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Father Finds Larry Strong's Body; Graveside Rites Held Wednesday

After about two months of searching the body of Larry Strong, missing since a two motor boat accident June 27, was found Tuesday on the banks of Fort Randall reservoir.

Finding the body was his father, Bill Strong, who has been at the lake almost every day since the accident, and a cousin, Arthur Urban.

The two men had gone to the lake Tuesday and had searched the waters about two hours when they sighted the body at noon one mile west of where they believed the accident occurred near the O'Neill Boat club location.

They notified Sheriff Lyle Oliver, Burke, S. D., and the coroner of Gregory county, who retrieved the body. The coroner estimated that the body had surfaced approximately 10-12 hours before its discovery.

Sheriff Oliver told the Frontier that an inquest would be held as soon as the state's attorney returns from a trip to set the date.

Graveside rites were held for Larry Wednesday morning under the direction of Biglins Funeral home at Prospect Hill cemetery. The Rev. Glenn Kennicott officiated.

Pallbearers were Wayne Fox, Jay McConnell, Lester Sheets, Marlin Young, Gale Theye and Earl Strong Jr.

School Opens September 5 At St. Mary's

School will formally open September 5 with mass of the Holy Spirit at 9 a.m. for St. Mary's academy students.

There will be registration of freshmen and sophomores August 31, and for juniors and seniors, September 1. Students from neighboring parishes, who live at great distances, may register on September 2 or 3. Grade school students need not register until opening day.

St. Mary's faculty members are as follows: First, Sr. Bridget, second, Sr. Thomas; third, Mrs. Jack Arbutnot; fourth, Miss Hilda Gallagher; fourth and fifth, Miss Clarie Tomjack; fifth, Mrs. Leo Gokie; sixth, Sr. Flores; seventh, Sr. Adeltrude; eighth, Sr. Mildred; ninth, Sr. Agnes; tenth, Sr. Lenore; eleventh, Sr. George, and twelfth, Sr. Josephine.

Music, Sr. Flores; religion and guidance, Fr. Duffy, Fr. O'Donnell and Fr. Kucera; piano, Mrs. F. J. Kubitschek; coach, Don Templemeyer; band, Duane Miller; teacher aid, Mrs. Etherton, and superintendent, Mother Antonella.

NOTICE
O'Neill's Public Library will be closed this week while the floor is being refinished and a new sidewalk is being constructed, according to an announcement by the librarian, Bernadette Brennan.

Page Methodist Educational Unit Dedicated Sunday at Morning Rite

Dedication services were held Sunday, Aug. 20 for the recently completed Educational Unit of the Page Methodist church with the pastor, Rev. Robert D. Linder, in charge of the service.

Rev. Robert L. Embree, O'Neill district superintendent for the northeast district, read the Scripture lesson.

Bishop Kenneth W. Copeland of Lincoln, bishop of the Nebraska area delivered the dedication sermon, "The Witness to the World." Mrs. Pat French was organist; acolytes were Jimmie Sorenson and Jerome Crumly; Mrs. Alton Braddock was in charge of the guest book.

Hostesses were Mrs. R. V. Crumly and Mrs. Jesse Kelly, Carl Max, Robert Nissen, Harry Fegeler, and Arnold Stewart ushered.

More than 150 were served at the basket dinner at noon.

Dedication of the following memorials was made at the afternoon service: Church School Worship Center in memory of Everett McEwan and Clem Hart; Candelabra, candle lighter, lectern cloth and literature

Rainfall, Light Failure Plague Fair Officials

This year's presentation of the Holt County Fair at Chambers was termed a "great success" although Fair officials had to report a cut in attendance at the Thursday evening performance of the rodeo due to the heavy rainfall.

Approximately one and one-half inches of rain fell at rodeo time and to add to the difficulties of the Fair board, lights went out for a time and the loud speaker failed to perform. There was some delay but the rodeo was held.

Staff Complete At O'Neill High; To Open Aug. 30

Supt. H. L. McCoy announces a complete staff of teachers at the O'Neill public school for the opening of school August 30.

Grade teachers are as follows: Mrs. Grace Petersen and Mrs. Eleanor Hunt, kindergarten; Miss Bonnie Berger, first; Mrs. Florence Kersenbrock, second; Mrs. Nyeulah Sanders, first and second; Mrs. Lorine Smith and Mrs. Catherine Pease, third; Mrs. Edna Jeffrey and Mrs. Clara Herley, fourth.

Mrs. Theresa Ernst and Mrs. Elizabeth Speltz, fifth; Mrs. Vivian Bartos and Miss Cieta Murray, sixth; Mrs. Cloris Van Nice, Mrs. Nona Beckwith, Miss Helen Martens and James Luff (coach), seventh and eighth.

High school faculty members are: Marvin Miller, principal and social studies; Vernon Carpenter, agriculture and guidance; Duane Miller, instrumental music; Gerald Hawley, mathematics and head football coach; Charles Smith, social studies and head basketball coach; Don Larson, commercial; Stan Williamson, mathematics and science; Richard Van Valin, German and science; Don Kokrd, social studies, science and assistant coach; Mrs. Eileen Seger, home economics and English; Mrs. Alice Berigan, English, and Miss Alvira Ramm, vocal music.

Miss Joyce Krogh is school secretary. Custodians are Arnie Mace and Harry Graham.

Grant Approved for O'Neill Armory

The Senate Tuesday gave approval to a military construction bill which includes the O'Neill armory at \$43,250.

This National Guard armory is to be built on land in the north part of O'Neill.

Guardsmen Home from Two-week Training Trip

National Guardsmen from this area returned Sunday from a training period at Camp Ripley, Minn.

Gamble Store Honored

The local Gamble store, managed by Frank McKenny, has been named the outstanding store in its district for the month of July.

The award, made in the form of a bronze plaque signed by B. C. Gamble, president of Gamble-Skogmo, was presented today to Frank McKenny and the employees of the store by Art Beach, district manager for this area.

The award is made each month to the store in each of Gamble-Skogmo's sixteen districts which obtained the greatest percentage of actual sales over budgeted sales.

Hermesen Honored

J. J. Hermesen observed his fifth year of service with the Northwestern Bell Telephone company this month.

He is in the construction department.

Oil Attempt Fails; Another Well Planned

A third attempt to hit oil in Holt county failed this week when granite was struck at 2,531 feet after almost a week of drilling.

The attempt was made on the William Froelich land about one mile east of Emmet. The Time Petroleum company holds the oil lease on this property.

The rig has now been moved to land south of Emmet and is being set up for another try at oil.

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Aquatic Show Well Attended Sunday Evening

A large crowd was present Sunday evening for O'Neill's Aquatic show held at the swimming pool, conducted by Manager Chuck Smith and the pool personnel.

Many youngsters participated in the show and the first, second and third place winners of each division were presented with certificates of awards.

Following are the winners, named in the order of their placing: Free style, intermediate, Dick Martin, Melvin Schmit and Dennis Jeffrey (boys) and Carol Sindelar, Rita Winkler and Maureen Shoemaker (girls).

Free style, junior, Russ Johnson, Duane Winkler and John DeWitt—Kathy Hynes, Virginia Lawrence and Karen Bartos.

Free style, senior, T. Kurtz, J. Oetter and Tomjack—J. Lohaus, L. Haynes and J. Smith.

Back stroke, intermediate, M. Schmit, D. Martin and Kent Cole—R. Winkler, C. Sindelar and D. Conway.

Back stroke, junior, R. Johnson, D. Winkler and John DeWitt—R. Hynes, Virginia Lawrence and Linda Switzer.

Back stroke, senior, J. Oetter, T. Kurtz and Tomjack—Ilene Nelson, J. Lohaus and L. Hynes.

Diving, intermediate, Jerry Trant, Kelly Fuhrer and Tim Longmuir; Snorkeler, Susie Larson and Janet Speltz.

Diving, junior, Bob Riley, Jeff Hammond and Mike Langan—R. Hynes, V. Lawrence and Marilyn Peterson and L. Switzer, tied for third.

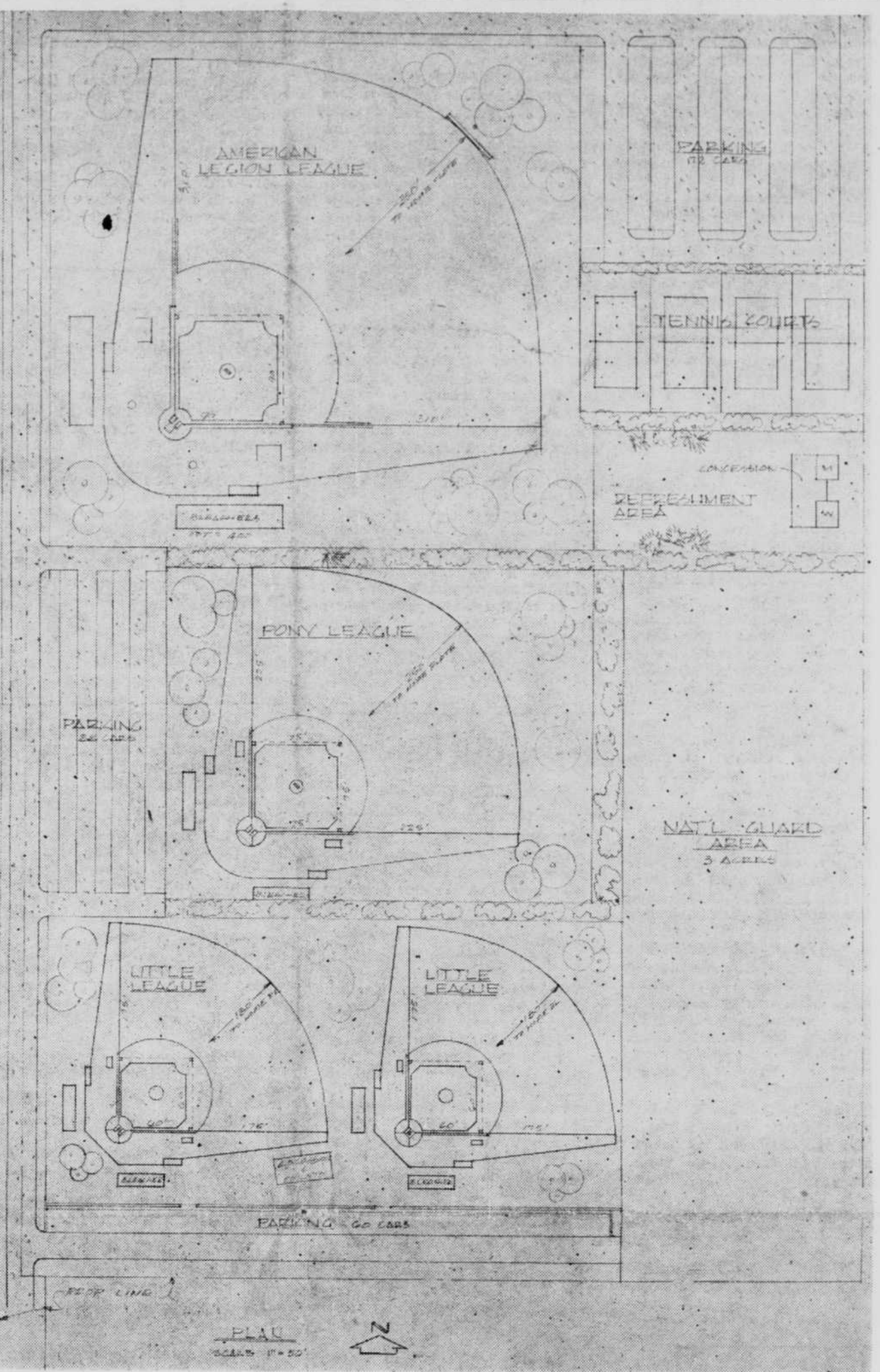
Diving, senior, Kurtz Young, J. Oetter and T. Kurtz—J. Lohaus, I. Nelson and J. Smith.

Boyd County Fair to Open Monday; Plan Three Days of Entertainment

Next week, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, will bring about the 17th annual Boyd County Fair to Spencer. With the recent rains and general crop conditions good, this should prove to be one of the biggest exhibits ever witnessed at the fair. Fair books were mailed early this year to give all exhibitors more time in which to prepare their exhibits.

Monday, Aug. 28 (Entry Day) will again be a complete day of free entertainment. Besides the normal entries and judging activities planned for Monday, at 3 p.m. at the ball park, the Tractor Operator's contest will be held. This is open to both 4-H and Open Class participants. Monday evening starting at 7 p.m. the Lynch girls softball team will meet the Spencer girls softball team, followed at 8:30 by a ball game between Pee Wees and the Butte Pee Wees. Free square dancing will be held at the south end of Main street.

Four-H and Open Class exhibits will be located in the Spencer Community hall and the livestock tent at its usual location. School exhibits will again be in the basement of the library, and the Commercial exhibits will this year move to a special tent south of the livestock tent. Two ball games are scheduled for Tuesday, with the Spencer Jr. Legion playing the Lynch Jr. Legion at 2 p.m. and the Bonesteel Town team meet-



City Recreation Program Shows Signs of Progress

Where in O'Neill could approximately 260 youngsters find a place to play baseball—this was the problem which faced city council members.

When the National Guard Armory site was agreed upon it became necessary to find a new location for the two baseball diamonds in the north part of O'Neill.

A discussion of this problem and the desire to provide sports facilities for this area, brought about the beginning of a "dream-type" recreation area for O'Neill—one of the finest recreation places in the state.

With this project in mind, council members started the ball rolling. The city had to provide an additional three acres for the National Guard Armory in order to qualify for federal aid, so when they purchased these three acres, they acquired about 17 more acres for recreation grounds. Thirteen of these acres were bought from Harry Ressel and the remainder of the land from Joe Noble.

This land is located north of the Consumers Public Power District sub-station.

Mayor D. C. Schaffer and city council members voted to use \$2,000 for the start of this project. City employees are already on the job, clearing the land and doing basic work. The engineers' estimate of the total cost of the project is \$90,000. Only a beginning can be made with the original amount of money but each year, further development can be added until the project is completed.

A four-tenth mill levy was included in the city budget which will provide approximately \$2,000 from the general fund each year. All labor will come from city workers, and such things as lights, presently on the Carney ball park property, can be utilized as well as diamond equipment.

When the project is completed there will be two Little League, one Pony League and one American Legion League baseball diamonds, all constructed with proper drainage facilities, built-up bases and measurements, according to Legion and League rules. In addition there will be four tennis courts, refreshment area, bleachers, seating and parking accommodations.

In the meantime, the Little League diamonds will be completed in the near future, and weather and money permitting, the park will be continued on through the grounds.

According to the plans drawn by Omaha architects, the Little League diamonds will be 60 feet square and the distance from home base to the ends of right and left fields will be 175 feet. From home base to the outer edge of center field will be 180 feet. There will be accommodations for the parking of 60 cars on the south side of the two diamonds, and eventually there will be bleachers, a concession stand and rest rooms.

Until annexation of land north of the city limits is completed, sewer and water pipes will not be laid until that is done, rest rooms cannot be built on the grounds. Present plans call for the moving of the right lights from the south park to be used when the first two diamonds are completed.

Just north of the Little League diamonds will be the site for the Pony League field which will be 75 feet square and the side distances will be 225 feet long with a 250 foot measurement from home base to the outer edge of centerfield. North of this diamond will be the American Legion League field which will be 90 feet square with 310-foot side distances and a 350-foot measurement from home plate to the center field edge.

Both of these diamonds will have bleacher accommodations and there will be a parking area for 88 cars on the west side of the Pony League area.

At the northeast corner of the grounds will be a parking place for 172 cars and south of this will be room for four hard-surfaced and lighted tennis courts. The refreshment area, concession stand and rest rooms are planned for the location just north of the tennis courts.

Council members cannot estimate the date for completion of this project. With the youth of this area in mind, they are endeavoring to provide a place for healthy recreation. They have been able to obtain a location and a basic financial plan to start immediate action toward this goal without going into debt.

This is a step forward in the right direction—a sign of a progressive city.

Age Branding Legal Is Now Permissible

In recent legislation, passed by state legislator, age branding of livestock is now permissible.

The only requirement to be met is that one digit only may be used on the shoulder on the same side that the recorded brand is used.

The age brand must not be used by itself but is to be used in conjunction with the recorded brand, in other words the animal should carry both the age brand as well as the recorded brand of the owner.

Two Mishaps Reported to Police Dept.

Two minor accidents were reported to police last week. Both occurred during the rain storm Monday noon. Autos driven by Margaret Howard and George Fritz collided at the intersection of Second and Everett. Another accident was reported shortly afterward when cars driven by Dennis Hynes, O'Neill, and D. K. Miller, Chambers, collided at the intersection of Fourth and Clay streets.

Three Men Named for Conservation Awards

VERDIGRE — Fred Uhler, O'Neill, Wendell Merrill, Orchard, Joe Jacob Jr., and Chris Larsen, Verdigre, are among the 18 farmers who are candidates for conservation awards, according to the Knox County Soil and Water conservation district.

Four will be selected from the 18 to be recognized in Sioux City later this fall. Nominations were made by farmers and conservation district supervisors. Final judging of the farms will be completed in late August.

Mr. Chmiel Leaves On Demonstration Trip

Mrs. Stanley Chmiel left from Fremont Wednesday morning with 73 Nebraskans to attend the national meeting of Home Demonstrations clubs in Orono, Me.

The trip will comprise an 18-day tour of many interesting places in the eastern states. Two buses were used for transportation.

Three from Chambers Enlist in Service

Kenneth Lidgett, Gary Rickard and Bill Day, Chambers, enlisted in the armed services and left Monday morning for Omaha to start their training.

Infant Grandson Dies Monday in Niobrara

John E. Kee has received word of the death of an infant grandson, John Edward Kee 2nd, Monday at the Sacred Heart hospital, Lynch.

The baby was born July 6 at the Lynch hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Mervin H. Kee, Niobrara.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at Niobrara.

Leigh Cull Hired as Lynch Superintendent

LYNCH — Mr. and Mrs. Leigh Cull and son, Paul, have arrived in Lynch where Cull will serve as superintendent of schools.

Previous to this move, Cull was superintendent at Bendon. The family is residing in the Ronald Carson home.

Football practice opened Monday at which time over 35 boys registered. Physical examinations were given in the morning.

Band instructor Miller, a new member of the faculty here, has returned from National Guard training.

Women's Tournament Now Underway

Monday was the opening date for the O'Neill Country club women's golf tournament followed by a week of play with the final rounds falling Sunday.

First round matches were in by Wednesday evening and the second round contests will be completed by Saturday. The finals Sunday will be followed by a mixed two ball foursome and steak fry.

Social Security Agent In O'Neill August 30

Gail Robart, field representative of the Norfolk Social Security office, will be in the assembly room in the courthouse basement at O'Neill from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 30.

Men 62 years or older, who are not working, may now receive reduced benefits.

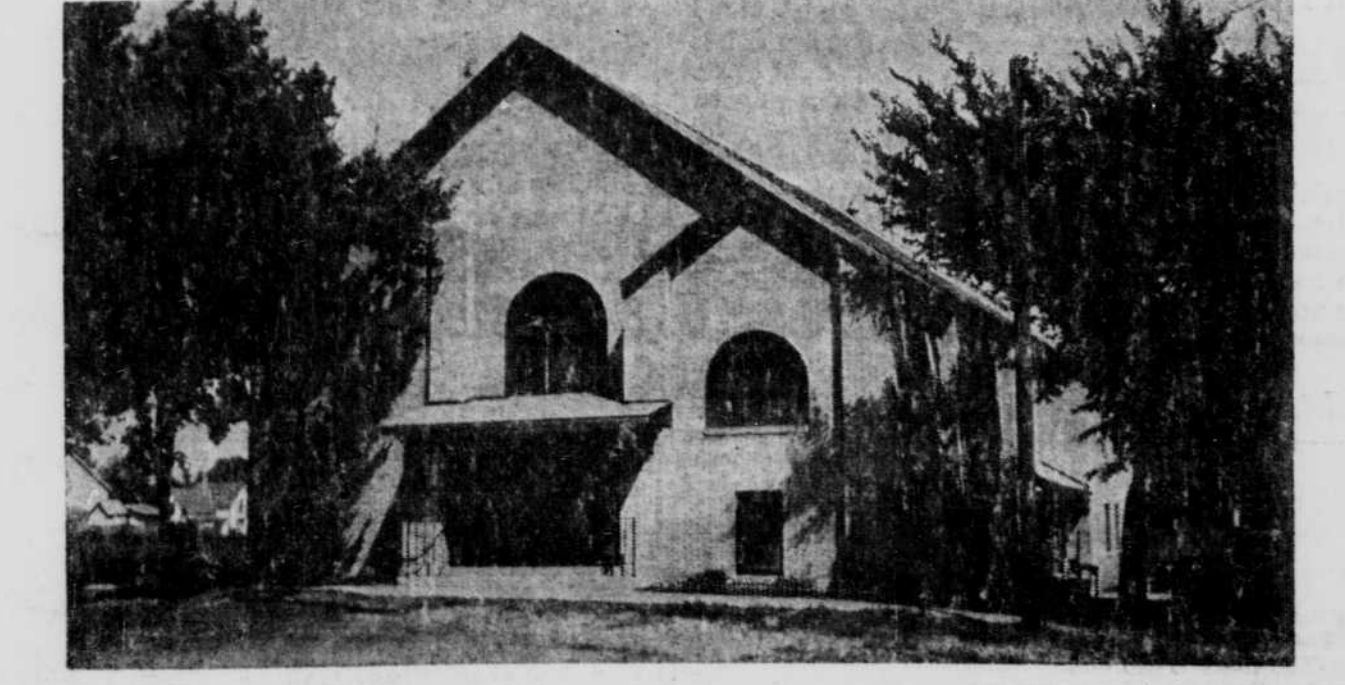
Sale Dates Claimed

SEPT. 8 — CLIFF FLEMING FARM SALE. Personal property and livestock including 24 head Holstein milk cows, 24 mixed yearling steers and heifers, 11 spring calves and registered Hereford bull.

SEPT. 8 — 240 ACRE LAND SALE to settle the estate of Emma Fleming. Both sales at the farm located 8 miles southwest of Ewing, Nebraska on the Ewing-Chambers road. Ed Thornin Auction Service and licensed real estate broker.



CITY GOLF TOURNAMENT champion Fred Gakle is shown here with Max Golden, runner up in the championship flight. Gakle, who clinched the victory on the 18th hole Sunday also won the tournament last year. A. P. Jaskowski defeated Jack Everitt in the championship consolation play. Other winners were: First flight, Dr. Wilson over Father Bartak; second, Jim Sanford over Marv Johnson; third, Ted Kyster over Dr. Ed Gleeson; fourth, Fritz Yantzi over Eric Dankert; fifth, Bill McIntosh over Gary Gillespie; sixth, Father Duffy over L. A. Becker, seventh, Chuck Smith over Jim Fritton, eighth, Wayne Speltz over Bud Calmer, and ninth, E. Cimfel over Carl Max.



THE PRESENT Page Methodist church and educational unit.