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SANTA CLAUS CAME TO O'NEILL LAST TUESDAY

Tuesday was a great day in O'Neill for the kiddies.

People were in O'Neill from all parts of the county with their children who were eager to get a glimpse of Santa Claus. The streets were filled with men, women and children long before the appointed time for Santa to arrive. Promptly at 2:30 o'clock the fire whistle announced the fact that Santa was approaching the business section. He came into town on the fire truck and alighted at the Community Christmas tree at the intersection of Fourth and Douglas streets; after visiting and shaking hands with the little folks for a time he led the large crowd to the Seth Noble lumber yard; the crowd followed Santa along the south side of the yard to the rear of the main shed and then back through the drive-way where Santa's assistants gave each kiddie a sack of candy; the arrangements were made so that each kiddie could get a sack of candy but none could get several sacks as has been the practice in former years.

Many letters were received for Santa from the little folks; each of the kiddies who wrote to Santa were mailed a sack of candy. More than fifteen hundred sacks were given away or mailed to the children of the county who were either here or who wrote to Santa.

A free picture show was given by Mr. and Mrs. Rasley at the Royal Theatre, which began at 12:15 and was over before the coming of Santa Claus. The show was packed from the beginning.

The Lions Club and business men wish to thank all those who assisted in the promotion of the visit of Santa Claus to O'Neill; they feel that the money and time were well spent and that everyone who visited O'Neill on that day were well pleased with the entertainment.

W. J. Froelich, assistant U. S. District Attorney, arrived here Tuesday from Chicago and will spend Christmas with his family and other relatives. Attorney Froelich has been prosecuting some of the Chicago gangsters for the past few weeks.

DR. H. L. BENNETT CAPTURES A PORCUPINE

While driving along the road about six miles northeast of O'Neill last Friday, Dr. H. L. Bennett saw what he thought was a badger on some stubble ground, but when he approached the little animal he discovered that it was a porcupine. Dr. Bennett went back to his car and procured a lariat rope and proceeded to tie it securely and brought it to town. It has been on exhibition since that time in the doctor's office on north Fourth street, where it has been viewed by approximately fifteen hundred people.

Dr. Bennett says that the little fellow weighs about twenty pounds; it has become quite tame since it was brought to town, although it showed considerable fight at first. Under the training of H. B. Hubbard, who is manager in charge of the Dr. Bennett office, the animal is becoming quite a pet.

Porcupines are very scarce in this part of the country and one seldom hears of one being captured in this locality. Considerable speculation is being heard as to where this porcupine came from.

GAME WARDEN CHAS. WREDE TRAPS A YOUNG BEAVER

A young beaver may be seen in the show windows of the A. V. Virgin Radio store on east Douglas street. Game Warden Chas. Wrede has trapped two other beaver this winter, the first one was an old beaver, the other was young, similar to the one on exhibition.

Some time ago Mr. Wrede obtained permission to trap these beaver which have become a nuisance on his ranch at Agee; Mr. Wrede says that they go so far as to cut down the trees in his orchard along the creek; they undermine the hay meadows along the creek for a considerable distance where they are not molested.

The little animals are very energetic; they will cut down a fairly good sized tree in a short time with their teeth; their tail is rather peculiar; it has no hair on it and resembles a wide paddle.

Mr. Wrede expects to skin this beaver and send the hide to the state department from which he obtained permission to trap them.

THE LIONS CLUB HELD LUNCHEON TUESDAY

The regular luncheon of the Lions Club was held at the Western Hotel at 12:10 last Tuesday as usual. The discussion following luncheon was directed along the lines of final arrangements for the coming of Santa Claus that afternoon at 2:30.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Smith are occupying rooms in the rear of the Nebraska State Bank building. Mr. Smith is in charge of the closing up of the bank affairs.

Roy Griffin returned from Boston the first of the week, where he took his mother to consult an eye specialist. Mrs. Griffin accompanied him home as far as Omaha.

Victor J. Brozovsky, editor of the Verdigre Citizen prior to 1928, was a pleasant caller at this office Tuesday. Mr. Brozovsky was visiting with relatives at Atkinson and accompanied them to O'Neill.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR

The Frontier is going to press on Wednesday night of this week in order to fully celebrate Christmas. The rural carriers will distribute The Frontier to their patrons but those on the star routes will not receive their copy until Friday. The Frontier wishes all of its readers and friends a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Miss Marjorie Carter, accompanied by Vance Beghtol, came from Hastings last Saturday and visited until Monday with Dr. and Mrs. L. A. Carter. Miss Marjorie is secretary for Dr. McPherson, a throat specialist at Hastings.

HELP FOR THE NEEDY SPONSORED BY THE O'NEILL WOMAN'S CLUB

Inspired by the recent call of Judge Dickson for help for the needy, the welfare committee of the Woman's Club of this city met last Saturday at the court house to consider ways and means to help those who are in need.

This committee is composed of the following well known ladies of our city: Miss Anna O'Donnell, Mrs. J. P. Brown, Mrs. R. L. Arbuthnot, Mrs. C. C. Bergstrom, Mrs. Ted McElhane and Mrs. J. H. McPharlin.

From personal knowledge and information gained, it is apparent that the call for help will be much more than expected, and will overtax the different charitable organizations of the city, and our citizens must assist if those in distress be relieved. Many families were reported in need of immediate help, and it seemed that prompt action was necessary to relieve those in absolute want of not only something to eat, but clothes for the children, and in some instances for the parents. Children were reported out of school for want of clothes.

The committee decided to as far as possible investigate each case, and the ladies have visited a number of homes not only in the city but surrounding country, and they have helped to the extent of their limited means.

After a careful consideration of the conditions as found to exist, it was thought that the different charitable organizations of the city should make an effort to unite or keep in touch with each other to the end that those who are needy and deserving of assistance may be relieved by not all of the charitable organizations, but by one only.

Mrs. R. L. Arbuthnot was made chairman of the committee to take the place of Mrs. Gilligan, who is out of the city for the present.

It was suggested that anyone having knowledge of a family in distress communicate with Mrs. Arbuthnot.

The ability of the Woman's Club, as well as that of the other charitable organizations is limited, and all of those that can should contribute in any way they can to help relieve the distress that seems to prevail not only in our city, county and state, but to be coextensive with our country's boundaries and far, far beyond.

Look in your attics and closets and you will find many articles of clothing old and new that you have no real use for that will clothe and make warm some boy or girl, perhaps a

father or mother who are depriving themselves that their children may not suffer the pangs of cold as well as hunger.

Let every citizen help. Bring not tomorrow or some future day, but today; suits, dresses, coats and overcoats, sweaters, underwear, hats, cap, gloves, mittens, shoes and stockings, suitable for boys and girls, large or small, or that can be made so, that you can spare, to the court house and the custodian, Harry Bowen, will receive and turn them over to this committee who will make good use of them.

The committee wants it understood that if you prefer to assist or contribute through some other charitable organization or source other than the Woman's Club, well and

good. Let it be said throughout the length and breadth of this great commonwealth that Holt County can and will care for its own. To relieve the distressed and destitute it has been suggested that Mayor Stout head a committee of his own selection to solicit funds to be used to assist those who are so unfortunate as to need assistance.

Remember "that if there be a pleasure on earth which angels cannot enjoy, and which they might almost envy a man the pleasure of, it is the power of relieving distress; if there be a pain which devils might pity a man for enduring, it is the deathbed reflection that we have possessed the power of doing good, but that we have abused and perverted it to the purpose of ill."

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—AND—
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