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SOUTHWESTERN BREEZES

By Romaine Saunders

Adjournment of party politics for a time might be all right if the adjourning is not all on one side.

It is said one-third of the adult population have purchased no war bonds. That many who are just about able to buy meal tickets.

The president is pictured at the executive desk in shirt sleeves. Being president is something of a sweating job just now.

Designers of ladies footwear, having exhausted the fountains of utility and art, now bring out some amazing monstrosities as substitutes for shoes.

Back to the horse and buggy, but who's going to drive them? This generation knows about as much about handling horses as they would elephants.

Unlovely features cannot be helped but hideous features can be clothed. If printed pictures in the papers are true to life, India's chief trouble maker ought to scare the daylights out of any invading soldiers.

Mr. Wallace says the close of the war must mark the beginning of the "century of the common man." Hasn't our country, hasn't the world, had enough of what the "common man" and the super man can do? Try the fellows in between.

The rainbow holds not a pot of gold at either end but something vastly better. It holds the divine assurance that "while the earth remaineth seed time and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease."

The near notables are put into braided uniforms, while Joe Lewis makes the greatest sacrifice of them all. The dark-skinned patriot said about all there is to be said when when he went into the ranks of the buck privates, "You can't think of yourself now."

Testifying at the trial of a 17-year-old in Chicago who killed his girl companion in a theatre, a university gentleman professionally known as a psychiatrist —we don't have it on the prairie —says the youth is afflicted with schizophcema, producing fantasies and other mental slants. In understandable words, he hath a devil.

A school picnic closed a very successful term of school in District No. 243, with Miss Mary Ann Winkler of Atkinson as teacher. Miss Winkler had 16 pupils and all eight grades, with four eight graders who passed with high averages. Phyllis Friedrich received an average of 96%. We all hope to have Miss Winkler with us again next year.

John Olsen sends me some pictures of what they call in Idaho the Kootenai rainbow trout that would make Jim Davidson start for the Gem state lakes on sight of them. One gent, with a smile of which only a fellow who has landed a big one is capable, holds a 12-pound speckled beauty before the camera. When they come from the water like that, the measly bullhead has no standing among the rod and reel fraternity.

The first line of the introductory paragraph to the Kid Wade story should have read fifty-eight years instead of thirty-eight. Among a list of several less notorious figures in the old Turkey creek country, including Al Hileman, the Hills and several others, the daring young Wade was the only one to leave to memory's heritage a record that still lives on with the old timers in story if not in song. The vigalanters composed a crude song which paid blasphemous respects to Sheriff Barnabas Welton, B. S. Gillespie and some other respected citizens, but its only merit was that it died an early death.

A streak of gold flashed thru the air from a tree top and a dainty Canary bird alighted by a pool of water in the road. Then another flash from off a tree limb and the second bird alighted, and then two more. Four of them, dainty creatures of the air adorned with nature's lovliness. The yellow-feathered mites, each with a spot of black, were a contrast in colors and animated life to the dead puddle of muddy water where they sought drink. And as they came they returned one by one to the top of the highest tree. Then a bit of song. I will watch that tree top expecting to discover the home refuge of two families of canaries.

In the grand old state of Michigan again heads are raised in opposition to a decree from Washington. The state officially rejected the plan of setting clocks ahead one hour. Now a group of farmers have concluded that laws regulating the amount of wheat that may be grown are unconstitutional, in effect enforcing "involuntary servitude," and go to court about it. They reason that if the government can do this, then it can tell the farmer how many babies he can raise. I do not understand the mechanical mysteries of the radio, gear shift and carburators on cars or the amazing ramifications whereby our farflung farming industries can be managed from an office on the Potomac.

Pioneer Holt County Lady Has Extended Visit

Mrs. F. H. Griffith returned Wednesday last from a five months trip. She left here last December and visited at Kearney and North Platte until after the holidays, then she went to Madera, California, where she visited with friends for a few months. From California she went to San Antonio, Texas, where she visited at the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. D. Jones and a grandson, Lt. Darrel F. Griffith, who recently graduated from Kelly Field and is in the Air Corps. She put in six weeks in Texas. On her way home she visited a short time in Omaha with a niece, Mrs. T. W. Pike, then to Kearney to visit her son, Charles and family for a few days and from there to North Platte where she visited her son Cecil and family, coming from there home. While she reports having had an enjoyable trip and spent a very pleasant winter she says she was glad to get back, as O'Neill still looks very good to her.

Field Mass At St. John's June 4th

Weather permitting, there will be a Field Mass at St. John's next Thursday, June 4, 1942, for the Boys in the Armed Forces of Our Country. Mass will begin at 10 a. m. The services will take place on the Parish grounds. An invitation is extended to all to attend.

O'Neill Boy Wins Honors At Creighton U

"Five hundred Creighton University Cadets were honored last Friday night at the Hi-C military show, and they in turn honored Omaha and Council Bluffs high school youths at a free gymnasium dance.

"In the stadium gymnasium review, outstanding men of the corps were awarded honors for Cadet accomplishments.

"Two singular honors went to Cadet Sgt. William Kubitschek, Company D, who was named the best all-around second-basic and leader in musketery. He was awarded both the American Legion and Rotary Club medals."—World-Herald.

Cadet Kubitschk is a son of Dr. and Mrs. Kubitschek of this city and his many O'Neill friends tender sincere congratulations on the honors he has won.

Marriage Licenses

Russell Hippe and Helen Mellor of Stuart, on May 22.

Harold D. Seoggan of La Port City, Iowa, and Miss Ruth Page of O'Neill, on May 27.

William J. Elsassser and Helen Mae King, of Amelia, on May 25.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks to the many kind friends and neighbors for the acts of kindness and beautiful floral offerings sent during the illness and death of our beloved mother. —The Carter Family.

Mrs. E. B. Carter Passed Away Saturday At tht Age of 88 Years

Josephine Boswell, daughter of John Bland Boswell and Mary Webster Boswell, was born near Manhattan, Indiana May 8, 1854. She passed away at her home in O'Neill on May 23, 1942 at the age of 88 years and 15 days.

When a small child she came, with her parents, by a covered wagon train to locate near Glenwood, Iowa, where she grew to womanhood. On December 12, 1872, she was united in marriage to Elijah Benjamin Carter. To this union ten children were born, four of whom have preceded their mother in death: Cora died in infancy, Andy at the age of 16 years, Charles W. in March 1933, and the youngest, Mrs. Lucy Sisco in February 1940.

In the spring of 1892 they moved to Washington, Kansas, where their family was reared. In 1908 Mr. and Mrs. Carter moved to Burchard, Nebr., where they lived until coming to O'Neill in 1922.

Mr. Carter passed away on May 13, 1940. Mrs. Carter united with the Christian Church at the age of 15 and in later years transferred her membership to the Presbyterian Church and was a faithful member of the church and Guild until the close of her life.

Mrs. Carter was a member of the Woman's Relief Corps—her father being a Civil war veteran. She met the hardships of pioneer life as she did all other problems of life with courageous Christian fortitude. She was a faithful wife and mother, always willing and anxious to help whenever help was needed and was loved by all that knew her.

She leaves to mourn her passing the following children: Frank A. of Hasty, Colo.; Dr. Lew A. of O'Neill; Mrs. Mary Jenkins and Mrs. Mabel Lee of Chambers; Mrs. Pink Stitt of Benkleman; and Mrs. Rilla B. Cox of Wymore, Nebr. She also leaves 32 grandchildren, forty great grandchildren; and one sister, Mrs. Mollie Otwell of Harrisonville, Mo.

Relatives and friends from out-of-town were: Frank A. Carter, Hasty, Colo.; Mrs. Mary Jenkins and Mr. and Mrs. Harve Lee, Chambers; Mr. and Mrs. Dick Stitt, Benkleman; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cox, Wymore; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Eikenbury and Miss Lois Carter of Lincoln; Mrs. Marjorie Beghtol, Carter, and Barbara Ann, of Kearney; Mr. and Mrs. Riley Carter, Chambers; Miss Ada Carter, Whiting, Iowa; Mr. Henderson and his son of Sioux City, Iowa.

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Hospital Notes

Alton Braddock of Page dismissed Sunday.

Carl James of O'Neill dismissed Wednesday.

Livestock Prices Continue Strong

The current demand for all kinds of livestock remains brisk and the action at the local auction last Monday was accelerated by keen competitive bidding by the buyers assembled here. Prices ruled fully steady to strong with a firm undertone dominating the market throughout. Receipts were heavier than a week ago despite the fact that farmers are extremely busy with their planting at this time.

The toppiest steer calves sold at $14.40 but the supply of these was limited. Bulk of the steer calves paid from $12.50 to $13.85. Heifers in this class cashed mostly from $10.50 to $11.50 and above.

Yearlings were in fairly good supply and the steers bulked at $11.00 to $12.00 on the lighter weights. Heifers of similar quality and weight sold from $10.00 to $11.00 with a scattered few reaching a little higher.

Cow prices assumed added strength as the bulk of the entire offering of beef cows sold from $9.00 to $10.00 with a large percentage placing in the upper brackets. Most of the commoner grades paid from $8.50 to $9.00. A considerable number of stock cows were sold by the head and brought good prices. Bulls topped at $10.10 with the bulk selling from $9.75 to $10.00. Bull supplies were rather limited.

The receipts were not quite as heavy as last week; however, a total number of more than 400 head were sold here. Prices followed the current trend closely as an extreme top of $13.95 was paid for a few extra choice butchers weighing from 180 lbs. to 210 lbs. Bulk of the butcher offering cashed at $13.85 and $13.90. Sows sold from $13.55 to $13.75. Choice gilts weighing from 200 lbs to 220 lbs. brought from $14.10 to $14.40. Feeder pigs averaging 80 lbs. reached $15.10.

Next sale Monday, May 31.

BRIEFLY STATED

Billie Evans entertained eight friends at her home Sunday afternoon, the occasion being her thirteenth birthday. Afternoon was spent playing games and a lovely lunch was served by the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Bright and son, Archie, went to Wayne today, to attend the exercises at the Teachers' College, their son, Darrel being a member of the graduating class.

Ellen Lois Wilcox left Friday for Elgin, where she will spend the summer with reatives there and at Orchard.

Ed Casey returned Monday from Des Moines, Iowa, where he had been for the past two weeks attending a school of instruction for Conoco field men.

Miss Luella Hartford went to Orchard Saturday, where she will visit friends this week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Parker entertained ten guests at a 6:30 dinner at their home Friday evening honoring Mrs. Parker's mother, Mrs. Mary Hewett, Sr., of Atkinson, the occasion being birthday.

Miss Marion Knapp, who has been beauty operator at the Helen Simar Beauty Shop for the past year and a half, resigned her position Wednesday and left today for Chicago, where she will make her future home.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Mings of Austin, Texas, spent Sunday and Monday at the home of Mrs. Ming's aunt, Miss Mayme Meer. Mrs. Mings attended the Alumnae banquet at St. Mary's Academy Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Biglin went to Lincoln Sunday to attend the commencement exercises at the University of Nebraska Monday morning, where their daughters, Rose Mary and Ruth Ann, were members and received their degrees Bachelor of Science in Education. They all returned home Monday evening.

Mrs. Frank Parkins entertained the Bid or Bye Bridge Club at her home last Thursday evening at 7:30 dessert and bridge. High score was won by Mrs. J. Hayes and low score Mrs. Julia Graves.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sauers of Sibley, Iowa, spent last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Sauers.

Tony Toy, Jr., and Woodrow Melena came home today from Lincoln, to spend the summer with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anton Toy and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Melena. Tony and Woodrow are students at the University of Nebraska.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Daily and family left Tuesday for Vancouver, Wash., where they will make their future home.

Miss Goldyne Sebesta resigned her position in the Ben Franklin store last Thursday and accepted a position at the Farmers' Union store, starting work last Friday.

Robert Clift, who is a student at the University of Nebraska, came home Sunday to spend until Friday with his mother, Mrs. Tena Clift, when he will go to St. Louis, Mo., where he has employment for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Emery Peterson moved Sunday from the apartment above Streeter's barber shop to the Robert Smith, Sr., residence.

The Choir of the Presbyterian church held a picnic at the City Park last Monday evening to honor Miss Genevieve Graves, who left Wednesday for Lyons. Miss Graves was presented with a lovely gift from the choir.

Mrs. G. G. Kivett of Coronado, California, arrived Tuesday to spend the next two weeks visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Casper Pribil and sister, Geneva.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Kilpatrick and daughters, Arlene and Mrs. Glen Tomlinson, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brittell and daughter, Muriel, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Voecks. at Pierce.

Nine Holt County Students Graduate From Uni. of Nebr.

Nine students at the University of Nebraska from Holt county were among 785 granted degrees at the University's 71st annual commncement in Lincoln Monday, May 25.

Leona Geraldine French, Rose Mary Biglin, and Ruth Ann Biglin, all of O'Neill, received Bachelor of Science degree in Education from Teachers College. Gerald Lewis Sobotka, of Inman, was awarded a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration with distinction from the College of Business Administhation. Donald C. Moore, also of Inman, received a Bachelor of Arts degree from the College of Arts and Sciences. From Atkinson, Mary Ellen McKee was graduated from Teachers College with a Bachelor of Science degree in Education and a Certificate in Physical Education. Floyd John Walter, of Chambers, received a Bachelor of Arts degree from the College of Arts and Scinces. Wayne E. Matschulatt, of Page, was graduated with a Bachelor of Law degree from the Law College and Ruth Mae Riggs, also of Page, received a Bachelo r of Science degree from the College of Arts and Sciences.

Mr. and Mrs.Lee Osborne and children and Mr. and Mrs. Otto Clevish spent Tuesday in Norfolk on business.

Mrs. P. B. Harty entertained the Martez club Tuesday evening at a 7:00 o'clock dinner at a local cafe and bridge at her home. High scores were won by Mrs. Hugh Birmingham, Mrs. W. J. Froelich and Miss Helen Biglin.

Sister Eugene and Mother Agnes returned to Sioux City Tuesday. Sister Eugene had been visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. F. N. Cronin and brothers, Frank and William Biglin since Friday and Mother Agnes came Sunday and was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Cronin.

Miss Emily Lou Fisher came home Saturday from Scribner, where she has finished a successful year of teaching in the Scribner Public school.

Elmer Hewett of Winner, S. D., visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Parker last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Kurtz and Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Kurtz left Wednesday for Kansas City Kansas, where they will visit relatives for a few days before returning to their home at Pasadena, Cal. Miss Idell Spengler accompanied them and will make her home in California.

Howard Manson left Sunday for Wahoo, where he has a position at the Ordnance plant. Mrs. Manson will join him in the near future.

Mrs. G. Chambers of Niobrara spent Saturday and Sunday with her son, Stewart.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Bowen of Bemidji, Minn., arrived Tuesday evening to visit Mr. Bowen's parents, Mr. and Mrs Harry Bowen for a week.

Gifford Bachman returned Friday from Phoenix , Arizona, where he had been visiting his son, Willis and other relatives, for the past two weeks.

Miss Marion Olson, who is taking Nurses training at the University hospital, Omaha, arrived home Wednesday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Olson.

Mrs. W. A. Smith and daughter Twilla, of Stuart, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. D. DeBolt Wednesday.

Miss Agnes Reznicek left Tuesday for Lincoln to visit her sister, Mrs. Raymond Masek and family.

The Weather

Date	H	L
May 22	70	48
May 23	61	44
May 24	59	48
May 25	75	59
May 26	82	60
May 27	84	61
May 28	90	54

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Summers a girl, Tuesday, May 26.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Hemenway a boy, Sunday, May 24.

County Court

J. H. Williams of Valentine was arrested by Patrolman Meistrell and charged with overweight on capacity plates. He appeared in County Court on May 21, 1942, pled guilty and was fined $10 and costs $3.10.

J. H. Williams of Valentine was arrested by Patrolman Meistrell and charged with failure to appear in response to summons. He appeared in County Court on May 21, 1942, pled guilty and was fined $10 and costs $4.45.

Maurice Peterson of Oakland was arrested by Patrolman Meistrell and charged with overweight. He appeared in County Court on May 22, 1942, pled guilty and was fined $10 and costs $3.10.

Lewis Ohde of Atkinson was arrested by Ray Tomes, State Liquor Inspector, and charged with contributing to the delinquency of minors. He appeared in County Court on May 25, 1942, pled guilty and was fined $60 and costs of $3.10.

Bert Gunn Died In Omaha Last Tuesday

A. N. (Bert) Gunn passed away in Omaha on Tuesday, May 26th from acute myocarditis after an illness of some time and the body was shipped to O'Neill, arriving here Wednesday morning. Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon, May 28th, at 2:00 o'clock from the Presbyterian church with Rev. John E. Spencer in charge of the services and interment following in Prospect Hill cemetery.

Albertus Newel Gunn was born at Friend, Nebraska, on January 8, 1888 and died at Omaha, Nebraska on May 26, 1942 at the age of 54 years, 4 months, and 18 days. He came to O'Neill, Nebraska 43 years ago from Friend and has made his home here most of the time since. He was united in marriage at O'Neill to Catherine Wetlauffer on October 14, 1915. To them were born three children, one daughter, Delta, O'Neill and two sons, Robert of Clarksdale, Arizona, and Francis of O'Neill.

He is also survived by one brother, Edward, of O'Neill and three sisters: Mrs. Hattie Page, O'Neill; Mrs. Florence Bergstrom, Omaha; and Mrs. Mae Liska, Pratt, Kansas.

Pallbearers were: G. E. Burge, G. E. Miles, Chet Calkins, John Sullivan, M. F. Kirwan, and Howard Bauman.

The Alpha Club

The Alpha Club held their annual May Tea at the home of Mrs. George Rector Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Vinton Simonson reviewed "This Above All" by Eric Knight. It was a splendid review and gave us a picture of what England hopes to be after the war.

The table was beautifully decorated with a centerpiece of flowers surrounded by individual holders.

The open faced sandwiches were truly masters of art.

All but one Club member was present and there were eight guests.

Teachers Examinations To Be Held June 6th

The next State Teachers Examinations will be given at the Public School Building in O'Neill on Saturday, June 6, 1942.

Morning

8:00 to 8:50 — Arithmetic, M. Arithmetic, Bookkeeping.

9:00 to 9:50—History, Civics.

10:00 to 10:50—Eng. Composition, Grammar.

11:00 to 11:50—Phy. & Hygiene, Music.

Afternoon

1:00 to 1:50 — Theory & Art, Course of Study.

2:00 to 2:50 — Reading, Orthography.

3:00 to 3:50—General Geog., Ag. & Geog. of Nebr.

4:00 to 4:50—Penmanship, Drawing.

Legion Auxiliary Held Good Mteting Tuesday

The regular meeting of the Auxiliary of the American Legion, Simonson Unit No. 93, was held on Tuesday evening. A very fine report was made on the Poppy Day activities for which we are grateful to our chairman, Mrs. E. M. Gallagher.

Plans for Memorial Day services were discussed and all Auxiliary Members are urged to be in attendance.

Holt County Pioneer Passed Away In Omaha Last Saturday

A former Holt county resident, Joseph Babl, Sr., died at St. Joseph's hospital in Omaha, Saturday, May 23rd, following an operation for kidney stones. Funeral services were held at Humphrey, Nebraska from St. Francis church and interment in St. Francis cemetery there.

Joseph Babl was born October 15, 1858 in Bavaria, Germany, near Cham and was 83 years, 7 months, and 8 days of age at the time of his death. He served three years in the German army and after his discharge in 1880 he was united in marriage to Margaret Decker. They came to America in the year 1886 to Cedar Creek in Cass county where he first worked in a stone quarry, from which job he went to work on a farm. He moved to Platte county in 1890, southeast of Cornlea. In 1899 he moved to Holt county, north of Stuart, where he lived until 1912, then purchased a farm northeast of Emmet where he lived until 1930 when he retired and moved to Stuart to make his home.

Nine children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Babl. One daughter died in infancy. The children who survive are: three daughters: Mrs. Geo. Pongratz of Emmet, and Mrs. Ben Priester and Mrs. J. S. Priester of Humphrey; five sons: Max of Humphrey, Joe and George of Emmet, Louis of Lusk, Wyo., and John of O'Neill. He is also survived by one sister, Mrs. Anton Wallinger of Newport; and one brother, Alois, also of Newport. He also has two brothers living in Germany, Frank and Anton Babl. There are also 46 grandchildren and six great grandchildren surviving.

Honorary pallbearers were: Steve German, Vincent Zach, Sr., Jos. Keller, Fred Goebel, John Brandl, and Guido Hemmer. Active pallbearers were: Joe Pongratz, Bernard Pongratz. Andrew Babl, Harold Babl, Alvin Priester, and Loren Priester.

Those in attendance at the last rites were: John and Francis Babl, Norfolk; Mr. and Mrs. Anton Wallinger and daughter, Mrs. Alois Kaup, Fred Goebel, Ed. Weber, Mrs. John Shald, Stuart; Alois Babl, Newport; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schaaf, Atkinson; William Babl, Mapleton, Iowa; Mr. and Mrs. Louis Babl and son of Rock Rapids, Iowa; Frank Weber, Long Pine; Mr. and Mrs. Leo Kaup, Lindsay; Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Fields, Albion; Charley Clausen, Mary Lewis, Mrs. Joe Winkler, Mr. and Mrs. Garrett Janzing, Bernard Dusatko, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Pongratz and daughter, Armella, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Babl and daughter, Margaret, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Babl, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Givens, and Mr. and Mrs. Art Givens, of Emmet.

Memorial Day Services Saturday

Memorial Day ervices will be held in O'Neill on Saturday, May 30th, to pay tribute to those who have so nobly given their lives for the honor of America. At a time such as our Country is experiencing today it is expedient and proper that we fittingly obsserve this day. Since the Pearl Harbor attack many new names have ben added to those to whom we pay tribute.

All mothers who have sons now serving with the Armed Forces of the U. S. are cordially invited to take part in these Memorial Day services by riding in the line of march with the Veterans and Auxiliary as they parade on Saturday morning. Cars will be arranged for by the American Legion if any mother will call Paul Beha, Commander, Phone 367, not later than Friday noon. The parade line willl be formed at the Arbuthnot Station at 9:15 A. M., Saturday.

American Gear Co. Changes Hands

The American Gear company changed owners the forepart of the month and it is now owned by Earl J. Rodman and R. W. Weisser of Sioux City. Iowa, who took over the business on May 9.. Fred Harper came here in 1938 and opened the American Gear company of O'Neill and he had always been the manager of the company. Last Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Harper and son, Jimmy, left for Sioux City, where they will visit relatives for a week before going to Chicago, where they may make thir home. Mr. and Mrs. Harper made many friends during their residence in O'Neill who will wish them prosperity wherever they may locate. Mr. Rodman moved his family here Sunday from Sioux City and they are now located in the Vernon Beckwith residence on Seventh and Everett street.