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Saturday Funeral Rites At Lynch for Dr. G. B. Ira

LYNCH — Funeral services were held here Saturday afternoon for Dr. G. B. Ira, 87, well-known physician, who died February 15 in Sacred Heart hospital following a lengthy illness.

The Rev. Glenn Dyer, pastor, conducted the services at the Wesleyan Methodist church, assisted by the Rev. Lester Sprague, pastor of the First Methodist church. Interment was made in the family lot at L'Rau Qui Court cemetery at Niobrara.

Dr. Guy Bentley Ira, son of Beatrice Hobbs and Dr. George W. Ira, was born July 22, 1873 at Greenwood, S. D. He was baptized in the Episcopal church on the Yankton Agency there February 15, 1874. His early schooling was received at the Santee school near Niobrara and later, one year at the Fremont Normal. Three years of pre-medical schooling were received at the University of Nebraska where he took two years of military drill under the late General John G. Pershing.

the Lynch village board of trustees and District 36 board of education; a member of Nebraska State Medical association and the American Medical association and member of the First Methodist church at Lynch.

He suffered his first heart attack in 1935 and spent one year bedfast before recovery, and then continued his practice until failing health deemed it wise to sell his business and practice to Dr. Donald E. Wyrens in January, 1949. It was not until June 3, 1959 that he became completely bedfast. He was moved to the hospital for his last illness February 10. He was preceded in death by his wife March 18, 1953.

Surviving him are his son, Dr. Gordon H. Ira of Jacksonville, Fla.; his daughter, Mrs. G. R. Douglass of Indianapolis, Ind.; three grandsons, Dr. Gordon H. Ira, Jr., a senior resident in medicine at Duke university in Durham, N. C.; Stewart Bentley Ira of Jacksonville, Fla.; and George L. Douglass of Indianapolis, Ind.; four granddaughters, Mrs. Barnwell Daley of Jacksonville, Fla.; Mrs. C. E. Evans, Mrs. C. D. Allread and Mrs. J. H. Kirchhofer, all of Indianapolis, Ind.; 13 great grandchildren, and two sisters, Mrs. Edith Lang of Creighton and Mrs. Florence Mark of Raymond, Wash.

Active members were Elmer Christensen, Thomas Schunk, Roger Woolf, Lee Wells, Dr. J. M. Puelick and Harry Mulhair. Honorary pallbearers were Anton Wasatka, Thomas Graham, Dr. Joseph David, Louis Nelson, Myron Hodges, Floyd Frances, John Wike, Patsy Mulhair, Wallace Moffett, Eddie Mulhair, Earl Rosicky, Guy Barnes, Sidney Woolf, Wallace Courtney, John Kelly, Vac Jedlicka, Eric Nielsen and Rudolph Prokop.



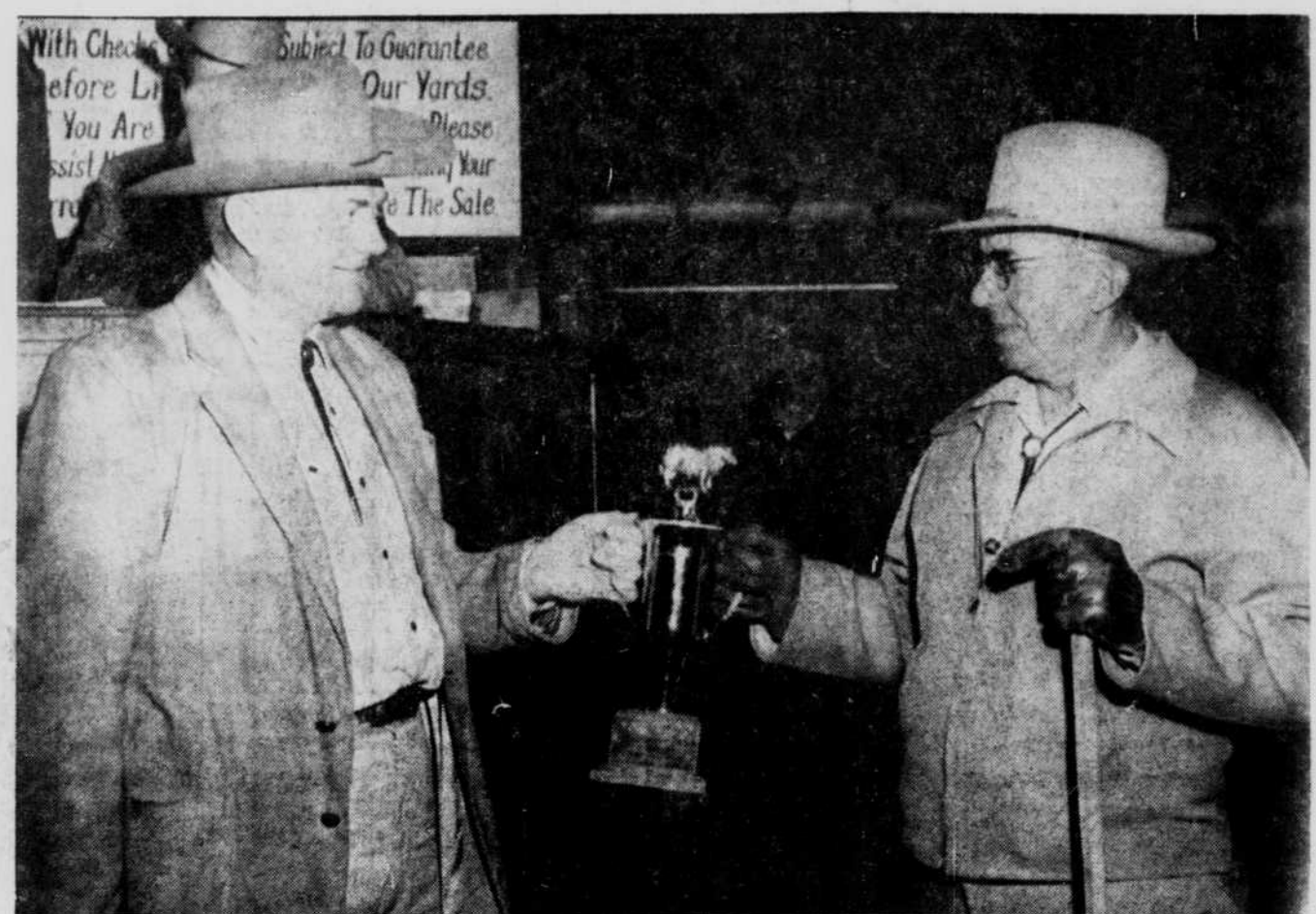
On March 17, 1897 Dr. Ira graduated from the St. Louis, Missouri College of Physicians and Surgeons at Barnes hospital and returned there later for his intern work. He also took post-graduate work in New York and Chicago, Ill. His first general practice was at a summer resort near Newburgh, Ill.

Dr. Ira returned to Santee in 1897 to visit his parents and while there took a side-trip to hunt with Will Barker and a daughter, Naomi, overnight in Lynch and return. A Mr. Phimple, whose wife was gravely ill, learned the young doctor was in town and appealed for help. Dr. Ira never returned to his practice in Illinois, but ordered his personal effects shipped to Lynch. For over 50 years Dr. Ira was busy administering the art of healing to those in need in the tri-county area adjacent to Lynch.

He was married to Florence Elsie Whipple at Omaha April 10, 1888. The Presbyterian minister, the Rev. David R. Kerr, officiated. They came to Lynch by horse and buggy from Bloomfield, following a train journey that far, and established their home here. To this couple were born a son, Gordon, and a daughter, Naomi. The family resided in Lynch except for the months Dr. Ira served his country overseas, during which time Mrs. Ira moved to Lincoln to be with their children attending college there, returning here in 1919 for permanent residence.

Dr. Ira's name was inscribed as First Lieutenant on the Roll of Honor in the state house at Lincoln July 20, 1917. He saw active duty on the European field with the 15th Balloon Company and the 59th Infantry, Fourth Division. He came out of service with a commission of major.

Dr. Ira was medical doctor and surgeon for many years for the Chicago and Northwestern Railway company; was chairman of the Boyd County Republican Central committee; a member of



VERN SAGESER OF AMELIA walked off with top honors at the annual Hereford sale held Tuesday at the O'Neill Livestock Market. Vern exhibited the grand champion bull, best pen of two and best pen of three. He is shown here receiving The Frontier's traveling trophy for the best pen of three bulls from Vern Reynolds. Harold Melcher showed the second place bull and Albert Carson, the third place.

Oh No!

"Mother, these fleas are sure biting me!" complained young Steven Hansen of the Meek community.

The startled mother immediately checked him over and found the "fleas" had left little red marks—measles!

Jack Hixon Named To Boys State

CLEARWATER — Jack Hixon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Randall Hixon, has been chosen as the representative to Boys State in Lincoln June 17-24.

His trip will be sponsored by the local American Legion.

Bob Brayton Named To Martin's Staff

STUART — Bob Brayton has joined Congressman Dave Martin's staff as representative in the Fourth Nebraska District.

According to a statement from Congressman Martin, "This move has been made to serve constituents better in the state, a necessary move in view of the large size of the District and its great distance from Washington."

Plan Campaign Here Sunday For Heart Fund

Volunteers will visit their neighbors to call for Heart Fund contributions between 2 and 5 p.m. Sunday, "Heart Sunday," which marks the peak of the 1961 Heart Fund campaign started February 1.

Pre-addressed envelopes will be left for families that are not at home so they can mail their contributions to the local committee. Contributions may be sent to HEART, care of the local postmaster, according to the campaign chairman, M/Sgt. William Cousins.

O'Neill has been divided into four districts with the following volunteers acting as district captains: Northeast, Mrs. John Stultbergen; northwest, Mrs. John Enke; southeast, Mrs. Albert Tooker, and southwest, Mrs. E.D. Gleason.

The O'Neill quota for 1961 is set at \$650. Mr. Cousins points out that the deaths from cardiovascular disease in Holt county is at 51.4 per cent.

What Could You Say?

A certain well known businessman here kept pleading fatigue to the urgings of his coffee pals to attend a church dinner coming up that evening.

He was told repeatedly about the merits of the speaker and about what a "hot shot" talker he is.

The businessman turned to his friend sitting beside him and said, "Who is the so and so that's going to speak tonight?"

"Me," said his friend. Silence.

New Industry Plans Opening Here March 1

A new industry will be opening in O'Neill about March 1. Walter and Richard Salmen expect to have their brass and aluminum foundry set up and in operation about that date.

The firm, known as AllBronze Metal Products, manufactures bronze grave markers, bronze vases, bronze name plates and other products cast in aluminum or bronze.

Services Held At Page for George Zellers

County Attorney William Griffin announced Wednesday that no evidence of foul play has been discovered in the death of George Zellers, 63, of Page whose badly mutilated body was found Thursday morning, Feb. 16, in a hog-feeding lot near Page.

The body was examined by Dr. Rex Wilson, who confirmed the belief that Mr. Zellers had suffered from a serious heart condition.

A missing billfold first aroused suspicion of foul play. It has not yet been found by investigating officer, Sheriff Leo Tomjack who has conducted a thorough search in the area.

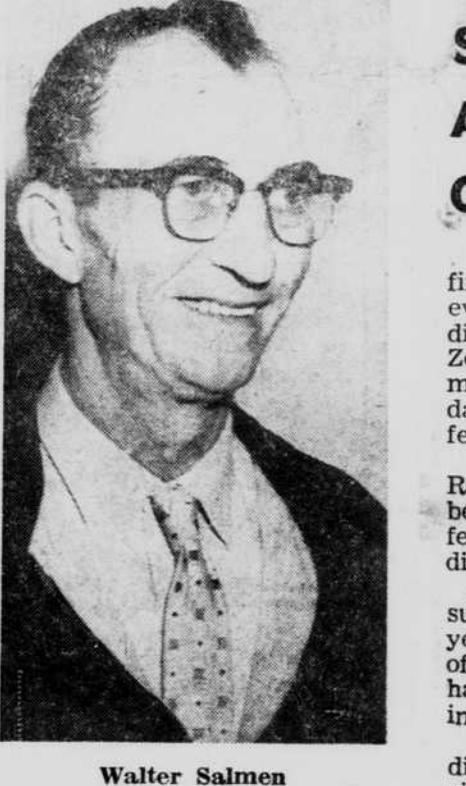
An employee of a feed company discovered the body when he arrived to feed the hogs. Zeller's car had been noticed near the lot the night before. He had been missing since 2 p.m. February 15. The lot is located on the Elsie Freichs farm one mile southeast of Page.

Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Charles Cox in the Page Methodist church Saturday afternoon. Burial was in the Page cemetery, and graveside rites were conducted by the Odd Fellows.

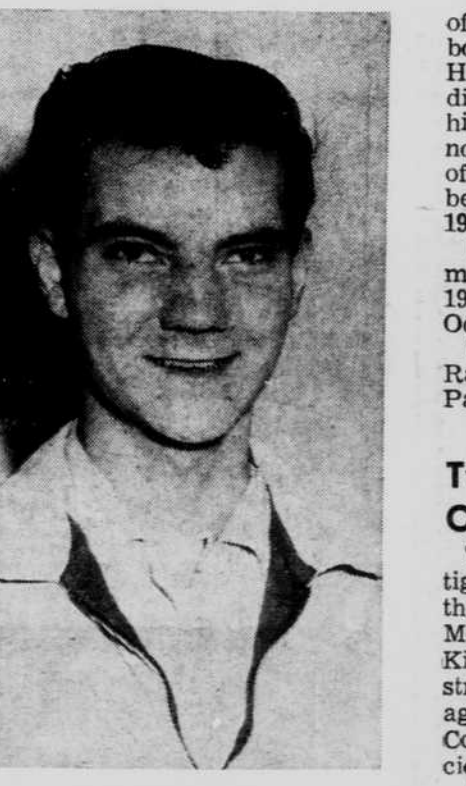
George Fredrick Zellers, son of Peter and Maggie Zellers was born January 1, 1898 at Unadilla. His early life was spent at Unadilla, coming to Holt county with his parents in 1922. He farmed northeast of Page for a number of years before moving to Chambers where he lived for the past 15 years.

Due to ill health he retired and moved into Page November 1, 1960. He was a member of the Odd Fellows for over 40 years.

He is survived by one brother, Ray, and a sister, Grace both of Page.



Walter Salmen
Owners of the business are Walter and Richard Salmen, who have been running the business in Anoka as a father-and-son operation. Both men are living in O'Neill now with their families. Walter, the father, lives at 317 North Seventh. His wife works at the K & M cafe and his daughter, Mary Ellen attends O'Neill high school.



Richard Salmen
Richard and his wife live at 103 E. Adams. They have a 3-month-old son.
Location of the foundry is at the former Rainbow bread office at 351 South Fourth street.

The men are now busy remodeling the building to meet the requirements of the foundry.

Walter has been in foundry work for about 30 years, learning the trade in Omaha. Richard joined his father in the firm about two years ago when they moved to Anoka.

The big bronze letters on the Boys Town signs near Omaha were cast by Walter when he was in Omaha.

Four Changes In Personnel At Consumers

Consumers Public Power District Thursday announced four changes in personnel at the O'Neill district office and in the Columbus general office, all shifts effective March 1.

Tom Liddy, 45, O'Neill district accountant for 7½ years and a 22-year veteran of the electric utility business, has been named supervisor of the IBM-typing department in the Columbus general office. He succeeds Bob Jensen, 36, who will take over as senior IBM machine operator.

Daniel E. Murphy, 34, chief clerk at the O'Neill office since 1953, succeeds Liddy. Murphy

Warick Sentenced To County Jail

District Judge William Smith sentenced Donald A. Warick, 47, (no address) to 90 days in county jail when he pleaded guilty to assault and battery in district court Monday.

Warick was brought before County Judge Louis Reimers February 8 following the filing of charges by Deputy Sheriff Jim Mullen in behalf of Mrs. Lois Martens of Atkinson.

The case was bound over to district court and in Monday's session the state accepted a plea of guilty to assault and battery and withdrew the felony complaint for aggravated assault.

Holt SWCD Plans Seed Meeting Here Tuesday

The Holt Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors will hold a meeting of interest to all seed growers beginning at 1:30 p.m. at the Court House Annex, Tuesday.

At this meeting the new district policy on handling seed consignments will be discussed and prices will be determined by the growers and the District board combined. Most of the seed test results have been received and it is anticipated that prices in general will be based on the percentage of pure live seed for each lot.

For many years the Holt SWCD has handled locally grown native grass seed on a consignment basis. This is a big reason why so many grass seedings in Holt County have been so successful. Locally grown strains are far superior to similar seedings where the source of seed has been even 150 or 200 miles removed from our area.

The district has not made it a policy to handle Brome grass and Alfalfa but handles largely the Native grasses and a few of the more scarce tame grasses.

Any one interested in having the district handle their seed is urged to attend this meeting so that they fully understand the new policy and the pure live seed method of pricing.

Atkinson Passes Teen Age Curfew

ATKINSON — A 10-30 p.m. curfew for persons under 16 years of age is now being enforced here.

It is unlawful for youngsters under 16 to be on the streets after this hour unless accompanied by parents.

New Pastor Begins Duties at Ewing

EWING — The Rev. Mrs. Nina Haines has arrived here from Ottumwa, Ia. to assume her duties as the new pastor of the Church of the Nazarene.

She had been an evangelist with her husband before his death. Nebraska has been her home for about 20 years. She has served as pastor in Lincoln for five years, St. Edward for four years and at Kenesaw, Fremont and South Sioux City.

Worship services will be as follows: Worship hour, 11 a.m.; Sunday school, 10 a.m.; evening service at 7:30 p.m. and Wednesday evening prayer meeting at 8 p.m.

Two Auto Mishaps Occur in O'Neill

Two auto mishaps were investigated by O'Neill police during the past week. Cars driven by Michael Troshynski and Gerald Kilcoin collided on west Douglas street Feb. 13. Only minor damage resulted according to officer Coats, who investigated the accident.

Considerable damage was done to cars driven by Clifton D. Clyde and Gary Anderson when they collided at Second and Everett street, Feb. 18. Police chief Chris McGinn was the investigating officer.

Deadline Nears For Car License

County Treasurer J. Ed Hancock reminded vehicle owners that they have only three more courthouse working days in which to purchase 1961 license tags before the deadline March 1.

A total of 6,109 tags had been obtained by Tuesday, leaving 900 still to be purchased to make the number equal to last year's total by February 28.

First Crop Storage Pay To Start About Mar. 1

Half of the storage payments to farmers under the 1960-61 price support resale program for farm stored grains will be advanced to farmers early in March. Normally the payments are made when the loans mature but, the storage payments, already earned, are being advanced in light of present economic conditions and the cost-price squeeze on farmers.

William A. Miller, manager of the Holt county ASC office, said payments will be in the mail about March 1. The payments will be made on resale loans on 1959 crops of corn, wheat, barley and grain sorghums; 1958 crops of barley, grain sorghum, corn, and wheat; 1957 crops of corn and 1956 crop of corn.

The advance payment rates will be seven cents per bushel for corn, wheat and barley; five cents per bushel for oats, and 12 cents per hundredweight for grain sorghum. The balance of storage payments (in similar amounts for the crops) will be paid after the maturity dates of the loans, which fall on March 31 for wheat and grain sorghum, April 30 for barley and oats and July 31 for corn.

Candidates Must Submit Names For City Election

City Attorney John R. Gallagher has petitions prepared to place names of prospective candidates on ballot in the municipal city election April 4.

Candidates having terms which expire this year are Bill McIntosh, Fred Heermann, George Janousek and Dr. E. M. Gleason. School board members whose terms expire are George Hammond and Harold Lindberg.

At the present time only one candidate, George Janousek, has assented to be a candidate for reelection. The others have not yet been contacted.

Signed petitions must be on file with city clerk 20 days before election.

Fritz Gilg Injured In Fall from Roof

Fritz Gilg slipped from the roof of the partially constructed home of Dr. George Carstens Monday morning while removing snow. His feet slipped on frost on the boards and he slid face down, landing on his feet. X-rays showed he fractured his heel bone in the fall and his left foot was placed in a cast.

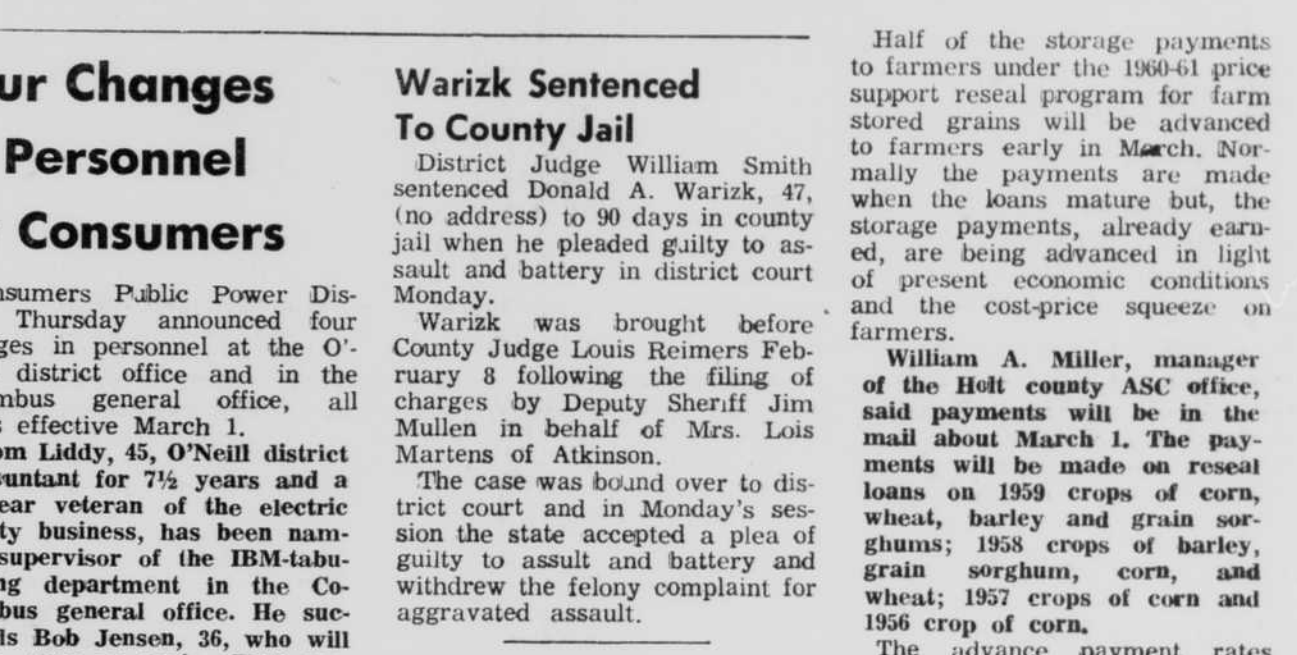
Sale Dates Claimed

TUESDAY, MAR. 7—Walt Egger farm sale 14 miles north, 1 east, 1 mile north and ½ east. Full line of machinery, 45 head of cattle, 15 head of hogs, household goods and miscellaneous items, Ed Thorin, O'Neill, auctioneer.

THURSDAY, FEB. 23—Mrs. Marcella Bolwitt and sons, 520 acre farm, full line of farm machinery, 36 head of cattle, 35 tons of prairie hay, household goods. Ed Thorin and Roy Kirwan the auctioneers.



DON BRUZLAFF, extension service range management specialist from Fort Robinson research station is shown here as he addresses a group of farmers and ranchers from the O'Neill area on range conditions and range improvements. Approximately 43 ranchers have signed up for the short course. Proper maintenance and increased production of range land is the main topic of the course.



LIONS DISTRICT GOVERNOR W. W. STEEN of Sargent was present at the Lions club luncheon-meeting Wednesday at the Town House. He spoke to the group on the latest details of sight conservation which is sponsored by Lion members. Shown here (left to right) Gil Poese, Dale Wilson, the Rev. A. S. Gedwillo, Steen, Tom Cronin and Joe Stutz.