

THE FRONTIER

TUBERCULIN TEST FOR CATTLE HERE TO BE COMPULSORY

Director Banning of Agricultural Department Rules Petition On File Is According To Law.

During several months there has been quite a controversy among Holt county cattle raisers about the tuberculin testing of the herds in the county. Most of the cattle raisers were in favor of testing, while a few of the larger ones were violently opposed to it. A hearing was held before the state department of agriculture and the director thereof decided that the testing should proceed in the county until the task was finished. Thursday's State Journal contained the following about the Holt county controversy:

"Over a protest of a small group of cattle owners Director W. B. Banning of the state department of agriculture, at the close of a hearing, ruled that Holt county is a legal area for the testing of breeding cattle for tuberculosis testing. Banning and Dr. J. S. Anderson, state veterinarian, conducted the hearing in the governor's hearing room to accommodate forty or more Holt county cattle owners. Banning said that in the absence of proof that the petition before him does not contain bona fide names or that misrepresentation was not made in its circulation he would have to accept it as a valid petition. It contained the names of 1,862 owners of cattle in Holt county, owners of 70,239 head. He had a certificate showing 1,757 owners in the county whose cattle to the number of 74,252 had been assessed for taxation. The law requires a petition of 60 per cent of the cattle owners owning 51 per cent of the cattle in a county.

"Objections to the petition had been filed by Charles W. Peterson, Thomas Baker, John Bower, Jack Widman and Hugh James, owners living in the county, objecting to the designation of the county as a testing area on the ground that the petition was not circulated according to law, that more than 51 per cent of breeding cattle had been tested prior to the filing of the petition, that signatures had been obtained by misrepresentation and "unlawful promises."

"Peterson, chief protestant, was present, supported by a part of the others signing the protest. A. H. Marquardt of Ewing and others comprising a delegation of more than thirty others favoring testing, stated that petitions were circulated without misrepresentation and no coercion or threats were used. In the absence of proof against the petition's legality Banning ruled that the testing should proceed. It was admitted some testing had been done before the petition was completed. Peterson said the petition did not show that cattle owners were all owners of breeding cattle. He said the ruling might be contested but did not say what steps he contemplates."

Mrs. F. P. Hunter Wins Holt Canning Contest

Mrs. F. P. Hunter, of Star, won the Holt County Canning Contest on her entry of one jar each of meat, carrots and peaches. Mrs. T. M. Harrington, O'Neill, won second. All the exhibits were excellent and the judges had considerable difficulty in selecting the winners. Mrs. Hunter's entry will now be sent to the Agricultural College at Lincoln to compete in the State Contest December 20.

John Kohlman Winner In Pasture Improvement

John Kohlman, Stuart, was recently announced as the Holt County Pasture Contest winner. He is to give a short talk over WJAG at Norfolk, Sunday, December 15 at 1:45 p. m. The Pasture Contest was started as an attempt to develop ways and means to reseed land that was overgrazed or badly infested with weeds. Many new methods have been developed and the success of Mr. Kohlman's plan is worth the careful investigation of many Holt county producers. All contestants who completed are to be entertained at a banquet in Omaha by the Omaha Chamber

of Commerce on Tuesday evening, December 17, when the State winners will be announced. There is also to be a short program over the radio from WOW and WAAW at 3:30 p. m., Tuesday, December 17, when several pasture contestants will talk.

EVENTS AND PEOPLE

The acting of young Jack Coleman, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Coleman, of Omaha, has been receiving favorable comment in the Omaha newspapers this week. Jack has been appearing in the Omaha Community Playhouse production, David Belasco's "The Return of Peter Grim," which opened Monday and continues for one week. Mr. and Mrs. Coleman formerly resided here, and Mrs. Coleman will be remembered as Mildred Downey.

S. J. Weekes returned last Thursday night from his trip to Washington, D. C., where he had been called by the head of the Agricultural Credit Corporation for conference. John says that things are very lively in Washington, something doing all the time. While there he had a nice visit with Donald Gallagher and George Harrington and that both of them liked their positions and were getting along fine.

California, here I come—to Nebraska. Last Sunday a picnic was held on the river south of town, the male participants parading in shirt sleeves and flies, bugs and spiders were circulating round with mosquitoes planning rear attacks. All we need now is earthquakes to shake down towerists in the old seven-come-eleven-game.

Mrs. Frank Dishner and Mrs. Peter Morgan entertained twenty-four guests at a 1 o'clock bridge luncheon Saturday at the Golden Hotel in honor of Mrs. Edward Girard, of Cleveland, Ohio. Mrs. Hugh Birmingham won the high score, Mrs. Hugh Coyne the all-cut and Mrs. Girard the guest prize.

Mrs. Frank Biglin and Mrs. H. J. Birmingham entertained at a 1 o'clock bridge luncheon at the Golden hotel in honor of Mrs. Edward Girard, of Cleveland, Ohio, on Thursday. Mrs. William Froelich winning the high score and Mrs. Girard the guest prize.

The teacher and pupils of District 32 cordially invite you to attend our Christmas program and box-social December 20 at 8:00 p. m., at the school house. After the program we will give away the rug made at school.—Eileen Renner, teacher.

Miss Florence Emmet, the state director of the extension department of the University of Nebraska, was in the city Tuesday and Wednesday giving demonstrations to the leaders of the Project Clubs.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Moss, Mrs. F. N. Cronin, Mrs. Max Golden and Mrs. William Froelich drove to Sioux City Thursday where they spent the day. Mrs. Froelich continued on to Chicago, where she expects to spend some time.

Mrs. F. N. Cronin entertained the Martez Club at the home of Mrs. Frank Biglin Wednesday night. The high score winners were, Mrs. Hugh Birmingham, Mrs. Homer Mullen and Miss Marjorie Dickson.

Harry Larson of Chambers, Virgil Ott and Edward Kirkpatrick of O'Neill were home from Friday to Sunday evening from the CCC camp at Niobrara. The workers there are engaged in soil erosion work.

Mrs. Stuart Meech, of Chicago, is expected home the first of the week and will remain over the Christmas holidays visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. O'Donnell and other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Chris Yantzie returned Wednesday night from Omaha, where she had been visiting relatives and friends for several days.

Mrs. R. R. Morrison and son, Richard, returned Tuesday night from Omaha, where they had spent a few days on business.

CANCEL CONTRACT WITH OMAHA FIRM ON COUNTY BONDS

Holt County Citizens Felt They Should Have A Chance To Bid On Court House Bonds.

At a session of the County Board of Supervisors last Saturday afternoon the contract entered into with the Greenway-Raynor company, of Omaha, for the purchase of the \$61,000 worth of court house bonds was cancelled and the bonds will be offered for public sale some time in February.

Some Holt county citizens were interested in bidding on the bonds, knowing that there were no better bonds on the market that those secured by Holt county real estate, and felt that they were entitled to an opportunity to bid on the bonds, and for this reason the board decided to cancel the contract entered into with the Omaha firm. The Omaha company were very nice in the matter and made no objection to the cancellation of the contract.

Application Blanks For Seedling Trees Ready

The Clarke-McNary tree applications have been received. You may obtain a blank by writing to F. M. Reece, Agricultural Agent, O'Neill. These are seedling trees available to farmers at the rate of \$1.00 per hundred. Many varieties are included in the list and a maximum of 1,000 trees may be ordered by any one person.

Hospital Notes

Mrs. Orton Young, of north of O'Neill, had her tonsils removed Monday morning and went home the same evening.

Mrs. Melvin Sanford and baby went home Wednesday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Garhart, Wednesday morning at 8:30 a baby girl.

THE NEBRASKA SCENE

by James R. Lowell
Despite the Triple A and its financial benefits to agriculture, it would appear that the tide of sentiment in Nebraska has swung away from the new deal, if a forum for state university students held recently at Lincoln is to be taken as a criterion.

Featuring the forum was the presentation of arguments both for and against the new deal, with C. L. Clark, Lincoln attorney, backing up the Roosevelt administration, and Former Governor Sam McKelvie taking the opposite side. Incidentally, neither speaker presented any new arguments that have not been heard in Nebraska during the past year.

Judging from the sentiments expressed by the students after the forum had been thrown open, the anti-new-dealers were in preponderance, altho plenty was said on both sides. A republican politician who attended declared that the number of student voices raised against administration policies is significant inasmuch as the new deal program has been credited with appealing especially to the young people.

On the other hand, a democratic party leader pointed out that the student demonstration couldn't be taken as a guide to existing voting sentiment in the state as there are more young republicans than scions of the opposite political faith attending the institution. The democrat also refused to concede that there was any considerable anti-new-deal expression at the forum, altho he admitted that the young republicans might have "made more noise."

McKelvie's shot which hit the bull's-eye most squarely was the contention that the Roosevelt administration's unprecedented spending is pushing the nation toward chaos and that "spending two dollars for every dollar taken in is poor business."

Clark scored best with the assertion that Roosevelt acted when action was necessary, and that the present administration is the first that has attempted to single out the common people, including the farmers, to receive benefits that "heretofore have been held sacred to the big industrialists and moneyed class."

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TO THE ORIENT WITH CONGRESS

Shanghai, China.

The reception to this congressional ship party in Shanghai was wonderful. Members were thrilled at passing an American gun boat in the river. They were thrilled again as they disembarked and found a company of American soldiers and the band playing "The Star Spangled Banner." It was a round of entertainments by the American and Chinese officials and similar to the welcome given by the Japanese in Kobe and Yokohama.

The cars of the party are well guarded. On our way to the Chinese civic center a few miles out of Shanghai the roads are patrolled by the "police army." Members stand with drawn revolvers and their fingers on the triggers. It's a special occasion for this land of trouble and many important statesmen are in the group. Chinese officials say most anything can happen and they won't take chances—for that reason so much protection.

Shanghai is a great metropolitan city. The flag of every nation floats here. The foreign settlement is well policed. Foreigners tell us foreign settlement will go back to the Chinese some day and that some of the British are already liquidating. In private conferences between business men here say they feel sure that in ten years Japan will control most of China. Unconfirmed reports by very serious minded men here are to the effect that Japan's "OK's" everything done by the Nationalist government and that the Japanese have controlled the anti-nationalist government at Canton for a long time.

About 450 people to the square mile in this part of China. The rickshaw is popular means of travel as well as the modern taxicab. Rickshaw fares very cheap and the Rickshaw population runs into the thousands. Those natives pulling these carts are among the refugees from the country. Living standards are very low. Only 15 per cent literacy here, the officials admit. Humanity is about the cheapest thing.

The members of the party who watched with keen interest the organization and industry in Japan suddenly realize that here in China the people are not organized. Chinese merchants tell these American shoppers that they would welcome some other kind of government. Their taxes are high and they pay tributes. Chinese merchants indicate that Japan is taking their trade. They tell Americans that chain stores in America buy much of the cheaper Japanese goods. They apparently still remember the Chinese-Japanese war of 1932. Signs of that war are on every hand.

On the Yellow Sea. This is being written on the Yellow sea. The passengers are wondering why they call this the Yellow Sea. It is because of the soil erosion in China and the yellow earth comes down the Yangtze river and flows into the sea, turning the water yellow. Folks here say soil erosion is one of the things that is hurting China. The river is about 4,000 miles long. Our boat went up the Yangtze river a short distance and then up the Wangpoo river. The river life is tremendous and thousands upon thousands of Chinese live on these rivers all their lives.

The minister of finance for the nationalist government made the trip from Nanking to Shanghai to be with the congressional party. He speaks fluent English and believes Americans are the real friends of China. This gentleman is 48 years old and sat at our table discussing conditions. He told us that he always employs 180 body guards and continues getting daily threatening letters. Kidnapping for ransom, he tells us, is a great pastime here.

Space for gardening and farming on the outskirts and in the country outside of Shanghai is hard to find. There are no cemeteries here for (Continued on page 4, column 1.)

TAX COLLECTIONS FOR COUNTY ARE ON THE INCREASE

County Land Owners Have Paid In Over 42 Thousand During Month of November.

The office of County Treasurer Winchell has been a busy place the past month. During the month of November taxpayers of Holt county paid the sum of \$42,187.44 in taxes for the year 1935 and the sum of \$12,498.51 back taxes, or a total of \$54,685.95 for the month. The above is real estate and personal taxes and does not take into account any of the taxes paid on the 6,000 cars and trucks in the county, as the latter are now taxed separately and paid separately from the regular personal tax.

The amount of tax money paid in November is greater by about \$5,000 than that paid in November of last year, 1934, and nearly \$10,000 more than was paid in the same month of 1933. During the month of November, 1934 the county treasurer collected \$50,167.41 in taxes, \$30,589.18 being the current tax for that year and \$19,578.23 being back taxes. During November, 1933, they collected \$45,471.92 in taxes and of that amount \$27,745.40 was current tax for the year while \$17,726.52 was back taxes, or taxes for other years than the one in which it was collected.

On the 7th of this month the county treasurer called in \$16,000 worth of warrants for payment, thus cutting off a sizeable lot of interest. It appears that the county is not as bad off financially as some of our newspaper friends tried to make people believe, just prior to the recent bond election.

Catholic Daughters Hold Their Annual Initiation

The Catholic Daughters held their annual initiation here Wednesday night at the K. C. Club rooms, with a covered dish luncheon being served at the home of Mrs. John Protivinsky after the initiation. The eight candidates being admitted were, Mrs. Henry Bauman, Mrs. Ralph Bauman, Miss Bernedine Protivinsky, Mrs. Frank Meyers, Mrs. James Marron, Mrs. Lod Janousek, Mrs. Mary Zastrow and Mrs. Lawrence Coleman.

St. Mary's Cagesters Lose To Inman Five

The St. Mary's Academy Cardinals suffered their first defeat of the season Tuesday night at the St. Mary's gym when they fell before the cagesters from the Inman High School, by a score of 22 to 14. The second team also lost to the Inman seconds, it also being their first loss of the season, by a score of 18 to 11.

Public School Opens Cage Season Friday

The O'Neill High School opens their cage season Friday playing Anoka on the local floor. Anoka has appeared here once before this season, having lost to St. Mary's in their second game of the season. As Anoka is a member of the Niobrara Conference this promises to be a good game.

Nebraska 4-H Clubbers Win Honors At Chicago

Nebraska 4-H club boys and girls won their share of the major awards in the National Club Congress last week in Chicago. Numerous first and seconds were captured in competition with rural farm boys and girls from every other section of the United States.

Ruth Ann Sheldon, of Cass county was in the "blue ribbon" group in the national 4-H style show. Orval Kettelhut, Lancaster, placed in the "red ribbon" division of the boys' 4-H health contest. Both were high honors for the two Nebraska champions.

Judging teams were also successful at Chicago. The girls room team from Dawson county composed of Frances Weides and Irene Conner was first. The baked food team from Dodge county was second with twenty-three states competing. Nebraska was second in meat identification with Keith Gilmore, Custer county; Elsie Bernasck, Fillmore county; Agnes Brusck, Lancaster county; and Frank Kriv-

olevek, Saline county, competing on the team. The championship Sanders county 4-H poultry team was eighth.

Four-H club girls from Nebraska won numerous first places on their exhibits. Ruby Kayser, Lancaster county, had the prize winning sample of canned fruits. Mollie Svoboda, Saunders county, and Ruth Sheldon, Cass county, had firsts in the clothing exhibit. In the potato show Box Butte county 4-H club members won numerous major awards.

Nebraska girls copped two firsts nine seconds and seven thirds in the Atlas canning contest. In the club exhibit, the Otee canners were third and won \$60.00 prize money. Firsts also were won by Gladys Weitkamp, Washington county, and Marjorie Ruth Pollard, Cass county.

BRIEFLY STATED

Dick Fanski, of Wayne, spent the week end visiting his sister, Mrs. Cobb Olson.

Mr. and Mrs. James Walling, of Aurora, spent Sunday visiting relatives and friends here.

Thirty-one new automobiles were registered in the office of the county treasurer during the month of November.

F. M. Reece, county agent, went to Lincoln Tuesday on business connected with the agricultural problems in this county.

Mrs. Paul Montgomery arrived from Niobrara Sunday and will spend the week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Grady.

Mrs. Harry Claussen left last Saturday for Sheridan, Wyoming, where she will spend a few days visiting her brother, Henry Shaw.

Beanie Beth, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Yarnell, fell while at play at the public school Tuesday afternoon, skinning her chin.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant White and children came over from Bristow last Friday evening for a short visit with friends here, returning home that evening.

The teacher and pupils in the J. H. Carney district invite you to their program and pie social, Tuesday, December 17, at 8 o'clock.—Helen O'Connell, teacher.

Mrs. William Morgan, of Redonda, California, left for her home Sunday night after spending a few days as the guest of her sister, Mrs. Henry Grady of this city.

Mrs. L. G. Adams, of Treece, Oklahoma returned to her home Monday after a short visit with her aunt, Mrs. Julia Uecker of this city who has been seriously ill.

Last Sunday was a big day at the home of Chief of Police and Mrs. Chet Calkins, the chief having reached his thirty-fifth birthday. A dinner for the family marked the event.

Marjorie Joan Cronin entertained sixteen of her young friends Saturday evening at a Chop Suey supper. Mary Lenore Girard, of Cleveland, Ohio, was an honor guest.

Word received here this morning from Charles Richardson indicates that they arrived in Santa Anna, California, on December 4th and that they would remain there for some time.

Mrs. Edward Girard and daughter, Lenore, who have been the guests of Mrs. Girard's sister, Mrs. J. J. Harrington, expect to leave for their home in Cleveland, Ohio, Friday of this week.

The senior normal training class of St. Mary's Academy were observing schools in rural sections Tuesday. They were accompanied by Sister M. Dolores and Superintendent C. J. McClurg.

The basketball team of the Page school played the Cardinals of St. Mary's Academy here last Friday and the Cardinals won, 30 to 6. The second teams of the schools played and the Academy team won.

O'NEILL MAN HAS SEVERE INJURIES FROM CAR WRECK

Lee Devereaux Found In A Semi-Conscious Condition On The Highway West of Here.

While coming home from Atkinson last Monday night Lee Devereaux was forced by the blinding lights of an approaching car to go into the ditch, or was hit by the other car, and hurled into the ditch, he does not know which. The result was that he suffered a broken collar bone, broken ribs, a punctured lung and concussions. The accident happened about 5:30.

Fred Beckheimer, blockman for the International Harvester Co., and his assistant, Ed Syfert, were coming to O'Neill from the west. About eight miles west of town they saw a man staggering around in the road and as they went by they noticed the car in the ditch, with the lights on. They then backed up to see what was the matter and to render what assistance they could. Mr. Devereaux was only partly conscious, could not tell them who he was but he said O'Neill and they got him into the car and brought them to this city and he was taken to his home and Dr. Brown called. He regained complete consciousness that night and says that he seen the car coming up the road with very bright lights and that he signaled him to dim, but the driver paid no attention. Lee does not know whether he went into the ditch trying to evade the bright lights or whether the other car sideswiped him. His car has the top torn and crushed and a rear wheel smashed.

Br. Brown says that Lee is getting along as well as could be expected, considering the serious injuries that he had sustained.

Mr. Devereaux has been acting as foreman on a water works project at Atkinson and was on his way home after his days work when the accident happened. Lee has many friends in this city who hope that he will shortly be himself again.

The men who picked him up said that they passed a car going west, about Emmet, that had very bright lights and, that although they signaled him to dim them, that the driver paid no attention to them. What Nebraska needs, more than anything else at the present time, is a good state highway patrol. With a good active patrol a large number of those driving cars on the highways would use a "little more sense in driving or not drive at all.

Attend County Officers Convention At Omaha

Supervisors Sullivan, Carson, Steinhauer, Matousek, Reimers and Walters and Esther Cole Harris, register of deeds, went down to Omaha the first of the week to attend the annual convention of the county supervisors, highway commissioners and register of deeds association of the state, which is being held there this week.

Kiddies' Xmas Tree Here Monday, December 23rd

The young folks of the county are notified that Santa Claus will make a personal appearance at the Community Christmas tree in this city on Monday afternoon, December 23, at 3 o'clock, when he will distribute candy to all the little folks in attendance. Do not miss it.

Give Dinner For Firemen

The New Deal Oil Station and Cafe operated by Asmus Brothers entertained the O'Neill firemen with a free dinner Monday night in return for their services rendered when one of their tank wagons caught fire a few weeks ago.

CHURCH NOTES

A Pentecostal Fellowship meeting will be held at Scottville hall, Monday, December 16. Brother E. W. White, of Grand Island, will be the main speaker. Services of the day will begin at 11 a. m., 2 p. m. and 7 p. m. The evening services will be preceded by a Christ Ambassador service for young people. Basket dinner and supper will be served in the basement of the hall, Chester Anderson, Evangelist.