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Bell Telephone Now Installing Additional Cable

"Sidewalk superintendents" have been busy this week watching Northwestern Bell Telephone company crewman hard at work laying underground cable beneath the street near The Frontier office and north of Murray's Liquor

John Hermsen, Northwestern construction foreman, explained Wednesday morning that his crews are putting in additional cable to relieve congestion of the present cable system. In due time this change will eliminate the four-party system now in use, prior to dial conversion at a

Mr. Hermsen transferred to the O'Neill area from Omaha, replacing Dean Horner. He is building a new house at 519 Archer street and until the house is completed, is looking for rental quarters so his wife, Marrianna, and two sons. Douglas, 4, and David, 7, may join him here.

Rites Held at Atkinson for Mrs. G. Morgan

ATKINSON—Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the Presbyterian church here for Mrs. Gilbert Morgan, 73, who died Saturday at the Atkinson Mothers March, Games Memorial hospital.

The Rev. Kersting officiated at ne services and at burial in the Voodlawn cemetery at Atkinson. Edna Bea Morgan was born at Net \$546.13 for Charity the services and at burial in the Woodlawn cemetery at Atkinson. Atkinson January 3, 1888 to William Griffin and Mary Ellen

She and her husband have always resided at Atkinson where



Mr. Morgan owned and operated the Morgan Hardware store until they sold it about 15 years ago. She is survived by her husband, Gilbert E.; two daughters, Mrs. John M. Tamul of Everett, Wash., and Mrs. Ned Shaw of Bassett; three grandchildren, and

Mrs. Morgan. Pallbearers were Fred Dobrovolny, Otto Gloor, Albert Lemmer, Fred Jungman. Carl Smith and E. V. Hickok

one brother, Roy Griffin. William

Griffin of O'Neill is a nephew of

Four-H Leaders Plan Meeting at Atkinson

Four-H leaders from Holt, Boyd, Keya Paha, Brown, Rock, Loup, Garfield and Wheeler counties will meet at Atkinson Tuesday to receive instruction in animal hus-

bandry Three persons from each of the north-central Nebraska counties will receive instruction from Dave Williams, Extension animal husbandryman at the University of Nebraska College of

Agriculture. The main topic to be discussed is the planning of a yearly livestock club program. Other discussion items at the Atkinson meeting will involve feeding project animals, feeds used in finish-

Mrs. Verne Reynoldson, chairman of the O'Neill March of Dimes, reports a total of \$405.68

from the Mothers March last week and \$140.45 realized at the basketball volleyball games Sat-This is not a complete report for O'Neill as there is still money to be turned in from the business section and from store containers. Anyone having donations for the polio fund may

contact Mrs. Reynoldson. In the Saturday night games at the OHS auditorium the program got underway with a grade school basketball game between the sixth grades and the fifth grades of the public school. The sixth graders wound up the victors by the score of 26-13.

Next on the schedule was a volleyball game between the O'-Neill high girls and a team of married and unmarried women. who call themselves the "Has Beens." This was a close game with the high school team fighting off a determined last-minute rally to come out on top 30 to 28. Playing on the "Has Beens" team were Mmes. M. J. Baack,

Shelhamer, Dale Wilson, Chuck Smith, Don McKamy, John Hart and Larry Strong, and Jeanette Fricke and Carolyn Schmiechel

The final feature of the evening was an exciting town team game between the Grand Island Ducks and the O'Neill All-Stars. The combined efforts of Jake Hawley and Chuck Smith. who each had 19 points, led the All-Stars to a 68-67 victory. Smith collected 12 of his points in the first half, while Hawley hit for 12 in the second half. Senkberk led the losers with 24 points.

Royal Family Escapes Injury in Freak Mishap

ROYAL-Members of the Clarence Thomsen family escaped possible serious illness due to escaping gas fumes at their home last week

The family complained of headaches and nausea but had thought influenza and colds were the cause of their illnesses. However, one member of the family fainted and an investigation was made. It was discovered that a chimney, clogged with nests and several dead birds, had prevented the gas fumes from escaping.

Closson Is Re-elected Rural Schools Head

to Holt county rural school teachers this year is \$356.86, according to statistics furnished by Miss Alice French, Holt county superintendent, at the annual meeting of the County Rural School Boards association Friday afternoon at the Legion hall.

The meeting was conducted by President Anson Closson. Mrs. Lloyd Whaley is treasurer. Both Closson and Mrs. Whaley were reelected. Miss French is secretary and her term has not expired. Mrs. Fred Boettcher of Atkin-

son, Mr. and Mrs. Whaley of O'-Neill and Mrs. John Moore of Amelia were elected delegates to the state rural school meeting which will be held in Grand of statistical sheets which were Island February 8. Several resolutions were read at Friday's meeting and these will be presented at the Grand Island ses-

Among the resolutions are requests for the following: more simplified form of bookkeeping;

that reorganization of rural school districts be kept on a voluntary basis; that teacher certification requirements remain statutory rather than be set by the State Board of Education; resolve in favor of amendment of law section 79-420 which compels dissolving of school districts inactive for one school term and recommend this be changed to three school terms; opposing of any raise in certification require-

Continuance of eighth grade examinations is favored by the

Miss French, in her explanation handed to the group, stated that there have been 14 modern schoolhouses built in Holt county in the past 10 years and nine buildings have been modernized. Fifty-eight teachers out of 91 in Holt county will have certificates which expire this year.

Let Us Spray

PRICES WERE GOOD and bidding was brisk at the George Kubik farm sale Monday about 30 miles

northeast of O'Neill. Shown here is part of the crowd of farmers and stockmen bidding on the Kubik

cattle. At the left is an auctioneer just picking a bid. Out of sight in the picture at the right are owner

George Kubik and another auctioneer. This successful sale was advertised solely in The Frontier. Ku-

bik said it was a good sale and he was well satisfied with results. Had bad weather forced cancella-

tion of the sale as scheduled, Kubik's ad would have been re-run in The Frontier for no extra charge.

This "weather insurance" is only one of the features of The Frontier's one-stop complete farm sale

service. Rudloff brothers were auctioneers, First National bank of O'Neill was clerk.

everytning went wi After cleaning up spilled sugar and a broken glass of jelly, the housewife finally got to the furniture polishing stage. Grabbing the can of spray, she gave the top of the dresser a generous layer and that's when the fun began. She had used hair spray!

Services Held At Stuart for **Walter Conard**

STUART-Funeral rites were conducted at the Funeral Chapel here for Walter Conard, 81, who died in the Atkinson Memorial

hospital. The Rev. Charles Gates officiated at the services and at burial in the Stuart cemetery. Walter Conard was born at Atlantic, Ia., August 12, 1879 to Jonas and Dora Soper Conard. He came to the Newport community 73 years ago with his parents. He resided south of Newport until a few years ago when ne moved to Stuart where he and a brother made their home. He

Survivors are four brothers, Byron, Dave and Dick of Stuart and Rudolph of Newport, and two sisters, Mrs. Gertrude Thompson of Holyoke, Mass., and Mrs. Bertha Irwin of Newport. .Pallbearers were Price Alder man and Frank Ammon of Newport, John Wilcox, Guy Cadwallader, Harry Cadwallader and Glen Cadwallader of Stuart.

Firemen Summoned to Blaze North of Page

Firemen from O'Neill and Page were summoned to a grass fire north of Page Friday morning near the Raymond Noble place. The fire was started by a baling outfit and burned a path 80 rods wide and one and one half miles long before being stopped.

The blaze came with 10 rods of the buildings on the Noble place before it ran into a swamp which stopped it long enough for the firemen to bring it under control. About 15 or 20 tons of hay were

Wragges Plan to Open Hotel at Niobrara

EWING-Gilbert Wragge, who recently sold his ranching interests near here, has purchased the Koster house in Niobrara. Mr. Wragge and his family are now living in the building, which they plan to remodel and re-open as a hotel. The Koster house dates back to pioneer days.

He has also purchased the horse yards from Walter Barn-

Assessor Urges Return Of Assessment Blanks

There are still approximately 500 assessment schedules to be made and returned to the county assessor's office before the final date, February 28, and residents are urged to fill in the schedules as soon as possible. After March 1 there will be a

penalty for failure to return schedules on time. Anyone wishing for assistance may call at the assessor's office.



Meet Garlan L. Schoenrock. manager of the O'Neill Lee Store, who arrived here Wednesday to take over his duties. He replaces Bob Roberts who is transferring to York to manage the Lee store there. Mr. Schoenrock comes here from Broken Bow and formerly managed a store in Denver. He is married and has two children, a boy and a girl. His family will arrive Friday and they will move into the house at 511 Archer at which time the present occupants, the Roberts family will move to York. The Roberts have purchased a house at York and their new address is 1015 East 10th St.

Durr Unhurt in Auto Accident Near Crookston

Cletus Durr of Stuart, for-merly of O'Neill, narrowly escaped serious injuries early Thursday morning, about 3:30 a.m., when he fell asleep while driving and his car left the road. The accident occurred about one and one-half miles east of Crookston when Mr. Durr was enroute home from Rapid City,

His auto went down an embankment, knocked down several fence posts and finally stopped in a stubble field. It missed a concrete abutment by four feet when it left the road.

Durr was knocked unconscious for a period of two hours, slumped over the steering wheel. The door was jammed open and it was fortunate he had on a heavy coat as the temperature was 14 degrees below. He suffered cuts

He managed to flag down a passing truck and the driver took him to Crookston where he telephoned to O'Neill for a wrecker. His car was extensively damaged.

Four Royal Couples to Observe Anniversaries

ROYAL—Four couples of this community will celebrate golden wedding anniversaries the first half of this year and all have lived their entire married lives in the Royal community and all but one were born in this vicinity.

The parties who will celebrate are Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Curtis April, Mr. and Mrs. W. J Reefe in May, Mr. and Mrs. C. Rundquist in June and Mr. and Mrs. Edd Charf, August 1. Mr. Charf was born in Sweden, but all others are natives of Royal as also were Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Hering whose anniversary was in November and Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Trautman who celebrated earlier that year.

Irrigation Committee Asks Return of Letters

Farmers and landowners who have not yet returned their letters of intent concerning the O'-Neill Irrigation Project are urged to do so as quickly as possible. These letters are not binding in any way, but without these letters, which show general opinion and interest, the project will be severely hampered. The deadline for sending the completed report is draw-

As of Wednesday letters of intent representing 26,500 acres of land had been received. Surveys by the board of reclamation show that some 76,000 acres of land in northern Holt county might be irrigated.

Anyone having any question concerning the Irrigation project is urged to contact Dale Wilson or Gil Poese, co-chairmen of the committee.

Sister Mary Alma Holt Pioneer, **Dies at Alliance**

Sister Mary Alma, 79, the for-mer Agnes Clark, daughter of a pioneer family of Holt county, died at St. Joseph hospital in Alliance January 29.

Funeral services with requiem high Mass were conducted from St. Joseph hospital in Alliance. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre cemetery there.

Sister Alma was a pioneer, born in a soddy south of O'Neill, January 14, 1882, and baptized in the little frame church later replaced by the present St. Patrick's church. She was bap-tized by Father Smith, the first resident pastor of the parish. Her parents, Andrew Clark of Ireland and Agnes Davidson Clark of Dundee, Scotland, were homesteaders. Andrew "Andy" Clark of O'Neill is her only immediate survivor. Two sisters, Mina Clark McCaffrey and Ella Clark, pre-

ceded her in death. Agnes Clark was the first boarding student at St. Mary's academy and a member of the first graduating class in 1903. She entered the Franciscan Order at their motherhouse in Stella Niagara, N. Y., in August, 1904. She became Sister Mary Alma, a professed Sister of St. Francis in 1907. Sister Alma has served the various houses of her Order as a teacher and art instructor since her profession. She earned a bachelor of arts degree from Creighton University in Omaha. On two separate appointments she was stationed at St. Mary's here, the first being in 1933, and the second 20 years later in 1953. Sister Alma retired from teaching less than a year ago.

Services Planned At Stuart for Lt. R. Johnson

STUART-Lt. Roger E. Johnson, 24-year-old airman from Stuart, was killed in a traffic accident Thursday night on a state road 14 miles north of Grants, N.

parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Johnson. and his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Weber, are residents of the Stuart community.

The accident occurred when he was traveling to an airbase at Oakland, Calif., transferring from Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo. He stopped at Grants to spend a few days with relatives and had resumed his trip when his car went out of control and plunged off a bridge embankment. The car landed upside down in the dry

This is the second tragedy in the Weber family. Mrs. Johnson's sister-in-law, Mrs. Dennis Weber of Stuart, was accidently killed in a gun accident.

Funeral services will be at 2 p.m. today (Thursday) at the Stuart Community church with the Rev. Herbert C. Young officiating. Military graveside rites will be at the cemetery in Stuart under the direction of the Carlisle Legion Post.

Roger E. Johnson was born at Rushville July 21, 1936 to Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Johnson.

He is survived by his wife, Wilma; two daughters, Sharon Lynn and Linda Rae; one son, Steven Roger; parents. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Johnson; grandmother, Mrs. Helen Spillman of Alliance; two brothers, Marvin C. and Terry F.; and four sisters, Mrs. Lloyd Pounds of Gordon, Mrs. James Hoffman jr., of Newport and Frances K. and Dorothy Lee

O'Neill Country Club Stockholders to Meet

The annual meeting of the O'Neill Country Club stockholders will be held Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the meeting room upstairs at the Consumers Public Power District office in O'-

All stockholders are urged to attend.

Shortage of Room May Halt Rural 9th Grade Enrollments

It's Groundhog Day



Today is Groundhog day, the day when the meteorological rodent is supposed to tell us the type of weather we can ex-pect for the next six weeks. According to tradition, if the Groundhog sees his shadow we are supposed to have six more weeks of winter. . .or is it six more weeks of spring? The legend is so buried in antiquity that many modern day legendlovers can't remember which

way it goes. As a matter of fact, the groundhog himself is so confused about the proper prognostication that he's looking up the weather in the farmer's

Wells Named Fire Chief

SPENCER-Sheridan Wells of Spencer was elected Fire Chief of the Spencer Volunteer Fire Department at a meeting held Monday at Spencer.

Other officers named were: LeRoy Nyquist, president; John Thompson. vice-president, William Bentz, treasurer and Louis Klasna, secretary. Ed Martin was appointed assistant chief. Ed Krbel, who has been a mem-

ber of the department for 26 years and a fire chief for the past six years was presented with a wrist watch in appreciation for his

Clayton Klasna and Bob Mlinar were appointed to audit the

Over 50 persons attended the turkey supper which followed the business meeting.

Wilsons to Attend Store Convention

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Wilson will leave Saturday for Minneapolis, Minn., where they will attend the Coast to Coast annual convention. The convention will last until

Three Petitions Filed To Dissolve Districts

Three petitions have been filed at the county superintendent's office to dissolve school districts

No. 1, 16 and 170. District 1 borders the Niobrara river and the other two districts are south of District 1. The new district will be known as district 1.

These petitions were approved by the county reorganization committee and have been submitted to the state committee. The state meeting will be February 7 and the hearing will follow this date.

A Tall One

Consumers servicemen are still shaking their heads over

Someone, either practicing for aerial work in a circus or parachute jumps, managed to climb to the top of Consumers twoway radio tower east of O'-Neill and leave a flag at the very top with these words on it: "We Give S & H Green The tower is 300-feet high!

Holt Fair Board Plans '61 Fair

CHAMBERS-Jim Gibson of Chambers and Vern Sageser of Amelia attended the fifty-second annual meeting of the Nebraska Association of Fair Managers held at Lincoln last Monday and

For Aug. 14-17

Tuesday. Contracts have been signed for a carnival with the Frontier Shows of Canton, So. Dakota, and an RCA approved rodeo with stock to be furnished by Fred Wolf of Fairfax, So. Dakota.

Plans are being made to hold the third annual AQHA approved Quarter Horse Show. Fair dates for 1961 are August 14, 15, 16 and

Two Auto Accidents Reported to Police

Two auto mishaps were reported to O'Neill police during the past week. Sunday afternoon a pickup truck driven by Joe Pritchett backed into an auto owned by Louis Brown at the intersection of Madison and Douglas. Estimated damage to the pickup was \$10 and to the Brown vehicle

Also on Sunday autos driven by Josephine Steward and Jerry Gokie collided at the intersection of Douglas and Madison, Damages amounted to \$50 on the Stewart car and \$150 on the Gokie

Extension Service Plans Workshop On Animal Husbandry

Catherine Indra, Home Extension agent, has announced a handicraft workshop which will be held in Stuart February 10 at the auditorium.

Those attending should bring paper for notes and design sketching, pencil or pen, shears or knife. There will be a small registration fee.

The schedule is as follows: Demonstrations of engraving aluminum, 9:30 to 9:50 a.m.; group participation in project, 9:50 to 11 a.m.; beeswax candle making, 11 to 11:20 a.m.; group participation, 11:20 to noon; lunch hour, noon to 1:15 p.m.; basket weaving and "magic glitter," 1:15 to 1:35 p.m., and group participation, 1:35 to 3:45 p.m.

Receive Word of **Brothers Death**

AMELIA-Mrs. Bertha Sammons has received word of the death of her brother, Arthur Moss, last week at Bremerton, Wash. He was near 90 years of

ings with rural school boards and patrons was held Tuesday evening at O'Neill public schools. The O'Neill board called the meetings to inform rural board members that new enrollments in O'Neill public high school may not be accepted for the fall of

A chart of present enrollments in all grades up through the eighth was displayed, showing how heavy enrollments in the grades will soon crowd out any tuition students. Supt. M. J. Baack said there will be 50 students from the district in ninth

grade next fall. Three school boards from rural areas were present, represented

by four men and two women. After the O'Neill school board's position was explained, Mrs. Dorothy Pribil replied, "Well, you know, if we take our kids to another school, we'll trade there,

One of the men present told the board that he already had one child in O'Neill high school and another ready to start in the

ninth grade. '. If one can't go here," he said, "neither one will. I won't send my children to two different schools. I'll send them where they both can go."

He went on to explain that he knew conditions in the school were crowded because his children had told him that desks were so close together that a student could read papers on desks on either side of him.

No action was taken at the meeting, since it was informal and for information only.

Channel Two In Operation

Channel 2 antenna which was damaged during the severe snowstorm in November, has now been fixed and is in working con-

Pinkerman's television servicemen repaired the transmitter antenna and removed the rombic wires for straightening, then replaced them. Repair has been delayed due to the fact that the antenna is 100 feet high and is extremely dangerous to climb in

inclement weather. O'Neill City Councilmen will hear further discussion Tuesday evening covering the conversion of channel 13 to channel 12.

Albert Blocks Plan Open House Feb. 12

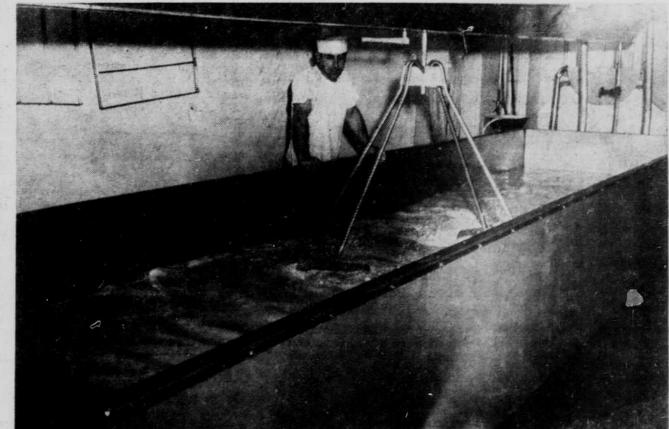
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Block will observe their 50th wedding anniversary Sunday, Feb. 12, with open house festivities from 2 to p.m. at the Christ Lutheran church in O'Neill. Relatives and friends are invited to attend the

Former Ewing Couple

Feted on Anniversary Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Borden, long time residents of Ewing who are now making their home with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Borden, in Washington, D. C., celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on January 25. In observance of the occasion they were honored at a dinner by their grandson, Donald Borden, and by their Washington friends, including, Mrs. Annie Vande Ploeg, formerly of Kado-

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ka, South Dakota.



THIS HUGE 13,000-POUND capacity cheese vat is now in operation at the Orchard cheese factory. Watching the new equipment in operation is one of the factory's owners, John Kiley. The set of constantly revolving paddles travel back and forth the length of the vat on an electrically-powered dolly. Kiley, with his partner, Ernest Gudenschwayer, ship the finished product of chedder cheese to New Ulm, Minn., where it is reprocessed by the Kraft company. About 7 hours is required to make a batch of cheese. The partners purchase whole milk locally. They employ one other man in the factory, Kenneth Hurtig, and their bookkeeper, Patty Elliott.