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Rites Planned At Lynch For Ray Long, 76

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at the First Methodist church in Lynch for Ray Long, 76, of Lynch. Rev. Lester Spragg will officiate. Interment will be in the Pleasant View cemetery north of Lynch.

Survivors include: Wife—Katharine; sons—Ira of Onkes, N. D., Myron of Goldendale, Wash., Mel Jay of Bristow; daughters—Mrs. Robert (Vada) Whiteman of Spencer, Mrs. Harry (Helen) Sattler of Phoenix, Ariz., Mrs. Wilard (Margaret Ann) Landholm of Bristow, Mrs. Earl (Edna Faye) Moody of Wheaton, Minn.; 16 grandchildren; 18 great grandchildren. Three brothers, Ed of Cottage Grove, Ore., Floyd of O'Neill and Glen of Hillsboro, Ore., and a sister, Mrs. Bert Roemer of Caldwell, Ind., also survive.

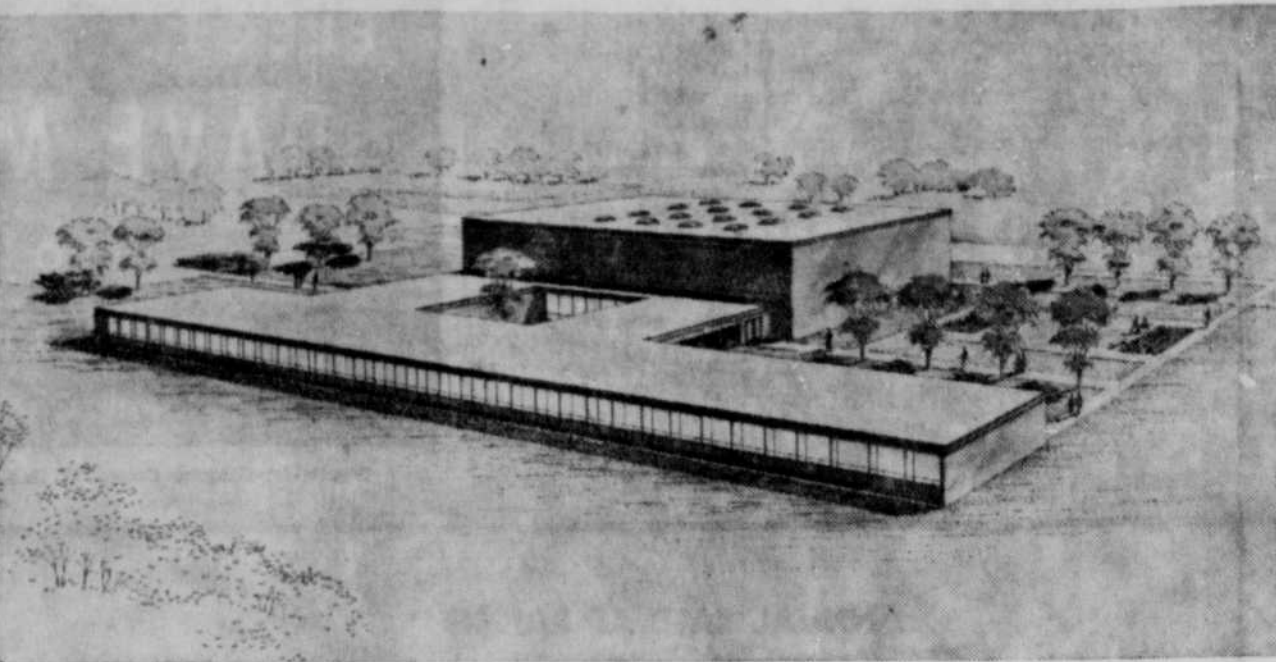
The body will lie in state at the Jones Funeral Home in Lynch from Wednesday afternoon until the funeral hour.

O'Neill High Names Pupils On Honor List

Principal Marvin Miller has announced the honor roll for the first six weeks: Seniors—Marion Rosenkrans, 4 A's; Sonja Wilson, 4 A's; 1 B and Condie Anderson, 3 A's, 2 B's. Juniors—Carolyn Fuhrer, Ruth Ann Walker, Ilene Nelson and Kay Lee Rees, 3 A's, 1 B; Karen Petersen, 3 A's, 2 B's; Raymond Fox and Fred Rosenkrans, 2 A's, 2 B's; Mike Hand and Melvin Sanders, 2 A's, 3 B's. Sophomores—Ann Johnson, 4 A's; Terry Kurtz, 3 A's, 1 B and Keith Reynoldson, 2 A's, 2 B's. Freshmen—Dianne Gillespie and Christine Herley, 4 A's; Debra Rosenkrans and Laurell Haynes, 3 A's, 1 B; Shirley Ennen, 3 A's, 2 B's and Diana George, 2 A's, 2 B's.

SS Representative Slates O'Neill Visit

Gail Robart, field representative of the Norfolk social security office will be in the assembly room of the courthouse in O'Neill from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 26.



Architects sketch of the proposed new school

O'Neill's Proposed New School

Shown here is the proposed O'Neill high school in an architect's drawing. The new building, approximately 300x200 feet, will have classrooms in the front wing, administrative offices in the center section and auditorium-gymnasium in the raised portion at the rear.

The building would be of fire-proof construction throughout, using mostly concrete and steel. Exterior walls are brick facing while interior walls would be painted concrete block. Corridors and toilet rooms would have glazed facing tile to reduce maintenance costs.

Asphalt tile flooring will be used in corridors and classrooms, with ceramic tile in toilets and shower rooms. Maple wood would be used in the gymnasium floor.

The new gymnasium would have a 50x84-ft. basketball court, shower and locker rooms and seating for approximately 1,500 persons. Plans include a stage on one side for musical and theatrical activities. Additional seating may be provided on the stage.

Special features of the building include: Allowance for expansion of the classroom wing; closing off the auditorium gym from the rest of the school to permit use of the auditorium facilities by civic groups, ample parking for students, visitors and spectators; public restroom facilities during athletic contests.

Cost of the proposed building including furnishings has been set at \$465,000. When voters go to the polls Nov. 8 they will vote on the bond issue necessary to raise the money.

PTA Slates Meeting To Explain Bond Issue

A special meeting of the O'Neill PTA will be held Monday at the O'Neill Public School at 8 p.m. The meeting is open to the public and information will be given on the new school bond issue.

All Bids Rejected On Guard Armory

Announcement was made by Howard Strong and Associates of Norfolk Wednesday that all bids were rejected for the proposed National Guard Armory at O'Neill.

Low bidder was Beckenhauer Brothers with \$140,000 for the building plus an additional \$25,000 for paving and landscaping around the building that the city of O'Neill was to assume.

The low bid was \$50,000 over the estimated \$90,000 cost of the armory.

The architects are in the process of re-drawing the plans and the project will probably be re-bid in three or four weeks.

O'Neill High Juniors Plan Annual Play

Rehearsals for the O'Neill high school junior play, "I'm a Family Crisis," are now in full swing. The play will be presented Thursday evening, Nov. 10 in the O'Neill high school auditorium.

The cast is as follows: Ruth Ann Walker, Larry Dawes, Merne Butterfield, Lonna Haynes, Hene Nelson, Joan Pease, Holland Johnson, Raymond Fox, Kay Rees, Bonnie Reige, Connie Brockman and Mike Hand.

Mike Fletcher and Karen Bates are the prompters; Vickie Gedwillo is the student director; Melvin Sanders is the stage manager. Mrs. Harvey A. Tompkins is the director of the play.

Rev. W. Stackhouse To Address Church

The Rev. William R. Stackhouse will speak at 8 p.m. Monday, Oct. 24 at the First Presbyterian church in O'Neill.

Ewing Locker Plant Sold to Page Man

EWING—The Ewing Locker Plant was recently sold by Elben Graff to Curtis Roberts of Page who with his brother Charles operate the Page locker. The firm operates under the name Ideal Lockers.

Mr. Roberts has had eight years experience in the meat cutting business. Mr. Graff will continue to assist at the Ewing plant. Biglin's has operated the business since it was founded in 1942 except for a period from 1950 to 1958.

The new owner is married and has four children.

St. Mary's Academy To Hold Homecoming

The St. Mary's Cardinals will hold their homecoming festivities tonight (Thursday) beginning with a bonfire rally at 7:30. The Cardinals will meet the Westport Guardian Angels in the football game beginning at 8. St. Mary's has a 3-2 season record while the Guardian Angels have won five games and tied one. The evening's festivities will be climaxed with a dance following the game.

Rites Held For Charles Abart, Emmet Rancher

Funeral services for Charles Franklin Abart, 73, Emmet rancher, were held Monday at St. Elizabeth's church in O'Neill by the Rev. Glenn Kennicott officiating. Burial was in Prospect Hill cemetery at O'Neill. The pallbearers were Homer Maring, Oliver Maring, John Abart, Elvon Schultz, Ervin Schultz and Art Strashien. They are nephews. Charles F. Abart was born December 29, 1886 at Schuyler, the son of Frank and Jennie Abart. He died October 14 at the Atkinson Memorial hospital. He came to the Emmet community in 1901 with his parents and there he grew to manhood.

He married Florence J. McCraith at Atkinson March 25, 1914. They became the parents of four children. The couple made their home in Emmet for two years. They then moved to the present ranch home.

He is survived by his wife, Florence; a daughter, Mrs. Alfred Hennagin of Portland, Ore.; three sons, Keith of O'Neill; Darcy of Emmet and Gailard of Omaha; two half-brothers, William Crawford of Pomona, Calif., and Carl Crawford of Norfolk; one half-sister, Mabel Crawford of Hastings; eleven grandchildren and other relatives.

He was preceded in death by four brothers and one sister.

St. Elizabeth's To Hold Open House

St. Elizabeth School of Nursing at Lincoln is sponsoring an open house for girls interested in nursing Thursday and Friday, October 27-28. Parents are also invited to attend.

Sale Dates Claimed

SATURDAY, OCT. 22—Joe Jelinek and Sons registered Hereford sale, 35 bulls, 20 females. Creighton Livestock pavilion, 1 p.m. Charles Corlie, auctioneer.

TUESDAY, OCT. 25—H. A. & R. E. Van Horn registered Hereford bull sale. Sale starts at 1 p.m. (CST) at the ranch located 16 miles southeast of O'Neill to sign and 2 1/2 miles southeast of O'Neill including 32 coming two-year-olds and 20 senior bull calves. Charles Corlie, auctioneer; Edward M. Gallagher, First National Bank, O'Neill, clerk.

SATURDAY, OCT. 29—Dorsey Presbyterian church fund raising sale. Lloyd Brady residence in Dorsey.

Dad Follows Son In Winning FB Contest

"Like father, like son" so goes the old saying. Only in this case it is just reversed. Dr. Harry Gildersleeve is following in the footsteps of his six year old son by winning this week's Frontier football contest.

And just to prove that the whole family are experts on football, Kathy Gildersleeve sent in the second place entry. Dr. Gildersleeve missed picking the winner in only one game to win this week's contest.

Jury Finds For Putnams In Overload Case

A jury trial was held in Holt County court Thursday afternoon. The case charged William Putnam and L. D. Putnam of O'Neill with overload on axle.

The six-man jury found that the state did not prove a shift of load and found the defendants not guilty. The jurors were: Doyle Hewett, Ray Dendinger, Hurley Jones, Ralph Young, Emmett Crabb and L. M. Merriam, all of O'Neill.

Roger A. Hansen, portable scale officer, had filed the complaint. Holt county attorney, William W. Griffin was the attorney for the state. The defendants acted as their own attorneys.

Mrs. Jerry Ryan Dies In Sioux City Hospital

Mrs. Jerry Ryan of South Sioux City died Wednesday afternoon in St. Joseph's hospital in Sioux City. No funeral arrangements have been made.

Mrs. George Hammond, a daughter has been with her mother.

Holt County Teachers Association To Sponsor Scholarship in County

The Holt County Teachers Association met Thursday evening at the L & R Cafe in O'Neill. The members passed a resolution opposing the proposed amendment to abolish the state board of education.

The group voted to sponsor a \$100 scholarship to a senior in Holt County to further his or her education to become a teacher. The selection of the winner will be made by the executive committee.

Three Minor Mishaps Reported To Police Here During Past Week

Three auto accidents in the city cloud the police records this week.

An accident was reported Thursday at the intersection of Douglas and Tenth street when cars driven by Gene Alloway, 18 and Harry Page of O'Neill collided. The right side of the Alloway auto and the left front of the Page car were damaged.

Autos driven by Jules J. Murer of Lincoln and John E. Donohoe of O'Neill were involved in an accident Sunday. Damage was done to the Murer car on the left front and to the right side of the Donohoe auto.

A minor accident was reported Monday when a pick-up truck belonging to Herbert C. Timm and a car owned by Ben Hanlon were in collision.

All three accidents were investigated by Police Chief Chris McGinn.

Extension Clubs To Gather At O'Neill Tuesday

Citizenship around the World is the theme for the annual Home Extension Clubs Achievement Day this year. The program will be held Tuesday, Oct. 25 at the Legion Hall in O'Neill.

The afternoon's program opens with a covered dish lunch at noon, followed by group singing and installation of new officers. The speaker will be Ethel Saxton, Home Agent Supervisor. She will show slides and tell of her trip to the Netherlands during the past summer.

Skits will be presented by each of the six centers in the county. Posters and booths relative to citizenship will be prepared by the centers in addition to the skit.

The committee in charge of arrangements includes: Mrs. Louis Siebert, Atkinson; Mrs. Lester Miles, Chambers; Mrs. Harold Van Vleck, Clearwater; Mrs. George Hansen, O'Neill; Mrs. George Mellor, Spencer, and Mrs. Frank Murphy, Stuart.

Business Notes

Receives Award
Allan P. Jaskowiak, owner of the Western Auto Associate Store here has been named the recipient of a plaque recognizing 20 years of service to his community.

Wins Free Trip
Roy Shelhamer, local International Harvester dealer is the winner of a five day expense-free trip to New Orleans through the company's "See-Sell-Go" campaign. Mr. Shelhamer and his wife will also attend the National Retail Farm Equipment Association convention.

Boy Scouts Planning Fund Raising Drive

Extension Clubs Hold Workshop For Presidents

Fifty Home Extension Club presidents from Holt, Boyd, and the Loup-Garfield, Wheeler district recently attended a workshop on human relations. The meeting was held in O'Neill Thursday under the sponsorship of the Holt County Home Extension Council. This project was the result of a workshop held in January at the University of Nebraska.

Four individuals from the county attended that workshop and assisted with the planning for this workshop. Those included were, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Vogel of Stuart, Cathrine Indra, Home Agent and Neil Dawes, County Agent.

Assisting with the workshop in the county were additional staff members from the University of Nebraska—Agnes Arthaud, State Home Extension Leader; Ethel Saxton, Home Agent Supervisor; Kenneth Schmidt, Associate State 4-H Club Leader, and A. J. Snyder, Farm and Home Development Agent.

Problems confronting group action, facts related to these problems, and possible solutions were discussed during the day. The individuals role as a leader and participating member were pointed out. The success or failure of a group and the individual responsibility to the group were emphasized.

Hancock Tells Errors In Delinquent Tax List

Seven properties were erroneously advertised in the delinquent tax list recently, County Treasurer J. Ed Hancock said Monday.

Tax on the properties was paid before the advertising was prepared, but through an error in his office, the properties were included in the published list, he explained.

Following is a list of the properties mentioned: SW 1/4 18-30-13; SW 1/4 30-30-13; Ewing village lot 9 blk 24; E 1/2 15 and N 1/2 NE 1/4, SW 1/4 NE 1/4 22-26-10; NE 1/4 2-28-9; SW 1/4 15-29-12; E 1/2 NE 1/4, SW 1/4 NW 1/4, W 1/2 SW 1/4 12-31-9.

Free Tuition Explained

Ed. Note: Following a story in the Frontier last week concerning the proposed bond issue for a new school building in O'Neill, the question was asked several times, "Just what is free high school tuition?" Here is the answer as it comes to us:

Free high school tuition is a tax levied on all tangible property in rural school districts (or districts which have no high schools) in the state to provide high school tuition for students of the district.

The amount of the levy is determined by each county and is based on the number of high school students from rural districts attending public schools. More free high tuition is levied if the number of high school students in the district increases.

Students in districts levying free high school tuition may attend any public high school in the state and the district must pay their tuition. Once a rural district becomes a part of another district having a high school the free high level is dropped in that district.

Tuition is set by the state. The present rate is \$15 per week or major fraction thereof for each student.

Free high school tuition levy in Holt county this year is 5.88 mills; in 1959 it was 5.54 mills and in 1958 it was 7.34 mills. The levy may vary from year to year within a county and may vary from county to county in the same year.

Everett Gorgen Hurt As Truck Hits Grader

Everett Gorgen, O'Neill trucker, was injured Wednesday afternoon when the truck he was driving collided with the rear end of a road grader six miles east of Sioux City, Ia.

Mr. Gorgen was taken to a Sioux City hospital. He was unconscious for some time following the accident but was able to talk to his wife over the telephone shortly after 6 p.m.

Autos Collide At Clearwater; Two Injured

CLEARWATER—A two car mishap at the north edge of Clearwater about noon Sunday resulted in injuries, which sent two persons to the hospital.

Injured in the accident were Joyce Clink-scales of O'Neill and Mrs. Fred Maben of Clearwater. Neither were reported in serious condition.

The accident occurred when autos driven by Fred Maben and Mrs. Clink-scales, collided at the intersection of mainstreet and highway 275. One of the autos then struck another car and careened into a gas pump.

Also riding in the Maben auto were the Maben's daughter, Mrs. Jack Jones and infant. They escaped injury.

Antelope County Sheriff, Lawrence Ritscher investigated the accident.

Chambers Firemen Quench Garage Blaze

CHAMBERS—The fire department was called to the Wayne Peterson home in the west part of town Monday afternoon to extinguish a fire in the garage.

The blaze was quickly brought under control but could have been serious had the barrel of gas stored in the garage caught fire.

District Court

A partition case was filed in District Court Tuesday by O'Neill attorney William W. Griffin.

Helen Ruth Wright, plaintiff vs Earl Wright and Fern Wright; Ernest Wright and Leona Wright, et al, defendants.



The O'Neill community concerts association held their kick-off membership drive supper at the L & R Cafe Monday evening. Nearly 40 workers were present to discuss plans for the membership drive which last through Saturday. Tickets to the series of concerts will not be available after that date. Shown here discussing the drive are: Mrs. James Weiland of Clearwater, Mrs. Bernard Kaczor of Spencer, Mrs. K. L. Van Voorhis of O'Neill, (Drive Chairman for O'Neill), Grant Peacock, (President of the O'Neill Association), Mrs. Merwyn French, Jr., of Page, Mrs. Thomas Bowers of Bristow and Mrs. Howard Manson of O'Neill, out of town chairman.



... and there was the homestead of W. D. Matthews."

'Prairie Talk' Writer Returns

By Bill Richardson
Romaine Saunders—the grand old gentleman of O'Neill newspapering—visited O'Neill, Holt county and the Frontier last week. And he, with his remarkable memory, took us on a tour of spots dear to him. His deep well of knowledge and recollection gave us many a peek into the history of the Frontier and the area it serves.

Few persons approaching their ninetieth birthday exhibit the energy and vitality of this ex-homestead kid turned printer, turned cowboy, turned newspaper man, turned rancher, turned feature writer for the "Prairie-Talk" column in the Frontier.

We visited the site of the Saunders homestead about five miles northeast of O'Neill and heard tales of early life on the prairies. We turned to the west as he pointed across the section line to the site of the homestead of W. D. "Doc" Matthews.

founder of the Frontier and heard Mr. Saunders speak in reverent tones of the man who breathed life into the Frontier back in 1886.

On our return to O'Neill we found Matthews' first home within the city limits . . . a large brick house at Seventh and Adams with a stone laid in the brick wall and still bearing the initials "WDM" carved deep into the stone.

This home was the first brick house built in O'Neill, Mr. Saunders said. In the southwest corner of O'Neill we visited the old Saunders home at 315 South First. There Mr. Saunders pointed out "the room where my father died," "the room where my brother died," and other tales of the early history of the house.

We listened as he told of the house being moved from the W. D. Matthews homestead to the Saunders homestead then later into town where in 1888 it became the home of the Widow

Saunders and her children following the death of the elder Saunders on the prairie. And next door, he said, had lived the girl he wooed and won for his bride.

To the average person the house is just another home in O'Neill—except the name "Saunders" is impressed in the old concrete sidewalk leading from the front door to the street. But to us it seemed to come to life as the old Prairie-Talk'er's eloquent words wove a tale of hardship and hard work about the small boy whose father dropped a dentistry practice in Wisconsin to come far out on a treeless prairie in Holt county, Nebraska to make a new start in life.

On the trip from Atkinson south to Amelia we stopped with the old timer at the home of Mary Meals where we were introduced because "I want

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