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ANTON TOY

A YOUNG FARMER TAKES HIS LIFE BECAUSE ILL HEALTH

Robert Venker, 22, hung himself in the barn at the Benker home three and a half miles southeast of Page last Saturday. He was discovered hanging in the barn about sundown that evening by his mother, Mrs. George Venker. He had evidently been dead several hours.

As the evening came on Robert was missed from the premises. Another son of Mrs. Venker, Will, had arrived home from an errand and gone out for the cattle. Mrs. Venker seeing the barn doors all closed opened the barn and found her son.

He had been in ill health which seemed to work upon his mind. J. D. Cronin, county attorney was notified and visited the Venker home but no official action was required. Undertaker Frank Biglin was called and brought the body here to prepare for interment, taking the same to the family home Sunday afternoon.

The funeral was held Monday from the house to the Methodist church in Page, thence to the cemetery just east of Page. Rev. Farley was the clergyman in charge. Young men of the neighborhood who acted as pallbearers were: Louis and Edgar Wood, Leland Knudson, Herbert Steinger, Lawrence Asher and Frank Cronk.

The deceased is survived by his mother and brother Will who are on the home farm and a brother, John Venker, whose home is in Idaho.

A STATE HISTORY

Some Seventy-five Holt County Families to be Mentioned in New Volume

Congressman J. N. Norton of Polk has been selected as chairman of the board of governors in charge of the new state history. The name of the volume is Nebraska and the work is being carried on under the direction of the Nebraska state history.

Nebraska will include biographical sketches concerning every important man and woman in the state. It is expected that Holt county will be represented by approximately 75 families. An eligibility committee has been appointed and at the present time this group is preparing a list of individuals who will appear in Nebraska from this part of the state. Within the next eight weeks the list will probably be complete for O'Neill and surrounding territory.

"Every loyal Nebraskan will want to see his state advance as rapidly as possible," declared Congressman Norton. "We believe that the adequate preservation of history is one of the important duties of our citizenship. Our committee will base its selections entirely on merit and any Nebraskan should feel honored at being named for this distinction."

Other officers of the Nebraska state history are: Attorney C. L. Clark of Lincoln, vice-chairman; Dr. H. Adelbert White of the University of Nebraska, secretary; County Attorney Robert M. Baldwin of Hebron, editor.

In order that O'Neill and Holt county may be fully represented it is urged that every person in this locality selected for this honor cooperate in supplying as much material concerning himself as possible.

September passed with considerably less than normal rainfall, there being recorded at the station here 1.71 inch of rain. October starts out as if it might bring a greater amount of moisture. Tuesday night there was a heavy downpour, but Weather Observer Bowen's "test tubes" showed a measly .65. We have a suspicion that they got clogged with the hail which accompanied the rain and didn't give us a fair count.

John Green, who had been here for a week or ten days disposing of a large quantity of firewood, returned yesterday to his home at Madison. Last winter Mr. Green hauled many loads of the splendid hard wood from the Eagle Creek and Niobrara, selling considerable here at that time and storing some, which he has now sold out.

Sheridan Simmons has a letter from his son Phillip at Ft. McArthur, Cal. He is a sergeant in the quarter master corps, and is another O'Neill boy to make good.

During these times of depression and numerous bank suspensions throughout the country, O'Neill is particularly fortunate in having such strong financial institutions as the two banks of this city. They are both on the Roll of Honor lists of banks of the United States and are known to be two of the most liquid banks in the state. The official statement of the O'Neill National Bank which is published elsewhere in this issue shows it has cash and United States government bonds on hand amounting to \$315,651.00 with total deposits of \$452,200.00. In other words they have 70 per cent of their deposits in cash and U. S. Bonds.

William Grothe, one of the substantial farmers of the Emmet neighborhood, was a caller Tuesday. Mr. Grothe was one of the large exhibitors at the Holt County Fair, taking sixteen first prizes, sixteen second prizes and sixteen exhibits not among the winners. In addition to what the weather did in curtailment of production, Mr. Grothe says he has recently sustained loss by thieves and thinks he can just about put his fingers on the guilty one. The thieves have a particular liking for the large and choicest heads of cabbage. A recent visitor made away with twenty of the best heads in the patch.

HONORED BY POPE

Pius XI Confers Title on Former O'Neill Woman

Mrs. Arthur F. Mullen, wife of the Democratic national committeeman, has been given the medal, "Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice."

The Knight of St. Gregory is one of the highest distinctions conferred upon a layman in the Catholic church. The medal "Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice" is conferred upon Catholic men and women who, in a general way, foster works of religion and charity.

Mr. Mullen, Mr. Burkley and L. C. Nash had previously been given the medals, but this is the first time it has ever been given to women.

Mrs. Mullen has been a leader in the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women since its organization in 1920, and for two terms was president of the National Council of Catholic Women.

Railroads Reduce Rates

J. W. Rooney, county extension agent, has been informed by Burlington officials that this territory is given half-rates on hay and forage and a two-third rate on grain and mill feeds, applying both in and out of O'Neill. The Northwestern had previously made a similar announcement. These are relief measures applying in drought affected areas.

School Boy Visits Metropolis

The following comes from a pupil in the eighth grade of the Chambers school:

The first day of the South Fork Fair at Chambers, Mr. Rooney called all my boys and our fathers to find out how many would like to sell their baby beeves.

Eight boys decided to sell their calves. Walt Scott took the calves to Omaha Sunday evening.

Monday morning Mr. Rooney and Glenn White took all we boys, and left about 3:00 o'clock for Omaha. We arrived about 11:00 o'clock. We went right to the exchange building the first thing to sell our calves. We saw some other Club calves from Neligh which were really fat.

After dinner in the cafeteria we went to see our calves auctioned off. The four highest brought 9 1/2c and the others lower.

In the evening we went to the Orpheum theater, saw the orchestra and vaudeville.

We stayed over night in some cabins in a tourists park.

We saw some Polo horses on the way to Swift's Packing house, there we saw all kinds of meat and also saw them make wieners. We saw them kill, skin and butcher the hogs sheep and cattle.

We visited the WOW building and went up 20 stories but did not have time to broadcast so we went to the Park and saw several interesting things including the wild animals.

After looking around Neyrotaim, we started home. We arrived about 2:00 o'clock in the morning.

I enjoyed my trip to Omaha very much, "Thanks to Mr. Rooney," and I expect to visit Omaha again sometime.

Clarence Grimes.

Nebraska Towns Doing Many Public Jobs

The following record of industrial activity lists items showing investment of capital, employment of labor and business activities and opportunities. Information from which the paragraphs are prepared is from local papers, usually of towns mentioned, and may be considered generally correct.

Booth and Olson contractors, completed paving work on Primary Road No. 20 between South Sioux City and Jackson.

Hastings—Meeting to be held here October 14 by Nebraska GoGod Roads Association to vote on \$50,000,000 road bond issue.

Homer—Hospital on the Hill, opened by Dr. A. A. Larsen.

Tekamah—Cornerstone laid for new high school building.

Long Pine—Construction being rushed on new highway west of here.

West Point—Formal opening of Iowa-Nebraska Light and Power Company's office and display room held.

Ogallala—Uhlig Oil Co. opened filing station at Spruce and Front streets.

Doniphan—Ben F. Grant opened Grant Barber Shop in building vacated by Andy Peterson.

Daykin—Culverts and grading to be done on Road District No. 42, southwest of city.

Theftford—Grading and claying work on road west of here, completed.

Tekamah—Modern laundry being established in this place.

West Point—Natural gas for heating and cooking turned on by Iowa-Nebraska Light and Power Co.

Plattsmouth—Pease Style Shop in Bekins building installed Neon sign.

McCook—Valley Motor Co. moved garage to building at 320 West B street.

Lincoln—State Highway Department opened bids for 521,000 feet of snow fence to be distributed to various highway maintenance stations over the State, for maintaining snow-free highways during winter.

Cakland—Mrs. E. G. Bristol Toggery and Art Shop moved to new location.

Ogallala—Ogallala Tire & Battery Co. moved into new quarters in Thayer Garage.

Kearney—Liberty Dry Cleaning Co. at 2013 Central Ave., expanding business.

Lyman—Coffee Cup Cafe opened its doors for business.

McCook—Contracts awarded by Council for paving East Fifth Street and Water improvements on Fifth and Sixth streets east.

The 7.5 miles of State Highway No. 91 between Lindsay and Newman Grove, will be graveled this fall.

Lincoln—Bids will be received October 16 on approximately \$170,000 of bridge and highway construction work.

Red Cloud—Graveling of highway south from here to Kansas State line, completed.

Lincoln—Capitol Commission let contract for underground drainage system at capitol grounds.

Sidney—Sites inspected for proposed \$80,000 Federal building here.

Wausa—Sidewalks constructed throughout town.

Blair—\$26,000 improvements voted for local light plant.

Curtis—Work progressing rapidly on paving in second district.

Verdel—Construction of school building rapidly nearing completion.

Wymore—Wymorian Cafe on South 7th purchased by Mrs. W. M. Yost of Clay Center, Kansas.

Arnold—New equipment installed in State park.

Elmwood—Laying of gas pipe line in city completed.

Hooper—Grace Lutheran Church dedicated number of improvements in their edifice.

Laurel—Andrew Paulsen purchased Van Auker pool hall here.

Plymouth—Ten-mile stretch of Grain Growers Highway west from city graded and now open to travel.

Hay Springs—Old building occupied by Ralph Strotheide hardware store to be razed to make way for construction of modern building.

Lyman—Construction of basement

of proposed City Hall building progressing.

Neligh—Grading on Highway No. 14 north from this place being rushed.

Hooper—Interior of Hooper State Bank improved.

McCook—Large bridge to be constructed over Republican river south of city, and will be 300 feet in length.

Scotia—T. J. Stoetzel office building rented for one year and will be cleaned and renovated for new location of public library.

Nebraska City—Celebration held here for opening of new pavement north, south and east of city.

Doniphan—Cement sidewalk laid in front of Burger buildings.

Johnson—Missouri Valley Gas Co. laying gas pipe lines from main line into this town.

Contracts will be let in near future for work on highway from Decatur through Winnebago reservation to Winnebago, according to State Engineer Roy Cochran.

Beemer—Main Street to be paved soon.

Creighton—New churn purchased for Creighton Cooperative Creamery.

UP FOR PROMOTION

Owen Meredith Takes Examination to Become Colonel

J. H. Meredith tells us his son Owen a native of this city, has recently taken the examination for promotion to the rank of Colonel.

Owen went from here to West Point Military Academy some twenty years ago and has been going up the scales in rank since graduation from the government's greatest military training center. At present he holds the rank of lieutenant colonel of infantry. He is stationed in Kentucky.

The examination is something of a surprise to his folks here as some four hundred officers with priority claims to promotion will have to be jumped over in this instance.

The Catholic Daughters meet on Thursday, October 15th at the home of Mrs. Casper Pribil.

M. R. Sullivan, who has been put in charge of a defunct bank at Hartington, came over to see home folks Sunday.

Mrs. J. J. Harrington is home from a visit at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Earl Beulow at Racine, Wisconsin.

Mrs. Polk departed Monday for Springfield, Nebr., and other south state points, expecting to be away some months.

Joe Daas of Amelia was up Tuesday for a truck load of syrup for the Amelia store, they taking part of a carload received at this point.

The Catholic Daughters will conduct a benefit sale, beginning Saturday and continuing through October, in the building south of Stannards.

Tom Baker and Miss Ruth Riley of Riley Bros. ranch were transacting business in the city Monday. This office was favored with a pleasant call.

The Ladies Guild of the Presbyterian church will meet with Mrs. Clarence Zimmerman Thursday afternoon October 15, Mrs. Gifford Bachman assisting.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church will give a chicken pie dinner, on Thursday, October 22nd, in the church parlors. We will start serving at 5:30 p. m.

H. W. Tomlinson tells us of the recent arrival of a granddaughter at his daughter's home in West Point. Mrs. Tomlinson, who had been at West Point for some days, is home again.

William Decker, one of the prominent citizens of Verdigris Township, was in O'Neill Friday. Mr. Decker said word had been received that day at Page of the death in California of Bill Lord, an old resident of the Page country.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hancock, accompanied by Miss Ruth Kramer and Miss Bettie Jones, were Neligh visitors Sunday afternoon. Miss Kramer's parents reside at Neligh. Rev. Mr. Kramer being pastor of the Presbyterian church there.

HOLT COUNTY'S OLD COURT - HOUSE IS UNDER SUSPICION

At the risk of being waited upon by a committee or bombed or otherwise dealt with, The Frontier would respectfully suggest that Holt county needs a new court house. This is far from the "psychological moment" for any propaganda for an enterprise entailing additional public expense and we are calling attention to this need knowing it is similar to swimming against the current.

Some fifteen years ago Judge Dickson, feeling that the building was unsafe, called an architect out from Omaha to pass upon the safety of the structure. The architect was amazed that it stood at all. As a result of investigations at that time the building was "tied" together by bolts and iron plates. The cupola was torn away, removing some tons of weight from the roof. A sense of a little more security came with the completion of this work to those who are at the court house.

Upon occasion, in the event of an important lawsuit, the old court room is jammed to the doors. Then is the danger—if danger there be. The building was erected in 1886 and sets upon no other foundation than the brick of which the walls are built. In other words, the walls extend into the earth with no stone foundation. It is thought these are crumbling away and one day the walls may collapse. This may be said to be conjecture, but it's conjecture based on visible conditions. Judge Dickson believes it not only advisable but necessary that the building be looked over by a competent architect at this time.

If a lot of Holt County men now unemployed could be put to work, under proper engineer supervision, the building of a court house and possibly other county jobs, the entire industrial interests of the county would feel the beneficial effects.

The present building has served its generation, has been rearranged as to office room and some little added, but it is quite inadequate for our present needs and sooner or later will have to be replaced.

Harold and Leo Zimmerman visited in O'Neill Sunday. Both of these boys are natives of this city and both now live at Hastings, Nebraska, Harold being in the clothing business and Leo groceries. They intended to go on to Spencer for a visit with their mother and sister.

O. E. Burrell of Verdel, on his way to the southwest corner of the county, where he makes his future home, was in the city over night Thursday. Mr. Burrell is a brother of Mrs. Charles Hemstreet, whose husband was remembered by old readers as a former O'Neill hotel man.

Ralph J. Kelly, one of the able newspaper men of north Nebraska, and editor of the Graphic at Atkinson, had business in O'Neill Tuesday. Mr. Kelly is giving his community a good paper, both editorially and mechanically. The Frontier enjoyed a short visit during his stay in town.

Much local interest has been shown in the world series, but those who know not of the old diamond on west Douglas street, with Tim Hanley in the box, Silver Triggs behind the bat, Gus Hanlon on first and Elmer Merriam on third, don't know the real thrill of a ball game.

David M. Armstrong and James Meyer are in the county jail to discover or rediscover that the eighteenth amendment is no joke. A still or two and a quantity of mash and other products were taken by officers at the Armstrong place on the Eagle amid the flies and filth of the swine's pen.

(This item was handed in after our October 1 edition was printed.) A reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Williams last Monday and Tuesday. Mrs. Williams' uncle, Andrew Quigley of Chicago and cousin Miss Mary O'Brien of Wilmington, Ill., whom she has not seen for many years, and brother James Feehan, Greely, Neb. and Matt Feehan of Albion and sister Mrs. B. Hutchinson of Albion were there. Mr. Williams' brother, Walter Williams and family, Clarence and Warren of St. Lawrence, were also there visiting, being enroute to Houston, Texas, thence to Seattle, Washington, where they will make their future home.

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY SPECIALS

Fresh Pork Liver, 2 lbs 19c	Flour 48 lb. High Pat. 80c
Pork Shoulder Rst., lb 11 1/2c	Sugar 10 lbs. Cane 57c
Choice Young Veal Rst. 14c	Large Pkg. Oats, quick 17c
Fresh Pork Hocks, lb 7c	White Ldry. Soap, 10 bars 29c
	Large Oval Sardines Mustard - Tomato 10b

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