

CELEBRATE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF RED BIRD COUPLE

Mr. and Mrs. John Carson Given A Surprise Celebration By Their Children And Friends.

On Friday, March 1, about 70 relatives gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Carson at Red Bird, Nebr., to help them celebrate their 30th wedding anniversary.

Mr. Carson was in O'Neill serving at the regular session of the county board, and had not expected to be home, but due to the successful scheming of Supervisor Sullivan and Hank Tomlinson, he came home expecting to meet a road engineer there at 11 a. m.

When car after car drove up he and his wife stood as if dazed but when they saw their relatives from a distance they realized it must be a surprise for their wedding day.

Every one brought wedding well filled with food and dinner was served in cafeteria style. A large wedding cake decorated with a miniature bride and groom, stood in the center of the table at which Mr. and Mrs. Carson sat.

After dinner a mock wedding was enacted, Hank Tomlinson performing the ceremony, which was very interesting and amusing. The bride wore a blue silk dress with a long white veil, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ladley were attendants to the bride and groom, and Mrs. Guy Wilson was train bearer for the bride.

A short program followed the wedding, consisting of an instrumental selection by the Pickering trio, two vocal selections, "When Your Hair Has Turned to Silver" and "An Old Spinning Wheel," by Mrs. Henry and Mrs. Albert Ladley. A short talk was given by Mr. V. V. Rosenkrans and a few hymns by the Pickering and Carson children. They were then presented with a davenport.

Those attending from a distance were, Iris Carson, Will Ladely, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ladely, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ladely and Mrs. A. R. Ladely, of Gordon, Nebr.; Mr. and Mrs. John Young, of Inman, Nebr.; Mr. and Mrs. Duane Carson and daughter, of Chambers, Nebr.; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tomlinson, of O'Neill, Nebr.; Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Wolfe and Mrs. Oral Pickering, of Lynch, Nebr.; Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wilson, of Burke, S. D., and Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Wolfe, of Bone-steel, S. D.

Anna Ladely and John Carson were married at the home of the bride's parents near Red Bird and began housekeeping on the farm where they now reside, and have lived there these 30 years.

They have five children. One boy, Iral, a twin to their only daughter, died at the age of 10 months. The others are: Iris, who is teaching at Gordon, Nebr.; Duane, of Chambers; Ronald, of Red Bird, and Albert, at home. They also have two grandchildren.

Everyone enjoyed the day and hoped they might be able to help them celebrate another wedding anniversary.

Supply of Seedling Trees Is Exhausted

Agricultural Agent Reece is still receiving applications for Clarke-McNary seedling trees, altho the supply of everything is exhausted, except a few of the pines. Applications can only be accepted for Jack and Yellow pine, and then no assurance of delivery can be given.

Committees Will Start Appraisal March 11th

Most of the Community Committees who are to do the appraisal work of the corn land for the 1935 corn-hog contracts will start their work Monday, March 11. They will visit all farms in their neighborhood before they get thru. Those who have made application should make it a point to be home when the committee calls.

Non-signers will be contacted when the committee passes his place and if he is home will appraise the land at that time if he wishes to sign an application. If

he does not, the committee will pass on.

This visit of the committee to those who have not signed will be the last day they may sign without paying the expenses of the committee for their return trip. These expenses will amount to approximately \$5.00. It will save the producer and the association expense if the land of all signers and those who wish to sign can be appraised at one trip.

Congressman Stefan Writes of Events At The National Capitol

Washington, D. C., March 1—The completion of this month of February represents the half-way point in President Roosevelt's journey in his present administration. Two years have slipped by in the most serious phase of our country's history, and incidentally, two months have slipped by since the 74th Congress went into action.

Congressmen who have been in Washington for many years declare that the last two months have been the most strenuous months in our nation's history, and they are wondering what the next few months will bring.

Many people throughout Nebraska are taking more interest in governmental affairs than ever before and from many letters I receive it seems that people are listening to the radio for news from Washington, and are reading the magazines and newspapers more carefully than they have ever done before, especially pertaining to the things that are occurring in the nation's capital. To a member of this Congress who is new, the amount of money that is required to run the government's business becomes so gigantic that it is almost impossible to realize that there is so much money in the world.

Naturally, coming from a farm community and mingling with members from every district in the 48 states, island possessions and territories of the United States, a Nebraska Congressman realizes that these 435 representatives of the people really reflect the ideas and opinions of people from the entire nation and that everyone of these representatives, delegates and commissioners are desperately struggling to have enacted into law some piece of legislation in which the people in their particular district are interested.

Naturally, a Nebraska Congressman like myself usually stops to ponder as to what he personally has been able to accomplish, and what this great body of legislators have accomplished in the two months of this session. Frankly speaking, we have spent a tremendous amount of the taxpayers' money; that alone seems to predominate in the minds of congressmen who have come from the middle states. People in Washington seem to give little importance to that particular phase of the action of Congress thus far. Many Congressmen who come from states east of the Allegheny Mountains seem very little interested in what is transpiring in the states of the middlewest, especially in Nebraska.

Many of those coming from New York, Boston, Pittsburgh, and large eastern cities, cannot realize that people in Nebraska are so much interested in what is going on in Washington, and a Nebraska Congressman suddenly realizes, too, that he is looked upon somewhat as a foreigner in a strange land, especially when he brings up subjects pertaining to the farming industry, which the man from the industrial centers of the east does not understand, but out of the chaotic conditions here, and in burning letters, is imprinted in the mind of this Nebraska Congressman that he has taken part in giving power to spend about \$7,076,000,000 in round figures. Of course, that represents the huge relief appropriation and the five regular supply bills. We in Nebraska think in figures of \$100 or \$1,000, they talk nothing less than millions and billions here. For instance, we have authorized to spend:

\$777,000,000 for Independent Offices.

\$39,000,000 for the District of Columbia.

\$92,000,000 for State, Justice, Commerce and Labor.

\$902,000,000 for the Treasury and Post Office.

\$378,000,000 for the War Department.

\$4,880,000,000 for the Emergency Relief Works Bill.

\$1,000,000 for the Security and Exchange Commission.

It is the greatest spending program the world has ever known, and coming from a frugal state and frugal family it becomes so dizzy and so imposing that the Nebraska Congressman wonders where all of this money is coming from, and whether or not the burden of the taxpayer will become too overwhelming.

With this start in huge spending, we have four more major supply bills, which include the Interior Department, on which we are now working, the Navy Department, the Agriculture Department and the Legislative branch of the Government, all of which will run into many more millions of dollars.

That is the report of what your House of Representatives in Washington has done in the two months which have just elapsed.

Letters from home indicate interest in various constructive legislation. When that will be reached no one here knows.

The soldiers' bonus, old age pensions, the Frazier-Lemke Refinance Bill, the Wheeler Amendment for lower rate of interest to farmers, and other legislation, bills for which have been filed, are being held back until the various appropriations are out of the way.

With all of this work ahead of Congress and with many pieces of legislation in which there is considerable controversy who earlier, many Congressmen who dispersed in the session predicted a short program for Congress now claim that the House will be in session far into the summer time.

KARL STEFAN.

Adelene Bowden Weds Army Man

The Miller Park Presbyterian church, Omaha, was the scene of a pretty ring ceremony Sunday, Feb. 24th, when Rev. E. J. Valder united in marriage Adelene Bowden and Harry J. Swack, of New York City.

The bride and groom were both attired in grey.

Attending the bridal couple were Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Weekes, of Omaha, Mr. Weekes being a cousin of the bride.

Following the ceremony a dinner was served for the wedding party and a few friends, in the newly furnished quarters of the bride and groom, at Fort Omaha, No. 66G, where they will permanently reside.

The groom is connected with the Organized Reserves in the New Federal building.

Early Pioneer Dies At Her Page Home

Mrs. Cora Grace Snell died at her home near Page last Monday at the age of 82 years, 4 months and 26 days, of ailments incident to old age. The funeral was held from the Methodist church in Page at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, Rev. Geidel officiating and burial in the Page cemetery at the side of her husband who passed away in November, 1931.

Mrs. Snell was one of the pioneers of the Page country, coming to Holt county in the spring of 1883 and, with her husband, settled on a homestead a mile north and a mile east of the present village of Page, where she had made that home continuously since that time. She leaves to mourn her passing two sons and two daughters, R. L. and Raymond, of Page, Mrs. Cora VanConnett, Ottumwa, Iowa, and Mrs. Chloe G. Pollock, of Ewing, besides a host of friends and neighbors.

Senator F. J. Brady and Representative L. G. Gillespie came up from Lincoln last Friday and spent several days home looking after business matters and visiting with their constituents. They returned to Lincoln Tuesday afternoon to attend the reconvening of the legislature on Wednesday, after a week's recess. Mr. Gillespie says that some of the most prominent matters before the legislature will be taken up this week.

Pete Todson was in Norfolk Wednesday attending a meeting of the managers of the J. C. Penney stores in this section of the state.

BENEFIT PAYMENTS DEFENDED AS CHIEF SOURCE OF INCOME

Says Corn Payments Worth \$4.50 Per Bushel To Nebraska Farmers in 1934.

By F. M. Reece, County Agent Nebraska farmers will hear all kinds of stories in the next few months about the sins of the Triple A reductions, the destroying of little pigs, and the plowing up of cotton. Consumers who have become accustomed to low food prices are all noticing the rise in the prices of meat, butter, and some other foods.

One practical Nebraska editor has hit the nail on the head when he said in his paper that, "all of us have been wishing for several years that farm prices would go back up so farmers would have some purchasing power, but right now we town folks are all cussing the price of butter and eggs." Few people realize what the farmers and town people of the state would have been up against this past winter had there been no wheat and corn-hog checks, no cattle buying program, and no corn loan.

Nebraska farmers hused about 15 million bushels of corn in the entire state last year, compared with a usual crop of 225 million bushels. Had there been no corn-hog program and all the corn land planted to corn in 1934, the crop would have been only three million bushels higher than it was. Those three million bushels, when compared with the benefit payments from corn alone, would have cost the farmers \$4.50 per bushel plus the cost of production.

Comparison of corn and hog prices throughout the year show definitely that feeding corn to hogs was not profitable for the man who farrowed the pigs in 1934. Reduction of hog farrowings under the corn-hog contract was a help rather than a hindrance to Nebraska hog raisers last year. Many corn contracted acres produced additional livestock pasture or roughage last year which was also a benefit rather than a disadvantage to contract signers.

Nebraska farmers have ordinarily realized three-fourths of their cash income from the sale of livestock. Livestock numbers are extremely low at the present time, and some of the cash income in 1934 came from liquidation of breeding stock which is always paid for later when producers try to get back into livestock production. Since this condition exists over much of the state, farmers will have fewer livestock to sell in 1935 and 1936, and the money they have to spend in the stores in town may be considerably reduced unless prices are enough higher to make up for the decreased number marketed.

Nebraska small town and city business, wages, employment, and all other activities are dependent almost entirely upon the buying of the farmers of the state. Nebraska consumers will see the reflection of higher food prices in improved local business conditions more quickly than consumers of any other state in the country. A crop in 1935, plus satisfactory farm prices, should make it possible for the Cornhusker state to stage a comeback like the one of 1924-'25-'26 when this state was the bright spot in the entire country.

Holt County Couples Take County Vows During Past Week

JOHNSON-PROTIVINSKY

Claude E. Johnson and Miss Jeanette Protivinsky were united in marriage at the Catholic church in this city last Tuesday morning, Rev. B. J. Leahy officiating, in the presence of a large number of the relatives and friends of the contracting parties.

A wedding dinner was tendered the bridal couple and a few intimate friends and relatives of the contracting parties at the home of the bride Tuesday noon. More than 50 guests, a large number of whom were relatives of the bride and groom, partook of the splendid dinner served by the host and hostess.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Johnson, who live just west of the city. He is an industrious and likeable young man who has a host of friends in this city and vicinity. For several months he was in the employ of the federal government in the corn-hog division.

The bride is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Protivinsky of this city and grew to womanhood here. She is a winsome and charming young lady who has a host of friends in this city and vicinity, who wish for her and the man of her choice many years of wedded bliss.

SANFORD-KRAFT

Melvin Sanford, of O'Neill, and Miss Georgia Kraft, of Atkinson, were united in marriage at the Episcopal church in this city last Tuesday afternoon, Rev. William G. Vahl, of Atkinson, officiating.

The groom is a young man who was born and grew to manhood in this vicinity. He is frugal and industrious and has been an employee of one of our cafes for the past couple of years. The bride is one of Atkinson's fairest young daughters who has a host of friends in that vicinity. Their friends wish them many years of happiness and prosperity.

PODANY-ZAKRZEWSKI

William H. Podany and Miss Rose Zakrzewski, members of two prominent families of northeastern

Holt, were united in marriage at the Catholic church in this city Monday morning, Rev. B. J. Leahy officiating, in the presence of a large number of the relatives and friends of the contracting parties.

A reception and party was tendered the newly-weds at the home of the bride's parents Monday night, which was attended by a large number of the relatives and friends of the bridal couple.

WHAT'S DOING IN THE LEGISLATURE

By James R. Lowell

The state government has paved the way for supplying funds for relief for the first time in its history, and Nebraskans face the prospect of seeing \$12,000,000 paid out during the current year to support nearly 250,000 persons on the relief rolls. A good share of this, of course, must go to meet the cost of administering the relief. The state is to raise \$2,000,000, the counties a similar amount, and the federal government thru the FERA intends to put in about \$8,000,000.

The state's share of the relief budget is to be raised by a 1-cent increase in the gasoline tax, making a total of 6 cents. To enable the counties to raise their proposed share of relief funds, a bill was pushed thru and signed by the governor authorizing counties to continue for two years, use of the inheritance tax for relief. A senate file and a house roll which would continue for two years the right of counties to levy an additional half mill for relief are pretty certain to be passed in the near future.

The relief revenue law sets up a state assistance committee to administer the state's relief funds in co-operation with the board of educational lands and funds. Cost of administering relief by the state is limited to 6 per cent of the total appropriation, or \$240,000 for the two years. The Nebraska ERA has been spending about 13 per cent for administration, according to Administrator Haynes.

The extra gas tax expires automatically July 1, 1936, unless revoked before that time. Revenue close to \$1,000,000 is expected from liquor and beer taxes and this is to augment the relief fund.

The pauper law, which provides if close relatives of a poor person, including grandparents, grandchildren and brothers and sisters, refuse to support him voluntarily, the county may force them to do so, at least to the extent of \$10 per week, would have been repealed had a bill introduced by Representative Havekost of Hooper, been passed. However, it was killed in the house. Close observers of the relief situation say that if this law were really enforced, about half the persons now on relief would no longer need to be supported by tax money.

Immediately after his relief bills became laws, Governor Cochran named the members of the state relief committee as members of the newly created state assistance board. The group is headed by Frank Throop, Lincoln publisher. "It is our desire that the administration of relief be placed in the hands of local authorities insofar as federal relief regulations within as federal relief regulations will be placed to a large measure in the hands of county boards and county supervisors."

The mortgage moratorium law which was introduced by Governor Bryan two years ago and put thru in jig time about the time that farm strikes and farm marches were in vogue, is to be continued for another two years. H. R. 1, introduced by Cone, of Valley, and signed last week by the governor, extends the moratorium act until March 1, 1937.

Other measures that have been signed by the governor recently and added to the Nebraska statutes include S. F. 48 which requires the board of control and other public purchasing agencies to fix in advance the time for receiving and opening bids on materials, supplies, and construction contracts, and to consider no bids presented subsequently; S. F. 37 which allows the spouse of an insane person to mortgage real estate with approval of the county court (this bill carried the emergency clause); H. R. 1

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PRIMARY TEACHER AT ACADEMY DIES FROM PNEUMONIA

Funeral Services Held For Sister Mary Joachim Tuesday At St. Patrick's Church

On Saturday at 8:30 p. m., Sister Mary Joachim, the primary teacher of St. Mary's Academy, passed quietly to her eternal reward.

On Monday previous, she was stricken with pleurisy which soon developed into pneumonia, and its rapid development proved too much for her frail constitution.

Sister Joachim was born in Buffalo, N. Y., on June 13, 1893. At the age of 17 she dedicated her young life to the special service of God and spent 25 years teaching the little ones entrusted to her care.

She was a most devoted and energetic worker for the greater honor and glory of God and the welfare of God's best beloved—the little ones.

Her work in education called her to various parts of the county—Ohio, Washington, New York, South Dakota and Nebraska.

As her mother, Mrs. Katherine Epp, and the immediate relatives could not reach O'Neill for the last obsequies, the family was represented by a cousin, Mr. Matthew Thomas, of Columbus, Nebr.

The funeral was held on Tuesday, March 5, at 10 a. m., in St. Patrick's church, Rt. Rev. Monsignor John G. McNamara officiating.

Mother Claver and the Sisters of St. Mary's extend kindest thanks to the good people of O'Neill for tokens of sympathy and aid in this hour of bereavement.

Seed Loans Are To Be Available This Year

Adopting provisions for a seed loan by Congress a few days ago forged the last link in a chain of activities of federal and state agencies to help farmers thru a period of low prices followed immediately by the worst drought in history. The seed loan will finance recovery from the drought and help thousands of western farmers try to stage a come-back in 1935.

Congress has passed and the President has signed the seed loan bill but the appropriation for the loan is tied up in the work relief bill. No definite word regarding the handling of the loans had reached Nebraska headquarters at Lincoln last week end, but machinery for handling the loans is to be set up as soon as possible. How soon the loans will be available is now the important question.

Mrs. Miles Elected Head of State Woodman Circle

Mrs. Clara B. Miles, of this city, was elected president of the Nebraska Woodman Circle at a meeting in Omaha last Friday afternoon. Mrs. Abbie E. Holden, of Omaha, was elected vice president; Mrs. Stella Callahan, Scottsbluff, secretary; Mrs. Carolyn Grey, Omaha, treasurer, and Mrs. Ida B. Kennedy, Lincoln, chaplain. Mrs. Florence H. Jensen and Mrs. Julia Saunders, of Omaha, were elected delegates to the national convention in New York city next July.

O'Neill High Victorious In First Tourney Game

The O'Neill High school basketball team went down to Norfolk Wednesday where they are playing in the regional tournament for this district, which started this morning. O'Neill played their first game this afternoon and came off victorious, defeating their opponents, Meadow Grove high school team, with a score of 24 to 20.

The Senior Class of the O'Neill High school presented a three-act comedy drama entitled "Fifty Fifty" at the K. C. Hall last Thursday evening to a large and enthusiastic audience. The different characters handled their various parts very cleverly and the play was thoroughly enjoyed by all those in attendance. The music for the evening was furnished by the O'Neill High school orchestra.

A nice little shower fell here last Saturday and Sunday, the precipitation amounting to .21 of an inch. North and west of here the rain fall was much heavier than it was here, a half inch falling at Stuart and north of Emmet.

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