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## AT BATTLE MOUNTAIN

**Veteran From O'Neill Likes the Big Soldiers' Sanitarium.**

**SAYS ITS FINEST IN THE WORLD**

W. E. McRobert, Visiting Government Institution at Hot Springs, Writes About It.

Battle Mountain Sanitarium, Hot Springs, S. D., June 12.—Editor The Frontier: I have been at this institution eight days and have learned a few facts that may be of benefit to some comrade who may desire treatment.

This is not intended for a permanent home, but is a sanitarium established by the government for the treatment of sick and disabled soldiers and sailors of the civil and Spanish-American wars. It is in all probability the most expensive institution of its kind in the world.

The Indians, before being disposed of the territory, believed that it was a gift from the Great Spirit and came here in great numbers to bathe in the health giving waters of the now famous Hot Springs. There are many of the springs, one of the largest and best of them belonging to the government. From this spring the sanitarium is supplied with water.

Wonderful cures are made of rheumatism in all its forms and stages, neuralgia, catarrh, dyspepsia, kidney and bowel troubles and skin diseases. The sanitarium is built on plateau at the foot of Battle Mountain, from which it derives its name, and is located just back and about 125 feet above the Evans hotel, and is approached by means of a stairway and a driveway cut through the face of the bluff. All the buildings are massive structures of stone in the Spanish-American style of architecture, covered with red tile roofing. There is an administration building, a mess hall, six ward buildings, chapel, and bath house with two pools for plunging. All of these open into an arcade surrounding an open circular court about 200 feet in diameter. The wards will accommodate 336 patients and in the basements which underlie all the buildings additional wards can be made if required.

The heating, lighting and ventilating facilities are unsurpassed, and everything about the premises is strictly sanitary. The very best care is taken of the patients, particularly those who are unable to help themselves. Trained lady nurses as well as men are in attendance day and night. The surgical department is first-class in every respect and I have not heard of an operation that was a failure.

The climatic conditions are unsurpassed and the balsam-laden air itself acts as a health giving elixir, especially to those suffering from lung and throat troubles.

Any comrade wishing to avail himself of the benefits of this place should write for information to Colonel E. T. West, governor and surgeon, Battle Mountain Sanitarium, Hot Springs, S. D., and the necessary papers will be furnished. All who are receiving no more than \$16 per month pension will be furnished free transportation. Everything one may need, except toothpicks and stationery, is as free as the salubrious air.

W. E. McRobert.

The excessively wet weather discloses the distressing need of cross-walks and road grading in some of the low places. Now that the streets on the hill tops have been adequately provided with cement the mud holes where the waters find a final resting place should be treated.

### Sore Nipples.

Any mother who has had experience with this distressing ailment will be pleased to know that a cure may be effected by applying Chamberlain's Salve as soon as the child is through nursing. Wipe it off with a soft cloth before allowing babe to nurse. Many trained nurses use this salve with the best results. For sale by Gilligan & Stout.

## FOR SALE

A second-hand Cream Separator; used about two weeks. Will be sold cheap.

NEIL BRENNAN

## FARMING POINTS

### Cultivation of Small Grains and Use of Heavy and Light Seed.

The Nebraska experiment Station has just issued Bulletin 104 giving the result of seven years' experiments with the cultivation of small grains, eight years' experiments with the use of heavy and light seed wheat, and three years' experiments with the use of heavy and light seed oats. Where drilled oats has been cultivated for seven years in comparison with uncultivated drilled oats, there has been an average increase in yields of 4.8 bushels per acre. The cultivation has consisted usually of one to three harrowings given about four to six weeks after sowing. Where oats is to be cultivated, it is found much better to drill it than to sow it broadcast. For example, during four years drilled oats, both cultivated and uncultivated, was compared with broadcast oats. During the four years the drilled oats gave an average increase of 5.3 bushels per acre as a result of cultivation while the broadcast oats actually decreased in yield 1.9 bushels per acre. This is probably due to the fact that in broadcast oats a large number of plants are either destroyed or injured by cultivation. The cultivation of winter wheat by the use of a harrow or weeder has not given increased yields. The greatest benefits of cultivation, especially with oats, have always been derived during dry years, while in seasons of more than normal rainfall, even with the oats, there has sometimes been an actual decrease in yield from cultivation.

Where the wheat was broadcast and cultivate, an actual loss amounting to an average of three bushels per acre has resulted in the four years' experiment. Where the wheat was drilled, the loss amounted to only one half bushel per acre.

Quite astonishing results have been secured from rolling the winter wheat in the spring, an average increase for four years of 5.1 bushels being secured. The rolling was given soon after frost went out in the spring, and the benefit derived from rolling is believed to be due to the fact that the roller settling the earth firmly about the young wheat roots, causing them to stool and root much better.

For eight years experiments have been conducted comparing the use of heavy seed wheat separated by a fanning mill with light seed wheat and ordinary unseparated seed. The heavy seed has been the heaviest fourth of the crop each year and the light seed the lightest fourth. Two varieties, Turkish Red and Big Frame wheat, have been used in the experiment. There has been no average difference in yield or quality of the crop resulting from the use of heavy or light seed. Similar results have been secured for three years with Kherson oats. The data indicate that where seed wheat or oats has been reasonably cleaned in the threshing machine no increased yield is to be expected from the further use of the fanning mill in separating the light and heavy grain, although there is an advantage in removing all foreign seed and also all straw and chaff which would prevent the seed from feeding evenly through the drill. This seems to be due to the fact that there is no hereditary difference between the heavy and light grains, as both types come not only from the same plant but from the same head, and therefore it would be expected that the two kinds are likely to produce the same quality of grain.

### For Sale.

An excellent 160 acre farm in section 18, township 31, range 12; 12 miles north of Emmett. Well watered and fair improvements. Fenced and cross fenced; sixty acres under plow; good young orchard; 2 1/2 acres alfalfa fenced in hog pasture; 15 acres of fine oak timber, balance in fine meadow mixed with timothy. On telephone and mail line half mile from school. Call on or write, John S. Twyford, 52-3 Ray, Nebr.

J. B. Berry and C. A. Fay were in from the river last Friday and made this office a short call. Mr. Fay ordering The Frontier sent to his address the ensuing year.

Jim McPharlin came up from his ranch near Kola this morning. Jim says if they have any more rain in that section it will be necessary to travel in boats.

Sheriff Hall left for Lincoln this morning, having in custody W. J. Ryan who was sentenced to serve two years in the penitentiary for forgery.

David Grosvenor left for his old home at Tauton, Mass., last Friday morning, where he will spend several weeks visiting relatives. He has not decided as to his future but will not return to O'Neill.

## Celebrate the 4th of July at

# Ewing

Sunrise Salute Band Concert  
A. F. Mullen, O'Neill, Orator  
Parade of the Comics  
Free Attractions  
By Savidge Brothers  
Ball Game by Visiting Teams  
Dance  
Afternoon and Evening



Preparations have been made for a good, old fashioned celebration, and a cordial invitation is extended to the people of O'Neill.  
Minor Sports and Fire Works.

## LOCAL MATTERS

For cheap hats, see Katherine Grady. 51-2

Wm. Nollkamper was in Turner last Saturday.

Col. Nell Brennan was an Omaha visitor this week.

My dwelling house is for sale or rent.—Con Keys.

For Sale—A good four year-old draft horse. Enquire at this office.

Dr. Corbett, Dentist, in O'Neill June 8, 9, 10, 11, 22, 23, 24, 25.

Miss Lucile Cress returned Thursday from a fortnight's visit in Omaha.

Dr. Will Dwyer left for Omaha last week where he will open an office and practice his profession.

H. A. Allen of Atkinson was attending to business matters in O'Neill Tuesday.

I have a lot of grain, flax meal and flour meal now for sale. Worth the money.—Con Keys.

Miss Anna Fallon came home Saturday night from Columbus, where she had been teaching school.

C. J. Coffey of Spencer was in the city Sunday visiting relatives, having driven over that morning in a "smoke machine."

W. F. Grothe of Emmet was in the city last Saturday closing up a deal for another quarter of land in Emmet township.

Special sale on pattern and street hats, commencing Friday, June 12, and ending Saturday, June 20.—Katherine Grady. 51-2

The Stuart ball team defeated Valentine last Saturday on the Stuart diamond in a slugging contest by a score of 16 to 9.

Miss Constance Harrington returned from Washington, D. C., last Friday evening, where she has been attending school the past year.

R. v. T. W. Bowen, formerly pastor of the Presbyterian church here but now of Hartington, was in the city the first of the week.

Elgin Review: O. W. Baker of O'Neill, a brother of Mrs. Frank DeWitt, arrived in town Monday on a visit at the DeWitt home.

James Enright of Dixon county left for his home Wednesday morning after a two week's visit with relatives and old-time friends here.

Frank Emerson, for many years a resident of Cleveland township this county, but who now lives in Gregory county, South Dakota, was visiting old-time friends in this city last Monday.

Henry Lorge of Randolph was in the city the first of the week, looking over the country with a view to investing in some Holt county real estate.

Leonie and Pleasant Valley will hold a union temperance meeting at the M. E. church June 28, at 3 o'clock p. m., under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. A cordial invitation to all.—Secretary.

I have opened up a new meat market two doors north of Weingartner's restaurant and have a full line of choice meats of all kinds and respectfully solicit a share of your patronage.—W. F. Gielish. 51-2

Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Dickson left for Chicago last Sunday morning to witness the nomination of the next president of the United States. They will also visit relatives of Mr. Dickson's in Wisconsin before returning home.

On complaint of his wife, Verona Tomsik of Atkinson, a warrant was sworn out in county court Tuesday for the arrest of John K. Tomsik to have him put under bonds to keep the peace. Mrs. Tomsik states in her complaint that she has reason to fear for her safety and describes her husband as a pugnacious individual.

N. W. Pell adds his name to The Frontier's O'Neill list of readers this week.

Rain yesterday afternoon probably saved the O'Neill Juniors from defeat at the hands of the Inman boys. Only three innings were played when rain called the game. The score was 7 to 3 in favor of Inman.

Mrs. Catherine Strange of Fond du Lac, Wis., and her daughter, Mrs. Frank T. Lovering of Omaha, returned to their homes yesterday morning after a two week's visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert. Mrs. Stange is a sister of Mrs. Albert.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hall's daughter, Mrs. G. A. Hamilton, is reported severely ill with mountain fever at her home in Leavenworth, Wash. Mrs. Hall expects to leave for there Saturday if more encouraging reports are not received by that time.

There is some indication of a let up today. The sun rose in a cloudless sky, after a night of soaking rain, but there is no telling what will happen by night. This community is not fairing so bad as some others, but it is making corn cultivation late.

Hugh McKenna left for Wymore, Nebr., Monday where he has entered Shady O'Neill in the Nebraska circuit which opens in that city this week. Hugh's many O'Neill friends hope that he will be able to get away with part of the money offered by the towns on the circuit.

Atkinson won two ball games from Valentine last week. The boys from the metropolis of Cheery county lost out last Thursday by a score of 6 to 4, and on Friday they were unable to cross the rubber, being trimmed 6 to 0. Wilson and Wilson were the battery the first day, while Kirkland and Wilson officiated in the second. Both games were played on the Atkinson diamond.

Another change occurred in O'Neill banking circles last week. James F. O'Donnell, for many years cashier of the O'Neill National, has become financially interested in the Fidelity Bank and has been elected cashier of that institution, succeeding D. B. Grosvenor, who has been the cashier since the organization of the bank two and a half years ago. Mr. O'Donnell is a number one banker and The Frontier welcomes him again to the ranks of O'Neill business men and predicts that the Fidelity will soon take its place as one of the leading financial institutions of the county.

The O'Neill Cornet band has been revived by local musicians. A meeting was held Monday evening and an organization effected which proposes to develop a band as good as any in this section. Officers were elected as follows: President, E. S. Eves; vice-president, Fred Voedish; secretary, P. C. Butler; treasurer, Ed F. Gallagher; leader, Sanford Parker. There is some classical musical talent around town and there's no reason why a good band cannot be maintained here.

A. L. Bixby, the State Journal humorist, was in town Monday visiting the school ma'ams, and incidentally talked about his trip to London at the opera-house in the evening. A very large audience greeted the "Daily Drift" man. He spoke of the incidents responsible for his London trip, and then launched into a description of the big English metropolis, together with his experiences while there. The lecture was one of the regular Junior Normal lecture course numbers, but it was not a regulation guide book production. It had the air of breezy originality, coupled with the heart throbs of the speaker. Bixby thinks London is the biggest, best and worst place on earth, where the extremes of poverty and wealth, righteousness and vice, ignorance and learning, meet face to face.

## The Live Stock Market

South Omaha, June 17.—Special market letter from Nye-Schneider-Fowler Co.

The week opens with very liberal receipts of stock at South Omaha, Chicago and South St. Joseph. Kansas City doing but little an account of the high water. We had several bunches of cattle that brought \$8.00 and the choice finished heaves are moving up a notch nearly every day of late. This, however, does not effect the medium and common grades very much as the scarcity is only on the better kinds. Good fat grass cows are still selling high and some of the corn feds are selling considerably above the \$6.00 mark, while the cutters and cannors are selling down as low as \$2.25. Stockers and feeders are in very light supply of late and the demand is fully equal to it, in fact a good many more fleshy feeders would find ready sale at good strong prices. A few stock holders are changing hands at from \$3.00 to \$3.50. The veal market has fluctuated considerably according to receipts but they are in good request with a light supply and choice veals are fetching \$6.25.

There was a very liberal run of hogs at all points except Kansas City and early prospects seemed to be for a lower market. However, the buyers were out after them and the demand was keen and active so that the market closed up with the decline fully regained and indications are for a strong market in the near future. Receipts would probably be quite light if the weather would clear up so that farmers could give attention to their crops. The bulk of the hogs sold at \$5.45 and \$5.60.

The sheep and lamb market is steady to a shade easier, but this does not amount to much compared with the sensational advance made last week amounting to \$1.00 and \$1.45. Prospects are that values will continue firm until the grass sheep begin to move.

## Methodist Church Items.

The storm of last Sunday morning prevented so many of our people attending the children's day concert, it has been decided, by those having it in charge, to repeat the program next Sunday evening. The exercises will begin at 8 o'clock and we cordially invite everybody to enjoy them with us. Sunday school at 9:45 Sunday morning to which the old and the young and the middle aged are invited. We have a place for all of you. Sermon by the pastor at 11 o'clock, subject: "The Shield of Faith." This is the fifth of the series of sermons on, "The Christian's Armor."

Class meeting at the close of the morning service is always interesting and helpful, and everybody, who can possibly do so, should tarry for this service. It will surely do you good.

Junior League service at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon. The Juniors will be anxious to hear the report of the convention from our delegate. It will be necessary, therefore, that they be in their places promptly.

The Epworth League service at 7 p. m. will no doubt be of unusual interest, as we shall expect a full report of the convention from our delegates. We especially invite all of the young people to this service.

Prayer meeting and bible study class every Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. To this, as to all other services of our church, we cordially invite everybody, especially the stranger who may be visiting in our city.

T. S. Watson, Pastor.

## \$150 for the Best Article.

The Republican Congressional Committee offers \$150 for the best article not exceeding 1,000 words on the subject:

Why the Republican Party Should be Successful Next November.

The competition is open to all.

In judging the merits of the contributions consideration will be given not only to style, arguments and facts presented, but to the convincing power, and it should be borne in mind that members of Congress are to be elected as well as president and vice-president.

No manuscripts will be returned, but will be the property of the committee.

The best article will be widely used both in the newspapers of the country and in pamphlet form.

The award will be made and check sent to successful contestant about August 15. Manuscripts must be mailed not later than July 15 to

Literary Bureau, Republican Congressional Committee, Metropolitan Bank Building, Washington, D. C.

Among the coming social events is a dance which Manager Sullivan of the opera-house is arranging for next Thursday evening. The Ewing orchestra has been engaged to furnish the music.

## RYAN GETS TWO YEARS

**Bad Check Artist Runs Into the Wrong Bunch at O'Neill.**

**SPECIAL TERM OF COURT HELD**

Two Prisoners Arraigned.—Raleigh Scott Pleads Not Guilty to Charge of Bigamy.

W. J. Ryan, alias A. E. McDade, was brought here from Deadwood, S. D., by Sheriff Hall and Tuesday was given a preliminary hearing before Judge Malone in county court. The judge found the evidence sufficient to hold the defendant to the district court for trial on \$500 bonds, in default of which he was committed to jail.

About 4:30 in the afternoon Judge Harrington convened a special term of the district court and the prisoner was taken from the jail to the court room by Sheriff Hall and arraigned. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to two years hard labor in the penitentiary and to pay a fine of \$50 and costs of prosecution. County Attorney E. H. Whelan read the information containing two counts, to the effect that W. J. Ryan, real name unknown, had drawn and cashed a worthless check to the amount of \$5. The check was drawn on the defunct Capital National bank of Guthrie, Oklahoma, with the name A. E. McDade attached, and was cashed by a local firm.

Directed by the court to plead guilty or not guilty the prisoner plead guilty. Previous to the arraignment the county attorney took the prisoner aside and talked with him for several minutes and it was understood that a plea of guilty would be entered.

Before sentencing Ryan, Raleigh Scott was arraigned on a charge of bigamy and plead not guilty.

Ryan was then beckoned to stand before the court and was asked if he had anything to say why sentence should not be pronounced. Young, with an intelligent countenance, luxuriant growth of dark curly hair and a keen eye, the prisoner stood a moment without speaking and then in scarcely audible tones stated that he hadn't much to say as he was guilty as charged in the information. He did not regret his arrest, he said, and that while his acts constituted a crime against the state of Nebraska there had been no criminal intent, and in extenuation of his conduct said he had asked those who cashed his checks to hold them for a few days. This he did, he said, because he expected to have money soon and would take them up.

In pronouncing sentence Judge Harrington took occasion to give the young man some good advice, but told him he doubted his statement to that he regretted his course, believing rather that the regrets were because he was caught, expressing the conviction that he was not a novice in crime.

The prisoner was committed to the custody of the sheriff and court adjourned until Saturday.

Dr. W. C. McDonough of Topeka, Kansas, grand knight of the Topeka council, came to O'Neill to identify Ryan and was present at court. Ryan, it is claimed, has been traveling over the country representing himself a member of the Knights of Columbus at Topeka and has worked the worthless check racket quite extensively on members of the order.

Considerably interest attaches to the Scott bigamy case because it is about the first of the kind in the county, and it is believed by a good many that have heard the story that Scott is a victim of circumstances and has had no criminal intentions. He is twenty-three years of age. On April 8, 1908, he was married to Martha Ames of Ewing and for three weeks they lived happily in Inman township. Then the groom was placed under arrest on the charge of bigamy. It seems he has an undivorced wife in Monroe county, Iowa, and the information came from her which ended the honeymoon here. Mr. Scott claims that newspapers had been sent to him from Monroe county, Iowa, at two different times which stated his first wife had secured a divorce. On the strength of this he felt himself free to marry again. Miss Ames married him, he claims, with the understanding that he had been divorced.

His plea of not guilty means a jury trial, which will probably not take place before the December term of court.

## Taken Up.

O'Neill, June 2.—A bay pony came to my place about May 18. High in bone and low in flesh. Branded on right shoulder. Owner may have same by paying for keep and for this notice.—J. Q. Howard, southeast of N. W. depot.