

Atkinson Parishioners Retire Church Debt

ATKINSON — Rev. Richard J. Parr, pastor of St. Joseph's church announced this week that the final payment has been made on the recently constructed quarter-million dollar church.

Father Parr stated that the quick retirement of the debt has been due to the exceptionally fine cooperation and generosity of the people.

Construction and final payment of the accrued debt is the culmination of years of sacrifice and work on the part of the parishioners.

The parish will celebrate a two fold jubilee February 28; the retirement of the church debt and its 75th year of existence as a parish. A solemn high mass will be celebrated in the morning with the pastor, Father Parr, as celebrant; Father William Kelligar, former assistant will be deacon; Father Robert Morocco, present assistant, will be sub-deacon.

Father Kelligar will also preach at the 10 a.m. jubilee mass. To help celebrate the event, a banquet will be held in the evening at the K.C. hall for the parishioners and visiting clergy. Msgr. Floyd Fisher, director of Catholic Charities of Omaha, will be the principal speaker.

The admonition given by Archbishop Bergan on the day of dedication is as timely now as it was when he expressed the hope that as the people, Catholics and non-Catholics alike, heard the lovely clarion three times daily, each would in their own way offer a prayer of thanksgiving to Almighty God and a little prayer for Atkinson and all of its citizens.

The first Catholic services here were held in the John O'Connell log cabin, used in the spring of 1878 and served by Rev. John Smith of O'Neill. The first Catholic settlers consisted of a group from the famous colony of General O'Neill's that reached this section of the country in 1874. Shortly after German and Bohemian settlers from the eastern and southern parts of the state moved into this locality.

The first pastor of St. Joseph's church was Rev. Edward Engelbrecht. Others were Rev. E. A. Klemenz, Rev. Edward Muenich, Rev. John Pieper, Rev. Joseph Loecker and Rev. A. Lehman.

The parish continued to grow and a school took shape under the leadership of Father Henry Loecker. It was opened in 1911.

At one time during the construction of the church work was halted while the crew were required to remedy a fault in one of the towers before Rev. Parr would allow work to go forward again.

The first service was conducted in the new church on June 14, 1955 followed by the dedication service on August 30.

The wedding of Patricia Wewel and John Barnes was solemnized on a Saturday morning service, October 8, the first marriage to be held in the new church.

The first funeral services were held for Kate Flannery, October 17, 1955. It was the most fervent wish of Mrs. Agnes Goldfuss, 93 year old Atkinson woman that she might live long enough to be the first to be buried from the new church but her burial preceded the formal opening of the church for use by ten days.

Tracing the history from the first Mass celebrated in a log cabin in 1878 through the 75 years of these changing times since the first church was where they were called by the sudden death of Mr. Devoy's brother, William. The Devoy children are staying with Dr. and Mrs. Edward Gleeson.

At the present time St. Joseph's parish maintains both a grade and a high school, under the direction of the Benedictine Sisters of the Immaculate Conception church of Atkinson. Kansas State school has an enrollment of 210 pupils.

By 1942 Father Lehman announced the nucleus of a new building fund. His untimely death in 1951 prevented him from realizing his dream.

His successor, Father Parr, took up the task where Father Lehman left it and ground was broken on April 5, 1954.



Father Richard Parr

Walter Woepfels Observe 40th Anniversary

EWING — Mr. and Mrs. Walter Woepfel of Ewing were honored Sunday at a 40th wedding anniversary observance.

Mrs. Pat Burk, daughter of the Woepfels, baked and decorated the wedding cake and Mrs. Marcus Pierson presented them with a decorated cake in honor of St. Valentine's Day.

Relatives attending were Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Pribnow and family of Cedar Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Woepfel and family, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Burk and family, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Pierson, and Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Pierson, all of Ewing.

Franklin Mapes, Clearwater's Oldest, Dies

CLEARWATER — Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Clearwater Christian church for Franklin Mapes, 90, Clearwater's oldest resident. Mr. Mapes died Monday morning in the Antelope Memorial hospital.

Elder Charles Soderstein officiated and burial was in the Clearwater cemetery north of town. Pallbearers were: H. D. Miller, Joe Nelson, Theodore Nelson, Floyd Wilson, William Peters and William Knapp.

Franklin Mapes was born November 11, 1869, in Zanesville, Mich. He lived in the Clearwater Creek community until his retirement many years ago.

He is survived by his wife, Lola. His first wife, a son and a daughter, all preceded him in death.

Devoys Are Called To Minneapolis By Brother's Death

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Devoy left Tuesday morning for Minneapolis where they were called by the sudden death of Mr. Devoy's brother, William. The Devoy children are staying with Dr. and Mrs. Edward Gleeson.

Along Main Street . . . Mr. and Mrs. Elvin (Bud) Krugman and Harold Milnar went to Atkinson Wednesday evening where they attended a locker meeting held there.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Laurson attended a midweek convention of insurance men at Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Johnson went to Omaha Sunday where they attended the jewelers convention in progress there the first of the week.

John Conrad of Emmet attended a meeting of the Postmasters at Columbus Friday and Saturday. A special meeting was called to clarify the new mail service regulations.

Wayne Spelts, manager of the Spelts-Ray Lumber Co. spent Wednesday, Thursday and Friday in Omaha attending a lumberman's convention.

Lynch Resident Died Saturday

LYNCH — George Burrel Douglas, 74, died Saturday, Feb. 20, at Plainview where he had been hospitalized a short time.

A year ago Mr. Douglas received severe burns in an accident at his home in Lynch and at the time was hospitalized for a period at the Sacred Heart hospital. Later he moved to the Rest Manor at Brunswick where he has since resided.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the First Methodist church in Lynch followed by interment in the Pleasant View cemetery north of town. The Jones funeral home was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Douglas was born August 15, 1885 in Windsor, Mo. He has been a resident here for the past 25 years. His wife preceded him in death. Among the survivors are two brothers and a sister, all living in Missouri.

Donald McKenny Home from Navy

HN Donald (Skip) McKenny arrived home Monday on leave from the navy to visit his mother, Mrs. Clifford Harding and Mr. Harding. He was accompanied by his fiancée, Miss Irene MacRae of Waukegan, Ill. Miss MacRae is a student nurse at Waukegan.

HN McKenny has served 2½ years of a four year enlistment and is presently stationed at Great Lakes, Ill. His duties are in the personnel department.

Approve ASC 1960 Program

The Holt County agricultural conservation program for 1960 has been approved according to Harry Ressel, ASC chairman in the county.

Requests for federal cost-sharing are now being accepted at the county ASC office and must be in by April 15.

Ressel said that participation in the conservation program is voluntary and that every landowner with conservation problems is entitled to request Federal aid in carrying out conservation practices which strike directly at the farmer.

All Holt farmers will receive a letter announcing the ASC program for 1960. Handbooks describing eligible practices included in the ACP for Holt County will be sent to farmers and landowners in March.

40th Anniversary For Ben Millers

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Miller observed their fortieth wedding anniversary, Wednesday, with the following supper guests — Mr. and Mrs. Nels Linquist and children, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Timmerman, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Tomlinson and Veldon, Mr. and Mrs. Soren Sorenson Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. William Buxton.

Ben Miller and Miss Clara Hauf were married at Gregory, S. D., Feb. 24, 1920. They came to Holt county in 1933 and have lived on their combination ranch-farm continuously since that time.

They are the parents of three daughters, Mrs. Dale (Mildred) Fink of San Leonardo, Calif.; Mrs. George (Marian) Oetter of Omaha and Mrs. Richard (Lois) Keilholz of West Lafayette, Ind.

EWING CHAMBER POSTPONED

Due to conflicting events, the Ewing Chamber of Commerce has postponed its reorganization meeting from February 22 to March 10. Tentative plans call for Emil Christensen of the University of Nebraska to address the meeting. A film of interest will be shown and refreshments served.

Named Manager

James McKenny, son of Mrs. Clifford Harding, who has been assistant manager of the Hested store at Grand Island for the past year is being transferred to Denver, Colo., where he will manage a store for the firm.

Mr. McKenny formerly was employed at the Lee store in O'Neill before going to Grand Island. He is married. The couple has two children. His family will move as soon as housing is available.

Sen. Nelson Returns from Iowa Meeting

Senator Frank Nelson returned home yesterday from a 12-state Midwestern Agriculture committee meeting held in Des Moines, Ia. Principal topic at this first of such meetings was property taxes in the 12 states represented.

Representatives from Illinois and Michigan seemed to tell the worst tale of woe, but all the men felt that something was needed to curb the rising property taxes which strike directly at the farmer.

Senator Nelson told the committee that Nebraska was fortunate in that we in this state still have two other means, income tax and sales tax, to help ease the property tax situation.

Mrs. McPharlin Services Held

Funeral services were held at St. Patrick's Catholic church at O'Neill Saturday morning at 11 a.m. Father Duffy officiating, for Mrs. Augusta McPharlin, 91.

Augusta Marie Anderson was born December 29, 1869. She was a long time resident of O'Neill, making her home in Omaha the past year to be near a daughter.

She was married to James H. McPharlin at Sioux City. To this union four sons and three daughters were born. Mr. McPharlin died in 1935.

Mrs. McPharlin died February 17 at St. Catherine's hospital in Omaha. Rosary services were said at the John A. Gentleman mortuary Thursday evening at 8 p.m. and the remains brought to O'Neill for funeral services. Burial was made in Calvary cemetery under the direction of Biglins.

Survivors include: three daughters, Mrs. Hazel Severson, Denver, Colo.; Mrs. Agnes Gladson, Omaha; Mrs. Pauline Chapman, Boulder, Colo. Four sons, Roy, Hammond, Ind.; Dr. James H. Salinas, Calif.; Owen P., Denver, Colo.; Eldon V., North Hollywood, Calif.; two sisters, Amanda Lindstrom, Poochontas, Ia. and Mrs. Bruehle, Fort Dodge, Ia.

Pallbearers were: James Gladson, Fremont; Thomas Brogan, Norfolk; Harold Perrin, Omaha; Dr. William Markham, Harlan, Ia.; Wayne G. Hall, Burwell and William Griffin, O'Neill.

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Atkinson Man Pays Up On Bad Check Charge

Robert D. Kenny of Atkinson who was charged on insufficient fund check charge appeared before county judge, Louis W. Reimer, paid the insufficient fund sheriff's fee, \$3.40 and the case was dismissed by county attorney, Griffin.

One of the insufficient fund checks was issued to Valentine Motors and was written on the Tri-County Bank of Stuart.

NNTA Seeks Other Airline

Joe Brewster, Stuart banker and president of the North-Neb. Transportation Association, said yesterday that he is glad to see the Omaha Chamber of Commerce take an active interest in northern Nebraska's fight to keep Frontier Airlines from suspending scheduled flights in this area.

Brewster also said that the association's attorney in Omaha has been instructed to again solicit the North-Central Airlines Company to see if they would be interested in taking over the flight schedule.

Meanwhile State Aeronautics Director Jack Obbink is in Washington to help prepare Nebraska's case against suspension of air service across the northern half of the state.

Mr. Obbink said he also will contact members of the Nebraska Congressional delegation in Washington for backing in the fight to "Save-The-Planes."

Msgr. O'Sullivan Honored Sunday; Donates Gift to Academy Fund



Monsignor Timothy O'Sullivan addresses friends and parishioners who turned out Sunday to honor him on his appointment as a domestic prelate. Mrs. Rynold Cimfel and Father Robert Duffy are also shown. Frontier photo and engraving.

Parishioners and friends of Monsignor Timothy O'Sullivan turned out in strength Sunday afternoon at St. Mary's Academy gymnasium to honor him on his appointment as domestic prelate.

Participating in the program were fellow clergy and members of the O'Neill parish. Highlights included a gift for the Monsignor, a resume of his life, and many congratulations. Father O'Sullivan was invested with the robes of his new office December 15 at St. Cecilia's Cathedral in Omaha.

Father Robert Duffy was master of ceremonies at the Sunday reception and presented Monsignor O'Sullivan with a check donated by parishioners and friends. Father O'Sullivan in turn placed the money in the building fund for the new school at St. Mary's.

Presenting their congratulations were Mrs. Rynold Cimfel, president of St. Patrick's altar society, on behalf of the ladies of the parish, and Bill Mattern, Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus, on behalf of the Knights.

Father Peter Burke, pastor at St. Peter's in Ewing spoke and told of his days as assistant at St. Patrick's. Father Burke noted that the O'Neill people taught him how to keep time during his sermons.

Father Richard Parr, pastor of St. Joseph's in Atkinson, confirmed Father Burke's statement by saying that Father Burke's speech was just four minutes, his allotted time. Father Parr then went on to congratulate Father O'Sullivan on behalf of the clergy.

William J. Froelich added to the reception program when he presented Father O'Sullivan with a life from his boyhood days in Ireland to the present.

Ladies of the Altar Society served coffee and cake to the more than 400 well-wishers at the close of the reception.

O'Neill Rodeo Association Schedules Dates

A special meeting of the O'Neill Rodeo Association was called Monday evening at Virgil Laurson's when Hollenbeck Bros. of Long Pine were present and contracted to furnish the rodeo stock.

Stanley Huffman of Ewing represented the cutting horse interests and hoped to arrange for some contests.

Dates were given as Friday and Saturday evenings and Sunday afternoon, June 17-18 and 19.

Leigh Reynoldson, president, conducted the discussion.

Scouts Feted At Banquet Here

The annual Black and Gold boy scout awards banquet was held Monday evening with about 275 attending and all eight dens participating.

The program included a gift presented to Mrs. Roy Humrick from all the cub scouts and a gift to Gary Lyons, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lyons, who graduated to Boy Scout troop 245 Randy Nickerson is a new Bob Cat inductee.

The following awards were presented: Wolf Badge—David Kipple, Steven Strube, Robert McCarville, Scott Stewart, Mike Jackson and Mike Verzal.

Bear Badges—Mike McCarville, Jeff Eymann, Robert Hovoy, Tom Hunt, Dicky Martin and Bob Gallagher.

Lion Badge—Chuck McLain. One Year pins—Tom Anderson, John Humrick, Earl Peterson, David Sprague, and Jerry Wray.

Silver Arrow—Bob Gallagher, David Sprague, John Humrick, Randy Eymann, Tom Hunt, Dennis Jeffrey, Dicky Martin, David Stutz, Terry Liedtke, Mike McCarville and Billy Perry.

Gold Arrow—Mike McCarville, Terry Cleveland, Dennis McLeish, Richard McIntosh, Terry Liedtke, Mike Gleeson, Robert McCarville, Kelly Fuhrer, Tom Hunt, and Bob Gallagher.

Denner Strips — Mark Tharnish, Tom Hunt and Glen Jenkins.

Two From Area Get Certificates

Among the students who have finished requirements of the two-year teacher education curriculum are Phillip Davis of Atkinson and Mona Mae Mosel of Ewing.

Mr. Davis is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Davis of Atkinson. He is teaching at Fullerton.

Miss Mosel is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Mosel. She has taught rural schools in the Ewing community.



Pictured above are Cub Scouts who were among those to receive awards at the Gold and Black banquet Monday night. Forty-two boy scouts and cub scouts were presented with awards.

Pictured with one of their parents behind them are Richard McIntosh and father, Bill; David Kipple, his father, Durvin; Terry Cleveland, his mother, Mrs. Earl Cleveland; Terry McLeish, his mother, Mrs. Joe McLeish; Steven Strube, his mother, Mrs. Richard Strube; and Terry Liedtke and his mother, Mrs. Lloyd Liedtke.



Winners of the Men's City Bowling Tournament received their trophies Tuesday evening. The tournament ended February 7.

Team winners are in the back row: Tom Cronin, Ben Hanlon, Mike Burney, Jim Maly and Vern Gorgen;

Front Row: Ted Berry, Gordon Drayton, doubles winners; Louis Bartos, all events winner.

Inman March of Dimes Nets Total of \$169.35

Mrs. James McMahon, local chairman of the March of Dimes campaign at Inman, reports the following donations to the fund: Proect club and organization gift—\$76.55; school—\$19.00; house to house canvass—\$38.00; band concert—\$35.80. Total from all sources, \$169.35.

Inman Royalty Crowned

Bill Coventry and Patty Morrow, Inman freshmen, were crowned king and queen at the homecoming ceremonies Friday night during the Inman-Oakdale game.

Attendants were Garnett Gillogly and Bob Pribil from the sophomore class; Mary Morsbach and Gene Butterfield, juniors; and Carolyn Reimers and Bill DeLong, seniors.

Cora Schmiser Honored

Cora Lee Schmiser, Ewing, was among three Nebraska 4-H youths to be honored last week in a Rural Life Day Ceremony in Scribner.

Presenting the God-Home-Country Medal to Miss Schmiser was Archbishop Gerald T. Bergan of Omaha, Margaret Bartels, Hubbard, and Thomas Reimers, West Point also received the award.