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## O'NEILL WILL VOTE NEXT TUESDAY ON SCHOOL BOND ISSUE

Following Is Information On Cost Of The Bonds, And Who Is Eligible To Vote.

On next Tuesday, August 23rd, there will be submitted to the qualified voters of the O'Neill School District at a special election called for the purpose, a proposition to issue \$30,000.00 in bonds, which, with \$16,750.00 cash now on hand in a school building fund and a grant of \$38,250.00 from the Government, is to be used for the erection of a new school building, the installation of a heating system and altering and repairing the present building. All citizens who have resided in the State for six months and in the district for forty days, and who are twenty-one years old and who own or whose spouse owns real or personal property that was assessed in the district in his or her name at the last annual assessment, or who has children of school age residing in the district shall be entitled to vote. The polls will be open from nine o'clock in the morning to seven o'clock in the evening at the regular polling places. Those residing in the First Ward will vote in the court house basement; those in the Second Ward and outside the corporate limits of the City will vote in the K. of C. Hall and those in the Third Ward will vote in the City Council meeting room.

Some time ago, the Board of Education realizing that before long the present building would be inadequate to meet the needs of the District began then to create a Building Fund which has now grown to \$16,750.00. The Government, at the request of the Board of Education, has offered a grant to the District for the construction of the proposed building in the sum of \$38,250.00, which with the proposed bonds and the cash on hand, will provide a fund of \$85,000.00. It is proposed with that sum to erect a new building, two stories in height, with basement which will contain class rooms, commercial rooms, Home Economic rooms and a gymnasium-auditorium; to purchase and install a heating system and to remodel, rearrange and repair the present building by adding additional class rooms and rooms for teaching agriculture and trades and industries. This will provide the district with a modern school plant believed to be of sufficient size to care for the needs of the District under normal expansion for some years to come. It will provide the Community generally with an Auditorium suitable for all public purposes. It will place the District in a position to obtain, accept and care for a large number of free high school students from rural districts who pay an annual tuition.

The present school building was erected in 1913. At that time the school census discloses there were 317 children of school age in the District and the average daily school attendance was 209. With the growth of the community and the adoption of free high school privileges, entitling students from rural districts to attend high school at the expense of their home districts, school attendance here has increased to the point where the 1938 enrollment was 524. The 1938 school census shows 733 children of school age in the District or an increase since 1913 in the school population of the District of over 100 per cent. The average daily school attendance in 1938 was 400 or an increase of approximately 100 per cent over 1913. This increased attendance has necessitated forcing seats closer and closer together to make additional room with the result that the class rooms are greatly overcrowded. Some basement rooms, although not designed for teaching, have been converted into class rooms and students in some classes have been required to spend the entire school day in basement class rooms.

Some years ago, the National Congress adopted a program designed to promote the teaching of Agriculture, Trades and Industries and Home Economics and providing financial aid for such schools in such states as adopted the plan. The Nebraska legislature, some years ago, accepted the plan and

there is now available from state and federal funds certain moneys payable to such Nebraska schools as adopt this program. The Board of Education of this District is desirous of adopting this program and installing these courses in our school but do not now have available room or equipment with which to care for them. This proposed improvement would provide the necessary room and would result in the installation of this course of training.

The average voter and tax payer will want to know how much these (Continued on page 4, column 1.)

## Bob Smith And Rita Reardon Reveal Their Marriage In January

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Reardon announce the marriage of their daughter, Miss Mary Rita to Robert R. Smith, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Smith, on Jan. 3, 1938 at St. Cecilia Cathedral, in Omaha, by Father J. F. O'Brien.

Mrs. Smith is a graduate of St. Mary's academy of this city being a member of the class of 1934, and Mr. Smith is a graduate of the local high school, later attending Chadron State Normal.

They are two of the most popular members of the younger set, and their host of friends join with The Frontier in wishing them a long and happy wedded life.

## To The Voters Of The School District Of The City Of O'Neill, Nebr.:

As your agent in matters pertaining to the O'Neill Public school we herewith report to you the conditions which impelled us to apply to the United States of America for a 45 per cent grant to be used for the erection of an addition to the present school building and likewise impels us to ask you to go to the polls next Tuesday, August 23rd, and vote for a \$30,000.00 bond issue to make certain the addition may be completed.

The present building has served for a quarter of a century. During the last years its capacity has been severely taxed. Aisles have been narrowed or completely done away with to make room for more seats to take care of the students. Kindergarten, science laboratory and commercial departments have had to be placed in the basement. A Smith-Hughes department which we recognize as an outstanding educational need of this community could not be considered for lack of room.

As a school board we have for some time been certain we would soon have to build and accordingly have reserved some money for a building fund which now amounts to \$16,750.00. The United States has allotted us \$38,250.00. We can build our addition with \$30,000.00 to be raised by a bond issue which you are asked to vote on next Tuesday. Will you do this for better educational facilities for the children of the School District of the City of O'Neill.

Board of Education of the School District of the City of O'Neill.

Dr. H. L. Bennett,  
B. T. Winchell,  
Anna L. O'Donnell,  
L. A. Burgess,  
H. J. Birmingham,  
Geo. Shoemaker.

## Births

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Schneider announce the birth of a son, on Sunday, August 14.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Miller announce the birth of a daughter on Thursday, August 11.

Mr. and Mrs. George Zink announce the birth of a son on Sunday, August 14.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Schmidt announce the birth of a boy, on Tuesday, August 16.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Cole of Emmet, announce the birth of a baby girl on Saturday, August 13.

## Well Sell Hospital

On account of ill health the Shoemaker Sisters are retiring from the hospital business and they are offering their equipment for sale at private sale. See their advertisement in another column. The O'Neill hospital has been a distinct asset to this city and most people are hoping that some one will take it over and continue it here.

## LAST RITES HELD HERE MONDAY FOR MRS. J. McCAFFREY

One Of County's Oldest Native Residents Dies After Having Been Ill Six Years.

Mrs. James McCaffrey, of Emmet, died in the University hospital in Omaha last Friday evening about 7:30 o'clock after an illness of about six years duration. The body was shipped to this city last Saturday evening and the funeral was held from the Catholic church in this city Monday morning at 11:30 and burial in Calvary cemetery.

Mrs. McCaffrey was born in this county on November 11, 1879, on a farm northwest of this city, the family being among the pioneers of this county, she being the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Clark. A few years after her birth the family moved to the southwest corner of Grattan township where she grew to womanhood.

On November 7, 1902, she was united in marriage to James McCaffrey, the son of one of the pioneers of the cattle country southwest of this city. Five children were born to this union, one of whom, Mrs. Emory Harding, of Omaha, is left with the husband to mourn the passing of a loving and devoted wife and mother. She is also survived by one brother, Andrew Clark of this city and one sister, Sister Alma, of Minot, N. D.

Mrs. McCaffrey had been in failing health for several years, but her condition was not considered serious until recently. She was taken to the hospital in Omaha last week, so as to be near her daughter, but she passed away a few days after her arrival.

Mrs. McCaffrey had many friends in the Emmet section of the county where she lived the most of her life and there was genuine sorrow in that section when news came of her death. Her funeral was largely attended by residents of that section of the county, many of whom had known her since childhood days.

## Youth Picked Up For Forgeries Of Checks

A young man giving his name as Jerry Smith, Jerry Neubeck and who late this afternoon said his name was Jerome Theodore, 20 years of age and who says his home is in Minneapolis, Minn., was arrested by Deputy Sheriff Bergstrom this morning for forgery. The young man had passed two checks in this city, to which he had signed the name of D. C. McCarthy. There is a D. A. McCarthy who has a bank account, but no D. C. The checks were turned down by the bank and the arrest of Smith, as he was then known, followed.

Two checks that he had passed have come to light, one for \$11.75 and the other for \$16.00 and no one knows how many other checks are floating around. He had \$4.00 in cash on him when arrested. We understand that he worked for three days for D. A. McCarthy, on his ranch southwest of this city, and that he paid him for his labor with a check for the work done and he evidently tried to copy his signature but got the initial wrong.

Smith, or Theodore, as he now says his name is, is in the county jail and charges will be filed against him in the morning, according to local officials.

Mrs. Arthur King, Miss Marion Dickson and Miss Geraldine Cronin entertained fifteen guests at a buffet supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Hartly Wednesday, honoring Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith who recently announced their marriage.

Miss Jane Parkins entertained at a dinner party at the M & M cafe Thursday evening, in honor of those members of the TNT club who will soon be leaving to attend school this fall.

## Transient Gets 30 Days For Petty Larceny

Ray Miller, a transient, was arrested by Sheriff Duffy last Sunday morning and a complaint was filed against him by Sheriff Duffy on Monday charging that on or about August 13 he stole and took from

the store of Fred and Clarence Saunto goods of the value of \$25.

He was taken before Judge Malone in county court Tuesday afternoon and when the complaint was read to him he pleaded guilty to the charge and was sentenced by the court to 30 day in the county jail and to pay the cost of the action, amounting to \$3.10.

Suspicion pointed to Miller when it was found that he was selling gloves that were worth \$1.50 per pair for 50 cents, and he was picked up. Miller claims to be a resident of Kansas, and is about 32 years of age.

## SOUTHWEST BREEZES

By Romaine Saunders  
"We want a farmer for governor of a farm state." is the slogan of the boosters for Farmer Warner. Not so bad.

Just how do Nebraska New Dealers harmonize their endorsement of "rigid economy" in the state government and wild spending in the national?

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Speigel and little daughter and Mrs. Rose Nook, all of Hamburg, Iowa, and Mrs. Louise Lawson of Albion, all relatives of the Riley family, visited here Friday.

According to New Deal leaders, when one of their group loses in a primary that's because of "local issues." When one wins that's an "endorsement of the administration." In other words, the president delivers the old Georgia war horse a swift kick, and come on now, let's be friends.

Chambers voters did a remarkable thing. The legislative candidate in another county secured more of their votes than both of the Holt county candidates. That a prophet is without honor among his neighbors while one at a distance appears grand is one of the mysterious kinks of humanity.

The Primus family, residing on Delbert Edwards' place, were notified Sunday morning of the tragic death by burning at Ewing of a sister of Mrs. Edwards, the funeral to be held that afternoon. The victim's parents live near Chambers, Delbert and family now being in Oregon. The cause of this ghastly affair we did not learn.

Neither new automobiles nor latest styles hold the universal interest that centers at the dining table. It is fried chicken, watermelon and apple pie time in the southwest. A platter of skillet-browned chicken, apple pie an inch thick, all the melon you want. A little later, roast turkey with trimmings and pumpkin pie. Country life has its inconveniences; it also has its compensations.

I learned at Atkinson last week that Ed Turner, for many years on the mail route coming out this way, has sold his property and expects to leave with his family for Idaho. Ed made friends among patrons of the mail route who wish for them good fortune where ever they may locate. Ross Welton has bought the Turner property and will return to make his home there from a trip to the Pacific northwest, having disposed of his newspaper at Mullen some time ago.

Proper respect is due Nebraska's popular governor with recognition of official qualifications not the least of which is entertaining callers at the luxurious executive apartments in the state house. Filling his pipe for a smoke, lolling at ease in the richly upholstered chair and talking pleasantly between puffs of smoke, visitors are made to feel comfortable. As governor (Continued on page 4, column 2.) he has probably done nothing more

## FUNERAL SERVICES HELD AT MEEK FOR ORVILLE HARRISON

Pioneer Resident Of Meek Vicinity Dies Tuesday Following An Illness Of Two Years.

Orville Harrison, one of the pioneers of the northern part of the county, died at his home near Meek last Tuesday morning, after an illness of two years, at the age of 69 years, 11 months and 7 days. The funeral services were held this afternoon at 1 o'clock at the residence and at 2 o'clock at the Meek Presbyterian church, Rev. H. D. Johnson of this city officiating and burial in the Pleasant Valley cemetery.

Orville Harrison was born on Sept. 9, 1868, at Oskaloosa, Iowa. In the spring of 1880 the family moved to this county, Orville being a little over 7 years of age at the time. The family located in the northern part of the county in the Meek neighborhood and in that section of the county he grew to manhood and spent the rest of his life.

On May 15, 1895, he was united in marriage to Miss Delia Hansen Goodsell, the ceremony being performed at the home of the bride's parents at Blackbird. Six daughters were born of this union, all of whom survive and with their mother are left to mourn the passing of a kind and affectionate husband and father. The children are, Mrs. Nellie Thomas, Mrs. Pearl Hicks, Miss Mary Harrison, Mrs. Myrtle Peterson, Mrs. Dorothy, Devall, all of O'Neill, and Mrs. Lillian Hoban, Stapleton, Nebr.

Orville Harrison was one of the pioneers of the northern part of the county, having been a resident of the same section of the county for fifty-eight years. As a boy he, with his parents and other members of the family, went thru all the hardships and privations of the pioneers of this section of the country. He was a robust man and enjoyed good health until the past two years, since which time he has been ailing and for several months no hope had been held out for his recovery. He was a good citizen and had a host of friends over the county who will regret to learn of his passing.

## Postmasters Ass'n Official Visits Here

Postmaster and Mrs. J. F. Webster of St. Paul, Nebr., and Mrs. P. J. Barrett, postmistress of Greeley, Nebr., were in the city yesterday for a short visit with relatives and friends. Mr. Webster is a brother of Mrs. Fred McNally. He is president of the Nebraska Association of Postmasters and Mrs. Barrett is the chairman of the association in this district. They are on a promotion tour of this section of the state, securing new members of the association which has grown to be one of the great associations of the state.

Some sneak thief or thieves tried to break into the safe in the Farmer's Union elevator last Saturday night. They broke the dial off the door but were unable to gain access to the safe. Officials figure that it was not local talent that made the attempt.

Judge R. R. Dickson and Reporter Ted McElhaney drove to Springfield last Monday morning where they spent Monday and Tuesday trying an equity case at a special term of district court, returning home Tuesday evening.

Cletus Sullivan left Thursday morning for Neligh and Omaha where he will spend his vacation.

## County Superintendent's Notes

By Elja McCullough  
Holt county Pre-Opening Day will be held in O'Neill Sept. 2, 1938. The meeting will be held at the public school building beginning at 8:45 a. m.

All teachers who are to teach in Holt county this coming school year are required by law to attend. The Pre-opening Day will be one of the required two days of yearly institute attendance.

Any rural school in session during that week will close school the one day to allow the teacher to attend.

Five hundred and twenty free high school tuition certificates were

mailed from the office Aug. 8. Any one having made application for free high school tuition and who has not received a certificate of admission should notify this office and receive a duplicate.

The School Exhibit hall will be open to the public on Saturday afternoons of August and on Pre-opening Day. Three hundred and fifty premiums were awarded on this exhibit which consists of over 600 mounted cards and 400 single entries. The exhibit is arranged as nearly as possible according to districts and makes a very pleasing appearance. We will be glad to have you see it.

## EWING WOMAN DIES WHEN HER HOME IS DESTROYED BY FIRE

Mrs. Carl Primus Saves Her Baby By Throwing It Out Second Story Window.

Mrs. Carl Primus, 36, of Ewing, was burned to death Saturday at about 10 o'clock p. m. when the family home and contents was destroyed by fire.

Neighbors had smelled smoke during the evening and were worried about it due to the fact that a hard wind was blowing from the south. Frank Wilson, living two doors from the Primus home, saw the fire and told Miss Anna Van Zandt, a neighbor, to turn in the alarm.

When firemen arrived at the scene they could see Mrs. Primus but were unable to reach her due to the heat of the flames. She had dropped the baby, 1½ years old, from the second story window where she seemed to be trapped by fire and smoke. The baby is expected to recover.

No one was at home at the time of the fire. Mr. Primus and son, Clyde, having been at home at 9 o'clock, but had gone back up town. It is thought defective wiring in the attic was the cause of the fire.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon on the lawn of the burned home at 3 p. m., Rev. J. B. Story officiating and burial in the Zeims cemetery six miles south of Ewing.

Mrs. Primus, who maiden name was Vanetta Belle, was the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Edwards. She was born Jan. 2, 1902 at Tilden, Nebr., and when 14 moved with the family to a farm south of Ewing. At the age of 15 she became a member of the Christian church.

She was united in marriage to Carl Primus at Ewing on March 8, 1921. To this union four children were born, Delores Evelyn, Stanley Irvin, Clyde Clifford and Eugene Edwards. Besides her husband and four children she is survived by her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Edwards of Chambers, three brothers, Delbert of Cottage Grove, Ore.; Laurence and Charles at home, and one sister, Mrs. Ed Thorin of Chambers.

## Carroll To Be Supt. Of Valpariso Schools

R. W. Carroll, for many years superintendent of the O'Neill Public schools, was in the city this morning visiting friends. Prof. Carroll informed us that he had given up his position in the contemplated college at North Platte and that he had accepted a position as superintendent of the public schools at Valpariso, Nebr., and was on his way down there to look for a residence. Valpariso is a nice little town in Saunders county about 20 miles north of Lincoln.

## CARD OF THANKS

We desire to express our heartfelt thanks to the many friends for their acts of kindness to us during the long illness of our beloved wife, mother and sister. Your kindness will ever be gratefully remembered.—James McCaffrey, Mr. and Mrs. Emory Harding, Andrew Clark and family.

Dr. and Mrs. L. A. Burgess and family left this morning for Yellowstone National Park where they will spend a few days sightseeing and will then drive on to Twin Falls, Idaho, in the vicinity of which they expect to put in a week visiting at the homes of two brothers of Dr. Burgess who are residents of that section of Idaho. They expect to be absent about two weeks.

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 27TH SET AS 4-H CLUB ACHIEVEMENT DAY

County Winners To Compete At The State Fair Will Be Selected.

The Holt county 4-H club achievement day is to be held in the O'Neill high school building on Saturday, Aug. 27. The achievement day is the final county contest in 4-H work and at this time the county winners to compete at the state fair will be selected.

Judging in livestock and poultry and home economics will be on an individual basis and a county judging team will be selected from the highest individuals.

Demonstration teams will compete in livestock, poultry, clothing, cooking, girls room and forestry. The winning team in each project will be eligible to compete at the state fair.

Prizes will be given for the best exhibits in home economics and forestry projects.

A style show winner will be selected from the county to compete at the state fair and a health champion will be selected from both boys and girls competing.

The achievement day is of great importance and every member is urged to bring a picnic lunch and be present. All exhibits are required to be in place by 9 a. m. Saturday morning.

## R. H. Parker Erecting Two Store Buildings

R. H. Parker started work of excavating Monday the two lots across the street from The Frontier office and will erect there two store buildings, each 22½x60 with full basement and twelve foot ceiling. The buildings will be of brick and tile construction and he expects to have them completed and ready for occupancy by Dec. 1.

Mr. Parker says that the buildings are not rented, but he anticipates no difficulty in renting them as several have been in the city within the past three months looking for desirable buildings to engage in business and there have been none available. These new buildings will make a valuable addition to lower Fourth street.

## Primary Vote Is 3,357

The total vote cast at the primary election last week was the smallest vote cast at a primary election in this county in the past eight years. In the total vote cast 1,757 were democratic votes and 1,600 republican votes, a democratic lead of 157. Two years ago the democrats led the republicans in the county at the primary election with a majority of 324, casting 2,077 votes to 1,755 cast by the republicans.

The primary election of 1934 was the high vote for the democrats in the county. In that election they cast 3,400 votes to 2,268 republican votes, or a democratic majority of 1,132. Following is the total vote cast at the primary election during the four past primary elections: 1932, 3,935 votes; 1934, 5,668 votes; 1936, 3,830 votes; 1938, 3,357 votes.

Last Friday Ira M. Smith sold his second hand store to John Green the latter taking over the business Saturday morning. Mr. Smith had been engaged in business here for nearly two years and had a fairly good business. Mr. Green expects to add to the stock and is looking forward to a good business this fall and winter.

Mrs. Jack Hagerty and Mrs. M. J. Timlin of Casper, Wyo., arrived Wednesday night and will visit at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kubichek for a few days. They will return home Friday and Mr. and Mrs. Kubichek will return with them and visit there for the next two months.

Mr. and Mrs. Terrance Morrison of Audubon, Iowa, arrived Saturday and spent until Tuesday visiting here at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Morrison. Their daughter, Nancy, who has been visiting here for the past month, returned home with them.

Superintendent F. E. Alder of the O'Neill Public schools, was in the city the first of the week trying to find a home, so that he could move his family here next week.

ENJOY  
A REAL  
FRIED CHICKEN  
DINNER  
AT ST. JOHN'S  
Sun., Aug. 28