

FRED BECKWITH WILL AGAIN HEAD HOLT COUNTY ACA

D. F. Scott of Atkinson and Frank Allen of Page, Also Retain Their Past Positions.

Fred Beckwith, Emmet, was again reelected chairman of the Holt county ACA at their meeting held in O'Neill last Monday. This is the third term for President Beckwith and will be his fifth year as a member of the county committee.

D. F. Scott, Atkinson, was reelected vice president and will serve his third term in this capacity; likewise Frank Allen, Page, who was reelected and will serve his third term.

Al Sausser, O'Neill, and Floyd D. Anderson, Chambers, were elected as alternate members of the committee. F. M. Reece and Ed Murray were reelected secretary and treasurer respectively.

The 1938 program has not been announced up to the present time but will probably be made public after the holidays. However, there is not much change anticipated in the general set up.

In connection with the 1937 program Mr. Beckwith reports that Holt county has over 1000 summaries of performance in Lincoln which were among the first in Nebraska to reach the state office for audit. After they are audited new forms will be typed up from these and sent to the county for signatures of producers. The application for payment this year will have the number of dollars each man is to receive on the form so when a producer signs he knows how much he will receive. It is anticipated these forms will be ready for signature around Christmas and that payment will be made within thirty days after the final signature.

A complete list of the members of the county committee will be published next week.

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. McCarthy Is Dead of Pneumonia

O'Neill relatives received word last Friday morning of the death that morning in a hospital at Grand Rapids, Mich., of Mrs. Leo Byrne, after an illness of but two days of pneumonia. The funeral was held Monday morning and burial at Parnell, Michigan.

She took sick at her home Wednesday evening, Dec. 8, and was taken to St. Mary's hospital in Grand Rapids Thursday night.

Mrs. Byrne was born in this city on July 18, 1909, and was a little over 28 years of age at the time of her death. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. McCarthy of this city. On November 24, 1936, she was united in marriage to Leo Byrne and since her marriage she had made her home at Parnell, Michigan.

Miss Esther McCarthy was a graduate of St. Mary's academy of this city and served for about three years as deputy county clerk of this county under County Clerk Gallagher. She had been a resident of Michigan for about three years.

Her sisters, the Misses Catherine and Jeanne McCarthy left Friday night for Parnell, Mich., to attend the funeral. Another sister, Edna, who now resides at North Prairie, Wis., met them at Chicago and also attended the funeral.

She leaves to mourn her passing, her husband, Leo Byrne of Parnell, Mich.; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. McCarthy of this city; three brothers and three sisters, John of Hastings, Nebr., Robert of Mitchell, S. D., Edna of North Prairie, Wis., and George, Kathryn and Jeanne of this city.

The many O'Neill friends of the family extend heartfelt sympathy in their hour of sorrow.

Paid To Next Presidential Year

William Grothe of Emmet, was a pleasant caller at this office last Saturday, and although Bill had his subscription paid up until Jan. 1, 1939, he paid another year's subscription and now stands on our books paid up to Jan. 1, 1940, and he received with the compliments of this office one of our new Kwik Lite lanterns. Mr. Grothe has been

a reader of The Frontier for fifty years and says that it is impossible for him to get along without it. He said there is hardly a year that he does not save double the price of the paper by watching its advertising columns, thereby being able to pick up many bargains.

Mr. Grothe is one of the most prominent farmers of the county and in the old county fair days there was no exhibitor that annually secured more premiums for agricultural products than he. Farming has not been very profitable of late years and William is of the opinion that the present administration has not been of benefit to the farmer as a whole, of course he is a strong republican and is looking forward hopefully to the day when the republican party will again come into its own and bring the finances of the nation back on the right side of the ledger, as well as the farmers of the country.

Salesman Killed Last Friday When His Car Leaves The Highway

W. Earl Shields, a traveling man with headquarters at Norfolk, was instantly killed on highway 20 about nine and a half miles east of this city last Friday afternoon shortly after 12:30 o'clock.

Shields was on his way east and a front tire blew out, which caused the machine to leave the road, crash thru a fence and hit a tree. Another motorist shortly behind him notified village officials in Page and Dr. French drove to the scene of the accident, but Shields was dead. When the automobile struck the tree Shields was thrown against the steering wheel with such force that his chest was crushed, causing instant death. The car was badly wrecked.

County officials here were notified and Biglins went down and brought the body to this city. That evening an undertaker from Norfolk came after the body and it was taken to Norfolk.

Shields was about 50 years of age and had been making this territory for many years. He was married and is survived by his wife, mother, two brothers and two sisters. He had been a resident of Norfolk for about twenty years.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

Member of the Freshman class took aptitude and intelligence tests this week. The results of these tests will be used in educational research work.

Miss Kraemer gave instructions and explanations to Freshmen last week about the high school library and its use.

The Ancient History class enjoyed an illustrated lecture of a trip thru Rome taken and given by their instructor, Mr. Durham. Both ancient and modern pictures were shown.

The shop classes are working on their large projects of the year, maple, walnut, gum oak and cedar woods making their appearance in the shop. Tables, book cases, wall racks and many other useful articles are taking form. The advanced shop class just received their fancy woods and all power tools in the shop are turning out the forms for some very fine and useful furniture this year.

The Normal Training music class greatly enjoyed some records recorded in foreign countries of Christmas songs. Those used were from Sweden, Ukraina, Germany and Yugoslavia.

The large shoe used in the benefit program was made in the shop. Junior Harris and Robert Mitchell did the decorating.

The band members are patiently waiting for their contest number. A general review of marches and overtures is being taken at present, before arrival of the contest number.

The G. A. A. members have been turning out 100 per cent for some very exciting volley ball games which they have been playing. The teams are quite evenly matched and the champions have not yet been determined. The girls enjoyed a Christmas party at the school house Monday, Dec. 13.

The faculty of the O'Neill high school held a Christmas dinner party at the Golden hotel last Monday evening. After a sumptuous dinner the pedagogues enjoyed themselves at bridge. The high

score prize for ladies was won by Blanche Collins, English teacher, and high score prize for men went to Elmer Stolte. Typical of the school room the teachers exchanged gifts with Mr. Durham acting as St. Nick.

Stefan Discusses The Compulsory Features Of The New Farm Bill

Congressman Karl Stefan, representative of the third congressional district advises that he has been asked in many letters, to explain the compulsory features in H. R. 8505, the new Farm Bill which has been debated during the past three days in the House of Representatives, and which is for the purpose of conservation of national soil resources, and to provide an adequate and balanced flow of agricultural commodities in interstate and foreign commerce.

The Congressman took the floor several times, speaking against the compulsory section of the Bill and was active thruout the debate. He took the stand that farmers in his district favored a loan on farm crops and believed in the principles of the soil conservation feature, but was intensely worried over any compulsory features which would result in lawsuits and penalties of any kind to farmers.

In explaining the Bill from the minority views, the third Nebraska district Congressman has this to say:

"The Farm bill before the House has a referendum feature, in that it provides for a referendum vote by farmers before the compulsory control provisions, as announced by the Secretary, go into effect. The Secretary is required to permit all farmers effected by his order to participate in the referendum. If more than one-third of the number of farmers voting, are opposed to the control program, the Secretary will not put the compulsory plan into operation. The referendum of the farmers is highly desirable, however, it has been stated on the floor during the debate that such a referendum may be declared unconstitutional."

Farmers in the third congressional district of Nebraska should be most interested in the compulsory feature of this Bill, and a strong effort will be made in conference and also during the reading of the Bill for amendments to eliminate any drastic compulsory control provisions which are found in the corn title.

To explain this control provision, corn farmers living within the so-called commercial area, consisting of ten states in the Middle West, and which includes 20 of the 22 counties of the third district—Holt and Wheeler excluded—could be regimented, inspected and penalized to the nth degree, while the farmers living outside the commercial area would be allowed to produce, sell and feed without limit. This means, of course, there would be a rapid expansion of corn production outside the commercial area and particularly in contiguous counties, which could result in a breakdown of the entire scheme.

As an illustration, it might be well to cite some of the states not in the corn area as the bill is now written and give the corn production for 1937:

Pennsylvania, bu.	61,680,000
Michigan, bu.	58,320,000
Wisconsin, only 18 counties in commercial area, but entire state produced, bu.	76,864,000
Virginia, bu.	38,864,000
North Carolina, bu.	45,357,000
Georgia, bu.	47,368,000
Kentucky, bu.	79,482,000
Tennessee, bu.	68,592,000
Alabama, bu.	45,834,000
Mississippi, bu.	45,379,000
Arkansas, bu.	40,640,000
Texas, bu.	72,048,000

More than 50 per cent of the corn produced in this country is grown outside of the commercial area, and prospects are very good under the proposed program to double at least present corn acreage in the unrestricted area.

The States included in the commercial area and the corn production for 1937 is herewith given; Minnesota (southern one-third of state) entire state production, 169,974,000 bushels; Iowa, 496,620,000 bushels; Illinois, except 14 counties in southern part of state, state production (Continued on page 4, column 1.)

O'NEILL PAIR HAVE BEEN MARRIED FOR SIXTY-FIVE YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Carter Observe Their Sixty-fifth Wedding Anniversary Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Carter of this city celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary last Sunday. The only festivity of the day was a dinner at the home of their son, Dr. L. A. Carter. None of the other children were here for the anniversary, but they generally visit their parents here at least once a year.

Mr. and Mrs. Carter were married at Glenwood, Iowa, and lived there until 1890 when they moved to Washington, Kansas. In 1908 they moved to Burchard, Nebr., where they resided until 1922 when they moved to this city which has since been their home.

Mr. Carter is 87 years of age but is enjoying good health and looks and walks around like a man of 60. He seems to have discovered the fountain of youth. The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Carter in this city and county hope that they will live to celebrate many more wedding anniversaries.

Cardinals Beat Page High School 2-1 Here Last Friday Evening

The St. Mary's Cardinals took the Page High School basketball team into camp last Friday night on the local floor with the following score: St. Mary's 30, Page 15. Connolly and Shoemaker were the high point scorers for St. Mary's. The same evening the second team won with a Page second team with a score of 15 to 12.

Last Sunday afternoon the Cardinals played the Spalding High School team on St. Mary's floor and won with a score of 20 to 19. At the half Spalding was leading with a score of 12 to 8. The game was won in the last thirty seconds of play when Shoemaker made a long side shot. Quinn and Connolly were the high point men for St. Mary's.

APPECIATION

When I am able to walk and play again, it will be a pleasure to remember all my friends who so generously contributed to the success of the entertainment in my behalf. I (together with my family) want to thank all of you and tell you how much we appreciate your kindness. I hope all of you have as Merry a Christmas as I.

Francis Gunn.

Cold Weather Not Unusual In December

Many of our local residents have been expressing the belief that the weather the past week was the coldest we have had in this section for several years. An

investigation of The Frontier files of December, 1936, discloses the fact that on Dec. 6, 1936, the thermometer went down to 11 below zero. On December 7 this year it dropped to 11 below. On Dec. 7, 1936, it was 4 below zero here and Wednesday, Dec. 8, this year, it went down to 10 below. So there has not been much change in temperature in this section in the two years.

Mrs. Ed Mullen Dies At Home of A Son In Atkinson; Burial Here

Mrs. Edward Mullen died at the home of her son, James, in Atkinson last Monday morning, after an extended illness at the age of 86 years. Funeral services were held in the Catholic church in Atkinson Wednesday morning and burial in Calvary cemetery here, at the side of her husband, who passed away in May, 1919.

Mrs. Mullen came to this county with her husband in July 1879 and he took a homestead in what is now Pleasantview township, where they resided for many years and were among the prominent residents of the county in the earlier days. They left the farm over twenty years ago and moved to this city, where they were living at the time of Mr. Mullen's death. Since that time she had made her home with her son.

Prices On Fat Hogs Up 35 To 50 Cents On Atkinson Market

Atkinson, Dec. 15. Best fat hogs topped the Atkinson Livestock market Tuesday at 7.95 per cwt., a price slightly better than the Omaha top for the day. All fat hogs were quoted 35 to 50 cents higher than the previous week's price, and feeder pigs were steady to firm. A few more than 500 head of hogs were sold.

Cattle receipts were 1,500 head and the market Tuesday was somewhat weaker. Lower prices were in effect on all classes except fat cows and choice heifer calves. The decline ranged generally from 25 to 50 cents. Heavy snows prevented many buyers coming from a distance and most of the cattle were sold for shipment to Iowa and eastern Nebraska.

Quality of the cattle offering Tuesday was very good. Bulk of the choice consignments were from Cherry and Brown counties, with the top load of steers coming from Norden, and two loads of choice heavy steers and two loads of choice two-year-old heifers being offered by Cren Bachelor of Merriam. Top steer calves sold at 8.00 per cwt.

Representative sales: Choice steers calves at 7.50 to 8.00; fair to good steer calves at 6.50 to 7.50; choice heifer calves at 6.25 to 6.50; fair to good heifer calves at 5.75

Chesterfield said: "Men are judged not by their intentions, but by the result of their actions." It is not what you intend to bank, but what you do bank that counts.

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to 6.25; choice yearling steers at 6.50 to 6.75; fair to good yearling steers at 5.75 to 6.50; heifers at 5.00 to 5.40; heavy fleshy steers at 4.50 to 5.25; 2-year-old heifers at 6.25 to 6.50; best fat cows at 5.00 to 5.50; canners and cutters at 3.25 to 4.00.

The hog market was really a snappy affair, with plenty of buyers on hand to create a lively demand for the offering, which included about 300 fine fat hogs and 200 feeder pigs. Fats were generally 35 to 55 cents higher this week and feeder pigs ruled steady to firm. Best fats here, in the 180 to 225 lb. class were sold at 7.60 to 7.85; fats in the 225 to 250 lb. class at 7.35 to 7.60. Fat sows were steady at 6.50 to 7.00; feeder pigs 100 to 150 lbs., steady at 7.50 to 8.00; feeder pigs, 60 to 100 lbs., 8.00 to 9.50.

Next auction Tuesday, Dec. 21, starting at 12:30 p. m.

Lions Celebrate Charter Night With Dinner Last Thursday At The Golden

The O'Neill Lions Club celebrated charter night on Thursday evening, December 9, by holding a banquet at the Golden Hotel. About sixty guests were present and included among them there were Father B. F. Teves of Platte Center, District Governor, and two past District Governors, Ira Kyle of Omaha and Dr. A. L. Miller, of Kimball, Nebr.

Lion D. H. Clausson presided as toastmaster and managed to keep things going at a merry pace all evening. The Governors, past and present, favored the audience with inspiring messages and Lion Ambrose Rhode distinguished himself by adopting a doorstep baby during the evening's entertainment.

This charter night celebration marked the first anniversary of the reorganization of the O'Neill Lions Club. During its first year the Club has gained considerable strength and has won the confidence and friendship of the entire community.

The next regular meeting of the Club will be held on Thursday, December 23, at 6:30 p. m. Remember the contest is still raging between teams captioned by Lions Irving Johnson and Harry Clausson.

Prices Rule Steady To Higher On All Stock At O'Neill Sale Market

Prices steady to higher on all stock at O'Neill Market. Top on light butcher hogs 7.65; heavy butchers 7.35 to 7.50; sows 6.25 to 6.75. Very good demand for serum pigs, weighing from 50 to 90 lbs. with quality, will bring up to 9.00 per hundred.

All prices steady on grown cattle, higher on calves and yearlings.

Young horses with quality sold very good with increasing demand. Any one having livestock for sale bring it to O'Neill. We get the high dollar for you, as all classes are in very good demand. Next auction, Monday, December 20.

The Weather

Since last Sunday we have been having a spell of real nice winter weather, after the severe cold spell last week. According to the daily press and radio the cold spell took in most of the United States with extremely heavy snows in the eastern portion.

Following is the weather chart for the past week:

	High	Low	Mois.
Dec. 9	21	-10	
Dec. 10	24	-9	
Dec. 11	31	5	
Dec. 12	30	22	
Dec. 13	29	14	
Dec. 14	22	16	
Dec. 15	34	10	

C. C. Jones of the Chambers valley was a pleasant caller at this office last Tuesday and extended his subscription to this household necessity for another year, because he said "he just had to read The Frontier." Mr. Jones has been a resident of the southern part of the county for fifty-five years. He likes to discuss old times and we had a very pleasant visit with him while he's discussing Holt county old time history. He took home with him a Kwik Lite electric lantern as a gift from The Frontier and he said that it would prove valuable to him and it was a very nice gift.

SANTA TO BE HERE WITH TREATS FOR KIDDIES MONDAY

Candy And Nuts Will Be Given To Youngsters At O'Neill's Annual Xmas Tree Day.

Santa Claus will make his appearance in O'Neill next Monday, Dec. 20, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Bring the little folks into town and let them enjoy themselves.

A Christmas tree is being erected on Fourth street, just south of Clay street and it will be properly decorated for the occasion. Santa will arrive here promptly at 2 o'clock so have the little folks here on time. The children will be treated to candy and nuts, which will help to make the day pleasant for them.

This celebration is being sponsored by the Lions club and they have the financial assistance of the business men of the city. Do not forget the date nor the hour.

O'Neill High Opens Its Basketball Season With Two Victories

The O'Neill high school basketball team opened its 1937-'38 season strong by defeating the Spalding high school quintet last Thursday on the local court. The score was 20 to 16. The Freshman team lost to St. Mary's freshman 14 to 4 the same evening.

They won from the Wheeler county high school five Tuesday night at Bartlett with a score of 59 to 32. The O'Neill high school seconds lost to the Wheeler county seconds 17 to 14.

The blue jerseyed club in its two early season games has shown that it has possibilities of developing into quite a formidable outfit, displaying plenty of scoring punch in the pinches. Its main fault seems to be a lack of speed and defense. Many set-up shots were missed in both games and both offensive and defensive play was marked by raggedness.

Among the veterans who have shown up well are Leo Lewis, forward; Hugh McKenna, forward and guard; Bill Randall, center; Ralph Brown, forward; Chas. Yarnall, forward; Bill Maxwell, guard; Bob Sauer, guard, and Bob Williams, guard. Promising new men are Gene Sanders, center; Richard Loy, forward and guard; Vernon Spangler, forward, along with several others who at this early date have not had the opportunity to show their wares. With a little more experience, Sanders, six feet and four inch center, should develop into one of O'Neill's greatest pivot men.

The first real test of the season for the Irish will come Friday night when the local boys take on the strong Rock County high school outfit from Bassett on the local court. From early reports the Bassett lads have one of their best outfits in years, with Wayne Root, six foot three inch center at the mainstay.

MRS. JOHN KELLER

Mrs. John Keller, one of the pioneers of the Chambers valley, died at her home in Chambers last Tuesday morning, after an illness of several months of cancer. The Methodist church at Chambers funeral services were held in the Methodist church at Chambers this afternoon.

Mrs. Keller, nee Flucky, was a pioneer resident of the southern part of the county, where she lived all her life with the exception of a couple of years when they resided on a farm adjoining this city. She was a splendid woman and her passing will be sincerely mourned by a host of friends, not only in the south country but in this city as well.

CORN LOAN INSPECTORS NAMED FOR THIS COUNTY

Thomas F. Higgins of Stuart, Al J. Sausser of O'Neill, and Clem Bollen of Orchard, have been named to check warehouses in this county under the 1937 corn loan program.

The loan rate will be from 44 cents to 50 cents per bushel depending on grade and moisture. The corn must be in a well constructed crib with a good roof and must be ear corn. Further details will be announced later.