

Over the County

OPPORTUNITY

John Schmidt shelled corn in this locality on Thursday and Friday of last week.

Mudoff brothers had the misfortune to lose two head of cattle by corn-stalk poisoning last week.

Miss Katherine Wolfe, who has been visiting at the Paul Young and James Van Every home the past two weeks, returned home Saturday evening.

Mrs. Leonard Anderson and Miss Gula Myer were callers, Monday, at the Paul Young home.

J. B. Long was a guest Saturday evening at the Ralph Young home at Meek. He returned home Sunday.

Mrs. Lloyd Whaley was called to Atkinson Tuesday by the illness of an aunt.

Mudoff brothers purchased a new radio this week.

Mrs. James Van Every has been having the flu the last week but is better at this writing.

PLEASANT DALE

Carl Lorenz and Guy Beckwith attended the sale in Atkinson Tuesday afternoon.

Gus Seger and son, Darwin, made a business trip to Atkinson Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Seger, Darwin, and Minnie Seger, Miss Pearl Burge, Rex and Ralph Beckwith, were dinner guests at the home of Mrs. and Mrs. Verne Beckwith in O'Neill Sunday.

Rex Beckwith and Minnie Seger spent Sunday evening with Ralph Beckwith.

James Carney left for Sioux City the latter part of the week where he expects to undergo an operation.

Myrlen Beckwith attended a birthday party at the home of Ruth Burge in O'Neill Saturday afternoon. There were nine little girls present and they spent the afternoon playing games. Before they departed Ruth's mother served cocoa, cake and jello.

Mrs. Guy Beckwith called on Mrs. William Schmoor Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Ralph Beckwith is visiting her sister, Mrs. Vernon Keeney, and brother, Harold Seger, in Norfolk.

INMAN NEWS

The Inman Workers Club, will meet with Mrs. Carrie McMahon Wednesday of this week, "recreation" being the subject of study.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren McClung, and Miss Ruby Jacobson, of Wayne, were visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Miller over the week-end.

Mrs. Casper Pribil, Mrs. W. S. Goree and Mrs. F. E. Keyes went to O'Neill Friday to get the lesson for the Inman Workers Club.

Mrs. Mary Hancock visited in the home of Judge and Mrs. C. J. Malone at O'Neill Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Goree and daughters, of Long Pine, were here Saturday visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Goree and other relatives.

Francis Renner was here from Lincoln over the week-end, visiting with his grandparents and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Norton, of Stafford, were here Saturday visiting at the Mart Harkin home.

Mr. and Mrs. George Conard and sons, of Redbird, were here Sunday, visiting at the R. M. Conard home.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Sholes were called to Ewing Sunday evening on account of the illness of his father, Fred Sholes, who suffered a stroke of paralysis.

Ed. Van Kirk and son, of Brunswick, were here Sunday visiting at the J. T. Thompson home.

The Y. M. club met with Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Smith Saturday evening for their regular meeting.

MEEK AND VICINITY

Funeral services were held at Atkinson last Sunday for Peter Greeley, old time settler of Phoenix, who died at Wahoo, Nebr., on Tuesday, January 23. Mr. Greeley was an old soldier of the Civil War, and will be remembered here by many of the old settlers.

Albert Kaczor spent Wednesday afternoon with Eric Borg.

Mrs. Schelkopf, mother of Mart Schelkopf, came up Saturday evening from Geneva for a visit with her son and granddaughter.

Mrs. Horace Henifin is helping at the Fox home since the birth of the baby.

Roy Spindler and Cecil Griffith had dinner at the Frank Griffith home last Wednesday.

Mrs. Eric Borg spent Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Marriedy Hubby.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Blizkie, of Spencer, were dinner guests at the Frank Griffith home Friday.

Miss Mabel Hansen spent several days last week at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Ed. Henifin and family.

Marvel Borg spent Thursday afternoon with Mildred Hansen.

Levi Yantzi trucked hogs to O'Neill Saturday for George Hansen and Charlie Linn.

John Boshart, old time resident of Joy, passed away Thursday, January 26, at his home. He has been ill for some time. He had many friends and will be missed by many.

Marvel Borg spent Friday with Mrs. Virgil Hubby.

Callers at the Harry Fox home Saturday afternoon were, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Lindberg, of Page, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Rouse, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Griffith and Miss Esther Day.

Arthur Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Miller, is very ill at his home. Arthur was in the forestry service for six months and will be all the time while there, but his old trouble from an injury received several years ago, came back on him recently. His many friends are hoping for his recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Lindberg and daughter, Helen, of Page, drove up to the Fred Lindberg home for a short visit on Saturday.

Frank Nelson recently purchased a Chevrolet truck.

Roy Blunt is visiting relatives and friends at clearwater this week.

Rev. Paul Borg, of the Gospel Tabernacle, of Norfolk, preached at Padlock Union church Sunday morning.

A large crowd attended the Rook party at the Mart Schelkopf home on Saturday evening. A nice time is reported and the young people vote Neva Entainers.

Arthur and Elmer Devall called at the R. D. Spindler and F. H. Griffith homes Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. Paul Berg, of Norfolk, and Mr. and Mrs. Marriedy Hubby and children, Bonnie and Bruce, were dinner guests at the A. L. Borg home on Sunday.

A. L. Rouse, who has been quite ill at his home in O'Neill is somewhat improved at this writing.

Leroy Spindler called at the Fred Johring home Sunday afternoon.

Arthur Devall, of Scottsbluff, was a dinner guest at the Frank Griffith home on Monday.

A. L. Borg shelled corn and sawed wood for Gus Johnson Tuesday. Elmer Devall, Cecil Griffith, Frank Griffith and Roy Spindler helped.

Arthur and Elmer Devall and Raymond Johnson spent Monday evening at the Griffith home, Raymond spending the night with Cecil.

Some from this locality attended the funeral of Mr. Boshart in O'Neill Monday.

Robert Benson came up from Norfolk on business Friday, returning the same day.

EMMET ITEMS

Bill Lewis and Charley Brown, of Clearwater, were hunting coyotes in this vicinity last week. The returned to John Dailey with one coyote.

John Dailey was burnt quite seriously by acid while he was testing cream at the McGinnis store Sunday.

Lois Ann Wilson was an overnight guest of Esther Luben Friday night.

The Women's Foreign Missionary Society will meet with Mrs. F. C. Priestly Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Bates and children, and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bachman and children, were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Moyer.

Nels Hasselback, of Shelby, Nebr., was a visitor at the Bob Pease home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. William Luben and Francis and Carl went to O'Neill last Tuesday evening to hear Rev. Brown speak at the K. C. Hall.

Mrs. John Lowery and daughter, Lucille, called on the Misses Evelyn Tomjack and Geraldine Harris at their rooms last week.

Misses Evelyn Tomjack, Evelyn Pruss and Geraldine Harris were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Lowery Tuesday evening.

Miss Anna Rose O'Donnell was absent from school Tuesday.

Mrs. Frank Fritton, who has been ill at the home of her daughter in Emmet, is not so well at this writing.

Rev. and Mrs. T. C. Priestly and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wilson called on Mr. and Mrs. Charles Vogel Sunday afternoon.

Dugel Allen was taken ill Saturday with an attack of appendicitis. He was taken to the Stuart hospital where his condition was considered quite serious.

News Items by the Pupils of District 141

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Brown and daughter, Ferne, of Sioux City spent the week-end at the Andy Brown home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Wayman and daughter, Arlys, and Roy, Harry, Linda and Annie Wayman and Claude Herschler were dinner guests at the Herschler home Sunday.

Miss Mary Welsh called on Mrs. W. P. Dailey Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Brown and daughter, Ferne, and Tillie, Olive, Otto and Andy Brown were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Horn, Saturday evening.

John Gaughenbaugh is spending a few days with his brother, Clark, at Atkinson.

Mr. and Mrs. John Welsh and daughter, Mary, Robert Gortner, Art Burge and sons, Harold, Clyde and Glen, and George Bowen, were visitors Sunday at the Herschler home.

Margaret, Nelle and Mose Gaughenbaugh were dinner guests at the Welsh home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Maring and Mr. and Mrs. John Welsh visited the Horn family Sunday evening.

Mrs. Arlo Hiatt and Miss Ruth Hoffman called on Mrs. Emma Maring and son Sunday.

Mrs. John Horn and Mrs. Joe Maring spent Monday with Mrs. M. Maring.

Loss of Moisture Classes Minnesota A Drouth State

A recent Associated Press report gives figures on the Minnesota drouth that are startling, and others suffering this visitation may find some cheer in knowledge that things might be worse than they are. Misery loves company, they say.

"Imagine 6,625,623,701,522 cubic feet of water, or multiply that by 7.48, which is the number of gallons per cubic foot, and then try to figure out how many battleships 49,559,665,287,386,304 gallons of water will float.

"That amount of water, probably more than that contained in all of Minnesota's 10,000 lakes, is the deficit in the state's average share of precipitation since January 1, 1920.

"Since the drouth period began in 1920, up until January 1, this year, the average deficit chalked up by the weather amounts to 33.99 inches. If water of that height were spread over the state's 53,943,379 acres it would be equivalent to 6,625,623,701,522 cubic feet.

"But one year during that period, 1928, resulted in a brief respite from the arid conditions that have gripped the state, .37 of an inch above normal precipitation being registered.

"Figures of the United States weather bureau show that precipitation in 1933 totaled 21.97 inches, which was 4.32 inches below the average yearly total for the state. This was the second driest year since the drouth began, being exceeded only by 4.63 inches below normal in 1923. In 1932 the deficit was 3.43 inches."

Fur Quotations

Those who follow traplines may be interested in fur quotation sent out recently by a prominent fur house:

Mink, from \$11.50 to \$4; Raccoon, from \$9.25 to \$2.75; Badger, from \$21 to \$4; Wolf, from \$13 to \$4; Muskrat, from \$1.35 to 30 cents; Skunk, from \$2.10 to 60 cents; Civit Cat, from 75 cents to 25 cents, and Weasel from \$1.20 to 30 cents.

White tail jackrabbits are quoted at from 20 to 10 cents each. Just why black tail jacks are not quoted is not explained.

Taxpayers Support 7,802 In State Institutions

Of interest to every Nebraska taxpayer is the population of the seventeen institutions which are kept going thru cash levied from them. The board of control compiled these figures about January 1, this year, and they give the number of inmates in the 17 tax-financed charitable and penal institutions of this state.

At the state penitentiary at Lincoln, 938;

Lincoln state hospital, 1,266;

Norfolk state hospital, 1,024;

Hastings state hospital, 1,549;

Home for dependent children, 112;

Soldier's Home, Milford, 131;

Reformatory for men, 375;

Reformatory for women, York, 47;

School for Blind, Nebr. City, 49;

School for Deaf, Omaha, 207;

Industrial school, women, 73;

Orthopedic hospital, Lincoln, 79;

Tuberculosis hospital, Kearney, 156;

Boy's Industrial school, 192;

Soldier's Home, Grand Island, 235;

Girl's Training school, Geneva, 191;

Feeble minded school, 1,178.

In all, there are 7,802 persons confined in the 17 institutions, or were, on January 1, this year.

This Year's Wheat Acreage Larger Than Was Expected

The department of agriculture at Washington reports that winter wheat planting for the year 1934 was 23 per cent above the acreage expected under

the crop reduction program of the farm administration. An analysis of results of the wheat reduction campaign, when checked with the department estimate of the crop reporting board, showed that the net reduction in the 11 principal producing states was only 77 per cent of the reduction expected.

The actual reduction in acreage was estimated at 3,267,000 acres as compared with 4,263,000 acres expected.

The greatest differences between expected and actual reduction were in the states of Oregon and South Dakota, where both spring and winter wheat are important crops.

Aged Globe Trotter Keeps On Trotting

A few years ago a woman traveling by hitch-hiking appeared in O'Neill and caused a mild sensation on account of her age and ability to care for herself anywhere and under every condition. It is believed the following, appearing in the Sioux City Tribune, refers to this same globe-trotting woman:

"Marshall, Minn.—Mrs. Lydia Hodgkins, Marshall's 84-year-old globe trotter, is off again on another of her annual pilgrimages.

"This year she is going to visit Palestine again. Two years ago she visited the Holy Land, but did not have time to see all of the interesting places.

"Last year Mrs. Hodgkins visited Paris and Rome. She also is contemplating a trip to South Africa.

"Although she is 84, this eccentric woman travels alone, and claims she has no trouble in getting around. She generally wears an old straw hat tied to her head with a veil, has an apron tied over her coat, and carries a stout branch of a tree for a walking stick."

Nebraska News Items

In Knox county a petition is in circulation for obtaining voters approval of the building of a new courthouse at Center, the county seat of Knox county. The building would be constructed under the PWA plan. Several other counties near Knox may see petitions circulated toward razing ramshackle county buildings and erecting modern county plants.

Bonds for \$35,000 to erect a \$78,000 school building in Brainard carried with a vote of 5 to 1. Recently the state PWA board approved a loan and grant for the school building.

Sportsmen of the panhandle section of Nebraska want a representative of that section of the state on the state game, forestation and parks commission and are urging the appointment of L. G. Lowe of Sidney. Emerson Purcell, a member of the commission, and whose term expired on January 15, is not a candidate for reappointment, as he has entered the field as a candidate for the democratic nomination for congress for the Fifth district.

The Ackerlund farm near Fremont has more corn under official seal than any other farm in the state. The seals, supplied by the state railway commission, are preliminary to government loans of 45 cents a bushel. A few days ago Gilbert Ackerlund got a certificate for the storage of 28,816 bushels of corn. Saturday, his mother, A. Doris Ackerlund, obtained one for 13,656 bushels.

Near Wahoo, an automobile containing six persons drew alongside Charles Russel, a bachelor workingman, and a woman in the car asked Russel for a match. He accommodated the woman and in return she asked him to produce a penny so she might bless it. The penny was "blessed" and the woman asked Russel to hand over his wallet for a general blessing. The woman blessed the pocketbook and handed it back. The money, \$80, must have been blessed for the woman, inasmuch as Russel was short that amount when he reached his home and made a count. The matter was reported to Sheriff Mengel.

Ward Betzer, of Lincoln, state president of the Izaak Walton league, asked land owners of Nebraska of large acreages of sub-marginal lands that may be retired from crops production and which might be suitable for raising game birds and nesting and breeding grounds of wild birds to notify him. Federal officers have requested Mr. Betzer to find tracts of such lands comprising about 1,000 acres which may be more suited to game bird purposes than to production of crops. What remuneration such land owners

might expect was not mentioned in first announcement.

At Laurel, recently, a perfect bridge hand, 13 spades, was dealt Mrs. A. D. Felber, who did not faint and had the courage to bid two spades. Those playing with Mrs. Felber at the time were Mrs. M. T. Ankeny, Mrs. Frank Westrand and Mrs. Earl Rimel.

Dan Cottrell, East Omaha, was killed instantly last Saturday night when struck by a car driven by George J. Bryan, 32, of East Omaha. Cottrell was walking along the pavement in east Omaha when he was struck from behind and did not see Cottrell until it was too late to stop.

Fire of unknown origin destroyed the Custer Arms apartment building at Broken Bow last Saturday afternoon, rendering fifteen families homeless and causing damage in the amount of \$25,000. The loss was partly covered by insurance.

Rev. D. K. Miller, pastor of the Cedar Bluffs Presbyterian church, whose sermon last Sunday was believed partially responsible for an outbreak of opposition to the state banking department, will preach another sermon on the state banking situation next Sunday, it was announced last Friday. His topic will be "Has the Devil Been Converted?" In his sermon of a week ago, Rev. Miller bitterly assailed Governor Bryan and the state banking department, charging they have created a reign of terror in Nebraska.

State Sheriff Mike Endres has resigned as state sheriff and Tom Benton, who has been a deputy the past three years, has been appointed to succeed him. Among peace officers of the state Endres' ability as a state officer was not very highly thought of.

Convicted in district court in Omaha three months ago on the charge of obtaining money under false pretenses, Lawrence Goldman, Omaha attorney, was sentenced to four years in the state penitentiary. His motion for a new trial was overruled before the Judge pronounced sentence. He obtained release on a \$2,500 bond pending an appeal to the supreme court. He was convicted of having obtained a loan of \$700 on a piece of property which he represented as being clear of incumbrances, but against which there were several outstanding mortgages.

1,600 Students Enrolled In Relief Study Centers

An announcement by Professor A. A. Reed, director of the University of Nebraska extension division, says 1,600 students have enrolled in Nebraska in 100 relief study centers, so far. Reed is in charge of the project.

College or high school credits may be obtained by the students. The term of the schools is eight weeks. One hundred teachers have been employed. Among the 100 approved study centers and the directors, as well as the number of pupils attending, are the following:

Ewing, Anna Van Zandt, 22; Albion, Mildred Hess, 10; Hartington, Ida Bryant, 11; Blair, Alice Jensen, 19; Long Pine, Catherine Ward, 10; Elgin, R. H. Elliot, 10; Lyons, Mabel Roda, 24; Lynch, Frank Howell, 10; Neligh, Adelyn Wolfe, 16; Madison, Margaret Schmitt, 10; Oakland, Arlene Larson, 26; Norfolk, Edmund Werner, 14; Spencer, Marguerite Dye, 25; Wynot, Edith Hackl, 15; Stanton, Mary Mielenz, 25; Rosalie, Marjorie Anfin, 12;

WHAT BETTER COURSE? In a Philadelphia family recently, the engagement of a daughter was announced. A friend, calling, was met at the door by the colored maid who announced: "No'm Miss Alice ain't home dis aft'noon; she gone down to de class."

"What class?" inquired the visitor. "You know Miss Alice is gwine to be mar'ied in de fall," explained the maid, "an' she's taking a course in domestic silence."—Globe (Toronto).

NO LONGER TRUSTING Detroit Free Press: "Maybe the sign on the dollar will be changed from 'In God We Trust' to 'Under New Management.'"—Toledo Blade. And there doesn't seem to be anything more to say.

Some Believe Weed In Holt County A Narcotic

Here is something that should interest Holt county folk, especially those having children who ramble prairies, often partaking of unknown plants or roots, called "Indian tobacco" or other fanciful names that is no guarantee the undertaker shall not have something to do at your place. The clipping is from a San Francisco paper, the name of which is missing.

"Alarmed by a swiftly rising tide of marihuana users, the California state narcotic division has started a concerted drive against the loco weed, W. G. Walker has announced.

"Successful campaigns against other types of dope rings, combined with the general economic depression, have resulted in marihuana becoming one of the most popular narcotics, Walker said. Practically the entire staff of the narcotics division is engaged in an attempt to eradicate the nuisance.

"Marihuana, common problem in the southwest for many years, grows profusely in California. It is cheap, and in many instances has taken the place of cocaine and other narcotics.

"The depression, coupled with the breaking of drug rings, has had much to do with the recent abundant cultivation of the marihuana weed, Walker said. Those seeking a thrill may acquire it inexpensively. Rolled in cigarette form, the weed will give the average addict exhilaration for approximately three hours, at an average cost of but 25 cents.

"A large quantity of the weed is cultivated in southern California. Fields of it also have been located in the Fresno district and in Tehama county. The weed is hardy and often it is found under cultivation in back yards and on odd bits of land.

"Because it is of nondescript appearance, without odor, it is difficult to detect except by experts of the department. A constant patrol is maintained in territories where the weed is known to be cultivated.

"Historically, the weed is held to be a native of India, where it is known as hasheesh.

"The weed is not classed under federal law as a narcotic, hence the burden of suppression rests wholly on the state narcotic department. Approximately one-half the states of the nation include marihuana in their narcotic regulations, and the weed was classed as a narcotic at the Geneva conference, to which the United States was not a party."

A silver colored foot-high plant, spindly and delicate appearing, grows in parts of Holt county and many believe it a loco weed.

As I am leaving the ranch I will sell the following property at the old Charles Wrede ranch eleven (11) miles north and four and one-half (4 1/2) miles east of O'Neill Fair Grounds, or three (3) miles north and three (3) miles west of the Opportunity store, on

Wednesday, February 7, 1934 at one o'clock p. m.

2—HEAD OF HORSES—2
A team of geldings, ages eleven and 12. Weight, 1,400 each.

26—HEAD OF CATTLE—26
One Whiteface bull. Eight Whiteface milch cows, three now being milked, one just fresh, rest to be fresh soon. On Whiteface calf. One two-year-old steer. Thirteen Whiteface stock cows and heifers, two with calves by sides.

52—HEAD OF SHEEP—52
One buck. Six yearling ewe lambs. Forty-five ewes.

POULTRY
Sixty Rhode Island Red hens. Ten Rhode Island Red roosters.

FARM MACHINERY
One wagon with rack. One four-wheel trailer with box. One two-wheel trailer with rack. One 6-ft. McCormick-Deering mower. One 12-ft. John Deere hay rake. One new separator, used about 6 months. Two sets of harness, one nearly new. One large saddle. Other articles too numerous to mention.

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