

# THE FRONTIER

## O'NEILL PIONEER PAIR HAVE BEEN MARRIED 50 YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. James C. Harnish Reach 50th Year of Married Life Friday, Feb. 21.

A great day, one that comes to a small percentage of millions who unfurl sails on the heavenly sea of matrimony came to reward Mr. and Mrs. James C. Harnish of this city February 21. Fifty years ago, on a homestead 17 miles north of here, near the present Midway community center, Miss Jane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Jacobs, at the family home and James C. Harnish were united in wedlock.

Mr. Harnish was born in Clarion county, Pennsylvania, June 4, 1856, and in 1883 he arrived at Niobrara, where he obtained a position in the United States land office, a great institution at the time since homesteading was the major industry of the country. Mr. Harnish held his position there until 1888 and still held it when the land office was moved to O'Neill. He was with the office seven years.

An expert with figures and master of a chirography of superb development, outstanding even at a time when fine handwriting was an attainment everyone admired and sought, Mr. Harnish soon was placed as deputy county clerk for Edward Butler. Also, Mr. Harnish was deputy county clerk for E. S. Gilmour, serving two terms. Serving as deputy county treasurer of Holt county for E. S. Chittick was the next task handled satisfactorily to all and when Mr. Chittick resigned the county commissioners named Mr. Harnish as treasurer of Holt county and elections resulted in his winning approval of Holt county voters to serve four years as treasurer by general elector's decree.

Mr. Harnish was elected Grand Master of the Odd Fellow's Lodge of the state for the years 1914-15, and he represented Nebraska at the Sovereign Grand Lodge three terms: in 1916 at Chattanooga, Tenn., in 1917, at Louisville, Ky., and in 1928 at Montreal, Canada. In addition to his services as a lodge member he served on the local board of education 19 years and was secretary of that board for ten years. He also was elected councilman of our Third ward two terms, serving with that non-spectacular regularity and rugged honesty which denotes sterling character and painstaking training. He has been an Odd Fellow for 55 years and a Mason for 40 years.

There may be others with as fine records as the Harnishes but finer ones are out of the question. Mr. Harnish is about 79 years of age and Mrs. Harnish is 69. They make no complaint about the condition of health. They have five children and none of the four away from home were able to come for the golden wedding day celebration. The Harnish children and their addresses follow: Frank D. Harnish, of Norfolk, deputy United States marshal, a position he has held for 10 years, seven at Omaha and three at Norfolk; Ruth, at home in O'Neill; Naoma Pearson, Neligh; Edna Carns, Neligh; and Della, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

## Increase in Rye Tariff Would Help Those Who Are Holding A Supply

Guy Cole was down from Emmet Tuesday. Guy says that there are several thousand bushels of rye in the hands of the farmers in the western part of the county, that it is impossible to dispose of at the present price of rye without coming out in the red. He is strongly of the opinion that the tariff on rye should be increased and he has interviewed Congressman Stefan in the matter, and Stefan is also of the opinion that it should be increased.

The present tariff on rye is 15 cents per bushel; the tariff on wheat is 42 cents; corn 25 cents and oats 16 cents. With a greater tariff on rye he believes that much of the foreign rye could be kept out and the American farmers could get a better price for their product.

Professor Gramlich, of the department of Animal Husbandry of the state university, is of the opinion that rye at 30 or 35 cents per bushel could be used to splendid

advantage as a feed for livestock. He says that rye has a relatively high feeding value when ground, and especially when mixed with other grain, and that there would be ample justification for its production in many sections as it is a much more dependable crop than corn.

## Bob Morrison Breaks Arm In Two Places In Fall On Slippery Walk

Last Monday morning R. R. Morrison fell on the sidewalk in front of his residence, as he was starting for the store, and suffered two fractures of the right arm, one at the elbow and the other between the elbow and the shoulder. As he fell he tried to save himself and fell heavily on his right arm. After his injury Dr. Finley was called and in going into the house he fell in the same place, his bag of surgical instruments being tossed over the yard. Outside of being badly shaken up Dr. Finley was not injured. Mr. Morrison, accompanied by Mrs. Morrison left Tuesday morning for Omaha for medical attention.

Bob has had hard luck the past six months. Last fall he fell on the icy walk about a block south of his home and received injuries then that laid him up for several weeks.

## Butte Beats O'Neill For Valley Championship

Playing at Butte last Friday and Saturday the Butte quint won the 1936 championship of the Niobrara Valley conference in a game with O'Neill. The score was 25 to 20. Seven towns had teams on the floor in the contests—Lynch, Bristow, Butte, Anoka, Spencer, Inman and O'Neill. Superintendent Olson, of Springfield, was the referee and he picked the 1936 all-star team as follows: Brunmeier, of Butte and Bergstrom, O'Neill, guards; Cambre, O'Neill, and Anderson, Bristow, forwards; and Dennis, of Butte, center.

In the final game Butte led at the half, 13 to 6. In the third period Butte led with 21 to 10 and then in the final quarter period the O'Neillites splurged field goals of extreme length and threw a scare in the Boyd county Butte-ies. The O'Neill men made a good showing as the score indicates.

## Injured In Apartment House Gas Explosion

Two former O'Neill people were injured in a gas explosion in the Blackstone apartments in Lincoln last Sunday night. The injured were: George W. Davies, severe glass cut on right hand and slight burns about the head; Mrs. George W. Davies, cut by glass and burned. The State Journal says that Mr. and Mrs. Davies were cut when they broke a window in their apartment to escape from the building.

Mr. and Mrs. Davies were for many years residents of Inman, coming to O'Neill about six years ago where they resided for three years, then moving to Lincoln. Their many Holt county friends rejoice that they were not seriously injured in the explosion.

## METHODIST CHURCH NOTES

Rev. A. J. May, Pastor  
Sunday School at 10 a. m.  
Morning Worship at 11 a. m. Anthem by the choir. Sermon subject, "Jesus and the Hungry."  
Epworth League at 6:30 p. m.  
Evening service at 7:30—Junior choir singing. Sermon subject, "Following the Crown."  
A good attendance made an enjoyable and profitable evening at the Methodist church last Monday evening when all had a lot of fun and good time at an old fashioned box supper. Dist. Superintendent, Rev. W. A. Albright was present and gave a talk on the Man Power of the church. A program of music was presented by Mrs. H. Lindberg, Mrs. McElhane, Mrs. Harris, Miss Ruth Kraemer and Archie Bowen.

Erwin Cronin came up from Grand Island last Friday for a few days visit with relatives and friends here. Erwin says that there is not nearly as much snow at Grand Island and south of there as there is here and that the east and west highway there has not been blocked with snow this winter. He returned to Grand Island Wednesday.

## CONGRESS AS SEEN BY A NEBRASKAN

By Karl Stefan

The house passed the war department appropriation bill carrying about \$526,000,000. Before passing it however, the boosters for big appropriations were able to tack on nearly two million dollars for R. O. T. C. This item means that about a thousand R. O. T. C. men will be given a years service in the regular army. Those voting against the additional two millions favored the idea but they felt the army just "chisled" that much out of congress because there had already been an authorization passed last year for the item and that if the army wanted to it could have gotten the money from the half billion already in the bill. Instead of cutting down some of the war appropriation the army came out the victor with an added two millions.

Saturday was an idle day in the house while the senate worked over the farm bill. But many farm members were not idle. They attended various group meetings. Those of importance to the third district were the farm states group meetings where corn loan matters came up and where the committee instructed its sub-committee to keep on working for legislation to force only grain alcohol to be used for blending liquor. Another attempt will be made to fight against the blackstrap molasses crowd which is said to be backed by the sugar lobby. One other group held an all-morning meeting about coconut oil. This group will draw up new legislation to combat the fight which was started in the courts to kill the three cents tax on coconut oil. Bills to this effect are being prepared by a sub-committee of the dairy group. An Iowa court has found the tax unconstitutional because the tax is not a revenue tax. The new legislation will ask that the tax be collected as a revenue measure and paid into the treasury so that the tax can remain in effect. It is estimated that nearly \$250,000,000 has been saved for the American producer since the tax went into effect. The soap trust has started a campaign against members who have fought the coconut oil imports.

Notwithstanding the cold weather "fishin" is good. About 200 Washington families have had fish for supper nearly every day during the cold snap. They catch them by making holes in the ice at the tidal basin around which are planted the Japanese cherry trees. The fish are shad and are fine eating fish. About 5,000 of these fish have been snagged out of the basin this week. The basin connects with the Potomac river which is starting to break up. The Washington fishermen after these shad don't use bait. They use bare hooks on lines which they whip thru the water until they snag a fish. A lot of the people who are fishing appear very poor and they stand on the ice without shoes, their feet thickly swathed in burlap sackings and tied with ropes.

Believe it or not, the government now rents over 118 buildings in this town. A list of these buildings shows over 2,610,000 net square feet and the rent 90 cents to \$2.50 a square foot. The taxpayers pay \$2,564,834.25 rent. All the buildings owned by the government are occupied and now they are talking of moving some of the departments to Baltimore.

They have started putting state papers and records into the new \$8,000,000 Archives building and some experts say that this process is expected to take 100 years to finish. The agent of the archives, Mr. Conner, has surveyed more than 1,500,000 subic feet of public documents which are now ready to be classified and placed in air conditioned vaults. It is believed that much of this will have to be photographed in ageless film, so the space will not be used for several hundred years. So you see it is a hard job to make records and properly file government documents which accumulate so rapidly. Some of the documents which are first being brought will be those of the NRA and others the War of 1812,

Mexican, Civil and the War of Revolution. Later on the records of the Continental Congress may find their way into the vaults.

Congressmen are now talking about new taxes and both the republicans and democrats seem to be worried about that. New taxes, these congressmen say, will not help them in a campaign year, and some of them fell new congressmen that there may be no new taxes at all and the new members are wondering what is going to be done for the money that will be needed? Inflation talk is pretty much general in the gossip going around in the cloakrooms on both sides of the house.

President and Mrs. Roosevelt held a reception for representatives and senators Monday night. It was very cold and the crowd was estimated at 1,200 compared with 3,000 a year ago. Both the president and his wife looked in excellent health and seemed in very good spirits. They chatted pleasantly with most everybody who came along in the line to shake hands. The president especially looked quite healthy notwithstanding his tremendous task. The result of his daily swims in the pool, which is about the only exercise he can enjoy, was reflected in his very healthy color. He didn't seem half as tired during this reception as he was last year when he had such a tremendous crowd to shake hands with.

Yesterday the president sent to Congress a message vetoing H. R. 4178, which had been previously passed and called for the relief of the international manufacturers sale company of America who wanted \$9,000,000 in claims against the government for losses in 1918 and 1920 when they were engaged in furnishing articles to Siberia. The company claimed it lost money because of inability to exchange Russian rubles received from the sales into American dollars, because of a ruling made by the federal reserve bank, which prohibited the exportation or importation of rubles or the transfer of funds for their purchase in the United States. The president stated the direct cause appeared the action of the soviet government in overtaking the assets of the banks in which the claimant had deposited its funds. So the president felt that if congress would pay this company \$9,000,000 because they had lost money in Siberian banks it would open the door to a number of cases fully as well founded. Congress almost unanimously sustained his veto, and so \$900,000 is saved the American taxpayers.

## Holt County School Notes

By Clarence J. McClurg  
Since entering office a year ago, I have had several requests from ex-school teachers to issue permits. I would like to inform the public, that it is no longer possible to secure permits through the State Superintendent's office.

This practice was followed for many years, however, it has long since been discontinued. I realize that many of our ex-school teachers are capable of teaching good schools, yet the law states that a teacher is not qualified unless they can show a certificate in force.

There is no such thing as a permit, the certificate in itself constitutes a valid permit. Permits are usually issued at a time when there is a much greater demand than we are able to fill with qualified teachers. This condition does not exist now. I have said this so that those unqualified teachers may renew their certificates if they so desire to renew them.

Mrs. J. F. O'Donnell went down to Omaha last Monday morning, being called there by the illness of her son, Hugh. Mrs. O'Donnell called Tuesday night and said that Hugh would have to have an operation for appendicitis and J. F. left for Omaha yesterday, but on account of the condition of the roads failed to get thru. Hugh was operated on yesterday and a message from there last night and another this morning was to the effect that he is getting along nicely.

Cleta and S'ella Van Every and Carl Miller and Levi Fuller, Jr., went to Plankinton, S. D., Sunday where friends were visited.

## FILINGS FOR OFFICE IN THIS COUNTY ARE UNUSUALLY LIGHT

Three From Holt County Have An Eye On The Legislative Seat From The 28th District.

J. M. Wilhelm, of Atkinson, paid his filing fee Wednesday and sent in his filing for the state legislature. We are not acquainted with Mr. Wilhelm, but we understand that he has been in the employ of the government for the past few years. His candidacy makes three candidates for the office from Holt county and one for Boyd county.

According to current rumors Boyd county will have another candidate and Rock county will have at least one candidate for the position before the curtain falls. Time for filing is getting short, however, as all filings must be in Lincoln on or before March 5, the last day for filing.

Holt county, for many years one of the most political-minded counties of the state, is rather tame this year, as far as office seekers are concerned. It is true that there are not many offices to fill in this county at the next election, but generally there is more action than there is this year. The only offices in which Holt county is concerned this year, that is locally, are the offices of district judge, county judge and members of the county board from the Second, Fourth, Fifth and Sixth districts, and the following candidates have filed for these offices:

District Judge—Judge R. R. Dickson, incumbent, O'Neill.  
County Judge—Judge Clarence J. Malone, incumbent, O'Neill.

Supervisors—Second District: John A. Carson, incumbent, republican; Robert E. Tomlinson, democrat, Opportunity.

Supervisors—Fourth District: Louis W. Reimers, incumbent and present chairman of the Board, democrat. No republican candidate has filed so far.

Supervisor—Fifth District: John W. Walter, incumbent, republican, filling the office by appointment of the Board after the death of Ezra W. Cooke, republican; J. H. Gibson, Chambers, democrat.

Supervisor—Sixth District: John Steinhauer, incumbent, republican, Stuart; Walter K. Smith, republican, Stuart. No democratic candidate has yet filed in this district.

## Cold Weather Has Been Breaking Water Mains

The severe cold weather of the past six weeks raised Cain with many of the water mains in the city. Two weeks ago mains in the western part of the city froze up and were thawed out. Then Monday night the main on Fourth street, near the Thomas Donlin residence burst and men were busy Tuesday and Tuesday night getting the break repaired. Tuesday night the main on Everett street, east of Seventh street near the John Dumper residence burst and this was taken care of yesterday and this morning.

Water pipes leading into The Frontier office, Biglin's and the Blackbird store froze last Saturday night and were thawed out in a few moments by the Interstate Power company Monday morning.

Will Devall, one of the pioneer residents of the Meek neighborhood was a pleasant caller at this office this afternoon. He said that he did not know how much he would miss The Frontier until the past few weeks when he was unable to get it every week on account of the condition of the roads. He says that he has read the paper for so many years that he is now convinced that it would be impossible to get along without it. Thanks, Mr. Devall, we hope there are many more of our readers who feel just like you about The Frontier, and we know there are.

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday School 10:00—Mr. C. E. Yantzi, superintendent.  
Morning Worship 11:00—"The Living Church."  
Evening Service 7:30—This will be a panel service conducted by the young people. The choirs are preparing special music for our services. A welcome awaits you. H. D. Johnson, Pastor.

## Hospital Notes

Miss Luella Hansen came in Friday with a fractured ankle, and had a cast put on. She is doing fine.

Mrs. Lewis Tasler came in Feb. 22, for medical treatment, and is doing as well as could be expected.

Mrs. Alice Storjohann, of Spencer, came in Saturday evening for medical treatment. She is convalescing nicely.

Mrs. Susie Ross came in Feb. 24 for medical treatment. She is improving slowly.

Max Wanser, of Page, was operated on Tuesday night for acute appendicitis and is doing as well as could be expected.

Mrs. Ralph Prill, of Page, was admitted to the hospital Wednesday and will undergo a major operation Thursday.

## Cold Wave Broken By A Thaw After 31 Days of Sub-Zero Weather

After thirty-one straight days with the thermometer going below zero each night the weather moderated last Friday night and the lowest reading during the night was eight above zero. Since then it has been above zero every night until last night when it went to one below zero. On Saturday last it went to 45 above and Sunday to 48 above, and a great deal of the snow melted during the past five days.

Tuesday night we had a heavy shower of rain that last only a few moments which was followed by about two inches of snow, adding .22 hundredths of an inch of moisture to the months total.

Following is the weather for the past week, as taken by Weather Observer Harry Bowen:

|         | High | Low | Mois. |
|---------|------|-----|-------|
| Feb. 21 | 14   | -2  |       |
| Feb. 22 | 45   | 8   |       |
| Feb. 23 | 48   | 26  |       |
| Feb. 24 | 44   | 21  |       |
| Feb. 25 | 36   | 15  |       |
| Feb. 26 | 35   | 4   | .22   |
| Feb. 27 |      | -1  |       |

## Revenue Law Violator Apprehended At Page

Deputy U. S. Marshal Frank Harnish, of Norfolk, was in the city Tuesday having in custody Joe Varelik, of Page, who was taken before U. S. Commissioner F. J. Dishner. Varelik was arrested at Page on an indictment issued against him in South Dakota in 1934, charging him with violating the internal revenue laws regarding intoxicating liquor. He got out of the state before he was apprehended and was taken into custody by Marshal Harnish on Tuesday at Page. Commissioner Dishner fixed his bond at \$1,000 for his appearance at the next term of U. S. District court at Sioux Falls. He said that he could furnish the bond but no bondsmen appearing that afternoon he was committed to the Holt county jail.

## Where Is Munshower?

In the Johnstown Enterprise of Feb. 13, 1936, an item is headed, "Where Is This Man?" and the text reads: "An inquiry comes from L. G. Freese, Rushville, Nebr., as to the whereabouts of Will Munshower, whom he says used to barber here some 20 years ago, later moving away. Anyone knowing his address please notify Mr. Freese at box 52, Rushville, Nebr. Insofar as the editor can recall, we cannot identify this man as a former barber here."

Just about 20 years ago a barber here named Munshower operated a shop near the present Scott building. We have forgotten the first name but believe it was Will. He was married, had a boy about 15 and likely other children. Possibly Mr. Freese has his towns mixed. Munshower's whereabouts is not known here.

Members of the county board have gangs of men working on the county roads the past week trying to get them open for traffic. They have succeeded in opening several roads, but in many places they could not keep to the highway, but had to go thru fields and over fences. A week of good weather, however, should enable them to get most of the roads open for safe traffic.

About a dozen O'Neillites who had been shoveling snow for the Burlington railway returned here via gas car Sunday.

## CLIFFORD DAVIS IS DEAD AFTER LONG PERIOD OF ILLNESS

Funeral Services Held In This City Wednesday Afternoon From Presbyterian Church.

Clifford Davis died at the home of his mother in this city last Monday morning, after an illness of several months of heart trouble, at the age of 50 years, 1 month and 25 days. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon from the Presbyterian church, Rev. H. D. Johnson officiating and burial in Prospect Hill cemetery.

Clifford Davis was born in Omaha, Nebr., on Dec. 19, 1885. When he was a little lad of five years his parents moved to this city and Clifford had been a resident of O'Neill since the family came here in 1880. Clifford attended the O'Neill school and since he gained his majority had been engaged at the carpenter trade and worked for several years at the printing business. Clifford never married but made his home here with his mother. He leaves to mourn his passing his mother, Mrs. C. L. Davis, two brothers, William P. Davis, of Berkeley, Calif., and Andy Davis, of Sioux City, Iowa, who was present at the funeral. He also leaves an uncle, Dan Davis, one of the pioneer residents of the county.

Cliff was a genial and companionable man. Altho he had been afflicted with heart trouble for the past three years, he always wanted to be doing something and was always willing and anxious to work. His death in the prime of life will be regretted by a large circle of friends in this city and vicinity.

## Funeral At Randolph For Former O'Neill Resident

Mrs. P. B. Harty went down to Randolph last Tuesday evening to attend the funeral of her cousin, Mrs. Theodore Lux, who was buried at Randolph Thursday morning. Mrs. Lux died in a sanitarium at Boulder, Colo., where she had been taking treatment for several months as she was a sufferer from tuberculosis.

Mrs. Lux was a resident of this city for nearly three years making her home with the D. H. Cronin family. On June 24, 1913, she was united in marriage here to Theodore Lux, of Randolph, the ceremony being performed by Rev. E. M. Gleason. Shortly after their marriage they moved to Montana where they resided for several years until failing health compelled Mrs. Lux to seek the higher, dryer altitude of Colorado. She was about 54 years of age at the time of her death.

## Bonds Will Be Offered For Sale Next Tuesday

The county board, at their meeting Tuesday, decided to offer the court house bonds for sale at 10:30 on Tuesday, March 3, 1936. The original date set for the sale of the bonds was February 18, but the snow blockade kept prospective buyers from attending as well as preventing the members of the board from attending the meeting called for that date.

Miss Eileen Enright left Monday for Omaha after six weeks spent here at the home of her parents, convalescing from an illness of pneumonia.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express heartfelt thanks for the great kindness and assistance rendered us during the illness and death of our beloved husband and father.—Mrs. Etta Geary, Mrs. Jessie Hartigan and family, Calvin and Reginald Geary, Haddon Geary and family.

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