

"ONE CAN NOT ALWAYS BE A HERO, BUT ONE CAN ALWAYS BE A MAN."

## DELINQUENCY MAKES BIG FIGURES SAYS MR. BRESSLER

George Bressler was a caller at these headquarters Monday with a baffling array of figures purporting to come from the tax records and other records of the county. He is exercising himself to a considerable extent over county claims and unpaid taxes and the county records. Every county in every state has an accumulation of unpaid taxes through the years. Whether Holt county has more or less than others and whether there are more or less unpaid taxes than unpaid newspaper subscription accounts and grocery bills and coal bills and numerous other bills might be disputed.

Mr. Bressler claims there is unpaid taxes covering a period of ten years of \$82,993.98, or a little over \$8,000 a year sliding by unpaid. He claims there is due the county personal tax from individuals whom are listed amounts ranging from a few dollars up to as much as \$1,907.17. One man is said to be delinquent the nineteen hundred and another \$1,617.15. The chief grievance seems to be, however, that a few cashing warrants on the county are said to be behind with their taxes.

Old timers have gone through "depression" periods before when county warrants and city warrants were worth about 25 cents on the dollar because of accumulated back taxes and they may not be so greatly alarmed now as the later arrivals. A few productive seasons will remedy a large part of the delinquency though a certain per cent everywhere the country over always has and always will be uncollectible.

### COUNTY AGENT NOTES

James W. Rooney, County Ext. Agent Women's Project Meeting Miss Helen Roeka, Extension Specialist, will be in the county on October 27th to give her second lesson on Accessories for the House project. Project leaders of the various clubs are expected to meet with her at that time. The meeting will begin at ten o'clock in the District Court Room at O'Neill.

### Rancher-Feeder Meetings

Two rancher-feeder meetings will be held in Holt county next week. One meeting is to be at the town hall in Stuart at 1:30 P. M. Monday, October 26th. The other meeting will be held at O'Neill on Friday, October 30th in the District Court Room at 1:30 P. M.

W. W. Derrick, Extension Animal Husbandryman, will discuss wintering of cattle and creep feeding of calves. He will also talk on hog problems.

Arthur George of the Rural Economics Department will talk on the economic outlook for hogs and cattle. These are topics of interest to all feeders and will be time well spent to hear these men.

### Federal Feed Loan

Word was received in this office that the regulations governing the Federal feed loans had been changed and that new regulations would be sent out soon. To date we do not have the new forms and regulations but they will be in the hands of the local committees next week.

All persons who are thinking of making application for a feed loan are asked to meet with the local committee nearest them as it will save delay to have all applications taken care of at the times given. A committee at Page will meet at the Buw Wanser home at 1:30 Tuesday, October 27th. The Ewing committee will meet at the bank on the evening of October 27th. The Dorsey and Opportunity meeting will be at the Scottville hall at 1:30 the afternoon of Wednesday, October 28th. The North O'Neill and O'Neill meeting will be held at the township hall on the evening of Wednesday, October 28th. A committee at Atkinson will meet at A. C. Parnell's home on the afternoon of Thursday, October 29th. The Stuart meeting will be held at the home of D. A. Criss on the evening of October 29th at 7:30. Letters are being sent out to all who have made inquiries at the office concerning loans.

### Wheat as Human Food

After investigating the possibilities of using wheat as human food, Miss Margaret Osborne of the Extension Service at the Agricultural College says that the grain is one of the cheapest sources of energy from the stand point of nutrition.

Miss Osborne has worked out several recipes, showing different ways to use the wheat as food. The investigation was started when people in northeastern Nebraska wanted to know how to use cheap wheat for breakfast food. Miss Osborne worked out some receipts, took some from the Department of Agriculture and tried them all out. The recommended recipes are being published this week.

Several thousand will be distributed to mailing lists of the extension service and through county agents, grocers and their cooperators.

The extension specialist says wheat is a good source of protein and with the addition of meat, milk or cheese may be depended upon to provide an adequate supply of protein in the diet. Wheat bran not only furnishes roughage but it also contains valuable mineral salts, particularly iron and phosphorus. In addition, wheat bran is a dependable source of vitamin B.

In using the wheat for human consumption, Miss Osborne declares that it can be made into palatable dishes. The whole grain can be cooked or the grain can be ground and used as cracked wheat. The cooking time for cracked or coarsely ground wheat is longer than for finely ground commercial cereals but the flavor is pleasing. In testing the recipes given out, Miss Osborne explains that the cracked wheat used was cracked to about the size of coarse corn meal. The wheat was crushed, then passed in succession over sieves and then thru a 12 mesh miller's sieve.

### Three Tons of Horseshoes

A local blacksmith, Emil Sniggs, has three tons of horse shoes in his shop that he is wondering what to do with. Horses no longer being a factor on the roads, shoeing a horse is a rare thing. On the farm horses do their stuff "barefoot".

Mr. Sniggs has been an expert horseshoer and had a large stock on hand at all times. The wholesale value of horseshoes in the days of general use was 15 cents a pound, making his investment \$900 in the stock on hand beside the calks. There is talk of horses coming into more general use again as motive power on the farm but to what extent that will create a demand for horseshoes is mere speculation.

At a meeting of the county board Tuesday appropriation of \$1,451 was made to pay the three property owners in Wyoming township for right-of-way on highway 11. The state had condemned the land to secure right-of-way and is to be paid for out of state funds. In order to push forward the road work before cold weather the county is advancing the money. The county will be reimbursed from the state as soon as the matter can go through the usual process which will be perhaps thirty days.

A reminder of covered wagon days appeared on the streets yesterday. Two teams hitched to covered wagons and two boys on horses comprised the outfit. They had trailed from Lemon, S. D., on the line between the Dakotas, and had been three weeks driving to O'Neill. The district from which they came has suffered from drouth, and what little vegetation there was hail destroyed. A young man of the party said they were on their way to any place where they could obtain employment.

Monday ended the legal shooting of pheasants and Tuesday opened the duck season, but there are no ducks. Sunday was the banner day for the hunters. The weather was about ideal and many cars were lured far out. The boom of shot guns was heard from early morning till night fall, some reported to have gone largely over the limits in the number of birds.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith of Omaha—Frank being a former O'Neill boy, son of an early day station agent at what is now the Burlington—in company with Louis Storz, president of the Storz Auto Supply Co. at Omaha, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Mellor a few days last week, participating in the pheasant hunting activities of those days.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Curtis are moving to Sioux City where Mr. Curtis will be employed at the Tolerton-Warfield Co., wholesale and retail groceries. Their son Lyle is employed by the same firm. Mr. and Mrs. Curtis will be missed by their many friends here who wish them abundant success in their new home.

The highway supervisors are making extensive preparations for the winter snowbanks. Whether or not those in charge of the roads know or don't know of the probable depth of snow apportioned to us this winter a lot of snow fence is being carted out to be erected along the highways.

L. W. Mielke, living a few miles beyond the South Fork, was a pleasant called Thursday. He had been on the Omaha market recently with two truck loads of yearlings which brought him \$19.50 a head. A truck load of calves just off the cows were sold at the ranch for \$20 a head.

The local W.N.A.X. oil station was reported broken into last Thursday night, but nothing was missed.

D. T. Murfin, editor of the Page Reporter, was in this city Tuesday.

## Who Was the "Early Bird"

Who was the first settler? The General John O'Neill colony at O'Neill proper. A settlement down the river a mile or two antedates the O'Neill settlement by a year. Sam Thompson, his sister, Mrs. Sam Wolf and aunt Mrs. Julia Sanford, are the only three remaining here that The Frontier knows about, of the first settlement in this part of Holt county. There was no Holt county then—a vast open prairie with the Indian tepee the only human habitation.

In 1873 five families halted their caravan of covered wagons and made camp on the banks of the swift-flowing and crystal clear Elkhorn a short distance east of here. They were the families of John Prouty, E. H. Thompson, Henry Hoxie, "Hank" McEvony and Frank Bitney. All staked their claims and started the settlement amid the untouched and unmarred natural surroundings. The five families had come from Soc county, Wis-

consin. After the organization of a county and the incorporation of towns the Bitney family went to Atkinson. The others remained in the original settlement many years, some finishing their earthly pilgrimage at the home then established.

E. H. Thompson, Sam's and Mrs. Wolf's father, was the first treasurer of Holt county.

Pioneering is a theme worthy extended columns, but it is not our purpose in this brief mention to go into romantic detail or venturesome thrills. Sam, a small lad in those early days, recalls herding the settlement cattle on the Dry Creek flats and racing his pony after the antelope that grazed in herds in the valley. There were also Elk and still an odd buffalo now and then.

If there were "earlier birds" than these families The Frontier would like to hear from them.

## Home Folks

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Biglin departed yesterday for Omaha, to be away a few days.

Will Griffin was up from the state university Saturday from a week end look in on home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Griffin and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Mellor formed a party visiting the metropolis last week.

Dr. and Mrs. E. T. Wilson, former citizens of O'Neill but now residing in Michigan, are visiting in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Ragan and children spent Saturday with Mrs. Ragan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Quinn.

Gertrude Graham, who has been suffering from infection the past six weeks, is improving under Dr. Brown's care.

Mr. and Mrs. Hess Baker of Sioux Falls were in the city yesterday coming over for a visit here and at Chambers.

Mrs. Ed. Johnson, nee Irene Tierney formerly of O'Neill, was out from Omaha last week on a visit to relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Gladson of Omaha spent a few days last week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim McPharlan.

Jake Hershiser, an old resident of O'Neill but now living in southern and sunny California, spent a few days here last week.

Mrs. C. F. McKenna entertained the Martez Club Saturday night. Mrs. Hugh Birmingham carried off the honors of high score.

Ed Jones acted as custodian at the court house in the absence of Harry Bowen, who attended Odd Fellow grand lodge at Grand Island.

The Mellor Motor Co. have excavated under the cement east of their building for installing a tank for oil to be used in heating the building.

Mrs. J. F. Conway and Mr. Jim Maloney of Pender and Mrs. Blanche Brown of Sioux City spent the week end at the John and P. V. Hickey homes.

Mrs. John Hickey entertained twelve ladies at dinner for Mrs. Amie Hickey last Thursday. The afternoon was spent in visiting and playing cards.

Thomas L. Wilson one of the state fire marshals and well known in this community, died Sunday in an Omaha hospital, at the age of 61. Funeral was held Tuesday in Omaha.

Mrs. Hugh Coyne and Mrs. P. C. Donohoe entertained at a bridge party at the Idle Hour Saturday evening. Guests for six tables participated. Mrs. Frank Dishner had the high score.

Mr. and Mrs. P. V. Hickey entertained about 135 friends and neighbors Sunday at cards, dancing and singing. It was their tenth wedding anniversary. They received many fine and useful gifts.

W. P. Hildebrandt of Boston, representing the John Hancock Insurance company of that city made a brief stay in O'Neill the past week at the home of Mrs. Hildebrandt's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Meredith. Accompanied by his wife and her sister Mrs. McKenna, left this morning for Sioux City. Mr. Hildebrandt goes south on a business tour, while the ladies will visit a few days at Omaha before returning.

George Waris of the Waris Brokerage Co. and Charles Abrahams were injured in an automobile accident between O'Neill and Emmet last Thursday. Mr. Abrahams was driving. Setting the brakes to avoid coming together with another car, their car upset into the ditch. Abrahams was seriously hurt and Mr. Waris received a bad bump on the head and a cut in his right leg that put him on crutches for a time.

Herbert Hammond had business out in the Ballah neighborhood Monday.

### Files Homestead Entry

There was a time when the filing of a homestead entry was an everyday affair in O'Neill. It is something of a rarity in these modern days. Charles McMillan, John Liddy and Elzina Good were a party over from Spencer on Monday. The first named made relinquishment of an homestead entry and the latter named filed on the land relinquished.

It is a tract of twenty-six acres two miles south of the Niobrara river dam in northern Holt. L. G. Gillespie found some remnants of his former ample supply of government land blanks and fixed them out in due and proper form. The only land office left in Nebraska is at Alliance, where the relinquishment and filing were sent.

### Marriages

Ivan Hanson and Dollie Rogers, both of Gregory, S. D. Arthur Ziska and Agnes Krysl, both of Stuart.

### Bonds Fixed at \$1,000

The three men involved in the calf stealing affair in the vicinity of Ewing were before the county court Monday, waiving preliminary hearing. The court held them to trial in district court on bonds of \$1,000 each. Angus furnished bond and is released from custody, the other two being still in jail yesterday.

The men are charged in a complaint signed by Clarence C. Bergstrom with stealing and butchering a calf in a pasture four miles south of Ewing on October 2. The calf belonged to Edna Lofquist of Antelope county.

Irwin Cronin arrived yesterday from Omaha to spend a week with home town folks. Irwin has just completed his law studies, but has not determined as to where he will locate.

Mrs. Annie Hickey returned to her home in California Monday, after having spent several months here visiting her daughter, Mrs. M. F. Stanton and her sons John and P. V. Hickey.

Hay McClure, a former resident of Holt county but now living at Wayne, was in the city last Thursday. Mr. McClure is administrator of the Trusle estate and was here on business connected therewith.

The Frontier scribe has not verified the report by personal optical observation, but for what it is worth, here it is: Peach and apple trees about town have some bloom and wild plums show a few buds. This is said to be a forerunner of a mild and short winter.

If a fair average proportion of the fish lately put in northeast Nebraska lakes survive till another season, angling ought to be good next summer. Eighteen thousand bass and some hundreds other "breeds" constituted the allotment.

Sheriff Duffy went to Omaha Tuesday with two prisoners for the Douglas county jail. Holt county's jail is of limited dimensions. Just at present there are a few more prisoners in the custody of the sheriff than he has jail room for.

O'Neill has been the object of two out-of-town serenading parties within the week. Thursday last a number of cars pulled in from Ainsworth with a blare of auto horns and banners announcing an airplane exhibition which takes place there today. Tuesday of this week a number of carloads from Valentine stopped in the city for noon lunch and to favor us with a few selections of hand music. The band boys, wearing red hats of flaming hue, are firemen and were on their way, with those not of the band, to attend the state meeting of firemen at Norfolk. Elmer Davey, formerly of this city, was the chief musician.

## OLD PLAINSMAN HAS FINE RELICS IN HIS WORK SHOP

Eli Hershiser has in his little shoe repair shop some interesting specimens of the old west with its romance and adventure, when the plains and the mountains were the abode of Indians, buffalo, antelope and the vicious grizzly. He was an active participant in the drama of the west and spent a good many years in localities that brought him in touch with the Sioux and other Indians.

One fine specimen is a hall rack contrived out of buffalo horns, polished and shining. The horns are arranged in rows on a framework of wood, topped with a magnificent set of horns from a beef. Eli did the piece himself, as also the others, and it shows a real touch of art. Another artistically wrought piece of work is a string of arrowheads and Indian trinkets hung across a portrait of native Indian life and brought to a point below over a decorative feature as a background. Hoofs from cattle, exquisitely polished, have been wrought into pin cushions. A single buffalo horn, on which the polishing was not yet complete, was picked up by Charley Millard when the town-site was laid out for O'Neill.

A tomahawk of solid copper tempered equal to the finest steel is among the collection. Most of his specimens Eli got among the Indians years ago, but this tomahawk was given to him not so long since by a lone Crow Indian from Montana who camped near Eli's home during a short stay in O'Neill while on his way to Genoa where he had a son in the government school. Eli had a tomahawk without a handle that he got on the Pine Ridge over forty years ago, which he wanted this Indian to supply with a handle, but instead the Indian gave him the one he now has in the collection at his shop. It is carved with characteristic designs and is reputed to be of great antiquity. The art of tempering copper, among the Indians, has been lost for over a century.

A stone hammer for industry and one for war are also among the collection.

Mr. Hershiser says he always got along fine with the Indians, finding them sociable and steadfast friends if dealt with fairly. He feels that the Indians had a hard deal from white adventurers. He says he has additional specimens in his home.

### Services at the First Presbyterian Church

Sunday Schools 10:00—Mr. Geo. C. Robertson, Superintendent.

Morning Worship 11:00—Subject, "Peace, The World's Greatest Need."

C. E. Meeting 6:45—Miss Pearl Burge, Leader.

Evening Service 7:30—"Assurance of Immortality."

The two choirs will furnish special music for the above services. We invite you to enjoy the Christian fellowship and the services of worship of our church next Sunday.

Dr. R. W. Taylor, of Omaha, will begin a week's special services Sunday, November 8. Dr. Taylor is a traveling evangelist and lecturer. He will show pictures of his travels abroad and deliver gospel messages.

H. D. Johnson, Pastor.

### Methodist Church Notes

Benj. Kuhler, Pastor

Sunday School at 10:00. Two more classes organized. There is a place for you if not attending.

Preaching hour 11:00. Theme—"The Meaning of the Cross". These themes. Communion Service also. are no dry uninteresting, outworn

Evening—Epworth League 6:30. Join with the young folks in this service. 7:30 regular evening worship hour. Theme—"Good Cheer for the Hopeless."

Special music at both services.

Charles Corby of Neligh was one of the purchasers at the Lienhart Duroc sale at the fair grounds Monday.

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