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Seven Cents

Irrigation Men Speak Monday Night In O'Neill

Members of the newly organized irrigation committee unanimously elected Dale Wilson and Gil Poese as co-chairman of the organization at its first meeting held Jan. 7 in O'Neill. Jim Champion was elected secretary.

The formation of the committee for the O'Neill area was thought necessary because of the great amount of misinformation circulating about the proposed irrigation project.

The sole purpose of this committee is educational. In the coming weeks the group will be working to inform interested parties in the possibilities of irrigation in the Atkinson-O'Neill area.

According to Dale Wilson, committee co-chairman, the group feels that the true reaction of farmers and ranchers involved cannot be expressed until these landholders are properly informed of the recommendation advanced by the Bureau men.

Studies made by Bureau of Reclamation men show that some 71,000 acres of land in Northern Holt county might be irrigated. The Bureau can do no more than make the study and give recommendations however.

The first steps taken by the new committee occurred Monday night when representatives attended the Atkinson Chamber of Commerce meeting and invited them to a joint meeting to be held Monday at the Town House beginning at 7 p.m.

Bureau men together with a representative of Portland Cement Co. and a retired Burlington railroad man will be on hand at this meeting to answer questions on the project.

The final decision concerning the irrigation is with the landholders. An added purpose of the committee, according to Wilson, is to act as a clearing agent for information on the proposed project and to give the rancher and the farmer an organization through which they can express their feelings on the project.

Nyal Franch Charge Dropped

All charges against Nyal Franch in connection with the killing of his half-brother, Frank Vanderlinde, were dropped at the pre-trial hearing held last Thursday at the Butte court house.

District Judge Lyle Jackson of Neligh presided.



Lynn McCarthy, left, and Kathy Brady, are shown Saturday night at the extension Fun Night as they received their watch awards for winning in the state home demonstration division. The girls received their awards from Mrs. Floyd Butterfield, Atkinson, while Mrs. A. T. Crumly, Page, looks on.—The Frontier photo and engraving



All of these 4-H participants received awards Saturday night at the annual extension fun night held at the high school gym. A complete list of winners will be given in next week's Frontier.—The Frontier photo and engraving

Frank Peters Celebrate 50th Wedding Day

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Peter celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary at their farm home south of O'Neill Monday with an open house. Dinner was served for the immediate family at noon.

The Peters have lived their entire married lives on the home where they now live. Frank Peter was born June 17, 1886, and raised in Holt county.

Mrs. Peter, the former Emma Prokepe, was born April 14, 1889, in Stanton county. The Peters were married at St. Peter and Paul's Catholic church at Stanton January 11, 1910. The late Monsignor J. C. Buckley officiated at the ceremony.

Eleven children, eight of them still living, were born to the couple. Living are Cyril C. O'Neill, George, O'Neill, Mrs. Luma (Frances) Hartl, Stanton, Mrs. William (Anne) Buckendahl, Stanton, Louis L. O'Neill, Mrs. Leonard (Helen) Dusatko, Emmet, Mrs. Ralph (Elsie) Adair, Amelia, and Mrs. Rudy (Tillie) Pekny, Clarkston. Deceased are a son in infancy, Mary at the age of 6, and the late Frank F. Peter.

The couple also have 30 grandchildren.

Burial Rites Monday For Frank P. Miller

Rev. Francis E. Kubart officiated at funeral services Monday for Frank P. Miller, at St. John's Catholic church south of Ewing. Miller died Saturday at the age of 64 at his home south of Ewing. He had been a life long resident of the Deloit vicinity.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. at St. John's Catholic church. Burial was in St. Anthony cemetery.

Frank Miller was born south of Ewing March 13, 1895, to Edward and Monica Miller. He was married to Minnie Montgomery of Spalding, on May 1, 1933.

He is survived by his wife; a daughter, Mary C. Miller, Omaha; three sons, Leonard and Robert, Omaha, and James residing at home; three sisters, neices and nephews and a host of friends.



Mr. and Mrs. Frank Peter are shown Monday as they prepared to cut their three tier 50th wedding anniversary cake at their farm home south of O'Neill. Many friends and relatives attended the open house held in the afternoon.—The Frontier photo and engraving

Intangibles Taxable Says County Assessor

County Assessor William Wefso said this week in response to some confusion in assessing property taxes, that money on hand or in the bank on January 1 is assessable.

This results from a law on Intangible Property of Estates, L.B. 51, passed by the 1959 Nebraska Legislature. The law states that any intangibles not assessed while a person is alive will be taxed and penalized in that person's estate.

The law is in effect beginning in 1959 and applies to all classes of personal property.

Before an estate can be closed, the Assessor must examine the inventory of the estate and certify that all of the property has been assessed. If the assessor finds omitted property, it must be added to the tax rolls plus the penalty, beginning with 1959 and every year after.

Wefso also said that boat and motor owners should know the year, length, name and model identification and condition of the boat; and the year, name, model identification and horsepower of the motor when having them assessed. All boats must be assessed at the residence of the owner. This also applies to home-made boats.

Charges Filed at Neligh Against Carolina Man

Charges have recently been filed in Antelope county court against Glenn Ammons of Sanford, N. C., alleging that he took household goods and a refrigerator from his employer's house, Pete Cooper of Orchard.

Ammons had been working on the Cooper farm and was living in one of the Cooper houses. He left with his brother-in-law, Jim Hollie, also from North Carolina, in a pickup truck. Hollie has been working near O'Neill baling hay for Floyd Tucker.

Chicago 'Sox' Coach To Speak At Wayne

Chicago White Sox Coach Don Guttridge will be the featured speaker at the sixth annual North-east Nebraska Old-Timers Baseball meeting Wednesday, Jan. 20, in Wayne.

The meeting is at 8 p.m., at the Wayne City auditorium. Highlighting the program will be a presentation of special awards by District Judge Lyle E. Jackson, Neligh, to five northeast Nebraska old time baseball players.

Following his talk, Guttridge will conduct a question and answer period. He has been in baseball since 1932, when he started with Lincoln of the old Nebraska State League.

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In the third fight Allen Rittscher, Elgin, scored a TKO to defeat Mike Jensen of Bloomfield.

Dennis Tomlinson, O'Neill, won the fourth fight by decision over Bob Leibig of Platte Center. Roy Stewart of Bassett decided Don Simpson of Norfolk in the fifth fight.

Jack McGinn, O'Neill, decided Bill Miller of South Sioux City in the sixth match. The seventh match had Donnie Boyken of South Sioux meeting Kenny Mitchell of Macy. Boyken won. Dale Hixon took the decision over Early Jackson of South Sioux City in the heavy-weight match.

In the semi-final event Dean Pofahl of Ewing won by a decision over Ronnie Sutton of South Sioux City. Butch Pofahl dropped a decision in the main event to C. J. Hendrickson of South Sioux.

Rural Fellowship Man To Speak Here Monday

Dr. George Kerr, executive secretary of the Presbyterian Rural Fellowship, will be the speaker at the monthly men's council meeting at the Presbyterian church Monday night beginning at 8.

Rev. John Hart said that Kerr's work is in the area of programs and problems of Town and Country churches. He is making a 10-day itinerary through Nebraska speaking and consulting with church boards about the problems of the local church.

Anton D. Svoboda Killed Near Burwell

Anton D. Svoboda, 22, of Burwell was impaled and killed Tuesday when his car crashed into a bridge railing on Nebraska 11 about one mile south of Burwell.

Safety Patrol Trooper Phillip J. Quinn of Ord, who investigated the accident, said the Svoboda car was northbound. It struck a 75-foot steel bridge and ran the left railing through the car. The railing penetrated the driver's body. He was alone in the car.



Dean Pofahl puts a sharp right to the head of Ronnie Sutton of South Sioux City as he went on to win over Sutton in the Legion sponsored fights held Monday night in O'Neill.—The Frontier photo and engraving

Tomlinson, McGinn Win In Legion Bouts

Some 800 persons watched the fight card presented Monday night here in O'Neill as the O'Neill Legion Club presented pre-golden gloves bouts.

Ten fights lined up the Golden Gloves for the regional golden gloves tournament to be held at Norfolk January 26 and 27.

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Services Held for Former O'Neill Man

Funeral services for Stephen Alder, 50, former resident of Holt County, were held Monday in Biglin's Chapel with the Rev. John Hart officiating. Burial was in Maplewood Cemetery near O'Neill.

Mr. Alder died in a Lincoln hospital. Pallbearers were Robert Sholes, John Babl, Gerald Snyder, Alfred Linquist, Nels Linquist and Robert Tomlinson. Music was furnished by Mrs. Harold Lindberg, vocalist, and Mrs. Reed Herley, organist.

Survivors include two sisters, Goldie Alder of O'Neill and Mrs. Dena Parks of Page, Neb.; six brothers, Grant of Rushville, Roy of O'Neill, Dewey of Buffalo Gap, S. D., Dave of Verdugo, John of Inman and Delbert of Orchard.

Announce Plans For Polio Fund Drive

Plans have been announced for polio drive events in O'Neill during January with a coffee day and Mother's March as the two main events. Mrs. Robert Martens, Atkinson, is the Holt County campaign chairman. O'Neill campaign chairman is Mrs. M. B. Marcellus with Mrs. Verne Reynoldson as co-chairman.

The Mother's March is scheduled for the evening of January 21. The whistle will blow at 6:30 p.m. as O'Neill mothers begin their door to door canvass. O'Neill residents are requested to turn on their porch lights.

The captains in O'Neill, according to Mrs. K. L. Voorhis, Polio Foundation chairman in Holt County, are Mrs. Frank Clements, Mrs. Robert Devoy, Mrs. Carol McKay, Mrs. Lowell Nesbitt, Mrs. Neil Dawes and Mrs. Allan Jaskowiak. Mrs. James McMahan is the county rural canvass chairman.

Check Charges Against Thomas; Spent Radio Money, Says Poese

Monsignor O'Sullivan Comes Home Tuesday

Monsignor T. J. O'Sullivan returned Tuesday from Omaha where he has been hospitalized since December. Monsignor was injured in a fall. He said that in his 45 years as a pastor this is the first time he has been absent over the Christmas holidays.

Two Accidents Over Weekend

Two minor automobile accidents were recorded in O'Neill Saturday as a result of icy streets. Cars driven by Lawrence Hinrichsen and Clifton Clyde collided south of the Dix station when Clyde failed to stop because of the ice. Little damage was done.

Another accident the same day involved cars driven by Willis Sanders and Robert Lindberg. The cars collided in an alley on Third Street between Douglas and Clay. A small amount of damage resulted.

Connie Riege Wins Award At Page School

Connie Riege, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lorenz Riege, Page, is the winner of the "Betty Crocker Search for the Homemaking Tomorrow" award at the Page high school this year.

Miss Riege had the best score of all senior girls who took the test at Page early in December. She will receive a special pin for her prize.

Also included in the prize is the right to have her examination entered in the state-wide contest. Prizes awarded at that level are college scholarships.



Philip Gildersleeve, son of Dr. and Mrs. H. D. Gildersleeve, beams happily as he poses with some of the six coyotes brought in on Sunday's coyote hunt in the area of the Midway store.

The hunt was planned in cooperation with farmers and ranchers in that area.

P. Stoltenbergs Observe 60th at Naper Saturday

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stoltenberg celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary at Naper Saturday and held an open house from 2 until 5 in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Stoltenberg were married at the courthouse in Butte. They farmed in Dodge county for the first five years of their marriage and then came back to Boyd county in the spring of 1905. Except for two years, 1910 and 1911 when they were in Tripp county, S. D., they have lived in Boyd county.

The Stoltenbergs have two daughters—Mrs. Adolph (Viola) Herlan of Bonesteel and Mrs. Harlan (Alice) Reber of Stuart. Three sons, Robert, Edward and Frank all live at Naper. Two other sons are deceased.

Sixteen grandchildren, 28 great grandchildren and one great-great grandchild, Brent Lee TeSelle of Ashland, are descendants of Mr. and Mrs. Stoltenberg.

The 60th wedding anniversary table was decorated by a three tier wedding cake and an arrangement of blue carnations and blue candlesticks.

Refreshments were served during the afternoon by their daughters, assisted by Mesdames Edward, Robert, Frank and Kenneth Stoltenberg and Mrs. Alvin Bendig and Mrs. Jake Hoyt.

Barbara Stoltenberg, granddaughter of the couple, was in charge of the guest book. Ninety-three guests registered during the open house.

Out-of-town guests were two sisters of Mr. Stoltenberg—Mrs. Anna Thomsen of O'Neill and Mrs. Edward Adams and husband of Colome, S. D. Mrs. Harry Thomsen of Page was also a guest.

Frontier Moves To North Fourth

This week's issue of the Frontier is only eight pages due to the moving of the entire business, which is now in progress.

The Frontier will now be located in a building on North Fourth Street, between the office of Norman Gonderinger and Moore-Noble Lumber Co. The telephone number will remain 788.

It is hoped the move will facilitate the publishing process as the front office and the printing equipment will now be in one building.

Carl Gokie Services Saturday Near Ewing

Funeral services for Carl Gokie, 65, who died last Thursday in Neligh, were held Saturday at St. John's Catholic church south of Ewing with Rev. Francis Kubart singing a Requiem high mass.

The rosary was said Friday night at the home of Anna Savidge with Rev. P. F. Burke conducting. It was attended by a large group of friends and relatives from O'Neill, Clearwater, Norfolk, Elgin, Neligh and Ewing.

Carl Gokie was born July 30, 1894, at the family home at Clearwater. He died at the Antelope Memorial hospital. He had been in failing health for many years.

He was born the son of Conrad and Mary Regina Gokie at Clearwater and spent most of his life on the family farm, retiring in 1957 and moving to Ewing.

He was one of a family of ten children, four of whom are still living. They are Joe Gokie, O'Neill, William Gokie, Ewing, Elizabeth Mawe, Norfolk and Anna Savidge, Ewing. His parents, two brothers and three sisters preceded him in death.

Carl had never married and was very religious all his life. Besides his sisters and brothers, he leaves many nieces, nephews and friends to mourn his death.

Pallbearers were Harold Savidge, Bob Knapp, Bud Bartak, Clarence Gokie, Leo Gokie and Joe Gokie. Interment was at the parish cemetery in the family plot.

V. James Towle, Railroad Agent, Dies Saturday

V. James Towle, 61, Norfolk, North Western Railway agent, died of a heart ailment early Saturday at his home.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 2 p.m. from the Norfolk Presbyterian church. Burial was in the Norfolk Prospect Hill cemetery.

Mr. Towle was born June 1, 1898, and started working for the North Western Railway March 18, 1915, as a helper at Beemer. He later worked as a helper at Neligh.

He served as agent at Houston, Beemer, Elgin, Surprise, Newport, Alton and was at O'Neill from 1947 until April 3, 1958, when he was transferred to Norfolk as agent. He succeeded the late William Harrison.

He is survived by his wife, Hazel, and two sons, Gerald, Clark Bros. employe at Norfolk, and Dean, medical student at Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill. Two grandchildren, Lance and Lynn, Norfolk, also survive.

Community Cooperation Builds Page Balcony

A balcony to provide seating for another 120 people was completed this week at the Page high school. Many Page residents donated their time and services to complete the project.

The balcony was paid for through the school activity fund, by money earned picking up corn at the William Scheinost and L. G. Bernholtz farms and from a collection taken at the mid-winter band concert.

"No Account" Check Charges Have Been Filed Against Willie Thomas

Thomas is at St. Anthony's hospital as a result of an auto accident January 6 and is awaiting preliminary hearing date which has not yet been set. Tomjack said Thomas wrote a check for the amount of \$280.30 on a Broken Bow bank in which he had no account.

Poese related that for an unknown period of time Thomas has been collecting checks from KBRX advertisers, endorsing and cashing them, and keeping the money in his possession. On Dec. 15, KBRX management began to suspect something wrong when checks began to turn up made payable to KBRX but cashed by Thomas. It was at that time Thomas wrote the \$280 check on the Broken Bow bank to cover the shortage, Poese said.

When the check was returned to KBRX labeled "No Account" Poese issued a warrant for Thomas' arrest and he was held in a Broken Bow jail January 2 and returned to O'Neill January 3rd.

Poese stated that after further consideration, he decided to hold up the charges against Thomas when Thomas promised to repay his debts. He returned to work but failed to appear on January 7. Later in the day it was discovered Thomas was in St. Anthony's hospital following an accident near Chambers the night before.

On January 8, another advertisement check was turned up by KBRX management that had been picked up and cashed by Thomas. This, said Poese, brought the total amount "embezzled" from KBRX by Thomas to \$437.47. On Tuesday, January 12, still another check for \$6.25 was discovered to have been cashed by Thomas.

Following these incidents Poese decided to press charges against Thomas. Poese said that Thomas had previously been able to cover up for his activities by calling advertisers who had been sent statements for bills already paid and telling them to disregard the statements as a new bookkeeper had made a mistake in sending the bill.

When contacted yesterday at St. Anthony's hospital Thomas said that he had no comment to make at this time.

A special fund to help Thomas has been started by his friends but they did not know how much had been collected at press time.

Thomas came to O'Neill in October of 1958 from Broken Bow where he had been employed by the local radio station. He has worked in Kansas and Missouri.



Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stoltenberg are shown as they celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary Saturday at Naper. The couple was married at the Butte county courthouse in 1900.—The Frontier photo and engraving