

NEWS SANS WHISKERS

Items of Interest Told As They Are Told to Us.

WHEN AND HOW IT HAPPENED

Local Happenings Portrayed For General Edification and Amusement.

Attended the Firemen's ball.

John Carr was up from Stafford Monday.

P. H. Parker was in from Dorsey Monday.

J. S. Kay, of Ewing, was in the city Monday.

Z. T. Funk, of Laurel, was in the city Monday.

H. A. Allen was down from Atkinson Monday.

R. F. Cross, of Atkinson, spent Sunday in the city.

Thanksgiving ball at the rink next Thursday night.

O. F. Bighin transacted business in Omaha last week.

Sanford Parker was over from Spencer the first of the week.

W. J. Hahn, of Stuart, was an O'Neill visitor last Sunday.

Sheriff Hamilton returned from his Iowa visit Saturday.

A. C. Mohr and son, Charles, were up from Page Tuesday.

Attending court in this city, Attorney N. B. Chapman, of Atkinson.

Ira Burleson and Alex Searl were down from Atkinson Monday.

Supervisor C. W. Moss and son were up from Amelia last Monday.

Albert Ege and John Trommershauser were up from Ewing Monday.

County Attorney Wills, of Boyd county was in the city Tuesday.

Geo. A. Field, of Rapid City, S. D., was at the Hotel Evans last Saturday.

FOR RENT—Corbett house of 7 rooms. Enquire of E. S. Kinch.

W. E. Spott, of Atkinson, was in the city attending court the first of the week.

Mrs. Lorge, of Randolph, mother of Mrs. D. H. Cronin, is in the city visiting.

The Elkhorn Valley bank is now located in the Holt County bank building.

F. W. Boggs, of Spencer, county attorney elect of Boyd county, was in the city last Sunday.

Attorneys R. M. Johnson and J. A. Rice were down from Stuart attending court last Friday.

O. H. Olive and A. E. Anderson, of Genoa, Neb., were registered at the Hotel Evans last Friday.

T. H. Galbraith, of Albion, deputy revenue collector for this district, was at the Hotel Evans Tuesday.

The Ladies Working society will meet with Mrs. N. S. Lowrie next Wednesday Nov. 25, at 2 p. m. sharp.

Attorneys W. H. England and Joseph Werburg, of Lincoln, were in this city attending court the first of the week.

R. R. Dickson returned from Chicago Monday evening, where he had taken his father for medical treatment.

Clarence Selah was in Norfolk last Friday and Saturday organizing a lodge of the Business Men's fraternity.

The Business Men's fraternity is growing rapidly. Seven new members joined the organization Monday night.

Tracy Gwinn, who has been working in South Dakota the past summer, returned to O'Neill last Saturday night.

DeWitt's Sarsaparilla is prepared for cleaning the blood. It builds up and strengthens constitutions impaired by disease. Morris & Co.

The Elkhorn Valley bank moved into their new quarters Tuesday, where the officers of that institution will be pleased to meet their customers.

John Menzie was in from Dorsey last Friday. He informed us that a camp of Modern Woodmen was organized there last week with about thirty members.

William B. Stevenson, of Carthage, Ill., and Nellie I. Harrison, of Blackbird, Neb., were granted license to wed by County Judge McCutchan last Saturday.

Our line of extra quality canned corn, tomatoes, peas and also of preserved peaches, strawberries, and other fine fruits was never more complete, when needing any thing in this line come in 19-2. O'NEILL GROCERY CO

R. H. Harris, clerk of the district court of Knox county, was in the city yesterday. Although living in a populist county Mr. Harris is a republican.

Now is the season of the year when holiday goods are in demand. If you have goods to sell try an ad in these columns and note the effect. It will pay you.

The old lady was right when she said the child might die if they waited for the doctor. She saved the little one's life with a few doses of One Minute Cough Cure. Morris & Co.

The Oakes company showed in the opera house last Thursday night to a fair audience. Some parts of the show was very good, but the jokes of their young man were very stale.

Soothing, and not irritating, strengthening, and not weakening, small, but effective—such are the qualities of DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills. Morris & Co.

The length of life may be increased by lessening its dangers. The majority of people die from lung troubles. These may be averted by promptly using One Minute Cough Cure. Morris & Co.

Pop corn, hickory nuts, red apples and "Duffy's" pure apple cider. How does this strike you for a winter night? You all know about Duffy's cider. Try a gallon. 19-2 O'NEILL GROCERY CO.

William Fallon was made very happy last Sunday. It was the first time we have seen him smile since election. The arrival of a Bryan voter at his house Saturday night was the cause of the smiles.

It is a fixed and immutable law that to have good sound health, one must have pure, rich and abundant blood. There is no shorter nor surer route than by a course of DeWitt's Sarsaparilla. Morris & Co.

Frank Glassner, of Stuart, the artistic typographical artist of the Ledger, was in the city a few days last week assisting the types in this office. Frank says there are so many pretty girls in O'Neill that he would like to remain here.

Scaly eruptions on the head, chapped hands and lips, cuts, bruises, scalds, burns, are quickly cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It is at present the article most used for piles, and it always cures them. Morris & Co.

See J. P. Mann's ad on another page, wherein he offers some of the best bargains ever offered in O'Neill, or, in fact, west of Omaha. Read his ad and then call at his store and take advantage of the great bargains to be found there.

Flap jack flour, buck wheat, pure maple sirup and a cup of our famous Mocha and Java coffee, how is that for a cold morning? Let us put you up a prescription of the above. 19-2 O'NEILL GROCERY CO.

Now is the season when you want a good gun and want it cheap. I have a line of guns that cannot be beaten anywhere and am going to sell them cheap. Come early and get first choice. I also have hunting coats and sell them cheap. NEIL BRENNAN.

One of the finest scales in the city is that now used in the grocery department of the Sullivan Mercantile company's store. They are so arranged that the price of the article bought or sold is shown on the beam along with the weight. It is not necessary to know how to "bigger" to sell goods.

The Spencer orchestra will not eat any delicious turkey in O'Neill Thanksgiving day, but in lieu thereof will set down in an unquarrelous mess of crow at Spencer, and be thankful that the people of Boyd county are permitted to frequent the good town of O'Neill. ORCHESTRA.

Judge C. J. Skuse, of Butte, arrived in the city Tuesday evening on his way home from Alaska, where he went last April. The judge spent his time in that country prospecting, and believes that he has a claim that will pay well. He expects to return in the spring. THE FRONTIER trusts that his fondest hopes will be realized.

Butte Gazette: Elmer O. Blake, formerly postmaster of Butte, is again under arrest for the shortage in his accounts while in office. He was brought before Judge Woolson, at Omaha, the fore part of this week, and pleaded not guilty to the charges, and his trial was put off until next week. The shortage was over \$600.

Plainview News: He was an earnest minister, and one morning in the course of a sermon on the significance of little things, he said: "The hand which made the mighty heavens made a grain of sand, which made the lofty mountains made a drop of water; which made you made the grass of the field; which made me made a daisy!"

WRIGHT LAW STANDS

Supreme Court Decides That it is Constitutional.

SYNOPSIS OF THE OPINION

Projected Irrigation Enterprises Will Now Be Completed.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 16.—After litigation extending over a period of five or six years, the California statute known as the Wright irrigation law has been pronounced to be constitutional and valid by the supreme court of the United States, and the validity of \$16,000,000 of bonds issued thereunder is affirmed.

The decision was announced in the supreme court today by Justice Peckham in the case of the Falbrook Irrigation district et al., vs. Maria King Bradley and husband, appealing from the circuit court for the southern district of California. There was another appeal before the court, also involving the same law, disposed of at today's session of the supreme court, which came from the supreme court of the state—William Tregas vs. the Modesto Irrigation district. The courts below entered diametrically opposite judgments, the circuit court holding that the law was unconstitutional and the supreme court of the state holding that it was constitutional.

Tregas case had been before the supreme court of the United States for more than two years, and after having been argued once was assigned for another argument in connection with the Falbrook. The argument took place last April, ex-President Harrison supporting the law.

The complaints in the two cases attacked the law on the ground that it was unconstitutional, violating both the state and federal constitutions, the latter in that it effect it took away private property without due process of law. Judge McKenna of the circuit court decided that the act did practically take the property of the Bradleys, who are alien residents of San Diego county, without due process of law and granted the injunction asked for.

In the opinion disposing of the case, Justice Peckham refers to the vast extent of the "arid region," and the great importance to those residing in it, of the scheme to improve its condition by irrigation. Taking the California law as a model, he said, seven or eight other states in the arid belt had passed similar laws, to assess lands for the cost of constructing irrigation works and condemning other lands for right of way of these works, proceedings under which were awaiting the result of the pending litigation.

One of the points made by counsel was that the irrigation of arid lands was not a public purpose and this was discussed in the opinion at length in connection with the power of the legislature to pass a law providing for the accomplishment of that purpose. The supreme court found no difficulty. Justice Peckham said, in coming to the same conclusion reached by the California state court, that the irrigation of arid land is a public purpose; that the water thus used is put to a public use, and that an act providing for irrigation is a valid exercise of the legislative power.

A second objection urged by the property owners was that operations of the act need not be limited to rid unproductive lands, but might include within its possibilities all lands, no matter how fertile or productive, so long as they are susceptible "in their natural state" to one mode of irrigation from a common source, the special point being that it was unlawful to include the city of Modesto in an irrigation district. But the supreme court of California said it was undoubtedly intended by the legislature that cities and towns in proper cases should be included in such districts and that the act thus construed did not violate the state constitution, and that view of the law the supreme court of the United States adopted.

As to the construction of the act upon the third point raised, the supreme court of the United States held that it provided for a hearing of the land owner both as to the question whether his land would be benefited by the proposed irrigation. As to other matter, the district could be created without notice to any one. "Our conclusion is that the act, as construed, with reference to the objections considered until this third head, is unassailable."

The fourth and final objection was as to the basis of assessment upon the lands benefited, that it amounted to the taking of the property of the citizen without due process of law. Regarding this, the opinion says: "The method of assessment here provided for may be the best which could have been adopted

in order to accomplish the most equal and exact justice which the nature of the case permits. But none the less we are unable to say that it runs counter to any provision of the federal constitution and we must for that reason hold the objection here considered to be untenable.

The judgment of the circuit court was therefore overruled and the case remanded for further proceeding not inconsistent with the opinion of the supreme court of the United States.

Chief Justice Fuller and Justice Field, it was announced, dissented from the opinion of the court.

The decision of the court in the Modesta case, which came from the supreme court of the state, was announced by Justice Brewer. The constitutionality of the law, he said, had been settled by the decision in the Falbrook case, and the Modesta case was disposed of briefly on the ground that it presented no question for the supreme court of the United States to decide. The proceedings, which Tregas appealed from simply gave the directors of the irrigation district authority to issue bonds. "As no bonds were issued," said Justice Brewer, "and the proceedings do not compel the issue of any, and they may not be issued at all, no such suit is presented as calls for consideration and decision by this court. For this reason the appeal will be dismissed. Justices Harlan, Gray and Brown, however," he continued, "are of the opinion that as the judgment of the state court was against a right and privilege, specially set up and claimed by the plaintiff in error under the constitution of the United States, such judgment, if not modified or revised, will include him, if not all, holders of taxable property in the Modesta irrigation district in respect of the federal right and privilege so alleged. Consequently it is the duty of this court to determine, upon its merits, the federal question so raised by the pleadings, and determined by the judgment of the state court. They are also of the opinion that the principles announced in the Falbrook case sustain the conclusion of the state court upon this federal question and require the affirmative of its judgment."—State Journal.

DISTRICT COURT.

District court convened in this city last Friday with Judge Kinkaid on the bench.

John Giblin and M. P. Brennan were appointed bailiffs.

The following cases have been disposed of:

Thayer County bank vs. H. B. Huddleson, continued until next term by mutual agreement.

Frank Dohney vs. the Farmers and Merchants Insurance company: the jury returned a verdict for Dohney for \$337 and costs. The plaintiff's house, which was insured by the company, was destroyed by fire last March, and the parties not being able to settle the case went into county court and from there to the district court.

In the case of Jacob Humpal vs. the Farmers and Merchants Insurance company, the court decided the case on a point of law in favor of the company.

In the case of Large and Amsden vs. Samuel Nott & Son, Jandt & Tompkins intervened and got judgment against the plaintiff for the value of the property sold, amounting to \$406.15.

The case of G. W. Pope vs. Frank Campbell, administrator of the Connolly estate, was dismissed at the plaintiff's cost. This case was a suit on a bill plaintiff had against the estate.

The case of the county of Holt against the Stuart State bank, growing out of the failure of the Holt County bank, was dismissed and the costs taxed to plaintiff.

The divorce case of Christian Dahlin vs. John Dahlin was dismissed by mutual agreement.

Mary Ella Gray sued her husband, James D. Gray for divorce and the restoration of her maiden name, Mary Ella Anderson, which was granted.

Julia Radcliffe was granted a divorce from Clinton Radcliffe, and her maiden name restored. She is now Julia Clevinger.

Elizabeth Kramer was another lady who regretted her matrimonial venture and asked the court that the bonds which united her to Jacob Kramer be severed. Her prayer was granted.

Something to Know.

It may be worth something to know that the very best medicine for restoring the tired and nervous system to a healthy vigor is Electric Bitters. This medicine is purely vegetable, acts by giving tone to the nerve centers in the stomach, gently stimulates the liver and kidneys and aids the organs in throwing off impurities in the blood. Electric Bitters improves the appetite, aids digestion and is pronounced by those who have tried it as the very best blood purifier and nerve tonic. Try it. Sold for 50c or \$1 per bottle at Corrigan's.

THE FRONTIER REPORTER WOULD LIKE TO SEE.

The several applicants for federal positions come out from under cover and make known their wants. Four years ago the democrats had their petitions on file twenty-three minutes after the polls closed.

The people who are afraid we are going to have good times take a seat on the inside of the ammunition wagon, for there is every danger that they will be run over by the band wagon, as it will be impossible to make them understand that where everything is hustle and get there people who stand star-gazing are liable to be crushed, misshapen, mashed.

The city council get a move on themselves and place in position the new scales purchased by the city to replace the present ones. There can be nothing gained by delaying matters. The farmer, grain buyer, hog buyer, the public, all want a scale that weighs correctly. They are entitled to this much; gentlemen give it to them and at once.

The ladies of this city commence the social season by at once giving a series of home entertainments in which the young gentlemen can participate. The winter evenings are dark and dreary to the youth with down on his lip and a brain full of sentimental gush. Take him to your homes, guard and cherish his ancient expressions, they may be of assistance to you in after years when he grows up and becomes a real man.

The officers of the irrigation district get together and push the work of surveying the right of way, preparatory to building the ditch as soon as springtime arrive on the scene. The Wright law having been declared constitutional, there is nothing in the way, and it behoves the gentlemen in charge of the district organization to redouble their efforts. Energetic work on their behalf will bring about results which have been a dream only in the minds of a great many citizens. The accomplishment of this enterprise means that Holt county will become the garden spot of Nebraska, a happy, prosperous people, laughing, rosy cheeked children and lots of them. What more can the most ardent admirer of the human race ask for.

ELECTION IS OVER.

And you can now make that trip east you have been thinking about. Remember the Pacific Short Line leaves O'Neill immediately after the arrival of train from Black Hills and saves you two hours time to Sioux City and the east. Buy local tickets to O'Neill. This makes the lowest rate.

DAVE WILL REFORM.

Butte Gazette: Tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, Davis W. Forbes will give Samuel C. Sample a free and unlimited wheel-barrow ride from the court house to the Bryan flag pole, stopping at every crossing and cheering for McKinley and sound money, and then make a McKinley speech at the pole. The Queen City band will head the procession. Be on hand and see the fun.

THANKSGIVING DANCE.

The O'Neill Fire Department will give a ball Thanksgiving night, Nov. 26, in the rink. Smith's orchestra will furnish the music, and a good time is assured. As it is a matter of personal interest to every citizen in our town that the fire department be kept up, everyone should turn out and help make the dance a success, thereby encouraging the boys in their good work.

CAN BE THANKFUL.

World-Herald: Yesterday morning Senator Thurston wired the following to Senator Allen:

Omaha, Nov. 4, 1896.—Hon. W. V. Allen, Madison, Neb.: I congratulate you on McKinley's election, which saves your party from playing Jonah for the democratic whale.

JOHN M. THURSTON.

In reply to this Senator Allen sent the following: Madison, Neb., Nov. 4, 1896.—Hon. John M. Thurston, Omaha: Like the young doctor attending his first case of obstetrics, we have lost the mother and child, but, by the grace of God, we have saved the old man in person of Holcomb. W. V. ALLEN.

Marvelous Results.

From a letter written by Rev. J. Gunderman, of Dimondale, Mich.: "We are permitted to make this abstract: 'I have no hesitation in recommending Dr. King's New Discovery, as the results were almost marvelous in the case of my wife. While I was pastor of the Baptist church at Rives Junction she was brought down with pneumonia succeeding la grippe. Terrible paroxysms of coughing would last hours with little interruption and it seemed as if she could not survive them. A friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery; it was quick in its work and highly satisfactory in results.' Trial bottles free at P. C. Corrigan's drug store. Regular size 50 cents and \$1.00.

The old way of delivering mail by post boys compared with the modern telephone, illustrates the old tedious methods of "breaking" colds compared with their almost instantaneous cure by One Minute Cough Cure. Morris & Co.

To cure all old sores, to heal an indolent ulcer, or to speedily cure piles, you need simply apply DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve according to directions. Its magic-like action will surprise you Morris & Co.

Absolutely pure, perfectly harmless, and invariably reliable are the qualities of One Minute Cough Cure. It never fails in colds, croup and lung troubles. Children like it because it is pleasant to take and it helps them. Morris & Co.

"Excuse me," observed the man in spectacles, "but I am a surgeon and that is not where the liver is." "Never you mind, where his liver is," retorted the other, "if it was in his big toe or his left ear DeWitt's Little Early Risers would reach it and shake it for him. On that you can bet your gig-lamps." Morris & Co.

Dr. Corbett wishes to state that he will be in O'Neill for one week about the last of each month. Dates always in the papers. And that he makes his work good if it fails. Can stay longer when necessary. For Xmas photos his gallery will be open from Nov. 18 to Dec. 4, and if you want crayons you can get them any size at any price, and not loose the picture and 50 cents also, as has been done lately. His dental office will be open Nov. 18 to 23.

Michigan was one of the states Bryan was going to carry, according to the silverites, and in the upper peninsula was where he was to get the heavy vote. In Houghton county McKinley received 6,140 votes, and Bryan, 1,998. The city of Calumet, in Houghton county, gave McKinley 2,451, Bryan 407 and Palmer 44. In Keweenaw county McKinley received 410, Bryan 43 and Palmer 45. Several Holt county citizens were former residents of the above counties, and the above will be of interest to them. The laboring men in that section have no use for free silver.

How to kill a newspaper. Just let your subscription go. It's only a dollar or two—the publisher don't need it. If he asks you for it, just get as mad as you can and tell him to stop the paper—you never read it. Then go and borrow your neighbor's paper. When the reporter comes always be busy. Make him feel as if he were intruding. When the advertising and job man comes, tell him you don't need to advertise—everybody knows you; that you will try to get along without any printed stationery—it's too expensive; you must economize. Never drop in to see the editor unless you want a free complimentary notice, or a lengthy obituary for a beloved relative. Never recommend the paper to anybody. When you speak of it say, "Yes, we have a little sheet, but it don't amount to much." Keep it up a year or two, and you will have a dead newspaper, a dead set of merchants and a dead town.—Ex.

Electric Bitters.

Electric Bitters is a medicine suited for any season, but perhaps more generally needed, when the languid exhausted feelings prevail, when the liver is torpid and sluggish and the need of a tonic and alterative is felt. A prompt use of this medicine has often averted long and perhaps fatal bilious fevers. No medicine will act more surely in counteracting and freeing the system from the malarial poison. Headache, indigestion, constipation, dizziness, yield to Electric Bitters. 50 cents and \$1.00 per bottle at P. C. Corrigan's Drug Store.

Ballard's Horehound Syrup.

We guarantee this to be the best Cough Syrup manufactured in the whole wide world. This is saying a great deal, but it is true. For consumption, coughs, colds, sore throat, sore chest, pneumonia, bronchitis, asthma, croup, whooping cough, and all diseases of the throat and lungs, we positively guarantee Ballard's Horehound Syrup to be without an equal on the whole face of the globe. In support of this statement we refer to every individual who has ever used it, and to every druggist who has ever sold it. Such evidence is indisputable. Price 25 and 50 cents. Free sample bottles at P. C. Corrigan's.

Ballard's Snow Liment.

This wonderful liment is known from the Atlantic to the Pacific and from the lakes to the gulf. It is the most penetrating liment in the world. It will cure rheumatism, neuralgia, cuts, sprains, bruises, wounds, old sores, burns, scalds, sore throat, sore chest and all inflammation after all others have failed. It will cure barbed wire cuts and heal all wounds where proud flesh has set in. It is equally efficient for animals. Try it and you will not be without it. Price 50 cents, at Corrigan's.