Bill Putnam, Colleen Corkle, and Edward Verzal. The play was given with two separate casts on Sunday and Monday nights.—The Frontier photo and engraving