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## CRIPPLED CHILDREN'S CLINIC BRINGS A LARGE NUMBER IN ATTENDANCE

One Hundred and Sixty-one Children Here From the Eleven Counties Comprising This District

One hundred and sixty-one children in need of medical care were brought by their parents, doctors and social workers to O'Neill on May 11. Specialists in Pediatrics, Orthopedics and Neurology examined the children and advised with the parents in planning for their treatment. The Clinic was arranged by the Crippled Children's Division of the State Department of Child Welfare in cooperation with the state Elks lodge as part of the program of both organizations to bring expert medical services to children in rural communities in the north central area of the state. Counties represented were: Antelope, Boyd, Cedar, Cherry, Garfield, Holt, Keya Paha, Knox, Loup, Rock and Wheeler.

The medical specialists in attendance were: Dr. George Robertson, Omaha, Pediatrician; Dr. Ernest Kelly, Omaha, Neurologist; Dr. Wm. Hamsa, Omaha, Orthopedist; Dr. J. E. Thomsen, Lincoln, Orthopedist. Miss Catherine Gehrman, Public Health Nurse consultant, was in charge of the local arrangements. Miss Regina Mendel, Medical Social Worker from the Orthopedic hospital at

Lincoln with Miss Eileen Young, her assistant, and Miss Robbins, Orthopedic nurse assisted. Other nurses in attendance were: Miss Genevieve Biglin, O'Neill; Mrs. J. M. Schneider, Creighton; Miss Madeline Ullom, O'Neill; Miss Caroline Thompson, Omaha.

August Schneider, chairman of the State Elks Crippled Children's Organization, ably engineered the work of the Clinic with the benefit of ten years experience in Crippled Children's work for the Elks lodge. With him was a delegation of members of the lodge from Norfolk including George W. Phelps, Exalted Ruler; George Burton, secretary; August Manske, George Farron and N. P. Johnson.

The value of work for crippled children in Nebraska cannot be overestimated. Of the 161 children under twenty-one years of age who benefitted, 90 had not before been known by the Crippled Children's Division of the State Department of Child's Welfare and services will be made available to them for treatment which they might never have received without the initial assistance of the Clinic.

## ELIJAH B. CARTER

Elijah B. Carter passed away at his home in this city last Monday afternoon after an illness of several months of ailments incident to old age, at the age of 90 years, six months and twenty-one days. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon at 2 p. m., funeral services being conducted in Biglin's chapel, by Rev. Wiley, Methodist minister of Burwell and Rev. Bell, Presbyterian minister of this city, burial in Prospect Hill cemetery.

Elijah Benjamin Carter was born at Albany, Mo., on December 22, 1849. The family moved to Iowa when he was small and they located in Mills county, near Glenwood, where he grew to manhood.

On December 12, 1872, he was united in marriage at Glenwood to Miss Josephine Boswell. To this union ten children were born six of whom, with their mother, survive and are left to mourn the passing of a kind and affectionate husband and father. The children are: Frank A., Phillipsburg, Kansas; Dr. L. A. Carter, O'Neill; Mrs. Mary E. Jenkins, and Mrs. Mable Lee, Chambers; Mrs. C. E. Stitt, Benkelman, Nebr.; Mrs. J. F. Cox, Wyoming, Nebr. He is also survived by thirty-three grandchildren and thirty-two great grand children, two brothers, Stephen Carter, Logan, Kansas, and James Carter, Glenwood, Iowa. All of his children were present at the funeral, as well as several of his grandchildren. Also present was a son-in-law, Harry Sisco and his son, Verne, of Pawnee City, Nebr., and a nephew, Riley Carter, of Chambers.

Mr. Carter was a resident of Mills county, Iowa, until 1891 when he moved to Washington, Kansas, where he resided for seven years, then moved to Burchard, Nebr., where he lived until his removal this city in 1922, where he had made his home since.

Mr. Carter was a fine citizen, a splendid husband, father and friend. It had been his privilege to have seen many of the stirring events of the early days of the west and he could unfold many interesting tales of the early years in western Iowa, when neighbors and towns were few and far between. It was not often that Mr. Carter could be induced to talk of his early days in the west, but when he did his conversation was always entertaining and interesting. It had been his fortune to live more years than is usually allotted to man and during his lifetime he always enjoyed good health and was able to enjoy life. His many relatives and friends in this section will miss him more and more as the days go by.

## 4-H Club Members To Attend Club Week in Lincoln in June

Several boys and girls throughout the county are planning to attend the twenty-fifth annual club week which is the next big event on the 4-H calendar. 4-H club week will be held on the Nebraska college of agriculture campus June 3 to 8 and several hundred boys and girls together with local leaders will meet for one week of education and enjoyment of the festivities.

Representing Holt county will be several winners of awards which are furnished by business firms throughout Nebraska. Ralph Allyn of Stuart will attend as guest of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce for his outstanding achievements in the Cleveland 4-H Better Pastures Club. Patty Schaffer of O'Neill will receive her trip from the Crete Mills as an award for her work in 4-H calf clubs and Helen Mellor of Stuart will receive the award given by the Burlington Railroad for outstanding 4-H leadership.

In addition to the members receiving awards several other 4-H members from Holt county are planning to be present at Club Week. Among those planning to attend are Helen Rector of Middlebranch, Margery and Bob Rees of Amelia. Any 4-H member is eligible to attend by registering through the county agent's office and paying their own expenses, which are very reasonable. All in all, it looks like another grand week for the representatives of the 24,000 4-H members to attend.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to the friends and neighbors for their kindness and sympathy during the illness and death of our beloved husband and father. —Mrs. E. B. Carter and family.

## O'Neill Star Calf Club

The O'Neill Star Calf Club met at the home of Mr. Raymond Bright Friday, May 3, to reorganize the 4-H calf club for another year. Officers were elected: Betty Langan, president; Ardel Bright, vice-president; Gertrude Ann Sullivan, secretary. After the meeting lunch was served. The next meeting will be held May 17 at the home of Pat Sullivan.

Mrs. James Walling entertained her bridge club at a seventhirty dinner at the M & M Cafe, followed by cards at her home on Monday evening. Miss Marion Dickson and Mrs. Max Wanser winning high score.

## SOUTHEASTERN BREEZES

By Romaine Saunders

I was born in a rail fence country. As a very young boy I split a few rails, so I came that close to being an Abe Lincoln.

Democrats condemned Burke for the self same reason they applauded Norris.

Some time ago there came to hand a request from a New York publisher for permission to publish something I had written. That sounded flattering but a little further on in the letter was a fly in the ointment in the form of a sales talk for their book.

Thirty-two acres or less make a "ranch" in California; but as ranches go in Nebraska it would be a mere corral. It was the Modisett ranch of 32 thousand acres up about Rushville referred to in an item here recently—rather than 32 acres. The Modisett holdings comprised a scope of country approximately 30 miles around it and was widely known. Twenty-five years ago the A. T. ranch, thirty odd miles south of O'Neill, stretched the length of the Beaver valley to the extent of approximately 60 miles around. Perhaps the largest individual holdings in this section of the state at present are those of Charley Peterson of Atkinson.

Beside the highways, signboards like the side of a barn proclaim that our governor, now a candidate for the senate "kept down taxes." That was also a Charley Bryan claim. Some of these chaps after office make great claims. What says the record? The cost of state government increased from slightly more than twenty-two and a half million in 1935-36 to slightly less than thirty and a half million in 1938-39. It is immaterial what the money was spent for—it comes from the taxpayers one way or another.

Whether the state Ag. college is making a specialty of dandelion culture or not I have not ascertained, but the college grounds yield a mass of yellow bloom that outdoes the combined efforts of this hardy plant throughout the entire city. There is little love for the dandelion though it is the first to bestow a splash of color out of the dead clods of winter. May brings the tulips, the iris, the bloom and fragrance of peach and plum and cherry, the unfolding of new life in foliage and plume and the birds among trees and bushes. But the note of the meadow lark, the booming call of the prairie rooster and the blue and white flash of mallard's wings is missing along the city streets.

I take from the Omaha World-Herald's picture section a very good likeness of Sitting Bull, the once notable Sioux chief, who fell by the hand of an Indian police, Lt. Bullhead. And that precipitated the battle of Wounded Knee in which many Indians were slain. We whites of today may learn something from a long dead Indian. Sitting Bull steadfastly refused the government rations. Nature held what he needed and his hands reached out and partook. That proud old Indian, were he on the scene today, must look with contempt at the many hands of the pale face race held out to be filled with the "government rations." And these government rations include much more than the pittance the aged and needy receive.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere appreciation for the many acts of kindness and sympathy during the illness and death of our beloved brother, John Martin. We also wish to thank the St. Mary's choir for their services.—The Martin family.

## ST. MARY'S SENIORS TO DEMONSTRATE THEATRICAL TALENT ON THURSDAY

Performance Will Be Given Both Afternoon and Evening at the New High School Auditorium

"Grand Girl" a comedy in three acts, will be given by the Seniors of St. Mary's Academy, on Thursday, May 23, afternoon and evening in the High School Auditorium. Vivian Brown, a self-centered young girl of twenty-one, considers herself a great actress because she has played the leading part in all the plays produced in her home town. The result is she dominates her family and it is up to her sister, Beth, to take care of the home, while she is kept in the background because of Vivian's dazzling personality.

How Beth wins out is the basic theme of the play. Come and see for yourself how she overcomes the obstacles in her path and finds happiness.

Following is the cast of characters in the play:

Beth Brown, an attractive young woman ..... Catherine Finley

Vivian Brown, her beautiful sister ..... Mary Anne Meer

Emily Brown, her mother ..... Mary Jane Iler

Grandmother Ashley, her grandmother ..... Ramona Dancy

Ned Gordon, the young man next door ..... William Kubitschek

Ben Bean, a baseball player ..... William Biglin

Isabelle Sprout, a small town girl ..... Eileen McKenna

Mrs. Forsythe-Brock, an important newcomer ..... Marcella Rubel

Otto Forsythe-Brock, a bored young man ..... Robert Shoemaker

Annabelle Mush, a versatile woman ..... Marjorie Cronin

Mrs. Dell, a neighbor ..... Marjorie Ann Mains

Mrs. Norris, a neighbor ..... Alma Wallace

Mr. Hayden, an old-fashioned business man ..... Basil Price

Mr. Roscoe, a movie scout ..... Robert Early.

## Pioneer of Shields Swings Fluent Pen On Visit of A Shields Native Son

On Monday evening, May 13, 1940, we gathered at the home of J. B. Donohoe to honor his brother, Hugh and Mrs. Donohoe. The occasion was a banquet at which nothing was overlooked to make the event a gala one, all extending congratulations and spoke of the great pleasure which his many friends had derived from the honor paid to them in the past week.

Hugh was born and raised in Shields township and was held in the highest respect and affection by the entire community. He was a man of decided convictions; a strong sense of fairness made him always loveable and an honorable advocate of what he thought was right. There have been disappointments and trials but he has gone on until today he is classed as one of the prominent members of the bar of Chehalis, Washington. No wonder his friends rejoice when he comes home to mingle with the old timers and review the old stamping ground where he spent his boyhood days and to recall the happy memories of the old school halls.

Entertainment, under the direction of Henry Lohaus, was provided at the dinner. P. C. Donohoe was the toastmaster and Tom Nolan chairman of the committee on arrers responded cheerfully to their assignment. Mrs. Lohaus and Mrs. C. J. Gatz started the ball with several vocal solos, accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Hugh Donohoe, who rendered several choice musical selections and received many compliments from the enthusiastic audience. Thomas and Mrs. Donohoe sang, "Forty Years of Married Life" and it was so realistic that it met with the entire approval of the house.

P. C. Donohoe advised us to live as we go and to save a dollar for a rainy day. If you have more than you need divide it with the poor and thank God that you have health and are citizens of the United States of America, instead of Europe.

Most of the guests were called on for a few remarks, among them the following, with their subjects: Mary McLoud, "Wild Irish Rose." J. B. Donohoe, A spook story.

Thomas Nolan, Attorneys barred at the Gate.

Edward S. Early, Our Embarrassed Guest.

Donohoe Bros., "South of the Border."

C. J. Gatz, Good Lager Beer.

Margaret Donohoe, "One Impersonator Enough."

Hugh Donohoe, Attorneys Exempt.

Everyone enjoyed the evening and all expressed themselves as repaid for their attendance, and before leaving extended their thanks

## Community 4-H Club Organization at Emmet Tomorrow Night

A community 4-H Club organization meeting will be held at the Emmet Public School at 8:00 P. M. Friday, May 17, for the purpose of organizing any 4-H club need in the community.

The meeting which will be conducted by county agent, Lyndle R. Stout, has been prompted by the numerous requests for additional 4-H work in that community.

All boys and girls who are interested in 4-H work are invited to be present with their parents.

## Holt County Club Members will Attend The State Convention

The Nebraska Council of Home Demonstration Clubs which will meet in Scottsbluff next month will be attended by several members of Holt county womens project clubs. Official delegates for this county will be Mrs. Vern Sageser of Amelia and Mrs. George Rector of Middlebranch. At this date others planning to attend include Mrs. D. C. Schaffer of O'Neill and Mrs. Blanche Pease of Atkinson.

The convention, which will feature several national speakers, is being planned to furnish a very enjoyable program for those members who will be in attendance.

## MRS MARY PROKOPEC

Mary Tejkle, born in Bohemia, came to America with her parents at the age of twelve years. On April 29, 1886, she was united in marriage to Vinc Prokopec of Clarkson, Nebr., where she since made her home. Twelve children were born to this union, one preceding her in death. The living are daughters, Mrs. Frank Peter and Mrs. Cyril Peter, of O'Neill; Mrs. Joe Zrust, Mrs. Anton Dvorak, and sons, Frank, Joe, John, Vinc, Louis, Cyril and Charles, all of Clarkson. She also leaves one brother, Frank Tejkle, of Stanton, and twenty-two grandchildren.

The funeral was held Wednesday morning at 10:00 at the Clarkson Catholic church, and burial was made in the Stanton Catholic cemetery.

Six of her grandchildren acted as pallbearers. Out of town relatives and friends attending the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Peter, Cyril, Frances, Anna, George and Frank Jr., O'Neill; Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Peter, Elsie and Lillian, Mrs. John Peter Jr., Frank and Helen, Chambers; Mrs. Blanche Peter and son John, Mr. James Peter, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Vitt, Millie Jindra and Mary Fiala of O'Neill.

to the committee, Mrs. J. B. Donohoe and to Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Donohoe in particular. E. S. E.

## HIGH SCHOOL AND ACADEMY STUDENTS WIN HIGH HONORS AT KANSAS CITY

Notwithstanding the Fact that Fifteen Thousand Contestants Participated, O'Neill Entrants Won Signal Honors in National Music Contest

Eleven students from the O'Neill High School were entered in the Kansas City Division of the National Music Contest held at Kansas City, Missouri on May 9-10-11.

Fifteen thousand contestants from seven states competed at the contest. Each of these fifteen thousand contestants had qualified by winning a Superior rating in his own state, in either solo or group competition.

Five possible ratings are listed in National competition: Highly Superior, Superior, Excellent, Good and Average.

Every contestant who wins a rating in the first three divisions is given a medal, gold for Highly Superior, silver for Superior, and bronze for excellent rating.

Every student who represented our school received either a silver or bronze medal. Superior ratings were awarded to: Davene Loy, girl's high voice; Genevieve Graves, girl's medium voice; Phil Yarnall, bass horn solo; Howard Graves, Dorothy Lowery and Dorothy Yocum, Cornet Trio. Excellent ratings were awarded to: Roy Lundgren, French horn solo; Clarinet Quartette, Keith Vincent, Lydia Halva, Jerry Toy and Marion Olson.

This is the first time a student from the O'Neill Public Schools has won a Superior rating at a National contest.

## O'Neill Country Club Coming Activities

The ladies of the O'Neill Country club held their annual May tea last Monday afternoon in the dining room of the Golden Hotel. It was well attended by Country club members and their guests.

After the tea an informal business meeting was held to discuss the various social events of the coming season. The date of the opening dance was announced for Thursday, May 23. This is a complimentary dance for club members and all those interested in joining the club.

It was decided to continue the popular weekly dinners which will be held every Sunday evening, the first of which will be given on June 2, 1940.

Miss Geraldine Cronin was appointed chairman for the ladies activities during the tournament, which is scheduled for June 16, 17, and 18th.

There was a vote of thanks given to Miss Marjorie Dickson and Miss Helen Biglin for so ably serving the club as heads of the ladies board for the past several seasons. The new board consists of the following members: Mrs. W. J. Biglin, Mrs. L. A. Burgess, Mrs. Henry Lohaus, Miss Geraldine Cronin, Miss Helen Biglin and Mrs. Edward M. Gallagher.

## Next Senator From Nebraska Visited O'Neill Friends Wednesday

Hugh Butler, of Omaha, republican nominee for United States Senator and his campaign manager, Val Peterson, of Elgin, were in the city Wednesday noon and informally met with a bunch of local republicans at luncheon at the Golden Hotel that noon. Mr. Butler is on a get acquainted trip through this section of the state, coming here from the south, having put in a few hours at Chambers this morning. From here they went west and visited Atkinson in the afternoon and then went on to Springfield. Mr. Butler is of the opinion that the chances for republican success next fall are getting brighter every day.

Last week three of St. Mary's students attended the National Music Festival at Kansas City, Mo., where students from seven states played, sang and marched before some of the foremost musicians of the country. The three representatives from St. Mary's had received Superior ratings at Fullerton, where the District Music contest was held, and were thereby entitled to attend the National contest.

Alma Wallace, clarinet soloist, playing in a class of 78 entrants, received a rating of excellent, even though the competition in this large class was unusually great.

Bob Shoemaker, who played the saxophone, also received an excellent rating for his fine playing.

Bob Parkins, third entrant from St. Mary's played in a trombone division of 56 entrants, and received a good rating.

The students from O'Neill High and St. Mary's should be congratulated for their fine showing, especially since the ywere competing with such expert musicians from the whole middlewest.

The students of St. Mary's wish to thank the ladies who sponsored the bake sale, the patrons who made it a success and all those who bought tickets for and attended the band concert. The entire trip depended on the people of O'Neill and again, the students of St. Mary's thank all those who helped to make this enjoyable, educational trip possible.

## Red Cross Meeting To Be Held Here on May 21

There will be a meeting of the Holt County Red Cross at O'Neill on Tuesday, May 21, called by Dr. L. A. Carter, county chairman, for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year, and also to make arrangements for raising their quota for a minimum war relief fund of ten million dollars.

Dr. Carter has received the following telegram from the national organization relative to the quota of Holt County:

St. Louis, Mo., May 10th.

Dr. L. A. Carter, Chairman Holt County Chapter American Red Cross, O'Neill, Nebraska.

With the invasion of Poland, Belgium and Luxembourg the war has entered a phase which will inevitably and at once bring widespread suffering to millions of helpless men, women, and children. In order to inaugurate widespread relief measures the American Red Cross is at once launching a campaign for a minimum war relief fund of ten million dollars. Your chapter quota is \$540. Please at once mobilize the entire leadership of your chapter and community in order that your quota may be raised and exceeded without delay. Chapters may retain fifteen percent of collections to cover their local war relief expenses. Letter instructions follow.

NORMAN H. DAVIS.

## Son of Native Daughter Wins Honors in Utah

An O'Neill native, now living in Salt Lake City, John Brennan, sends us the following clipping from the May 11 issue of the Salt Lake Tribune. John Dugan, the winner of the contest, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Dugan, of Salt Lake City. Mrs. Dugan was formerly Miss Lillian Brooks, who was born and grew to womanhood in this city.

John Dugan, son of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Dugan of 35 Haxton place, was awarded first place Friday in the annual Judge Memorial school oratorical contest for senior students.

Other winners, in order, were Robert Flynn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Flynn of 47 west Fifth South street; Miss Ann Doak, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Doak of 280 East Fourth South street, and James Riley, son of James A. Riley of Los Angeles.

The contest is sponsored annually by the Most Rev. Duane G. Hunt, bishop of the Catholic diocese of Salt Lake.