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Local...

Corbett's best \$1.00 per dozen. 22tf

C. A. Meals went to Spencer today.

Editor Baker was up from Ewing last Friday.

E. and R. Hart of Atkinson are in the city.

John Dierks was up from Ewing last Saturday.

Bail ties and wire always on hand at Neil Brennan's. 16-tf

Dr. Gilligan is building an addition to his residence.

Mrs. C. Wilson of Atkinson is visiting in the city today.

Arthur Crossman and wife are down from Atkinson today.

The grade on the Atkinson & Northern is about completed.

Come in and see our line of jewelry; its all new.—Gilligan & Stout.

Willie Meals went to Atkinson yesterday on a visit to relatives.

Dr. C. V. Crooks will be in Inman at the Inman Hotel on June 13 and 14.

J. D. Selah of Ewing was in town Thursday night and Friday morning.

The Frontier is headquarters for reservoir declaratory statement blanks.

N. J. Lorge, of Randolph, is in the city this week visiting his sister, Mrs. D. H. Cronin.

E. H. Benedict has first-class Building and Loan stock for sale or can make you a loan. 46-tf

Nye Dobbs was down from Atkinson a few days this week circulating among friends.

The Odd Fellows have shingles and lumber on the ground for a new roof on their hall.

Don't forget the \$3 excursion on the Short Line, O'Neill to Sioux City, Sunday June 4.

L. A. Puckett, Joe McCaffrey and Andy Clark filed declaratory statements at the land office Friday.

C. C. Doughty of Norfolk is in the city putting furnaces in the residences of Dr. Gilligan and E. P. Hicks.

Butte Gazette: Miss Hattie Bergstrom resigned her position in Forbes store and has gone to O'Neill to stay.

Marriage license was issued Monday to Mr. John Sullivan of O'Neill and Miss Rosanna Smith of Atkinson.

R. H. Jenness is building an addition to his residence on Third street and otherwise improved its appearance.

Holt county will be abundantly watered when they get in their 700 or 800 reservoirs over in the sand hills.

FOR LEASE—Quarter section hay land four miles south of O'Neill. 48 2 Mrs. Sarah Mayne.

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

Parties desiring to negotiate loans on farm and city property should enquire of B. S. Gillespie & Son, O'Neill. 46-4p

New line of wall paper at Gilligan & Stout's just arrived. All assortments, all prices. Come and make selections.

Charley Bright lost a fine Jersey cow the other day. This is two cows that have died for him within a very short time.

About seventy-five Wisconsin editors passed through O'Neill Saturday evening on their way to Hot Springs for an outing.

School district's Nos 93 and 185 are petitioning to be consolidated. The districts are in the northeast part of the county.

Mrs. Anna Lorge went up to Chadron last Friday evening, being called there by the serious illness of her brother, Welland.

The baby of Mr. and Mrs. William Kessmeho, who reside on the Mason place five miles south, was buried in O'Neill Monday.

L. C. Waid brought in two cars of cattle from Sioux City Tuesday evening for his ranch south of town. Mr. Waid now has 1,000 head.

Some good work is being done on the streets. Brick from the old academy have been hauled into low places and the ground graded.

FOR SALE—200 head stock cattle; yearling and 2-yr. old steers, springers, cows and calves and young heifers. Enquire at DeYarman's barn.—C. S. Wendel or B. A. DeYarman. 47-4

County Attorney Butler was in Butler county last week, being called there by the serious illness of his mother. He returned home Thursday night.

Spencer Advocate: Miss Lettie Gillespie of O'Neill, who recently graduated at the high school at that place, is visiting her sister Maud this week.

R. F. Cross, late captain of company M, Third Nebraska, was in the city Monday. From his appearance we should judge the climate suited him.

Grant Hatfield has bought the Thomas Cain house and lot in the southwest part of the city. He has raised the house and will fix it up for a residence.

Dr. Corbett writes from Chicago that he is taking a course of lectures in college and will be through in time to fill his June appointment in O'Neill on the 26th.

All O'Neill wood mechanics and several from adjoining towns are kept busy these days building additions and otherwise improving city property.

The subject of Rev. Haners discourse at the Presbyterian church next Sabbath evening will be, "Prepare to Meet Thy God." Everybody cordially invited.

A severe hail storm visited O'Neill and vicinity Sunday. It was accompanied by a great downpour of rain, and did infinitely more good than damage.

Attorney Lew Chapman was down from Atkinson last Friday. He called at the postoffice, admired the fixtures and said they were a credit not only to O'Neill but to Holt county.

Judd Woods, late quartermaster sergeant of Company M, Third Nebraska, is in the city today visiting friends. He will leave in a few days for Madison where he has accepted a position on the Reporter.

The hail storm last Saturday evening, though slight here, did some damage in the northern portion of the county. The Frontier learns of a few fields of small grain that were hailed out so that no crop will be raised.

Arthur Coykendall, who has been in army service the past year, returned home Tuesday evening. Arthur was first sergeant of Company M, and has been visiting in Iowa since the Third regiment was mustered out.

While Messrs. C. L. Davis and Will McBride and their wives were out on a fishing expedition last Saturday they were shovelled into the pounding hail and driving rain by their tent being demolished from the wind.

During the hail storm Sunday afternoon Charley Moore's team became frightened while unhitching them here in town and ran away. No damage was done and the runaways were taken in down about the round-house.

A team belonging to a man from the northeast country ran away in town Saturday. They smashed the vehicle to which they were hitched, ran up Douglas street and through DeYarman's barn, tearing two doors from the rear of the stable.

We are requested to remind our readers of the Sunday school convention to be held at the Presbyterian church in this city Tuesday and Wednesday of next week. The address Wednesday evening at 8:30 will be made by Rev. J. B. Priest of Albion.

Dr. C. V. Crooks, the well-known specialist of Fremont, will be in O'Neill on June 15 and 16, for two days only. Dr. Crooks successfully treats all diseases of the nerves, diseases of women and chronic ailments. Piles positively cured without the use of knife. Consultation free.

Valley County Times, educational item: The program of the educational exercises in O'Neill are about as unique as any we have seen. They consist of a scroll bound by a ring. Attached to this is a smaller scroll also in a ring and the whole placed in a small paper box instead of an envelope.

Anyone contemplating buying either a ladies' or gents' bicycle will do well to see me before buying as I am agent for as fine a wheel as there is made in America and will sell them at prices that can't be beat considering quality. Come and see them at V. Alberts' harness shop. 48-tf Fred Alberts.

E. M. Ward left for Davidson, Mich., Monday morning, to which place Mrs. Ward went a couple of months ago in the hopes that the bracing air of that altitude would restore her to health and strength. She has not recuperated her strength as was expected and Mr. Ward will remain there for a month or six weeks. Chas Millard has charge of his store during his absence.

County Treasurer Henry informs us that Land Commissioner Wolfe writes him that he expects to be in O'Neill about July 10 and 11 to auction off Holt county school lands. Permanent dates will be made known later.

Independent: Our erudite contemporary recently in speaking of a wedding said the "marriage was consummated" at the church. Oh pshaw!

If the Independent local writer's ill success in making his court had endowed him with sand to run the matrimonial gauntlet he might be able to see the propriety of the construction.

The two drug stores had very attractive windows on decoration day. P. C. Corrigan had a display of specimens from Cuba and relics of the war. Gilligan & Stout's window was prettily decorated with flags, pictures of the famous men of the late war and the bottom of the window was covered with sod and plants.

J. H. McAllister was exhibiting in town the other day a large banner made from premiums awarded him at various live stock exhibits in Nebraska and Iowa. Mr. McAllister has a fine stock farm near O'Neill and takes special pride in fancy breeds. Yesterday he started for New York to purchase a car of thoroughbred Hoelstein cattle and fancy horses.

Leigh World: Ed Price returned Monday evening from a trip through Boyd and Holt counties, where he went to look for a business location. Ed says the country is alright for raising cattle but no good for business.

The writer is acquainted with the World's informant and we must not allow such a base slander to go unrebuked. Everybody that is familiar with this portion of the footstool knows that it is alright for business. Perhaps Ed's trip through Holt and Boyd was like some other of his brilliant ventures.

Decoration day exercises were well attended in O'Neill Tuesday. There was scarcely standing room in the courthouse when the exercises opened and it showed up much better than the parade. It seems to be a weakness O'Neill is subject to that it can't get up a parade, though we are alright when it comes to talent for a house program. The exercises were very good. Mayor Harmon acted as chairman and M. F. Harrington made an address. Mr. Harrington paid a glowing tribute to the old soldier and to the boys who participated in the Spanish war, magnifying the glory of the first Nebraska above that of Admiral Dewey. A choir of girls sang some very pretty selections. Ralph Evans also sung one selection and received a hearty applause. There were eighteen members of the Grand Army present. The graveyards were beautifully decorated with sod, flowers and shrubs.

The land office and land attorneys are rushed with business. Great crowds of men have been at the land office all week filing reservoir rights. Yesterday something over 250 claims were filed, making now nearly 800 that have been filed at the O'Neill land office. Fears are expressed that the new law is going to prove a source of trouble. Many quarters that are used for range and no good for anything else are being filed on as a matter of speculation. Parties are filing on the lands with the intention of going to the men who hold them as range and compel them to put up a sum of money or get off the lands. There is no doubt the law would be a good thing were there no speculators to take advantage of it.

The sale of the Short Line took place at South Sioux City last Saturday and was bid in by John L. Webster of Omaha for J. Kennedy Tod & Co. for \$1,750,000. This is as was expected. The road will now doubtless be sold to some railroad company. Its future no one can foretell. Last night's Sioux City Times contained an interview from a Sioux City banker on the subject. He says: "Collis P. Huntington, president of the Southern Pacific, is the man Sioux City should see regarding the Pacific Short Line extension. I have studied the situation carefully for years and am somewhat familiar with the plans and policies of some railroads. I believe that some day not far distant the Southern Pacific will build eastward from Ogden. During the past few months indications that the Union Pacific was preparing to own its own line to the coast have multiplied. The Southern Pacific has also appeared fretful and dissatisfied with the present conditions, and an early divorcement would not be surprising. In the event that these two roads should quit each other, and the Union Pacific run its own lines to San Francisco and Los Angeles, it would be quite natural to expect the Southern Pacific to build eastward from Ogden, its eastern terminus. It would not be a difficult matter to secure an audience with Mr. Huntington if

there was any possibility of his road being extended eastward from Ogden. I believe in that case he would be glad to receive a proposition from Sioux City. The day has passed when the Illinois Central would extend the road: the Milwaukee touches the Missouri at Chamberlain, Sioux City, Council Bluffs and Kansas City, but it does not go west of the river and will not. The Tods will sell the Short Line where it will bring the most money. In the first place it will go to the Great Northern, but eventually it will be owned by the Northwestern, who will buy it to protect its own interests. There is no hope from the east, but there is from the west."

The people of Holt county, many of whom have struggled in years past with burdens almost too great to bear, are in a happy and prosperous state and can look back over the years of toil and privation and feel that satisfaction that comes to those who have earned what they now enjoy. This is the brightest year in the history of many of our people and there is a general spirit of contentment with the present and bright anticipations for the future. We have talked with a number of cattle men and farmers and learn that the crop prospects were never as good as they are this spring. Small grain, we are told, is ahead of anything that has been known for twenty years. The cattle industry has increased three-fold the past year. Land is being bought up fast and it is only a matter of a short time until all the available land will be taken. Larger acreages are being cultivated by those who turn their attention to agriculture this year than usual. The pork industry is no small item among the county's resources. Within the past week over sixty loads of hogs have been marketed in this city alone. Another industry that is receiving much attention and making rapid strides is the growing of fruit. Thousands of fruit trees of all kinds adapted to the climate have been planted over the county this spring. In fact Holt county in general partakes very largely of the healthy signs of the times.

"Court" was in session Tuesday night, and thereby hangs a tale. W. C. Younger, a verdant youth who has been employed about Hotel Evans, was the victim of a cruel plot. It seems that the lad had been inspired to deeds of glory by a "detective bureau" concern, which had induced him to forward them \$2 for a "detective" outfit, badge, etc. While the youth was glowing with pride and anticipations run high over the fame that awaited him in bringing the lawless to justice, the idea was conceived by a heartless joker to have some sport with him. The plot was laid. Bill Eisle was costumed as a cowboy. The imaginary detective was started out to arrest him for stealing cattle, and after an adventurous chase took him in. Interesting scenes followed. The opera house was pressed into service and the prisoner brought to trial. Judge, jury and attorneys and a great throng of spectators gave it a realistic presentation. Never a clown entered the ring of Barnum's that was more amusing than Younger in his childlike innocence. While the cruel crowd laughed until their sides were sore at the comedy being enacted the "detective" thought himself a hero. But it was mean to pluck the star of glory from his brow and bring in a preponderance of evidence which convicted him of stealing and acquitted Eisle. It was the funniest show that has been at the opera for some time. But it was mean, very mean.

The Three Maids
Ledges: Stuart did not send to Atkinson for any girls, but several came up of their own accord, knowing full well that they would be shown a good time. Stuart boys believe in patronizing home industry—first, last and all the time, but are not averse to everybody having a good time. It is said that in order to put any ginger into the celebration at all O'Neill boys had to kiss each other. O'Neill girls, with their smiles and curls, are fair to look upon; if you prefer more giddy maids stroll up to Atkinson; but for your "beauties" and "peaches," sweet maids without a peer. Just come up to Stuart and you'll surely find 'em here.

O'Neill girls are radiant with beauty and modesty rare; Atkinson lassies always look lovely and fair; but for the bliss of a passionate kiss Stuart maidens invite you up there.

O'Neill, Neb., June 1—List of letters: Fred Heim; J. G. Little, John Foster, F. B. James, Johnie Hardy, C. F. Morton, Walter Eseau, Thomas Casey, Mrs. Mary Wallace. In calling for above please say "advertised." If not called for in two weeks will be sent to the dead letter office.—D. H. Cronin, Postmaster.

John McHugh was up from Sioux City Monday.

Fred Raymond returned from a week's visit with his best—friends at Alliance this morning.

In County Court.

Judge Selah's court has had considerable business the past week. A replevin suit between Mrs. Amelia Laphan and Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Perrin was tried to a jury Friday. The case involved the possession of a table castor appraised at \$2. To get at an understanding of the case it is necessary to go back a little. Along in February Ira Laphan, husband of the plaintiff, sold the furniture and dishes used in conducting the Ogden hotel, together with the business, to E. E. Perrin, who has since run the hotel. When Laphans moved out they left a castor for Perrins to use until they called for it. Latter Mr. Laphan again engaged in the hotel business and last week sent after their castor. Mr. Perrin refused to give it up until some water glasses, which he claimed belonged to the hotel and had been taken by the Laphans, were returned. Mrs. Laphan replevined the castor and the matter was settled in court. The jury found that Mrs. Laphan was entitled to the property and costs, amounting to about \$33, were assessed to Mr. and Mrs. Perrin.

Yesterday the case of Dennis Cain vs. Charles, Ed, James and Joe O'Conner was tried before a jury. The plaintiff sought to have the defendants placed under bonds to keep the peace. All the parties to the suit reside between O'Neill and Atkinson. There has been trouble between the families for the past twenty-two years, so they testified in court. The complaint stated that defendants would "shoot, stab and do great bodily injury" to the person of the plaintiff. The parties were dismissed "without probable cause."

An interesting trial is on the docket for tomorrow, Krotter against Nehr. It promises to develop into a warm legal battle. About twenty-five witnesses will be called.

STRAYED—From my ranch south of Bassett, May 16, 1899, two old mares eleven or twelve years old, and a pony. One mare a light bay, shod, forward ankles scarred, right eye blemished, white spot on forehead; other mare dark chestnut sorrel, not shod, white spot on forehead, mane and tail a shade lighter than coat. Both had halters on when they left. Pony small, old, shod forward, no halter, brown black in color. Will pay \$20 for information tending to recovery. Address, 48-4 S. F. Sears, Bassett, Neb.

STRAYED—From my place at Saratoga, on May 13, one bay gelding branded on right hip, weight 1,000 pounds. Also one dark brown gelding weight 1100 pounds with white on left hind foot. Any information regarding these horses will be liberally rewarded. W. P. O'Brien, Saratoga, Neb.

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F. M. Raymond, Mgr.

The Frontier wants someone it can rely upon at every postoffice in the county to send in items of news for publication; correspondents who can represent their localities every week or as often as possible. To such we can offer inducements.

Go to Brennan's where you get the best garden seeds found anywhere. I carry the Sioux City seeds which are known everywhere as the best. Also the D. M. Ferry seeds, Rice's seeds, and Rush Park and Co. Independence seeds which are very fine.

31tf. Neil Brennan.

The Trussell Belgian stallion will stand during the season at the Wilcox farm adjoining O'Neill. A fine animal and sure foal getter. Weight 1540 pounds. It will pay you to see him before breeding. Parties desiring can leave mares, and will pasture same. Owned by A. Merrill. 44-6

The Pacific Short Line will run a special excursion from O'Neill to Sioux City Sunday, June 4, leaving O'Neill 5:30 A. M., arriving at Sioux City 10 A. M.; returning leave Sioux City at 8 P. M. arriving at O'Neill at 12:30 A. M. Fare for round trip only \$2.

G. W. Smith, Agent.

A new Plano binder and a new Plano mower to be sold at reduced prices. 48-4 P. J. McManus.

TO THE PUBLIC:
I have just opened an office over Mr. Mann's store, and respectfully solicit a share of your patronage. Night calls will be promptly attended. 47-2 Dr. P. J. Flynn.

FURNITURE SALE.
I have some extra bedsteads, springs, mattresses and dressers I will sell cheap. All in good shape. Come and see them at 44-4 HOTEL EVANS.

PLAY BALL
We have the bats, balls, and mitts.—Gilligan & Stout, The Druggists.

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On July 4th we will give to our customers a hand-**TOP** BUGGY some, high grade **TOP** BUGGY (Guaranteed by a local dealer.)

You can get an interest in it by trading in any department for cash or produce, or by paying money on your account or note. Call and examine and get particulars.

NEW NECKWEAR—We have just received a big stock of the very latest styles in gentlemen's ties for summer wear in silk and washable ties. Ascots, four in hand, club and string ties. See them if you want the latest.

New shirt waists, just in, second shipment, prettier than ever, very stylish and strictly up to date. If you want the latest be sure and see them.

Our shoe stock, always famous for its good grades and late styles, never contained as many good things as now. Low shoes for ladies and children in black and tan; low tan shoes for gentlemen, very stylish, and the biggest stock of working shoes for men and boys you ever saw.

COOL THINGS FOR WARM WEATHER:
Little boys' wash suits from 50c to \$1.50 each.
Rough rider suits, long pants, \$1.50 each.
Men's linen and straw hats and single coats.
Ladies' and misses' sunbonnets and a new line of pretty bonnets for babies.

J. P. MANN