

THE FRONTIER

FATHER LEAHY TO BE ASSISTANT AT AN OMAHA CHURCH

Rev. P. F. Burke, Chaplain At The Good Shepherd Home, Omaha, Will Be Assistant Here.

Last Thursday, Rev. B. J. Leahy, assistant at St. Patrick's church in this city for the past seven and a half years, received notice of his appointment as assistant pastor of Holy Angels church in Omaha, and expects to leave for his new pastorate about Tuesday of next week.

Father Leahy has made hundreds of friends in this city and vicinity during his stay here and these friends are not all members of his congregation. His friends, while regretting to see him leave O'Neill, are rejoicing in the fact that the transfer is a well merited promotion for him. No matter where he may be stationed in the future he will have the best wishes of O'Neill citizens generally for his future welfare and happiness.

Father Leahy will be succeeded here by Rev. P. F. Burke, who for several months has been chaplain at the Good Shepherds home at Omaha. He is expected to arrive about the middle of next week.

Holt's 4-H Clubs Place High In Completion of Year's Poultry Work

Holt county was one of the two highest counties in the state in the number of completions in 4-H Poultry Club work. Seventy-two members out of 117 who started last spring completed their projects. These members are receiving their certificates of achievement at the present time.

Mrs. Edgar Stauffer, of Page, was awarded the Burlington leadership trip to club week next spring. This award is given to the outstanding club leader in each county thru which the Burlington passes.

Miss Margery Rees, O'Neill, was awarded the outstanding poultry club member premium in the form of a trip to club week in Lincoln, donated by the Crete Mills, of Crete, Neb. These mills are also awarding 100 pounds of feed to each of three club members who ranked high in their individual clubs. The awards will be made as soon as records can be checked.

Former President Gets A Great Ovation On His Address At Capitol City

Ex-President Hoover addressed an enormous crowd at Lincoln last Thursday night, it being one of a series of speeches that he has been delivering in different parts of the United States during the past few months. According to press reports he was tendered an ovation by the immense crowd which must have warmed his heart after the tremendous slaughter he received at the polls in November, 1932.

His discussion of the affairs of the country and the enormous debt that is being piled on posterity by the New Deal and its proponents brought tumultuous applause from his vast audience, and his analysis of affairs of state demonstrated that he is a close student of American affairs with the faculty of imparting his knowledge to others in a way that they, too, could understand. When Mr. Hoover left Lincoln he must have been impressed with the fact that Nebraska is a long way from being the "enemy's country" as it was in the fall of 1932.

Grattan Township Re-elects Officers

The electors of Grattan township held their annual meeting in the Public Library in this city last Tuesday afternoon and it was the largest attended of any meeting held for several years. Reports of the various officers were received, including a report from the library board. The financial condition of the township is in good shape, with a balance of \$2,000 in the general fund and no levy was made this year for that fund. The levy for the library fund was raised \$200, being increased from \$1,000 to \$1,200. There was no levy made for the bridge fund and a levy sufficient to raise \$1,000 was made for the road fund.

In the election of road overseers for the township Ed Matthews and

James Carney, incumbents, were re-elected as overseers for the two districts north of the city and Bert Shoemaker and Clayton Messner, also incumbents, were re-elected as road overseers for the two districts in the southern part of the township.

The Weather

	High	Low	Mois.
Jan. 17	9	5	.36
Jan. 18	6	—12	
Jan. 19	2	—10	
Jan. 20	15	—14	
Jan. 21	33	—1	.06
Jan. 22	33	—18	
Jan. 23	—	—17	

INSTITUTE REPORT SHOWS DROUTH IS HOG PRICE RAISER

AAA Attempted To Make Payment As Large As Possible For Contracted Reduction.

By James R. Lowell

For the benefit of this newspaper, a study of the AAA program has been secured from the Brookings Institute of Washington, D. S., on a non-partisan basis. This study credits the 1934 corn-hog reduction and other emergency activities of the farm administration with boosting the nation's corn-hog producers \$170,000,000.

D. A. Fitzgerald, agricultural economist who made the study, said the "economic status of livestock producers improved greatly between 1932 and 1936" but that how much of this was due to the AAA and how much to the drouth and other factors was less certain.

He said the drouth was a major factor and the AAA a minor factor in the hiking of livestock prices, but concluded hog producers' incomes were 7 per cent larger than they would have been without the AAA and that the program was responsible for corn producers getting \$64,000,000 extra income.

"The \$170,000,000 increase in income obtained by corn-hog producers as a group, as a result of the emergency hog marketing campaign, relief purchases of hogs, and the 1934 corn-hog reduction program was not uniformly distributed among individual producers," Fitzgerald reports.

While farmers have benefited, the taxpayers will foot the bill, he said.

"A casual inspection may lead to the conclusion that some gains accrued to farmers as a result of the AAA corn-hog program, and that neither distributors nor consumers were adversely affected—that the income of one group gained and that of another group lost. This is not entirely correct. The income of farmers was increased, the not greatly.

"A small part of the increase was diverted from the distributing industry; the remainder has been paid largely from the processing taxes or from general taxes."

Fitzgerald says that during the first three years the AAA was in effect, consumers were not greatly affected by its livestock program. He says this was solely because the major change in hog supplies was due to the 1934 drouth and not to the AAA. He concludes also that the processing tax did not cause consumers to pay more for the pork supply that was available.

In crediting the AAA with being responsible for an increase in corn-hog income, Fitzgerald noted that the "AAA took the precaution to make the contract financially attractive, and indeed attempted to make the payments large enough to guarantee the signer a larger income than the non-signer."

He concludes that market prices for hogs were somewhat higher in 1933-34—perhaps 50 cents—and somewhat lower in 1934-35—perhaps \$1.25—than they would have been in the absence of the agricultural adjustment program. Change in market prices, he said, however, are not necessarily an indication of change in the economic status of hog producers. Costs and AAA benefit payments, as well as volume of sales are mentioned as other factors.

Just what the adverse decision of the U. S. supreme court on the AAA means to business in Nebraska may best be judged by the views of members of an industry which depends largely upon agriculture and which experienced an outstanding increase in volume of sales last year. Four leading automobile

CREIGHTON ALUMNI GATHERING IS HELD AT HOTEL TUESDAY

North Central Nebraska Creighton Club Organized. J. P. Marron, of O'Neill Is President.

About fifty alumni of Creighton university met at a banquet at the Golden Hotel last Tuesday evening, which was called for the purpose of organizing a North Central Nebraska Creighton Club. The fifty alumni present represented the counties of Holt, Boyd and Antelope, and the promoters of the meeting are convinced that many more would have been present had it not been for the inclement weather.

After the banquet talks were delivered by Father Quinn, of Omaha, chairman of the Athletic Board of Creighton university; Marchie Schwartz, athletic director and former Notre Dame football star; F. E. Pellegrin, alumni secretary and publicity director, and Rev. B. J. Leahy, of this city. Mr. Pellegrin displayed pictures of football games that had been participated in by Creighton teams. During the exhibition of the pictures the alumni entertained the boys of the O'Neill High school and St. Mary's academy. During the display and afterward Marchie Schwartz made a special talk to the boys on athletics.

Part of the entertainment put on by the alumni of this city for their visitors was a solo dance by Miss Marian Jeannette Kubitschek, accompanied on the piano by her mother, and two solo selections by Frank A. Meyer, accompanied by Mrs. Herman Nelson.

At the conclusion of the picture display the alumni organized the North Central Nebraska Creighton Club and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, J. P. Marron, O'Neill; Vice President, Dr. F. J. Kubitschek, O'Neill; Secretary, Alvin A. Butterfield, Neligh; Treasurer, J. Earl Harper, Spencer.

Treasurer's Office Kept Very Busy

Treasurer Winchell and his office force have been going in high since the first of the year, in fact since December 1, 1935. Practically every day there are long lines of taxpayers waiting at the office to secure their automobile license for the year 1936 and pay the tax on their car, which must be paid before the license is issued. Up to and including January 22 the office had issued 1,000 automobile and truck licenses this year.

dealers of Lincoln have been interviewed for the benefit of readers of this paper:

F. A. Roehl—"Demise of the AAA is nothing to get excited over. Car sales for the next 30 to 60 days probably will be curtailed. After that sales will be better than ever and before the year is out we will be glad the AAA was killed. A farm program will be devised on a more solid basis. I have handled the Nash line since 1918 and am more optimistic now than any year before."

Ed O'Shea: "The AAA death caused a considerable let-down in car sales, setting such sales back at least three months in Nebraska. The state's only industry is agriculture and we must have some program similar to AAA if retail business is to continue good. Prospects will brighten considerably if farmers are convinced they will get the additional payments contracted for and congress works out a feasible farm legislative program."

Al DuTeau: "Reaction to the supreme court decision has made a marked difference in volume of sales. Farmers depended on the \$12,000,000 yet unpaid under AAA contracts. Doing away with the triple A is certain to reduce car sales temporarily, but I am certain Washington will do something and a permanent farm program will be set up. The business outlook for the year is hopeful."

Fred S. Sides: "I don't believe knocking out the AAA will affect our sales appreciably. I am confident the farm situation will be adjusted satisfactorily in the near future. The AAA was all right as an emergency measure but was not conducive to best business as a permanent feature."

Hospital Notes

Max Wolf was operated on for chronic appendicitis Saturday. He is convalescing nicely.

Madedyn Hynes, of St. Mary's academy was brought in Monday morning with an attack of pneumonia. She is improved very much at the present writing.

A. D. Brown, of Atkinson, met with an auto accident on highway No. 20 near here Monday and was brought to the hospital for first aid treatment. He went home on the west bound train that evening.

Readers Showing Ready Response To \$1 A Year Offer On Subscriptions

A large number of our readers have called during the past three weeks and renewed their subscription for the coming year. Remember, the offer of The Frontier for \$1.00 per year expires on Feb. 8, 1936, and in order to take advantage of this offer you should get your money into the office before that date.

During the past three weeks we have added a large number of new readers and the number is increasing every day. If you want the leading paper in the county you can get it for \$1.00 per year, if you get in your subscription before the closing date. Now is the time to square up your subscription.

Harry Scott Files For Railway Commissioner

Harry W. Scott, former Tax Commissioner of Nebraska, has filed for the Republican nomination for Railway Commissioner. Mr. Scott was County Clerk of Pawnee county two terms, beginning in 1917. He also served as Assistant State Tax Commissioner for six years prior to the time he was appointed Tax Commissioner by Governor Weaver.

During the years 1926 and 1927 he served as secretary of the Republican State Central committee.

During the time that Mr. Scott was connected with the State Tax Department he had an opportunity to become familiar with valuations of railroad companies, telephone companies and other properties whose rates are regulated by the state railway commission.

The experience he has had in public affairs and his wide acquaintance over the State of Nebraska should make him a very valuable man in the position he seeks.

"I expect to make a campaign for this office on the record which I have already established in other public offices which I have filled," said Mr. Scott. "I have always felt that the success of a public officer depends upon his ability to get along with people and accord everybody fair treatment. This I have always been able to do."

DAKOTA'S BIRTH TO BE OBSERVED IN YANKTON

Yankton, S. D.—Celebration of the seventy-first anniversary of the creation of Dakota Territory by proclamation of President Abraham Lincoln in April, 1861, is planned by the city of Yankton, first capital of the Territory, with a pageant and the homecoming program during the week of June 7, this year.

Dakota Territory as originally created comprised the present states of South Dakota, North Dakota, Montana and Wyoming, and portions of Idaho and Nebraska. Yankton, located on the Missouri river, was a natural gateway into the territory.

Pioneers of Dakota of 60 years or more ago, wherever now residing, are to be special guests of the city at this celebration.

In conjunction with the celebration commemorating the creation of the Territory the Yankton Press and Dakotan, first surviving newspaper to be published in the Territory, will on June 6, 1936, observe its seventy-fifth anniversary by publishing a historical Diamond Jubilee Edition.

Pioneers of Dakota of 60 years or more ago, wherever they may now be residing, are being urged to send to the Yankton Press and Dakotan as early as possible their names, present place of residence, and date of arrival in Dakota, or of birth if they were Dakota-born, in order that special invitations may be sent to them to attend the celebration.

HOLT COUNTY AND MIDWEST SHIVER IN SEVERE COLD WAVE

A Low of 18 Below Zero Recorded In O'Neill Wednesday At 10 O'clock In The Morning.

Nebraska, as well as practically every northern state in the union, has encountered the coldest weather of the season during the past week and in some of the states the thermometer dropped lower than it has for several years. Starting in on Wednesday night of last week it dropped to 7 below; Friday morning it was 5 above; Saturday morning 12 below zero; Sunday, 10 below and it clung to zero nearly all day; Monday morning 14 below zero; Tuesday morning, 1 above; then on Wednesday morning it dropped to 8 below at 6 o'clock, 13 below at 8 o'clock and 18 below at 10 o'clock. It moderated a little during the afternoon rising three degrees but it clung to 15 below zero all day, the coldest day in this city for a long time. This morning it was 17 below zero and was around zero at noon today.

We have had flurries of snow during the week and the ground is now covered with six or eight inches of snow, which pleases the farmers as they say it gives evidence of lots of moisture for next season.

Severe cold has gripped the entire middle west and cold records of several years standing have fallen. The following account is from the Nebraska State Journal, of Lincoln:

"Eastern Nebraska Wednesday night faced the possibility of experiencing the lowest temperature in seventeen years as 'the rawest cold wave since the turn of the century' held this section locked in its grip.

"Thruout the middle west the temperature plummeted to record low readings as the year's worst cold wave struck. Many deaths were reported as, in some places, the lowest temperatures in weather bureau records were attained.

"Strangely, as the mercury hit unusual lows in the eastern portions of the state, temperatures rose in the western sections. The temperature range at 5 p. m. Wednesday was 62 degrees from Omaha to Sidney. At Lincoln at 6 p. m. it was 11 below and the prediction for late Wednesday night and early Thursday morning was for even colder weather.

"The Lincoln weather bureau predicted a temperature of 20 below for Thursday morning, which would be the coldest since Jan. 11, 1918, when the thermometer dropped to 23 below. The lowest temperature ever recorded in the capitol city was 29 below in January of 1892.

"Snow falls reported were: Ashland and Plattsmouth, 3 inches; Valparaiso, 2; David City, 3; Nebraska City, 3; Auburn, Gresham and Stromberg, one-half. Light snows fell at Seward, York, Milford, Weeping Water, Syracuse, Humbolt, Lincoln, Wymore, Tecumseh, Table Rock and Wilber.

"So swiftly did the cold strike Nebraska that weather bureaus were forced to hastily revise their forecasts for Wednesday night and Thursday. Early Wednesday morning the Lincoln bureau predicted rising temperatures and snow in Lincoln Thursday, with Wednesday night's 'lowest temperature about zero.' Less than twelve hours later, it was warning Lincoln residents to prepare for '20 below.'

"Representative temperatures at 6 p. m. Wednesday were: Omaha —14, Lincoln —12, Grand Island —12, Cozad 8 above, North Platte 16 above, Big Springs 45 above, Sidney 46 above, and Cheyenne, Wyo., 43 above. Randolph had a temperature reading of 19 below zero early Wednesday morning, while the mercury dropped steadily at Norfolk all day, reaching 19 below zero at 6 p. m.

"United Air Lines observers said eastern Nebraska was just on the edge of the rawest cold wave since the turn of the century.

"A twelve mile an hour wind from the north was reported by the airlines station at Lincoln Wednesday night. A shifting to the east would bring about a halt to the falling temperatures and perhaps a rise. East winds were reported at Cozad and North Platte. At Big Springs, Sidney,

and Cheyenne, winds were reported from the west.

"Bus line reported no difficulty from blocked roads on their routes Wednesday evening, the pavements were said to be slick in places, mostly in towns.

"Railroads reported their trains running on schedule from the west and south."

ARTICHOKE WILL BE INTRODUCED HERE AS A DROUTH CROP

Hastings Company Will Furnish Seed And Contract To Buy Crop From Grower.

Former Congressman Fred G. Johnson, president of the United Artichoke company, of Hastings, accompanied by K. D. Wray and M. L. Hall, field men for the company, were in the city last Tuesday and Mr. Johnson addressed a meeting of the Tigers Club on the possibility of growing Jerusalem artichokes in this section of the state.

Mr. Johnson has been in the artichoke business for several years and says that as an industrial crop it cannot be excelled as it is a sure yield in dry years when other crops fail. The tubers are planted like potatoes and has no natural enemies. It is claimed that it is unexcelled as food for cattle, sheep and hogs, and Mr. Johnson says he is firmly convinced that this plant will be grown in various parts of the country for the production of power alcohol and sugar in which it is rich in content.

The company, of which Mr. Johnson is president, is making contracts with farmers who desire to raise the plant, and will furnish them the seed and contract with the grower to take the crop at, I think he said, \$14.50 per ton. As it has been known to produce five to eight tons per acre this would prove very profitable to the grower.

Unlike sugar beets, artichokes are cultivated like potatoes and can be taken care of with ordinary corn plows, and does not require the hand weeding that is necessary for the successful growth of sugar beets. Several local farmers have been thinking about trying the plant out and we may know more about it in another year.

Mayor Floods Skate Pond

Last Sunday, with the mercury hanging around zero all day, Mayor Kersenbrock thought it would be a good time to help the kids out by flooding the ice rink at the corner of Seventh and Douglas streets, and he proceeded to do so.

He was alone in the undertaking and he had a tussle with the large hose with the result that he got a good soaking. To cap the climax when he attempted to pick up the hose, after it had run about fifteen or twenty minutes, he slipped, falling into the water and the portions of his anatomy that did not get wet in direct contact with the hose was saturated when he fell into the water. In a short time he was a modern snowman, with his clothes frozen solid. John got a severe cold out of the undertaking, but he was undaunted and had the job completed Wednesday morning so the boys will now have a good place to skate.

Frank Nelson was in from the Meek country Wednesday. Frank says that altho it was 19 below zero when he left home it was a nice day and a reminder of the days of long ago, when 30 and 40 below were rather common in this section. He is also very optimistic about the coming year as he remembers that in the old days when we had a good cold winter and lots of snow that we had lots of moisture during the summer months and were blessed with bountiful crops. This is one time that we want history to repeat.

Judge R. R. Dickson, Peter Toddson, L. G. Gillespie, C. W. Porter, Archie Bowen, R. M. Sauer, H. L. Lindberg and F. M. Reece drove over to Butte last Monday evening and attended a meeting of the Masonic lodge of that city, which was attended by William C. Ramsey, of Omaha, Grand Master of the Masonic order in the state. The boys say they had a nice time and that the highway was in good condition.

COUNTY EXPENSE ESTIMATE IS DOWN OVER 13 THOUSAND

Cut of Twelve Thousand In Poor And Blind Fund A Large Reduction Item.

The members of the Holt County Board of Supervisors, at their meeting last Friday, adopted an estimate of expenses for the county for the year 1936 and fixed the figure at \$115,230 as compared to \$128,350 for the year 1935, or \$13,120 less than last year's estimate.

The greatest reduction in the 1936 estimate is in the county poor and blind fund, which was reduced from \$30,000 in 1935 to \$18,000 for the year 1936, or a reduction of \$12,000; county judgment fund was reduced \$8,000 from \$23,000 to \$15,000; mothers' pensions reduced \$2,000 from \$3,500 to \$1,500. The other reductions made were in the following: Printing and supplies, \$500; courts and juries, \$1,000; building and repairs, \$1,000; justice and misdemeanor, \$50; insane, \$250; board of health, \$200; soldiers' relief, \$200.

Increases in the estimate for 1936 over that of 1935 is elections, \$7,000, there being no estimate for elections last year; interest on court house bonds, \$1,830.

According to the semi-annual report of the county treasurer, published in The Registered warrant, the following registered warrants are unpaid: County general fund, \$56,913.89; county road fund, \$13,050.07.

In addition to the above the following claims were on file in the office of the county clerk on Dec. 15, 1935, which had not been allowed: County general fund, \$16,793.96; county bridge fund, \$12,356.86; county road fund, \$8,819.50; county road relief fund, \$1,430.60; county road dragging fund, \$166.30, or a total of \$39,558.22.

Assets Of Defunct Banks Are Sold

E. H. Luikart, of Lincoln, receiver of the Citizens State bank of Stuart, and the Page State bank, was in the city Thursday morning and had a sale of the assets of these banks at the court house.

The assets of the Citizens State bank sold to Charles Peterson, of southwest Holt county, for \$4,300. This includes all the property of the bank that had not been disposed of except that now involved in litigation.

The assets of the Page State bank sold for \$1,200 to Mr. Sullivan, of Kansas.

Fifty New Cars Since The First of the Year

That the sale of automobiles has been very good in this county since January 1, 1936, is evidenced by the fact that fifty new cars have been registered in the office of the county treasurer since the first of the year, up to and including January 22. From this it would seem that automobile dealers are in for the best year they have had in many years.

Griswold Again In gubernatorial Race

Dwight Griswold, of Gordon, has again filed for the republican nomination for governor. Dwight was the nominee in the elections of 1932 and 1934 but went down to defeat in both elections, although he greatly reduced the democratic majorities in both campaigns. He believes this is going to be a republican year and he would like to again head the state ticket.

A press release Wednesday said the national agricultural department predicted that grasshoppers are to do most damage next summer in south central Montana, eastern Nebraska and the lower peninsula of Michigan. It is certain there are less eggs in the ground than one year ago. In 1935, the report said in only a few spots were eggs more numerous than they were in 1934 and this was true of eastern Nebraska and Kansas, western Iowa, southern Wisconsin and a small part of Michigan.

Gen Lydon plans to leave here Monday on business in several towns, perhaps in several states, for the O'Neill Photo company.