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BREEZES FROM THE SOUTHWEST

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Most of us know it's going to be that way, but nobody has said it since Andrew Carnegie made the announcement 50 years ago that he didn't intend to die rich.

Seven states west of the Mississippi river, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska and the Dakotas, can feed the rest of the country if the job is not bungled by official interference.

Thomas Jefferson, one of two presidents to sign the Declaration of Independence and to die on the anniversary of that historic day, was a handsome Beau Brummell, a social charmer and one of the democrats' two idols. Andrew Jackson, the other and father of the spoils system, would frighten a kid out of his wits in broad daylight.

"But when thou doest alms, let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth." I would not presume to think it necessary to tell the reader who spoke those words in the hearing of pride-blowing Jews in old Jerusalem. They ring down the centuries to rebuke our fan fare and flourish if we have alms to chip in for whatever the real or fancied need is at the moment. Up at the county seat the bugles called to a grand funfest to be held Sunday evening—an evening our fathers devoted to church going. This affair was announced to be held in the auditorium of the High School building, ostensibly to raise funds for medical care of infantile paralysis victims. In the absence of word to the contrary, it will be understood there was unanimous consent of the taxpayers of the school district to use their building, in which they have an interest, on this occasion for this purpose. In heaven's name have we reached a stage that we can't chip in a 50-cent piece as alms without being frowled and fed? In the giddy whirl of "the last days" that St. Paul wrote about the great apostle charged that we would be "lovers of pleasure." Are we guilty? Are not those the days of sackcloth and ashes? Shall we celebrate the worlds' vast funeral with dancing and games?

Infantile paralysis—"No known cure. Do the best you can." Elizabeth Kenny, a nurse down in the Australian bush, got just that brief telegram from a doctor at a hospital in Queensland. Did Nurse Kenny summon the natives to games and dances to raise money to take the six young victims of infantile paralysis out to a great hospital. But let her tell it: "I used what I had: water, heat, blankets and my hands." And the six were restored to normal health and not a cripple among them. Nurse Kenny started something. When told what she had accomplished by hydrotherapy treatments the doctor who had sent her that telegram of absolute finality, said: "She has knocked our theories into a cocked hat; but her treatment works, and that is all that counts." Elizabeth Kenny, gray and motherly, confident and substantial, has been demonstrating her methods with capable hands in American hospitals, without fanfare or frills. The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis has contributed to her expenses in the United States, and who wouldn't be glad to share their last dollar that this noble woman can carry on her work; but I find myself at this serious hour on the side of Mayor La Guardia who is endeavoring to do away with games and pleasure parties as a means of raising funds for benevolent purposes in the great city of New York.

I believe The Frontier editor did not exceed the bounds in the least in designating the friends of Charley Spangler, who died last week as "a host". It is one of the worthwhile chapters of life that I have been counted among that host. When, a half century ago, booted and spurred I rode a bay gelding into the Mineola country and run across at John Addison's layout on Lance creek a sturdy young German who was "happy as a clam in this land of Uncle Sam," there started a half century of more than ordinary cordial relation. Charley would inspire confidence and warmth in a confirmed grouch. It is regrettable that I had not come in

Assessor Gillespie Opposes The New Revenue Bill

County Assessor L. G. Gillespie went down to Lincoln the first of the week, where he was to attend a meeting of the county assessors of the state on Wednesday.

On Tuesday he appeared before the committee on revenue and taxation in opposition to the proposed new tax bill, L. B. No. 16, which proposes to do away with the local or precinct assessors in each township of the county and have the individual taxpayer make his return to the county assessor, who would be on full time and give the state tax commissioner, his deputies or assistants appointed by him more power over the assessments in the state. This bill has had several hearings before the committee and brought considerable fire from various sources, while it also has its sponsors.

In our opinion the bill is one that should not become a law. The people of Nebraska have been suffering from a bureaucratic form of government during the past ten years and it looks to us as if the state officials are following the national lead in their desire to gain more power for appointed state employees, to the detriment of the people at large. There are probably some changes needed in the state taxation laws, but we do not believe that to delegate power to appointed officials is the way to do it.

Infant Paralysis Fund Drive Meeting Success

O'Neill may well be proud of the way her people responded to the call in the line of a benefit card party, given Sunday evening, January 31, at the auditorium of the public school, funds to be raised for Infantile Paralysis. People were there from north, east, south and west. There were about 225 people present, and most of them played cards of some kind. The friendly smiles and nods gave an assurance that everyone was having a nice time.

Mrs. E. M. Gallagher, who took the big responsibility, gets a vote of thanks as well as all the committees who worked with her. We are unable to give the exact amount taken in this week, for there are some ticket sales not accounted for yet. The little "Thankful" envelopes sent to all schools in the county are beginning to come back with gratifying results. We're proud of our boys and girls for their responses.

We hope that next week we may be able to give a complete report on our drive. However, the theatres will have a drive during February for the same cause and funds will be handled in the same way.

Mrs. George E. Rector, County Chairman of Holt Co. for Infantile Paralysis.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Bower, a daughter, Patricia Catherine, on January 24.

Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Gamel, a boy, on January 30.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Parker, a girl, on February 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Revell, a boy, on February 2.

Mr. and Mrs. William Mullen, a girl, on February 2.

Fred Watson, one of the old time settlers and prominent ranchmen of Wyoming township, was a business visitor in the city Wednesday and favored this office with a pleasant call.

contact with him in late years, he at one extremity of the county, I at another. But the Holt county prairie, the sweep of the winds, the transcending loveliness in lights and shadows at sunset, the fragrance of flowers, the song of birds and the wild things of the open country, friendship of the warm-hearted and open-handed prairie dwellers—that was his life, as it is mine. Mental and spiritual qualities kept him active in church work. The last time I saw him he was organizing a group for that purpose and confided to me that he was using paragraphs from the Breezes to encourage these humble efforts. And why do we wait to bring tribute and flowers to the lifeless form?

"Can storied urn or animated bust
Back to its mansion call the
fleeing breath?
Can Honor's voice provoke the
silent dust
Or Flattery's sooth the dull cold
ear of Death?"

Drs. Brown & French Purchase King Residence

Last week Drs. Brown & French purchased the residence of Arthur M. King on west Douglas street and they expect to have it fitted up for an office and move their offices there on or about March 1, 1943.

The building is on the corner of Second and Douglas street, just a block and a half from their present quarters and an office on the ground floor will be of great advantage to them as many patients are nearly unable to climb stairs. They expect to do some remodeling on the inside to get the house ready for their offices, but expect to have same completed before the first of next month.

O'Neill High Defeats Page High Tuesday Night

O'Neill beat Page Tuesday night 41 to 26 to run their victory string to ten without a loss. Last week O'Neill shattered two teams unbroken records by downing Butte 23 to 16 and Ainsworth 31 to 24.

O'Neill got off to an early lead against Page in the first quarter but the O'Neill seconds lost the lead in the second quarter and O'Neill was behind at the half 14 to 15. McKenna, Calkins and Wolfe opened up the second half with a barrage of baskets to lead at the end of the third period 29 to 23 and then pulled away in the last quarter for a 41 to 26 final count. Calkins, McKenna and Wolfe led the scoring with 12, 11 and 10 points respectively. McKenna leads the O'Neill scoring with 93 points followed by Wolfe with 72. Other high scorers are Calkins 55 points, Burgess 31 points, Yantzi 16 points and Bruegman 15 points.

The O'Neill second team defeated the Page second team 15 to 12. Selah led the scoring with four points and was helped by Riley and Hershiser with three points each. Valentine led Page with six points.

O'Neill plays Atkinson at O'Neill this Friday night, February 5.

Be Careful, Give No Information Of Value

On battle front every day men risk their lives to discover the location and strength of the military units of the enemy. Yet at home, too many of us are presenting the enemy with information of the same military value, the Office of Censorship says in a statement. This is the information which newspapers and individuals are asked not to tell the enemy:

DO NOT TELL the names of ships upon which sailors serve.

DO NOT TELL the troop units in which soldiers serve overseas.

There is no objection to revealing that Pvt. John Jones is in Australia, or that Seaman Tom Brown saw action in the Atlantic, but there is military information which endangers the lives of American fighting men in stating that Pvt. John Jones "Company 600th Infantry," is in Australia, or Seaman Tom Brown, "Aboard the U. S. S. Wisconsin," is in the Atlantic.

The Office of Censorship says: "We ask editors not to publish these troop identifications, and we ask parents and relatives not to reveal them. Don't give the enemy anything that may lengthen the war."

Landis-Pharris

Miss Vermae Landis of O'Neill and Walter B. Pharris of Long Pine, United States Naval Reserve, were married at 8:30 p. m., Tuesday evening, January 26th, at the Circular Congregational Church at Charleston, S. C., by Rev. C. Rexford Raymond, D. D. The couple were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Clement Gronaas.

Mrs. Pharris returned to O'Neill on Thursday to resume her work at Margaret's Beauty Salon.

The Weather

	High	Low
Jan. 29	46	26
Jan. 30	33	5
Jan. 31	25	2
Feb. 1	26	0
Feb. 2	42	13
Feb. 3	51	19
Feb. 4	47	23

Precipitation .14.

Mrs. Melvin Ruzicka entertained the R. E. H. Club at her home Monday evening. High score was won by Mrs. Max Wansler and Marion Dickson. Mrs. Fred Saunto was guest.

Crippled Children Clinic Will Be Held Saturday

A crippled children's Clinic sponsored by the State Division of Child Welfare Service will be held in the O'Neill High School Saturday, February 6, 1943. Clinic hours are from 7:30 a. m., to 4:00 p. m., but all registrations should be completed by 11:00 a. m. The Clinic will be conducted by Dr. W. R. Hamsa, Orthopedist, and Dr. S. E. Robertson Pediatrician. They will examine all children having appointments as well as those referred by their local physician for consultation only.

Children who are not now receiving services under the program of Services for Crippled Children may be admitted to the clinic when referred by the local physician, or in certain cases at the request of the child's parent or guardian.

The clinic is for diagnosis, consultation, check-up and aftercare services on cases receiving treatment. Children admitted to the clinic for consultation or preliminary diagnosis will not receive treatment under Services for Crippled Children unless formal referral is made and the child found to be eligible.

Orthopedic cases may receive treatment if care cannot be arranged through private resources. Pediatric cases will be accepted by the clinic for the purposes of consultation and diagnosis only and should be referred only by the family's own physician.

The Norfolk Elks Lodge is furnishing, without cost, a noon lunch served by the ladies of the Presbyterian church to all children and their parents who are registered for the clinic examinations.

Home Nursing

Do you want to know what to do in common ailments and emergencies in your home; how to keep well and safeguard the health of your family; how to make an ill person more comfortable; how to give a bed bath, and change the linen; how to take part in the promotion of good community health? Then join a Red Cross home nursing class being given by your local chapter.

A junior class will start next week under the instruction of Mrs. Frank Froelich. An adult class will be organized about the middle of February, with Mrs. John C. Gallagher as instructor. The following are serving on the local Home Nursing committee: Chairman, Mrs. Ambrose Rohde; co-workers, Mrs. Mabel Gatz and Mrs. J. R. Miller. Anyone wishing to join the class, call Mrs. Ambrose Rohde.

VACCINATION

Doctors are now being faced with questions about vaccinations to prevent three diseases. They are lockjaw, diphtheria and smallpox. The people seem to think that something new has been found to prevent these diseases. We know the farmer vaccinates his hogs, but he expects to market them in a few months. So it is good business to vaccinate them so they will not become diseased until he sells them.

We know the nation vaccinates its soldiers. These men will mix with other strange men in camps within a few months. They may become injured and develop lockjaw during the next few months.

However every doctor knows that he can't promise just how many months vaccinations may be good for. He may guess, but people depend on him. There is not a single disease he can promise to prevent for life. All this about vaccinations in large groups is just a jesture at taking care of people from the cradle to the grave. It is nothing more. In a short time the vaccination fever will die down. Then an epidemic will come and people will mistrust vaccination and doctors. In the valor of our ignorance another mistake will have been made. Even though the vaccination is now all free, still these mistakes cost dearly. Many mistakes are made, but this one must not go by uncalled. Doctors generally must not be blamed in the time to come.

W. F. FINLEY, M. D.

Medical Advisor to County Board of Health.

Mr. and Mrs. Awalt Spangler received a letter from their son, Sgt. Vernon Spangler, last Monday. He said that he was well and happy and a long way from home. He desired them to remember and give his best regards to his many Holt county friends.

O'Neill High Basketball Team Still Undeafeted

O'Neill High smashed Ainsworth's string of ten victories last Friday night in the O'Neill gym and cut one more team from the undefeated list in the state. The game was perhaps one of the best played in the school gym for some time and earned O'Neill the number six spot in the state rankings.

Calkins started the scoring after the game was a few seconds old with a short shot to put O'Neill in the lead. Ainsworth came back with two field goals by Schiessler to go ahead 4 to 2. Schiessler sank another basket to increase the Ainsworth lead to four points. Calkins and Wolfe came through with a basket each to tie the score at six all at the end of the first period.

The second quarter O'Neill took the lead through the combined efforts of Gene Wolfe, who potted three field goals, Gene McKenna's one-handed shot and Calkins' free throw to hold a 15 to 10 margin at the half time. The Eagles held Ainsworth to one field goal and two free throws, all of which were made by center Bell.

The second half saw O'Neill increasing their lead as Burgess found the hoop for five points. McKenna picked up six and Calkins added five more to bring the final score of 31 to 24.

Schiessler was high point man for Ainsworth with 11 points. O'Neill's was more evenly divided. Calkins getting 9 points, McKenna and Wolfe each 8, and Burgess 5.

Burgess and Wolfe did a fine job of making Ainsworth play ball in their own back court, while Harold Calkins, Gene McKenna and John Osenbaugh's work off the bank board kept the Ainsworth score down.

BOX SCORE

O'NEILL	FG	FT	F
Burgess	2	1	2
Yantzi	0	0	0
Wolfe	4	0	3
Bruegman	0	1	2
Calkins	4	1	0
Osenbaugh	0	0	0
McKenna	4	0	1
Total	14	3	8
AINSWORTH	FG	FT	F
See	3	0	0
Schiessler	5	1	0
Bell	2	2	3
Jansen	0	1	1
Hughs	0	0	1
Total	10	4	5

Seed List Being Prepared In County Agent's Office

Each farm in the county was asked this week to furnish to the county agent's office in O'Neill a list of the farm seeds which he has available for sale for spring planting. Also those seeds which each farmer will need to buy for spring planting.

As soon as enough of these reports are received, a seed list will be made up which will enable any farmer to locate the supplies needed with the minimum inconveniences. This seed list will be returned to all those reporting, and will be available to all others upon request.

This year an attempt will be made to locate available machinery which could be sold in order to meet the serious farm machinery shortages in some localities. This service should enable farmers to meet their spring need with unnecessary loss of time and driving.

VICTORY GARDEN CERTIFICATES AWARDED

This week three hundred Holt county families were awarded a certificate of recognition for their achievement in having satisfactorily completed the requirements of the Nebraska Victory Home and Garden program. This recognition was awarded through the Nebraska Advisory Defense Council by the Governor of Nebraska, Dwight Griswold.

Considerable increase in victory gardening efforts in Holt county was predicted here by County Extension Agent Lyndle R. Stout, following announcement of the canned fruit and vegetable rationing program to start this month. Greater emphasis is to be placed on home production of foods, and it is felt that many Nebraska people could do even better than they did in 1942 in the production and conservation of food at home.

Nebraska signers of Victory Home and Garden pledges put up thousands and thousands of quarts of food in 1942. Members of home demonstration project clubs alone put up 1,618,237 quarts of vegetables.

Eighteen Boys Register During Month Of January

Following is the list of those registering for army service during the month of January. The first figure is their order number, second serial number:

- 11313A, W-19A, Darrel Dean Shipman, Chambers, Nebr.
- 11317A, W-23A, William Larson Lofquest, Ewing, Nebr.
- 11333A, W-39A, Eugene Francis Kramer, Stuart, Nebr.
- 11338A, W-44A, Charles Robert Cooper, O'Neill, Nebr.
- 11343A, W-49A, Irvin Dale Nightengale, Dorsey, Nebr.
- 11363, W-69, Eugene Leo Gesir- 11364, W-70, Clayton Joe De- 11365, W-71, Calvin Jay Har- 11366, W-72, George Murray Mellor, Stuart, Nebr.
- 11367, W-73, Edward Oscar Reed, Chambers, Nebr.
- 11368, W-74, Robert Dean Selah, O'Neill, Nebr.
- 11369, W-75, Donald Franklin Cadwallader, Stuart, Nebr.
- 11370, W-76, Floyd Vernon Harding, O'Neill, Nebr.
- 11371, W-77, Michael Peter Schauf, Stuart, Nebr.
- 11372, W-78, Willis Dean Sand- 11373, W-79, James Junior Yo- 11374, W-80, Edwin Gilbert Grubbs, Page, Nebr.
- 11377A, W-43A, Donald William Milner, Atkinson, Nebr.

Will Represent Nebraska In National Known Orch.

Nebraska was well represented on Fred Waring's "Victory Tunes" broadcast on Monday, February 1, when the Pennsylvanians presented the voted song favorites of the men at the U. S. Army Air Base at Scribner, Nebr. Three of the Waring group are natives of Nebraska and helped make the program a gala one.

Donna Dae, Waring's featured singer, is a native of O'Neill and is well known professionally in her home state. At nine, she had her own program over radio station WAAW in Omaha, and was an established radio and theatrical personality in her early teens. Jimmy Atkins, baritone with the Pennsylvanians, was born on a farm at Sedan, Nebr. As a hill-billy singer and guitarist, he got his start in radio during high school days at Clay Center, on station KMMJ, where today's film star, Robert Taylor, also sang and played the cello after college hours.

Donna used to travel to Clay Center for Saturday radio appearances. And, Don Purviance, native of Lincoln and today a clarinetist with Waring's orchestra, was another KMMJ-er.

The three met again in New York, after joining Waring's group, and often reminisce about their Cornhusker state.

HOME DEMONSTRATION CLUB MEETINGS

"Helps for Home Sewing" will be the demonstration given to all Holt County Home Demonstration Clubs during the month of February.

In order to help carry out the program of conservation of clothing, everyone should follow the slogan, "Every Garment in Active Service." This means that unused clothing hanging in the closets should be remade for members of the family, or given to someone who can use them. The demonstration for this month will show ways in which remodeled garments may be given that "dressed up" look. Decorative finishes, helps in fitting, and hints on restyling will be featured at this demonstration.

Miss Della Lewis, Home Demonstration Agent, will give the demonstrations to the project leaders in O'Neill on Monday, February 15; Atkinson, February 16; Chambers, February 19.

Marriage Licenses

Raymond Robert Dexter and Pearl E. Jacobson, both of Amelia, on January 30.

Alfred A. Steiger and Myrtle C. Detrich, both of Sioux City, Iowa, on January 30.

Clifford B. Henningsen of Laus- 11374, W-80, Edwin Gilbert Grubbs, Page, Nebr.

Mary Ann McCafferty, Pioneer Resident Here, Passed Away Tuesday

Mrs. Mary Ann McCafferty died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. E. Gallagher, in this city last Tuesday morning, February 2, 1943, after an illness of about six weeks of ailments incident to advanced years, at the age of 83 years, eleven months and twenty days. The funeral was held at 10 o'clock this morning from St. Patrick's church and burial in Calvary cemetery at the side of her husband, who passed away on September 21, 1920.

Mary Ann Murphy was born in Warren, Mass., on February 11, 1859. When she was a little girl her parents moved to northern Michigan and from there they came to this county in 1878, when she was nineteen years old. Her father purchased a farm one mile east and one mile north of this city. On December 12, 1880, she was united in marriage to John J. McCafferty, the ceremony being performed in St. Patrick's church in this city. Eight children were born of this union, three sons and five daughters, of whom five have preceded their mother in death.

Those living are: Mrs. John J. Melvin and Mrs. R. E. Gallagher of this city and Mrs. John A. Frenking, of Omaha. She is also survived by six grandchildren: Lt. John R. Gallagher, of the Marine Corps; Eugene F. Gallagher, S. J., St. Louis, Mo.; Miss Mona Melvin, St. Louis, Mo., and Mary Ann, Jo Ann and John F. Frenking, of Omaha.

Mrs. McCafferty was one of the real oldtimers of this city and county. When she came to this county in 1878 there were only a couple of little buildings in this city and the country northeast of O'Neill was one vast wilderness, without a building in sight. But within a few years the country filled up and that section of the county was thickly populated with people that came here from the copper mines of northern Michigan, many of whom were old friends of the few Michigananders that were already here.

Since her marriage in 1880 she had been a resident of O'Neill up to the day of her death, a period of 63 years. During her lifetime she saw O'Neill grow from a little place with only two buildings to a fair sized little city, with all the modern conveniences of the elite east. In the early eighties she took a prominent part in the civic and social life of the city. She was a charming hostess and was a favorite at gatherings, her ready wit and social repartee making her outstanding at all gatherings. As her children grew up she had less time for social activities, preferring to give her time, care and attention to her family. After they were raised and established in homes of their own she then devoted a great deal of time to her grandchildren, all of whom she was justly proud.

She was a charming woman, a splendid wife, mother and friend. She had a host of friends in the city and county, who, while she lived to a ripe old age, and enjoyed perfect health practically all her life, regret to see her leave, for she will be sadly missed, not only by the immediate members of her family but by countless friends and admirers.

War Production Course Started

The first meeting of the war production course was held in the agriculture class room at the O'Neill Public School on February 1. The enrollment consisted of seven men and three women, a total of ten. The class is studying egg production. The first lesson was on culling mature hens and young pullets for egg production.

The farmers and their wives that are coming to this class are doing their part in the war effort by learning the new and more efficient ways to produce more eggs in the interests of our war needs. The class meets on Monday and Thursday nights at eight o'clock. The next meeting will be held on Monday night, February 8. The topic for that night will be "Providing Adequate Equipment." Not only farmers, but city folks who are interested in keeping a backyard flock, may enroll in this course. Come and bring a friend next Monday evening.

County Court

Albert Daniels was arrested by Patrolman Meistrell and charged with overweight on capacity plates. He was fined \$10 and costs of \$3.10.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Miller entertained six guests at a 7:00 o'clock dinner at their home Sunday evening. The evening was spent playing cards.