

CROWD OF 7,000 HERE FOR DEDICATION OF NEW COURT HOUSE

Parade Showing Progress In Ways of Transportation Opens A Day Long Program.

A crowd of at least 7,000 was in the city Wednesday to assist in the dedication of the new Holt county court house, residents of the county being present from practically every precinct. The high school bands from Atkinson, Stuart, Ewing, Page and O'Neill were here and with their natty uniforms and inspiring music added much to the attractiveness of the days program.

The festivities started at 11 o'clock in the morning with a parade and, thanks to the ingenuity and hard work of the chairman of the parade committee, R. M. Sauer, it was one of the attractions of the day. The parade was led by James Moore and he was followed by six cow girls dressed in regulation costume of the cow country, with their coiled ropes hanging from the saddles and these matrons looked as if they would give any bovine a real tussle. Next in line was a couple dressed as Indians, one a squaw with the customary blanket closely wrapped around her and her buck proudly marching along.

Next in line was the Atkinson high school band with 60 pieces who presented a neat appearance with their natty Orange and black uniforms. They were followed by an old time covered wagon, not drawn by oxen, the means of locomotion in the olden days, but by a team of horses. They were followed by the Ewing high school band, another of Holt county's stellar high school musical organizations. They were followed by several of the young folks 4-H clubs of the county, with banners describing their identity.

Next in line were three old time buggies of the vintage of the early nineties. One of the buggies, driven and owned by Leonard Hess of Page, carried three passengers all of whom were over ninety years of age, and all had been residents of the county over fifty years. The passengers were John Otter of Bliss, Chas. Thompson of Amelia, and M. F. Norton of this city. Strange to relate all these old timers spent the most of their lives in the county in the southern portion, Mr. Norton and Mr. Otter being neighbors in the vicinity of Bliss and Mr. Thompson living about twenty miles further west. One of the ancient rigs was owned and driven by Howard Marquis, living just east of town, accompanied by his wife and they wore costumes in accordance with the period they represented. This feature was heartily approved by the crowds that thronged the streets.

The Page high school band of forty pieces followed by a modern automobile trailer, was next. Next in line was the O'Neill high school band of 45 pieces and they were followed by Chet Fees and Thomas Newhouse, both of Chambers, with two modern airplanes, propelled along the street with their own power. They were followed by four of Gatz Bros. beer trucks and six boys on donkeys, the latter being the property of the donkey ball team that was in the city for the day.

The parade formed at the Northwestern depot and marched north on Fourth to Clay, then west to second street then south to Douglas and east to Sixth, then north to Benton street where the parade disbanded. The streets were crowded with cars, many of the people backing their cars to the curb and they were able to see the parade from their cars. In addition to the thousands parked along the curbs thousands of people stood on the sidewalks and watched the parade.

Governor Cochran arrived in the city about noon and at 12:45 Foster May put on his broadcast, the man on the street. He was on the air for fifteen minutes and during that time Governor Cochran, Mayor Kersenbrock, Max Golden and James O'Donnell of Stafford, aired their views on current events in response to questions by Mr. May.

Dinner was served at 1 o'clock in the Golden hotel with the Governor, Edgar Howard, Foster May, and his assistant, and Judge E. F. Carter, as guests of honor.

About 1:30 pupils of the O'Neill high school and from St. Mary's academy, neatly and natty attired in white with red sashes and hats, put on a splendid drill in front of the court house, that was one of the real attractions of the day and they were loudly cheered.

A platform had been erected upon the court house lawn and the people gathered there at 2:30 to listen to the addresses of visiting guests and those from this city who had been selected to orate. John Sullivan was chairman of this meeting and he introduced Judge J. J. Harrington to speak on the early history of Holt county. The Judge evidently gave but little study to his subject and came a long way from giving Holt county history. He said the first term of court in the county was held in a log house down the river, the house having a dirt floor. We might as well have history straight and from our examination of the records of the county and old files we find that the early history of the county was as follows:

Twin Lasser, now the home of Ed Boyle about five miles down the Elkhorn from this city, was the first county seat of the county. It was a log house with a dirt floor, but there were no judicial officials in the county at that time nor was court held in the county. When Governor Garber issued a proclamation on June 29, 1876, that the county be organized he named Elijah Thompson, father of Samuel Thompson of this city, J. B. Berry, father of Thomas Berry, former governor of South Dakota, and James Ewing as county commissioners, and W. H. Haynes as clerk. These temporary officials issued a call for a special election which was held Dec. 27, 1876, to select a county seat for the county and to elect county officials. At this election James Ewing, Harry Spindler, father of Roy Spindler of Meek, and now residing in Alabama and H. W. Haynes were elected county commissioners; John Cronin, father of William Cronin of this city, and D. J. Cronin, living north of town was elected county Judge, the first judge of the county; Joseph Estep, coroner; J. L. Smith, treasurer; J. T. Prouty, clerk; J. B. Torbert, surveyor; E. L. Whiting, county superintendent; I. R. Smith, sheriff. These officials held office until the general election the following November. There was but little business for the officials in the county seat and most of them remained at their homes, and the county clerk whose home was adjacent to the county seat, performed the duties of the various officials when their service was called for. Paddock was selected as the county seat.

At the general election Nov. 6, 1877, (the writer was a resident of the county when this election was held) the following officials were elected: H. W. Haynes, Harry Spindler and Samuel Gregory, commissioners; Sanford Parker, county clerk; E. Thompson, treasurer; Thomas Berry, sheriff, a brother of J. B. Berry; V. M. Ross, county judge; J. L. Smith, county surveyor; Ed Whiting, county superintendent; D. E. Weygint, coroner. Business was still slack in the county offices and Sanford Parker, after he became county clerk, being a resident of that section of the county, performed the duties of practically all the officers, except that of sheriff.

On May 12, 1879, a special election was held in the county on the location of the county seat and at this election O'Neill was selected, and the records were moved to this city August 1, 1879. (And what a celebration these old timers put on here that day and night.)

The county started filling up rapidly about this time and within a couple of years all county officials were compelled to give their time and attention to their offices. The first term of district court was held in the county in the fall of 1879, and it was held in O'Neill.

Another error in the Judge's statements was that the old court house was built by O'Neill and Grattan precinct. The Judge knew better than that, but he forgot. The court house was built by the taxpayers of Center precinct and O'Neill and Center precinct at that time comprised the territory now embraced by Grattan and Shields precincts.

Notwithstanding the few errors regarding the old days of the coun-

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ty the Judge gave an interesting address and he was given close attention during his remarks.

Chairman Sullivan overlooked a bet and he now called on Rev. A. J. May to deliver the invocation. Senator Frank Brady was next called on and he made a very brief and appropriate address.

He was followed by Edgard Howard, former congressman from this district, and editor of the Columbus Telegram. Edgar brought the first note of discord into the gathering when he delivered a red hot democratic address. There was to be no politics in this meeting, all men of all political denominations helped build the court house and there should have been no politics at this meeting, but there was. We were standing with three outstanding democrats, during his address, and they were plainly disgusted, saying that his remarks had no place in a meeting of this character. Edgar made no friends in this section with his fulsome praise of the present administration.

He was followed by Judge Dickson, who with a few brief and well chosen remarks introduced one of the guests of honor, Hon. Edward F. Carter, one of the judges of the supreme court of the state of Nebraska and a native of this county. Judge Carter delivered a splendid address, stressing the importance of the county court house to the people of the various counties of the state and analyzing briefly the importance of the courts of our country and the jury system of the country. The Judge is a very pleasing speaker and he won many friends in the audience by his masterly address.

Mayor Kersenbrock then introduced the main speaker of the day, Governor Cochran. The Governor spoke for about 45 minutes and he delivered a splendid address, absolutely free from any taint of political partisanship. He complimented the people of the county (Continued on page 4, column 6.)

Woman Is Seriously Injured In Collision of Auto and a Truck

An automobile and truck collided at the northwest corner of the cemetery and highway 20 and 281 about eleven o'clock last Wednesday, morning. The participants were Ratlon Jarvis, wife and two children of Atkinson, in and oil transport, and John McNichols and Doc Wilkinsen in a Dodge car.

The truck was coming south on 281 and the car was going west on the road north of the cemetery. Jarvis claims the car did not stop at the highway and that he ran into them. The people in the car claim that they stopped at the highway, saw the truck coming from the north and thought they had time to cross the highway and started across when the tank truck ran into them.

The truck turned over three times and Mrs. Jarvis was severely injured, and was taken to a hospital in this city. The children and Mr. Jarvis outside of being shaken up were uninjured. John McNichols was driving the Dodge car at the time of the accident.

Dr. Louis V. Brennan Married At Falls City

The marriage of Miss Maxine Charboneau, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Charboneau of Falls City, to Dr. Louis V. Brennan, son of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Brennan of O'Neill, took place Monday morning, June 14, at St. Peter and Pauls church in Falls City, Neb. The Rev. Father James F. Gilroy officiating at the ceremony. The bride was given in marriage by her father.

The altar was decorated with pink and white rosebuds and syringia. Miss Julia Frederick played the wedding march from Lohengrin for the processional and during the ceremony Miss Betty Wirth sang "Ave Maria" and "Veni Creator." The wedding march was played for the recessional by Miss Julia Frederick.

The bride wore a gown of white French Chantilly lace over white satin, made in the princess mode, the shirt fashioned with a short train. Her tulle veil was held by a coronet of lace and she carried a shower bouquet of pink rosebuds and gypsophila.

Miss Rita Carboneau, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. She wore a peach taffeta floor length gown with a crownless picture hat of royal blue taffeta. She carried an arm bouquet of imported gladiolas and ferns. Miss Marjorie Mullin as bride's maid wore a blue taffeta gown with crownless picture hat of pink taffeta, and carried an arm bouquet of gladiolas and ferns.

The groom was attended by Dr. Loren E. Collins of Snyder, Nebr.,

and Bearnard Carboneau of Concordia, Kans., cousin of the bride. The ushers were Warren Marx and James Meyers.

Immediately after the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served at the Hotel Weaver. The dining room was decorated thruout with pink and white rosebuds. A two tier wedding cake centered the table.

Mr. and Mrs. Brennan left on a two weeks honeymoon to Galveston, Texas and New Orleans. The brides going away suit was of Biege crepe with brown accessories. They will be at home after July 1 in the Greenlawn apartments in Canton, Mo.

The bride was graduated from St. Catherine's school of nursing in 1936 and Dr. Brennan was graduated from Creighton medical school in 1934, and is now located at Canton Mo.

Out of town guests were, Mrs. Emma Courville and daughter, Mrs. E. Mudd of St. Louis, Mo.; Mrs. F. O. Carboneau of Concordia, Kans., Mrs. James Brennan, O'Neill, the Misses Mary and Bessie Brennan of O'Neill, and Mr. and Mrs. M. J. O'Loughlin and daughters, Emma and Virginia of Omaha.

Farmers Expect Good Crop of Small Grain

Farmers tell us there will be a great crop of small grain in the county this year, from present indications. Oats and barley will be better than rye as a great deal of the latter crop was greatly damaged by heavy winds during the months of April and May.

John Schmidt, living about nine miles northeast of town, says that he has sixty-five acres of oats and that he has never seen a finer field of oats anywhere than they are. He also has about forty acres of barley, which is also looking immense. John says that the hail storm of a couple of weeks ago greatly damaged his rye, but that he will have a fair crop, barring unforeseen weather conditions from now until harvest.

Care Must Be Used In Use of Poisoned Bran

Out for his morning airing, Mr. Grasshopper has found climatic conditions not to his liking and hence he is eating little of the poison bran put out as a trap for him. As a result Agricultural Agent Reece today called attention to the necessity of spreading the poison only under the most favorable conditions in order to get maximum kills. During cold, damp weather the hoppers do not feed very heavily. When the temperature gets from 65 to 70 degrees, they start feeding and from there up to 85 and 90 degrees the maximum kills can be expected from the poison bran.

Holt county farmers are urged to pay strict attention to distribu-

tion directions on the tag which will be attached to the new bait soon to be distributed. If put out in cold, wet weather the bait is practically wasted. They are urged to watch climatic conditions for more favorable conditions for poisoning.

O. S. Bare, extension entomologist at the Nebraska college of agriculture, says the mixture of sawdust and mill-feed in the new federal bait is extremely effective in killing hoppers under favorable climatic conditions.

Many of the smaller hoppers found here this year are of the migratory type, according to Bare. The recent cold weather has delayed their development but when full grown they are only about one inch long. They are destructive to crops. The big flights of hoppers last year filled the country with eggs of this species.

Atkinson Market Stays Steady With Cows At Strong to Higher Prices

Atkinson, Nebr., June 15.—Five hundred and ninety head of cattle sold at very satisfactory prices at Tuesday's auction. The cow market looked strong to higher as did the better stockers and feeders, while the plainer kinds looked fully steady with a week ago. A feature of the sale was 85 head of cows and calves that sold at 60.00 to 62.50 a head, going to South Dakota and Iowa Buyers.

Representative sales:

Steers, 500 to 800 lbs.—
Good and Choice 7.50 to 8.50
Common and Medium 5.50 to 7.00
Heifers—
Good and Choice 7.00 to 8.00
Common and Medium 5.50 to 6.75
Cows—
Good and Choice 6.00 to 8.00
Fair to Medium 5.00 to 6.00
Canners and cutters 3.50 to 5.00

Bulls—
Good and Choice 6.00 to 6.40
Cutters and Bolognas 4.50 to 5.40
Stock Cows and Heifers, 48.00 to 62.50 by the head.

Milk Cows, 45.00 to 60.00 a head. Hog receipts, 225 head. Quality generally mediocre, including a big per cent of wet sows and rough feeders. Top 10.65; bulk at 10.50; best fat sows at 9.50 to 9.90; wet sows at 9.10 to 9.50; heavy feeders at 9.50 to 10.00; light feeders at 10.00 to 11.00; pigs at 4.50 to 7.00 a head.

Horses —Market looked about steady with the past few sales on the 18 horses and colts that were sold.

Next auction, Tuesday, June 22, beginning at 1 p. m.

Mrs. John Rhode returned last Saturday from Yankton, S. D., where she had been visiting for a week with her sister, Mrs. Jerome Maring, following the death of her husband, the late Jerome Maring.

GOLF TOURNAMENT AT COUNTRY CLUB TO BEGIN SUNDAY

Group of Excellent Prizes For Both Golf and Bridge Winners. Ball Monday Night.

The annual tournament held by the O'Neill Country Club will start Sunday, and continue thru Monday and Tuesday. Guests will be present from many points and the course will be groomed to offer it's finest appearance. The qualifying rounds for different flights will be played Sunday. The final rounds for the championship are scheduled for Tuesday.

The bridge parties will be held at the club house on the afternoon of both Sunday and Monday, and the tournament ball will take place Monday evening. It will be a continuous round of pleasure and entertainment during tournament time.

The prizes for winners at golf and bridge are the finest ever offered and the members of the club wish to express thanks for the generosity of those who kindly contributed gifts. Especially fine are the prizes for the ladies bridge play and a record crowd is assured to contest for the numerous useful and handsome gifts.

The club house is being redecorated for the occasion.

Dr. L. A. Burgess, club president, has appointed committees to take charge of the annual Fourth of July celebration to be held as usual at the club grounds and will take place Sunday, July 4, instead of observing the holiday on Monday as is generally being done.

No Fund Check Writer Gets Prison Sentence

August J. Eilert, charged with issuing a no fund check in payment of some hay he purchased of a farmer near Inman last March, was before Judge Dickson in district court last Monday, plead guilty to the charge and was sentenced to not less than one year, nor more than two years in the state penitentiary.

Eilert was arrested June 3 at Coleridge, Nebr. He was brought to this city and had a hearing before County Judge Malone on June 5. He plead not guilty to the charge and the case was continued to June 7. On June 7, the case came on for hearing before the court and he was bound over to the district court, bond being fixed in the sum of \$500. He was unable to furnish bond and has been confined in the county jail since his arrest.

The Weather

This section was visited with a nice rain last Tuesday. The rainfall in this city amounted to .24, while south of the city an inch fell and north of O'Neill from one-half to one inch. According to the daily press the rainfall was quite general over the state.

Following is the weather table for the past week:

	High	Low	Mois.
June 10	73	46	
June 11	73	55	
June 12	83	62	
June 13	80	57	
June 14	81	53	
June 15	78	55	.24
June 16	79	59	

Marriage Licenses

Joseph J. Hendricks of Atkinson, and Miss Mary Alice Staples of Dustin, were granted a license on June 15.

Donald Edgar Elsberry of Neligh and Miss Mary Gladys Sparks of O'Neill, were granted a license on June 15.

D. H. Claussen and Elmer Stolte returned last Monday night from Rochester, Minn., where Mr. Claussen had been visiting his wife who is confined in a hospital there. Dennis says that she is getting along nicely since her operation and that she expects to return home the forepart of next week.

CARD OF THANKS

To the many kind friends and neighbors for their kindness and expressions of sympathy shown to us in our recent bereavement, we wish to extend our most sincere thanks.—Mrs. Jerome Maring and Keith; Mrs. Anna Horn and family; Mrs. Stella Ashton and family; Mrs. Emma Maring and family, and Wayne Harding.

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