

# THE FRONTIER

## THE UNITED STATES NOW AT WAR With Japan, Germany and Italy

The United States of America is now at war. Last Sunday afternoon the cohorts of Japan raided the American possessions in the Pacific and bombed them, while their emissaries were in Washington conversing with our official representatives regarding peace. It was a cowardly and dastardly attack and one that resulted in the death of over 3,000 American soldiers and citizens. The attack came in the early hours of the morning and caught our forces unprepared for this act of treachery.

On Monday the United States congress with practically a unanimous vote, declared war on Japan, the only dissenting vote in the senate or house being that of Miss Jennette Rankin, of Montana, who voted again the declaration of war against Germany twenty-four years ago, who again voted against the declaration of war with Japan.

On Wednesday Italy and Germany declared war against the United States and a few hours afterwards the Congress of the United States with a unanimous vote, declared war against Germany and Italy. We are now in it to the bitter end.

The writer has never agreed with the foreign policies of the President. It always looked to us as if he was hunting trouble. But now we are in War and as a loyal and Patriotic American we are behind him and all his assistants to see the war to a successful conclusion, and we know that we will win. With the people of American united, you cannot defeat us and we are now united. LET US ALL PUT OUR SHOULDERS TO THE WHEEL AND HELP WIN.

### SOUTHWESTERN BREEZES

By Romaine Saunders  
A Nebraska locomotive engineer recently retired from the engine throttle after 51 years on the job without an accident. Each year, in my own simple and unadventurous daily round, I manage to acquire one or more blackened fingers nails from a blow with a hammer.

An enterprising business man over at Chambers, T. E. Newhouse, visits this section by airplane to look after the needs of his customers and prospective customers. His place of business is a building that at one time stood across the street from The Frontier office in O'Neill, known as the Critic saloon. Bard Hanna had the job of moving it to Chambers. He also moved my former dwelling in Wheeler county to Chambers, the same now being the home of the senior Mr. and Mrs. Platte. Bard has retired from so strenuous work but I understand still has the heavy timbers and heavy chains. House moving is not what it once was as there are few if any wagons in the country fit to move houses.

Crimson streaks in farflung banners across the southwest horizon at sunset, the call of a lone coyote to its mate after the stars begin to show through rifts in the clouds, the polecats gas barage and restlessness of prairie wildlings, indicated to the weather-wise that our balmy autumn days were to be interrupted. It came toward the week end in the form of a blanket of snow. By Sunday this had disappeared and a violent gale raged out of the north.

Mrs. Louise Lawson and son, Roger, of Albion, spent a few hours Sunday at the Riley ranch.

Since the death of John A. Robertson, who frequently expressed his views through the local papers, there seemed to be none with a thought on matters of moral or material welfare. But from out of the silence of indifference to the social and the political headlong plunge came a word of warning from Mr. Puckett. The problem with which he deals is as old as the human race, and if it cannot be solved on a mass basis

it can be individually. Thoughts of our neighbors appearing in print show what our citizens are thinking about. If none such appear in print the inference is they are not thinking.

Occasionally I pick up a bit of fiction and read until the heroine lights a cigarette. Writers say that is true life. True to life indeed. But we want our books to lift us out of the sordid things of life—out of the mire of pampered appetite, out of the giddy vanities and human follies that neither satisfy nor endure. Cups brimful of sunrise, flash of seraph's wings, rainbow tints, beauty in nature with its music and art, nobility in man and loveliness in women—these are the rightful heritage of those who read books. We see plenty of the other in real life.

Nothing has come from scientific sources as to the chemical effect on sea foods, if any, of the lining of the oceans depths with sunken ships and bodies of men. Think I shall stick to what grows on the land.

It may be intended clandestinely, but the married man up-town who calls another's wife over these country telephones and addresses her as "honey" publishes it to the whole neighborhood. When the telephone is rung for a certain ome the gingle is heard in every home and there is a general taking down of receivers.

The blow has fallen. And now the cry, On the Tokyo! While Nippon ambassadors in Washington were speaking soft words the scourge of nations at Berlin plotted the dagger thrust of the assassin. "The voice is Jacob's voice, but the hands are the hands of Esau." Whether this added horror to the world tragedies would not have been and our country not been guided by other hands is not now to be quibbled over. The native will go forward unitedly to sustain its historic traditions in the hour of peril, and our chief executive now needs our prayers rather than our censure. As to the totalitarian monster back of it all, the words of Habbakkuk ring out a challenge: "Because thou hast spoiled many nations, all the remnant of the people shall spoil thee."

M. J. C.

Found this in the Alaska Weekly, which accuses our own Ewing Advocate of promulgating it: "Dear James: Well, since I sold the farm in Arkansas, I have prospered. You know, Jim, we always lived in that little one-room shack, but when I came to Texas and bought a farm, I soon afterward leased it to an oil company, and sure was lucky, for hanged if they didn't hit a big oil field on the place and now I have me a big house in Alto. It has six rooms; there is one room we don't do anything but eat in; then one we just sit in; 2 rooms we don't do anything but sleep in; 1 room we don't do anything but cook in, and there is one that is all white that has a place that you can wash your hands and face in, and over in the other corner there is a place to wash your feet. When we moved in there were two lids on this, but we had them taken off, and are using one of them for a dough board and have framed grandpa's picture with the other. Write me a letter when you have time."  
JOHN."

### A Large Run And Prices High At Local Market

A good run of both hogs and cattle met with sharply advancing prices at the livestock auction here last Monday. All classes shared the general price upswing with some kinds of cattle advancing as much as 75c per hundred.

The extreme top on steer calves was \$14.00 but \$12.00 to \$13.00 caught the long end of the day's offering. A few heifer calves, cashed \$11.50 but popular price ranged from \$10.50 to \$11.00.

A good supply of yearling was here, none of extra good quality. The bulk sold from \$10.50 to \$11.00 with a few of the better kind going some higher. Heifers in this class ranged from \$9.50 to \$10.50.

A heavy run of cows showed up again this week. The prices on these advanced sharply—fully 25c to 50c on practically all kinds. Fat cows paid an extreme top of \$8.00; however, the bulk of these sold from \$6.50 to \$7.50. Breeding cows sold mostly by the head at higher prices than last Monday. Bulls were stronger in price.

Supplies of hogs showed an increase and prices advanced considerably. Extreme top on butchers was \$10.10 with a popular price ranging from \$9.00 to \$10.00 claiming the bulk of the offering. Sows paid from \$9.25 to \$9.25. Pigs went as high as \$11.20.

About 175 sheep were here and these sold mostly by the head. A few horses completed the day's receipts.

The next regular auction will be held on Monday, Dec. 15.

### We Are Now At War Let Us Stand Together

December 7, 1941. This date will be engraven on our minds and hearts from this day forward, as it is one of the most important dates in our history. Mars has once again raised his mighty arm and we are again at war, fighting a vicious and cunning enemy, fighting for our very existence.

While President Roosevelt was talking peace terms with the Japanese envoy, the Japanese air force was attacking Hawaii, Guam and the Phillipine Islands. One hundred forty-four soldiers and sailors were killed, three hundred or more injured.

America has united in a fight to the bitter end, united as never before in history. Behind us we have Britain, and her possessions, the Dutch East Indies. China and practically a solid block of South American nations.

Behind President Roosevelt we are a united nation, party prejudices and party politics forgotten. "United We Stand, Divided We Fall".

Let this be our banner, and with firm faith and courage we will go on unafraid, with dauntless courage, secure in our belief that what is right will be, and we will win this war and once again be a free nation—please God.  
M. J. C.

### St. Mary's Stars Their Basketball Season Monday

Saint Mary's High School will play their first home game here Monday night December 15 against Saint Joseph's of Atkinson and then on Friday the 19th, we have another home game against Inman. Then after the game against Inman the boys have the Christmas vacation and then the Holt county Tournament at O'Neill January 7, 8 and 9. Saint Mary's team lost the first two games both away from home one at Long Pine by the score of 43 to 23. Then Sunday the basketball boys went to Norfolk and lost to the Sacred Heart Quintet 27 to 21. A detailed report of this game will be found somewhere in this paper. But even if the boys have lost their first two games the next two are going to be good hard fought games and lets see all of the O'Neill people there to cheer Saint Mary's Academy on to victory.

### O'Neill Girl and Boy Married On West Coast

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bazelman received word the last of the week that their daughter, Miss Eleanor Bazelman was married on Nov. 23, to Alvin Bousch at Las Vegas, Nev. Mr. Bousch is the son of Henry Bousch, and is a Holt county native.

### SPORT NOTES

"Bystander"

Saint Mary's was handicapped by having the whole first team graduating last year and having only two lettermen returning. Saint Mary's lost to Page twice, Stuart twice and Chambers once and we wish to remind you folks that Page lost their first game to Niobrara 16 to 14 and then continued the season undefeated and tying for tenth place along with six other clubs on the World-Herald all state six man clubs.

On the O'Neill High side of football they have had their best football team for three years winning four, losing two and tying two. In the first game of the season the O'Neill team, at the city park, played a 0 to 0 scoreless tie with Spencer. Spencer finished the season undefeated and unscorred on although they played two scoreless ties. Spencer was the only High School team in Nebraska that ended the season without being scored on, although O'Neill still considers their greatest victory was over Atkinson, who they played on Thanksgiving day and beat 13 to 0. This was somewhat different from the 70 to 0 slaughter they received at the hands of Atkinson last year.

Now on the basketball side of the sports, Saint Mary's opened their basketball season last Friday at Long Pine and with only one letterman Saint Mary's lost 43 to 22. Then on Sunday Saint Mary's played Sacred Heart at Norfolk where the Norfolk Quintet won 27 to 21. Saint Mary's first home game is with Saint Joseph of Atkinson on Monday Dec 15. A very large crowd is expected.

O'Neill has not played their basketball game, but they are playing away from home next week.

### Commercial Club Entertain Football Teams Tuesday Evening

Around sixty boys and professional men of the city were in attendance at the football banquet given by the Commercial Club for the football teams of the O'Neill High School and Saint Mary's Academy, on Tuesday night, December 9, 1941.

Forty players and five coaches were also in attendance. Coaches Dean and Father Parr introduced the members of the teams. Assistant Coaches Peterson, Greybeil and Parkins were also introduced. Charles Ridgeway, honorary Captain of the O'Neill High School team, thanked the members of the Commercial Club in behalf of the O'Neill High School team. Jack Hart, of St. Mary's Academy, expressed appreciation of his team for the banquet. Dr. L. A. Burgess and C. F. Grill were in charge of the arrangements for the banquet. James W. Rooney was the toastmaster.

Gregg McBride, of Lincoln, a sports writer on the Omaha World-Herald, of Lincoln, talked to the boys regarding high school athletics and told some amusing incidents, which he had heard and witnessed. Mr. McBride showed a colored film of the Rose Festival Parade and the Nebraska-Stanford football game. He also showed a film of the Nebraska fall in Lincoln. A very enjoyable time was had by all that ka-Pittsburg game played this

Bill Eroberg, of Neligh, was listed on the first eleven at center on the Lincoln Journal's all state eleven. All the O'Neill folks will remember Bill when he played with Neligh against O'Neill on Armistice day. Bill made the only touchdown for Neligh that afternoon as he raced 40 yards for a touchdown, but O'Neill won the game 7 to 6. As a lot of O'Neill people have seen Bill play I am sure that I can express my opinion that Bill is one of the finest football players that I have ever seen.

### Hospital Notes

Mardell Butts of Chambers, had an appendectomy Monday. Virginia Lee Buffalo of Page, was a patient Tuesday. Lorraine Barrett of Page, admitted Tuesday night. Mrs. Neil Groeling of Venus, admitted Saturday night. Alexander Hamilton of Kansas City, Missouri, dismissed Saturday.

### County Court

D. B. Moody of Newport, arrested by Patrolman John T. Meistrell, charge delinquent operator's license. Date of hearing Dec. 6, plead guilty, fine \$1.00, cost \$3.10.

Gerald Wettlaufer, of Page, arrested by Patrolman John T. Meistrell, charge leaving scene of accident, driving under age. Date of hearing Dec. 8, plead guilty fine \$7.50 count one, \$10.00 count 2, cost \$3.10.

### BRIEFLY STATED

E. M. Jarman of Chambers visited at the Ivan Pruss home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pruss of Emmet and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tomjack of Ewing, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Pruss Monday.

### Cactus Club

The Cactus Club met at the home of Mrs. Sam Robertson on December 2. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Axel Borg. Nine members and one visitor were present. Our leaders Mrs. Henry Martin and Mrs. Alfred Drayton demonstrated the lesson "Toys for the Children." Among the toys exhibited were Doll furniture, Rabbit form board, Modeling Clay and Geometrical form Board.

Plans were made for the Children's Christmas party at the home of Mrs. V. Simonson on December 27th, and an adult party at the home of Mrs. George Rector on December 29.

### Another Pioneer Passes Away

Mrs. Charles Pettijohn passed away at the O'Neill hospital Wednesday, December 10. The funeral will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Presbyterian church, Rev. Dr. Spencer officiating. Mrs. Pettijohn was over 78 years of age at the time of her death.

Agnes Bentley was born in Canada on July 12, 1863. In 1884 the family came to this country and her father took a homestead northeast of this city. They lived there for a few years and then they moved to this city where he opened a grocery, bakery and confectionary store and Mrs. Pettijohn and her sister assisted their father and mother on the operation of the store.

On June 26, 1912, she was united in marriage to Charles Pettijohn who, with a sister, Mrs. Flora Wise survives, besides a lot of friends.

The writer had known Mrs. Pettijohn for over fifty years and we always classed her among our most intimate friends. She was a charming woman, who had a host of friends among the old time settlers in this city and section of the county. We extend sympathy to her bereaved relatives.

### BRIEFLY STATED

Mrs. Henry Wenge and sons of Creighton, spent Monday at the home of her daughter, and their sister, Mrs. M. J. Connelly.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Wrede of Omaha, Mrs. M. J. Enright, and Frank Fallon, of O'Neill went to Wagner, S. D., Monday to visit Mr. and Mrs. William Fallon. They returned home Tuesday evening.

Billy Biglin and John Shoemaker, Jr., students at the Creighton University, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Biglin and Mr. and Mrs. John Shoemaker, from Saturday until Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Walker, of South Sioux City, visited relatives in Page, Stafford and O'Neill, over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Shierk went to Bonesteel, S. D., Sunday and spent the day at the home of Mrs. Shierk's mother, Mrs. Marie Petranek.

Miss Elja McCullough entertained the Presbyterian Missionary Society at her home Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Vern Sageser and Mrs. L. Sageser of Amelia, visited at the home of H. O. Russ last week.

Mrs. Don Fuller was in Butte over the week-end visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Ferris, Miss Margaret Martin and Bob Williams were in Norfolk Friday for the day.

Mrs. H. G. Kruse and Mrs. C. W. Porter spent Monday in Norfolk.

Donald Enright and Ralph Walker went to Omaha Tuesday to see Wallace McKim, who is seriously ill in the St. Joseph's hospital.

Mrs. Helen Sirek and daughter Yvonne visited relatives in Pierce Sunday.

### St. Mary's Loses To Sacred Heart At Norfolk

With his team trailing by one point going into the last half, Jim Keleher took personal charge of Sacred Heart's attack and scored 11 points in the final canto to give the Norfolkans a 27-21 victory over St. Mary's of O'Neill, here Sunday afternoon in the opener.

Sacred Heart outplayed the invaders in the first half, but St. Mary's tossers dominated the play in the third period in which they came from behind to take the lead. Starting the fourth period, Coach Harold Stoerber shifted Keleher from guard to a spot under the basket, and the lad responded by sinking five fielders and a free throw.

### Norfolkans Take Lead

Two pretty field goals by Keleher gave Sacred Heart a 4-0 lead in the first period. Leise connected via the free toss route before Junousek scored from the side for St. Mary's. After Leise had made a close in shot, Kubitschek made a fielder and a gift shot to make the score 7 to 5. Just before the quarter ended, Kirby on a nifty pivot play scored for Sacred Heart, making the count 9 to 5.

Little scoring was done in the second period in which Sacred Heart missed many shots. Sacred Heart increased its lead when Leise converted a snappy pass from Kirby. Junousek's and Keleher's free tosses finished the second period scoring, the count at half time being 12 to 6.

It was Gallagher who put St. Mary's back in the game. He bagged three beautiful fielders to tie the score at 12-all. Keleher put the Norfolkans out in front with a long shot, but Kubitschek sent St. Mary's ahead, 15 to 14, with a free throw and a long basket from the side.

### Keleher Gets Hot

Early in the fourth period Keleher started his one-man bombardment of the hoop. He wished a pair of fielders through the net and Fisher scored on an out-of-bounds play to put Sacred Heart ahead, 20 to 15. About four minutes before the game ended, Kubitschek made a free toss, as did Keleher. — After Junousek had scored another fielder, Keleher in the last three minutes of play made three fielders and Kubitschek scored from the middle of the court.

Keleher led the winners with 18 points, while Kubitschek scored 10 to pace the invaders. Kirby turned in a fine floor game for the winners, as did Gallagher of St. Mary's.

A large number of O'Neill fans accompanied the team to Norfolk.

### Masonic Garfield Lodge Elects New Officers

Garfield Lodge No. 95 met Thursday night, December 4, and elected the following officers for the ensuing year. A. E. Bowen Worshipful Master, Van Robertson, Senior Warden and H. M. Lee Junior Warden. A joint installation of officers is expected to be held on Thursday night, January 15, with the local Chapter of Eastern Stars. Considerable interest is being shown in both orders and they are looking forward to many good times together the coming year.

L. G. Gillespie received word this morning that Albert B. Newell died at his home in Seattle, Washington, on Thursday of last week. Albert was a former resident of this city, leaving here for the west coast about forty years ago. Since that time he had been engaged in the real estate business at Seattle.

Albert was a step-son of Dr. B. T. Trueblood, one of our leading physicians some fifty years ago and grew to manhood in this city. When he reached manhood's estate he engaged in the real estate business here, in which profession he was very successful and when he left here he entered the same business in Seattle and there was recognized as one of their leading realty dealers.

Dr. L. A. Burgess has installed the latest and most modern shock-proof floor in his office, in order to keep abreast of the times in his profession.

Free Xmas Candy and Nuts  
By  
O'Neill Commercial Club  
Friday, Dec., 19  
At 2 o'clock  
Xmas Singing By O'Neill School  
SANTA CLAUS