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N. S. I. A Delegates Oppose State Appointive Office; Curtis Blasts Government Aid at Recent Meet

Those attending the State Convention of the Nebraska School Improvement Association at North Platte Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 25 and 26, from Holt County were the past president and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Widman of Amelia; the N. S. I. A. Field Representative who presided over the convention, and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Brauer of Stuart.

Along with these were the Holt County delegation; Richard Brauer, chairman of Stuart; Mrs. Florence Boettcher of Atkinson, secretary; Mrs. Robert Le Munyun and Lawrence Ziska both of Stuart.

The opening day program included the opening address by S. H. Brauer, of Stuart, field representative; welcome by president Clyde Widman, of Amelia and a finance report by director Victor Mares of Schuyler.

The closing banquet was held at 7 p.m. in the Pawnee Hotel's Crystal Ballroom with Sen. Carl Curtis as guest speaker.

Fernholtz Services Are Held Friday In Winner

Funeral services were held Friday at the Catholic church at Winner, S. D., for Raymond Fernholtz, who lost his life in a January 24 highway traffic accident between Colome and Winner. Burial was made in the Winner cemetery.

Raymond Joseph, son of the late Bernadine Heese and Joseph Fernholtz, was born at Hartington, Jan. 30, 1914. He accompanied his parents to O'Neill where he attended school. He served in the Air Force in World War II and was employed at O'Neill and Norfolk before going to Winner in 1957 where he made his home with his brother, William.

Survivors include: two sisters, Mrs. Dorothy Brown of Carroll and Mrs. Elsie Marcellus of Pecos, Calif.; five brothers—George and Albert of Portland, Ore., William of Winner, John of Tacoma, Wash., and North of California.

St. Mary's School Slates Retreat

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday will be retreat week for the students of St. Mary's Academy. Father McMahon of Boys Town will be the retreat master.

Friday morning, the senior sodality at St. Mary's will serve breakfast following the 8 a.m. mass. The proceeds from the breakfast are to be sent to Father Basil Price S. J., who is a missionary in Korea.

Nuns Ask for Passports

Barbara Wiedmann, known as Sister Priscilla, and Viktoria Haenle, known as Sister Friedberta, both of Sacred Heart hospital in Lynch, Nebr., applied for passports to Germany for a two month visit with relatives. They plan to leave sometime in April by air.



Meet John Enke, the new Penney store manager. Mr. Enke comes from Tokamah where he was also affiliated with the Penney chain of department stores.—The Frontier photo and engraving

Auxiliary Hears Information On Heart Disease

Dr. George Carstens spoke at the regular meeting of St. Anthony's Hospital auxiliary meeting held Monday evening. The talk was on heart disease.

The auxiliary voted to give \$270 toward the remodeling of the nursery at St. Anthony's hospital.

At the next meeting scheduled for March 7 the Lion's club will show a film on the transplanting of eyes. The project of the Lions club is to secure eyes for transplanting.

Lunch was served by Mrs. John Shoemaker and Mrs. Harry Lansworth.

Segor Cafe Now Under New Management

Jim Hunt, formerly of Kadoka, S. D., has taken over the management of the Segor Cafe.

Jim, who is married and has a small daughter, came to O'Neill last week after operating the Parkway Cafe in Kadoka.

Juracek To Convention

Elmer Juracek is among three Holt County men attending the National Soil Conservation Association meeting at Louisville, Ky., this week. With Juracek are Merwyn French sr., Page, and Walt Fick, Inman.

The three are members of the Holt County Soil Conservation Association and traveled with a chartered bus entourage leaving from Omaha.

Rain, Sleet and Ice Black Out O'Neill

Ice and sleet struck in the Sandhills area Monday and Tuesday night electricity and phone service over a wide area was disrupted.

O'Neill was thrown into complete darkness at two different times, each of them lasting about 10 minutes. Many here could not remember when O'Neill was so completely blacked out.

According to K. L. Van Voorhis, manager of the Consumers Public Power district here in O'Neill, ice, fog and the technical difficulties caused by the ice kept line crews busy into the night.

Harry Petersen, telephone company manager, stated that phone service was disrupted over a wide area. The circuit to Norfolk and Omaha was out, but sometime during the night one line was opened between here and Norfolk.

The town of Page was without service for about three hours. Electricity there was out about 7 p.m. and was still out yesterday morning.

Phone service here in O'Neill was about normal except for the 20 minutes that the electricity was out. When the lights went out the operators could not ring numbers.

One consolation from all this fog, sleet and rain—the groundhog didn't see his shadow Monday. That could mean that winter is over—maybe.

Along Main Street . . .

Roy Shelhamer of Shelhamer Equipment Co. attended the 69th annual convention of the Midwest Retail Farm Equipment Association in Omaha from Monday to Wednesday, Jan. 25-27.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Meyers of Meyers Midwest Furniture and Appliance Co. are in Minneapolis this week attending a furniture show.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Wilson will leave for Minneapolis Saturday where they will attend a hardware meeting. Mr. Wilson is the owner of the Coast to Coast Store here.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Patton returned last week from Boulder, Colo., where they had been visiting with their son, Doug, and family. Mr. and Mrs. Patton own and operate Patton's Ben Franklin store here in O'Neill.

Atkinson Man Crashes Billboard Near Spencer

A car driven by John Albrecht of Atkinson crashed into a bill board near the Leo Marx home northwest of Spencer Saturday night. Mr. Albrecht escaped without injury when his car failed to negotiate the turn. The car carried a good deal of damage on the front end.

Schoolhouse Meetings Scheduled By O'Neill Irrigation Committee

Missionary To Speak Here Friday

Miss Letan M. Doyle, who is on a pre-retirement furlough from evangelistic work in India, will be guest speaker Friday, Feb. 5 at 7:30 p.m. at the O'Neill Methodist church.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service, sponsors of the program cordially extend an invitation to any who wish to attend. A fellowship hour will follow the program.

Miss Doyle was born on a farm in northwest Missouri. After a year at Tabor College in Iowa she attended the National Training School in Kansas City, 1915-17 and received her deaconess diploma. She qualified for a Bachelor of Arts Degree from the Nebraska State Teacher's College at Kearney in 1926. Since then she has done refresher work at the University of Nebraska, Northwestern University and Scarratt's College.

Parents Tour School At PTA Open House

A large crowd of O'Neill parents toured rooms and visited with teachers at the PTA sponsored open house Monday evening at the O'Neill public school.

Several of the rooms featured displays made by the students. Stanley Longnecker conducted the business meeting and part of the constitution was read. The second grade mothers served cake and coffee.

McKesson Robbins Drug Co. will present the program for the March meeting.

Land Bank Meet To Be Held Here Wednesday

The annual meeting of the O'Neill Federal Land Bank Association has been scheduled for Wednesday, February 10, 1960. This was announced today by Lyle P. Dierks, manager of the Nebraska State Teacher's College at Kearney in 1926. Since then she has done refresher work at the University of Nebraska, Northwestern University and Scarratt's College.

Dierks stated that the meeting will begin at 10 a.m. with registration in the Royal Theatre. A free dinner will be served, he said, to all members of the O'Neill FLBA and their wives in attendance.

R. Edward Baur, chairman of the Omaha District Farm Credit Board will be the featured speaker.

An important item on the business agenda will be election of two association directors for 3-year terms, according to manager Dierks. About 300 farmer and ranchers from Boyd, Holt and Wheeler counties are expected to attend, he said.

Bill Hynes Receives All-American Honor

Bill Hynes, St. Mary's Academy junior, received honorable mention in the Wigwam Wiseman's All-America high school football selections. Larry Clements, Stuart, also received honorable mention.

Hynes, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Matt Hynes, is a back on St. Mary's football team.

The All American candidates are chosen annually by a group of Oklahoma sports writers.



Ken Curren, manager of the Kansas-Nebraska gas here in O'Neill, is shown with a gigantic map the company sent him showing the routes that the natural gas takes to get to O'Neill. The dark blotches on the map, one in Oklahoma and the other in western Nebraska, indicate the gas fields.—The Frontier photo and engraving

Expect Decision Late This Week In Conrad Case

A decision in the case of J. (Heinie) Conrad is expected to be given late this week, according to the office of the District Court. The case was taken under advisement by District Judge Lyle Jackson after Conrad pleaded guilty to assault January 18.

Conrad is being held in Holt County jail in lieu of five hundred dollars bond following the jackknives stabbing of his cousin, Pat Conrad. The wounded man was dismissed from St. Anthony's hospital Saturday where he had undergone exploratory surgery.

Marcellus Will Invest \$20,000 Prize Money

Mr. and Mrs. Billie Marcellus returned to O'Neill from Lincoln last week — happy, surprised and a little shocked. Billie had been presented with an award for \$20,000 Mrs. Thursday for winning national grand champion in a Ford Motor Company contest.

Marcellus accepted the money for his prize. He had his choice between the money and a thoroughbred race horse entered in the Kentucky Derby.

Perhaps the excitement was a little too much for him, as he has been sick the past few days with a siege of the flu. Mrs. Marcellus told a Frontier reporter that the whole experience was "unbelievable". The award came as a complete surprise to the Marcellus family, including Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Marcellus who were at the award luncheon.

After taxes, (about \$7,000) the money will be invested in bonds

until they decide definitely what to spend it for, said Mrs. Marcellus. She explained that they are presently meeting only their budget and are considering the money more as an emergency fund and enjoying the security it will allow.

Mrs. Marcellus added, however, that they are looking forward to doing something a little special with part of the prize, when they feel it is warranted.

Marcellus works with his father at the Marcellus Implement Company. He was one of 2,600 Ford dealers to enter the contest, in which he emerged top man. He went to Lincoln last Thursday with his parents, thinking he was to receive a plaque at the luncheon.

His mother, Mrs. M. B. Marcellus, has this to say: "Going to Lincoln to receive a 'plaque' was an enjoyable thrill, but when the surprise award was made, it was really unbelievable."



Mike Hand and Kurt Durre are shown with their "Mummy" project for world history. Larry Davies is shown with a stockade he built without using a single nail. Mrs. Lou Reimers is the history teacher.—The Frontier photo and engraving



These O'Neill high school girls are shown with some of the projects they made for world history. They were displayed Monday night for the PTA meeting. Shown from left is Karen Bates, Karen Petersen, Gail Johring and Vicki Gedwillo.—The Frontier photo and engraving

—Proposing another petition drive to bring about constitutional amendments abolishing the appointive office of Nebraska Commissioner of Education and to return to a non-political, elective office.

—Calling for legislation to prohibit school boards or administrators from compelling teachers to join professional groups or other organizations.

—Opposing the formation of compulsory intermediate school districts, which would be made by combining county superintendents' jurisdictional areas, the districts would be governed by an elected board and an administrator appointed by the board.

—Supporting legislation to set rural free high school tuition at the ACTUAL COST to the school district.

—Calling for a Congressional investigation of "Educational organization, educational strategy, totalitarian practices, and our educational institutions."

—Asking that school districts be allowed to vote individually on any reorganization plan.

—Asking that a return of history, geography, and civics to the school curriculum, rather than units of "Social Studies."

—Favoring a maximum limit of one night per-week of any school sponsored events.

—Re-affirming the N. S. I. A.'s opposition to Federal Aid to Education.

—Calling for a required teaching program of phonetic reading in Nebraska schools.

Retirement Party Set For E. E. Clark, Inman

A "retirement party" is being planned for E. E. Clark on Sunday, Feb. 14, from 2 until 5 p.m. at the church annex in Inman.

Gene, with the help of his wife, Ada, has been a successful mail carrier for 35 years without an accident or mishap.

Celebrate Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Spath of Inman will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary with open house for friends and relatives, from 2 to 4 o'clock at Christ Lutheran church basement, O'Neill on Sunday, February 14.