

**Duck Hunting Is
'Good' in Sandhills**
**Mallards Arrive in
Area Early**

Nebraska's sandhills have provided its hunters with the most productive waterfowl hunting to date in a generally not-too-good season, which has been hampered by drought conditions.

The ducks, geese and coot season of 60 days duration got under way on Saturday, October 11. Closing date of the season is December 9.

Early reports show some exceptionally good hunting in the sandhills where local ducks abound. There were indications of some northern mallards arriving in that area last week.

Hunting in most other parts of the state ranged from fair to poor. This should change almost immediately, however, upon arrival of northern ducks and geese.

The drought-like conditions which have prevailed throughout most of the state have eliminated many of the pothole types of water commonly found in the state. The result is the concentration of the ducks in the larger waters.

Waterfowl hunting begins one-half hour before sunrise to one hour before sunset. Bag limit is five and possession limit is 10. The bag and possession limit may include one wood duck. Limit on geese is five.

Early and incomplete reports indicate that the recently completed five-day grouse season in 11 Nebraska counties was the best on record since the revival of grouse hunting in this state.

Most Holt hunters went to Brown and Keya Paha counties.

Hunters were having considerable success, particularly during the first two days of the hunt. There appeared to be both more birds and more hunters. On opening day, many hunters took bag limits of three grouse.

Open counties were Dawes, Box Butte, Sheridan, Cherry, Keya Paha, Brown, Rock, Grant, Hooker, Arthur and McPherson counties.

Thousands of sportsmen took to the field Friday as the state's 26th annual pheasant season got under way. Nebraskans have been hunting pheasants each year since the first three-day hunt in Sherman and Wheeler counties in 1927.

Only rooster pheasants can be taken this year. In Holt the pheasant population is below normal—attributed to the severe winters of 1948, 1949 and 1950.

Zone 2 hunters close their pheasant hunting season Sunday, October 26. This zone consists of Holt, Boyd, Blaine, Brown, Cherry, Garfield, Grant, Hooker, Keya Paha, Loup, Rock, Thomas and Wheeler counties.

All other counties form zone 1, in which the season runs through November 23.

Hunting is from sunrise to sunset. Hunters are reminded that all pheasants taken must retain sex identification. Either the head or feet must be left on the bird.

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PAGE NEWS

**Redbird Youths
Become 'Royalty'**
**Mellor, Wilson Are
Crowned**

REDBIRD — Delores Mellor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Mellor, and Garry Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wilson, were crowned king and queen at the Lynch high school homecoming Friday.

Other Redbird News
Mrs. Irene Carsten and sons of Bonesteel, S.D., came Friday to spend the weekend with her daughter, Mrs. Eldon Mills, and family to get ready for her farm sale Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Halstead and Billy visited his parents, the Leonard Halsteads, at Page Wednesday, October 15.

Bruce Schollmeyer stayed overnight Friday with Dick Truax. The Misses Shirley and Joy Slack entertained a large group of relatives and neighbors Friday evening, honoring their birthday anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Junior Wilson visited Thursday evening in the Ray Wilson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan McKenzie sold several pieces of furniture at the community sale in Lynch Saturday.

Mrs. Frank Gehlsen and Cathy were guests at the Carsten ranch Saturday while a check was being made with the cattle roundup.

Ray Wilson and son, Garry, were Sunday dinner guests at Junior Wilson's while rounding up their cattle from the Albert Carson place.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hiscok were visitors in the Ray Wilson home Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Irene Carsten and boys were supper guests Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Alm and daughter.

Shirley and Loraine Mashino are at home since the closing of the Spencer high school due to the polio epidemic.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Hull of Ithaca and their son, Ivan, and wife of Omaha were weekend visitors in the Hull home Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Truax, jr. and son, Alfred, and Mrs. Halsey Hull and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hull and family of Verdel.

Housemovers moved the new home of Floyd Kaasa's out from Lynch last week.

Mrs. Merle Moody of Lynch, Mrs. Jessie Caldwell and Mrs. Deable Luff of Niobrara and Mrs. Ray Wilson accompanied Mrs. Guy Hull to a Rebekah lodge assembly at North Platte Tuesday morning, October 14. Mrs. Caldwell and Mrs. Ray Wilson were delegates. They returned Thursday night.

Earl Wilson of Gregory, S.D., visited Ray Wilson and his sister, Mrs. Ralph Pinkerman, last week. He had recently returned from a visit with his daughter, Dorothy, and family in California.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Halstead and family spent the weekend with the Hershel Halstead family near Atkinson. Leon Mellors did their chores.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Buttolph are sons of Oregon are here visiting relatives. Vern is a son of the former Alice Wells.

A pinocle party was held Friday at Lyle Vequist's. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ott were guests. Albert Sterns and Mrs. Orville Miller had high scores. Low was held by Mrs. Chuck Fevry and Robert Ott. The next meeting of the club will be at Arthur O'Neill's on November 8.

Mr. and Mrs. John Schultz, Trudy and Gwenda were guests at a dinner Sunday at Mrs. Florence Schultz's honoring her daughter, Mrs. Owen Hiatt, and family of Omaha.

A card party was held Saturday evening at Dan Rake's. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Arthur O'Neill, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Don Hynes, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Brown and Mr. and Mrs. John Schultz.

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Hiatt and family of Omaha were dinner guests at John Schultz's Monday. Gordon Johnson and Russ called in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Allendorfer and family drove to Valentine Sunday to visit Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Asher. Mr. Allendorfer returned that night accompanied by Mrs. C. H. Chambers, who had been visiting the Asher home for two weeks. Mrs. Allendorfer and children returned home Tuesday.

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**Murphys Mark 25th
Wedding Date**
**Brown Originally
Attached to Holt**

**Earliest Settlers Were
Ranchers**

Brown county, comprising 1,218 square miles in the north central section of the state, was one of the counties organized during the rush of settlement in the early 1880's. Originally, along with a dozen other present-day counties, it was a part of Sioux County. With the organization of Holt County in 1876, the area later known as Brown County was attached to Holt.

Earliest settlers in the region were ranchers who came in during the 1870's attracted by the rich, abundant prairie grasses. Fort Niobrara, established April 22, 1880, became an important nucleus of white activity as well as providing protection for the settlers.

The winter of 1880-81 was a severe one, and many of the region's ranchers were forced to abandon their holdings. This, in effect, opened the area for settlement once again, and settlers began to locate in the region ever increasing numbers. Many of the first of this group of settlers went out on the Fremont, Elkhorn and Missouri Valley railroad to its terminus at Oakdale, continuing the journey by wagon. The PE & MV was extended to Neligh in 1880. The Sioux City and Pacific Railroad, building west across northern Nebraska, reached Long Pine in 1881, greatly facilitating the settlement of the area that was to become Brown County. The next year the road was completed across the county.

By the end of 1882, population of the area had increased to the point where it seemed advisable to organize a new county. In December of that year Frank Sellers and Merril Griffiths went about the area with a petition asking the legislature to take such action. At the next session of the legislature, Senator Moses P. Kinkaid of O'Neill introduced the necessary bill.

Other South of Stuart News
Mr. and Mrs. Ed Sieben spent Tuesday, October 14, visiting at the H. P. Miksch home.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Fuller and Don were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mrs. Noma Hall in Stuart.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Kramer and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kramer and family were Sunday evening callers at the John Kramer home.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Johnson were Sunday dinner guests at the Edward Mlinar home at Atkinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Weichman and children spent last Thursday at O'Neill.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Marr of Atkinson were Sunday dinner guests at the Frank Greger home.

AC Edmund Kaup and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kaup were Sunday dinner guests at the Ed Krysl home. Afternoon callers were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Greger and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ott of North Platte came Thursday evening to spend a few days with Robert's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Ott also the Francis Currier and Alvin Ott homes.

The petition had suggested no name. There were five legislators named Brown, so Brown County it became. Governor Dawes approved the bill, Feb. 19, 1883.

Ainsworth, where the first building—a log store on the freighter's trail—had been erected in 1880, became the county seat, although at the time it was not yet an incorporated village. The town was named in honor of J. E. Ainsworth of Missouri Valley, Iowa, who had charge of construction of the railroad which reached the town, June 11, 1882.

The 1880's were good years in Nebraska, and the settlers of Brown County raised excellent crops. In 1884 and 1888 the Chicago Board of Trade awarded prizes to cars of wheat received from Ainsworth. The early 1890's brought drought and depression to Brown County, as they did to the rest of Nebraska, and the county's population fell from 4,359 in 1890 to 3,470 in 1900.

The Kinkaid Act and returning prosperity brought a heavy influx of settlers during the first years of the 20th century, and by 1910 Brown County's population had jumped to 6,083. It reached a peak of 6,749 in 1920. The returns for 1950 show 5,157.

Entertains Merry Matrons
AMELIA—The Merry Matrons club held its first meeting of the fall at the home of Mrs. Helen Clifford with Mrs. Faye Dierking as co-hostess. Thirteen members and one visitor were present. Mrs. Clyde Doolittle and Mrs. Rees joined the club. The afternoon was spent quilting on our quilt.

A special meeting is to be held the afternoon of October 28. The November meeting is to be held at the home of Mrs. Eleanor Mohr with Mrs. Ethyl Hansen as co-hostess.

Has 5th Birthday
Bonnie Lou Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hi Johnson, was honored on her fifth birthday anniversary Saturday afternoon. Fifteen youngsters and their mothers were present. Bonnie received many gifts. A lunch of sandwiches, birthday cake and ice cream was served by Mrs. Johnson.

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