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CORN SHOW A SUCCESS

Attendance Reaches 100,000 and Everybody Pleased.

SWEEPSTAKES GO TO INDIANA

Prizes Amounting to \$54,000 Disbursed Among Exhibitors.—Omaha Gets Show Again.

More than 100,000 people attended the National Corn Exposition which closed in Omaha Saturday evening, December 19, the exhibits registered in the senior department numbered 5500 and the junior exhibitors had 2131 entries, making the total 7731 entries. In premiums the exposition paid over \$54,000 in gold and merchandise contributed by the friends of the exposition and those interested in agriculture. The grand sweepstakes were won by Indiana and the winners received over \$2,800 in premiums on the ten ear sample. These ears were sold to E. E. Faville, editor of Successful Farming, a Des Moines agricultural publication for \$280. The same buyer paid \$75 for the champion single ear, which was also grown in Indiana.

Almost all the prize corn was sold to growers in the west in Iowa, Nebraska, South Dakota, Illinois, Kansas and Missouri. Experts at the exposition believe the distribution of the 43,800 ears of prize corn all over the belt which produces the abundance which makes an American surplus possible, will have an influence on the production of the next few years which will amount to an increase of millions of bushels.

So successful was the exposition at Omaha that the National Corn association, headed by Eugene D. Funk of Illinois, did not hesitate to endorse Omaha as the logical point at which to hold an annual corn show, where best grains and grasses of the world may be gathered for comparison. The show will be held at Omaha next year—the city has shown its right to become the permanent home of the big agricultural show which is expected to do for American grains and grasses what the International Live Stock show and similar exhibitions have done for live stock.

The list of speakers at the Omaha show demonstrated the international scope the exposition is destined to assume. Mexico was one of the foremost of the foreign exhibitors. Zepherino Dominguez, a wealthy planter whose name is mentioned as a successor of President Diaz, spent the entire two weeks in Omaha, giving to the students of the Iowa College of Agriculture a solid silver bust of President Diaz, as a reward for their winnings in the student judging contest.

President Roosevelt's country life commission spent two days at the National Corn Exposition. The meeting of the commission in Omaha was really the first of great importance and visitors, including men and women, went before the men composing this important body and told of what the farmers needed, in legislation, in public improvements and educational facilities. Henry Wallace, member of the commission said: "We have secured a world of new ideas and a good picture of country life by visiting Omaha."

W. J. Bryan, who spoke on the last day, said of the exposition in his address "The men who have made this great exposition possible, have shown not only the capacity for the work, but the willingness to take on their shoulders the burden and make it a success."

The show will be held at Omaha next year and the dates announced later.

Six pupils of the high school engaged in a debate for the purpose of selecting three debaters to meet a like number from the Atkinson high school in a debate some time next month. The subject debated was to the effect that it is necessary to arbitrate differences arising between railroad employes and their employers. Ernest Simmons, Claire Grimes and Neil Brennan had the affirmative, and Lawrence Hunt, Erwin Gallagher and Thomas Golden the negative. Messrs. Golden, Hunt and Simmons will represent the O'Neill school in the debate with Atkinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wrede of Agee left Tuesday morning for Garwin, Iowa, to spend the holidays with their daughters who reside there and at Iowa City. Before returning home Mr. Wrede expects to take a trip through Missouri and Oklahoma, and does not expect to return home until about February 1st.

For fancy German or Japanese China go to Horiskey's grocery.

LOCAL MATTERS

A. C. Purnell was down from Emmet yesterday.

Jake Kraft was down from Stuart yesterday.

Bob Gallagher of Page was in town yesterday.

Last Monday was the shortest day of the year.

J. F. Brady was down from Atkinson Monday.

C. W. Williams was down from Atkinson Monday.

S. Davis of Stuart was an O'Neill visitor Monday.

Vincent Golden is home from Omaha to spend the holidays.

Hugh Birmingham is home from Omaha for the holidays.

Fine eating apples at Horiskey's going at \$1.35 a bushel.

Go to Horiskey's grocery for good eating apples, \$1.35 a bushel.

John Carr of Stafford was Christmas shopping in town Wednesday.

A large delegation of Stuart citizens are in town this week attending court.

William Gill was down from Stuart the first of the week attending court.

L. C. Chapman departed today for Minneapolis, to be away over the holidays.

Attorney J. A. Rice was down from Stuart the first of the week attending court.

Chas. Coyle, who has been at Spaulding attending school, is home for the holidays.

Miss Mable Snyder is home from the state university at Lincoln for the holidays.

Attorney Oisen of Wisner was in the city attending court the first of the week.

William Krotter, Stuart's leading business man, had business in O'Neill Monday last.

Don't let your horses shiver in the cold; get some blankets at Davidson's harness shop. 24-4

F. J. Dishner went down to Omaha Thursday morning to spend Christmas with his sister. 24-4

For Sale—Some Poland China Boar Pigs. Come and see me at O'Neill. B. H. Johring. 15-tf.

Go to Davidson's harness shop for whips, robes, blankets and all kinds of horse furnishings. 24-4

Dr. Corbett, Dentist, will be in O'Neill, Dec. 7 to 10, 14 to 17, 21 to 24, 28 to 31, inclusive.

Miss Pearl Kinney, who has been in Kansas the past year, is home to spend the holidays.

Alex Searl, W. E. Scott and Representative H. A. Allen were down from Atkinson yesterday.

Miss Ruth Evans returned home Tuesday night, after spending a week with friends in Omaha.

I have some eastern money to loan on farms in Holt county. See R. H. Parker, O'Neill, Nebr. 25-8 pd

Miss Mame Morrow departed Monday night for Scotts Bluffs, to spend the holidays with her parents.

HOUSE, for rent or sale, 5 rooms, two good lots, barn for 4 horses, coal shed etc. See R. H. Parker. 1w

Deputy County Clerk Roy Smith and family went to Atkinson yesterday to be gone over Christmas.

William Brannigan of Norfolk was in the city last week visiting at the home of his mother, Mrs. Dykeman.

Matt Meer, who has been attending dental college at Omaha, returned home Sunday night to spend the holidays.

Horiskey's grocery has the finest line of fancy German and Japanese China in the city. Call and inspect this line.

Alex Wertz was in from Star last Saturday and remembered this office with the price of a year's subscription.

J. B. Anderson of Dorsey was a pleasant caller Saturday last, extending his subscription to this household necessity.

John Kay, formerly of Ewing but now a resident of Neligh, was operated on for appendicitis at the latter place the first of the week.

The Misses Margaret and Cecelia Holland returned from Boyd county—where they have been teaching—Saturday to spend Christmas with their parents.

O'Neill has enjoyed a flourishing Christmas trade, probably the best for several years. The stores have had about all they could do to handle the crowds and buying has continued for a longer period than usual.

The O'Neill National bank remembered their many patrons with a neat and useful Christmas present, a pocketbook. Now that we have the pocketbook if we had something to put therein we would be happy.

Miss Bea McCafferty, who has been teaching school near Emerson, returned home Friday night to spend the Christmas vacation.

The public schools closed yesterday with appropriate exercises and a vacation for the next week will be enjoyed by the pupils and instructors.

Miss Constance Harrington, who has been attending Trinity College at Washington, D. C., arrived home Saturday night for the Christmas vacation.

E. J. Mack, cashier of the Atkinson National bank, had business in O'Neill Monday last. Ellsworth says that there will be another county division fight next fall.

M. A. Ritter, one of Ewing township's most prominent farmers and stockmen, was a pleasant caller last Monday morning, renewing his subscription to the "old reliable."

C. F. Englehaupt, Emmett's leading merchant, was an O'Neill visitor Monday. While in the city Casper remembered this office with some "coin of the realm" on subscription.

A land contest case, lasting about a week, closed yesterday at the land office. The parties to the suit were Edward Falls and Andrew McGrew. The land involved is in Garfield county.

Mrs. N. Martin and daughter, Miss Angela, left Monday morning for Soranton, Pa., where they expect to make their future home. The best wishes of their many O'Neill friends accompany them.

James Shanner of Verdigris was up yesterday doing Christmas buying and boosting for the east end of the county on the side. Mr. Shanner reports everybody happy and things flourishing in his community.

John Murphy is home from St. Louis to spend the holidays. John is putting in his first year in college at St. Louis and "likes the place" first rate—but thinks a visit with his old chums a Christmas present worth coming after.

The Chase-Lister Company closed a very successful "week end" stand at the opera house last Saturday night. This is one of the best companies that has visited O'Neill for some time and they were greeted each night by crowded houses, which they deserved.

The board of supervisors convened Monday with the expectation that they would be in session until to-day closing up the affairs of the year. The new administration begins January 7 and it is probable the old board will meet again before the new board is organized.

W. W. Mills of Disney was in town Tuesday and made arrangements for a public sale of his personal property on January 13. Mr. Mills has rented his farm and will move to town because he thinks the years weigh too heavily upon him to continue the active life of a farmer.

An interesting program entitled "Bethlehem's Star," will be given at the Methodist church on Christmas Eve. Arrangements have been made for a visit from "Santa Claus," and we expect to have one of the best times ever, and most cordially invite our friends to enjoy it with us.

The county superintendent yesterday received from the state superintendent the semi-annual apportionment of state funds for this county, amounting to \$3,566.63. This amount will be increased some by fines and licenses, which have not been figured out yet. The total enrollment in the schools of the county is 4,940.

Roy Smith says a letter from his father, living about twenty miles north of Sacramento, Cal., conveys the information that they have five inches of snow through portions of the Sacramento valley, something not only unusual but unheard of in that section. Roy says he advises his father to return to Nebraska to spend the winter.

Last Sunday Judge Malone united in marriage Frederick L. Welker of Van Wert, Ohio, and Miss Harriet Bamberg of O'Neill. They will make their home at Van Wert, Ohio. Monday last Clarence E. Tibbetts and Miss Hattie R. Cooper, both of Chambers, were granted a marriage license by County Judge Malone. The bride is the eldest daughter of Ex-County Assessor W. B. Cooper.

E. O. Root of Inman was a business caller at The Frontier Tuesday. Mr. Root recently sold his farm near Inman and will leave with his family about the first of the year for Oxford Junction, Iowa, near which place he has bought a farm and where he will make his future home. Inman loses one of its best citizens in the departure of Mr. Root. He has long been a resident of that precinct and is universally held in high esteem. The Frontier wishes Mr. and Mrs. Root much prosperity in their new home.

Thomas Donohoe thinks he has about the finest Christmas present of any one around here. It came a little before Christmas, but that doesn't matter, it any the less a priceless gift. It's a boy—and came last Sunday.

J. L. Hershiser returned Tuesday from Rochester, Minn., where on November 26 he was operated upon for appendicitis at the celebrated Mayo hospital. The operation was successful, and Jake says he was out of the hospital ten days after the operation.

Mrs. C. E. Hall arrived home Tuesday from Leavenworth, Wash., where she was called about six weeks ago on account of the serious illness of her daughter, Mrs. G. A. Hamilton, whom she left well on the way to recovery, a fact that will be pleasing news to her many friends in this community.

A Nellig Special to the Norfolk News says: Jacob Sullivan of Ewing, who has been a resident of Holt county for over twenty-five years, and is now eighty years of age, was suddenly taken with emphysema, was brought to this city under the instructions of Dr. A. F. Conery, and immediately taken to his sanitarium. Mr. Sullivan was operated upon Sunday morning. Last evening he was reported as doing nicely under the circumstances, and was taking some nourishment. He also sleeps without opiates.

The Lincoln Star is authority for the statement that the "arrangements have practically been completed" for the completion of the more or less familiar proposition of the extension of the Burlington railroad from O'Neill to Ericson, or from Ericson to O'Neill. The Star even says that the work has gone so far that already "track has been laid for several miles out of Ericson north." However, the Star's mention contains several statements which indicate more or less guess work in the whole.

"Two Atkinson young ladies, while in O'Neill not long ago, decided it would be quite novel and original to have their pictures made with their heads thrust through a newspaper. After making their wants known to the photographer they popped their heads through and the work was done, but when they got the proof they discovered that they had stuck their heads through a clothiers advertisement and just below their faces the clothier had said in large letters, 'Our pants are lined in the seat.' They didn't have them finished."

When it comes to getting speedy divorces South Dakota is not the whole "cheese" by any means. The divorce case of Ida Shanner against Joseph P. Shanner was filed in the office of the clerk of the district court of Holt county Tuesday afternoon at 1:32 o'clock, and at 1:35 o'clock p. m., the divorce had been granted, the plaintiff being awarded \$200 alimony and the restoration of her former name, Ida Weekes. If the celebrated divorce city—Sioux Falls, S. D.—can beat the record made in this case they will surely have to "go some."

The attention of the county court was occupied yesterday with the hearing of the estate case of Dennis Kane, deceased. The deceased left a widow but no children. Other relatives are made heirs at law and action has been brought by them to establish their share of the estate and also the monthly allowance by the widow until final disposition of the estate. The widow was represented by J. A. Donohoe and the contesting heirs by W. E. Scott of Atkinson. Judge Malone took the case under advisement for a few days.

John Horiskey, the genial court-house janitor, is earning his salary this month. With additional labors imposed in keeping the building clean and habitable while the rush of people during the session of court is on, nature has added extra burdens by piling snow over the sidewalks. As long as the snow remained frozen, John evaded the shovel, but when it began to thaw navigation was rendered disagreeable and hazardous to the many pedestrians up the hill. So John arose to the occasion, brought the scoop shovel into play and cleared about two blocks of walk single-handed.

W. M. Kelly departed yesterday on a little "missionary" trip to Iowa where he hopes to interest farmers and investors in Holt county real estate. Before going Mr. Kelly had The Frontier get him out some "campaign literature," comprising a mass of statistics supplemented with strong and convincing argument why Holt county real estate is the best investment under the sun today. Mr. Kelly says he is going to inaugurate an advertising campaign that will bring the attention of the public to the remarkable land bargains to be found in this county. He believes this section of Nebraska offers the best opportunities for men of limited means to be found anywhere in the country.

Scrap Over Speakership.

There is considerable activity down at the state house just now over the organization of the forthcoming legislature. A. F. Mullen of this city, who is to be chief oil inspector, breaks into the limelight every few days because of his activity on behalf of Representative H. R. Henry of this county for speaker of the house. Governor-elect Shallenberger seems to have got himself into a peck of trouble by announcing Mr. Mullen's appointment and has had to tell that gentleman plainly to keep his hands off of the legislature. Mr. Mullen refuses to let up, according to the press reports, and has undertaken the job of making Mr. Henry speaker. The latest word from the "seat of war" we find in yesterday's Omaha Bee:

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 22.—(Special.)—R. E. Lee Herdman of Omaha, former clerk of the supreme court, is spending a good portion of his time these days in Lincoln, and a good portion of his time spent here is devoted to members of the legislature, who show up every few days looking for rooms or seats or who just come in. So far as the surface indications go Mr. R. E. Lee Herdman is supporting Ralph Clark of Richardson county for speaker of the house. Surface indications are that Mr. Herdman is representing some corporations that will have special favors to ask at the hands of the coming legislature. In other words, the brewers, so it appears, and the railroads, intend to organize this legislature if they can. At this stage of the game there is every reason to believe these allied interests are favorable to the candidacy of Mr. Clark.

The developments of the last few days show that at this time Clark of Richardson and Henry of Holt are the high men for speaker. Friends of Clark are urging the defeat of Henry, because he is favorable to county option, while they are not indicating how Clark stands on this question.

In the meantime, the call down of Arthur Mullen by Governor-elect Shallenberger for his activity in behalf of Mr. Henry has had little effect. Mr. Mullen so it has been intimated will be in Lincoln several days before the legislative caucus and he expects to work for the election of Henry for speaker. This is the information that has been circulated in Lincoln during the last day or two. Mr. Mullen, so it is reported, intends to assume the management of the Henry campaign in Lincoln.

So the managers to date are R. E. Lee Herdman for Clark and Arthur Mullen for Henry. And Mr. Shallenberger, so it is also a part of the dope, is not big enough to draw off the O'Neill man. This places the new governor in the attitude of throwing down his Omaha allies.

Methodist Church Items.

At the Methodist church next Sunday morning the pastor will take for his theme, "The Unseen, but Beloved Christ." The subject of our evening discourse will be, "A Question of Profit and Loss." We most cordially invite everybody to attend these services.

Sunday school at the close of the morning service. Our school is always interesting and progressive. We have a place and a cordial welcome for everybody and that means you.

Class meeting Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, led by Mrs. O. O. Snyder. This is always a very helpful service and should be well sustained. Come in with us next Sunday morning and see what a fine start it gives you for the day.

Epworth League service 6:30 Sunday evening, led by Miss Ethel Burge. To this service we especially invite all of the young people.

Prayer meeting and bible study class every Thursday evening at 7:30. To this service we are always glad to welcome our friends, and all who care to spend an hour or so in prayer and the study of God's Word.

T. S. Watson, Pastor.

The Frontier is in receipt of a letter from Clark Perkins, secretary of the state railway commission, stating that the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroad has applied to the commission for authority to cancel certain rates applying between points on its Sioux City-O'Neill line. The rates desired cancelled are those of the old Wilmar and Sioux Falls road and apply to the one-half tariff rates during the months of February, March, April and May on grain and seed for seeding purposes, the one-half rates on trees and shrubbery and for the cancellation of the present basis of 75 per cent of fat cattle rates on stock cattle, east bound, between points on the O'Neill line. A hearing on the application will be given by the commission at Lincoln on January 13 next, and every one interested is asked to be present.

Holt county did pretty well, thank you, in 1908 in the matter of producing corn. The state labor commissioner is out with his statistics for this year and Holt county looms up with large and imposing figures in the farm and ranch product columns. For instance, we produced 1,357,117 bushels of corn, 641,668 bushels of oats, 126,736 bushels of potatoes, over 100,000 head of live stock and tons of hay too numerous to mention.

DISTRICT COURT GRIND

Several Cases Disposed of During the Past Week.

GOODMAN ACQUITTED BY JURY

Case From Stuart Involving \$15,000 Mortgage Tried and Is Up to Judge Westover.

The completion of the case of Herman J. Kaup et al. vs. Henry Schinstock and Christ Schinstock Wednesday, after a trial lasting three days, practically completed the work of the court until after the holiday adjournment, although some equity matters are being disposed of today. The Kaup-Schinstock case is a suit to set aside and vacate a mortgage of \$15,000 on a 2,000-acre ranch near Stuart which Kaup bought of the Schinstocks in 1902. The purchase price was \$25,000, \$10,000 being paid down and a mortgage given on the land for the balance. The plaintiffs claim they bought the ranch in the winter when the ground was covered with snow and depended on the reports of the defendants as to the character of the soil, which representations they now claim were false and consider the \$10,000 paid a sufficient sum for the place. The case was tried to the court, and Judge Westover has taken the same under advisement for a week. Plaintiffs were represented by M. F. Harrington and R. M. Johnson. The defendants by R. R. Dickson of O'Neill, Hunker & Krake of Westpoint and A. R. Oisen of Wisner.

The case of the State of Nebraska vs. George A. Goodman charged with the crime of rape occupied the attention of the court Saturday and nearly all day Monday. The testimony was of a rather racy order and was listened to by a large crowd of auditors. It was given to the jury about 3:30 Monday afternoon and they shortly thereafter brought in a verdict of not guilty.

In the case of the State of Nebraska vs. Murray McGrew and John Huskins, the jury was instructed by the court to bring in a verdict of not guilty.

The jury in the case of Roy Welch, charged with horse stealing, brought in a verdict of not guilty.

The Live Stock Market South Omaha, Neb., Dec. 2.—Special market letter from Nye-Schneider-Fowler Co.

Light receipts are responsible for an advance in prices of desirable kinds of live stock this week. There is still a large proportion of very poor quality stock in the offerings of cattle and these cannot be quoted much higher but anything that will "kill out" decently is strong to 10 to 15 cents higher. The market showed no unusual activity, however, and packers are said to have ample supplies in their coolers to fill their orders till after the holidays so they will not be "pinched" on account of small receipts. Good quality of stocker and fleshy feeders are strong to higher.

We quote: Choice corn feed beef.....\$6.25@7.15 Fair to good..... 4.25@ 6.20 Range steers..... 3.50@ 5.75 Others from..... 3.50 to 3.65 Cows and heifers..... 2.75@ 3.30 Good butcher grades..... 2.75@ 3.30 Canners and cutters..... 2.15@ 2.70 Veal calves..... 3.50@ 6.00 Bulls, stags, etc..... 2.25@ 4.25 C. stockers & feeders..... 4.75@ 5.25 Fair to good..... 3.75@ 4.70 Stock helters..... 2.50@ 3.40 Hog market stronger. Light run at all points. Bulk 5.30 to 5.50. Feeder sheep and lambs strong and 10 to 20 cents higher. Good killers 20 to 40 cents higher.

CHAMBERS The band boys have organized an orchestra from their members.

Mr. Cooper informs us that his son Verne, who had his leg broken at school, is getting along nicely.

A telegram received this morning from Elmira, N. Y. by Mrs. F. D. Smith contained the news that her father Asa G. Brooks, a former resident of Chambers, died Dec 17th at the home of his son Chas Brooks in Elmira, N. Y. No particulars are obtainable at this time.

Last Sunday evening Mrs. G. W. Eckley peacefully crossed the Divide into the Great Beyond to join her husband who preceded her by only a few months. Both Mr. and Mrs. Eckley were invalids for several years prior to their deaths, but their suffering was greatly alleviated by the tender care bestowed upon them by their children. Mrs. Eckley was laid to rest Wednesday afternoon beside her husband in the Chambers cemetery. Rev. Coppoc officiated.—Bugle.

A splendid line of fancy Japanese or German China at J. C. Horiskey's.