

Mrs. Shoemaker Services Held Here Monday

Funeral services were held Monday for Mrs. John A. Shoemaker, 67, who died in her sleep early Friday morning. She had not been ill previous to her death.

The Rt. Rev. Timothy O'Sullivan officiated at the requiem high mass at St. Patrick's church in O'Neill Monday morning. Burial was in Calvary cemetery at O'Neill. Rosary was recited by the Catholic Daughters of America Sunday afternoon and by parish members that evening at Biglin's chapel.

Hattie Marie Pribil was born March 12, 1894 to Frank and Mary Chinmook Pribil at O'Neill. She was graduated from St. Mary's academy and taught in rural schools before her marriage to John A. Shoemaker October 12, 1920 at St. Patrick's church in O'Neill.

Mr. and Mrs. Shoemaker be-



ST. MARY'S GRADE SCHOOL eagers copped first place in the grade school tourney played Tuesday night in O'Neill, as they downed Chambers 38-31. The Chambers crew held a 21-14 lead at the half but the Junior Cardinals found the range in the final stanzas to overcome the Coyotes lead. Members of the St. Mary's squad

(left to right) are: Joe Yantzi, Jack Kelly, Owen Shoemaker, Joe Glig, Mike McManus, Dan Saunto and Bob McKay. Back row: Jim Troshynski, Wayne Sindelar, Robert Devoy, Jerry Donohoe, Bruce Appleby and Dan Wolfe. Fred Appleby is the coach for the junior team.

Morrison to Speak April 4 At Annual Awards Banquet

Services Held In O'Neill for Arthur Putnam

Funeral rites were conducted Friday in O'Neill for Arthur A. Putnam, 86, who died at Chambers March 8.

The services were held in Biglin's chapel. Burial was in Prospect Hill cemetery at O'Neill.

Arthur Putnam was born November 6, 1874 to Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Putnam of Pontiac, Ill. He was a farmer and came to Holt county from Martin, S. D.

Mr. Putnam is survived by one son, Melvin of Fort Collins, Colo.; three daughters, Mrs. Mae Poetter of Medford, Ore., Ruby Putnam of Medford, Ore., and Mrs. Emma Stewart of Chambers; three sisters, Mrs. Laura Dean of Rochester, N. Y., Noma Putnam and Flora Putnam, and one brother, Charles.

Petitions Approved For Reorganization

Two petition proposals for re-districting in Holt county have been approved by the State Committee for Reorganization of School Districts, and one petition in this county was granted qualified approval.

The two approved petitions allow for the following action: the attaching of a portion of District 174 (east of O'Neill) to District 7 (O'Neill); the dissolving of 108 (west of Ewing) and attaching to 29 (Ewing). Qualified approval includes the plan to dissolve 222 and attach to 238.

Services Planned At Atkinson for Mrs. S. Hoppe

ATKINSON—Mrs. Sophia Hoppe, 93, well known Holt county farm woman, died at her home Tuesday at 10 p.m. following a three-day illness.

Funeral services will be held at 1:45 p.m. Friday in the Seger Funeral home and at 2 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran church in Atkinson. The Rev. Emil Kuchin will officiate at the services and at burial which will be in Prospect Hill cemetery at O'Neill.

Mrs. Hoppe, whose maiden name was Sophia Paulsen, was born September 16, 1867 in Schleswig-Holstein (now a part of Ger-

Elmer Juracek, secretary of the Holt Soil and Water Conservation district reported today that tickets went on sale this week for the Soil and Water Conservation District's Awards Banquet. Governor Frank B. Morrison will be the speaker.

The banquet will be held at the American Legion hall April 4. Tickets will be sold prior to that date and none will be available at the door. The number of tickets is limited to the capacity of the hall and sales are expected to be good.

This program is being co-sponsored by the O'Neill Chamber of Commerce. Tickets are available at the following Holt county business firms: McCasville's Clothing, O'Neill National Bank, Coyne Hardware, O'Neill Insurance Co., Coast to Coast, First National Bank, McIntosh Jewelry, Biglin's Floor Covering, and also from Howard Manson, Clerk of the District Court, all in O'Neill; Page Co-op Bank and West Lumber Co., both at Page, and the Farmers State Bank in Ewing. Additional listings will be made next week. Tickets may also be obtained at the Holt Soil & Water Conservation office in O'Neill.

Mr. Juracek says, "Although the program will honor conservation award winners of 1960, everyone is welcome to attend whether or not they are district cooperators." He is greatly indebted to the members of the Chamber of Commerce, states, "Governor Morrison will appear at this function on a purely non-partisan basis. He is an ardent believer in conservation and is greatly interested in expanding the industrial development of our state."

Teachers Return Signed Contracts At O'Neill High

Twenty-three contracts for the coming school term have been received from teachers at O'Neill public school by the board of education.

Following are the names of teachers planning to return: Secondary, Marvin Miller, Duane Miller, Gerald Hawley, Charles Smith, Stanley Williamson, Vernon Carpenter, Eileen Seger, Alvira Hamra, Don Larson and Donald Kokdra.

Elementary teachers returning are: Grace Petersen, Mary Langemeier, Nyeulah Sanders, Florence Kersenbrock, Lorine Smith, Elizabeth Spelts, Mrs. Theresa Ernest, Edna Jeffrey, Clara Hawley, Clea Murray, Mona Beckwith, Helen Martens and Ruby Holcomb.

Edwin Reeh and James Luft have not yet returned their contracts as their plans are still indefinite.



many). Her parents died when she was 10 years old. She came to America at the age of 16 years on a vessel which required two weeks to cross the Atlantic. Her cousin was a seaman on that ship.

She was married to August Hoppe September 22, 1887 in Omaha in the home of her aunt. They came to Holt county January 12, 1888, the day of the famous blizzard. The Hoppes were marooned in O'Neill three days, having arrived by train. They hired a livery team that took them to the home place where Mrs. Hoppe resided at the time of her death.

Three children were born to this couple. Mr. Hoppe preceded her in death February 17, 1939.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Sophia Guse of Longmont, Colo., and Mrs. Augusta Cording of Caldwell, Ida; one son, Carl, at home; and several grandchildren, great grandchildren and great great grandchildren.

Two Car Mishap Occurs Tuesday

Extensive damages resulted to two automobiles in a collision Friday at the intersection of Douglas and Second Streets.

Driver of one of the cars, Ray Eby's taxi, was Fred A. Eby, 20, and James Ollendick, 22, was driver of the other car, owned by Thomas Zakrauski.

No injuries were sustained. Chief of Police Chris McGinn investigated the accident.

Grays Observe 65th Anniversary At Page Friday

PAGE—Mr. and Mrs. John I. Gray observed their 65th wedding anniversary Friday with a family dinner at noon, attended by their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gray.

Many friends called during the afternoon and evening to congratulate the couple, who also received many congratulatory cards.

Mr. and Mrs. Gray were married March 10, 1896 at the home of his parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gray. The Rev. Bartley Blain officiated at the wedding.

For a short time the Grays resided on the Gray homestead then he went into business with his father and his uncle, George Hunter, in a general store. Ownership of the store passed in to the hands of John and his son, Willard, at the death of his father and uncle.

They are the parents of a daughter, Mrs. Zella Soukup of Lafayette, Calif., and two sons, Willard of Lodi, Calif., and Robert.

Mr. Gray was hospitalized with a broken hip on their 63rd anniversary but his health has improved this past winter. Mrs. Gray has very good health and busies herself with fancy work during sparetime.

March 10 is a popular date for the Gray family. It was the birthday anniversary of the late Robert Gray, the wedding date of the John Grays and the birthday anniversary of their grandchildren, Dorothy and Jerry of Lodi, Calif.

N. Mullendore Named Prexy Of O'Neill PTA

Newt Mullendore has been elected president of the O'Neill public school PTA.

Other officers elected at the monthly meeting which was held Monday evening, are M/Sgt. William Cousins, vice president; Mrs. Clay Johnson Jr., secretary, and Mrs. Frank Eppenbach, treasurer.

A panel discussion on the relation of publications, movies, television and music to juvenile delinquency was presented by the Rev. Glenn Kennicott, Grant Peacock, Mrs. Donald Younic and John Enke, with the Rev. John Hart as moderator.

The group voted to have the secretary write a letter to Congressman Dave Martin to support house resolution 1826 which would ban the sale of obscene literature.

Mrs. James Newman of Stuart, the District Director of PTA District 14 was a guest. The fifth grade mothers served the lunch.

Former Orchard Man Dies in Kilgore

ORCHARD—Mrs. Marion Shipman received word of the death of her brother, Ed Hill at Valentine hospital March 7. Mr. Hill was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hill. Funeral services were held at the Methodist church in Kilgore Friday.



NEAR-PERFECT WEATHER, many items and a large crowd combined to make the Walter Egger farm sale Monday one of the largest in the area this season. Auctioneer Col. Ed Thorin said Wednesday that a check of the clerking list showed they made 775 separate sales in 6 hours . . . better than two sales per minute for the sale from start to finish. An overflow crowd jammed the yard and road with over 250 cars and trucks. More than 125 cars were parked on the road alone. Shown above is part of the crowd buying small items of tools and parts from a tool shed at the beginning of the sale. One buyer found a high perch on roof of shed at top of photo. This sale, postponed because of a blizzard a week earlier, was termed the largest crowd of the season by many observers. Owner Walt Egger, who plans to leave Saturday with his brother John for Montana, said he was "well pleased with the sale." This was another highly successful farm sale advertised through The Frontier's one-stop weather-insured farm sale service.

Niobrara Development Holds Annual Meeting

Gil Poese of O'Neill was elected president-elect of the Niobrara Development association at the annual meeting held in Ainsworth Thursday, attended by 175 persons.

Others from Holt county named to offices include: K. L. Van Voorhis, director at large for three-year term; Alford Drayton, Ron Shonka and Mr. Poese, directors.

The Association supports all programs in the Niobrara valley for the full length of the basin, including the O'Neill unit. The Association is supported by membership and tickets of membership will be sold in the near future at O'Neill.

Paul Harley, project manager, of Grand Island, reported on the different units in the Niobrara River basin at Thursday's meeting and among them was a report on the O'Neill unit. Mr. Harley stated the O'Neill unit investigation work is rapidly drawing to a conclusion.

Farmers and ranchers in the O'Neill area are urged to get their land signed up for or against the local project immediately as this investigation work may be completed.

The O'Neill unit consists of 8,000 acres in the vicinity of Springview and 69,000 acres in the Stuart, Atkinson and O'Neill areas. Water will be supplied from a reservoir north of Johnston which will have a capacity of 42,500 acre-feet. Normal surface area of the lake formed by this dam will be 6,300 acres extending 19 miles up stream from the dam.

Attending the meeting from O'Neill were Dale Wilson, John Watson, Bill McIntosh, Allan Van Vleck, K. L. Van Voorhis and Virgil Laursen.

Rangeland Conference Names New Officers

M. J. Baack, superintendent of O'Neill public school, was elected president, and Marvin Miller, principal of O'Neill schools, was elected secretary and treasurer of the Rangeland conference at a meeting held in Valentine Monday.

Administrators from O'Neill, Bassett, Ainsworth, Valentine, Rushville, Chadron, Gordon and Crawford adopted a constitution for the conference. There will be a playoff each year in football and basketball. Champions of east division will play champions of the west division.

In football the playoff game will be at the host school of the west division champs in 1961 and of the east division champs in 1962. In basketball it will be reversed.

The new conference will be in operation beginning of the 1961 school year.

Page Legion To Sponsor Egg Hunt

PAGE—Members of the American Legion auxiliary met Monday evening to plan for the Easter egg hunt, annually sponsored by the Auxiliary, which will be held March 25 at the Park.

All children 10 years of age and under are eligible to participate in the hunt. Prizes will be given.

Other business at Monday's meeting included final arrangements for the Legion birthday dinner March 19 at 6:30 p.m.; the announcement that the county meeting will be March 29 at 6:30 p.m. at Atkinson, and the announcement that \$50 was collected for the heart fund. Hostesses were Mrs. Harrison Hollman and Mrs. Ben Asher.

Weed Dist. to Elect Two Supervisors

Two district supervisors, each for a term of three years, will be elected Thursday at the Holt County Noxious Weed District annual meeting which will be held at 1:30 p.m. in the courthouse annex.

Supervisors whose terms expire this year are Robert Miller of O'Neill, chairman, and E. A. Bouska of Atkinson, who operates the district's seed cleaner and weed spraying equipment. Bouska has served on the district board of supervisors since 1948 when Holt county was designated as a weed district. He served as chairman four years and treasurer, four years.

Other board members are Emil Colfack of Atkinson, secretary; Ralph Hoffman of Chambers, treasurer, and Elmer Trowbridge of Page.

Business to be discussed at Thursday's meeting will include setting the district's mill levy and the newest procedures in the use of chemicals for weed control. A representative from the Noxious Weed Division in Lincoln will answer questions about weed problems. This meeting is open to the public.

Methodists Hold Layman Meeting Here Sunday

Thirteen Methodist churches of the O'Neill Subdistrict were represented Sunday at a Layman's meeting which was held in the O'Neill Methodist church.

The program began at 2:30 p.m. with a song led by Grant Peacock of O'Neill, accompanied by Archie Bowen of O'Neill at the organ. Harvey Tompkins of Inman gave the keynote address on "Christian Stewardship and Social Concerns."

Five discussions groups were held with the following topics of discussion and with these leaders: "Time," Robert Linder of Page and Bennett Gillespie of O'Neill; "Talents," Woodrow Elliott of Ewing, George Wrenholt of Clearwater and A. Wood of Ewing; "Processions," Dean Fleming of Atkinson and Oren Shippin of Atkinson; "Temperance," Vernon Whitaker and E. R. Carpenter, both of Chambers; "World Peace and Race Relations," Ivan Hiatt of Bristow and Lester Spragg of Lynch.

A general session was held during which time there were reports from the groups and general discussions. A 5:30 p.m. dinner was served by Intermediate MYF members and their mothers. A film, "Stranger in the House," closed the evening.

Charles Peterson Buys Flynn and Larsen Farm

ATKINSON—Charles R. Peterson, Atkinson rancher, has purchased the Flynn and Larsen irrigated farm consisting of 1,120 acres located 18 miles northwest of Atkinson.

Prior to its development as an irrigated place, the farm was owned by Frank Schnase and Lewis Vaughn of Atkinson.

Protestant Churches Plan Training Session

Preparation for vacation church schools to be held in Protestant churches in this area will take place in a training institute for administrators and teachers which will be held in the Presbyterian church in O'Neill March 23 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Leaders of the institutes will be Mrs. Donald Morseth of Plainville, Mrs. Kenneth Lux of Valentine, the Rev. C. H. Lemon of Lincoln, Mrs. Ray Kersting and Mrs. Charles Gates, both of Atkinson.



came the parents of two sons, Robert of O'Neill and John F. of Omaha. They resided on a ranch south of O'Neill until their semi-retirement in 1950 and since that time have lived in O'Neill.

Mrs. Shoemaker has been an active member and past officer of St. Patrick's Altar society, St. Mary's Alumni and St. Anthony's Hospital auxiliary.

She is survived by her husband, John; two sons, Robert and John; five granddaughters; three grandsons; two sisters, Mrs. Josephine Stewart of O'Neill and Mrs. Frances Erychleb of Denver, and one brother, Casper Pribil of O'Neill.

Honorary pallbearers were D. J. McCarthy, Andy Clark, James Cavanaugh, Hurley Jones, Gerald E. Miles and P. V. Hickey, all of O'Neill.

Active pallbearers were Francis J. Pribil, J. Frelent Pribil, Harry Peter, Louis Vitt, Harold Weier and Raymond A. Stowell, all of O'Neill.

Plan Blacktop For Highway 18

Fishing and boating enthusiasts in this area can look forward to a pleasant drive to Ft. Randall in the future, as the nine mile stretch of gravel north of Spencer is slated to have a blacktop surface in the 1961-63 highway program.

The Nebraska Department of Roads included the nine miles on highway 18, cost \$240,000, as well as five and two-tenths miles of second stage blacktop surfacing on U. S. 20 west of Stuart, \$100,000, and seven and four-tenths miles on highway 12 west of Lynch, \$280,000.

Also included in the program will be the construction of a bridge and grading on U. S. 20 between O'Neill and Orchard in Holt county.



SHOWN ABOVE IS PART OF the estimated 800 persons who visited AlBronze Metal Products company's open house Saturday and Sunday. Owners Walter and Richard Salmen are shown at left behind the table displaying sample of the foundry's work. AlBronze is a new industry recently opened in O'Neill manufacturing bronze and aluminum name plates, bronze grave markers and supplying non-ferrous castings for industrial uses. Richard Salmen said he poured more than 1,000 cups of coffee during the open house.