

THE FRONTIER

O'NEILL CITIZENS DONATE \$166.80 FOR OHIO FLOOD RELIEF

Recent Telegram From Red Cross Indicates More Money Must Be Raised In County.

The latter part of last week Dr. L. A. Carter, chairman of the Holt County Chapter of the American Red Cross, received a request for funds for use of the flood refugees in the Ohio river valley. The original quota for the county was set at \$75.00.

Monday morning George H. Jones went around the city and succeeded in raising \$148.45, nearly double the quota allotted to this county. In his canvassing of the city there were several who he was unable to see and anyone desiring to contribute to this fund can do so by giving you offering to the president of the Holt county chapter, Dr. L. A. Carter, or to the secretary, Mrs. Harold Lindberg, or to F. N. Cronin, treasurer, at the O'Neill National bank. Additional contributions handed Red Cross officers since Monday, brings the total raised in this city to \$166.80.

Following is a list of those already contributing to this worthy cause and the amount of the donation.

- George H. Jones \$ 2.50
- E. F. Quinn 1.00
- S. J. Weick 10.00
- First National Bank, O'Neill 10.00
- Golden Rule Store 5.00
- O. M. Herre 1.00
- H. J. Reardon 1.00
- Gamble Store 1.00
- Saunto's 1.00
- R. R. Morrison 3.00
- J. C. Penney Co. 1.00
- W. J. Hammond 1.50
- Gillespie Radio Shop 1.00
- A. M. Turner 1.00
- Texaco Service Station 1.00
- Western Hotel 1.00
- Council Oak Store 1.00
- Agnes Griffen 1.00
- J. B. Ryan 5.00
- Barnhart's Market 1.00
- John Martin 1.00
- E. M. Sauer 1.00
- O'Neill Food Center 1.00
- T. M. Harrington 1.00
- A. E. Bowen 1.00
- W. H. Hart 1.00
- James Davidson 1.00
- F. M. Reese 1.00
- Ralph Leidy 1.00
- Mellor Motor Co. 25.00
- A. V. Virgin 1.00
- Johnson Drugs 1.00
- Hazel Snell50
- Myrtle Dorothy50
- Bordon Style Shop 1.00
- McMillan & Markey 1.00
- Ben J. Grady 1.00
- Golden Hotel 3.00
- American Legion 5.00
- Clarence J. McClurg 1.00
- Esther Harris 1.00
- C. J. Malone 1.00
- Emmet A. Harmon 1.00
- P. C. Donohoe 1.00
- J. J. Harrington 1.00
- C. Gatz 1.00
- Peter W. Duffy 1.00
- J. P. Protivinsky 1.00
- F. J. Biglin 2.50
- W. J. Biglin 2.50
- D. H. Cronin 1.00
- Clyde King 1.00
- L. A. Carter 1.00
- Jas. F. O'Donnell 1.00
- Thos. S. Mains 5.00
- Mrs. E. F. Gallagher 10.00
- Elkhorn Service Station 10.00
- Tigers 2.00
- Geo. A. Miles 1.00
- Lions Club 6.75
- Anna O'Donnell 1.00
- Patricia O'Donnell 1.00
- Mrs. Ren Rentsler 1.00
- Junior Project Club 2.00
- R. R. Dickson 2.00
- Alvina Kohland50
- C. E. Stout 1.00
- Mildred Wyant25
- Bonnie Ward50
- Marie Salisbury50
- Viola Kohland50
- Grace Bollen35
- Theresa Theil25
- Hazel Truman25
- Pearl Ziems25
- Lyle Green50
- Albert Padden50
- Agnes Reznicek50
- Helen Anderson50
- Pete Herford50
- Marie Wittmans50
- R. N. Kurtz 2.00
- G. M. McCarthy 5.00

Wednesday Dr. Carter received the following telegram from the Red Cross:

"Flood suffering has already reached unprecedented proportions with relief needs steadily mounting. Under these conditions impossible now name final goal for funds only limit Red Cross assistance must be maximum generosity American people. Every possible member national Red Cross staff now assigned to field for relief duty. I call upon all chapters to assume full initiative their respective jurisdictions and mobilize every community resource of personnel organization to raise promptly largest possible amount. Report daily amount raised. For your informa-

tion in view present known needs your goal should be not less than five times quota originally assigned you."—Cary T. Grayson.

From the above telegram it will be seen that the quota now set for this county is \$375 and less than half that amount has been raised in this city. Other towns in the county are also undoubtedly raising funds for this cause and the county should have little difficulty in exceeding the quota assigned.

Range and Pasture Will Have A Part In The Soil Conservation Program

This year the range cattle and sheep men have an opportunity to participate in the agricultural conservation program.

The grazing or carrying capacity of each ranch unit determines the allowance for each farm. A unit is the number of acres to keep one cow or one horse for twelve months. The carrying capacity is established by the local committees for each farm or ranch. The county grazing capacity limit, which means an average grazing capacity for the county, is set up for each county by the state committee.

The individual grazing or carrying capacity is multiplied by \$1.50 to get at the maximum allowance. Information received this week is to the effect that probably a county average for Holt county of from eighteen to twenty acres of range for each animal unit will be used. For example, a ranch having 2,000 acres of range or pasture would have a carrying capacity of 100 animal units and an allowance of \$150 by using the figures of 20 acres per animal unit. One-half of this amount may be earned by non-grazing or resting 500 acres between May 1 and Oct. 1. The remainder may be earned by planting trees on the ranch at the rate of \$10 per acre, showing 200 live seedlings or trees per acre this fall. If desirable, all of the payment may be earned by planting trees.

Another practice to earn the benefit payment in which some are interested is the building of dams or reservoirs. For this the pay rate is 15 cents per cubic yard of fill, provided spillways are made adequate to prevent dams from washing out under normal rainfall.

Loses Finger In Generator Fan

F. B. Torbert, of Norfolk, owner of the Torbert Coal company, lost a part of two fingers on his left hand about 4 o'clock last Monday afternoon when his hand came in contact with a fan on a generator. He was taken to a hospital where his middle finger and ring finger were amputated at the second joint. He returned home Tuesday.—Norfolk news.

Fred Torbert was for many years a resident of this county, living in the Dorsey neighborhood. Fred has many friends in that section of the county who will regret to learn of his misfortune.

Lions Club Meeting

The O'Neill Lions club met on Monday evening for their regular meeting in the Golden hotel dining room. There was a large attendance and a very interesting meeting was conducted. The Misses Peggy Cambre, Mary Jannette Kubitschek and Ruth Harris sang two songs and Connie and Helen Kubitschek gave a tap dance. Both numbers were very good and enjoyed by everyone present. The members voluntarily donated \$6.75 to Red Cross for flood relief. Names of six new members were sent to the International and before long the club will be proceeding under full steam.

City Hall Will Be Built At Valentine

The citizens of Valentine, at a special election held last Tuesday, voted to issue bonds in the amount of \$10,900 to help finance the construction of a new city hall. The vote on the bonds was 295 for and 50 against. The plans called for the erection of a \$19,000 building the remainder to be financed by a WPA grant.

Charles Grale Deemer and Miss Katherine Ramold, both of Atkinson, were granted a marriage license in county court last Saturday.

LAST RITES HERE SATURDAY FOR M. D. PRITCHETT

Seventy-Five Year old Resident Djes of Heart Trouble. Burial In Calvary Cemetery.

Marion D. Pritchett died at his farm home northeast of this city last Thursday evening after an illness of several months of heart trouble, at the age of 75 years, 3 months and 1 day. The funeral was held from the Catholic church in this city last Saturday morning at 9 o'clock, Rev. Peter F. Burke officiating and burial in Calvary cemetery.

Marion Denis Pritchett was born at Iron Hill, Iowa, on Oct. 20, 1861. The family lived in Iowa for many years and on Jan. 10, 1899, he was united in marriage to Miss Bertha Foran at Sioux City, Iowa. Six children were born of this union, four sons and two daughters, who with their mother are left to mourn the passing of a kind and affectionate husband and father. The children are: Charles, Helen Osborn, O'Neill; Joseph, Opportunity; Angela Morgan, O'Neill; Nathan Pritchett, Opportunity, and Alphonso Pritchett, O'Neill.

Mr. Pritchett and family came to this county in the spring of 1933 from Boyd county and since that time have been farming the old Bedford farm northeast of O'Neill. Although a comparative new comer in this county he made many friends here who will learn with regret of his passing.

Introduces Bill for A Short Ballot

John N. Norton of Polk, introduced Friday the first short ballot bill to come before the unicameral legislature. It would leave Nebraska with only two political officials—governor and lieutenant governor.

Only two other officials would be elected under Norton's plan, a comptroller, who would assume the state auditor's duties, and the state superintendent of public instruction. The office of auditor would be abolished.

Proposing the terms of a constitutional amendment for submission to voters at the 1938 general election Norton presented a companion measure to make the three state railway commissioners elective on a non-political ballot. The plan controverted Gov. R. L. Cochran's recommendation to make them appointive.

State officials who would be appointed by the governor under the Polk senator's measure are: the attorney general, tax commissioner, secretary of state and treasurer. Like the elective officials, all would serve four-year terms.

Taking the bit in his teeth despite a pending supreme court ruling on the status of the state land commissioner's office, Norton proposed the office be formally abolished on "the first Thursday after the first Tuesday of January, 1939."

He would have the state superintendent of public instruction take the land commissioner's place on the state board of educational lands and funds, in accordance with a suggestion by Gov. Cochran.

If adopted voters would mark their choices for candidates at least thirty years of age and state residents five years before election. The first election, if the amendment passes in 1938, would be in 1940, with officials serving until 1942. After that, the terms would be for the full four years.

Salaries he proposed would be: Governor, \$15,000 a biennium. Lieutenant governor, twice a legislator's salary, or \$3,488. Comptroller, \$7,500.

All would be subject to recall and the measure sets forth recall provisions. Much of the bill, which became LB 60, is amendatory, changing details of previous statutes. The companion measure to put the railway commissioners on a nonpartisan basis, is LB 61.

Certified Seed List Published

Nebraska's 1937 certified seed directory is now off the press and Holt county farmers can secure copies from the county farm bureau office. Included in the list are the names of producers offering superior varieties of barley, sorghums,

alfalfa and hybrid corn for sale. In view of present conditions, a greater interest than ever before is expected to be manifest in certified seed this year. Farmers would do well, agricultural agent F. M. Reece says, to consider buying certified seed this year in view of the supply situation. In many cases their own seed stocks have been lost during the extremely dry seasons and as a result they will be forced to look elsewhere for seed this spring.

Wm. Spangler Dies At His Farm Home Near Clearwater

William Spangler, a prominent and well-known farmer living southwest of Clearwater, died at his home Tuesday afternoon after two hours illness. He is survived by his wife and several sons and daughters. The funeral was held last Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Spangler was a former resident of this county living for many years in the Meek neighborhood, where he was well known by the old timers in that section. He was a brother of Charles and Awalt Spangler and Mrs. Smith Merrill of this city who all attended the funeral last Saturday.

Cardinals Lose To Spalding Academy

Spalding Academy basketball team defeated St. Mary's Cardinals on the Academy gym floor last Sunday afternoon with a score of 22 to 11. The second teams of the schools played and St. Mary's won with a score of 22 to 7.

Sunday evening after the game the members of the Spalding team started for home. They managed to get out about five miles when they had to turn around and come back, the roads being badly drifted. They remained in O'Neill that night and were able to start for home Monday afternoon.

Cold Weather Has Lasted A Month

So far the month of January has given us real winter weather. There has been no snow this past week, but heavy winds last Sunday afternoon for a time blocked the highways leading into and out of this city. The highway maintenance crew got busy the first of the week and the east and west roads were open before noon. The north and south roads were also opened that day and now all the main highways leading into the city are open.

Farmers from the country tell us that east and west roads are impossible to travel. A few farmers have been in the city the forepart of the week and those that came in were compelled to shovel their way thru drifts until they reached the highway. A few bob sleds have made their appearance, reminding the old timers of the eighties and early nineties, when they were common on the streets and roads of the county.

Following is the weather chart for the past week as kept by the local U. S. Weather Observer, Harry Bowen:

	High	Low
Jan. 22	12	-13
Jan. 23	20	-7
Jan. 24	25	-3
Jan. 25	9	-12
Jan. 26	27	1
Jan. 27	27	12
Jan. 28	—	-8

Accident Record

For the week ending Jan. 16, 1937, there were 245 accidents in the state, in which 148 people were injured and 12 deaths. Leading in the list of accidents were other public accidents in which there were 123, in which 56 people were injured and three deaths. Motor vehicle accidents were second on the list for the week, there being 44, in which 48 were injured and two deaths. In agriculture employment there were 18 accidents in which seven were injured and two deaths. In industry employment there were 20 accidents, in which eight were injured and three deaths. There were 40 home accidents during the week in which 29 people were injured and two deaths. These figures are compiled by the Nebraska Press association in cooperation with the state superintendent of public instruction.

If the nationalists want to capture Madrid in a hurry why don't they send an agent over here to sign up Popeye the Sailor?

OHIO RIVER VALLEY FLOOD MAKES MANY PEOPLE HOMELESS

Some Cities Along the Ohio About 80 Percent Under Water. Mississippi Threatens.

In Kentucky there are 53 known dead and an estimated 300 thousand homeless.

Federal troops at Louisville and over 200 policemen from many cities were assigned to patrol duty. Recovered bodies were buried without identification in Highland cemetery trenches. Pneumonia is widespread and the health commissioner estimates at least 200 unlisted deaths due to disease. Damage was estimated at 100 million dollars and 230,000 homeless. River stationary at 57.1 feet.

At Paducah there is an influenza epidemic and 25,000 yet to evacuate. Eighty per cent of the city is under water.

At Calhoun the Green river is spread over the town.

In Ohio there are 14 known dead and 250 homeless.

At Cincinnati the Ohio river is going down from 76.6 feet. Electric supply is increased and 65,000 hope to return to their homes soon. Damage estimated at 10 million.

At Portsmouth the Ohio river had reached 74.18 feet and was still rising. Thirty-five thousand homeless and losses calculated at \$2,000,000.

In Illinois there are 6 known dead and over 50,000 homeless. At Cairo coast guard cutters were speeding evacuation. Ohio river dropped but a stage of 62 feet is expected. Railroad abandoned due to water over tracks.

At Mound City, Ill., there are 10 feet of water in the town and the inhabitants have fled. Water from the flooded Ohio had covered 85 per cent of Harrisburg, Ill. and a \$1,000,000 coal mine was wrecked by the water. At Shawneetown, Ill., 25 persons were reported stranded and critically ill of pneumonia.

There are 9 known dead and over 75,000 homeless in Indiana. At Evansville troops are in charge and nearly 20,000 homeless. Drinking water is short. Crest of flood is reached at 53.7 feet. At Lawrenceburg, Ind., looting was reported in the town which is practically deserted and wholly under water.

There are 125,000 homeless and 9 known dead in Tennessee. At Memphis engineers are prepared to save Mississippi levee system from record high water.

At New Madrid, Mo., 85 per cent of a 131,000 acre spillway was filled with flood waters. Missouri has 14 known dead and 20,000 or more homeless.

In Arkansas 23 were known dead and 20,500 homeless. At Melwood a break in the Mississippi river levee threatens. People being removed from lowlands. Trumann, Ark., was inundated by a break in the St. Francis river, and four were drowned in Buffalo creek at Monette, Ark.

There are 11 known dead in West Virginia and 56,000 homeless. The flood was receding. At Parkersburg orders were given to "shoot to kill," to stop looting. Drinking water cut off at Huntington.

There were 3 known dead and 3,000 homeless in Pennsylvania. At Pittsburg the flood is going down and there is an estimated \$1,000,000 damage.

One known dead and 4,500 are homeless in Mississippi. Refugees in Red Cross camps at Clarksdale.

The following account of flood conditions is from Thursday morning's World-Herald:

"A gigantic plan to move out 500 thousand persons within 50 miles of the Mississippi river from Cairo, Ill., to New Orleans, La.—one thousand miles—was being organized for use if necessary by the United States army Wednesday as the unprecedented Ohio river flood billowed southward toward straining Mississippi levees.

"The Ohio was slowly receding from Pittsburg, Pa., to Paducah, Ky., leaving Cincinnati, Ohio, Louisville and scores of smaller cities hopeful, but facing disease, water shortage and cold. Coast guard officials reported influenza had reached epidemic proportions in flooded Paducah.

"The worst was at Louisville where army troops took over police duties and health officials said two

hundred persons had died in three days of flood diseases alone. Bodies of 120 persons were recovered in the west end there Wednesday.

"The known flood death toll had climbed to 260. Property damage exceeded 200 million dollars, and 750 thousand were homeless in 11 states.

"The army's precautionary plan for transferring possibly endangered thousands along the Mississippi's banks (probably not necessary) would require 35 thousand motor trucks and numerous railroad flat cars in the biggest army transport effort since the world war.

"Army engineers expected the flood to pour into and over the (Continued on page 4, column 1.)

Law Suit Grows Out of Auto Collision East of O'Neill Last Wednesday

During the blizzard Wednesday last week automobiles occupied by L. H. Cox, about 60, Union Pacific railway employee of Council Bluffs, Ia., and his son E. D. Cox, about 25, traveling east, and Frank Allen of Page, traveling west collided about three miles east of here.

L. H. Cox suffered head cuts and his tongue was badly bitten and he lost considerable blood. His son suffered bruises and head cuts. Mr. Allen suffered a wrenched knee and other body bruises and cuts. The Coxes received medical attention here and went on home. Both cars, one nearly new, were badly damaged.

As an aftermath of this collision Mr. Allen, thru his attorney J. D. Cronin, brought suit against Myrtle Cox, wife of E. S. Cox, E. S. Cox and L. H. Cox for \$10,300, the suit being filed in district court in this county.

The petition alleges that E. S. Cox was operating his automobile at an excessive speed and operating it in the center of the highway; that as his car approached the automobile driven by the plaintiff, Frank Allen proceeding west on said highway, the defendant carelessly, negligently and wrongfully failed to slacken speed and carelessly, negligently and wrongfully drove his car to the north or left side of said highway, and to the side occupied by the plaintiff; that the collision was wholly caused by the carelessness and negligence of the plaintiff.

That as a result of said collision the defendant was thrown against the top, side and front of the car, resulting in a severe shock to his nervous system and injuring, bruising and lacerating his entire body and the muscles thereof. That he received a severe injury to his left knee and that said injury will be permanent and causes him intense pain.

He asks \$50 for doctor's bill; \$250 for his automobile which he claims was badly wrecked. For loss of time from his usual occupation and for pain, suffering, discomfort and physical injuries the sum of \$10,000.

GOLDEN ROD CLUB

The Golden Rod club met at the home of Mrs. Teresa Connolly on Wednesday, Jan. 27. A lesson was given by Mrs. Connolly and Mrs. T. M. Harrington on when we go shopping. Several useful points were given after the regular lesson. Choice recipes were exchanged and a pattern for a friendship quilt was given by Mrs. Clark Hough, and a cuddle toy pattern by Mrs. Frank Clements. The club also agreed to send money to the relief fund of the flood district. After the meeting a delicious luncheon was served by Mrs. Connolly and Mrs. H. B. Burch.

NEW BOOKS AT THE LIBRARY

"The Last Puritan" by Santayana, "The Hurricane" by Nordhoff and Hall, "Wake Up and Live" by Dorothea Brande, "The Man Who Caught the Weather" by Bess Streeter Aldrich, "The Kidnap Murder Case" by S. S. Van Dine, "South Riding" by Holby, and Rand McNally's new International Atlas.

The chief argument before the state railway commission at present seems to be Bollen and Good vs. Maupin.

The only way you can really enjoy yourself joyriding on a transcontinental highway is to buy yourself a baby tank.

FUNERAL FOR JOHN HAYNE HELD LAST SUNDAY AT PAGE

Resident of This County Nearly 50 Years Dies In Sanitarium At Norfolk, Nebr.

John Albert Hayne died at the Verges Sanitarium at Norfolk, Nebr., last Saturday afternoon after an illness of several months, at the age of 69 years and 6 months.

John Hayne was born at Marshalltown, Iowa, on July 22, 1867. Before he reached his majority the family moved to this county and located east of this city where they resided for many years. On Aug. 14, 1889, John was united in marriage in this city to Miss Viola Smith. Four children were born of this union, two sons and two daughters, who with their mother are left to mourn his passing. The children are: Mrs. Mattie Peterson, Gordon, Nebr.; Mrs. Leonard Pierce, Atkinson; Clair Hayne, Norfolk; and Lee Hayne, Newcastle, Wyo. He also leaves four sisters and three brothers.

The Hayne family were for many years among the most prominent farmers and stockmen of this county. Coming to this county in the early eighties they endured all the hardships of the early pioneers, labored hard and were fairly successful. The past few years John had been in poor health and met several financial reverses. He was taken to the Norfolk sanitarium a couple of weeks ago for medical treatment, but to no avail. He was a good citizen and had many friends among the old timers of the county. The body was shipped to this city and the funeral was held from the M. E. church in Page last Sunday afternoon, burial in the Page cemetery.

Cattle and Hogs Are Steady to Higher On Atkinson Market

Atkinson, Tuesday, Jan. 26.—Impossible roads tended to cut down receipts of both cattle and hogs and this week's run was the smallest since last summer. About 300 hogs and 100 cattle were sold. Buyers were more optimistic than a week ago, bidding more spirited and the hog market was generally 35 to 50 cents higher than a week ago. The cattle market was steady to strong. Best fat hogs sold at 9.65 to 9.75, while sows and feeder pigs were in better demand at higher prices.

Scarcely enough cattle were on sale to warrant the quoting of prices, but generally speaking the market looked firm to higher than a week ago. With improvement in road conditions the next week, a splendid offering of all kinds of livestock is in prospect for Tuesday's auction.

Snow Covered Ground Destroys Pheasants

Reports coming from out in the county indicate that the pheasant is having a hard pull of it. Snow covered ground makes it nearly impossible for the birds to obtain food, and with the cold, they are dying off. Dead "chinks" have been reported from several places in the county and the condition is probably general.

Farmers for the most part haven't sufficient feed grains for their own use, so they can not be asked to distribute feed. Sportsmen who wish to continue the sport of wing shooting, and who hope for an open season next fall could help by distributing grain in areas in which the birds are known to be, if they are accessible.

The ring-neck pheasant is the main stay for the field shooter in this territory. Any group of men who like the sport could band together and purchase feed and distribute it. The pheasant is like you, if it doesn't eat it doesn't live.

GRATTAN PROJECT CLUB

The Grattan Project club met at the home of Mrs. Albert Miller Jan. 19. A very interesting lesson on "When we go Shopping," and a demonstration on "Testing Canned Goods," were given by the leaders. A delicious covered dish luncheon was served at noon. Nine members responded to roll call. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Howard Marcus.