

THE FRONTIER

FUNERAL RITES FOR MRS. KLOEPPER TO BE HELD ON FRIDAY

Mrs. Elizabeth Kloepper Dead At Her Home At the Age of Eighty-one Years.

Mrs. Elizabeth Kloepper died at her home just west of this city Wednesday morning about 11:30, after an illness of several months of ailments incident to old age, at the age of 81 years, 3 months and 16 days. The funeral will be held Friday afternoon at 2 p. m., from the residence, Rev. A. J. May officiating and burial in Prospect Hill cemetery.

Elizabeth Baacke was born at Trevensoxen, Germany, on August 11, 1854. She came to America when a young girl with her parents and they located in Gage county, Nebraska. On January 15, 1872, she was united in marriage to Henry Kloepper, at Claxtonia, Nebraska. Seven children were born of this union, five of whom are living, two daughters and three sons and are left to mourn the passing of a kind and affectionate mother. Mr. Kloepper passed away in 1930. The children are: Mrs. Henry Wayman, O'Neill; Mrs. Martha Schernik, Edgar, Nebr.; John, Farwell, Texas; Walter, Brunswick, Nebr.; Alvin, O'Neill.

Mrs. Kloepper came to this country with her husband and family in 1911, coming here from Beatrice, Nebr., and with the exception of three years had made her home in this county since that time.

TO THE ORIENT WITH CONGRESS

Kobe, Japan, Oct. 30, 1935. What a different Japan than it was thirty years ago when we first saw it. Then the mode of transportation was the Rikshaw and the ox cart. The ox cart is still here, but the Rikshaw is used only for tourists who want to be able to say they rode in one. In Shanghai and Hong Kong the Rikshaw is still popular but here it is a thing of the past. Elevated trains, rapid transit bus lines, electric street cars. The street car fare is about two cents. Plenty of airplanes and thousands of taxis and private cars. Yokohama and especially Tokio are modern cities. All buildings earthquake proof and entirely rebuilt since the big earthquake of 1919. Paved streets and left hand drives similar to England. Taxi fares are reasonable—about twenty-five cents for a ride to any part of the city.

Speaking of transportation, the Ford car is the most popular. Mr. Ford has a great assembling plant here and half a hundred new cars were assembled to take the congressional party around the country. The Japanese, who are great imitators, are now about to build a car of their own. It will be put out at lower cost than Fords. We are told that even now the Japanese make a lot of their own Ford parts. They have no regard for patents. They buy a sample of something and make thousands like it. And they ship it to all parts of the world.

What did the Americans see in the first visit to Japan? In Yokohama and in Tokio and here in Kobe? The general impression is that they saw no unemployment because everybody works in Japan. Even the Vice-President admits that he was impressed with the industry—the numerous bicycles and the thousands of school children all dressed in uniforms herded by their instructors.

Compulsory education here in Japan. There is only four per cent illiteracy. Civil service or the merit system only opens the door to college or university education. A millionaire could not buy his son a degree from the University here. The son must earn it thru this merit system or go to foreign lands for his higher education.

To prove a statement we are told officially that there is a Paris, Japan—a Berlin, Japan, a USA Japan, where certain pottery and novelties are made. These are shipped to every country in the world to compete with goods made in the countries where this is sold. We find thousands of items seen in American stores which are copied here.

Japanese Sea, Japan, Nov. 1, 1935.

All day yesterday was spent on the top decks of this ship going thru the Inland Sea. Senators and congressmen, newspaper writers, representatives of sugar interests, oil interests, steamship interests, watched from the decks the beaut-

iful islands of the Inland Sea. But they saw something else. They saw a shore line which is lined with warehouses and factories. They saw thousands of extremely tall chimneys belching forth smoke. They saw great cities of factories and manufacturing plants. Congressmen from Pennsylvania, one from Pittsburg, uttered amazement at the tremendous number of chimneys and smoke stacks of hundreds of steel mills, cement plants, etc. For two hours before the steamer left the straits at the west entrance of the Inland sea these cities of mills and factories attracted the eyes of Americans. Little attention was given to the daylight bombs of welcome which were sent up from the hillsides by the Japanese. All talk was centered on Japanese industry. The Americans suddenly realize why American trade in the Far East has gone to Japan.

Speaking of Japanese factories and mills—the president and secretary of Philippine Chamber of Commerce are in Japan today on a "good will" mission to Japanese business men. The Japanese newspapers carry full column stories about speeches made by these Filipino officials to the effect that the Filipinos welcome Japanese trade. The newspaper report states that the president of the Philippine Chamber of Commerce in a banquet address on Oct. 28 at Tokio called attention of Japanese business men to the fact that the Philippine Islands will never be an industrial country and that the Japanese trade in the Philippines is heavier than Philippine trade in Japan. In this statement the Filipino is quoted as stating that the Philippine people want more Japanese merchants in the Islands and that the Filipinos want more Japanese made goods because they are cheaper. In return he would like the Japanese to buy more Philippine raw products. Americans on board this ship who read these articles suddenly realize why the United States has lost 90 per cent of the textile trade in the Philippine Islands to Japan. Japan is buying more cotton from America this year. They have many mills at Osaka where this cotton is made into cloth and sold in the Philippines and elsewhere in the Orient. Looking at these things quickly members of the party begin to feel that it is only a question of time when all of the real business in the Philippines will be taken over by Japan.

Thirty years ago when we came thru this sea there were only fishing villages on the shore line. Nearly every one of these villages are cities now with electric lights, electric street cars and with untold number of mills and factories. An army major who passed thru here seven years ago says there were but few factories here then. The big push for factories and mills started ten years ago. Today every town thru these straits is a thriving bustling factory town.

Baseball is a great sport over here. Boys who had autographs from Babe Ruth proudly show these signatures to visitors. Also everybody works in Japan, the boys find a few minutes to play ball in the vacant places after school. But these boys combine business with pleasure. It is not uncommon to see a crowd of boys playing ball with several of them carrying babies on their backs. Americans got a great thrill watching baseball practice the other day in Kobe when the youthful pitcher was winding up with his baby sister tied to his back. The baby swung back and forth, sideways and every direction as the pitcher wound up and threw the runner out at first.

Discussion with reliable business men of Japan indicate that Japanese business is giving good profits. These statements are confirmed by newspaper reports in Tokio and Kobe. The average rate for 1,250 leading business corporations show 11 per cent profit up to this time in 1935. Only seventy firms in the country showed losses and 198 firms failed to pay a dividend.

Marriage Licenses

Clarence G. Decker and Miss Viola Wackenhurst, both of Arlington, Nebr., were granted a marriage license in county court last Monday.

James B. Rotherham and Miss Matilda Bauer, both of Ewing, were granted a marriage license in the county court last Monday.

4-H Poultry Day Will Be Held December 14

by the County Agent. The 4-H Turkey and Chicken clubs have been invited to a Poul-

try Show at the Armour Creameries Saturday, Dec. 14, from 10 a. m. to 3:30 p. m. A poultry show, a judging contest, free movies, free lunch and team demonstrations are among the special features of the program. The judging will be by each member individually on four classes of live birds. Later these same birds will be dressed, brought back and rejudged.

The Armour Creameries, Jamesway Equipment and Hubbard Feed companies are cooperating in awarding over 30 prizes to the winning 4-H members and leaders. Each member is entitled to enter one tom and one hen or one rooster and one pullet.

4-H poultry clubs in Holt county had a membership of 117 and 13 clubs.

Receive Heaviest Rain Here Since Last June

The heaviest rainfall that has visited this section of the state since last June fell here Tuesday afternoon and night, turning to snow sometime in the early morning hours. The rainfall measured .92 of an inch at 6 o'clock Wednesday morning, according to Observers Harry Bowen. The moisture that has fallen since, up to noon Wednesday, will probably bring the amount of moisture up to an inch.

The only time since the latter part of June when we had over half an inch of moisture here was on July 22 when the rainfall measured .73 of an inch. Then again on August 25 we had .78 hundredths of an inch. Since then moisture has been very light, the heaviest precipitation being on September 1 when we had .39 of an inch. It has been so dry in the county that many farmers who planted rye some six weeks ago say that a lot of it has not come up, the ground being too dry for the grain to sprout. A little warm weather now and the rye crop will yet get a good start this fall.

From all reports the rainfall has been quite general over the state.

BRIEFLY STATED

Baltz Fuelberth, of Orchard, was in O'Neill Monday.

Floyd McIntosh, of Page, was an O'Neill visitor Monday.

Clyde Streeter, of Page, was in O'Neill Monday on business.

Lyman Park, of Page, had business at the court house Monday.

Bartlett E. Boyles, attorney at Stuart, was here on business Monday.

Lloyd Cork, of Page, was here Monday on business at the court house.

Mr. and Mrs. George Holloway, of Page, were here on business Monday.

Harry Snyder and Ernie Trowbridge, of Page, were here last Monday.

Carl Miller has returned here after picking corn in the vicinity of Wakefield.

Fred H. Swingle was down from Atkinson last Friday looking after business matters.

W. H. Barnhart made a business trip to Norfolk last Monday, returning Tuesday noon.

Al Miller, one of the pioneers of the western part of the county, was down from Atkinson last Monday.

At Ainsworth last Friday afternoon the local public high school football machine tasted defeat, 16 to 7.

Thomas Graham was in from the Dorsey country last Tuesday, looking after business at the court house.

Miss Betty Brandt, of Omaha, has accepted a position in Margarets Beauty Shop and will begin work Monday.

Arthur Edwards, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Edwards, of near Venus, was visiting relatives in O'Neill Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Johnson and daughter, Mrs. Cora Kirkpatrick made a pleasure trip to Emmet last Sunday.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend sincere thanks to our neighbors and friends for their many kindnesses shown during the recent illness and death of our dear mother—Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Merriman and family.

MRS. PESHEK DIES AFTER OPERATION REMOVAL OF FOOT

Funeral Services For Mother of Mrs. Merriman Held Monday At Wagner, S. D.

Mrs. Josephine Peshek died in the local hospital last Friday following an operation for the removal of a foot on account of a gangrene condition, at the age of 70 years and nine months. The body was taken to the old family home at Wagner, S. D., Sunday and the funeral was held from St. John's Catholic church at Wagner at 10 o'clock Monday morning, Rev. M. Kelly officiating and burial in the cemetery at Wagner.

Mrs. Peshek was born at Prague, Cecho Slovakia on Jan. 22, 1865. She came to the United States with her parents and they located in Omaha, where in 1888 she was united in marriage to James Peshek. Four children were born of this union, one son and three daughters, who are left to mourn the passing of a kind and affectionate mother. The children are:

Mrs. D. B. Lyons, Winner, S. D.; Mrs. C. H. Oskendorf, Manila, P. I.; Mrs. L. M. Merriman, O'Neill, and Joseph Peshek, Wagner, S. D.

Mrs. Peshek had made her home in this city with her daughter, Mrs. L. M. Merriman, since October, 1925. She was taken to the hospital suffering from a gangrene infection of a foot and it was found necessary to amputate the foot and part of the leg.

She was a loveable lady and had many friends in this city who regret her sudden death.

PEOPLE AND THINGS

The Misses Rose and Mary Grady and Owen Grady and Mrs. Dennis Carlon, of Denver, Colo., arrived in the city last Friday to spend Thanksgiving with relatives and old friends here. Mrs. Carlon was a former resident of this city and as Allie Sherry was one of the prominent members of the younger set of this city some forty-five years ago. She was married in this city to Dennis Carlon and a year or so afterwards they moved to Colorado, where she has since made her home. It has been about forty years since Mrs. Carlon left this city, but she still finds many of the friends of the olden days still residents of the city.

The last democratic legislature in Nebraska completed their duties and adjourned a few days ago, without any regrets on the part of the taxpayers of the state. They added about \$6,000,000 to the tax burden of the people of the state, most of which goes into their social security program. Whether their old age pension plan will amount to anything or not time alone can tell. It is the present intention to commence paying old age pensions on or about February 1, 1936.

Word reached this city about 5:30 that C. B. Yarnell, local manager of the Golden Rule store, was in an automobile accident south of Atkinson, while returning home from a state managers meeting at Holdrege. No information had been received as to the extent of the accident or whether Mr. Yarnell had been injured or not.

Mrs. Agnes Sullivan took over the duties of postmistress of this city last Friday morning, notice of her appointment having arrived a couple of days before. Mrs. Sullivan is the first woman who has ever held this office in this city and The Frontier predicts that she will make an efficient and accommodating postmistress.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gartner, living south of Emmet, returned Monday night from their old home at Randolph, where they buried their little son, who died in a Norfolk hospital Saturday from lock jaw.

Last Sunday was a day of genuine Indian summer weather. House flies, ants, bugs, spiders and even garter snakes were animated, men went without coats—and some claim without underwear, and boys talked of going swimming until parents talked of making "flying switches."

The Presbyterian ladies are having a bazaar and food sale on Saturday, December 7, at 2 o'clock p. m. Lunch will be served during the afternoon. For further particulars see the next issue.

Rev. and Mrs. A. J. May left Monday morning for Lincoln, where they will spend Thanksgiving at the home of their daughter.

THE NEBRASKA SCENE

by James R. Lowell

Thanksgiving dinner at home apparently was the lure that got the boys out of the legislative trenches. Considerable interest was attached to the adjournment of the special session as it probably was Nebraska's last sitting of a two-house legislature. Newspaper men who have seen a number of legislatures come and go say this last one was about average, but was handicapped by being called upon to enact in a short time a group of social security laws which the lawmakers and most others concerned knew little about.

Final revision of the old-age pension law indicates funds will be available for between 20,000 and 25,000 persons over 65 years old. Payments of pensions will not start before February 1, next.

A total of \$2,028,238 of state money will be available for the pensions, the bulk of the money coming from an additional one-cent tax on gasoline. Liquor revenue and a \$2 head tax will help swell the fund.

The pensions will run from about \$5 to \$30 per month maximum, depending upon the financial status of the recipient. Each county will have to decide pension rates for itself, and if there is not enough money to go around the average pension will have to be scaled down.

The counties will get their share on a population basis. In addition to the state old-age pension funds, the federal government thru its social security act is expected to put up an equal amount. Figuring on this basis, if the average pension is \$25 a month, there will be money for approximately 20,000 persons.

The entire social security program as finally passed by the legislature will be co-ordinated thru a state board and county committees. A director for the program is to be appointed at a salary of \$4,000 a year.

Two per cent of the social security funds will be set aside for state administrative purposes. This means that about \$140,000 a year will be available for this purpose.

Two new tax measures, originally framed by the legislature in regular session last spring, but revamped by the special session so as to be workable, (we hope), are the laws requiring automobile owners to pay their personal taxes on their cars before they can obtain license plates, and the delinquent tax liquidation bill.

The first-mentioned law is expected to increase the state's revenue by bringing in taxes on about 90,000 automobiles in the state that are licensed but upon which no personal taxes are paid. There has been some muttering, however, to the effect that the law smacks of class legislation, and allows owners of pianos and diamond rings to go on enjoying their music and sporting their jewelry regardless of back taxes, while the delinquent car owner must enjoy his rides within the confines of his garage.

Under the delinquent tax liquidation law, forgiveness of interest and penalties on delinquent real estate levies is provided if the principal is paid in 10 equal installments and current taxes are paid. The taxpayer must take advantage of the plan not later than September 1, 1936.

Where personal taxes are concerned, interest and penalties are forgiven if such taxes are paid in five equal installments and current taxes are paid. This plan must be taken advantage of not later than January 1, 1937.

This law is expected to greatly increase tax collections within the next year.

The investigation of the banking department instituted by the legislature last spring has given birth to a most surprising political animal for which the state officials and other politicians have no name but a "whozzit."

To start the ball a-rolling, W. J. Williams (R), chief investigator for the investigating committee, let forth a sudden blast several weeks ago, alleging that certain state officials were trying to head off the investigation, presumably to hide rotteness in the banking department.

Williams declared that four types of law violations had been unearthed by the investigating committee, altho his colleagues didn't seem to think that there was anything so far amiss as to warrant prosecution. But Williams said that improper loans had been made to bank directors, state funds appropriated for political purposes, assets of failed banks sold without court orders, and excessive salaries paid banking department officials.

Hospital Notes

Rose Mary Biglin went home Saturday, the 23rd, feeling fine.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Bart Malloy, Friday the 22nd, a baby girl, at 6 a. m. The little one died three hours later. Mrs. Malloy went home Monday afternoon.

Ambrose V. Rhode, of this city, had his tonsils removed Tuesday morning.

Charles Wrede came in Tuesday morning for another tooth extraction and medical treatment.

Boy Lost In Sandhills Sleeps In A Blowout

Considerable excitement was created in the southeastern part of the county last Friday afternoon when it was reported that a little boy was lost in the sand hills and crowds of farmers were out looking for the little lad, who was finally found about midnight that night asleep in a sand blowout and about half frozen.

The little lad was the three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Miller, who live on the old Garver place southwest of Ewing. He wandered away from home Friday afternoon and was not missed until dark. A general alarm was sent out and more than 200 residents of that section of the county joined in the hunt. The Millers recently moved to the Garver place from a ranch south of Atkinson.

Youths Get One To Ten Years For Wool Theft

Alva Baker, who was convicted by a jury in district court last week on the charge of burglary and Edward Thomsen, who was also convicted of the same offense, were before Judge Dickson last Monday afternoon and each of them was sentenced to from one to ten years in the state penitentiary at Lincoln.

PEOPLE AND THINGS

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bartley Malloy passed away last Friday morning three hours after birth. The funeral was held last Friday afternoon at 2 p. m., Rev. B. J. Leahy officiating and burial in Calvary cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. James Oppen attended a birthday dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Grandorf, northeast of this city, last Sunday, for their son, Leroy, a brother of Mrs. Oppen.

Mr. and Mrs. John S. Johnson and son, Charles, were here Sunday visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Edwards. The Johnsons reside at Plainview where Mr. Johnson is section foreman for the Burlington railroad.

Paul Henry, of Loveland, Colorado, and Mrs. E. A. Cox, of Geneva, Nebr., drove up from the latter place last Monday for a short visit at the home of Mr. Henry's mother, Mrs. Birdie Henry. They returned to Geneva Tuesday.

C. B. Yarnell, local manager of the Golden Rule Store, went down to Holdrege last Sunday morning to attend a meeting of the managers of the stores thruout the state. He expects to return Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Butt and son, Rex, and Miss Jean Kearns, of Nebraska City, drove up yesterday afternoon and will spend Thanksgiving at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Cronin.

Virgil Ott, Edward Kirkpatrick and George Timmerman spent from Friday evening to Sunday afternoon here with relatives. The three are members of the Niobrara CCC camp.

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Gillespie returned home Tuesday night from Lincoln, where Mr. Gillespie had been the past five weeks attending the special session of the legislature.

The Royal theatre will give a matinee on Tuesday, December 3 at 3:30. Admission is a toy and the toys will be distributed to the needy families at Christmas.

Mrs. George Van Every and her children, Alberta and Dean, and Virgil Johnson visited last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Asher at Page.

Mrs. J. H. McPharlin accompanied her daughters, Mrs. Chapman and Mrs. Gladson to Omaha last Saturday and she will spend a few weeks visiting there.

Gene O'Hern and Henry Beckman went down to Sioux City last Saturday and spent Sunday visiting friends in that city, returning home Monday morning.

ST. MARY'S BASKET BALL TEAM HAS 20 GAME SCHEDULE

Cardinals Open Their Campaign Here Friday Night Against the Royal Quintette.

One of the most strenuous schedules in many years has been arranged for the St. Mary's Cardinals. Returning letter men are Francis Price, guard; Donald Martin, forward; Francis Soukup, center. Bernard McNally, who lettered at the O'Neill High last year, is slated to hold down the other guard. Bernard Rohde, Delmar Price and Edward Quinn loom as good first team material.

The Cardinals open their twenty game schedule with Royal Friday night, the 29th. The game will be played in the St. Mary's gym. Nov. 29—Royal at home. Dec. 3—Anoka at home. Dec. 6—Page at home. Dec. 10—Inman at home. Dec. 13—Orchard at Orchard. Dec. 17—St. Joseph's of Atkinson at Atkinson. Dec. 20—Clearwater at Clearwater.

Jan. 3—Open. Jan. 11—Ewing at home. Jan. 14—Page at home. Jan. 21—St. Joseph at home. Jan. 24—O'Neill at public school. Jan. 28—Long Pine at Long Pine. Feb. 2—Orchard at home. Feb. 5—Butte at home. Feb. 9—Spalding at home. Feb. 11—Inman at Inman. Feb. 14—Ewing at Ewing. Feb. 18—Open. Feb. 21—Long Pine at home. Feb. 25—O'Neill at home.

Ladies Soliciting Funds For Children's Xmas

The ladies of the city are soliciting funds and new and used toys to enable those children of the less fortunate to have a nice Christmas. Persons who wish to make donations please do so on or before Dec. 4. Please deliver at the sewing circle across the street west from the library. If unable to make deliveries please call the relief office and some one will be sent for them.

Gas War On In The City

A gas war is on in this city and the motorist now figures that he is getting a break. Last Friday evening all the oil stations in the city dropped the price of gas 5 cents per gallon and the various stations says that business is good. For the past year one station has been selling gas a few cents under the old line stations and they have been getting the business. Finally they all fell into line the latter part of the week and gas can be bought at any filling station in the city now for less money than at any other place in this section of the state.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday School 10:00, Mr. Yantzie, Superintendent. Morning Worship 11:00, "Children of God." Evening service 7:30, "The Victory of Goodness." Maxine Barnes will give her prize declamation. The choirs will lead in the singing of hymns and anthems. H. D. Johnson, Pastor.

METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

Rev. A. J. May, Pastor. Sunday School 10 a. m. Worship 11 a. m. Communion Service assisted by the choir. Epworth League at 6:30 p. m. Special musical program by the Junior Choir at 7:30. Short sermon, "The Ministry of Music." Monday evening, Dec. 2, the Epworth League group meeting in the basement of the church with luncheon at 6:30 and the program following in the auditorium.

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to express our heartfelt thanks to the many friends and neighbors for their kindness extended during the illness and death of our little son, Robert. We also tender our sincere thanks for the many beautiful floral offerings.—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gartner and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Grandorf, living northeast of the city are expecting a dozen relatives to be with them from Exeter, Nebr., Thursday for a good old-fashioned Thanksgiving dinner. They are expected to arrive Wednesday.

CARD OF THANKS

We sincerely thank all our friends and neighbors who so kindly and thoughtfully assisted us in our sad bereavement, the death of Mrs. Elizabeth McMillan.—Her daughters, sisters and all relatives.