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FIRE LAST FRIDAY MORNING WRECKS MORRISON STORE

Doing Business In Brennan Building. Expect To Be At Old Location In 3 Weeks.

Fire in the Morrison grocery store last Friday morning entailed damage to the stock and building of about \$3,000, the building and stock being covered by insurance.

Adjusters for the insurance companies were in the city that afternoon and examined the building and contents. An inventory was taken of the stock, and the adjuster came back Monday night and the losses were adjusted Tuesday. The loss on the building, which included a large hole burned in the floor and new paint and varnishing, was settled for \$300.

Mr. Morrison received \$2,300 for the damage to his stock. He also received the stock as salvage and he is putting it on sale at a special sale and will dispose of all the stock now in the old store room before he installs new stock.

The old building will have to be repaired and repainted, walls, ceiling as well as the fixtures, and it is estimated that it will take at least three weeks to finish the renovating and dispose of the old stock, after which they will be back in their old building with a brand new stock of groceries.

The fire was discovered about 5:30 by Miss Agnes Reznicek, while on her way to work in the bakery, and she gave the alarm. The fire department soon responded and they found the building full of smoke and a good blaze going on the east central side of the building, near the refrigerating case. The fire was soon under control but the stock was badly damaged with smoke and the \$1,400 refrigeration case ruined.

After the fire was brought under control it was discovered that a hole was burned thru the floor at the east end of the refrigerator case and that side of the building was badly scorched. A large bundle of brooms was stacked at the end of the case and they were entirely consumed. They were directly above the hole that was burned in the floor, showing that possibly the fire started there.

The place looked like a wreck the next morning and had it gone another half hour that section of Douglas street would have been hard to save, for had it broken thru the building, the buildings on both sides would have been in danger.

The origin of the fire is a mystery. Dick Morrison was in the store about 10 o'clock to put a fresh killed hog in the ice box. Mr. and Mrs. Morrison had been down to the evening train and they were in the store on their way home, about 12 o'clock. Everything was all right at that time. Five and a half hours later the alarm was turned in.

Several cartons of matches were on the shelf on the west side of the building. Had they been on the east side near the fire it is possible that the building would have gone up in smoke, and with it buildings adjoining. Property owners, insurance companies and citizens generally are thankful that it was no worse.

The morning of the fire T. J. Brennan offered Mr. Morrison the use of their building, formerly occupied by the Tip Top Meat company and Mr. Morrison was in business there the next day, having secured meat and groceries from Omaha early that morning. While his stock is rather small he is trying his best to take care of the wants of his customers.

Draws One To Twenty Years For Forgery

Jerome Theodore, 20, who was arrested last week for forgery, was before the district court last Friday morning, plead guilty to the charge, and was sentenced to the state reformatory for an indeterminate sentence of from one to twenty years. He was taken to Lincoln by Deputy Sheriff Bergstrom Saturday morning.

Creighton Alumni Picnic

A Creighton Alumni picnic will be held at the City Park in Neligh, Neb., on Sunday, Aug. 28, at 2:30 p. m. All graduates and former students of Creighton university

residing in this part of the state are invited and urged to attend. A cordial invitation is also extended to the many friends of Creighton university residing in this part of the state, to attend.

This picnic is sponsored by the Alumni associations comprising the following counties: Antelope, Knox, Holt, Boyd, Pierce, Boone, Platte, Wheeler and Madison. All those attending are requested to bring their own basket lunch. Entertainment will consist of horseshoe pitching, softball playing, and visits with former classmates and friends. The university will be represented by Marchie Schwartz, head football coach; Duse Belford, assistant coach; Rev. Thomas S. Bowdern, S. J., Dean of the graduate school, and Hugh Higgins, alumni secretary.

The committee in charge of this event is headed by Elven A. Butterfield of Neligh, and Ray A. Muetting of Norfolk.

Brown And French Will Operate Hospital Here

The building which housed the O'Neill General Hospital, which for the past few years has been operated by the Shoemaker sisters, has been rented by Dr. J. P. Brown and Dr. O. W. French. They have stated that the hospital will be reopened Sept. 1, under entirely new management and with all new equipment. The Shoemaker sisters retired from the hospital due to ill health.

There has been a great deal of discussion as to the future of the hospital and the people of O'Neill will be glad to learn that that institution will be continued as there is need of a good hospital in this community. The citizens of O'Neill will join with The Frontier in wishing Drs. Brown and French success in their new venture.

James Reilley Dies At Selden, Kansas

Mrs. James Curran and brother, Mr. and Mrs. Miles Minahan and daughter, Mary, of Amelia, returned Wednesday of last week from Selden, Kansas, where they had been to attend the funeral of James Reilley, an uncle of Mrs. Curran's.

James Reilley was born near Peoria, Ill., on June 7, 1857. When a young man he moved to Oak, Nuckolls county, Neb., where he farmed until the spring of 1905 when he sold out and came to Holt county where he worked and visited with relatives until 1919 when he moved to Selden, Kansas. There he bought a large tract of wheat land and lived there until his death, on August 12, 1938, passing away at St. Anthony Hospital at Hays, Kansas, at the age of 81. He was buried at Selden, Kansas, on August 16, 1938. He leaves to mourn his passing one brother, Will Reilley of Rexford, Kansas.

J. P. Marron Is Chairman Of Democratic Committee

The democratic county convention was held in this city today at the K. C. Hall. At this convention quite a scrap developed over the control of the chairmanship of the county central committee, the real place of power with a favorable national administration.

M. H. McCarthy, who has been the chairman for several years, was not a candidate for reelection and three other candidates appeared in the field for the office. Mr. Wilhelm, of Atkinson was a candidate of one faction of the party while another faction championed James P. Marron for the place. Some active democrats were not satisfied with either of the candidates and effort was made to get other popular, well acquainted and vote getting democrats into the race.

Late this afternoon a motion was made to take an informal ballot for the office of chairman. This ballot resulted in 41 votes for Marron, 18 for Wilhelm, 10 for Frank Dishner and 6 for M. H. McCarthy. After the result of the ballot was announced Mr. McCarthy made a motion that the informal ballot be declared formal which was adopted by a whoop and James P. Marron is the new chairman of the democratic county central committee.

Miss Delta Gunn and Leo Winkelman drove to Ainsworth Tuesday and visited relatives and friends.

NATURAL GAS LINE THRU STATE WOULD GIVE SERVICE HERE

\$20,000,000 Is Asked Of RFC To Construct Pipe Line Thru To Northern Minnesota.

(Map on page 4.) Thirty-six Nebraska cities and towns will be in line for reduced fuel costs if a projected \$25,000,000 natural gas pipe line linking the southwest Kansas "dustbowl" fields with the Iron Ore ranges of northern Minnesota is carried thru.

O'Neill is one of these communities. Now before the Reconstruction Finance corporation at Washington, is an application by the Kansas Pipe Line & Gas company for a \$20,000,000 loan to supplement private capital already pledged to the undertaking.

More than 100,000 Minnesotans already have pledged support to the project, and action currently is being had by officials and civic and commercial organizations of many South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, North Dakota and Montana cities and towns.

Although the principal purpose of the line is to make possible utilization of two of the nation's vast reserves of natural resources: the 57,000,000,000 tons of low-grade iron ore on the Mesabi and Gyuane ranges of Minnesota, which can not now be utilized because of high fuel costs, and the almost limitless quantities of natural gas in the Hugoton Panhandle field.

Along the pipe line, thru Nebraska, the gas would be available for a great variety of commercial and industrial purposes.

In many Nebraska communities natural gas is used for alfalfa dehydrating plants, which constitute an expanding item of agricultural industry. Kiln-dried alfalfa contains 200,000 viatmin units per pound, while sun-dried alfalfa contains only 25,000 units. From 50 to 60 per cent of the weight is eliminated by moisture removal, thus lowering freight costs.

Other semi-agricultural uses to which this low-cost fuel is being put elsewhere, and for which it could be used in Nebraska areas not now served by gas, include: Manufacture of brick and tile from clay.

Development of canning factories, enabling farmers to diversify crops and market their products.

Conversion of corn into products such as starches, syrups, alcohol, etc.

Plants to produce substitutes for jute and hemp.

Milk evaporation plants. Another great field which natural gas would open up would be low-cost electric power. Natural gas engines used in generating electrical power can produce it as low as from 1/2 to 1 cent a kilowatt hour, thus providing power and light to small communities not now served by public utilities.

The use of natural gas for heating purposes would make possible cost reductions of around 40 per cent, and would enable introduction of modern heating equipment in homes not now so equipped.

The gas would be piped from the Hugoton field in southwestern Kansas thru central Nebraska. The main line would serve O'Neill and Inman, in Holt county.

Work entailed in constructing the line would be equivalent to one year's employment for 19,000 men, figures in the hands of the RFC show, with permanent work directly provided for nearly 3,000 on the line and in directly related activities. Many of these would be employed in Nebraska.

Encouragement of private industry thru cost reduction made possible by low-cost fuel would produce additional indirect employment, and Nebraska cities and towns now handicapped by high freight rates and fuel cost would be enabled to compete with agricultural and industrial communities elsewhere.

Gertrude Graham Weds

William Harold Berry and wife Gertrude Graham, following a five weeks sojourn in northern California, following their marriage at Riverside, Calif., on July 14, are now at their home at Lake Arrowhead, Calif.

Miss Graham, former resident of Los Angeles, for the past four years has been doing cashier work with the Young's Market company of Southern California. Mr. Berry is a graduate of San Bernardino high school and the University of Southern California where he was affiliated with Phi Kappa Psi and a member of Alpha Phi Epsilon.

Mrs. Berry is the youngest daughter of Mrs. Mary Graham, living eight miles northwest of O'Neill.

Miss Anna Connelly And Arthur Turner Married 12th of July, In Omaha

Mrs. Theresa Connelly announces the marriage of her daughter, Miss Anna Connelly to Mr. A. M. Turner son of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Turner of Salem, S. D., the ceremony being performed by Msgr. E. J. Hunkler at St. Cecilia's Cathedral in Omaha on July 12, 1938. Mrs. Clarence Angster and Clement McAlister were the attendants. Following the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served to the bridal party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Angster.

Mr. and Mrs. Turner are both well known in O'Neill. Mrs. Turner being born and raised in Holt county, and a graduate of St. Mary's academy in O'Neill, with the class of 1925. Since her graduation she has been employed by the Northwestern Bell Telephone company in this city. She was transferred to Omaha by the company a few months ago.

Mr. Turner was formerly manager of the Armour plant in this city and at the present time is employed by the Omaha Cold Storage company, in Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. Turner are now living in the Joyce apartments in Omaha and will be at home to all of their friends after Sept. 1.

The Frontier joins with the many friends of this young couple in wishing them a long and happy wedded life.

SOUTHWEST BREEZES

By Romaine Saunders
The Bernard Kennedy family made a trip to O'Neill a day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Baker made a business trip to Albion a day last week.

Art Doolittle came over with a power hay sweep last week and helped E. E. Young finish stacking.

A mid-week downpour last week was not measured in feet and inches but this particular spot of the southwest got one good mid-August soaking.

It will be interesting to note whether poor old Georgia stands by a consistent southern democrat or goose steps to the tune of a Yankee New Dealer.

Can the Ethiopian change his skin or the leopard his spots? The efforts thru the centuries to "elevate and improve" the booze business is like clothing Satan in the garb of a saint.

Seventeen thousand two hundred and sixty-eight Douglas county people received \$1.15 each in "surplus commodities" during July. This required several carloads, among which were four cars of oranges.

Mrs. Elliot Carpenter was over from Inman Sunday to see her mother, Mrs. Charley Sigman at Amelia, who was seriously ill. While in this neighborhood Mrs. Carpenter, with other friends, visited Mrs. Riley.

According to a writer in a 50-cent magazine, smoking, drinking, profanity and clandestine trips out of town are among the "accomplishments" of the New Deal females attached to government bureaus in Washington.

England's king was bitten by a Scotland mosquito and had to forego a hunting trip. Wonder what old Richard the Lion Heart would have said had one of his Knights of the Cross asked for a furlough because of a mosquito bite.

Cautiously mugwump writers and a sprinkling of democrats have criticized from time to time but (Continued on page 4, column 1.)

SCHOOL BONDS ARE CARRIED BY MORE THAN TEN TO ONE

Vote On Issue Is Light, Only 419 Votes Being Cast, 384 Of Them For Bonds.

A fairly good vote was cast at the school bond election last Tuesday, 419 voters going to the polls to cast their ballots on the proposition. Of this number 384 voted for the bonds and 35 against, or a majority for, of 349 votes.

In the First ward there were 148 votes cast of which number 143 were for the bonds and 5 against; in the second ward 127 votes were cast, 116 for and 11 against; in the Third ward 144 votes were cast, 125 for and 19 against.

Ralph Tomlinson And Loretta Pribil Are Wed Here Saturday Morning

At St. Patrick's church in this city Saturday morning, Aug. 20, Miss Loretta Pribil, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jake B. Pribil, became the bride of Mr. Ralph M. Tomlinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Tomlinson, with the Rt. Rev. Monsignor J. G. McNamara officiating.

The bride wore a daytime Boy Blue dress of silk alpaca crepe with accessories conforming, and she wore a shoulder corsage of Briarcliff roses.

Mrs. Russell J. Shoemaker, sister of the bride and her only attendant, wore an English rustre crepe dress with black accessories. Her shoulder corsage was of Aaron Ward roses.

Frelent Pribil, a brother of the bride, was best man.

Immediately after the church service a three-course wedding breakfast was served at the Golden hotel for members of the immediate families, the wedding party and the clergy.

Mr. Tomlinson and his bride are both well known in this community and the surrounding country, having lived here all their lives. He is a graduate of the O'Neill High school and she a graduate from the Inman High school.

After a trip thru Colorado, Mr. and Mrs. Tomlinson will make their home at Eighth and Everett streets in O'Neill.

The many friends of this young couple join The Frontier in wishing them many years of prosperity and happiness.

Chief of Forest Service Inspects Shelterbelts

Field shelterbelt plantings in the Neligh district were visited Aug. 18, by F. A. Silcox, chief of the U. S. Forest Service; E. W. Tinker, director of Division of State and Private Forestry; John F. Preston, director of Forestry in the Soil Conservation Service; and several other local officials of the Forest Service accompanied by several business men from Pierce and Neligh. This was Chief Silcox's first visit to the shelterbelt plantings and he was very enthusiastic over the results which have been secured the past three years.

Receives Invitation To Iowa State Fair

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Lucas and son, Robert jr., of Middlebranch, have been sent special invitations to attend the Iowa Centennial State Fair to be held in Des Moines next week. The fair this year observes the 100th anniversary of its creation as a territory on July 4, 1838, and honors the prominent foundation leaders, chief among them being Robert Lucas, the first governor of Iowa, and great grandfather and namesake of R. E. Lucas.

Marriage Licenses

The following marriage licenses were issued in the office of the County Judge the past week:

Thomas Strong of Emmet, and Miss Evelyn Haskin of Stuart, on August 20. They were married at Emmet on August 21 by Rev. W. F. Green of the Methodist church.

Robert Cooper and Miss Marie Lorensen, both of Hartington, Neb., on August 20. They were united in marriage the same day at the Presbyterian Manse by Rev. H. D. Johnson.

Robert S. Morse and Miss Bethune E. Miller, both of Sioux City,

on August 22. They were united in marriage the same day at the Presbyterian Manse by Rev. H. D. Johnson.

Ralph M. Tomlinson and Miss Loretta C. Pribil, both of O'Neill, on August 19.

Raymond R. Rodgers and Miss Evelyn M. Wade, both of Royal, on August 22.

Convention Of County Republicans Is Held In This City Today

The republican county convention met in the Odd Fellows hall in this city at 11:15 a. m. this morning with a fair representation of delegates from all parts of the county.

D. H. Cronin was elected chairman of the convention and Ira H. Moss was elected secretary.

On motion the chair was authorized to appoint a committee on credentials and a committee on resolutions, and the following were appointed:

Credentials—W. L. Butler, Golden precinct; Mrs. Mabel McKenna, O'Neill; J. B. Fullerton, Pleasant View precinct; Floyd Johnson, Pleasant View precinct, and George Crawford, Sheridan precinct.

Resolutions—Julius D. Cronin, O'Neill; Frank Schmidt, Golden; Mrs. R. M. Sauers, O'Neill; Fred Zink, Sand Creek precinct, and Ira H. Moss, O'Neill.

After the appointment of the committees the convention adjourned until 1:30 p. m.

At the afternoon session the committee on resolutions reported as follows:

We, the delegates of the Republican party, in Holt county, Nebraska, in convention assembled at O'Neill, Nebraska, this 25th day of August, 1938, realizing the seriousness confronting the country today, both industrially and financially, hereby adopt the following resolutions:

1. Resolved, that we hold the Republican party to be the party of progress and achievement; the party best suited to lead the country out of the present morass of debt, unemployment and bureaucracy. The only party that has and will protect the country and its cherished constitutional liberties.

2. We condemn the failure of the present administration to reduce governmental costs and functions, as promised, and call attention to the enormous increase in the functions and cost of government. We direct attention to the historical fact that in our whole history Republican administrations have paid the debts incurred while the Democrats were in power.

3. We commend the administration of republican party affairs in Nebraska during the past year under the leadership of Chairman Lyle E. Jackson. We commend his initiative, industry and loyalty, and instruct our delegates to the State convention to work for and support him for an additional term.

4. In order that Nebraska may be represented in Congress by men who hold the interests of their state and constituency above fealty to a party dictator, we endorse the candidacies of all republican senatorial and congressional nominees. We also endorse all of the Republican nominees for state and county offices and commend them to the voters as capable and economical and pledge them our support.

5. We heartily endorse the candidacy of Charles Warner for governor. We direct attention to the fact that he is an actual farmer and as such is familiar with the troubles, problems and needs of all those engaged in farming and stock raising. His many years of experience in the legislature, together with his business and farming experience, particularly qualify him for this office at this time.

After the adoption of the resolutions members of the county central committee from the several townships were selected.

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The following delegates were selected to attend the republican state convention to be held in Fremont on Thursday, September 1st.

D. H. Cronin, J. B. Fullerton, J. D. Cronin, Ira H. Moss, Victor Johnson, G. E. Moor, Frank Schmidt, D. E. Bowen, H. W. Tomlinson, Nate Crowell, Robert Chitune E. Miller, both of Sioux City, (Continued on page 4, column 2.)

HOLT COUNTY LEVY FOR 1938 IS HIGHER THAN LAST YEAR'S

County Levy .12 Of Mill Higher And Total State And County Levy Is Up .68 Of Mill.

The tax levy for the year 1938 is considerably higher than it has been for quite a few years, the total this year reaching 8.44 mills, while last year the total was 7.76. The county is indebted to the state in the sum of \$9,486 for the care of the insane sent to the asylums from this county. This added to the state levy of 2.68 mills, .04 mills larger than it was a year ago, brings the total of the state levy to 3.22 mills, compared to 2.68 one year ago. And yet the present state administration says they have not raised taxes in the state.

The Holt county board of supervisors made the following levies for the coming year, at their meeting last Thursday:

	Mills
County General Fund	3.00
County Bridge Fund	.20
County Fair Fund	.08
County Judgments	.50
Soldiers relief	.03
Unemployment relief	1.00
Mother's pensions	.05
Coyote bounty	.02
Total levy	4.88
State general	2.68
Care of Insane	.54
Total	3.22
plus	
Total county levy	4.88
Court House bonds	.34

Total levy in Holt county 8.44

To this must be added the court house bonds and interest of .34. Also a levy of \$2.00 on each and every person within the county between the ages of 21 and 50 years of age for old age assistance. Also a levy of 10 cents for each hive of bees in the county.

The levy is .12 mills higher than it was a year ago. At that time the levy for the county was 4.76, the difference being in the following funds: The general fund was increased from 2.70 to 3.00; the bridge fund was decreased from .65 to .20; no road fund levied this year; county fair .08 an increase of .03; soldiers' relief an increase of .04; mothers' relief increased .01 from .04 to .05; coyote bounty .02 the same as last year. This year the levy for the court house bonds and interest is .34 as against .36 last year.

The total valuation of the county as set by the State Board of Equalization is \$17,804,405, a slight decrease from that of last year.

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After the wedding the bride and groom left for a trip to Sioux Falls, S. D., Rapid City, S. D., and the Black Hills. They arrived home from their trip last Friday and home at their residence on Everett street in this city, where Mr. Johnson has completed a new home. They were serenaded by a large group of friends who enjoyed the usual treat of cigars and ice cream.

Mrs. Johnson is a charming and talented young lady, a graduate of the O'Neill Public schools, and has been a successful school teacher. The groom is an O'Neill High school graduate and an employee of the Gamble store in this city.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Norman DePue of Page, announce the birth of a girl on Friday, August 19.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Grader of Ewing, announce the birth of a girl, Saturday, August 20.

Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Woodworth of Venus, announce the birth of a son on Thursday, August 18.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere appreciation and thanks to the many kinds friends and neighbors for their many deeds of kindness during the illness and death of our dear husband and father.—Mrs. Orville Harrison and family.