

Over the County

SOUTHWEST BREEZES

By Romaine Saunders

Jesse James was out from Atkinson Sunday looking over things at the ranch.

Walt Richards was over from Chambers Sunday with a load of fuel for the Bernard Kennedy household.

The germ of political changes and unrest has made an attack on Senator Burke. He wants to make it one six-year term for the chief executive.

A referendum vote on repeal was so nearly unanimous for the dries in Green county, Tennessee, that the 24 wets think of moving to Nebraska.

Since Washington has taken over domestic, industrial, home and agricultural problems and love affairs the ouija board has fallen into disuse.

The first threat to "balance the budget" was in 1932. It has been repeated each year since, the latest date now set to effect the "balance" being next July.

P. J. Kennedy has transferred his living quarters from Amelia back to the ranch in Swan and to fortify against the rigors of the weather had a load of coal conveyed thither Friday.

The federal "annuity fund" taking a per cent of his earnings, union dues and special assessments, are not leaving the wage worker much of his earnings for the "full dinner pail."

I recently received a letter from M. F. Cronin from New York City. Martin finds the huge metropolis a great place for those with unlimited funds but rather cold consideration of those on the border line of material needs. He is employed with an army unit—as a painter.

Coal prices seem to be on a permanent prohibitive basis in Holt county. The best grade of soft coal at one time sold at just half of the price now demanded. Some have bought coal in Omaha at \$6.50 and had it trucked here for \$4 per ton. Others have it delivered from a car at Inman for \$13 and still others have bought elsewhere at \$12.50 with a trucking charge of \$1.25 to \$2 a ton added. Under these conditions the native cottonwood is becoming more and more popular as fuel.

In the earliest of the sacred record it is stated the Creator looked upon a completed universe "and behold it was very good." Whether

this took place under the glare of mid day or the softer light of moon and stars the record does not say. The work was not merely good but "very good." And now some six thousand years along in the sweep of time the beholder of the celestial splendor of a November night sky can say with his Creator, "Behold, it is very good!" Not until the 18th did the full moon hang in gilded glory diffusing its light over snow-covered prairies of the southwest. A few nights later the scene changes and clouds bring a canopy of darkness. The charm of natural scenes lies in the infinite variety. To this whose shadows fall on pavement under the arc light there would be no interest in the gloom of a clouded night out in the open; to those dwelling in regions of majestic scenery the sweep of endless miles of prairie lying in November's dead embrace would be forlorn and dreary. Like the Arab who sees beauty in the drifting desert sands, the prairie dweller finds fascination in the Creator's handiwork all about.

EMMET ITEMS

A bridge party was held at the home of W. P. Dailey Thursday evening. Prizes were won by Mrs. Frank Foreman who was high, Mrs. Jess Wells low, Mrs. John Bonenberger traveling prize, and Miss Harris the cut. A delicious lunch was served.

Dorothy Ann Cadman of Clarks, Nebr., is here visiting for a few days.

Rev. D. S. Conrad of O'Neill, preached in the Emmet Methodist church Sunday morning and will continue to preach here every other Sunday morning.

Guy Cole drove to Lincoln Saturday to see the Nebraska-Iowa game. He was accompanied by Elmer Stolte, coach at O'Neill high school, and Deputy Sheriff C. C. Bergstrom.

Charles Luben and son, Donald, and Tom Berkins drove to Ainsworth Wednesday on business.

The Emmet Hay company office was broken into Saturday night and ransacked. No money was taken although the safe was badly wrecked.

Arthur Cole of Upton, Wyo., arrived here Sunday night to spend the winter at the home of his brother, Guy Cole.

MEEK AND VICINITY

Mrs. Viola Searles left for Ponca Friday morning, being called there by a report that her son-in-law, Al House, had been badly burned by an explosion. Word was received here Monday from Mrs. Searles that Mr. House's eyes were badly effected and the outcome could not be sure as yet. The explosion occurred when he took the lid off of a can of furnace cement which had been heated on the oven door.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Borg spent Thursday evening at the Eric Borg home.

Mrs. Roy Spindler spent Wednesday evening with Mrs. Frank Griffith.

Quite a crowd attended the charrivari for Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Miller Wednesday evening at the Charlie Ross home.

Howard Devall came home from the CCC camp at Valentine to spend the week-end.

Funeral services were held for Grandpa Hansen Sunday afternoon at Paddock Union church, where he attended church for thirty years, and where his children and grandchildren and some of his great grandchildren attend services. He was laid to rest in the little cemetery beside "Grandma." Besides the family he had a host of friends who sorrow at his passing. His was a long and useful life.

Mrs. Woodward of Royal spent the week-end at the home of her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Linn.

Those who do not live in this vicinity who were here for the funeral of Mr. Hansen were: Mr. and Mrs. Dave Hansen, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hansen, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Hansen, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Hansen and son, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Modica and son, and Mrs. Loyal Kolbrek, all of Sioux Falls, S. D.; Gardner Taylor and mother, of Colome, S. D.; Mr. and Mrs. Chris Anderson of Bristow, and Mr. and Mrs. Mariedy Hubby of Atkinson.

Last Saturday night the dwelling house on May McGowan's place burned to the ground with a loss of nearly all the contents. May had been visiting in Minnesota and had just returned home that evening and had gone to the home of her aunt, Mrs. Libbie Nelson, for supper. Will Harvey in the meantime started a fire in the heating stove and as near as they can tell the drafts were closed too tightly and the door of the stove blew open. They saw the fire and worked desperately to put it out, nearly succeeding in doing so, but water

was scarce and the fire finally was out of control. The range in the kitchen was practically all that was saved.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hansen of Sioux Falls, S. D., were over-night guests at the A. L. Borg home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Thomas and Mr. and Mrs. Orville Peterson and children of O'Neill, spent Sunday afternoon at the Orville Harrison and Elmer Devall homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Devall and baby spent Saturday evening at the Will Devall home.

Mrs. William Hubby spent Monday afternoon with Mrs. Howard Rouse.

Clarence Devall spent Friday evening at the Howard Rouse home.

Arthur Rouse spent Monday evening at Frank Griffith's.

The sale on the John Crandall place Monday was well attended and everything sold good.

SHIELDS

The dramatic talent of District No. 9 held a community program including several from outside, and all generations were again displayed at the Joe Gokie school house Wednesday night, Nov. 17. The contestants this year were coached by Miss Loraine Murray the teacher, and a graduate of the St. Mary's Academy. Her pupils reflected much credit on her tutelage. Seldom has a more successful program been staged in any community. Their were contests in the extemporaneous division. This has always been considered difficult and few attempt it. One hour was given the contestants. Each was given a topic of current interest and an opportunity to get his talk into shape.

Harry Heeb spoke excellently. He seemed at ease on the rostrum and used the notes he had prepared

very little. His Speech was well constructed and his diction good. It must have been no easy task to pick the better of the two of them, but the judges decided in favor of Harry. Joe Gokie, Jr., was a close second.

There were numerous entries in the vocal division. They were: Miss Benson, the two Gokie sisters, Miss Loraine Murray, J. B. Donohoe, the two Sullivan sisters, Gerald Donohoe and Mrs. Goldfuss. Each number was handled exceedingly well. They had a stage poise that was excellent. Mrs. Goldfuss sang in German dialect, "When Will You Be Mine"; J. B. Donohoe, "The Three College Chums," that was typical and thrilled his listeners to the very end.

Miss Mary Earley and Joe Earley presented a dialogue of an Irish lady's encounter with the census enumerator, that portrayed a finished technique that is seldom seen on the amateur stage.

Miss Mary and Mrs. Keefe gave a striking presentation of a long delayed proposal that was in the dramatic class. It was singularly pathetic and the audience was held spellbound thruout the entire procedure.

The school pupils put up a splendid program.

The two Sullivan sisters and Miss McNichols closed the program with a vocal quartette accompanied by the banjo of Mrs. Ed Murray.

John Murray auctioned off the paper sacks and immediately after lunch Mr. Bredehof and Ed Murray entertained with several musical numbers. Ed Menish gathered in the kale. E. E.

George E. Hansen

George E. Hansen was born in Langeland, Denmark, May 19, 1848, and departed this life at his home

in Pomona, Calif., Saturday, November 13, 1937, at the ripe old age of 89 years, 5 months and 24 days. At about the age of twenty he migrated to America with his parents, locating near Harlan, Iowa.

On October 7, 1873, he was united in marriage to Katie Sorenson of Harlan, Iowa, and ten years later they moved to Holt county, settling on a farm 20 miles north of O'Neill, Nebraska. Here they remained for 39 years, with the exception of a short time which was spent in California.

In 1922 Mr. and Mrs. Hansen moved to Pomona, Calif., where they spent their declining years, celebrating their 61st wedding anniversary in October, 1934.

Of this union were born twelve children, five of whom, with the mother preceeded him in death. Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Carrie Borg of O'Neill, Mrs. Esther Roberts of Lemon Grove, Calif., and Mrs. Bertie Hoyer of Pomona, Calif.; and four sons, David of Sioux Falls, S. D., Joseph of Pomona, Calif., Daniel and George D.

of O'Neill. The are 24 grand children and 19 great grand children and a host of friends.

In early life he accepted Christ as his saviour and was ever active in church work, having organized several Sunday schools. He remained a devout Christian until called to his reward.

Mr. Hansen will be remembered as a faithful husband, a kind loving father, and a true friend and neighbor.

"Some day in that bright home above, Around His blessed throne, I'll sing with Him forever there, In my immortal home. There life with joy is all complete, It's glories are for me; I'll sing that new, that new sweet song, Through all eternity." xx.

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The auctioneers, yard help and caretakers will put forth every effort in presenting, offering and getting your stock sold for the highest consideration possible.

I wish to thank everyone who has contributed in any and all ways towards the support and betterment of the O'Neill Livestock Market. Your future support and patronage will be greatly appreciated and every buyer and seller can rest assured that they are absolutely going to get a square deal. L. D. PUTNAM.

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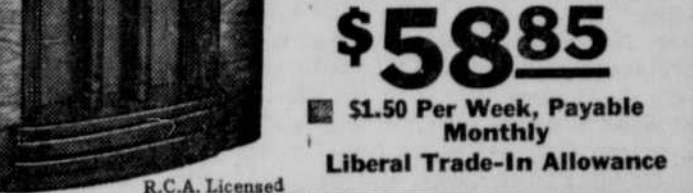


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