

**Over the County**

**SOUTHWEST BREEZES**  
By Romaine Saunders

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Parker, of O'Neill, visited the southwest on business Saturday last.

Mrs. D. L. Withers went to the home of her father, M. McCarthy, of Inez, Sunday and expected to remain there for a time.

Mrs. Arnold, of Amelia, is enjoying a visit from her sister, Mrs. Owen Baker, a former Holt county resident but now residing in Wyoming.

Mr. and Mrs. Baker and Mrs. Riley visited at the Berry home for a short time Sunday. They spent a pleasant evening with Mr. and Mrs. Saunders.

A new bridge is being built on the section line road passing the James place. A grade has also been thrown up for some distance and it will soon be all set out that way for the old time flood waters that may some day visit the earth now drained dry of moisture.

Victor Howarth was over this way Friday, the writer joining him to proceed to Amelia to secure the seal and signature of Rhody Adams, notary public, to the document setting forth the work of the republican caucus. New laws have imposed new duties on the party caucus.

Graveling is supposed to start this week on the splendid stretch of highway running to Amelia from No. 11. A thorough job of grading and clay surfacing has been done and that hitherto much scraped and graded road but never more than just passable is now a delight to guide the fleeting car over.

It is stated that since January 1, 1935, 300,000 tons of shelled corn from Argentina has been received at the Los Angeles port. This is one way of taking care of the shortage resulting from our New Deal farm methods. Son needed a little corn to fatten a bunch of turkeys and now contributed \$1.35 a bushel as a consequence of this system.

Claud Lierman was measuring fields in Swan last week getting a line on the soil conservation as it is in this portion of the vineyard. Claud is the right man to have on the job because he believes in doing a conscientious job of measuring and thinks it a good idea to let the old horny-handed sons of toil loll in the shade during the corn growing season and have Uncle Sam hand them out nice checks in the fall for doing so.

An item overlooked last week was the appearance the Sunday previous of the new Methodist pastor in the pulpit at Amelia, Miss Holbert, who comes to this county from the pastorate at Newport and will serve Amelia and Emmet. She is a young woman of talent, both as a speaker and singer, with enthusiastic energy for the advancement of religious interests among those with whom she is to labor. She will be at Amelia again Sunday, October 11.

It is not necessary to send to Dixie for fine specimens of sweet potatoes—right down here in southwest Holt they grow to the size of pumpkins. Maybe that sounds extravagant but we'll call to the witness stand Floyd Adams over at Amelia. He informs his friends that from a little back yard patch \$50 worth were harvested, some very large, one weighing 7 pounds. But they say Floyd had nothing to do with it only boasting. Mrs. Adams raised the potatoes.

I see by The Frontier my old friend Wallace Johnson has passed the 56th year in Holt county. The southwest excepted, he lighted on one of the choice spots of the county over there in the Eagle creek country and has stayed by it thru thick and thin. A giant in stature, he is just as stalworth in character and is excelled by few if any as a worthwhile citizen. It is men like he who have done the real construction work in developing an empire in north Nebraska. He has never sought office that I know of but has forged steadily ahead, from the pioneer days until the present, in a quiet way that has long rendered him a desirable factor of the community.

The republican caucus named the following to go on the ballot for Swan precinct: Treasurer, Howard Berry; clerk, Victor Howarth; assessor, R. W. Shaw. These are

the present incumbents. Justices of the peace, John Buhlik; constable, Ira Lierman; road overseers, district 53, Bud Warner; district 8, Asa Shermer district 69, Roy Warden. The caucus had been called for 2:45 in the afternoon but was postponed until 8 in the evening, Wednesday of last week. Representatives came from the extreme boundaries of the precinct, indicating a lively interest in the approaching election. Rafe Shaw wore the only sunflower, the commitman out here having received none as yet for distribution.

All night Saturday and during the early hours Sunday morning lightning set the heavens ablaze, accompanied by the rumbling thunder but not until daylight was any rain shaken out of a partially overcast sky. Just after the orb of a new day showed its gilded disc above the eastern horizon a rainbow curved in a perfect arch and vivid colors across the western sky. An old saying, "rainbow in the morning sailors take warning," may come to mind; but if in a more reverend mood the words of Holy Writ were recalled, "and the bow shall be in the cloud, and I will look upon it that I may remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is upon the earth." Clouds became dense and for two hours there was a drizzling rain.

**INMAN NEWS**

Miss Wilma Brown returned home from Bassett Tuesday, after having spent the past two months at that place.

Mrs. John Anspach returned home Friday night after spending two weeks with relatives in Missouri and Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Noe, of Allen, were here Monday evening visiting at the W. H. Chicken home. They were enroute to Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Parker and family, of Page, and Rev. and Mrs. Maxey, of Inman, were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Killinger.

The Misses Jennie and Donna Rae Jacox spent the week end in Omaha visiting relatives, returning home Monday evening.

J. W. Maxey, of Lincoln, and Mr. and Mrs. Bruensbach, of Neligh, were here Thursday visiting their parents, Rev. and Mrs. Maxey.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles Tompkins and daughter, Nancy Lee, arrived here from Indianapolis, Ind., Monday evening for a ten day visit at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Tompkins.

Mrs. George Cornish was called to Sioux City Tuesday morning of this week on account of the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Hladek, who underwent an operation in a Sioux City hospital.

Twenty-six Methodist young people from Inman attended the Epworth League rally at O'Neill Monday evening.

Mrs. James McMahon, Mrs. F. E. Keyes and Mrs. Ralph Britton attended a leaders meeting of the extension Club at O'Neill Wednesday of this week.

County Superintendent McClurg was in Inman Sunday visiting among relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. James Coventry were in Norfolk Saturday shopping and transacting business.

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Colman and son, Charles, of Eugene, Oregon, were here Saturday visiting among old friends. Mr. Colman was pastor of the M. E. church here about twenty-five years ago.

Judge and Mrs. C. J. Malone and Wayne E. Hancock, of O'Neill, and Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Moor, of Inman, were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mrs. Mary Hancock.

**EMMET ITEMS**

Mrs. John Bonenberger and son, Duane, spent Friday at Atkinson with her mother, Mrs. Ella Dallegge.

John Anspach, who spent a few days here last week at the home of his daughter, Mrs. John Conard, returned to his home at Inman Thursday.

J. B. Ryan, of O'Neill, and Guy Cole attended the sale at the Atkinson Livestock market Tuesday.

Miss Fay Sesler, of O'Neill, spent Friday at the Cadman home in Emmet.

Grandma Winkler was very ill last Saturday and Sunday, but is much better at the present time. Her daughter, Mrs. Henry Winkler, is staying with her this week.

The Emmet school teachers attended the Teacher's Institute at O'Neill last Friday. School was let out for the day. Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Allen went to Norfolk Tuesday to visit relatives. They returned home Friday night. Mrs. Alice Bridges came up from Sioux City Saturday night to have her furniture moved there. She returned home Sunday night.

Spike Lawrence is erecting a new house and barn for Dugal Allen.

Larry Tenborg made a business trip to Howells Friday.

The Women's Foreign Missionary held its monthly meeting last Thursday at the home of Mrs. Claude Bates. Quite a few members attended. A delicious luncheon was served late in the afternoon by the hostess.

**MEEK AND VICINITY**

The Ladies Aid met with Mrs. Art Auker on Thursday afternoon, about twenty ladies being present. Several plans for the future were discussed. A penny chase was then enjoyed, everyone participating. Mrs. Auker served a delicious lunch after which all departed, vowing her a fine entertainment. The next meeting will be held at Mrs. A.L. Borg's Will Langan daughter, Mary, and sons, Jimmy and Martin, and Mrs. E. H. Rouse, spent Thursday evening at the Frank Griffith home. Frank Wadsworth and Lowell Anderson, of Spicer, Minn., are visiting at May McGowan's at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Borg and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Robertson spent the week-end at Kearney.

Harry Fox trucked grain from Boyd county for Will Kaczor last Friday.

Cecil Borg did chores for A. L. Borg over the week-end.

Marjorie and Lois Lindberg, who attend school in O'Neill, spent the week-end with the home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Rouse, of Inman, and Miss Maude Rouse and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Young and daughter, Helen, were guests at the Howard Rouse home Wednesday.

The Orville Harrison family and the Frank Griffith family were guests at the Elmer Devall home on Sunday.

Arthur and Howard Rouse made a business trip to Atkinson Monday.

Mrs. Floyd Harrison, of Chadron, is spending the week at the Orville Harrison home.

Mart Schelkopf wrecked his car Saturday night coming from Riverside, when a model T collided with his car and both cars were badly damaged. The party driving the model T said Mart's lights blinded him. We did not learn who the driver was but it was understood that he was from Spencer.

Levi Yantzi trucked cattle to the Sioux City market for Will Harvey on Wednesday.

**PLEASANT DALE**

Mrs. Fred Lorenz and her sons gave a party and treasure hunt last Friday evening for the young people of this community. Mervin Keeys received a black eye during the evening by meeting up too suddenly with a clothesline post. However it was an enjoyable evening.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Ohmart made a trip to Atkinson the first of the week and Mrs. J. K. Ernst on Sunday afternoon to call upon friends there, among whom was Mrs. Gray at the home of E. J. Mack. She is doing as well as can be expected after such a serious injury.

Rex Beckwith went to Scottsbluff Monday where he has employment.

Miss Irene Coleman was a weekend guest at the Hickman home.

The Misses Armella Pongratz, Mary Ann Winkler and Mary DeLore Bruder, students of the St. Mary's academy in O'Neill, were home over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Winkler visited Sunday in Emmet with Grandma Winkler.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerald Dusatko and daughter, Geraldine, visited relatives at Brainard, Nebr., last week.

Guy Beckwith and Emil Heeb are busy at present constructing a house in O'Neill.

Mr. and Mrs. William Schmoer and family were dinner guests at Ed Wayman's Sunday.

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Mrs. Guy Beckwith and children visited Mrs. Art Barnes in O'Neill Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Carl Lorenz spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Verne Beckwith. Carl and Verne accompanied Beck Wallen's ball team to Page to play the team there, the Page team winning.

A surprise party was given at the Joe Winkler home Friday night. A large group of friends and neighbors helped Mrs. Winkler celebrate her birthday. The guests enjoyed an evening of dancing. Mrs. Winkler received some very nice gifts. Luncheon was served at midnight.

Fred Austiss accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Titus, arrived from Lincoln Saturday for a brief visit at the Hickman home, and to take back with them the Austiss children who have been here the past two months with their grandmother, Mrs. Vera Hickman.

Mrs. Gus Seger and daughter, Minnie, were dinner guests of Mrs. Ralph Beckwith Thursday.

**Waffle Listing Holds Moisture on the Land**

"Waffle listing," otherwise known as basin or dam listing, made one of its first public appearances in Nebraska last week as demonstrations of the attachment started in the southwestern section of the state. Held under the direction of the agricultural college extension service and county extension agents, they attracted considerable attention with optimistic and pessimistic discussions heard on every side.

Used as a means of conserving moisture and preventing soil erosion thru control of water run-off, the attachment fits on the back of the lister. By mechanical means, the paddles or shovels raise and lower automatically to form dams of soil across the lister furrows. The ground basin-listed then resembles a waffle. Like the depressions in the edible food where butter and syrup is held, the ground is honeycombed with the small dams where rainfall is held.

The basin or "waffle lister" is regarded as more practical on summer fallowed ground and on land with some slope where contour farming is practiced. Early experiments tend to show that the dams do hold the moisture and prevent both run-off and consequently soil-erosion.

**DEMOCRATS DEMAND EMPLOYEES "KICK IN"**

Attempts of the democratic organization to demand brazenly through implication of job losses that every federal employee in Omaha contribute to the democratic war chest have been revealed thru a small rebellion of some government workers, especially those in civil service.

According to reports of several who have been called upon to "kick in" the objective has been to collect approximately 3 per cent of the annual salary from each of 12,000 federal employees here.

Headquarters for the "take" have been set up at 1125 Fontenelle hotel and are operated under supervision of J. M. Roncka, democratic central committee treasurer.

As an example, one civil service employee drawing a salary of \$2,250 annually, after having received a telephoned demand that he make a call at the "war chest offices"

went to consult an attorney friend.

Winning his civil service position on merit under the administration of Woodrow Wilson, 16 years ago, the bewildered employee declared it was the first time he had been called upon to aid a party cause.

Consternation swept through the large RFC offices when one after another of the employees received the insistent telephone calls advising them to call at the office where democratic contributions are received.

Word of the invitations for federal job holders to "lay it on the line" flashed through the many other bureaus and departments.

Several who went trembling to the 11th floor of the Fontenelle with small sums reported they were gruffly told to "come across in real style." One worker drawing in the neighborhood of \$1,000 a year, said his offer of \$5 was spurned and he was told to try his hand at mathematics and figure out 3 per cent of \$1,000—and the \$30 he was asked to "volunteer" represented a month's rent for he and his family.

At this rate, with the annual pay averaging around \$1,500 the democratic party would realize a fund of more than half a million dollars from this one source in Omaha.—Omaha Bee-News.

**NEW DEALERS PUT HEAT ON EMPLOYEES**

The "benevolent" administration which has been putting bread in the mouths of emergency agency employes for the past two years, turned Indian giver in Lincoln this week and is demanding a part of the money back to bolster the New Deal campaign fund. At room 235, Cornhusker hotel a steady stream of resettlement administration employes has been beating a path to the door with contributions ranging from \$10 to \$300 each, depending on the salaries drawn by them per year. Representing the New Dealers is R. O. Britton, who sits with a stenographer and a smile just inside the door, with his hand out.

A great many who have backed up when asked to pay sums of \$50 and \$100, have been asked what their jobs mean to them—whether it isn't worth \$50 or \$100.

A receipt saying they have contributed to the New Deal campaign fund is much better, they reason, than a slip with the check on pay day which says their services are no longer required.

Meanwhile, R. G. Britton, the open palm of the organization, will leave town in about a week, his pockets well stuffed by contributions to the fund which may easily reach an aggregate total near \$5,000 to \$8,000, that the machine be well oiled.

A girl making \$900 a year was asked to give \$9, a man getting \$1,440 was asked for \$15, and those between \$2,500 and \$3,000 yearly were told \$60 would be about right.—State Journal.

**BOB SIMMONS' CUNNING**

Nebraska City News-Press: Accusing Bob Simmons of being a "jester and a joker" when he points to the per capita burden of the populace when it shall liquidate the Roosevelt money-wasting bill, Edgar Howard of the Columbus Telegram makes this amazing statement:

"He (Simmons) is also cunning as a fox. Of course he knows that

the only citizen of Nebraska who will pay any part of the national debt is the one who makes so much money that he must pay an income tax, or one who buys booze and cigarettes which carry internal revenue stamps . . . ."

Some venomous insect born of the Platte county drouth must be "eating on" Edgar Howard, a normally restrained, logical and kindly disposed editor.

He knows, of course, that the burden of federal taxation rests on the people as a whole and not upon the payers of income taxes. He knows that taxes of all varieties filter from top downward like the heavier silt of the Platte river reposes at last on the bottom of the stream; that they eventually oppress the people in the form of higher costs of living and handicaps to their normal household and business progress.

He knows that the untold billions squandered by the New Deal are billions belonging to the people, who must pay them in the form of increased costs of everything they have to buy. He knows, too, that taxes on "booze and cigarettes" constitute only a small portion of the burden he and his neighbors have to pay.

Bob Simmons' "cunning" in the form of unassailable arguments as to what the New Deal is doing to the people is getting under the skin of Judge Howard and confounding the erstwhile complacence of all New Dealers who believed until recently that a whole nation could be bribed by Treasury money to continue the administration in power.

But the facts of national waste cannot be "sickled o'er by the pale cast of thought," not even by such an effective apologist for the Spenderbund as Edgar Howard. No matter how determined are the soft pedaling organ-players of the current bureaucracy, logic and fact are not on their side in this campaign.

The people want to know what the spending is costing them, what it will cost their children. They are being told by such "cunning" fact-finders as Bob Simmons and other clear-thinking Americans resolved to exhibit the iniquities of this un-American regime.

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