

THE FRONTIER

A Skunk Completely Disrupts the Regular School Room Order

Eleven pupils and a teacher of one of Holt county's rural schools held their attention to figures and facts one day last week. The boys gazed through an open doorway at allurements of budding spring. A skunk, big and hungry looking, walked in the room and changed the peaceful scene in a twinkling.

One of the pupils, Paul May, 13, living miles from the citadel of learning, carried a .22 caliber rifle under a seat of a car he used and the teacher knew nothing of the young crow hunter's deadly marksmanship nor of his artillery. The dead-shot recently had replenished his cartridge supply here and was all ready for any eventuality, as they say on the other side of the big sardine pond.

The skunk kept on tending to his own business and as a sideline, attended to that of the school occupants. May jumped up and grasped his infant cannon and made ready to challenge the dragon. He fired. The "dragon" proved several things promptly. It proved itself a genuine wild skunk and it proved it's capture of the building a complete take-over.

Classes were taught out of doors. Frank Biglin sent the school a supply of deodorant and reports from the district indicate the building may be domesticated again unless another kitten of the hay fields mistakes an open door for an invitation to walk in.

Rural schools of this county long have had trouble with civit cats and skunks. In winter, isolated, the buildings offer ideal cotes for sheltered burrows. In spring, the animals awake and are curious to know who live in the upper story of their home. Often they bump heads on the flooring and teachers have wondered if their schools were haunted. They carry fleas and pupils and teachers may have to take time out from arithmetic to review the survey of North America.

Skunks are said to be easy prey to rabies. Dogs with this in one stage make a long trip and encounter numerous skunks, which are nocturnal livers, bite them and in turn others are bitten and every skunk then becomes a potential rabies carrier.

Mice like to live in schools where are skunks. The skunk, a hustler, always provides plenty of food and mice "borrow" this while the skunk hibernates. Teachers of rural schools have a real problem in skunks. Little has been said on the subject because of the nature of the animal but teachers with this problem should use their prerogative and report to their school boards or the superintendent of Holt county schools.

First Sale of Nebraska Hereford Association

The first sale of the North Central Nebraska Hereford association was held in Bassett Monday. Forty-two Horned and Palled Herefords went through the ring. Thirty-two of the older bulls averaged a little over \$140 each, while ten yearlings averaged \$94 each.

At the annual meeting of the association, which was held immediately after the sale, the following officers were elected: F. E. Wentworth, president; Orley Peterson, vice president; H. Q. Thorley, secretary-treasurer; R. E. Lucas, C. M. Wolcott, David E. Bowen and Floyd Arrowsmith, directors.

Plans are now being made for a big calf show to be held some time this fall.

Pasture Contest Meetings

The second annual Pasture Contest sponsored by the Omaha Chamber of Commerce and Nebraska Crop Growers is well started over the state. Many farmers signing the new soil conservation program are also entering the contest as the two fit in very well together. \$1,500 in cash prizes will be given away next fall to the ten highest winners in the state ranging from \$50 down to \$5. Each county finishing ten entrants will be awarded a trophy to the county winner.

Last year John Kollman of Stuart was second prize winner receiving \$30 for his share of prize money.

The contest involves keeping a simple set of records on a small

tract of land that is used for pasture. Meetings to explain the contest will be held at Page on Monday April 27 in the Farmer's store at 8 o'clock in the evening and Tuesday at 8 P. M. at the Stuart library in Stuart. Applications must be on file in the Agricultural Agent's office by May 1.

Country Club Board for 1936 Season Named

More than twenty years ago golf was started in O'Neill. Ralph Evans, J. A. Brown and Guy Raebek started the game in this city. The old fair ground was the first location for the course but after there for a short time the golfers moved to the Mullen land east of town. In 1920 the present course was selected and has been the location since that date. Interest in the game has grown steadily as shown by the large membership and the grounds and Club house now owned by the O'Neill Country Club.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Club was held a few days ago. A board of directors consisting of the following members was named to conduct the affairs of the Club for 1936: Ira Moss, R. M. Sauers, W. J. Biglin, P. C. Donohoe, L. A. Burgess, W. J. Hammond and E. M. Gallagher. This board has outlined a program of entertainment that will include the following features: A series of dances with leading orchestras for some of those parties; the annual tournament that draws golfers from all cities in this section; the Fourth of July picnic and celebration at the Club; the annual Stag Party; the annual masquerade and a number of picnics and ladies card parties that will be arranged by the ladies committee.

An urgent invitation is extended to residents of O'Neill to join the Club this season. The dues are moderate and anyone wishing to join will be very welcome. It is the desire of the committee to make the present season the best in the Club's history—to create a feeling of pride by O'Neill citizens in the entertainment center that is really a credit to growing O'Neill.

Grattan Project Club

The Ladies of the Grattan Project Club met at the home of Mrs. Lawrence Barrett on Tuesday, April 21 for their Achievement Day program.

A review of the Club works was given by Mrs. Charles Lawrence. Election of officers for the coming year was held. Mrs. Ed Leach was re-elected president, Mrs. Russ, leader A, and Mrs. Emma Lawrence leader B, Mrs. Ray Lawrence secretary, and Mrs. Clarence Hoxie news reporter.

A very pleasant and profitable year was enjoyed by all the members. They all appreciate the hard work and efforts of the retiring leaders and their president to get the work so well before them. 14 members were present and 24 visitors.

Clarence Selah was honor guest of the day and gave two fine readings. We feel that we have spent a very pleasant and profitable year and are looking forward eagerly to the coming year. A covered dish lunch was served at the close of the meeting.

First Post-Lenten Party

The first large party after the lenten season was given at the Golden Hotel Wednesday evening when Mrs. J. J. Harrington, Mrs. R. R. Morrison, Mrs. Max Golden and Mrs. Ira Moss entertained 45 ladies with a seven o'clock dinner at one of the most beautifully appointed parties held here for many days. The dining room was tastefully decorated with flowers, candles furnishing the illumination, with a large and beautifully decorated May pole in the center of the table. Mrs. J. V. Dwyer and Miss Mary Sullivan, of Butte, Mont., and Mrs. Fred H. Butts, of Nebraska City, were guests of honor. After the dinner the guests played bridge and pinoche. Mrs. A. L. Wilcox was the winner of the first prize in the bridge game; Mrs. F. H. Butts the guest prize; Miss Mary Sullivan the all cut and Mrs. D. H. Cronin the pinoche prize.

Miss Helen Givens went down to Omaha Tuesday morning, returning Wednesday night.

SHORT ITEMS FROM AROUND TOWN

Mrs. Bordson, of Spencer, who recently purchased the Chapman Style Shop, had her opening last Saturday and says that her business that day exceeded her fondest expectations. Mrs. Bordson says that she always knew O'Neill was a good business town but she is now convinced that it is even better than she thought it was. She leaves the end of the week for the eastern markets to purchase her spring and summer stock and will then be prepared to supply her patrons with the latest in feminine wear.

The plumbing business must be booming. The employees of the Davidson plumbing shop are now covering the city with a bran new Ford truck and how that baby can travel. We remember not so many years ago that Jim Davidson drove around town taking care of his work with an old-time car with a two horse engine and it could not travel more than five miles an hour, but that was plenty fast for Jim in those days and his old time assistant, Eber Leek. But the younger generation needs speed.

W. S. Kirkland, one of the old time residents of the Phoenix neighborhood, was a pleasant caller at this office last Saturday and had his name added to the large and growing family of Frontier readers. Mr. Kirkland is a republican and says that in his township many former democrats cast their votes in the republican column at the primary last week and said that they were thru with the New Deal party.

There was a very pretty battle staged at the primary election between L. G. Gillespie of this city and F. J. Brady of Atkinson for leadership in the race for the Unicameral legislature. Gillespie carried this county over Brady by 400 but the latter received more votes in the other counties of the district than Gillespie so that he wins the leadership with a plurality of 62 votes over Gillespie in the district.

Petitions are being circulated around town asking that the name of J. J. Harrington be placed on the ballot in the Fifteenth Judicial district as a candidate for district judge. The Judge was on the bench several years in this district retiring some twenty-five years ago, and since his retirement from the bench has been engaged in the practice of law in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Biglin and son, Robert, drove down to Sioux City last Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Biglin returned home Tuesday night while Robert remained there in the hospital where he will receive medical treatment for the next week or ten days.

Dr. J. P. Brown and C. E. Stout drove to Sioux City Tuesday afternoon to attend a lecture on undulant fever, which was given by a professor of the University of Iowa before the Sioux City medical society. They returned home after the lecture.

The contracts for the building of the new court house, the heating, plumbing and wiring have all been approved by the state head of the WPA and it will not be many days now until the material for the new structure will begin to arrive.

The Annual Niobrara Valley field and track meet will be held in this city next Saturday afternoon. The meet will be participated in by all the schools in the conference and a good afternoon of sport events is looked for.

The ladies of the sewing center are very appreciative of the treat and the financial help as well as the encouraging talk by our Mayor on Thursday of last week. Visitors are cordially welcomed in our center.

28TH DISTRICT VOTE FOR LEGISLATORS

Candidate	Holt	Boyd	Keya Paha	Rock	Totals
Gillespie	1456	125	101	149	1831
Brady	1056	403	216	218	1893
Wilhelm	449	49	36	44	574
Anderson	398	438	184	102	1122
Bentzen	124	607	65	33	829
Lingo	120	56	341	158	675

Sweet Clover Will Be Used In Soil Program

Leaving second-year sweet clover stand for pasture, hay or seed in 1936 will be one of the most practical ways Nebraska farmers will qualify for payment in the soil conservation program, a general survey of the situation shows.

Many farmers seeded sweet clover with small grain in 1935, harvested the small grain and pastured the sweet clover and stubble in the fall. The acreage handled in this manner will entitle them to receive the soil conserving payment in 1936 up to 15% of the soil depleting base if the sweet clover is left stand for hay or pasture. The soil depleting base will be the acreage from which soil depleting crops were harvested in 1935.

A typical example might be as follows: In 1935 the farm had 75 acres of corn and 25 acres of oats in which sweet clover was seeded. In 1936, if the farmer plants 75 acres of corn and leaves the 25 acres of sweet clover he would be paid 15% of 100 acres or 15 acre times around \$7 an acre or \$105.00. He would have a soil building budget of 25 acres times \$1.00 or \$25 which he would be entitled to earn if he planted some additional land to sweet clover or alfalfa with oats from which he could harvest the nurse crop. If he planted sweet clover with oats he would earn his budget at the rate of \$1 per acre, alfalfa at \$2 per acre, and trees at \$5 per acre unless the trees were furnished by the government.

Careful preparation of land for fall seeding of alfalfa will be another common practice under the soil conservation program since planting up to October 1 will comply.

Western Nebraska farmers are likely to increase summer fallow and restoration of light land to native grass if these two recommendations of the state committee are approved by the Secretary of Agriculture. Other practices will be approved in the near future and letters mailed out to producers. The Community committee will start working around May 1 and will probably complete their work around May 10. Producers can still sign up with the committee when they visit the farms.

Dorsey Project Club

The Dorsey Project club observed their local Achievement day at the Dorsey Presbyterian church Friday afternoon from two until four. Eighteen members and 33 guests were present. As the President, Mrs. Grant, was unable to preside, Mrs. F. P. Hunter had charge of the following program:

The Collect, by members; Community singing, led by Mrs. C. L. Brady; Greetings, Mrs. F. P. Hunter; Our Club's Activities of the Past Year, Mrs. Will Derickson; Song of the Month, reviewed by Mrs. C. L. Brady; Dialogue, "What Makes for a Good Day for the Farm Family," Mrs. James Wiley and Mrs. C. L. Brady; The Project Club Looks Ahead, Mrs. O. O. Newman; The Fixer, an original stunt by the men, Mrs. Charlie Cole, Mrs. Ray Siders, Mrs. John Wells and Mrs. Hibbs; A Tribute to Club Officers, Mrs. Margaret Hunter; Reading, "Cuddy," Mrs. John Carson; Community Singing; Closing Prayer, V. V. Rosenkrans.

Many beautiful articles made by the club members were exhibited and were in charge of Mrs. B. B. Thomas and Mrs. Louie Hansen. Following the program refreshments consisting of tea, coffee and cookies baked from "Holiday Happiness," were served. Mrs. Hal Rosenkrans and Mrs. F. P. Hunter were on the reception committee and Mrs. B. B. Thomas poured.

Mrs. Eldon R. Wood and daughter, of South Rosaland, Calif., arrived in the city Tuesday for a visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Gillespie.

Boisie Vanderlinden is recovered from a siege of illness that kept him in his bed 10 days.

NEWS OF PEOPLE YOU KNOW

Sam Lopp, the popular Burlington freight conductor who has been on the O'Neill-Sioux City run for over a quarter of a century, was taken sick while making his run to Sioux City the latter part of the week and was placed on the passenger at Osmond and taken to his home in Sioux City. We understand that his physician says that he will have to take it easy for several months in order to get back his old time health. Sam has a host of friends in this city who hope that he will rapidly recover and be able to resume his old run shortly. It will not seem natural to see the Burlington freight pull in without Sam Lopp thereon.

R. W. McGinnis, of Lincoln, was in the city Saturday on his way to his ranches in the southwestern part of the county and visited friends here for a few hours. Bob has only a few more months to serve as a railroad man when he will be retired after 50 years of service with the Northwestern railroad. He owns two nice ranches near Amelia and says that when he becomes a man of leisure that he expects to come to Holt county and take active charge of his ranches.

Mrs. J. V. Dwyer and Miss Mary Sullivan, of Butte, Mont., arrived in the city last Sunday for a couple of weeks visit with relatives and old friends. They are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Stout and with Mrs. Dwyer's mother, Mrs. W. E. Conklin. It is Miss Sullivan's first visit to her old home town in nineteen years and Mrs. Dwyer's first visit in fourteen years. Many social functions are planned in their honor while here.

Virgil Ott, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Ott north of this city, returned home last week from the Fort Crook hospital where he had been since last January recovering from an infected knee. Virgil was a member of the CCC camp at Madison when his knee became infected and he was sent to the hospital at Fort Crook. He was discharged and he also received his discharge from the CCC as his time expired on April 1.

A party of friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bauman last Sunday evening to help them celebrate their fifty-fourth wedding anniversary. Card playing was the entertainment furnished the guests with a delicious lunch at midnight, after which the guests departed for home with the wish that they would be able to participate in many more anniversary celebrations of this estimable couple.

CONGRESS—AS SEEN BY A NEBRASKAN

By Karl Stefan

Some farmers who are in distress are writing in asking what is going to happen to them if they don't get feed and seed loans, and their rural rehabilitation loans. They are asking if there is any chance to get some money. The rural rehabilitation loan is merely one branch of the resettlement administration, and it has already sent Nebraska \$2,544,000. Be that, they sent another \$375,000 to Nebraska, and in a conference with the department this morning, they promised to send another \$375,000 to Nebraska this week. That make a total of \$3,294,000 which has been given to Nebraska for this particular purpose.

This money is for the purpose of financing farmers, or those who have once been farmers.

But, those who can get any of this money, must be broke, and penniless to get the money. The department tells us that they expect considerable loss on this money, and some predict that the loss to the government will run from 25% to 50%. The department admits the loss will be about 25%, but others believe it will run closer to 50%.

Regarding the feed and seed loans, the farmers complain that they have to be penniless to borrow this money, and at the same time, they must make a showing that they can pay the money back, so several congressmen are asking

this question: "If a farmer must be penniless to borrow these seed and feed loans, and the regulations that he must also make a showing that he can pay the money back, he has very little chance of borrowing. How can a farmer be penniless to get loans, and at the same time make a showing that he can pay the money back?"

On Arbor Day, the Nebraska delegation gathered in front of the national capitol and planted a nine foot pine tree in memory of the late J. Sterling Morton, the father of Arbor Day.

It was the first tree planted in memory of the former secretary of agriculture in Washington. There was a notable gathering for this ceremony. Senator George W. Norris helped to plant the tree. The granddaughter of the late J. Sterling Morton, Mrs. Charles H. Sabin, also participated in the ceremony. Vice President Garner, Speaker Joseph Joseph Byrns, David Lynn, the architect of the capitol, Miss Jeanette Rankin, the first congresswoman, Congressman Henry C. Luckey of Lincoln, Congressman Charles G. Binderup of Minden and many other notables were present.

Many present predicted that some day Arbor Day would become a national holiday. The white pine tree which was planted, came from the Morton Arboretum in Illinois, and is the only white pine tree planted on the east front lawn of the capitol grounds. It is said to be one of the finest specimens of white pine trees ever brought to Washington.

A lot of people are coming in to visit the tomb of the unknown soldier again at Arlington, and about the first place they go to is to this tomb and to the Lee mansion. You may not know it, but across the river is the tomb of the unknown confederate soldier. It is in the little churchyard of the old Presbyterian meeting house which was built in 1774, and where the confederate leaders worshipped. Very few people know of the location of the tomb of the unknown confederate soldier, and a visitor there brings back a lot of civil war history.

The late John Wiley, one of the oldest engineers of the Chicago and Northwestern would be a happy man if he were in Washington today. He would be happy because he would see his son, Roger Wiley walking out of the great building which houses the Interstate Commerce Commission. He is the baby member of those federal officials who are known as "locomotive inspectors." John Wiley, formerly of Norfolk and once a Northwestern railroad engineer, has a similar position.

Roger Wiley, who was raised in Norfolk, is known by probably every railroad man on the Chicago Northwestern road. He was made a federal official because of merit. He earned his position by competitive examinations from a list of many hundreds of applicants. Up to a few weeks ago, he was at the throttle of a railroad locomotive, pulling trains between Norfolk and Omaha. He was a student of such railroad heroes as Pat Killorn, Push Pender and the late Gay Halverstein and the others who had railroad history in Nebraska.

Another unusual ceremony took place in the statuary hall of the nation's capitol, Tuesday April 7, when peace advocates, headed by Miss Jeanette Rankin paid tribute to the memory of the late Senator Robert LaFollette. Some of the surviving members who voted against the World War were present, so was Senator LaFollette, son of the late Senator LaFollette.

By a strange coincidence, these peace advocates met the day after the nation's capitol celebrated Army day. A gigantic parade was held, as is held here each year, and as was the case last year, it rained—but that didn't stop many army bands, many soldiers, and many sailors from marching up Constitution and Pennsylvania Avenues. So, as the echoes of these marching feet, in what was believed to be the greatest army parade ever held, had barely died away, came these peacetime advocates, headed by Jeanette Rankin and members of the national (Continued on page 4, column 2.)

Herman Janzing Dies At His Brother's Home Northwest of O'Neill

Herman B. Janzing passed away at the home of his brother, Garrett, nine miles northwest of this city at an early hour Tuesday morning, after an illness of several months of hardening of the arteries, at the age of 73 years, 9 months and 18 days. The funeral was held at 9 o'clock this morning from the Catholic church in Emmet, Rev. M. F. Byrne officiating and burial in the cemetery at Emmet. The funeral was largely attended, many old time friends of the deceased being present to pay their respects to this pioneer of the county.

Herman B. Janzing was born on July 3, 1862, at Ankum, Germany. He remained in his native land until the spring of 1888 when he came to this county, his brother Garrett having preceded him a few years and at the time of Herman's arrival here was a successful farmer. Herman never married and since his arrival in this county he made his home with his brother. He was an industrious and frugal man and always a money maker, and at the time of his death he was probably the wealthiest bachelor in the county. He was a good citizen and his passing will be sincerely mourned by a large circle of friends and acquaintances.

He leaves to mourn his passing one brother, Garrett, and several nephews and nieces all residing near the old farm home northwest of this city.

Ziska-Gaughenbaugh

The Catholic church in Emmet was the scene of a very pretty wedding Monday morning, April 20, when Miss Margaret Gaughenbaugh of Emmet became the bride of Joseph Ziska of Atkinson, the Rev. M. F. Byrne officiating.

The bride was lovely in a blue crepe dress with accessories to match. Her bridesmaid, Miss Angela Galligan, wore brown crepe with brown accessories. The groom was attended by his brother, Lawrence Ziska. Both men wore navy blue suits. The bride and her attendant wore corsages of roses and sweet peas.

Wedding marches and music for the Mass were played by Miss Bertha Humpal of Atkinson and hymns were sung during the Mass by Miss Humpal and the Misses Bonnie Welsh and Nellie Gaughenbaugh.

At 1 o'clock a bountiful wedding dinner was served at the home of the groom's parents.

The bride is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Gaughenbaugh of Emmet. She attended St. Mary's Academy in O'Neill. The groom is the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ziska of Atkinson.

Both are splendid young people and have spent most of their lives in this vicinity, where they have many friends who wish them much happiness in their journey through life. The happy couple will make their home on the Coufal place seven miles southwest of Atkinson.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Mrs. E. M. Jarman went home Sunday afternoon feeling fine.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Weir, Thursday morning, April 16, a son, weight 5 pounds. All are doing fine.

Kenneth Kestenholtz went home Wednesday, the 15th.

Mrs. Ernest Burrell, of Chambers, underwent a minor operation Monday night. She is convalescing nicely.

Zeb Warner, who has been seriously ill the past two weeks, is again able to be up and around.

O'NEILL PROJECT CLUB

The O'Neill Project Club met at the home of Mrs. Protivinsky on Wednesday, April 15. This was Club Achievement Day and there were many articles on display which had been made from lessons during the past year.

After the meeting a delicious lunch was served by Mrs. Clark Hough, Mrs. Howard Bauman, Mrs. Burch and Mrs. Callen.

An unusual number of "weary Willies" are on the road these days. They are all looking for a handout but very few express the desire to perform a little manual labor to pay for same.