

### FATAL FIRE

#### Two Lives Lost When Physician's Home Burns.

In the bitter cold of Sunday night a fire occurred at the home of Dr. Flynn, at the J. A. Golden house in the northeast part of town, which resulted in the loss of two lives, destruction of the furniture and damage to the house.

May Elizabeth Daly was burned to death in the building and Sarah Martha Lamb was so badly burned before removed from the house that she died on Monday.

The fire started from an oil heater in an upstairs bed room. Dr. and Mrs. Flynn were not at home. They, with other friends, were spending the evening with Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Harrington. Those in the house when it caught fire were the three Flynn children, the two girls who perished and Clyde Davidson. The latter was spending the evening with the girls, when the Daly girl went upstairs to repair to bed in the room where an oil stove that they had filled that evening had been left lighted. Fire was blazing from the stove and bedding burning. She called to those down stairs and Davidson and the Lamb girl ran quickly to the burning bed chamber. Clyde tried to extinguish the flames, but failing in this picked the stove up to carry it down stairs and out doors. In doing so the oil tank became unfastened from the upper portion of the stove and blazing oil spread quickly over things. He then kicked the stove down the stairs and ran through the flames to the lower floor telling the girls to escape by a window, and awoke the children, whom he got to safety, and then ran to the nearest house and called Dr. Flynn by telephone. He then tried to enter the house again to rescue the two girls but could not do so for the fire. Dr. Flynn and others soon arrived and a ladder was placed to a window of the room where the fire was and the Lamb girl taken out after she was badly burned. In this condition she was removed to the Develin home nearby and doctors worked with her till morning, but no hopes were entertained that she could survive. She died about noon Monday.

The remains of the Daly girl were taken from the building horribly charred and the flesh burned until she was past recognition.

Miss Daly was a little past twenty years of age, having been born in Madison county, this state, in 1892. Her parents reside on the Cronin farm adjoining town.

Miss Lamb was a native of this county, having been born in 1895 in Paddock precinct, where her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Lamb, still reside. She also has a sister, Mrs. Will Townsend, living in O'Neill.

The funeral services for both were held yesterday forenoon at the Methodist church and were very largely attended. The services opened with the touching hymn, "Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me," sung by the choir composed of Mrs. Naylor, Misses Mabel and Goldie Martin, Miss Crouse, a deaconess of the Methodist church, and Mr. B. E. Sturdevant. The pastor, Rev. Harold J. Armitage, offered prayer and Miss Crouse, who is gifted with a sweet voice, sang a solo, "Nearer My Home," which brought handkerchiefs to many moist eyes.

Rev. Armitage used as a text the words of Solomon, "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth," making a strong and fervent plea for parents to set the right example before their children by leading Godly and righteous lives, and impressing upon the young the need of heeding the injunction of the text. Mr. Armitage spoke with feeling, which, with the peculiarly sad and tragic circumstances of the occasion, left an evident impression upon the audience.

The remains of the Daly girl were taken to Inman for interment and those of the Lamb girl to Paddock.

Nothing that The Frontier might say could serve to heal the bleeding wounds this tragedy has made for the relatives of these two young women, but they may be assured that the general public sympathy of this community has not been so aroused in a long time.

The court room at the county court house has been newly furnished and the floor rubber padded. A new desk has been installed for his honor, new tables and chairs for the lawyers and new seats placed in the audience chamber. The sombre aspect of the legal precincts has been cheered by tasteful decorations, and the whole presents a more inviting appearance than formerly.

### Still Pulling for Railroad.

These items from the Chambers Bugle show that the oft disappointed people of that section have not abandoned hope of securing a railroad. The Bugle is bubbling over with accounts of railroad activity, but we select two items:

Ray Lienhart, C. M. Smith and Raymond Atwood went to O'Neill Saturday evening, in behalf of the Chambers Commercial club, to confer with the Burlington agent at that place in regard to the proposed agreement concerning the building of a railroad to Chambers. The conference was very favorable and Ray Lienhart was sent on to Norfolk and Omaha to interview the head officials.

Lincoln dispatch in World-Herald: Articles of incorporation have been filed in the secretary of state's office for the Midland Continental Railway, with Omaha as its headquarters. Those named in the filings are H. S. Dumcombe, S. Y. Flansburg, E. C. McGilton, F. E. Gaines and S. W. Smith. Duncan is a Chicago man and is president of the company. The authorized capital stock is \$250,000. The project in view is a north and south line of railroad from Canada to the Gulf of Mexico. Through Nebraska the proposed line is to traverse Boyd and Holt counties and run south ward.

### Give the Pig a Chew.

Ord Quiz: Crude oil shampoos and an allowance of cut plug tobacco were recommended for pigs to prevent the spread of hog cholera by J. F. Gordon of Ohio, a practical corn grower and hog breeder, in an address before Salem county farmers a few days ago. The expert said that in hundreds of cases of hog cholera which he had investigated he had found intestinal worms on the inside and lice on the outside of the infected porkers. He said that tobacco was the best remedy for the former trouble and suggested that large porkers be given a chew whenever the curl goes out of their tails, while crude oil applied with a spray pump, should be used externally.

### Rural Carriers Examination

On Saturday, February 8, an examination will be held at the O'Neill post office for a rural route mail carrier on the O'Neill route and others in this county as there may be vacancies. The salary connected with this position ranges from \$600 to \$1000 per year.

Age limit, 18 to 55, on date of the examination. The maximum age limit is waived in cases of persons

honorably discharged from the military or naval service. The examination is open to all male citizens who can comply with the requirements.

Full details may be obtained of Postmaster Marsh of this city.

### Crossed Plains in '59.

The present generation, surrounded with every convenience for quick communication with all parts of the country, realize little of the tedious and laborious process of getting around in the pioneer days of the west. C. E. Howe of this city, an old time frontiersman, recalls the early days in a communication to this paper. He says:

When the discovery of gold in 1859 at Pike's Peak aroused the youth and manhood of the Mississippi valley states, two young men and myself joined, or rather started, the western procession in Illinois. Our outfit consisted of three yoke of oxen, wagons and supplies for the journey. We left home April 23, 1859. Iowa was then a vast trackless plain without a railroad. Water courses were bridgeless and roads were not thought of. The slow but steady tread of the oxen brought us across that now great state in a little less than a month. On May 19 we arrived at Council Bluffs. Crossing the Missouri river the 31st, we found still fewer marks of civilization in the Nebraska territory. We struck in about the mouth of the Platte river and followed the course of that stream westward to old Ft. Laramie, where we arrived July 2. Here three cottonwood logs served as a foot bridge across the Platte, so we crossed on them and swam the cattle and wagons over. A little less than three months after leaving home we arrived at our destination, Boulder City, Colo., on July 15. We remained here and at Gold Hill until September 9.

I then contracted with a man to go to Missouri and bring his family to Colorado. I left Denver December 4, on this trip with oxen. After returning with this man's family I freighted and traveled around in Colorado and Kansas with my oxen until July, 1861, when, with one of my companions on the journey out, returned to Illinois, taking the stage from Denver. We were on the road eighteen days and paid \$20 each stage fare. A sack of flour in Denver cost us \$10. We saw vast herds buffalo on this trip, some of which we shot. One old grizzly fellow had sixteen bullets in him when killed. The trip was pleasant until we got into the Missouri river country where we were stuck in the mud several times. Went down the Missouri by a boat to St. Joe and thence to Chicago.

John A. Harmon left last Saturday for Des Moines, to be gone a few days.

### Some Weather Statistics.

"Speaking of cold winters, those fellows who weren't here in the winter of 1885-86 don't know a thing about cold," writes Tom McNeil in the Topeka Capital. "Furthermore the people down here in Kansas didn't get it like we did in northwest Nebraska. Say, that was certainly a humdinger. Up to about the last of December the weather was warm. Two days before New Year's it was so warm that a mosquito bar or cheese cloth would have been plenty heavy. Then it commenced to cloud up. The wind turned around to the north and the mercury fell so quick that you could hear the sound of it when it hit the bottom of the tube. I was chopping up a cottonwood into stove wood lengths and sweating like a work horse and complaining about the heat when the change in the weather came.

"In less than two minutes I was sweating hailstones the size of hazel nuts. My dog was with me, lying stretched out near the log panting on account of the heat and with his tongue sticking out of his mouth at least three inches when the weather changed. Before the dog could get his tongue into his mouth an inch of the end of it was frozen solid. It dropped off just as we started for the house and he was short that much tongue always afterward. I got a fire started as soon as I could but the flame froze under the teakettle.

"I saw a jackrabbit that was out grazing on the prairie when the blizzard came whopping along. It took him by surprise and he started for shelter. when he jumped into the air it gave the blizzard full sweep at him and he was frozen stiff before he hit the ground. The storm raged for a week. Everything on top of ground froze. Cattle froze, hogs froze, chicken froze. My family froze. I froze. The curious thing about it was that it didn't kill us, seemed to freeze us up before we had time to die. Same way with the animals. We had six milk cows, all of 'em froze, but came out in pretty good shape when they thawed. But there was this curious thing about it. Those cows, which were thoroughbred Jerseys, gave down ice cream instead of milk for three weeks after the storm was over."

### Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank the many friends

for their kindness and sympathy in the sickness and death of our beloved husband and father.

Mrs. D. Burr and family.

### Home Folks Mentioned.

Chambers Bugle: Walt Wyant was down from O'Neill Tuesday, bringing down a new Ford touring car for his father, J. N. Wyant.

Ainsworth Star-Journal: Roy Phelps and wife of O'Neill spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Martin, in Ainsworth.

Rushville Standard: Miss Katherine Wettlaufer of O'Neill arrived here last Saturday and is visiting her sister, Mrs. L. A. Hemingway and family.

Waterloo Gazette: J. W. Cobbs, of Holt county, father of the Cobb boys, has been here this week visiting old friends. He and Mrs. Cobbs have been at Nebraska City and other places visiting some time past but are returning to Holt county, where they have lived the past two years.

Michael Burish and wife, an aged couple who have long resided over south of Dry, creek, were brought to town last week and put under the care of a guardian. Though well off financially, the couple had been living in indescribable squalor and dirt. In addition to this the woman lay helpless from paralysis in the lower limbs. At the instance of neighbors, authorities in town investigated the case and Judge R. R. Dickson directed the county attorney to file a complaint against Burish and have him arrested. This was done and Burish brought before County Judge Carlon on a charge of neglecting to provide suitable food, clothing and shelter for his wife. Ed F. Gallagher was appointed guardian for both the old people, had them brought to town and made arrangements for their proper care at a local hotel.

List of letters remaining uncalled for at the O'Neill Post Office for week ending January 4, 1913.

H. J. Wing 2, forwarded  
E. H. Wilson  
J. E. Statee  
Mrs. Gus Mann  
Mrs. Iva Greenfield.

Parties calling for above will please say "advertised". If not called for in 15 days letters will be sent to Dead Letter Office at Washington.

R. J. Marsh, P. M.

## JANUARY SALE

All Dry Goods in the House

I am not going to carry over any Winter Goods, regardless of the Weather

### Men's Fur Coats

20 per cent discount on all coats. This is an unheard of discount

### Underwear

For Men, Women and Children at 20 per cent discount.

### Ribbons

Purses, Collars and Novelties at 20 per cent discount.

### Men's and Boy's Shirts

This line goes at a discount of 20 per cent.

### Shoes

20 per cent discount on Men's, Ladies, Misses and Children's Shoes.

### Table Linen

This line at 20 per cent discount.

### 20 per Cent Discount

This discount prevails on all duck coats, with and without sheep skin lining; on all sweaters, mens ties, gloves, handkerchiefs, suspenders, and all yardage in the house.

CHINA at 33 1-3 per cent discount Ladies' Silk Waists and Skirts at half price.

This sale commences Saturday, Jan. 4, and continues until further notice is given. The terms of this sale are cash, or paid in 30 days.

J. P. Gallagher

### Overshoes

All sizes and kinds 10 per cent discount.

### Hosiery

Hosiery will go at a discount of 20 per cent.

### Cut Glass

Cut glass goes in this sale down to 20 per cent discount.

### Men's and Boy's Caps

20 per cent discount on all Men's and Boy's caps.

### Ladies' Corset

J. C. C. Corsets 20 per cent discount. Shirt waist 33 1-3.

### Muslin Underwear

At 33 1-3 discount. Bed spreads 20 per cent dis. Comfort and blankets 33 1-3 dis.