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FIRE GUTS ONE OF O'NEILL'S NEWEST BUSINESS BUILDINGS TUESDAY

In The Forenoon in Sub Zero Weather Fire Breaks Out in Basement of Rickly Store; Stock Destroyed, Building Ruined

Fire, the dread of everyone, visited this city last Tuesday morning and as a result of that visitation one of the newest buildings in the city is a wreck. It is the new Hagensick building on the corner of Fourth and Douglas, the center of the city, and three business institutions are temporarily out of business.

The fire alarm sounded about 11:30 and the fire department arrived quickly on the scene and the fire was in the basement of the Rickly store on Fourth and Douglas streets. The members of the department were unable to locate the source of the fire which had secured a good headway at the time they arrived on the scene, although they were there within a few minutes after the alarm sounded.

The department were handicapped on account of the smoke and were unable to get into the basement to locate the fire. Here is where a few gas masks would have come in handy and the city council should see that the Fire Department has at least a half dozen gas masks. If they had only one at this last fire it could have been located and thousands of dollars would have been saved. As it was they were unable to locate it and it burned for hours with the result that three business places were wiped out and a new business building ruined. There is only one consolation to the whole story, and that is that all of the tenants, as well as the owner of the building, were protected by insurance.

The origin of the fire is unknown. It is supposed that it started near the furnace, but that is only guess work. Mrs. Rickly told us that afternoon that they were down in the basement, her husband and herself, at 10:30 that morning and everything was O. K. They were inspecting a new shipment of holiday goods that arrived that morning. In a half hour she said the building was filled with smoke. So how it started is a problem for someone abler than we are.

The building, built last spring of brick and concrete, is gutted and until the debris is cleared the damage to the building cannot be estimated. Most of the fire was in the basement, where Mr. Rickly had a lot of his goods stored, and whether the fire was hot enough to crack the walls and render the building unsafe to again rebuild can only be decided after a thorough examination, which has not yet been made. We understand that Mr. Hagensick will start a crew of men at work tomorrow and they will clean the basement out and they will then have an idea of the amount of damage to the building. The floors and joists are gone, but whether the walls are damaged or not will only be determined after a thorough examination. Even if the walls are good his loss in the fire will be at least \$3,500, which is fully covered by insurance.

Mr. Rickly, who was the main tenant of the building with his novelty store, was the biggest loser. His stock was entirely destroyed and all his fixtures. That morning he had received several hundred dollars worth of Christmas gifts and they went up in flames with the balance of his store. He was protected by insurance.

Mrs. W. B. Graves had her jewelry store in the west wing of the building. She had not been up that morning, but most of her valuable goods were in the safe, which was safe. She was protected by insurance.

J. M. Hayes' insurance agency was also in the west wing of the building. Mr. Hayes and his wife had spent the week end in Norfolk and reached town just as the whistle blew the fire alarm. Mr. Hayes says that all his valuable papers were in the safe and that it is unharmed, but he is out of a home.

The loss on account of this fire is estimated at between 15 and 20 thousand dollars, all covered by insurance. An insurance adjuster was in the city today and at 3:30 had settled with practically all of those having claims. Anton Toy had a claim for smoke damage.

Mr. Rickly this afternoon rented the Abe Saunto building on west Douglas street, occupied for several years by R. R. Morrison as a grocery store, and will open up there as soon as he can get a new stock of goods. He has taken a five-year lease on this building and he will leave the end of the week for the east to purchase a new stock and expects to be going in the new location about the first of December.

J. M. Hayes, good republican that he is, has secured a little corner in the Frontier office and he will remain here until the old building is repaired. This kind of weather we could not see him sit on the street corner, so he comes in. We have not learned whether Mrs. Graves will continue the jewelry business or not.

Serial and Order Numbers

Following is a list of the serial and order numbers of the registrants in Holt county. The second number is the serial number, which was assigned the registrants in Holt county by the local draft board, and the first number is the order in which the serial numbers were drawn in Washington. According to the daily press as of Thursday, there are enough volunteer enlistments in Nebraska, so that there will be very few, if any Nebraska men called in the first draft, which was supposed to take place some time in November. This is the first installment of the list, and each week succeeding lists will be printed, until the entire list has been published.

Order No.	Serial No.	Name
295	1	Mervin Henry Kee
950	2	Norman William Kirchmann
342	3	John Edward Boody
440	4	Thomas Jennings Flannery
355	5	William Merrill Hawk
50	6	Leonard Colson
862	7	Louis Clinton Zastrow
500	8	Herbert Ervin Pfiel
58	9	Leonard Allen Thoma-zin
428	10	Bert Norris
746	11	Thomas Perry Coleman
349	12	John Alfred Abart
298	13	Raymond Leo Lans-berry
8	14	Raymond Nelson John-son
641	15	Gilbert Eugene Strong
648	16	Donald William Wilcox
423	17	Clarence Joseph Greig
558	18	John Henry Kryal
11	19	Francis Charles Stein-hauser
1017	20	Orville Lee Paxton
77	21	Ward Eugene Hender-son
1701	22	Ray Arthur Neisus
276	23	Eddie John Marris
695	24	Theodore Jefferson Hieter
89	25	Warren James Mc-Clurg
569	26	Lester Lee Coon
679	27	Aelred John Sanders
1729	28	Robert Reimer Leisge
294	29	Ward James Flannigan
435	30	Laddie Cary
25	31	Fred Orcen Moore
762	32	Lavern D. Stevens
1598	33	Arthur Kropp
463	34	Edward Gerald Dvorak
790	35	Eugene Lawrence Wedige
1454	36	Clarence Ellery Retz-laff
387	37	William Earl O'Brien
868	38	Robert Clem Tams
1136	39	Joseph Carl Thoen-del, Jr.
1381	40	Ralph Arthur Cassell
449	41	Frank Wessel Cronk
750	42	Raymond John Kramer
896	43	James Micheal Corkle
248	44	Gerald Scott Stamp
88	45	Merle Bowden Spang-ler
356	46	George Bernard Ziska
245	47	Bernard Cloyd Ferris
1114	48	John Davis Walker
1590	49	William Admiral Gun-ter
1595	50	Veldon Vrudet Pinker-man
963	51	Leo Frederick Schnei-der

Fourth Dist. Supervisor Contest Still Undecided

The contest for supervisor in the Fourth district is still up in the air. The canvass of the mail vote gave Mr. Wulf, present supervisor, a plurality of two votes and that should end it but it does not. It seems that there is a ball-up in the returns from Verdigre township and that they did not return an abstract of their vote, but sealed it up in the box with the ballots. The canvassing board, according to County Clerk Gallagher, will not count the vote of that precinct, as their returns were not properly returned.

With Verdigre precinct eliminated the vote would stand: Wulf 328; Graft 261; Rakow 162, which would elect Wulf with a substantial majority, but would also disfranchise over 400 voters in Verdigre precinct. It seems that there is no question but what this will be settled in the courts and the people of the Fourth district are again in the position they were in a year ago, they do not know who their supervisor to be, is.

402	52	Lawrence Edward Ziska
1603	53	Marvin Willis Young
611	54	Francis David Lee
173	55	George Glenn Hender-son
519	56	Harold Leroy Cork
9	57	Elden LeRoy Wm. Prawitz
1449	58	Archie Rubbin Tuttle
104	59	David Leroy Morsbach
381	60	Lawrence Frederick Wilcox
1524	61	Harold August Mel-cher
1196	62	James Roy Furley
1320	63	Raymond Irvin Cooper
515	64	John Wesley Harbottle
1597	65	Harold Ernest Weier
696	66	Ralph Beck
101	67	Steve S. Cieslak
855	68	Leo Francis Harte
370	69	Charles Andrew Prussa
1417	70	Henry Monroe Axtell
422	71	Victor Ignatius Hamik
383	72	Dale Henry Gilbert
1214	73	Richard Darrell Hor-rocks
105	74	Lonnie Edward Otto
386	75	Herman Alois Kaup
1035	76	Merle Thomas Hickey
94	77	Michael Eugene Harty
87	78	John Roland Dvorak
82	79	James Marquette Ken-nedy
573	80	Frank William Bose
1000	81	George Benjamin Wiseman
268	82	Charles Albert Wilcox
52	83	Everett Eli Guthmann
1054	84	Claire James Nothem
1233	85	Gaillard Brandon Abart
66	86	John Clifford Harding
471	87	Ralph Geareld Jung-bluth
1138	88	Clarence Henry Grant
737	89	Gerald Richard Lama-son
359	90	Leonard Frank Olberd-ing
393	91	Harold Ernest Hoerle
236	92	Chester David Ander-son
718	93	Chester DeVan Hart-ronft
278	94	James Thompson Bolen
1528	95	Alton Gregory Brad-dock
395	96	Charis Dwayne Crip-pen
1578	97	Carl Mathews
739	98	Walter Robert Pease
700	99	James Kenneth Brad-dock
179	100	Gerald Max Donohoe
1262	101	Hale Osborn
443	102	Arnold Hanson
184	103	Tom Leo Nekolicjak
113	104	Norbert Frederich Jansen
3	105	Everette Elbert Copes
1535	106	Herman Henry Grothe
102	107	Harry Thomas Cullen
31	108	Robert Henry Lamb
32	109	Herbert Dale Stevens
448	110	William James Leahy
287	111	Natchel Edwman Rzes-zotarski
28	112	Gail Delois Boies
1327	113	Donald O'Connell
67	114	Albert Joseph Weber
250	115	Jerald William Snyder
35	116	Dean Virgil Stevens
559	117	Keith Averson Abart
362	118	Leo Claude Penry
706	119	Everett Clayton Nor-wood
5	120	John Edmund Hancock
60	121	Ronald Warren Roby
51	122	John Thomas Bourne
263	123	Edward Hirim Schil-onsky
112	124	John Morris-Grutsch
39	125	Lloyd Elmer Johnson
14	126	John Henry Steskal
1123	127	Leo Juracek
121	128	Henry William Kah-ler
200	129	Veral Lester Tuttle
111	130	Floyd Ival McNair
38	131	Jack Alfred Dailey
627	132	Hugo Emiel Grosse
1576	133	Alfred Gabriel Desive
110	134	Woodrow Nelson Gaughenbaugh
43	135	George Frank Kramer
68	136	James Anthony Ar-butnot

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Holt County Has Fifty-Three Students At The State University

Of the 53 students from Holt county who are attending the university of Nebraska this year, 18 are attending the University for the first time.

There are seven new students from O'Neill. These include: Lor-raine C. Murray, sophomore in the Teachers College; Francis J. Kub-itschek, registered as a freshman in the College of Business Admin-istration; Dorothy Ann Jordan, sophomore in the College of Business Administration; Nadene Anna Coyne, enrolled as a junior in the College of Arts and Sciences; Ruth Ann Biglin, junior in the Col-lege of Agriculture; Lotis J. Stor-john, freshman in the Teachers College; and Anton J. Toy, fresh-man in the College of Business Ad-ministration.

The four students from Atkin-son, all freshmen, are: Verne E. Frost, College of Business Ad-ministration; Avis Jean Frost, Teachers College; Donald R. Scott, College of Agriculture; and Byron D. Petersen, College of Arts and Sciences.

New students from Page include: Lee W. Stevens, sophomore in the College of Business Admini-stration; Leonard D. Lorenz, freshman in the Teacher's College; and Robert A. Ballantyne, junior in the Teachers College.

The two new students from At-kinson, all freshmen, are: Hazel May Fraka is in the Teachers College, and John C. Watson, Sigma Nu fraternity, is in the College of Business Administration.

Other new students from Holt county include: Keith N. Newhouse, Chambers, freshman in the College of Engineering; and Margery L. Rees, Amelia, freshman in the College of Agriculture.

Resident enrollment the first semester is 6488 with 34 states in the union represented besides Nebraska. Iowa sent 144 students, the greatest number from any single state outside Nebraska; from South Dakota came 59, Wyoming 43, Colorado 41, Kansas 33, Missouri 28, Illinois 21, New York 14, and Minnesota 13.

Two students are registered from Canada, three from Germany, two from Hawaii, and one each from Syria, Palestine, Philippine Islands and Vienna, Austria.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our thanks for the kindness and sympathy shown us during the recent illness and death of our beloved wife and mother.—Joseph S. Ennis and fam-ily.

Wind Tears Part of Roof Off W. J. Froelich Home

During the exceedingly high wind on Sunday night, which brot with it snow and near zero tem- peratures, the copper roofing on the north side of the W. J. Froelich residence in north O'Neill was torn loose and the loose end was thrown over the house. The copper sheet which covers a portion of the north side, covers a flat surface, over which it was not considered practi- cable to put slate roofing, which was used on the rest of the roof. No one in O'Neill was able to repair the damage so it was necessary to call Omaha to have some one come to repair it. Due to the damage which the storm caused to commu- nication lines, the call was not com- pleted until Tuesday, and the Omaha firm advised that a man would be sent immediately to re- pair the damage.

Mrs. Amelia Alder

Mrs. Amelia Alder died at her home near Dorsey at 8:30 a. m. last Saturday morning, after an illness of several months. The funeral will be held tomorrow after- noon from her residence, Rev. Wright of the Methodist church of this city officiating and burial in the Dorsey cemetery. The funeral was to have been held Tuesday, but the late storm made the roads impassible in that section of the county.

Amelia Smalley Alder was a na- tive of Nebraska and was born on March 30, 1870, and was 70 years, 7 months and 19 days old at the time of her death. Mrs. Alder came to this county in 1882, com- ing here from Iowa. On May 2, 1886, she was united in marriage to Isaac Samuel Alder. Nine chil- dren were born of this union, five boys and three girls, three of whom preceded their mother to the be- yond. Following are the children: Mrs. William Buchman, Camas, Wash.; Edwin W. Dorsey, John Benjamin, Kelson, Wash.; Mrs. Mary J. Williams, Camas, Wash.; Henry E., Camas, Wash.; McKinley and Melvin, Norfolk, Nebr.; Mrs. Sadie Wrede, San Francisco; Mrs. Rose Ellis, O'Neill.

Mrs. Alder was one of the pio- neers of the northeastern part of the county and had a host of friends who will regret to learn of her passing.

The Orton Young public sale, which was to have been held last Tuesday was postponed on account of the storm and will now be held next Tuesday, November 19. This is a good sized sale and Mr. Young is disposing of his farm property on account of ill health, so a good sized crowd should be at the sale.

HOLT COUNTY AND NEBRASKA HAS THE WORST EARLY STORM IN HISTORY

Livestock and Poultry Lost As Forty-Mile Gale And Hard Snow Hits This Territory Suddenly

O'Neill, as well as all of Ne- braska and several other states was recovering today from the effects of the worst early winter storm in the history of the country. Some snow fell dur- ing the night and on Sunday morning it started snowing in earnest, with a very high wind, which whipped the snow, making deep and im- passible drifts in many spots. The storm continued all day Sunday and on Monday until late in the afternoon, when the wind finally died down and the sun appeared. The snow was followed by ex- tremely cold weather, which last night reached fifteen degrees below zero.

Many unconfirmed stories of heavy losses to live stock of the farmers and ranchers in this vic- inity have been heard in this office the loss being confined mostly to turkeys and young calves, which in most cases were entirely unpro- tected, as no warning of the sever- ity of the storm, which covered all of the mid-west and extended as far east as the Alleghanies, had

been received. There have been reports of heavy losses to turkey raisers in the south east part of the county, one farmer supposedly losing between four and five hun- dred turkeys out of a flock of about three thousand. A rancher living south of Emmet is missing ten or twelve head of cattle, some of which it is thought perished in the near blizzard and extreme cold. All highways leading into O'Neill have been open at all times, although all motorists from Norfolk west were advised to stay off the high- way, because of the high wind and the extreme iciness of the roads, and the country roads are for the most part still difficult to travel on.

Following is the weather chart for the past week:

	High	Low	Snow
November 7	51	25	
November 8	58	41	
November 9	50	32	
November 10	34	14	3.
November 11	14	4	4.
November 12	9	-3	
November 13	11	-8	
November 14		-15	

BRIEFLY STATED

George Thompson returned to Omaha on Monday, after spending the week end here visiting friends.

Miss Ruby Weiseman spent the week end visiting her parents at Osceola, Nebr.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McManamy attended the Nebraska-Iowa foot- ball game at Lincoln on Saturday.

K. B. Morrison attended the Ne- braska-Iowa football game at Lin- coln on Saturday.

W. F. Kelleher, of Boone, Iowa, arrived here on Saturday and is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Grady.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harnish and son, Frank James, of Norfolk, spent Sunday here visiting his par- ents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Harnish.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cuddy, of Sioux Falls, S. D., spent the week end here visiting at the home of relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Dishner re- turned Monday from Lincoln, where they attended the Nebraska-Iowa football game.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hayes re- turned on Tuesday from Norfolk, where they spent the week end visiting friends.

Miss Marion Dickson, of Nor- folk, Nebr., spent Sunday here vis- iting her parents, Judge and Mrs. Dickson.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Graybiel and Cletus Sullivan spent the week end in Lincoln, where they attended the Nebraska-Iowa football game.

Miss Eleanor Kvam returned on Monday evening from Petersburg, where she spent the week end visiting her parents.

A marriage license was issued on November 9 to Steve Sladek, of Chambers, and Miss Margaret Pribil, of O'Neill.

A marriage license was issued on November 9 to Cecil Sparks, of O'Neill, and Miss Irene Neiman, of Herrick, S. D.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Stout return- ed Tuesday from Lincoln, where they spent the week end visiting relatives.

Mrs. Roy Anderson, of Steven- son, Washington, who has been here visiting her parents, Judge and Mrs. Dickson for the past six weeks, left this morning for her home. Charles Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Smith, Sr., left with her and will visit his sister and family, who live at Tacoma, Wash.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Drayton, of Valentine, spent Armistice Day here as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. McKenna.

James Rooney, L. R. Stout and Mrs. Ed Verzal drove to Ainsworth on Wednesday where they attended an agricultural extension meeting.

Donald and Dorothy Wilson left Saturday for Sioux City where they were to spend Armistice Day with their grandmother.

Charley Walling, of Fremont, spent the week end here visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Walling.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Horn, of Ains- worth, spent Monday here vis- iting friends while on their way home from Lincoln, where they at- tended the Nebraska-Iowa game.

Miss Bernadine Protivinsky re- turned on Sunday afternoon from Columbus and Lincoln, where she visited friends and attended the Nebraska-Iowa football game.

Deputy Sheriff C. C. Bergstrom returned Sunday from Lincoln, where he took C. Grunke to the state penitentiary to start serving his sentence for forgery.

Mrs. Ralph Oppen returned to her home in Omaha on Sunday, after spending the week end here visiting her mother, Mrs. Jeannie Scott.

The Baazar and supper which was to have been held at St. John's Lutheran church at Atkinson has been postponed to Tuesday even- ing, November 19.

Miss Genevieve Biglin entertain- ed the Martex Club at a 7 o'clock dinner at the M and M cafe, fol- lowed by cards at her home on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Roy Anderson, of Steven- son, Washington, returned on Tuesday from Norfolk, where she spent a few days visiting her sis- ter, Miss Marion Dickson.

Jack Kersenbrock returned to Lincoln Monday afternoon, after spending the week end here vis- iting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Kersenbrock.

Dan Dillon, of Houston, Texas, has leased approximately 20,000 acres of land between Neligh and Oakdale, Nebraska, for the purpose of sinking a test well for oil. Mr. Dillon is at the present time in Neligh, where a survey is being made to determine the best loca- tion to sink a test well in the area under lease. Oil men say that the Neligh venture is a rank wildcat, but Dillon says that the Elkhorn valley looks as favorable for oil as any land in Nebraska.

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