

## SOUTHWESTERN BREEZES

By Romaine Saunders

A group touring the state to advance the interests of the G. O. P. arrange the daily schedule to be at one place for breakfast, another for "luncheon" and a third for "dinner." It would click better in most of the state to put it breakfast-dinner-supper.

Down below the Mason and Dixon line a so-called religious body has arisen, who think it pious to be bitten by copperheads and cottonmouth moccasins. I believe in reverence in the presence of any of the multiplied forms of church worship, yet how could there be aught but the horrors of hell in a religion in which deadly serpents are passed from one votary of this strange cult to another as a feature of the service?

If Pat Fahey, John McCafferty, Doc Mathews, Neil Brennan, Dave Darr, Mike Long—and a score of others that have returned to dust—were alive and on the scene there would be something doing at O'Neill to corral airplane and munitions factories. Men who could build packing houses, railroads, chicory factories and mills out of nothing, what couldn't they have done with the present layout at their disposal?

Wheeler county, where I spent several happy and to some extent profitable years on a Kinkaid homestead, is to be left without a railroad. The Burlington branch that penetrated a corner of the county at Erickson has been taken out. The branch line of this road at O'Neill is still functioning, but the dream of the old timers of its extension to Dunning long ago faded. Local aspirations run to still another right-of-way, Ericson to O'Neill through Chambers, which reached a stage of promotion where Lyman Waterman was employed at \$300 a month. Az Perry was going to build to the Rosebud out of Atkinson, but didn't have the luck with that he did with his Concord stage coaches between O'Neill and Butte.

It depends on which are in majority—democrats with troubled conscience or third terms with stomach trouble.

Ira Lamb, who more than a half century ago started a long career as a teacher at Stuart, died recently at the age of 85 at the home of a son in Illinois. Among several important posts filled in Nebraska, Mr. Lamb at one time was connected with the Atkinson schools.

Herr Hitler sends good wishes to Premier Mussolini on the latter's 57th birthday, concluding: "And for a victorious ending to our mutual battle for the freedom of our peoples." So that's what it is all about.

The lifeless forms of two men, a third just able to gasp the word that the driver was trying to get it up to 110, an automobile reduced to scrap iron and the concrete side guard to a culvert shattered as from cannonading closed a wild ride on the Omaha-Lincoln highway just after midnight Friday. Such a scene again reminds us there are things more important than great speed.

John Bower fell from a hay sweep Monday forenoon, sustaining serious injuries. Dr. Gill of Chambers was summoned at once and took him to a hospital at Stuart. Mr. Bower is about 80, but has continued in active management of his 1800 acre ranch and planned to fill a man's place in haying again this season.

General Pershing is quoted to have said that more than half of the world is ruled by men who despise our system of government and would destroy it. The devils hated the government of God and sought to destroy it. But the sun

## O'Neill Nine Defeats Bassett On Local Diamond Sunday Afternoon

Bassett lost its second game in thirteen starts against O'Neill at City Park by a score of 8 to 5. It was a hit and run contest. A total of 28 hits was collected by both teams, O'Neill got 16 and Bassett 12. Batteries for O'Neill were: Tomlinson, Troshynski and Pruss; for Bassett, Lindberg and V. Grenier.

O'Neill plays at Bassett next Sunday, August 18.

The O'Neill line-up will be bolstered by the appearance of Ronald Carson, Bill Schissler and Charles Richter, for the remainder of the season, and beginning at Bassett next Sunday.

Following is the box score of last Sunday's game.

O'Neill	ab	r	h	e
Bright 2b	5	1	2	0
Richter, 3b	5	2	3	1
Pruss, c	5	1	2	0
B. Tomlinson, p-ss	5	1	2	1
B. Trashynski, ss-p	4	0	1	0
Honeycutt, 1b	4	0	2	0
Fox, rf	2	0	0	0
Otter, lf	2	1	1	0
Meyers, lf	4	0	1	0
D. Tomlinson, cf	4	2	2	0
Bassett				
Allen, rf	5	1	1	0
Wheeler, lf	5	1	1	0
C. Runte 1b	5	1	3	0
Bussinger, ss	4	0	2	0
V. Grenier, c	5	0	1	0
Lindberg, p	4	0	2	0
Gabriel, cf	4	0	1	0
O. Runte, 2b	5	1	1	0
Morris, 3b	3	1	1	1
40 8 16 2				

## The Weather

It has been a little dry in this particular spot the past week, but the weather has been fairly moderate. Tuesday evening we had a nice shower here that measured .12 hundredths of an inch. This rain was quite general over the northern part of the county, where they had from one to two inches. In the southern part of the county they were also blessed with a good rain, measuring an inch at Inman and south of there an inch and a half at Ewing. The south country also had a good rain which was very beneficial to the pastures in all parts of the county. It was also of vast benefit to late corn.

High	Low	Prec.
August 8	92 62	.19
August 9	87 64	
August 10	88 61	
August 11	83 61	.02
August 12	82 62	
August 13	86 68	.12

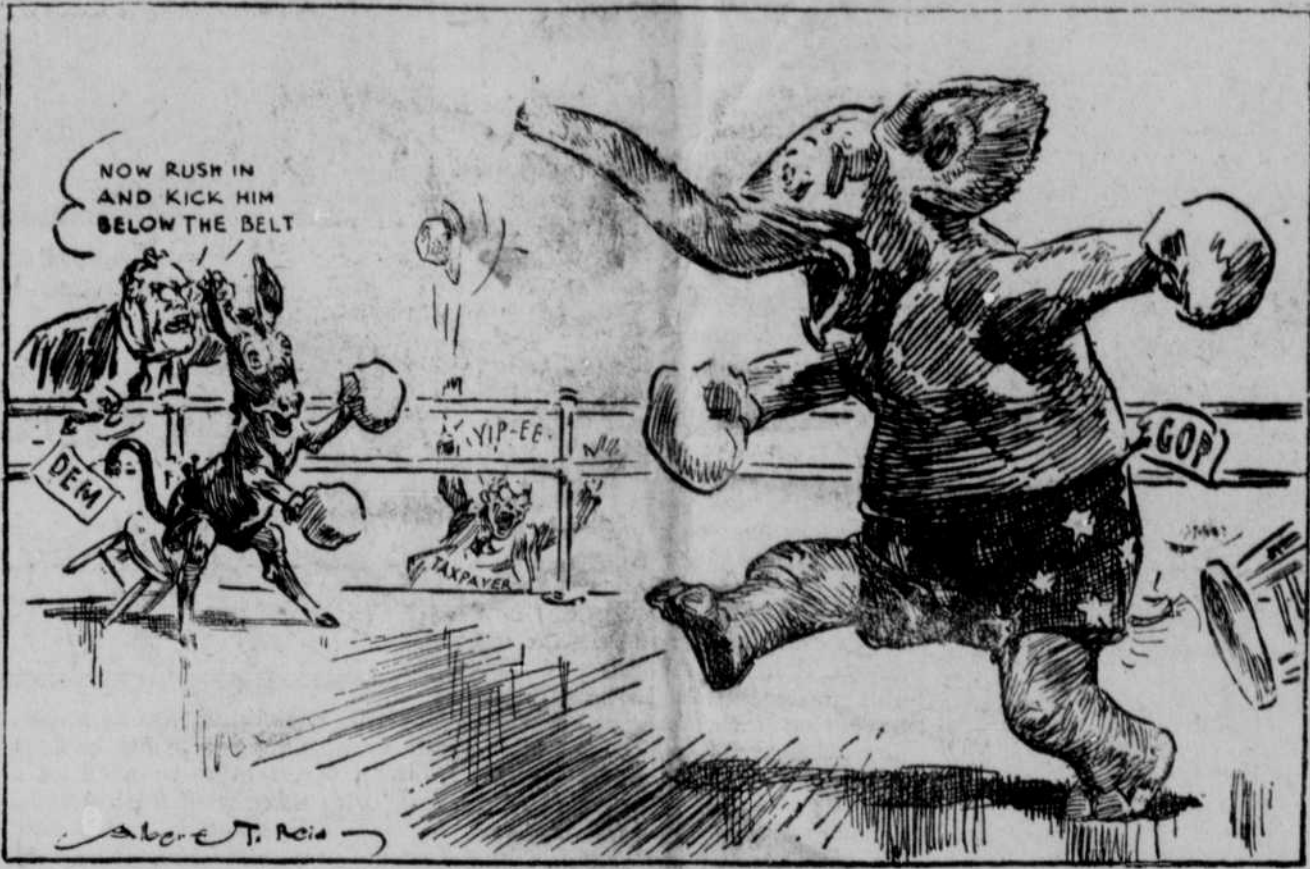
## Florence M. McIntosh

Florence Marion McIntosh, of Page, passed away in the O'Neill hospital about 10 o'clock Tuesday morning, after an illness of three weeks, following an operation for a ruptured appendix, at the age of 12 years, 9 months and 24 days. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Methodist church in Page and burial in the Page cemetery.

## May Have A Swimming Pool in City Park

Mayor Kersbrock and Councilmen Johnson, Phalin and McNally drove to Royal last Monday evening to inspect a swimming pool near that village. There is some talk of building a swimming pool in the city Park south of the railroad tracks and the members of the Council were of the opinion that it would be a good idea to inspect some of the pools in this section.

still hangs above us. The planets move in their appointed course and the moon and the stars look down upon the follies, the hatreds and the tragedies of earth.



## One Hundred and Fifty Competed In The Annual 4-H Contest In O'Neill Last Saturday

One hundred and fifty 4-H members with parents, guests and friends competed at the annual 4-H club achievement day in O'Neill last Saturday to determine the entries to represent Holt county at the Nebraska State Fair in September.

The day included exhibits of 4-H work in home economics clubs, judging and demonstration contests in all projects.

In the morning members of livestock clubs were taken to the O'Neill Sale Pavilion and the farm of Hugo Holz where classes of livestock were used for a judging contest. Judging contests were held at the O'Neill Public School in cooking, clothing and girls room work along with the placing of exhibits in these classes. The afternoon was spent in giving reasons for the judging and in a demonstration contest.

Prizes were awarded by the O'Neill business houses for the winners of each activity. Assisting with the activities and assisting the county agent in making the day successful were Miss Henrietta Schreier, Mrs. Jack Heffernan, FSA Home Supervisor, Al Mathis, Vocational Agricultural instructor in O'Neill, and Mr. Chet Walters, County Agent from Wayne, Nebraska.

The following 4-H members received awards:

- DEMONSTRATIONS**
- Livestock Loss Prevention: Bob and Bill Rees, Amelia.
  - Livestock: Patty Schaffer and Irene Hershiser, O'Neill.
  - Clothing: Helen Wilkinson and Donna Shellhase, Atkinson.
  - Cooking: Marian and Mae DeLong, O'Neill; Florence Spease and Mardell Burdick, Stuart; Doris Davis and Betty Dorr, Page; Barbara Towbridge and Mary Davis, Page.
  - Girls Room: Lila Spease and Shirley Smith, Stuart.
  - Poultry: Dale and Marvin Stauffer, Page.

## JUDGING

Livestock: Delbert Robertson, Chambers; Jack Ressel, Chambers; Boyd Ressel, Chambers; Bob Rees, Amelia.

Clothing: Ailene Wilkinson, Atkinson; Theresa Ramold, Atkinson; Margery Rees, Amelia; Bernice Everetts, Atkinson.

Girls Room: Mardell Burdick, Stuart; Edith Mae Gill, Stuart; Shirley Smith, Stuart; Lila Spease, Stuart.

Cooking: Mardell Burdick, Stuart; Florence Spease, Stuart; Lois Sigman, Amelia; Margery Rees, Amelia.

Crops: Gene Higgins, Stuart; George Mellor, Stuart; Dick Shearer, Stuart; Walter Fuelberth, Stuart.

## EXHIBITS

Workbox: Mary Jurgensmeier, Emmet; Lois Cole, Emmet; Clara Lowery, Emmet; Sadie Marie Lowery, Emmet.

Pin Cushion: Lois Cole, Emmet; Clara Lowery, Emmet; Sadie Marie Lowery, Emmet; Mary Jurgensmeier, Emmet.

Slip: Donna Shellhase, Atkinson;

## Picnic of 4-H Clubs In O'Neill Next Tuesday

The second annual 4-H Club picnic, which is sponsored by the O'Neill Lions Club, will be held at the City Park in O'Neill on Tuesday, August 20. All members and their families are invited as guests to become better acquainted with the Lions and their families.

With Dick Walther as general chairman of arrangements the program will start with the parade at 11:00 A. M. All clubs and the O'Neill band under the direction of Ira George are asked to meet on Highway 281 by the Galena Lumber Company where the parade will start. Four prizes will be awarded for the best banners in the parade, being judged on originality of a 4-H idea, cleverness and all banners are to be home made.

All Clubs are invited to bring a picnic lunch which will be eaten as a group and ice cream will be furnished by the Lions Club.

The afternoon program will start off with field events as follows:

Age	Event	Awards
8-11	50 yard dash	1st, 2nd
11-14	Shoe race	1st, 2nd
14-20	Slipper kick	1st, 2nd

The afternoon feature will be a soft ball game between the Lions Club and the 4-H members. Last year's game was won by the Lions and rivalry will be keener this time.

Following this game will be a baseball game between two 4-H teams and a small boys and girls soft ball game.

Last year's picnic attracted most of the 4-H families in the county and it is hoped that every 4-H member will make a special effort to be in attendance and enjoy themselves again this year.

Ailene Wilkinson, Atkinson; Dorothy Wilkinson, Atkinson.

Dress: Donna Shellhase, Atkinson; Evelyn Elder, Atkinson.

Remade Garment: Helen Wilkinson, Atkinson; Dorothy Wilkinson, Atkinson; Ailene Wilkinson, Atkinson.

Cookies: Lila Spease, Stuart; Mardell Burdick, Stuart; Barbara Towbridge, Page; and Florence Spease, Stuart.

Muffins: Mardell Burdick, Stuart; Jennie Beth Mellor, Stuart; Lila Spease, Stuart; Mae DeLong, O'Neill.

Pie: Margery Rees, Amelia; Florence Spease, Stuart; Lois Sigman, Amelia.

Sponge Cake: Florence Spease, Stuart; Margery Rees; Amelia; Lois Sigman, Amelia.

Tea Towel: Florence Spease, Stuart; Lila Spease, Stuart; Mardell Burdick, Stuart; Eileen Ramm, Stuart.

Waste Basket: Florence Spease, Stuart; Mardell Burdick, Stuart; Lila Spease, Stuart; Eileen Ramm, Stuart.

## O'Neill Production Credit Association Makes Good Record For First Six Months of 1940

Holt County members of the O'Neill Production Credit Association this week received copies of the credit cooperative's semi-annual report, showing \$345,129.00 in short-term loans outstanding at the close of business for the first six months of 1940.

According to James W. Rooney, Secretary-Treasurer, this is an increase of \$23,622.00 over the figure for June 30, last year. All loans made by the association are for agricultural purposes, he said, chiefly to finance livestock and general farming operations.

## Honor Old Time Resident At Red Bird Last Sunday

Relatives gathered at the Redbird Ball Park at Redbird last Sunday to honor Mrs. Zack France

and her granddaughter, Alberta Jackson, of Camas, Washington, who are visiting in Holt and Boyd counties. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Ray Pinkerman, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Pinkerman and son, Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Pinkerman and son, Mr. and Mrs. John Pinkerman and son, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Schollmeyer, all of Dorsey, Neb.; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson and family, of Red Bird; Mr. and Mrs. Floyd France, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Phelps and family, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hasenftu, all of Lynch, Neb.; Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Tomlinson, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Tomlinson and son, Mrs. Henry Bruhn and family, of O'Neill; Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Cromwell and son of Creighton, Neb.; Mrs. Jack France and Miss Alberta Jackson, of Camas, Washington. Dinner was served at noon.

Mrs. France lived at Norfolk for a number of years, going to Camas Washington last October to make her home.

## Mrs. Cambre Formerly Of O'Neill Dies In Illinois

Word has been received by O'Neill friends of the death of Mrs. Beatrice Cambre in Lincoln, Ill., on Monday of this week. Mrs. Cambre formerly lived in O'Neill, where she had many friends who will learn of her death with sorrow and who extend to her two children, Peggy of Lincoln, Illinois, and Louis, of Los Angeles, California, their deepest sympathy.

Bob Sauer, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Sauer of this city, and who now lives at Sargent, Neb., left for Illinois to attend the funeral.

## A. C. A. News

The Federal Crop Insurance Program provides that any person sharing in the wheat crop to be seeded on a farm may apply for Wheat Crop Insurance against all natural hazards such as waterkill, drought, plant disease, insects, hail, flood, fire, wind, etc., should call at the Holt County Agricultural Conservation office prior to the beginning of the seeding of wheat on his farm or August 31, 1940, which ever date is earlier.

## Patrolman Russell Receives Interesting Letter From Aunt in London

The following letter was received by Patrolman Lawrence Russell of this city from his aunt, Lady Harry Russell Campbell, of London, England, and tells graphically of doings in the English Isles during these war torn days. Lady Campbell's husband was formerly Lord High Sheriff of London and is at present holding a responsible position in the British government. They have a large country estate some miles out from London and they have given up most of their home to refugee children, who are attending school in their mansion. Although there are numerous raids on England the people, according to the letter, seem to take it as a matter of fact and calmly go about their usual affairs. They have a lot of courage and faith in eventual victory.

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I am sitting on my terrace where the roses are beginning to bloom, looking over the peaceful gardens and a border of bright summer flowers. Two gardeners are mowing the lawns and there is a smell of new cut grass warmed by the sun. The only reminders of the war are the cricket nets on the lower lawn where the small school boys practice cricket and my grandson, David's, clothes spread out on garden chairs in the sun before being packed away for the winter. This would not have been allowed in the days of peace, when this part of the garden was kept as tidy as the drawing-room. The bell has just rung in the house for the school's morning break in lessons, and the voices of the boys leaving the classrooms carry a considerable distance. These are not very war-like sights or sounds, and no longer surprise me; in fact, when the floor shakes above my head at bedtime in the dormitories, I no longer think a bomb has fallen on the roof, and I believe that if a bomb fell near enough to rattle the windows I should go on calmly with whatever I was doing, thinking the boys were being a little more noisy than usual.

When we go out on the roads signposts are missing, and we carry identity cards in case of challenge; this does seem awful in the neighborhood of one's own home but we agree that it is necessary. We used to read in our history books about our forefathers in the days when they had to carry guns to church to be ready for Indians on the warpath. Preparing for the parachutists is a reminder of those times.

My son-in-law, John Russell, has returned safely from Belgium—one of the last to leave Dunkirk. We had days of acute anxiety, increasing as the hours wore on and others returned but still no news of John. And, when Alison heard from his brother, in the same regard, that he had last seen John "up to his neck" in water trying to find a place on one of the motely craft that were sent to get the troops off, and still no Message came, she almost gave up hope.

It was a few hours later that she heard from his Colonel that John was safe, and soon after that a telegram came from John himself. He had boarded a barge with others, but the engine had broken down and they had manouvered the vessel half way across the Channel when they were picked up by a motor launch. Alison is with him now, and writes that he is in marvelous health and spirits and none the worse for the ordeal those men have had to endure. I shall see him tomorrow and hear the exciting narrative of the great retreat.

I feel I must say how impressed I am, not for the first time, by the spirit of my adopted country. I can remember walking along the streets of London during the dark days of March, 1918, and looking at the faces of the people. We had then been at war for nearly four years. It seemed to me then that the patient spirit and self-effacing courage of the British was unbeatable. We never had quite the same threat to British soil and civilian population that we have now. At the same time, we had been through so much and I think long strain is harder on the nerves than sudden emergency. Believe me, you can trust the British, and I pray that when this war is over there will be a deeper sense of brotherhood between us and America. It will bear fruit in a better, peaceful world.

Letters from America come quickly and regularly, and we are greedy for them. Almost anything seems to pass the censor, so do not be afraid of writing openly. They are a great source of encouragement and support in these times, particularly to me. Nigel, who does not as a rule ask to read my letters, always asks me now if I have had any letters from America, and everyone I see asks the same question. It is not only that everyone hopes for support in material

## Three Vocational Agriculture Students Accompany Their Teacher To Meeting At Albion

Mr. Mathis, instructor of Vocational Agriculture in the O'Neill High School, accompanied by Bob Hanley, Maurice Grutch and Rex Oberle, went to Albion last Friday, Mr. Mathis attending the meeting of the district Vocational Agriculture instructors, and the boys attended the district FFA officers meeting.

In the forenoon they listened to the different schools compete in proceedings of holding meetings. The correct and wrong methods were discussed. The state FFA officials were introduced.

In the afternoon all the delegates in attendance had their pictures taken. Several good speakers were introduced, all of whom spoke briefly, and also Norman Kruse, who last year became a Star American Farmer. This is the highest honor that can be bestowed upon a member. He received an honorary medal and a \$500 prize. The local FFA officials learned new ideas and ways of improving their chapter.

After the business meeting a hog calling contest started, which was very amusing to those who were not in the contest. Mr. Mathis discussed ideas on Vocational Agriculture Instruction with the other teachers and the meeting was a real benefit to all present.—Maurice Grutch.

## Two Holt County Students Receive Degrees From State University

Two Holt county students are among the 288 granted degrees by the University of Nebraska at the close of the 1940 summer session Friday. Lawrence N. Hanna of Amelia and Donald H. Anderson of O'Neill received M. A. degrees.

This is the largest number of degrees to be granted in the history of the summer session, officials report, and brings the total granted during the year up to 1383, also a record surpassing the previous high mark of 1324 the year before. In 1939 there were 247 degrees granted at the close of the summer session.

## Old Settlers Picnic Will Be Held Next Thursday

The Fortieth Annual Old Settlers Picnic will be held next Thursday at the John Liddy grove, on Eagle Creek, 19 miles north of this city on Highway 281. There will be a band concert by the O'Neill School Band at 1:30 and baseball at 2 o'clock between the Spencer American Legion Team and the Midway team. There will also be a Ladies Kitten ball game and a Shetland Pony race; Foot races, Sack race and Children's races. Bowery dance in the evening. A carnival with Ferris wheel and Merry-Go-Round will be on the grounds all day. A large crowd is expected to be in attendance as this is the place where all the old timers return to visit the friends of former years.

## Golden Rod Club

Last Sunday our club held their annual picnic at the park, which was also enjoyed by our families. A splendid lunch was prepared, which we all enjoyed, topped off by delicious ice cream and cake.

Shortly before our departure the Club presented to Mrs. Russell, as a token of our esteem, a beautiful picture. We regret to lose her as a member, as the Russells leave O'Neill next week.

Our last regular meeting was at Mrs. Norbert Uhl's. The subject discussed was "Nebraska's One House Legislature." This was a very long and interesting subject. Mrs. Cunningham, generous as usual, had a fine treat for us, of strawberries and whipped cream. Mrs. Mary Uhl helped with the serving.

ways; it is equally that we want the sympathy and encouragement of a country who we feel must be our friends in this struggle.