

THE FRONTIER

Holt County 4-H Club Teams Make A Good Showing At State Fair

Fifteen 4-H club members were taken to the state fair to compete with the largest group yet to assemble at the 4-H club building. Henrietta Schrier of O'Neill, was high individual in the clothing judging contest and her team of two members placed fifth out of twenty-five teams.

Inez Benson placed well up in the girls' health contest. Final results of all contests were not available when the members left Tuesday but sponsors were well pleased with their showing.

Members making the trip were: Henrietta Schrier and Ella Eisert, O'Neill, clothing judging team; Henrietta Schrier, style show; Joe Curran, O'Neill, Marvin Stauffer, Page, and Madelyn Hynes, O'Neill, poultry judging team; Jack Alderson, Chambers, Marie Hynes of O'Neill, and DeMaris Benson of O'Neill, livestock judging team; Donald Scott, Atkinson, and Dick Shearer, Stuart, forestry demonstration team; Vera Grutsch and Margery Rees, O'Neill, poultry demonstration team; Maurice Grutsch and Inez Benson, O'Neill, health boy and girl; Ella Eisert, O'Neill and Leona Belzer, Page, clothing demonstration team; Marie Hynes and DeMaris Benson of O'Neill, livestock demonstration team.

Mrs. Edgar Stauffer, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Hynes and County Agent F. M. Reece accompanied the members.

Boelter-Hull

A beautiful wedding was solemnized Sunday morning, Sept. 5, at the Methodist parsonage in O'Neill, when Miss Mary Ellen Hull became the bride of Wayne Boelter. Rev. A. J. May officiated, using the double ring ceremony.

The bride was beautifully attired in an ankle length white taffeta gown, with white accessories. She carried a bouquet of white carnations. She was attended by Mrs. Harold Hull, a sister-in-law. Mr. Harold Hull was best man.

Following the ceremony the bridal party attended a bounteous wedding dinner given at the home of the bride's parents. The dining room was decorated in pink and white. The wedding cake which centered the table was baked by Mrs. August Trinese, a friend of the bride and groom and was decorated with pink and white frosting. Close relatives of the bride and groom attended the dinner.

Mrs. Boelter is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hull of Dorsey. She grew to womanhood in that vicinity and is a graduate of the Verdigre high school with the class of 1934. She holds a good name as a friend by all who know her.

Mr. Boelter is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Art Boelter of Walnut, Nebr. He grew to manhood in the Walnut vicinity and graduated from the Verdigre high school in 1933. He is well known in the northeastern part of this county and has taken an active part in social functions.

The young couple will make their home on his father's farm near Walnut as his parents will leave for Washington in the near future. Their many friends and relatives extend best wishes for a happy wedded life.

Public School Enrollment Not Up To 1936 Figures

The O'Neill high school opened last Monday morning. The enrollment is not complete in either the elementary or the high school at the close of the second day of school. The registration in the high school is 183 and it was 204 one year ago, but Superintendent Carroll says there are many more students yet to register.

The enrollment in the grades at the close of the second day of school was 234 and it was 270 one year ago. Following is the number of pupils attending in the various grades of the elementary school at the close of the second day with the number in the various grades one year ago:

Kindergarten	1937	1936
First grade	17	26
Second grade	29	17
Third grade	20	33
Fourth grade	28	31
Fifth grade	32	35
Sixth grade	28	25
Seventh grade	23	42
Eighth grade	36	29
	21	32
	234	270

Ted North Players Here

The "Ted" North players, who used to play O'Neill at least once a season for several years, but who have been away from this territory for about six years, returned last Wednesday night opening in a fine comedy drama, entitled "Girl Meets Boy" and pleased the big audience which nearly filled the tent on Wednesday night.

Friday night they offer another new play, "Petticoats and Politics" which is brand new to this territory and a lot of fine vaudeville is introduced each evening. Saturday night the feature comedy of the companies engagement here, will be presented "In the Wrong Bed" a late comedy success that is said to be the best play in the North repertoire of fourteen different plays.

Sunday two different shows will be presented, a special matinee at 3 p. m. presenting the play, "The Little Hitch Hiker" a story of a girl and the open road. On Sunday night the North players offer "Her Gypsy Lover" featuring Foy Witherspoon, the leading man in a romantic Gypsy lead.

Holt County Drivers Are Obtaining License At The Rate of About 350 a Week

R. E. Gallagher, county automobile drivers' examiner, has been quite busy the past week examining applicants for drivers' licenses. Up to 9:30 this morning 360 applicants had been issued licenses and seven applications had been rejected. Those rejected were on account of defective vision.

Those applicants rejected can have glasses fitted and then take another examination and all of them will probably be able to pass the vision test. Automobile drivers will have to speed up securing their licenses if they wish to get under the wire before the last day of Novmber. The new safety patrol will go on the highways about October 1, and after that date they will probably ask most of the drivers they meet on the highways of the state for a glance at their drivers license.

While drivers have until the last day of November to secure a new license it would be to their advantage to get them early, while the officer is not so busy and they will not have to wait in line.

SOUTHWEST BREEZES

By Romaine Saunders

Romaine Saunders, Jr., left Thursday of last week for Lincoln, and Monday of this week going from there to Shelton, Nebr., where he will be a student at Shelton academy.

Most of the schools out this way opened for another period of instruction on Monday—Labor Day. This particular holiday has no significance in the ranch country and few recall there is such a day.

The recently appointed supreme court justice goes into action with a background of a decided White House flavor. This is unfortunate. Not that the question of the right or wrong of New Deal proposals is involved, but a justice sitting with the high tribunal should be free from the strings of any administrative god.

Community telephones have been badly haywire for some days, not only interfering with the daily run of gossip but affecting more serious matters. Among such was a fruitless effort to get a call thru to the Warner home to notify Mrs. Warner that her mother had sustained a broken hip in a fall at her home over at Sioux City.

Up on the gravel flats the corn growers have again been bereft of the poetry and profit which is the rightful heritage of the men and women of the farms. Long ago their fields were turned to November yellow and as the season for corn harvest draws on there is nothing in the fields but fruitless fodder. You can't pay many debts nor buy new automobiles nor vacation to far places out here in the southwest, but you can have a decent livelihood and stand on your own. It's about the next best to being on the government payroll.

The rodeo season reminds the old timers of an earlier period. The Frontier editor, John Weekes, Tom and Mike Enright, the Connolly boys and a few others are about all that survive the day when the corral at Ward's barn was the scene of everyday rodeoes. The little brown brones were brought in by the herd from the open plains and sold one by one to incoming settlers. This involved the roping, throwing, cinching on of saddles, blindfolding, brideling and riding by the numerous Buffalo Bills that then hung around O'Neill. In a corral just east of where Tom Quilty now lives was another show that interested the kids. Ab Wilcox and Mike Flannigan frequently ran in a bunch of wild steers to be branded. Two men on horses did the roping and others handled branding irons, and those buckeroos made for the tops of the high fences when a freshly branded critter got to its feet. Judge Kincaid was a regular patron of the horse ring. If he fancied one he would buy and get one of the Buffalo Bills to train it to the saddle. The judge had the carriage of a Virginia gentleman as he sat on a horse, but never acquired the easy

swagger of western horsemanship. His last purchase injured one hind ankle, which started the horse to kicking until he had kicked the foot about off and had to be shot. The judge then retired. Those were days when superb horsemanship was not confined to a few professionals following the rodeo circuits.

BRIEFLY STATED

Miss Loreta Enright returned to Petersburg, Nebr., last Friday to resume her duties as one of the instructors in the public schools of that city, after spending the summer at her home here.

Mrs. Mary Reider of Gregory, S. D., was in the city for a short time Tuesday visiting her son, J. B. O'Sullivan, while on her way home from Albion, where she had attended the wedding of a relative.

Miss Florence Malone came up from Omaha last Saturday evening and spent Sunday and Monday visiting at the home of her parents, Judge and Mrs. C. J. Malone. She returned to Omaha Tuesday morning.

Last Monday was Labor day, but most of the business places of the city were doing business as usual. The general mercantile stores closed during the afternoon, but all grocery stores remained open during the day.

Hugh O'Donnell and Miss Doris Waterman came up from Omaha last Saturday evening and spent the week-end at the home of Mr. O'Donnell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. O'Donnell, returning to Omaha Monday afternoon.

Miss Inez O'Connell was back at her desk in the office of the clerk of the district court last Tuesday, returning last Friday from a two weeks visit with relatives and friends in Wyoming. Miss Inez says she had a delightful trip.

Attorney James P. Marron moved his law offices last week from the rooms over the Interstate Power company offices to the new building erected by the Downey Photo company on Fourth street, and he is now comfortably located in his new quarters.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. James Carpenter and Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Butts came up from Nebraska City last Friday night and spent the week-end as guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Cronin. They left for their homes Monday afternoon.

Mrs. John Kersenbrock and Jack drove to Osmond last Saturday and brought Duke home with them. He had been visiting relatives there for the past two weeks. Jerry Kratochvil of Osmond, who had been visiting at the Kersenbrock home the past two months, returned home with them.

About eighteen members of the local Rebekah lodge were in Inman last Friday attending the District meeting of the Rebekah lodges of this section of the state. The local members are unanimous in stating that the members of the order in the hustling little town of Inman are royal entertainers.

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Herre expect to leave O'Neill the first of the month for Olympia, Wash., where they expect to make their future home. Mr. Herre is well satisfied with this city and business here, but most of the members of his family are now living in that vicinity and have been urging him to join them and he finally decided to do so. Mr. Herre is having a special sale of his jewelry stock. See his advertisement in another column.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Seybold left here last Saturday afternoon for Spokane, Wash., near where they will make their future home. For a time he will be stationed at Spokane and later will have his headquarters either at Walla Walla or Wenatche. He will continue writing life insurance for the Omaha company. Mr. and Mrs. Seybold had been residents of this city for over seventeen years, and their friends wish them good luck and prosperity in their new home.

Mrs. Julia Welsh, Emmet Pioneer Dies In Hospital At Council Bluffs, Iowa

Mrs. Julia Welsh, one of the pioneer residents of Emmet precinct, died at a hospital in Council Bluffs last Monday morning, after an illness of several months, of hypostatic pneumonia, at the age of 70 years. The body was shipped to this city Monday evening and was taken to the home of her daughter in Emmet Tuesday morning by Biglins. The funeral was held Wednesday morning at 9 a. m. from the Catholic church in Emmet, Rev. M. F. Byrne officiating and burial in Calvary cemetery in this city.

Julia O'Connell was born in county Cork, Ireland, in 1867. Her family came to the United States when she was a young girl and lived for a time in the state of New York and came to this county in 1885 and settled near Emmet. On June 28, 1886, she was united in marriage to Anthony O'Donnell, the ceremony being performed in the Catholic church at Atkinson. Mrs. Welsh was the mother of six children, five sons and one daughter, of whom four sons and her daughter are left to mourn the passing of a kind and affectionate mother. The children are: John, O'Neill; Thomas, Joe and Walter, Emmet; and Mrs. Martha Wells, Emmet. Her husband passed away July 19, 1919.

Mrs. Welsh had been a resident of this county for over fifty-two years, living within a few miles of Emmet. She always enjoyed good health until several months ago, when she began failing. Her children sent her to a hospital at Council Bluffs last June for medical treatment, where she passed away Monday morning. She had a host of friends in the Emmet neighborhood and among the older residents of the county who will learn with regret of her death.

Children of M. F. Norton Here At Family Reunion

A family reunion was held at the home of County Surveyor M. F. Norton on Sunday, August 29, 1937, at which twenty-two relatives of Mr. Norton were present. This was the first time the entire family had ever been together as the eldest had left home long before the youngest daughter was born, and it is needless to say they had a delightful time at this family gathering.

Those present at the reunion included his three sons and two daughters, all that are living of a family of twelve children. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Norton, Salt Lake City, Utah; Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Norton and family of Detroit, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Norton, Elgin, Nebr.; Mrs. F. A. Peterson, Moline, Ill.; Mrs. A. J. Bowman, Tampa, Fla., sons and daughters; Mrs. A. W. Norton, Elgin, Nebr.; daughter-in-law; Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Short, Elgin, Nebr.; Miss Sarah Short, Elgin, Nebr.; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Maben and son, Glenn Lee, Clearwater; Mrs. Mary Adaire and daughter, Irene, Clearwater, Nebr.; Mrs. Jennie Twiss and son, Walter, Clearwater, Nebr.; Mrs. Minnie Bowen, O'Neill. He also has seventeen grandchildren and fourteen great grandchildren.

M. F. Norton was born at Salem, Mass., on May 1, 1847, and celebrated his ninetieth birthday on the first of last May. He came to this county June 3, 1879, and has been a resident of this county ever since, or fifty-eight years ago last June. Mr. Norton, on his arrival in the county homesteaded in the southern part of the county where he resided for many years, until after his election to the office of county surveyor of the county when he moved to this city. Mr. Norton has a unique record as an office holder as he has held the office of county surveyor since 1894, or forty-three years. In addition to the record of his long tenure of office he has another record and that is that he has been the nominee of all the political parties that have been in the county and elected on all tickets, which goes to prove that he has been and still is some politician.

Although he has passed his ninetieth milestone he still reads without glasses and writes a fine clear hand. One of his hobbies is walking and running and he says that he can still walk fifteen miles

per day and does it frequently for exercise and occasionally sprints for half a mile or so. He is very active around his home and has a sunken garden back of his residence where he can be seen almost any evening with a spade or hoe, taking care of his shrubs and flowers and doing work that would be an extreme hardship for men less than half his age. His friends throuthout the county hope that he will live to enjoy many more happy birthdays.

Prices On Heavy Cows; Heavy Feeding Steers Show Further Weakness

Atkinson, Sept. 7.—The cattle market generally displayed very little change from a week ago although some further weakness was evident in the price of heavy cows and heavy feeding steers. Slightly over 900 cattle were on sale, the big end of which was cows and steers weighing from 800 to 1000 pounds. What few yearlings and calves were included looked fully steady and in some instances displayed a little price improvement over a week ago.

Representative sales:
Steers 800 to 1000 pounds at 7.50 to 9.40
Good choice yearling steers at 6.75 to 8.00
Common to fair yearling steers at 5.00 to 6.25
Best feeding heifers 6.50 to 7.50
Fair to good yearling heifers at 5.00 to 6.00
Very best fat cows 6.00 to 7.50
Good killing cows at 5.00 to 5.50
Canners and cutters 3.25 to 4.25
Bulls all weights at 5.00 to 6.00
Calves, heifers and steers at 6.50 to 8.25

In the hog division slightly over 200 head were offered for sale. No doubt the heavy rain made it impossible for a lot of trucks to get in for the sale. The demand for all kinds of hogs was real good with prices fully steady to stronger. No real choice fat hogs were offered. Best here sold at 10.85; sows at 8.00 to 10.00; pigs all weights at 10.00 to 11.50.

Next regular auction Tuesday, September 14, at 1 o'clock.
Big special auction, of 900 choice feeder steers, for M. B. Higgins, Friday, Sept. 10, at 1 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin H. Smith and daughter, Mrs. Wyoma Saylor, of Washington, D. C., were in the city last week for a couple of days visit at the home of Judge and Mrs. C. J. Malone, while on their way home from a visit with relatives in Wyoming. Mr. Smith is a native of this county, being born near Ewing. His father, Gilbert Smith, at one time represented this county in the state legislature. Mr. Smith is an employee of the interior department at Washington, a position he has held for over twenty years. Mrs. Smith is also a native of this county, born in the vicinity of Ewing.

City Council Votes To Erect Building At New Well; To Use Electricity

At the regular meeting of the city council last Tuesday evening the council decided to erect a building over the new well on lower Fourth street. The building will be 20x30 feet, with 10-foot posts, running to a peak in the center. The building will be of tile, with stucco covering. In addition to housing the new well it will also be fitted with a room for the council to use as a council chamber. The estimated cost of the building is \$400. Bids are now being asked for its construction and the officials figure that the contract will be let Monday and the building completed as soon as possible.

At a special meeting of the city council Wednesday morning they entered into a contract with the Interstate Power company for electric energy to pump water from the new well on lower Fourth street. The water in the old wells is being pumped by the city with gas engines.

The Weather

The weather the past week, starting with Saturday, has been quite reasonable. Thursday and Friday of last week the thermometer was up in the nineties, 97 Thursday and 92 Friday. Then it cooled off and has been reasonable weather since that time.

Tuesday morning this section was visited by a nice rain that measured .61 hundredths of an inch here and was much heavier in the northern and northeastern part of the county. In the vicinity of Meek, Supervisor Stein says they had about 1.50 inches and north and east of there, according to information received, the rainfall amounted to 2 inches. While it is a little late for corn, except in a few localities, it will be of immense benefit to the pastures and will put the ground in fine condition for the seeding of wheat and rye.

Following is the weather chart for the week:

	High	Low	Mois.
Sept. 2	97	69	
Sept. 3	92	73	T.
Sept. 4	85	59	
Sept. 5	80	53	
Sept. 6	84	57	
Sept. 7	79	58	.61
Sept. 8	85	60	

Total rainfall for the month of September, .61 inch; total for the year to date, 19.56 inches.

Rev. A. J. May left last Tuesday afternoon for Fremont, where he will attend the annual Methodist Episcopal conference for the state of Nebraska, which convenes in that city Tuesday morning and will continue until next Monday night. As he will be away from home next Sunday there will be no services in the local M. E. church next Sunday, either morning or evening. Sunday school will be held as usual.

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