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## LOCAL NEWS ITEMIZED

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

## ATHER INTERESTING NOTES

Items of General Interest Published While News Is Still News.

O. O. Snyder was in Sioux City last Friday.

St. Patrick's day was observed in O'Neill as usual.

John Duncan was up from Chambers Tuesday and called.

THE FRONTIER and New York Tribune both for \$1.50.

John Golden has moved into the Sullivan brick on Kid Hill.

Judge Kinkaid had business before the supreme court Tuesday.

Frank Welton took the train for Chadron Sunday evening.

Mr. Bazzelleman has purchased machinery for a fifty barrel mill.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hemstreet are the happy parents of a baby boy.

Hood's Pills do not weaken, but aid digestion and tone the stomach. Try them.

Barrett Scott and H. M. Uttley returned Sunday night from a business trip to Lincoln.

Paul Barshaw has returned from Butte and is again a resident of this city. He is now in the employ of Az Perry.

F. A. Reed, Inman's rustling sewing machine agent, has removed to O'Neill and is now living in the Second ward.

T. V. Golden, H. M. Uttley and H. E. Murphy went down to Lincoln Monday morning on business before the supreme court.

Mrs. Jane Hubbard, mother of the Hubbard boys, died at her residence near Chambers last Monday evening at the age of 76 years.

Fred Gatz's slaughter house, pens and hay were destroyed by fire last Friday night. It is thought to have been the work of an incendiary.

J. L. McFarland, of Boone, Io., arrived in the city Monday evening for a few days' visit. Mr. McFarland is an old acquaintance of Wes Evans.

Get your flour at McManus'. Crown mill patent, Kitchen Queen strait grade, the best grades in the city. Every sack warranted or money refunded. 36-1f

Dr. Gilligan is in Geneva, Nebraska, to which place he was called by a telegram last Saturday morning, announcing the serious illness of his uncle, who is a resident of that city.

Prevention is better than cure, and you may prevent that tired feeling by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, which will keep your blood pure and free from acid and germs of disease.

Mr. Sample and daughter Alice, of Butte, came over last Friday. Sam came to take a heavy part in the Robert Emmet play Saturday night, while Alice visited with old schoolmates.

The boys have been investigating Rody Hayes' books. While they found four or five hundred that Rody owes the county, they also found about a thousand that the county owes Rody.

G. C. Hazelet went down the road last Friday on business connected with the irrigation company. He will visit Norfolk and Fremont and attend the irrigation meeting in Omaha, returning with the delegates tomorrow evening.

Our fresh garden seeds are now all here and open for inspection. We guarantee them to be all strictly new and fresh, and in onion sets we have the finest you ever saw. Try us before buying. 35-4 O'NEILL GROCERY CO.

Having disposed of our farm land in Holt county, we offer for sale one of the most pleasant homes in O'Neill, at price and terms to suit purchaser. We must sell or give away soon.

WM. BOWEN.

For sale or rent, on easy terms, a good farm, 160 acres, four miles from O'Neill; all tillable land, 115 acres were under the plow last year. For terms and further particulars address, Wilbur Seed Meal Co., Milwaukee, Wis. 301f

Judge Kinkaid informs us that his horses arrived last week. He has seven head of pure bred stallions, three French coach, three Percherons and one Clyde. He got them of one of the leading breeders of pure bred horses in the United States. All are young and first class individuals. Certificates of pedigrees furnished. These horses are for sale at reasonable prices for cash or on time with security.

Farmers contemplating purchasing machinery will do well to peruse Neil Brennan's new ad., published this week on our editorial page.

J. W. Leeper, of Paddock township, was in the city last Saturday and made this office a pleasant call. Mr. Leeper is a new settler, having arrived here from southern Iowa about two weeks ago. He is well satisfied with Holt.

What is the use of planting those mixed beans one year after another when you can get pure Navy beans from us, that will be in demand when raised? Try a few!

37-2 O'NEILL GROCERY CO.

The Fremont Tribune says that "Park Noble, the genial conductor on the main line of the Elkhorn, running from Missouri Valley to Long Pine, was married last Wednesday, the bride being Miss Clara Engle, the ceremony taking place at the home of the latter in Chicago."

The eighth annual meeting of the North Nebraska Teachers' association will be held at Columbus on March 28, 29, 30. The county which has present and enrolls the largest per centage of its active teachers, teachers engaged in teaching this year, will be awarded a handsome flag, to remain in the custody of the teachers' association of the county winning, until March 1895.

Schuyler Quill: H. A. Eckart left on Tuesday morning for his home near O'Neill, in Holt county, where he will settle. Holt county gains a number one citizen by this change. The Quill will keep him posted on Colfax affairs.

Mr. Eckart made this office a short call Tuesday morning. He is an enthusiastic irrigationist and believes that when the irrigation ditch is completed Holt county will be a paradise.

Last Monday Judge Bowen traded his farms in this county to Wm. Risinger for Lincoln property. Mr. Bowen and family will move to Lincoln in about three weeks. Mr. Risinger will move his family to this county this fall and will live on his farm. THE FRONTIER regrets to see Mr. Bowen and family leave O'Neill but wishes them success and happiness in their new home.

Amateur authors will be interested to know that the new illustrated \$1.50 Midland Monthly, published at Des Moines, announces a series of quarterly amateur contests in literature, the first to close April 1. The Midland will pay \$20 cash for the best original, unpublished story, and \$10 cash for the best original unpublished poem entered. All actual subscribers are eligible to these contests.

Stuart Ledger: The county board, contrary to expectations, did not appoint the hoary old steed groomer, of the Eagle, (Hopkins) to be John Skirving's successor, as an unfortunate combination of circumstances made him an unavailable candidate. In the very climax of the last act of the great (?) drama his aspirations were shattered. The consuming desire of the aforesaid candidate goes unsatisfied. He could not make connection.

Mrs. Margaret Howard, mother of the Howard boys of Page, died at her home in Cathron, Neb., on March 19, and the remains were brought to Page and buried there yesterday. The deceased was born in Pennsylvania January 4, 1806. She lived in Wisconsin for about 20 years and in Nebraska 23 years. The funeral services will be held in Page by Rev. Blain two weeks from next Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Wagers, of this city, attended the funeral yesterday.

A brother pusher of the quill has thought a very trite think and reduced it to print in this language: "A good many people seem to think if they have a news item they should take particular pains to hide it, and then if the editor does not happen to stumble into it, kick him for not getting a rustle on him. This may be more agreeable to some people but does not greatly aid in making the home paper more interesting and in advertising the town and county as wide awake and enterprising. Bring in your little news items and talk them over with the editor of your local paper, the latch string always hangs out."

The following delegates went down from O'Neill Monday to attend the Inter-State Irrigation meeting at Omaha this week: John Testman, John McBride, John McCafferty, Neil Brennan, A. U. Morris, O. O. Snyder, John Weekes, Jno. McHugh, and John Mann. These delegates were appointed by the Holt County Irrigation Society, the O'Neill Board of Trade, the county clerk and Mayor Dickson. Mr. Dickson while in Omaha Sunday reserved parlors at the Millard for the delegation and made arrangements for having their headquarters properly decorated and advertised. There is no doubt but that this meeting will result in good for Northern Nebraska irrigation. Our representatives will return Friday.

It is said that foreign populists will purchase the Tribune. Sugar will draw flies and Gutzman's diamond field is a great bait for adventurers.

Assessors met in annual session last Tuesday and prepared their schedules for this year's work. They made a great cut in valuations, ranging from twenty-five to fifty per cent. on both personalty and realty. We will give the list in full next week.

But very little interest is being manifested in the coming city election. Mr. Dickson is a candidate for re-election and is opposed by Clarence Selah. First ward has developed no candidate for councilman to succeed Dave Stannard, whose term expires. Elmer Merriman is a candidate for Councilman Smoot's shoes in the Third and it looks as though he will have opposition. Wm. Fallon is the only candidate at present in the Second.

At the Robert Emmet play Saturday night Sam Sample and Miles Gibbons, members of the company, were the victims of quite a serious accident. In one of the exciting parts of the play, where blood and thunder and high tragedy were in the majority, a gun loaded with blank cartridge exploded, the powder finding a resting place in Sam's neck and Miles' hand. Miles had his hand on Sample's neck at the time, thus saving the neck much to the discomfort of the hand. The boys had their nerve with them, however, went on with their parts and the audience did not know that an accident had occurred.

John Smoot blew in at the front door of our office Monday morning short on breath and long on cigars, the latter of which he divided with the man who was holding down the tripod. Knowing that this was no idle fancy or philanthropic move upon John's part, and being strongly suspicious that he was guilty of attempting to cause an over-production of the human race, we propounded questions as to sex, etc. The features of the classic gentleman from Missouri opened up like the mouth of a coon ready to fasten his fangs into the first water melon of summer as he said: "It's a boy and he came into the world singing three cheers for the red white and blue and the republican party."

Advocate: G. W. French went to O'Neill Monday in the interests of the Howard & Wilson Colony Company. We understand that a colony of thirty-five from O'Neill and surrounding country will leave the latter place for California about the 23rd of this month. Mr. French is a rustler and Messrs. Howard and Wilson have certainly not misused it when they secured the services of a man who is so well adapted for the duties devolving upon a soliciting agent.

THE FRONTIER doubts the correctness of the statement that a colony will leave O'Neill for California. Our advice to those entertaining any such idea, however, would be to go out and see the country before removing. Last week we saw a letter from one of the Ewing colony at Madera, who said it was beginning to look as though he would be compelled to return to Holt county to find work.

The Russian thistle, a few of which are said to be found in Holt county, are described as follows by the Nebraska Experiment Bureau. There is only one way to get rid of them and that is to annihilate them on sight: "More or less spherical in shape, and consisting of many elongated twigs which grow outward and upward from the root. When not quite mature the whole plant has a reddish color, but as its seeds ripen it bleaches out and is eventually almost white. Each twig or branch is covered on all sides by hard stout prickles, which are very sharp and very irritating to the touch. The young plant appears in May and June, and is a soft, smooth, innocent-looking plant, with narrow, fleshy leaves an inch long. It blossoms in July or August and its seeds mature in September or October. In the fall the root breaks off and the plant is free to roll away with its freight of seed."

Sioux City Journal, March 15: Mayor R. R. Dickson, of O'Neill Neb., was in the city yesterday, enroute to his home from Emmetsburg, where he had been in the interests of the irrigation company spoken of in the Journal yesterday. "I called on the officers of the American Investment company," said he, "and found them enthusiastic over the proposed scheme. This company has large holdings of land in Nebraska that would be benefited by such a plan of irrigation. They will have a meeting of directors early in April to decide upon what measures shall be taken to assist in the work." Mayor Dickson called on the officers of the Sioux City Commercial association relative to the matter. Dr. Morris was here for the same purpose yesterday, and left the matter of stock subscriptions with President Erwin, who will bring it before the executive committee at its next meeting for action.

## Mayor Dickson's Trip.

Mayor Dickson and wife returned Sunday evening from Iowa. Mrs. Dickson had been visiting relatives in that state for several weeks, but Dick was there for the purpose of creating a little interest for the welfare of the Niobrara River Irrigation and Power Company. A FRONTIER reporter called upon him Tuesday to ascertain whether or not his mission had been attended with success, and will give his statements and let the reader be the judge:

"Well," said Dick, "I went first to Sioux City and called upon the Fidelity Loan and Trust Company, Reliance Trust Company, Sioux City Business Men's association and wholesale houses generally. They all looked with favor upon the project and promise to aid it financially and otherwise after the preliminary survey has been completed and the feasibility of the move established beyond a doubt. I had a long talk with Mr. Erwin, president of the Business Men's association and credit man for H. A. Jandt, who manifested a great deal of interest in the plan and thought it feasible. He said the Sioux City jobbers must certainly assist the company as the consummation of the ditch would increase their business in this territory.

"At Emmetsburg I talked with A. L. Ormsby, president American Investment Company, which company has many acres of land in Holt, Rock, Brown and Cherry counties, along the proposed line of irrigation. Mr. Ormsby says that after the preliminary survey shall have been completed and it is fully established that the enterprise is feasible his company will lend us all of the assistance in their power, as he is convinced it would be a paying investment and of great value to our part of the state.

"While in Omaha I called upon the Union Trust Company, Mutual Loan and Trust Company, Home Investment Company, American Loan and Trust Company, Commercial National bank, Commercial Club and numerous wholesale houses. Those parties all had words of encouragement for our undertaking, especially Dave Landers, of the Union Trust Company, who said that in event that the survey demonstrates that the proposed canal will be a practical undertaking, that his company will take hold of the matter, and that in his opinion enough funds can be raised in Omaha alone to complete the entire ditch.

"W. N. Nason, chairman of the Inter-State Irrigation association, seemed very much interested in the matter. After looking over the proposed route he said that he was familiar with a part of the line and it was his opinion that it would be no difficult matter to construct the ditch and that the necessary funds could be had without serious difficulty; that the people of Omaha were greatly interested in Nebraska irrigation and would always be found lending a helping hand to canals in her territory."

The reporter here asked Mr. Dickson what conclusion he had arrived at in regard to the matter after his trip and in the light of the above stated facts, to which he replied:

"After a week's travel and talk with various people interested in this county, it is very apparent to me that they are all very much interested as we are and that we may rely upon their rendering us all the assistance in their power. Every person I talked with was eager to learn all about the proposed canal and promised to talk the matter up with their various companies and people whom they represent. It is my opinion that we are now on the road to success, but of course everything depends upon the report of the engineer, who will go on over the route and relieve us of all doubt and uncertainty as to its feasibility."

"In 1891 only 84 acres to every 1,000 acres of land surface in Nebraska were sown with corn," says the Nebraska Weather Record. "The small percentage of corn acreage in this state is due to the fact that a large portion of the state is yet unoccupied. The average yield in all the states and territories of the United States is 24 bushels per acre. The states of Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont rank first with an average of 33 bushels per acre, while in South Carolina and Florida the average is but 9 bushels per acre, which is three bushels per acre less than the average in Nebraska. From the above official statistics, which have been compiled by the National Department of Agriculture, it is found that the soil and climate of Nebraska are peculiarly fitted for corn culture, and that corn will not flourish in countries where there is an abundant rain fall, but that it requires a light soil, a dry atmosphere, rapid evaporation and plenty of sunshine. The greater the evaporation the more rapidly the stalk will grow if there is enough moisture in the soil to replace that evaporated. Evaporation causes the water to circulate through the plant, and no matter how hot the winds, it there is sufficient moisture the plant will not burn before it is matured."

## Ye Called Him Great, Etc.

Custer is the banner populist county in Nebraska. In the state elections of 1892 and 1893 that county gave the people's ticket a larger proportionate plurality than any other county gave. Every important county office is held by a populist. The chances are, however, that the populists will lose their grip there as a consequence of the recent disclosures attending the peculations of the county treasurer, to which reference has been made in the news columns of the Bee and newspapers of the big Sixth district. Evidence is also forthcoming of the participation of Hon. Omer Madison Kem in the soft snaf of the treasurer. A letter was recently received from him in which he admitted having used \$1,500 of the county funds, which he subsequently returned. He has again been reminded of an additional sum of \$3,000 secured by him from the same source, but he has not yet stated whether he turned that amount back into the public treasury of Custer county. Meantime the county treasurer has hypothesized all his goods, chattels and realty in a vain effort to make the county whole, but report has it that he is still \$5,000 short. We suggest that if Congressman Kem still holds any of this money he ought to return it at once, lest there may come a slump in the populist vote of Custer county in particular and the big Sixth in general. —Bee.

It will soon be time to get out that gasoline stove. We have now on hand a quantity of the purest deodorized gasoline and will keep it in stock this coming season. Avoid danger by using the best. Cans called for and delivered. 37-2 O'NEILL GROCERY CO.

## City Scales.

To the City Council of O'Neill, Holt county, Nebraska: Gentlemen—As report has it the city scales are apt to be dispensed with, and as it is a matter that directly interests all people who patronize the O'Neill market, it might be well to request the honorable board to consider the danger such dispensation will be to the people in general. At different times there has existed so much dissatisfaction regarding the scales that many people with hogs have taken their loads to Atkinson and other places instead of taking them to O'Neill. We only say the dissatisfaction—we do not say or know who was the cause, whether it was the buyers or weighers—but we do say that since Joe Miller has had control of the scales there is more confidence among the farmers and sellers in general than there has been for a long time. Remove the scales and you remove your trade. Your merchants will lose the handling of the proceeds of such scales and other merchants of other towns will be the gainers.

The fact of so many feeling satisfied with the manner in which they are treated in O'Neill at present shows plainly the proper way for a town to draw the patronage of the people, that is, treat them so that they may feel they are doing just as well there as anywhere and, if anything, that the weighmaster will not defraud them and that they are sure of correct weights, and instead of driving trade away to other towns you will hold your own and it may be draw some more.

As long as Joe Miller continues to act as impartially as he has in the past we, the undersigned, would suggest that it would be wise discretion to continue him and the scales in the service of the city and you gentlemen of the council have it in your own hands whether you sustain the unbiased condition of affairs or not.

JOACHIM STEIN. AUGUST OBERLE, M. D. MYERS, L. FLANNIGAN, GEO. BAY, JEREMIAH KELLY, HENRY BAY, TYLER SCRIVEN, R. J. MCGINNIS, ARTHUR BARRETT, PETER DONOHUE, STEPHEN MCGINNIS, JOHN ROBERTSON, J. DICKINSON, ANDREW JOHNSON, MICHAEL COSTELLO, B. BARNICA, MIKE PICKERING, JUSTUS SPINDLER.

And a thousand others who are interested in the prosperity of O'Neill, our county seat.

You know that cup of coffee you got on the dining-car and smacked your lips over? Well, we have the agency for the coffee from which it was made. It is put up in 1½ lb cloth sacks at 50c. per sack. Try one!

37-2 O'NEILL GROCERY CO.

Hood's Pills do not purge, pain or gripe, but act promptly, easily and efficiently. 25c.

## Notice

Is hereby given I forbid all persons from driving, herding horses, cattle, hogs, mules or asses on east half of section eight (8), town thirty-one (31), range nine (9) west, under the penalty of the law. 35-6 JAMES H. PINE.

The best mutual insurance policy against attacks of sickness is to be found in taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. If you are weak it will make you strong.

...Do You Know?

That I have now open for inspection a complete stock of spring goods? All of the new and latest things in the market. I invite the trade to call and see my stock of dress goods and select for themselves. Also a large stock of caps, just the latest things designed. A stock of

**Trimmings**

Complete with silks, braids, ribbons and laces. Also silk skirts at prices less than ever before. This is the largest stock I have yet purchased, and the largest that will come to the city this season.

Remember I have a full line of hats and caps for ladies, gents and children.

**For Shoes**

I am second to none, having a complete stock, in all sizes, width and styles, at prices cheaper than the cheapest.

36-2 Respectfully yours,  
P. J. McMANUS.

**Notes From the Temple of Learning.**

Since the adoption of civics into the sophomore class, many of the freshmen have taken up the study, and many more express a desire to follow their example. Mrs. Taylor is mourning the loss of several of the most interesting of her scholars.

Mrs. Potter-Hazelet deserves commendation for her brilliant career as a primary teacher.

Frequent visits of the school board to the high school would show that august body their mistakes as others see them.

Student says there will be a revolution in school in the near future; wonder if she means a reformation? We have heard the omission of the daily recitation of prize fighters' lives in the high-school referred to in that manner.

And so it appears that "first unknown quantity" is red headed.

We see by the Alliance Tribune that Prof. Morrow in a lecture before the K. P.'s held the audience spell-bound by his eloquence. Well, we don't know much about the Prof.'s eloquence, as we partake of it mostly during the pauses of his melodious voice, but we do know something of Tom's elegance (in fig leaves) especially after a ball.

Some of the scholars, moulded after the fashion of Adam, are accused of carrying empty flasks where Bacchus once dwelt in the form of "old rye."

If Fabian were living he would eulogize the Latin class for following his much pursued example. Who's to blame? SCHOOL BOY.

**Stock Cattle!**

I am prepared to furnish stock cattle of all ages, or will buy on contract or commission. FRANK ANDERSON, 321f U. S. Yds., Sioux City, Iowa.

**Bucklen's Arnica Salve.**

The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns, and all skin eruptions and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25c. per box. For sale by P. C. Corigan. 28-28

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**BY THE CAR LOAD AT BRENNAN'S**

John Deere Plows and Cultivators—riding and walking—they are the best.

Also a nice lot of garden seeds—the very best money could buy. Millet on hand. 36-8