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Turkey Day Winners

Forty-nine turkeys were won by participants in Turkey Day Saturday when O'Neill merchants again expressed their thanks at Christmas time to customers in this area.

Despite the bitter cold weather, many shoppers braved the wind and snow to take advantage of the Christmas specials in stores and to take part in Turkey Day.

Following is a list of those who won turkeys by guessing the number who registered in business places that day: Alice's Beauty shop, Mrs. Joe Dufek; A & M Shoe store, Mrs. Oscar E. Anderson, Bristow; Apparel shop, Mrs. Ed Verzal; Biglin's, Glen Miller; Coyne Hardware, Mrs. June Newton, Emmet.

Coast to Coast, M. McMullen Ben Franklin, Mary Janice Remter; Dankert's Service, Larry Root, Stuart; Consumers, Mrs. Lydia Grothe, Emmet; Devoey Drug, Ed Fuhrer; Eby's Conoco, Venie Pasteusz; Exter Milling and Elevator, Henry Dorr, Page; First National Bank, Mrs. Ray Eby; Gambles, Mrs. Louis Wray, O'Neill.

Graham 66, Ray Schuchman; Independent, Carma Lee Harkins, Ewing; Harry Smith Impl., Mrs. Art Holz; Hamik Standard service, Duane Pongratz; Johnson Drug, Betty Peters; Inman; Kansas-Nebraska Natural Gas, Mrs. Richard McLain; Krotters, Bob McClellan; Lee store, Mrs. Fred Grothe, Emmet; Lindberg Firestone, Mrs. Melvin Bell, Chambers.

M & M Bakery, Jan Brayton, Stuart; Meyer's Midwest, Duane F. Sanders; McDonald's, Eugene Schmeichel; McCarrill's, Mrs. Henry Vequist; McIntosh Jewelry, John Alder, Emmet; Moore-Noble, Luther Schultz; New Deal Oil Co., Mrs. Norma Steel; New Deal Produce, Ralph Van Horn; New Outlaw, John Hynes; Northwest Electric, Marlene Parks.

O'Neill Drug, Dennis Hansen; O'Neill Style Shop, Mrs. Earl Hoffman; O'Neill Cleaners, Mrs. Marvin Miller; O'Neill National Bank, John Vitt; O'Neill Lockers, Virgil Parks; Penny's, Marvin Fuhrer, Butte; Rogers, Jewelery, Mrs. Sadie J. Kaiser; Robertson Motor, C. J. McGinn; Safeway, Ken Stauffer, Page.

Stannards store, Herbert Underwood; Shelhamer Equipment, Mrs. Mildred Honke; Shelhamer Jack and Jill, Mrs. John Hart; Texaco Service, Short Hunt; Thelander Auto, Mrs. Elva McDermott; Western Auto, Marvin Atkinson, Butte, and O'Neill Photo, Opal Hammerlin.

Rev. Bartek Assumes Duties At Lynch

LYNCH — The Rev. James F. Bartek, Omaha, arrived here Thursday to take over his duties as pastor of the Lynch BVM Assumption church, replacing the Rev. Charles Kamber who recently transferred to Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

Father Bartek attended Pontifical College Josephinum, Columbus, O., for 12 years and was ordained May 30, 1953. For the last eight years he has been assisting Msgr. J. H. Oedick at the Omaha Sacred Heart church and school. He also taught school there.



The principal of the school is Sister Calista O.P. the former Clare Biglin of O'Neill.

The new pastor is the son of Dr. and Mrs. J. G. Bartek, Omaha. Dr. Bartek is general practitioner at St. Joseph's hospital in Omaha. His mother is the former Bernadette Connor, Omaha Sacred Heart.

His sisters and brothers are as follows: Mrs. Jack Reynolds, mother of four boys, resides in St. Lewis, Mo., while her husband, a plastic surgeon, is in the navy, soon to be stationed in Virginia; Sister Katharina, principal of the new S. S. Peter and Paul grade school at Wheat Ridge, Colo.

Sister M. Justa O.P., R.N., Dubuque, Ia., at the Dominic Villa; the Rev. J. Donald Bartek, assistant priest at St. Joseph's Atkinson; the Rev. William C. Bartek, who is assisting Msgr. Quinn at St. Michaels, South Sioux City, and another brother who is employed in Omaha.



WINTER WONDERLAND. This picture was taken late at night of the main street through O'Neill. It shows the effectiveness of Christmas lights over the wide streets, combined with the sparkle of car lights and snow. The city decorations received favorable comment from one traveller. His impressions are printed in a "letter to the editor" on another page.

NSEA Declines To Take Stand On Petition

LINCOLN — The Nebraska State Educational association decided Saturday not to commit itself to a position on the K-12 school redistricting in Nebraska, but left the door open for participation if the petition plan jells.

A resolution adopted 164-8 by the NSEA's delegate assembly set out the NSEA's position on the K-12 initiative petition campaign which the Nebraska State School Boards association (NSSBA) has under consideration.

The resolution said that if the NSSBA goes ahead with the petition drive, Executive Secretary John E. Lynch of the NSEA would "be authorized and directed to propose and implement such plans of action as may be approved by the executive committee, which shall determine the extent and the manner in which the Nebraska State Education association shall participate."

The resolution was adopted as a substitute for one offered earlier which would have committed the NSEA to "cooperate in every way with the NSSBA in the circulation of petitions for an initiative vote and to exert every effort for a successful referendum.

The NSSBA executive committee was scheduled to meet in Lincoln Wednesday and decide whether or not to undertake the petition campaign.

The NSET's resolution endorsed the K-12 principle and said the NSEA "desires to support worthy and practical programs and projects which will stimulate school district reorganization."

But Harlan V. Taylor of Lincoln, in offering the executive committee's substitute resolution, said the committee felt it would be unwise for the NSEA to offer unequivocal cooperation to the petition campaign without knowing yet whether the NSSBA will undertake it or without knowing other details about it.

Additionally, he said, there is concern about the NSEA as the "prime mover" in the effort.

Virtually no debate ensued.

School Vacations Set At OHS Dec. 22-Jan. 3.

Supt. H. L. McCoy announced this week that school will be dismissed December 22 at 2:30 p.m. for the annual Christmas vacation.

Studies will be resumed at OHS January 3. Thursday evening the junior high school students will enjoy a Christmas party in the school auditorium.

Two games are scheduled for Thursday afternoon. There will be a grade and high school volleyball game and a grade school basketball game.

Mrs. Lindberg Feted On 92nd Birthday

A quiet family celebration was held for Mrs. Augusta Lindberg who celebrated her 92nd birthday Wednesday, Dec. 13.

Mrs. Lindberg came to Holt county with her family in 1883 from Sweden. She has three sons, Fred and Harold, O'Neill, and Oscar, Los Angeles, Calif.; four daughters, Mrs. John Olson, Minden, Esther and Eleanor, O'Neill, and Mrs. Fred Enquist, Wausa; 22 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

O'Neill High Team To Be Honored

This evening (Thursday) the members of the O'Neill high school football team will be doing what they enjoy most, next to sports—eating steaks.

They will be guests of the Lettermen club at a steak dinner in the home economic room at school. The party is being given in recognition of their fine football season. Other school personnel will also be guests at the dinner.



MERRY CHRISTMAS from the courthouse gang. (see story below)

Four Men Decorate the Courthouse with Lights

If you, too, are enjoying the colorful display of Christmas lights at the courthouse in O'Neill, perhaps the identity of the men responsible for the work would be of interest.

Alvin Hesse, Kenneth Waring, Howard Manson and Charley Richter are the workers who donated their time to put up strings of light around the front outline of the building and door.

There is a large star which these men made and placed high above the door, in addition to the lights on the large fir trees in front of the building. All in all it gives a very pleasing appeal to the holiday look in O'Neill.

Rites Held for Mrs. Sara Kay At Ewing

EWING — Funeral services were held here Monday for Mrs. Sara Ann Kay, 91, long-time resident of Ewing who died last week in Olive, Calif., where she had resided since 1950.

The Rev. Lester Spragg conducted the services in the First Methodist church. Burial was in the Ewing cemetery.

Sara Ann Davies Kay was born to Mary Ann Bowen and Evan M. Davies July 5, 1870 in Myrtha Tydil, Wales. She came to America with her parents in 1871 and lived in Scranton, Pa., until they moved to Nebraska.

She attended Fremont Normal, Omaha Business college and Brownell hall in Omaha. On April 25, 1900, she was married to Joe Kay. He preceded her in death. Mrs. Kay lived in the Ewing community for over 50 years and taught school and music here. She was a member of the Jephthah Chapter No. 85, Order of the Eastern Star, and of the Episcopal church.

She is survived by a sister, Mrs. Alice Maxwell.

Pallbearers were Wilbur Bennett, Elmer Bergstrom, Willis Rokey, Dewitt Hoke, R. S. Brown and Waldo Davis. The following members of Eastern Star Chapter 85 performed the official funeral service of the Order: Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Wood, Mrs. Waldo Davis, Mrs. Elmer Bergstrom, Mrs. Dewitt Hoke, Mrs. Alfred Conner, Mrs. Wilbur Bennett and Miss Vina Wood.

Page Band, Choir To Give Concert

The Page High School Band and choir will present a joint mid-winter concert this evening (Thursday) at 8 p.m. in the school auditorium.

The choir is under the direction of Miss Faye Rutherford. Leonard Sawyer is director of the band. The public is invited to attend this free concert.

Rites Held for Mrs. C. Willson in California

A former O'Neill resident, Mrs. Clark L. Willson, 56, died November 30 in San Gabriel, Calif.

Requiem mass was recited December 3 at St. Stephens Catholic church in San Gabriel by the Rev. Charles O'Carroll. Interment was in Resurrection cemetery, San Gabriel.

Mrs. Willson and her family lived in O'Neill until 1952 when Mr. Willson managed the Tri State Produce and Turkey Farm.

She is survived by her husband, Clark; two sons, Donald, Conoga Park, Calif., and Bill, Monterey Park, Calif., and two daughters, Mrs. Richard Paulhaber, Orchard, and Mrs. Shirley Decker, La Puente, Calif.

Christmas Program Planned at Inman

INMAN — Christmas time is bringing several parties and programs to schools in the area and the Inman school is also making preparations.

The school faculty was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Vaden Kivett Monday evening. The school program will be held December 20, in the evening and the grade school will present a Christmas play that day, sponsored by Mrs. Card, Mrs. DeLong and Miss Keyes. The sophomores will have a Christmas party for the high school December 19 with a gift exchange.

Other news includes the announcement that the school will teach drivers education next semester and a new car has been purchased for this purpose.

Inman lost its first volleyball game of the season when defeated by Page. The second team won its game.

Golden Valley 4-H Holds First Meeting

EWING — A new 4-H club, the Golden Valley 4-H club, has been organized by Mrs. John Miller, Ewing, with Charlene Miller as president.

Other officers are: Shirley Funk, vice president; Linda Eacker, secretary; Kathy Kirchner, treasurer, and Anita Parks, reporter. The next meeting will be January 8 at Shirley Funk's home from 4 to 5 p.m.

Two Escape Injury In Two Car Crash

Dwight L. Durre, Ewing, and William L. Bengel of South Dakota escaped injury Saturday when they collided on an icy stretch of road 16 miles north of O'Neill. Both vehicles were southbound.

Damage to the Durre auto was estimated at \$150 and about \$200 damage was done to the Bengel car. Patrolman Eugene Hasterter investigated the mishap.

Two Minor Mishaps Reported to Police

Two minor auto mishaps were reported to the O'Neill police department during the past week. Autos driven by Joe J. Pfeifer, Spencer and Raymond Shoemaker, Chambers suffered minor damage Saturday when they collided at the intersection of Second and Douglas.

Cars driven by Thelma Young and Gordon Slight suffered about \$75 damage to each vehicle when they collided Friday at the intersection of Third and Douglas.

Services Held At Ewing for L. Bergstrom

EWING — Funeral services were held Saturday morning in St. Peter's Catholic church for Lester Bergstrom, 53, who died Wednesday, Dec. 6, at his home in Ewing.

The Rev. P. F. Burke officiated at the requiem mass. The American Legion, Sanders Post 214, was in charge of military rites at the church and St. Peter's cemetery.

Lester Evan Bergstrom was born December 29, 1907 at Stafford to Nels and Clemmie Bergstrom. He received his education in the rural schools of Holt county.

On May 27, 1947 he was married to Mildred Sanders, Ewing. Eight children were born to this couple. An infant daughter preceded him in death. Mr. Bergstrom was mailman on the Star route before entering the service October 23, 1942, serving overseas in northern Africa and Italy in the postal department of the air force. He received his discharge September 4, 1945.

For a number of years, he was engaged in farming in the Ewing community. He assisted in the organization of the Chambers Co-Op and operated one of their trucks. He also did construction work and road patrol work in Holt county during his life.

Survivors are his wife, Mildred; three sons, Francis, Denis and Kevin; four daughters, Carolyn, Mary, Ann and Brenda, all at home; seven brothers, Floyd, Edgemont, S. D., Clarence, Inman, Sherman, Omaha, Claude, Salem, Ore., Stanley, Hastings, Nels and Elmer, Ewing; two sisters, Mrs. Thomas Bishop, Plainview and Mrs. Ralph Munn, Ewing.

County Officials Attend Convention

All Holt county officials are attending a meeting being held in Omaha this week for county supervisors and officers throughout the state.

The convention will close Friday.

Rural Area Redevelopment Group Holds First Area Meeting at Atkinson

Tax Guide Available

The 1962 edition of the Farmers' Tax Guide is now available at the County Extension office in the courthouse annex in O'Neill. The guide is prepared by the Internal Revenue service with the assistance of the Federal Extension Service.

The publication explains most of the income tax rules which apply to farmers and those who have tax questions about farming. The booklet is written in plain language and contains numerous examples to show how the rules work in actual situations.

A 1962 tax calendar tells when to pay various taxes, file tax returns, and do other things required by law. A check list of farm income and expenses is included along with a completed income tax form and explanation of how it should be filled out.

Anyone may obtain a copy of the Tax Guide by writing or calling at the Extension office.

Services Held Tuesday for Chauncey Porter

A well known O'Neill resident, Chauncey Porter, 68, died Saturday, Dec. 9, at St. Anthony's hospital after a brief illness.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, Dec. 12, at 10 a.m. in the First Methodist church here by the Rev. Glenn Kennicott. Burial was in the Chambers cemetery.

Chauncey William Porter was born June 11, 1893 at Brainard, the son of Edwin F. and Susie Fleck Porter. He moved with his family as a boy to Chambers where he grew to young manhood. Following his graduation from high school he took a business course at Wayne State Normal school.

He served with the armed forces in World War I, making an enviable record. He was one of the most decorated soldiers of Nebraska, having received two

Santa to Arrive Here With Treats Saturday

All the children in the O'Neill trade area are invited to O'Neill at 2 p.m. Saturday to meet that most famous gent, "Santa Claus" who will talk to the youngsters and give them candy treats.

He will come to O'Neill in an airplane and will be met by O'Neill Fire Chief G. E. Miles who will speed him to the public school house in the fire truck with sirens going at full blast.

Mothers should take their youngsters to the door across the playground from the school auditorium. They will then be admitted into a warm building for their visit with Santa.

The O'Neill Chamber of Commerce sponsors Santa's visit to this city.

4-H Council Directors Named

Five new members were elected for the board of directors for the Leaders 4-H council which met Wednesday, Dec. 6, at the courthouse annex in O'Neill.

The new directors are Mrs. Elmer Schaaf, Emmet; Mrs. Wayne Smith, Chambers; Ivan Heiss, Page; Mrs. Albert Wildfeldt, O'Neill, and Robert Young, O'Neill.

The council members decided not to hold a Fun Night in the early spring and instead the awards for the past year will be distributed by the individual clubs. The next Fun Night will be in October.

Eight leaders were appointed to attend the Leaders conference January 23, 24 and 25 in Lincoln.

Mr. Burbank was present for the meeting and explained a basic leaders course soon to be available in the county. Mrs. Wildfeldt reported on her trip to the 4-H Forum in Washington.

Sentencing Set at Lake Andes Today

According to word received from State's Attorney Paul Kern at Lake Andes sentencing of three area men found guilty of abducting a minor female was deferred from Tuesday until Thursday, (today) at 10 a.m.

The three, Thomas Zakrzewski, Frank Oberle and Dean Bowman were found guilty as charged following a jury trial which ended Saturday.

Social Security Agent Here Dec. 20

Gail Robart, field representative of the Norfolk Social Security office, will be in the assembly room of the courthouse basement in O'Neill from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 20.

Self-employed people planning to apply for social security early next year are advised to have an extra copy of their tax returns prepared for social security purposes.

Holt County Receives Ak-Sar-Ben Check

Holt county will receive \$1,307.50 as its share of the all-time record revenue from the state's 1961 horse racing season, according to Dr. H. C. Zellers, Lincoln, chairman of the State Racing Commission.

A total of \$12,597.50 is being distributed this week by the Commission with all 93 counties in Nebraska receiving equal shares. The bulk of the revenue came from the Ak-Sar-Ben meeting which contributed \$84,543.50 in admission taxes and licenses fees collected.

The need for financial assistance as well as retention of youth in the state were among the needs expressed by the 62 persons attending. Included in the discussions were the need of leadership at all levels; broad community interest; adequate roads; market development for agriculture products; development of business and recreational facilities, as well as adequate educational, religious and cultural opportunities, and other improvements.

Sale Dates Claimed

DEC. 19 — BOYD BOELTER CLOSING OUT FARM SALE, including 26 head of outstanding Holstein and Guernsey milk cows, lots of good machinery, 1 mile northeast of Gateway Motel in O'Neill, 2 north and 1 east. Ed Thorin Auctioneer, First National bank of Atkinson, clerk.

DEC. 18 — E. A. STESKAL AND ELMER STESKAL ESTATE CLOSING OUT FARM SALE, 16 head of cattle, machinery and miscellaneous items, a Ford pickup and some feed. One-half mile east of Emmet, 6 north, 1 east and 1 north. Ed Thorin, Roy Kirwan and Chuck Mahony, auctioneers, First National bank of Atkinson, clerk.



of the most coveted decorations of the French Government, the Croix de Guerre and the Medaille Militaire, and also the distinguished service cross from General Pershing for conspicuous bravery.

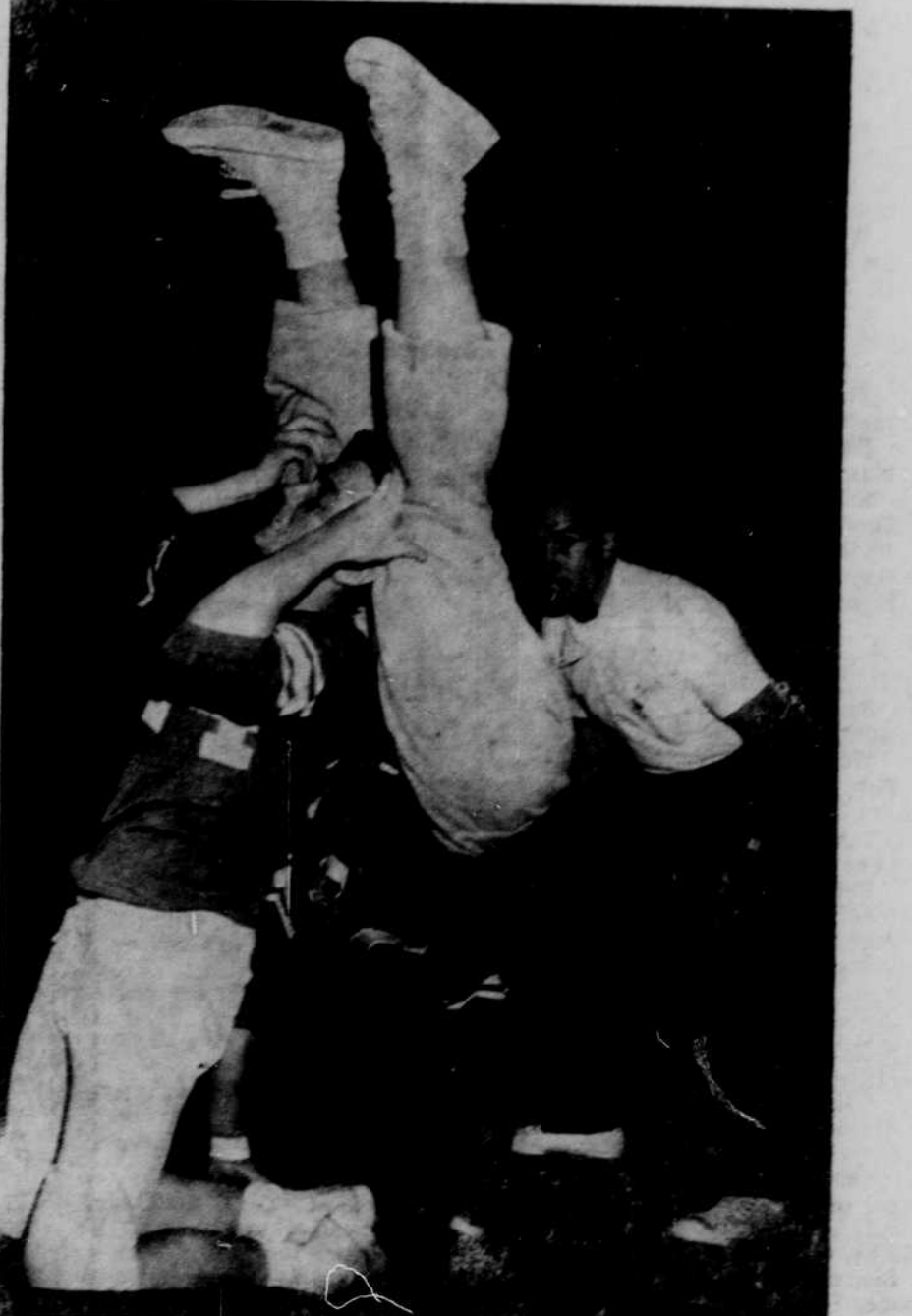
On November 27, 1919 he was married to Ella Hubbard, Chambers. Four sons were born to this couple who then made their home in O'Neill.

In 1921 Mr. Porter started to work for the Internal Revenue Service. For a number of years in the early thirties, he worked with the Holt County Production Credit association. Following this he operated a service station for a number of years.

In 1943 he went back into the Internal Revenue Service and continued until his retirement in June, 1958. He had memberships in the Old Fellows, the Masons and the Eastern Star lodges. He was a member of the Veterans of World War I, and of American Legion Post No. 93. He was a member of the Methodist church and had served the church in many capacities.

Survivors include his wife, Ella; four sons, Ralph, Panama City, Fla., Edward and Eugene, Columbus, and Allen, Perrin Air Force Base, Tex., and one sister, Mrs. Loie Hubbard, Chambers.

Serving as pallbearers were Dr. L. A. Burgess, Ben Gillespie, William McIntosh, D. C. Schaffer, Paul Shierk and H. G. Kruse.



WRESTLING COACH JAKE HAWLEY is keeping a close watch on his boys as they give a demonstration during the half at the Ord-O'Neill basketball game Tuesday evening. Wrestling has just been started in the O'Neill school and the first meet will be held at Neligh Tuesday.