

## A HAPPY NEW YEAR



### OUR GOOD WILL AND GRATITUDE

AMID a boisterous Welcome to the New Year, we shall pause to think of our friends and wish them Happiness.

### GOOD TIMES BETIDE YOU

MAY Providence heap its bounties at your threshold; so that you and your dear ones might be Happy.

## THE FRONTIER

### MR. AND MRS. MILLARD CELEBRATE GOLDEN WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Millard completed the fiftieth year of wedded life together last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Heriford entertained a number of the old friends of Mr. and Mrs. Millard at the Heriford home on west Everett street, Monday evening in honor of the occasion. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Millard, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Conklin, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Gillespie, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Leach, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bowen, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. M. Henry, Rev. and Mrs. Benj. Kuhlert, Mrs. George Fox, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Heriford.

The evening was spent in talking over the many serious and amusing incidents of the early days.

Mr. and Mrs. Heriford served luncheon.

Charles C. Millard was born in St. Joseph county, Missouri, October 24, 1847; he is now past 83 years old and is enjoying fairly good health.

Mrs. Millard is past 75 years old and is also doing her own work and enjoying good health.

Mr. Charles Carroll Millard and Miss Carrie Petlan were united in marriage at Manchester, Iowa, by Rev. Platt, pastor of the M. E. church of that city, on December 29th, 1880. Mr. and Mrs. Millard returned to O'Neill where they have since resided.

Mr. Millard came to Holt county in April, 1880; he built the first livery stable in the town; it was erected on the lots now occupied by the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Graves; after the railroad came through O'Neill in 1881, he moved the stable to the lots now occupied by the Baz-

elman store. Mr. Millard says that when he came to O'Neill in April, 1880, there were but eighteen buildings in the town, including the out-buildings; Sheriff Barney Kearns was shot by Billy Reed, the cowboy, the following spring; Holt county was an unorganized territory at that time and extended west to the state line and north to the Dakota line; the Ponca Indians were located across the Niobrara river but were peaceable; there were 14 violent deaths in the county, mostly murders and lynchings, during the early days of the county; the nearest large cattle ranch was owned by Mr. Bassett, where the town of Bassett now stands; Mr. Millard says that he has a very vivid picture of the town as it was in 1880; there were two wells in the street, where many of the settlement got their water; one was in front of the Pat Haggerty store where the Golden Hotel now stands and the other was near the Capwell store, where the Wise & Pettijohn building is now located; the water was drawn from these wells with a rope and bucket; Mr. Millard tells us that there are but two men now living in O'Neill who were here in 1880, they are H. M. Uttley and John Enright; Mr. Enright resided on a homestead three miles north of town; there was one saloon here in the early days, it was called the Cricket saloon; it operated twenty-four hours a day; there were other places where liquor could be purchased but were connected with other lines of business; Mr. Millard says that most residents had to burn wood in the winter time and it sold for \$16 per cord.

Mrs. Elmer Surber, daughter Florence and son George, returned the first of the week from Waterbury, where they spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Her-

### FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS GET STILL, ETC.

James Hood, residing on Spring Creek, about thirty-five miles northwest of O'Neill, was arrested and brought to O'Neill last Friday afternoon charged in a search warrant with the possession of still and mash. The raid was made by Federal Officer George Bay, assisted by Constable H. W. Tomlinson and Floyd Pilger. The officers found a sixty-gallon still, fourteen barrels of mash, about twenty gallons of low grade liquor, six sacks of sugar, one gas burner, two pressure tanks and fifteen empty barrels.

Mr. Hood was released from custody upon his own recognizance, to appear in court at the request of the attorney, who was out of the city at that time.

Federal officer George Bay brought Lawrence Brudder and Hildred Warnke to O'Neill, Tuesday evening and lodged them in the county jail charging them with the possession of still, mash and liquor. They were arraigned before Judge Robert R. Dickson, Wednesday, where Brudder plead guilty to all three counts; he was given a sentence of thirty days in jail and a fine of \$500.00 and costs. Warnke was dismissed because of insufficient evidence.

The raid was made on the Brudder farm four miles east and two miles north of Atkinson. Officer Bay reports that he secured a fifty-gallon still in operation, 300 gallons of mash and 30 gallons of liquor.

County Attorney Julius D. Cronin returned home the first of the week from Omaha where he attended the annual convention of the County Attorneys of Nebraska, which was held at the Paxton Hotel, Saturday, December 27th.

### JERRY KOPECKY INJURED WHILE TRIMMING TREES

Jerry Kopecky, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Kopecky, met with a very serious accident Monday while cutting down trees at his home south of Inman. In felling a large tree the tree fell in the opposite direction from the way he had planned that it should fall. Jerry, thinking that he was running clear of the tree, ran under it, the tree striking him, crushing the side of his head, fracturing his skull and breaking his collar bone. The doctor was called, who advised that Jerry be taken to the hospital at Norfolk at once. Latest reports from the hospital indicate that he is getting along fairly well.

### FERD KRUTZ VICTIM OF UNUSUAL ACCIDENT

Ferd Krutz, living south of Inman, narrowly escaped death, Monday while driving home from town. Some men were cutting trees along the road and as Mr. Krutz drove along a tree fell across the road, falling squarely across the radiator of the car, smashing it badly; both lights were broken off by the limbs of the tree; Mr. Krutz was unhurt.

### LOCAL NEWS

Happy New Year. The County Board of Supervisors met Tuesday and are cleaning up the year's business preparatory to adjourning sine die. The new board will organize on Tuesday, January 13th.

The Red Cross nurse, Miss Hazel, has informed the local chairman, Mrs. Stannard, that she will be in O'Neill today, ready for duty. Miss Hazel has been working in the Atkinson school for several weeks. For the next three months she will work in the Public School and St. Mary's.

Miss Elizabeth Patrick's is in O'Neill to spend New Year's Day with friends. Miss Patrick's has recently completed the making of an atlas of Holt county which will be printed and ready for distribution some time this spring. She is now doing similar work in Rock county.

Mr. and Mrs. Fay Miles, of Chadron, Nebraska returned home Wednesday following several days spent at the home of the former's parents, Editor and Mrs. George A. Miles. Bruce Rummell accompanied them to Chadron where he is operating the David Cole cream station.

Several small boys were on their way to the river for a skating party Tuesday afternoon; they were picked up by a couple of young men who were driving a small truck; they had just passed another load in the road headed for the river; the driver had slowed up and was looking back to see that the boy caught up with them and in doing so allowed his truck to run from the grade near the first bridge south of town; the little son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. McDermott received a few scratches about the head but was not seriously injured.

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