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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.

A. Hahn was down from Stuart last Friday.

J. C. Yocum was over from Butte Monday.

Sanford Parker is over from Spencer this week.

Joe Mann was over from Spencer yesterday.

W. D. McCord, of Ainsworth, was in the city Monday.

John Brady, of Atkinson, was in O'Neill Monday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. S. Barnard, on July 25, a girl.

A. C. Crossman was down from Atkinson Monday.

Editor Eves, of the Plain Dealer, was in O'Neill Monday.

J. H. Engles, of Ida Grove, Ia., was in the city Tuesday.

C. S. Anderson, a merchant of Lynch, was in the city Monday.

Grant Hatfield spent several days in Boyd county last week.

Ham Kautzman went down to Sioux City yesterday morning.

Miss Martha Smith is visiting relatives in the country this week.

Br. Berry was looking after business matters in Boyd county last week.

Stock sheep for sale. Address, 3-3 FRED HOYT, Gordon, Neb.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Price visited relatives near Chambers the first of the week.

This week is your last chance to buy colored shoes at discount prices at J. P. Mann's.

Use H. & G. remedy for black leg, as preventative. For sale by Hershiser & Gilligan. 50-1f

Mrs. E. H. Cross returned Monday from a two weeks visit with friends at Fremont.

Mrs. Tom Campbell is visiting friends in the southeastern part of the county this week.

Will Lowrie returned last night from Lincoln, where he is attending the university.

A large delegation of O'Neillites took in the Barnum & Bailey circus at Sioux City Monday.

H. W. McClure was up from Sioux City Friday looking after his business interests here.

Dan Murphy, the genial proprietor of the Atkinson roller mills, was in the city Saturday.

The land office officials and clerks are very busy this week, hearing Boyd county contest cases.

These hot days nothing so refreshing as Hershiser & Gilligan's soda water. Try it. Always cool. 50-1f

"Oh, but that is good" is what the ladies say when they drink soda water at Hershiser & Gilligan's.

The free silver democrats have issued a call for a county convention to be held in this city on August 23.

Mrs. B. F. Roberts returned Monday evening from Page, where she had been visiting relatives for a week.

Father Cassidy entertained the Sunday school teachers with a picnic at Haynes' grove last Tuesday.

Chas. C. Primus, of Ewing, and Miss Minnie Myers, of Deloit, were granted a marriage license Tuesday.

We sell good flour, corn meal, graham, bran, shorts, corn, oats, etc., at gold standard prices. 33-1f L. KEYS.

The only shoulder brace that is not uncomfortable when you "brace up." For sale by Hershiser & Gilligan, O'Neill, Neb. 50-1f

For teeth or photos, go to Dr. Corbett's parlors, 23rd to 30th of each month. Photographs \$1 per dozen.

John Beller, one of our most prosperous farmers, called at this office Friday and paid his subscription to January 1, 1898.

Fred Anderson returned Monday evening from a two weeks visit among relatives in the eastern part of the county.

"What is a printer?" asks a New York paper, and a Texas youth, who had worked in a printing office and lost three fingers while running a job press, replied, "a printer is a goll durned fool."

Miss Maud Walker, of Atkinson, was in O'Neill Monday, ordering the fall stock for her millinery establishment in Atkinson.

Do not let the black leg get into your herd. Prevent it by using the H. & G. remedy for black leg, sold by Hershiser & Gilligan. 50-1f

Miss Grace Pratt left this morning for David City where she will visit for a few weeks before proceeding to her home at Osceola.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Carr, of Stafford, died last Sunday afternoon and was buried in the Catholic cemetery, in this city, Monday.

Ed Roraback was in from Slocum Saturday and had his name enrolled upon THE FRONTIER subscription list. Ed says he wants to get the news.

When figuring out a bill of goods for harvest see us. We can fit you out at gold standard prices. 3-3 O'NEILL GROCERY CO.

The Neligh ball team ran up against a snag at Norfolk and West Point last week. Judging from the score, 4 to 2, the Norfolk game was worth going to see.

The Epworth League social which was held last Friday evening on E. S. Kinch's beautiful lawn, was well attended, and was a success both socially and financially.

Mr. and Mrs. Clevish, of Turner, desire to extend their heartfelt thanks to the many friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted them during the sickness and death of their mother.

John Marsh, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Marsh, of this city, was married to Miss Mars Earley at New Whatcomb, Wash., last Saturday. John's many friends in this city wish them long life and prosperity.

E. J. Stillwell and son returned from England Monday night, where they had been the past three months visiting relatives. Tuesday morning E. J. called at this office and paid his subscription to January 1, 1898.

You may hunt the world over and you will not find another medicine equal to Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy for bowel complaints. It is pleasant, safe and reliable. For sale by P. C. Corrigan.

R. C. Wry and Lefe Flucky were up from Chambers Saturday. Mr. Wry came up to meet a niece who arrived on the evening passenger from Canada. She will spend the summer visiting her relatives at Chambers.

E. E. Springer, of Sioux City, is in the city this week. Mr. Springer is a representative of the Farmers' Loan and Trust company, one of the largest banking institutions in Iowa, and he is looking after their holdings in this county.

Sardines, potted ham, canned beef, chipped beef, sweet and sour pickles, cakes and wafers, and in fact a full line of picnic or camping out goods. See us before fitting out. 3-2 O'NEILL GROCERY CO.

The board of supervisors awarded the county fair appropriation, about \$325, to the Ewing agricultural society. The officers of the Holt county agricultural association, of this city, will probably take the matter to the courts for settlement.

Chicago Journal: "Now Willie," said the teacher to the second boy in the geography class, "can you tell me why it is that the sun never sets on the queen's domains?" "Well, pa says there ain't no tellin' what them fellers would do after dark."

The members of the North Nebraska Game Protective association, at Neligh, are making it rather warm for some of the boys along the line who are shipping game. That's right, enforce the law. There's no fun shooting chickens when they are not able to fly.

"Last summer one of our grand-children was sick with a severe bowel trouble," says Mrs. E. G. Gregory, of Fredericktown, Mo. "Our doctor's remedy had failed, then we tried Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, which gave very speedy relief." For sale by P. C. Corrigan.

The kid nine from Shields crossed bats with the O'Neill kids last Sunday, and won the game by a score of 23 to 18. The game was quite interesting at times and was witnessed by a good sized crowd. The boys are going to tackle them again as they believe they are able to "do 'em."

Frank Phillips, of Star, was a caller at this office Monday. While discussing the political situation, Mr. Phillips made a statement which, were it not for his well known veracity, we would be tempted to doubt. He said that there was not a populist in his neighborhood seeking office.

Col. O. C. Bates, formerly of the Atkinson Graphic but now of the Norfolk Times, was in the city Saturday and made this office a fraternal call. The colonel is one of the best posted and ablest newspaper men in the state, and THE FRONTIER is pleased to learn that he is prospering.

Lynch Journal: On July 7 Rev. John and Mrs. Judith Binkard, of Dorsey, celebrated their diamond wedding. At the gathering in honor of the event of sixty years ago, the aged couple looked upon their children's children even to the fourth generation. The venerable pair are enjoying robust health.

Martin Wintermote had a scrap with a "boar black pig" last Thursday and came out second best in the encounter. While loading the hog into a wagon it attacked him and bit his leg quite badly. Martin came to town and placed himself under the care of Dr. Trueblood, and in a few days was able to return home.

It's so confoundedly hot these days that the water in the stand pipe boils, and the city dads are seriously considering the scheme of laying a line of pipe to conduct the steam back to the pump house, and there utilize it to run the pump. The saving in coal would more than pay for the necessary pipe and the labor of laying it.

Mrs. Ellen Hawkins, of Sioux City, died at her home in that city last Sunday and was buried in the Catholic cemetery here Tuesday morning. Deceased was a sister of James and John Riley, Short Line employees, of which road Mr. Hawkins is also an employee. THE FRONTIER extends its sympathy to the bereaved ones.

Ord Times: Eli H. Hoshawe, of Page, Holt county, and Sallie Betsy Maxson, of North Loup, were married at the home of the bride Saturday night last and started out on life's voyage together with the best wishes of all their friends. The groom has seen 69 summers and about the same number of winters, while the bride is only 55 years old.

A couple of the members of the school board informed us that the reason the board did not follow the instructions given them by the electors at the annual school meeting—that is to elect no teachers but those having first-grade certificates—was because there was not enough applicants having certificates of the required grade.

An exchange remarks that the young man who sits around on the shady side of the building and complains because the "folks won't buy him a bicycle" might profit by the experience of his brother in ambition, who made one for himself, using therefor the frame of his mind, the wheels of his head, the seat of his pants, the rubber of his neck and part of that tired feeling.

Mrs. Louisa Schuckal died at the residence of her son, W. F. Clevish, at Turner, last Thursday morning. Deceased was born in Germany, July 1, 1821, and has made her home in this country with her son for the last two years. The interment took place in the Pleasant Valley cemetery Friday afternoon, and the funeral was one of the largest ever seen in that section.

An aggregation of second miners went up to Atkinson last Saturday to mop the earth with the Atkinson ball team, but they didn't do it. When the boys got back their tail feathers were all plucked and they looked as if the Atkinson team had literally wiped the earth with them. They used the lid of a dry goods box for a score card, and when the totals were footed they stood as follows: Atkinson 25, O'Neill 18.

Judge Maxwell presented a measure to congress Monday authorizing the Nebraska and Dakota bridge company to construct and operate a bridge across the Missouri river at or near Ponca, Neb., to lay car tracks upon the same and to charge railroads a reasonable compensation for the use of the same and to collect fees from wagons and vehicles crossing. This is in furtherance of Donald McLean's latest Short Line scheme.

About the nicest and coolest grocery in the city is that of P. J. McManus in the basement of his store. He has fitted up the room in a neat and artistic manner that reflects credit on his ability as a successful merchant, and gives him an opportunity to show his goods and the room to accommodate his numerous customers. There are three entrances to the store, one from Fourth street, one from the inside of his dry goods and shoe department and another in the rear of the store, all of which are handy and gives the public easy access to that department. The success of Mr. McManus in business demonstrates what frugality, good goods and ability in handling them will accomplish even in hard times.

The Holt county prohibition convention will meet in the M. E. church in O'Neill Tuesday, August 10, at 10 a. m., to nominate a county ticket and to transact any other business which may properly come before us. All enemies of the liquor traffic are invited to take part with us. N. S. LOWRIE, Chairman. E. T. GEORGE, Secretary.

One of our exchanges says a Nebraska farmer wrote to a friend in the east trying to give him some idea of the soil out here. He said they have to mow the grass off the sod floor to find the baby. One family near him had twin babies with only one cradle, and the kid who had to sleep on the floor grew twice as fast as the other. Where the soil is richest a man dare not stand on one foot any length of time lest one leg becomes longer than the other and bothers him in walking.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church served a chicken pie supper in Dobbs' park last evening, which was well patronized, and a neat sum rewarded the ladies for their efforts. After supper the guests amused themselves playing tennis and croquet. Those who did not care to indulge in games enjoyed themselves sitting in the swings and hammocks and lying on the grass and listening to the sweet strains of music rendered by Smith's orchestra. The park is getting to be recognized as the best place in town to hold a social or spend an idle hour, and Mr. Dobbs cannot receive too much praise for his efforts in making it such.

Only two short weeks until the school ma'ams, bless 'em, will be here—and yet, when you come to think about it, two weeks is a deuce of a long time to wait. However, we can put in the time getting ready and catching up sleep in advance. It is reported as a fact that a couple of our grass widowers were overheard the other day laying plans and inquiring solicitously of each other which smile was the most becoming, while it is a notorious fact that Tom Morris does his mustache up in curl papers every night and John Weekes takes a beauty nap every afternoon and has two bits worth of muck laid safely away until the dear creatures arrive.

Dodge Criterion, Guy Green editor: We acknowledge a very pleasant visit from Editor Saunders, of the Leigh World, Monday and Tuesday. Brother Saunders and the editor of this great family journal began to learn the craft in the O'Neill FRONTIER office at about the same time, washing the same rollers and using venturesome paste out of the same pot. And now that dame fortune has seen fit to plant our feet in places not far separate, we are thankful. Editor Saunders is a thorough, practical printer, well versed in current events, and gives to the public the benefit of his knowledge and experience through the columns of one of the best weekly papers in this part of the state.

Our bachelor foreman, says the Falls City News, makes this observation: A woman can come to a conclusion without the slightest trouble of reasoning, and no one sane man can do that. Six of them can talk at once and get along first rate, and no two men can do that. She can safely stick fifty pins in her dress while he is getting one under his thumb nail. She is as cool as a cucumber in half a dozen tight dresses and skirts, while a man will growl and fume in one loose shirt. She can talk as sweet as a peach to the woman she hates, while two men would be punching each other's heads before they had exchanged ten words. She can sharpen a lead pencil if you give her time—and plenty of pencils.

Yesterday afternoon we received a call from two of O'Neill's many beautiful and accomplished maidens, viz: Miss Lettie Gillespie and Miss Kittie McBride. It was partly a fraternal call, as the young ladies have both "held cases," and although it has been several years since either of them touched a "stick" yet neither had entirely forgotten the "case," and each gave a practical demonstration of her ability by "grabbing a stick and pulling out for a few lines." Now setting type makes the hands dirty, and naturally they wished to remove the dirt before going out on the street, but when they saw our towels—of which we have three that we have been using, turn and turn about thus saving the trouble of washing them, for the last four years—they concluded that their hands were dirty enough already, and bade us "good-day," but soon returned bringing with them a bran new towel with fringe on each end, which they presented us with their compliments, and the recommendation that we keep it clean, which we intend to do, and have made arrangements to have it laundered once every six months even if it breaks us up in business. The young ladies will please accept our thanks, and a pressing invitation to call again.

Saunders Bros., of Badger, have several car loads of mill machinery on the tracks here, and they propose to erect a first-class flour mill at this place, provided they can secure the use of the mill race.

Typographical Journal: "What's the matter?" inquired the foreman, as he entered the sanctum for copy and noted the editor's bleeding nose, swollen forehead, puffed red eye and tattered dusty coat. "Fall down stairs?" "No, only that," replied the editor, pointing with his finger to a paragraph in the paper before him. "It's our account of the Crapley-Smith wedding. It ought to read: 'Miss Smith's dimpled, shining face formed a pleasing contrast with Mr. Crapley's strong, bold physiognomy.' But see how it was printed." And the foreman read, "Miss Smith's pimpled skinny face formed a pleasing contact with Mr. Crapley's stony bald physiognomy." "Crapley was just in here," continued the editor, throwing one blood streaked handkerchief into the waste basket and feeling in his pockets for a clean one, "and he—but just send that fool of a proof reader in here, there's fight left in me yet."

Last Sunday W. J. Dobbs drove out to the experimental farm and brought back samples of grain that grew side by side in the same field, one being grown under the old system and the other under the new. And what a difference. Wheat grown under the old system had heads about two inches long, with straw no larger than a knitting needle and an average height of about fifteen inches, and is nearly ready to cut; while the other has heads that will average four inches long, a large kernel that is not nearly filled yet, with a large strong stalk and is of a dark green color and will not be ripe for two or three weeks yet. Under the old way one and one-half bushels of seed was sown to the acre, the result being that when it came up it did not stool at all but sent up one spindly stalk from each grain of seed, while the other was drilled in rows twenty inches apart, one peck of seed being sown to the acre, and it has stooled out sufficiently to nearly cover the intervening space between the rows, and from seventeen to twenty stalks spring up from one grain of seed. Mr. Campbell estimates that the yield under his method will be 250 per cent. greater than the yield under the old.

Ord times: The O'Neill board of education elected Miss Thompson assistant principal last Friday evening at a salary of \$50 per month. This is a nice advance in salary over what she received the past year, and the high school being less than half as large as the Ord the work will not be so trying to the nerves. Miss Thompson has given six years of faithful service to the Ord schools, and has earned a reputation that will insure her a lucrative position wherever she may go. Her host of friends here, while regretting to lose her from the schools, admire her spirit in refusing to accept a reelection in Ord—this year. Her successful management of the Ord high school in its crowded condition the past two years, 112 being enrolled this year, stamps her as an excellent disciplinarian, and she is a natural teacher. The Ord high school had non-resident pupils from Valley, Custer, Garfield, Blaine and Loup counties the past year attracted by our excellent schools. No small amount of the praise for the good reputation of the schools is due to Miss Thompson's excellence as a teacher. Miss Thompson's christian character is a most potent influence for good not only in the school room but out of it. Ord loses the best assistant principal she ever had and O'Neill is the gainer thereby.

Occasionally some one bobs up to tell us that alfalfa is too uncertain a crop for the farmer to attempt to do anything with, says the Nebraska Farmer. We admit that there are conditions not favorable to the growth of the plant, but such conditions are not apt to be found on one side the road while on the other are as fine fields of growing alfalfa as the eye ever beheld. Some of those who are up in arms against alfalfa are met by just such a contradiction. Many others say their alfalfa did notably well the first year, then it died out. The thing to do then is to sow it over, or perhaps put it on different ground. It is perhaps worth all it costs to clean up a piece of ground and put in shape for a seed bed for a piece of alfalfa. Where the crop therefore shows a disposition to grow, as it does in most parts of Nebraska, there is no good excuse for not keeping it growing every year on some part of the farm. There are some new things to be learned about the plant and the way to learn them is to get on terms of familiarity with its way of doing. There is any quantity of fine alfalfa growing in Nebraska this year, and it is only a question of a few years when farmers will grow it for pasture as commonly as they do corn for feeding purposes. You can not very long ignore a crop that grows as luxuriantly as does alfalfa.

STATE MAY CONTEST FOR ASSETS.

Bee: There is a prospect of a lively legal controversy between the state authorities and the depositors of the Exchange bank, of Atkinson, over the possession of what available assets are left from the collapse of the institution. Attorney-General Smyth paid a visit to Atkinson last week and made a personal examination of the books, which has convinced him that the state will have no difficulty in appropriating the assets on account of the Bartley shortage. Mr. Smyth says that Mr. Bartley holds certificates of deposit from the bank amounting to \$55,000, and there will be no difficulty in proving that at least \$45,000 of this amount was state money. The state filed a claim to the funds some time ago and the issue will probably be tried at the September term of court. The stockholders have organized and employed an attorney to contest the claim of the state. The assets are supposed to amount to about \$30,000, or less than half the amount which Mr. Smyth expects to show the state had on deposit. That being the case the assets will not be sufficient to satisfy the claim of the state, and if the attorney-general succeeds in establishing the correctness of his position the depositors will not get a dollar.

The Discovery Saved His Life.

Mr. G. Caillouette, druggist, Beaverville, Ill., says: "To Dr. King's New Discovery I owe my life. Was taken with lagrippe and tried all the physicians for miles about, but was of no avail and was given up and told I could not live. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in my store I sent for a bottle and began its use and from the first dose began to get better, and after using three bottles was up and about again. It is worth its weight in gold. We won't keep store or house without it." Get a free trial at Corrigan's drug store.

INSTITUTE.

The Holt county teachers' institute will commence in O'Neill on Monday, August 16, and continue for two weeks. The annual examination will be held on Friday, and Saturday, August 18 and 14, in the high school building. All those intending to teach this year are earnestly requested to attend.

J. C. MORROW, County Superintendent.

Middle Branch.

It is very dry at this writing. Arthur Bolder visited at P. T. Stevens last Saturday and Sunday.

Last Sunday while a number of Middle Branch boys were running horses, the horse that Ed Bright was riding stumbled, throwing Ed off and breaking his collar bone. Dr. Skelton was called, and under his care Ed is getting along nicely.

Hay making is the order of the day. Mrs. M. L. Bright is on the sick list.

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 Snow Liniment.

This invaluable remedy is one that ought to be in every household. It will cure your rheumatism, neuralgia, sprains, cuts, bruises, burns, frosted feet and ears, sore throat and sore chest. If you have lame back it will cure it. It penetrates to the seat of the disease. It will cure stiff joints and contracted muscles after all other remedies have failed. Those who have been crippled for years have used Ballard's Snow Liniment and thrown away their crutches and been able to walk as well as ever. It will cure you. Price 50 cents. Free trial bottles at P. C. Corrigan's.

A MIDSUMMER PICNIC.

For the next two weeks we will cut prices on all Summer Dress Goods, Shirt Waists, Parasols, Ladies' Suits and Wraps, Men's Straw Hats and Summer Coats and Vests and all Ladies' and Children's Low Shoes. Our discounts will range from 20 to 50 per cent. and as the summer is but half spent you can make some very profitable investments. We want to close out every dollar worth of summer goods we can to make room for our new fall stock which will be bigger and better than ever. Yours truly, J. P. MANN.