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## NEWS ITEMIZED

News of O'Neill as Caught by the "Kids."

## INTERESTING NOTES

General Interest Published While News Is Still News.

On the weeds along the side-

the band boys' ball Friday

Wagers, of Ogden, Ia., is in the

Dudley returned from his trip

to Butte was in the city

the grand ball to be given by

county people are jubilant over

of a bountiful crop

interesting communication from

crowded out this week for

space.

Over the band boys' ball at the

Friday evening, July 21. A

is assured.

fund went up to Long Pine last

evening to remain a few weeks

benefit of his health.

and boys gave their first open

at the street last Saturday

It was well received.

Miss Josie Howard and Lizzie

left Monday morning for Chicago

in the sights and visit friends a

ks.

W. Bates will hold Episcopal

at the Presbyterian church

evening. All are cordially

to attend.

Thompson, with the Reliance

company, of Sioux City, had

with Real Estate Agent Weekes

city last Friday.

Gould, one of the most prom-

inent farmers of Inman township, was

city last Saturday and favored

with a call.

RENT—The Tavern. Has been

and refurbished throughout,

one of the best equipped hotels

in the city.

JOHN O'NEILL.

You know to have perfect health

is to have pure blood, and the best

is to have pure blood is to take

arsparilla, the best blood pur-

strength builder.

Remont, Elkhorn and Missouri

depot at Inman was struck by

ing last Friday night and burned

ground. The building will be

by removing the depot down

street.

Peoples' Advocate, published at

is just a little the most horrible

thing to be called a newspaper

has been for many days. From

variance we would say it is printed

press.

Chine Cline has not made his

as yet as to the condition of the

county Bank. It is expected that

it will be through tomorrow. The

expects to open for business again

in ten days.

will be represented at the races

held last Saturday by Elmer Mer-

and wife, Messrs. Gibbons, Han-

marsh, Trigg, Moffat, Dobbs,

Norton, Joe Mann and Mike

and. They report a very pleasant

Born, this morning to Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Shanner, a girl of usual weight. Mother an child doing well.

Thos. Welch entertained a number of O'Neill friends at his home north of town last Sunday afternoon. A keg of beverage and an elegant dinner were the principal features.

Wednesday's dailies contained long articles stating that the Pacific Short Line had been purchased by the Illinois Central and that they would take possession August 1. Wednesday evening's Sioux City Tribune denied the report, stating that there was absolutely nothing in the report, the denial being made on the authority of Mr. Garretson.

A horse and saddle was left at Mullen's livery barn in O'Neill July 4 by a man who said another gentleman would call for the outfit the next day, but up to date he has not appeared. The horse is a light gray, bob-tailed, weight about 800 pounds. The proprietors are anxious to have the owner call and pay charges and take him away.

The supervisors by resolution not only "request" but "demand" a decision from the supreme court in the Scott case. If the supreme court does its duty in this instance it will cause the arrest of each supervisor voting in favor of that resolution and fine them heavily for contempt of court. Such an audacious document would meet with swift retribution even in a district court. The idea of demanding a decision from the supreme court is unwarranted and unprecedented and is exceeded in ridiculousness only by the board's lack of judgment.

Just arrived! A new line of men's hats. The latest shape Faldors in boys', children's and Miss' sailor hats at P. J. McManus'.

Gus Doyle and William Fallon went down to Sioux City Friday with a shipment of hogs. When they arrived at Page they found the multitudes congregated at the depot, expecting to see a wrestling match between Gus and Bill Pettis, of that place, between whom there has been a dispute as to prowess for some time. Gus was not anticipating the reception but like a true gladiator, when informed that he was expected to do battle, shed his linen and laid the mighty Bill low in a one fall catch-as-catch-can-go-as-you-please scuffle, boarded the train and resumed his journey.

A full line of ladies', Miss' and children's shoes at bottom prices at P. J. McManus'.

The county board last Friday after hearing report of the expert to the effect that ex-Treasurer Meals was short some \$10,000, accepted a proposition made by his bondsmen to settle for \$3,000. This seems like a big cut, but it was shown by Mr. Meals' attorney, M. F. Harrington, that he had paid out considerable school money which he had not entered on his books, the aggregate amount of which would cut down the total shortage to quite an extent, and it was thought by the board that the wiser plan was to compromise without any expensive litigation. It may be that they were right, although it is a bad precedent.

Umbrellas at a big discount. Take in the opportunity of purchasing them cheaper than ever before, at P. J. McManus'.

Geo. Hoffman and Thomas Hanlop, of Lynch, called at newspaper headquarters yesterday and informed us scribe that on last Friday an eight foot vein of coal was discovered on the Missouri river, three miles north of Bush's farm, northeast of Lynch. The coal has been tested at Lynch and found to be of good quality; one ton was taken out in two hours. The Lance hopes that its numerous friends in eastern Boyd county will not be disappointed in their expectations. With unlimited quantities of the best coal in the northwest for brick and a coal mine in sight, the prosperity of Lynch is assured.—Butte Free Lance.

P. J. McManus is offering for sale a complete line of straw goods at a big discount. Keep your head cool and get a straw hat at McManus'.

P. C. McCarty arrived in O'Neill Monday evening from Henson, Colo., and will visit here for a few days with friends and relatives. Pat was formerly a resident of this county and still owns three of the finest farms in the county and says he intends to keep them. He says the crops in this county are the best he has seen during his travels and is of the opinion that the farmers of Holt have good reason to rejoice at their bright prospects. On July 4 P. C. and a partner, named Holland, entered a drilling contest at Lake City. There were six teams in the contest, the prize being won by McCarty and Holland, they drilling 43 1/2 inches in solid rock in 15 minutes. By so doing they beat the world's record, which was 38 and nine sixteenths inches and was held by a Butte City team. THE FRONTIER tenders Pat its congratulations and hopes that he may be able to hold the championship for years to come.

## Dickson--Beck.

DICKSON--BECK--In Omaha, Neb., July 17, Rev. Savage officiating, R. H. Dickson and Druse Beck, all of O'Neill.

In regard to the above nuptials we clip the following from the Omaha Bee of Tuesday and take occasion to say that our worthy mayor and his estimable bride, so well and favorably known that an introduction at our hands would be superfluous, are the recipients of the well-wishes of hosts of friends in Holt county, THE FRONTIER among them:

Mr. R. R. Dickson, mayor and a prominent young attorney of O'Neill, Neb., was married in this city yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock to Miss Druse Ethel Beck, sister of Mrs. Geo. D. Riggs at the latter's home, 1736 North Eighteenth street. Miss Beck's home is in O'Neill, but she has been visiting in Omaha for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Dickson left over the Northwestern at 7 o'clock last evening for Chicago, where they will visit the fair for a few weeks and then return to their future home in O'Neill. Rev. Charles W. Savage, pastor of the Peoples' church, performed the ceremony.

## Our Teachers.

On Monday evening the school board held its meeting for the election of teachers for the ensuing year and elected the following: Thomas Morrow, principal; Lizzie Carlon, Josie Howard, Bridget O'Donnell, Mammie McManus, Mrs. Potter, Mrs. Taylor and Annie Murphy.

Mr. Morrow, who has been selected to fill the important position of principal, is a resident of this county, his parents residing near Atkinson, but for the past three years he has been principal of the Oakdale schools where he has given good satisfaction and is spoken of very highly as an educator. In fact at a recent meeting of the Oakdale school board he was re-elected principal for the ensuing year, which shows that his services met with approval there. But as our school here pays a larger salary he will accept the position and will preside over our schools the ensuing year.

The rest of the teachers employed have taught before, with the exception of Miss Murphy, who takes the place of Miss Marsh, who did not again wish to engage in school work. Miss Murphy has resided among us a number of years and we predict will make a successful teacher. The other teachers have given good satisfaction and the board acted wisely in retaining them as instructors.

The salary of the principal the past year was \$1,500.00 and the board concluded that the salary was too large so it was fixed at \$100 per month for the ensuing year. The salary of the other teachers was also cut from \$45.00 per month to \$40.00. The economy practiced by the board was certainly justifiable and they are to be commended for their action, especially in regard to the salary of the principal as the price paid last year was enormous. Mr. Marsh has been retained as janitor.

The teachers will shortly hold a meeting when the principal will assign them to the various departments.

## And Now The Supreme Court.

The Holt county board of supervisors has a reputation all over the state of being the biggest combination of chumps outside of the protecting influence of an insane asylum, but not since their impeachment days, when they inaugurated a reign of terror for Barrett Scott, have they made such consummate fools of themselves as when they directed the following resolution to the supreme court.

Mr. Chairman—I move the adoption of the following: WHEREAS: Barrett Scott, acting county treasurer of this county, has since the month of January, 1892, failed and neglected, refused, and still neglects and refuses to make any legal settlement with this board, or to obey the instructions of this board in regard to the redemption of bonds and various other matters; and

WHEREAS: This board in the month of March, 1892, on the hearing and trial of charges duly filed against said treasurer, found him guilty as charged of wilful malfeasance in his said office, and made and entered its judgment removing him from said office, and

WHEREAS: Said action is now and has been for more than one year last past pending in the supreme court of this state on proceedings in error, being fully and finally submitted in said court several months ago, and

WHEREAS: The conduct of said treasurer in so refusing to account to, or to make settlement, with the board, or comply with its lawful orders to him, and this board by reason thereof being wholly unable to learn what public money if any said treasurer has in his possession, greatly obstructs the public business of this county, therefore

Resolved, that we respectfully ask and demand that said supreme court in the interest of the tax payers of this county, give without delay its decision and judgment in said action.

Resolved, that the clerk and chairman of this board transmit to the honorable chief and to each of the associate justices of said court a copy of these resolutions.

L. A. JILLSON.

The O'Neill Silver Cornet Band will give a grand ball in the opera house on Friday evening, July 21. Good music will be furnished and everything will be done to make the ball a success. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

## The Expert's Report.

Expert Stilt last Friday made his long looked for report upon the condition of the affairs of the various officers of Holt county. We had supposed that when this report was made it would be accepted and ordered spread upon the records, but when it was read and upon motion simply "received," we looked upon it more as an oversight than a premeditated plot to keep it from the people who put up the cash to have it compiled, but it seems we were mistaken, as Tuesday when we were at the court-house copying the appended report, County Attorney Murphy put in an appearance and with assumptive authority stated that he did not want the report published. He was informed by Deputy Clerk Harnish that the report was on file and the files were open to inspection and therefore he did not see how anyone could be denied the privilege of copying them for whatever purpose they might see fit. This remark of the attorney explained to us at once that the report was left out of the proceedings by mutual understanding of the discoverers of naves' nests. Why this was done is more than we can say at the present time.

However we have copied the expert's explanation that indexes each report and present them below:

## D. L. DARR.

I herewith submit statement showing receipts, disbursements and balance on hand in the county treasurer's office for the years 1884 and 1885. I find the total balance January 6, 1886, to be \$2,190.50 more than shown by the treasurer's ledger. The discrepancy comes from the fact that the treasurer took collection fee on \$4,000, proceeds of bonds sold and money placed in treasury for disbursement, and a credit of \$1,500 on county general fund 1885, for warrants redeemed in excess of amount shown by warrants and vouchers and warrant register. There was also an error of \$100 in 1884 on county general fund of 1883 in favor of the county and against the treasurer after adjusting the fees of 1885, after deducting the bond money and correcting other errors the balance should be as in recapitulation at close of statement, and the amount due from treasurer for those years, 1884 and 1885, \$2,190.50. I made examination of books for years '82 and '83 and find the accounts as entered in treasurer's ledger for those years to be correct.

## M. D. LONG.

I herewith submit statement showing report and disbursements of fees by M. D. Long, county clerk, for the years '84 to '87. The amount shown as received for the year 1884 does not include any fees for abstracting certificates or land office work. There is no record of fees received for such work except as the clerk enters it on the fee book and as no fee book can be found for this year I am unable to say how much was received for this work. There is no record of amount paid to deputy or assistants for this year and no record of request to county board for assistants. From the amount fees earned and recorded that year, \$3,844.99, I deducted clerk's salary, \$1,500, leaving a balance of \$2,344.99.

I submit this to you to determine the amount of further credit to be allowed for assistance for this year.

## G. C. HAZELET.

I herewith hand you statement showing receipt and disbursements of fees by G. C. Hazelet, county clerk, from January 5, '88, to January 6, '92. I have charged the clerk with fees received as shown by fee book for the several years and also with omissions where any occur. I have also charged him with amount received for making duplicate tax lists, and for making assessors' and road books and also for transcribing numerical index. If your honorable body believes him entitled to those amounts in addition to his salary of \$1,500 per year, it is for you to so make the record. The balance due without allowing those credits is \$5,502.15.

## BARRETT SCOTT.

I submit to you the following errors to be corrected in settlement with Barrett Scott, county treasurer, for the years 1889 and 1891.

Charge treasurer on village fund levy of 1889 on account of error in taking credit for amount paid to village treasurers during the year 1890, \$630.02.

Charge treasurer on township funding levy of 1889 on account of error in taking credit for amount paid to township treasurers during year 1890, \$4,032.38.

Charge treasurer on funds named below with amount named on account of interest collected on levy of 1889 and not accounted for:

County general fund.....	\$198 86
County bridge fund.....	88 28
County road fund.....	44 15
County funding bond fund.....	27 59
County judgment fund.....	5 52
State general fund.....	110 56
County school fund.....	11 04
County university fund.....	8 28
County reform school fund.....	3 15
Sheriff certificates, difference between full amount entered.....	741 90

Total to be collected at '92 settlement \$5604 29

## Obituary.

O'CARROLL—At the residence of his daughter, in this city, on Saturday evening at 9 o'clock, Michael O'Carroll, aged 86 years and 6 months.

Deceased was born at Cashel, in county Tipperary, Ireland, Dec. 22, 1806. He removed from there to Canada in 1847, and remained there until 1887, when he removed to O'Neill. He was a man that was well liked by everyone and was a great favorite with the young folks. He was as lively as a young man of twenty, and was always happy. He was taken sick about two months ago, and was confined to his bed until Saturday evening when he passed away.

The funeral occurred Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock. His son, T. C. O'Carroll, of Ladago, Ind., arrived in the city Monday evening to attend the funeral. THE FRONTIER tenders its sympathies to the friends.

## Truth, Crushed to Earth, Will Rise Again.

Editors of THE FRONTIER—I dislike to ask you for further space, but the last issue of the Independent makes me out such a notorious villain that I must defend myself or people might take the law in their own hands and destroy me in some barbarous manner.

Some one, calling himself "Republican Supervisor," makes a masterly effort to crush me and promises more each week until November, the time of the election. Why not afterwards? I am not running for office. This chap is not quite truthful in his narrative but his orthography and grammar are perfect—in a horn. He grows sarcastic in telling how I disgraced myself because I used to drive stage. Lincoln split rails, Grant tanned hides, Garfield drove a horse on the tow path, Peter the Great worked on the dock and Napoleon III is said to have run foot races in the Bowery and was a waiter in a restaurant—but none of those drove stage. I may have been overpaid but my salary was much better than \$10 a month for I was able to own that stage line, 70 miles in length and another one 125 miles long, another 80 miles long, all stocked up. But I am an old settler and had gone out of that business before the year 1881 so that at the time I was elected county treasurer I was not a stage driver or a stage owner. The county thus escapes that disgrace.

In a fit of candor this "Republican Supervisor" acknowledges that I stole \$2,190, but he don't sign his right name. I don't like to question your veracity, friend, but as you digress so far from the truth in giving my biography, I am compelled to be frank with you and will freely admit that you have lied in calling yourself a republican. Of course that was a little harmless white lie, you didn't expect to fool any one and you have not, so it is all right. Go right ahead. It sounds euphonious and is deeply subtle.

The question raised in my letter was concerning assessments, but he does not answer it, only begs me to say no more. What I said was all gospel truth but for God's sake keep mum.

Another writer dates his letter from Scottville and subscribes himself "Reform." He tells how I used to live in Scott township, clothed like a call-thumpian and like Moses was very meek, but now I dress like a lord, am as vain as a peacock and am very homely. If this good man had ever lived in Scott township he would know that it was never my residence. His statements concerning my department are too idiotic to notice, but to be a contributor to the populist organ it seems necessary to be silly. He mentions my letter and tacitly admits that it is true, that Brodie, Kelly and Crawford did sneak out of their taxes by perjury but I had no business to mention it without first having filed a complaint. One would not suppose that men so good, pure and guileless would need watching. Oh, no! Early in life I was taught that it was best to mind my own business and I have industriously observed that teaching and don't go prying into other people's affairs.

He charges me with being a defaulter. In some localities it is the custom to first hang your man and try him afterwards. He is evidently a convert to this theory. I believe that the board knows that I did not steal \$2,190 or any other sum. In the jungles, hunters have a weapon called the boomerang. I think that the board know also, that I have one for I used it on them once and it is in excellent condition yet. I may need it again.

I said before that perhaps my taxes were too low, but not according to others, and I claim a right to kick vigorously against having them raised by men who have not honestly listed their own property. If such men are so good that their shoe buckles are too sacred for me to touch, as Mr. Reformer says, hades will be an awful lonesome place.

The editor of this corporation organ devotes much valuable (?) space to a personal attack on me, about whom he can know nothing as we are total strangers to each other. I am not a classical scholar and I made an apology in my first letter for not being a writer, but it strikes me that if he has done any better he had better fire his proof reader and do that job himself. He commends the supervisors who evade their taxes and says it is all right; that I was very foolish to mention this when I had not filed a complaint. The fact is I did not know it till afterwards, and it would have been the same, anyway, but those supervisors knew it all the time and you know there was nothing on earth to prevent any man from filing a complaint against himself that he was assessed too low. You and your correspondents assure me that these men are good, awfully good, all but celestial, but they did nothing of the kind. No Sir. They acted just like ordinary sinful men do. You call them public spirited.

Being a stranger you must have been imposed upon for I never heard of their public spirit. In my poor opinion they are not even good citizens or they would not have committed petty perjury to save—say \$4. Further than this a good citizen would not justify them in it or make gauzy apologies for them even if he is their hired man. This editor doesn't seem to know that I went out of office seven or eight years ago, and am no candidate for office. It is all true. I work for a living. He assumes that I am an embezzler, while he knows nothing about it. In bold faced type he says that I am obnoxious, but as we never exchanged half a dozen words he don't even know this to be true, and were he to dismiss a little of his lofty hauteur and permit me to approach him he might find me to be quite sociable. In return for the columns of advice given me, permit yourself, Mr.

Kautzman, to receive some: In the future decline to publish correspondence assailing me, or any one else, unless the writer permits his name to be used. Second: Tell the truth yourself and insist on your correspondents doing the same. Third: Keep my name out of your paper. I don't want fame.

D. L. DARR.

## NO MAN'S COLUMN.

"No Man" desires and hereby does thank that locally renowned florist, Mrs. W. D. Mathews, for a beautiful bouquet of choicest blossoms culled from her exceptionally fine garden last Monday. We are at a loss to determine whether they came as an evidence of admiration, or whether the donor has such implicit faith in our keen appreciation of the beautiful that she expects us to take from those innocent little blossoms an object lesson and simmer our gushings down to a purer and more refining strain and write less of the follies of a wicked world. While sitting in the shadow of the flowers, inhaling ozone made fragrantly intoxicating by their subtle perfume we could almost promise to adopt such a course, but when they shall have drooped and died we fear their softening influence will depart with them and leave us once more but a common mortal in a universe of woe, like "the flower which lasts for little space, a short-lived good, and uncertain grace."

Some newspaper man started the report that a Brookfield, N. J., girl kneads bread with her gloves on. An exchange answers: "We also need bread with our shoes on, with our pants on, and with our clothes on. We need it badly too, and if our delinquents do not soon pay up we will need it without any pants on at all."

Kyphosis Bicyclistarm is a new disease said to be caused by too much bicycle riding. If the disease is as frightful as its name it is certainly to be dreaded. We would recommend that hereafter all chronic riders walk and lead their machines.

Now that the board of supervisors has made a written demand on the supreme court, we await with fear and trembling the outcome. If the court should not see proper to obey with celerity the behest of this august body of lilliputian statesmen, what will be the result? Will the board impeach the court or declare a relentless war on the universe, and, as Waite of Colorado, says, "ride through blood up to their bridles" and welcome with gory hands to hospitable graves all lovers of justice and believers in the time-worn theory that honor is due the highest tribunal in the state?

## THE EDITORS' LOVE.

I love to steal a white away  
From every cumbering care,  
And take a Pullman sleeper  
For Chicago and the fair.  
And when I've spent a week or two  
And seen the sights so great,  
I love to steal a chance to ride  
Home on an empty freight.

When the board has collected all of the shortages it claims from county officials it might blow the same in for more dynamite and tear a few more holes in the prairie. There's nothing like having a loud time, especially as long as Jones will pay the freight.

Cleveland's administration is responsible for the "Dink Botts," "Hoke Smiths," and "Poussumphts," and now comes a Missouri farmer who has laid the foundation for making his son stoop shouldered by loading him with the name of William O. Honorific-bill-tudentitoo Goodin.

# SPECIAL SALE

## MONDAY JULY 24

Ladies' Muslin Underwear  
Ladies' Knit Underwear  
Ladies' Hosiery

J. P. MANN.