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## CHANGES AND DEVELOPEMENTS

Improvements Noted on a Trip In and Around Page.

The first time in a number of years The Frontier's news collector visited Page and a portion of the country adjacent thereto one day last week. Page is one of the permanently good towns in a permanently good and well developed country with a lot of progressive farmers that have advanced the country in improvements and crop culture beyond the hopes of anyone who knew the country thirty years ago. It is some five or six years since we were last in that neighborhood. Noteworthy improvements have been going on in that time and there is probably no portion of Holt county where the farmers are better situated.

Our old friend Col. Barney Stewart is still a leading character of the community, with a fine home and family in the village. The colonel is still crying in more sales than any auctioneer in that direction and looking a year or two younger every year.

As the editor will return to his former element and become a cowboy for the summer on his leased and owned lands out on the big prairie after the return of the real boss, he visited a few of the farmers who have cattle and made arrangements to pasture the same the coming season. One or two were not to blame for mistaking us for a suspicious character and Col. Stewart had to be appealed to upon one occasion to testify that I had been in the county thirty years without getting in jail.

Among the many men that have made good around Page we want to specially mention Anton Soukup. Mr. Soukup, who is a native of Bohemia, and now an ardent American citizen, landed twelve years ago at the place where he now lives a few miles northwest of Page, with a working capital of \$1.50 and a few horses. He now owns a half section of good land well improved with fencing and good buildings, a fine lot of horses, cattle hogs and granaries and cribs filled with the products of his farm. Mr. Soukup is a pioneer in his community in the use of commercial fertilizer. He says last year the corn ground on which he used the fertilizer made him \$3 per acre more than that which was not fertilized. He expects to use the fertilizer on all his crops this year. As an example of progressive farming it is an inspiration to visit Mr. Soukup's place and talk with him.

J. L. Shanner, at whose hospitable home we found a cordial welcome, is one of the original homesteaders who stuck by the homestead through the trying years of crop failures and low prices when it took real grit and faith in the future to hold on. He has been abundantly rewarded by now owning a productive farm worth \$90 to \$100 an acre. Mr. Shanner has an all concrete barn 36x85 feet which he and his boys built last year at a cost of \$3,600. It stands as a monument of solid construction work and is so arranged inside that there is room for everything, it being possible to put in feed enough to take fifty or seventy-five head of stock through the entire winter without once turning them out.

W. H. Parks has a well appointed farm which shows every evidence of prosperity and good management. He keeps a fine herd of red cattle that came through the snows of winter in good shape by having the conveniences for their proper care. His place was

strictly in the "rain belt" the past winter as the snow lay several feet deep around the premises.

R. H. Murray is pretty well known all over the country and has quite an extensive ranch outfit northwest of Page. We were unfortunate in not finding Mr. Murray at home as he had come to O'Neill the day previous. Mrs. Murray, however, is capable of entertaining visitors, and also discussing business. The Murray ranch is stocked with black cattle and they got the 200 or more head through without loss.

Willard Hess, living a mile east of Page where his father homesteaded many years ago, has one of the best farms in the community and keeps a large herd of cattle. Mr. Hess' place is another striking example of how the fellow wins who sticks. In fact, one can not go through that country now who knew it in the old days without being impressed with the evidence on every hand of the certainty that the fellow who "stays with the job" when he has a good piece of land will win in the end.

## LOCAL MATTERS.

L. C. Chipman went to Omaha Sunday.

George Henry had business at Ewing Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Miskimins went to Atkinson Tuesday.

Miss Mary Lorge of Randolph spent Easter at the home of D. H. Crimin.

Miss Erinecia Biglin was up from Wayne Friday and returned Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cherry arrived in the city Tuesday from Omaha.

Mrs. Cecile Brown visited this week at the home of her sister at Orchard.

Thomas McMahon and "Tug" Wilson left Tuesday for Glasgow, Mont.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Killmurry and children of Atkinson were in the city Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Haffner of Page spent Easter with friends in O'Neill.

H. A. Allen and Alex Searl of Atkinson had business at the court house Tuesday.

Dr. M. F. Meer stopped over at O'Neill for a day, enroute for St. Louis, Mo.

Wm. Beha held No. 86, the number that drew the Graphophone at Gallagher's store.

Miss Mae Shoemaker won the rug, given away by J. P. Gallagher, the number being 1855.

Mrs. Hendrix father and mother arrived on the five o'clock train Saturday afternoon for a visit.

M. H. McCarthy received his commission as postmaster and assumed the duties as such on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hutton spent Easter in Atkinson with Mrs. Hutton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Enis.

Miss Minnie Miller went to Norfolk Tuesday to attend a musical recital there in which two of her nieces took part.

Mrs. Bert Wattles and Geo. Harrington of Neligh spent Easter with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Harrington.

Not the least of the good things incident to the opening of spring is the retirement of the "home talent" actor until another winter.

Willis N. Stevens of Middle Branch and Miss Gladys Lefler of O'Neill were married at the county judge's office yesterday afternoon.

Fred Jarvis, an auctioneer of Carroll, Neb., was in town a few days last week and this, assisting Col. Moore at his sale last Saturday.

The commercial club should authorize a standing committee whose duty it would be to see that no stranger gets a look at the back yards.

H. Ahikami, a Japanese restaurant keeper of Lincoln, was in O'Neill over Sunday. His mission here was with the view of obtaining a tract of land to start a truck garden.

# BON-TON FLOUR

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### J. C. HORISKEY

Judge Dickson went to Pender Tuesday to preside at a session of court for Judge Welsh.

Clyde Lawrence of Stuart is operating the picture machine at the Royal during the absence of Cecil Brown from town.

Grand Master J. C. Harnish, Past Grand Master O. O. Snyder and Charles Pettijohn went to Orchard Tuesday afternoon in the interests of the Odd Fellow work there.

Of the \$30,000,000 appropriated by congress for rivers and harbors, the following amounts will be expended on the Missouri: Kansas City to mouth \$1,000,000; Kansas City to Sioux City \$50,000; Sioux City to Fort Benton \$50,000.

W. W. Bethea of Ewing was in the city over night Monday. Mr. Bethea is somewhat interested in the Greater Omaha bill that passed the legislature, as he believes the consolidation of those cities will prove of material benefit to this section of the state.

John Hancock came up the first of the week from Inman. Wednesday he departed for a visit in Indiana among the scenes of his younger days. J. P. says his stay in Indiana is indefinite and that he will "loaf" around until tired of it and then come home.

Richard Hanson returned last Saturday from Sioux City where he had taken his wife for treatment for diabetes. He received word yesterday that she was improving under the treatment. She is staying with a cousin, E. T. Satring, a druggist of that city.

Pat Boyle was up from the south end of the county last week. Mr. Boyle is the nearest competitor of Charley Martin in the wolf chase The Frontier has learned about. Honors are about even between them. Mr. Boyle says they captured fourteen coyotes this winter.

The K. C. Dramatic Club will present some time in the latter part of April, "Paid In Full," the greatest play of this generation. When it comes you will witness the best performance ever given by any local talent. Every citizen in this community should see this grand play. Watch for date.

Jack McAllister and Attorney D. L. Jauvenat were down from Atkinson Monday, when the case of Kidd vs. McAllister was settled in district court. The court held that the trade made by Kidd and McAllister was on the square and ordered the deeds to be turned over perfecting the transfer.

Fannie Erb, wife of Jacob Erb, died at her home twelve miles north of O'Neill Tuesday night. She had recently gone through a spell of typhoid fever and while not in good health for a long time past was thought to have recovered from the fever. Funeral services will be held at the Mennonite church Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Cowperthwaite arrived home last Thursday from Florida, where they had spent the winter. Joe says he was all over the state and there is nothing to it but swamps and fish ponds from one end of the country to the other. The much advertised Palm Beach Joe regards as a joke.

Spring began in earnest last Saturday with a south wind that reduced the supply of snow about half. The streets in town have been bare for a month but in the country, especially north, east and west, there is still much snow in places. With the continuation of weather as April starts out we'll soon forget the snows of winter.

It is expected the legislature will finish up the last of the week and adjourn. Mr. Cronin will then be home and in the editorial harness again. With the advantage of being associated with the great statesmen and learned men at the capitol this winter he ought to be primed with great ideas and literary inspirations that will make The Frontier a hummer. Now is the time to subscribe.

Mrs. Dick Porter and Mrs. Rube Fleck were brought up from Chambers, last Sunday and taken to a hospital at Lincoln Monday. Both women were in precarious condition, being unable to sit up and were made as comfortable as it was possible to do lying in a wagon box for the trip in from Chambers. Dr. Gill came along with his patients and accompanied them to Lincoln. They were carried to the four o'clock train Monday morning on cots, having spent the night at the Western. Dr. Gill returned Tuesday from Lincoln and informs The Frontier that they stood the trip remarkably well and were getting along fine at the hospital.

Col. Moore's first union sale held last Saturday was a howling success, something like \$3,600 worth of property being sold. The colonel intends this to be a permanent thing occurring every two weeks.

The following O'Neill Masons went to Atkinson last evening to participate in Masonic work at that place: C. P. Hancock, Charles Pettijohn, W. J. Evans, Andrew Schmidt, L. G. Gillespie, W. K. Hodgkin, Dr. E. T. Wilson, Dr. A. H. Corbett, D. A. Criss, F. A. Schober, Judge R. R. Dickson.

The call of the wild goose is again heard with the arrival of the water-soaked season. A few fellows may risk the penalties of the federal law prohibiting shooting geese and ducks, but the average sportsman is not as willing to take chances against a federal agent as he is with a state game warden.

Moving pictures of the battle at Havana for the heavyweight fighting championship between Johnson and Willard will not be shown in the United States. A federal law, recently enacted, prohibits the importation of films of prize fights into this country and their interstate transportation. There is no loop hole in the law.

Jess Mills and Cecil Brown departed Wednesday for Omaha to buy stock and equipment for the pump and well business in which they are preparing to embark. From Omaha they will go to Clarinda, Iowa, to buy a well machine and then go to Broken Bow, Neb., where Mr. Brown has some horses which they will bring to O'Neill.

A. H. Tingle, county attorney of Boyd county, came over from Butte Tuesday, arriving at O'Neill on the 5 o'clock. Two other members of a committee to consult with the Holt county board concerning the proposed bridge south of Spencer over the Niobrara were to have come in Tuesday night, but owing to the washout of bridges on the Northwestern in the vicinity of Spencer were unable to get here.

Eva Clark was granted a divorce in district court last Thursday from Edward H. Clark. They reside at Inman and were married in O'Neill in 1907, he being 71 and she 52 at the time of their marriage, and both had formerly been married. The decree was obtained on the grounds of cruelty. Plaintiff was awarded \$300 alimony and costs of suit. A decree for the plaintiff was ordered at a previous sitting of the court in the case of Lydia Sears vs. Leonard B. Sears.

Miss Mayme Giltner, aged 26 years, of Battle Creek, Neb., was found dead in her bed at her lodging place in Omaha, where she went three weeks ago, with the photograph of her late fiance, Dr. I. L. Carter, clasped in her hands. Death came as the result of gas asphyxiation, and indications were that she had taken her own life. Dr. Carter, who was a senior at the Creighton Medical college, died at the Nicholas Senn hospital during the holidays of meningitis.

William Brown of Albion shipped in several car loads of cattle Sunday. The cattle were taken south to help clean up the hay over that way and will also be pastured in the vicinity of Chambers this summer. Mr. Brown has some 300 head more at Albion he is arranging to either ship to O'Neill and drive across to the hay country or trail them up from his Boone county feed yards. Mr. Brown has a large cattle ranch in Cherry county, but makes his home at Albion.

The Holt County Fair association will hold a meeting Friday evening at the lodge room in the K. C. building to perfect plans for the fair and race meet this year. The annual meeting comes in June but the fair officials regard that date as too late as it does not leave time enough to make the necessary arrangements. It is planned to change the date of the annual meeting to come soon after the close of the fair, when business for the year can be closed up and officers elected for the ensuing year.

The State Board of Agriculture sends out this tip: Now is the time for the assessor to collect an itemized statement from each loyal Nebraska taxpayer. Among the duties imposed on such officials in addition to statements of taxation is that of gathering the data from each civil and Spanish war soldier and the gathering of agricultural and farm labor statistics. Remember that upon the fidelity of the assessor to fully and completely gather and compile these statistics depends the fair name of Nebraska as an agricultural state. If the assessor neglects this duty the products of the farm are a sweet morsel for speculators

to gamble on, and they fix the amount of production to line their pockets at the farmers expense. If all assessors would realize that an actual truthful statement from them would do more to create a standard price for farm products than any other thing bearing on price save production, they would be very careful to secure complete details in every way possible. Mr. Assessor, will you try to do this for 1915?

H. M. Utley has received notice from the Nebraska supreme court that the two cases against members of the county board of this county have been advanced for hearing September 20. One is a suit for an accounting of the expenditures ordered by the board and to restrain that body from further alleged illegal expenditures. The other is for recovery for mileage and salaries paid the precinct assessors. On a motion by the county attorney the cases were dismissed in district court and by Utley appealed to the supreme court.

Says a special from Lincoln in yesterday's Bee: By the close vote of 43 to 41, H. R. 6, the bill which had been amended so as to extend the terms of county officers to 1918 was sent to a conference committee this afternoon. In appointing the committee from the house it is said that Speaker Jackson has selected three men who are opposed to extension of the terms of county officers under the bill. They are Norton, Negley and Cronin. They favor the four-year term, but are opposed to extending the term.

The Frontier received word Tuesday of the death at Ewing of John Harkins, who died suddenly while out in the yard at his home. Mr. Harkins, who was a civil war veteran, moved with his wife and two daughters to Ewing about a year ago from Bliss, where he had lived and was postmaster for many years. The family is well known all through the south part of the county. One daughter, Mrs. Lewis Linder, resides in O'Neill. Another daughter, Mrs. John Green, and a son, Seymour Harkins, reside on farms near Bliss postoffice.

Hugh O'Neill and Carl Grant of An. Carr were in the city a few days this week. These gentlemen are president and secretary respectively of the corporation promoting the railroad project across northern Holt. Mr. Grant, who was a business caller Tuesday, has hopes of the ultimate success of the plans now developing. Their visit to O'Neill was not in connection with the railroad but for private business and were also incidentally interested in the matter of the proposed new Niobrara river bridge being urged by Boyd county supervisors before the Holt county board.

An injunction suit against the township board of Inman township has been filed in district court by W. W. Conrad, who alleges that the board, Charlie Fowler, clerk, Nathan Butler, justice of the peace, and Charlie Smith, treasurer, has assumed the prerogative of the office of road overseer and have hired men for road work and culvert work without authority at law for the same. Conrad asks the court to enjoin the board from paying claims for work now being done, and also to step out of the way of the road overseer in road district No. 2.

Charley Hall took in the big republican banquet at Lincoln last week and says it was a great event. Former Senator John M. Thurston, whom rumor had it was "down and out," was present and made a speech with all the evidence of the old time vigor, that completely captivated the crowd. Senator Thurston, Mr. Hall says, declared he had come back to Nebraska to stay and would be ready next fall to campaign the state for the republican ticket, though he would not himself be a candidate for office as he felt that Nebraska people has bestowed upon him sufficient honor.

Jesse E. Vincent and Miss Amelia Gatz were married Easter Sunday morning at the Western hotel, Rev. Longstaff of the Presbyterian church officiating. Only relatives of the couple were present at the wedding. Breakfast was served in the hotel dining room. The couple went to Omaha to spend their honeymoon. The groom is one of O'Neill's industrious and energetic young business men, being associated with Frank Phalin in the ownership of the barbershop on lower Fourth street that has been in continuous operation for many years. He bought a fine home in the eastern part of the city some time ago and they will reside there upon their return to O'Neill. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Gatz, old residents of this city. She is a charming young lady of rare sense and winsome ways who has the well wishes of everybody in the community.

## LICENSE AGAIN BY 56 MAJORITY

One More Vote Cast on Saloon Question in Third Than Voters Enrolled.

The wet and dry contest at Tuesday's election brought out a large vote, there being 394 votes polled as against 332 a year ago. License won by a majority of 56 votes, 3 less than last year. The only contest on city offices was that of police judge, F. M. Ward winning over F. C. Gatz with a majority of 134 votes. The vote by wards was as follows:

	1st	2d	3d
For license	86	77	61-224
Against license	61	35	72-168
Mayor-Dishner	117	98	98-308
Treas.-Gallagher	124	87	113-324
Clerk-Hammond	125	92	112-329
Police Judge			
Gatz	37	42	43-122
Ward	107	67	82-256
Members School Board			
Gilligan	81	60	99-240
Birmingham	63	54	56-173
Hagerty	06	00	00-06
For Councilmen			
1st W., King	127		
2d W., McCarthy	95		
3d W., Meredith	96		
C. C. Millard	05		

Returns from the Third ward, at the canvass of the vote yesterday by the council, showed a slight discrepancy, there being one more vote on the license question than the total number of voters enrolled in that ward.

## The Stock Market.

South Omaha, April 6.—From the Standard Live Stock Commission Co.—Our cattle receipts are moderate this week and the market is quoted generally steady to 10c to 25c higher. The moderate supply of beef steers has brought a better demand and stockers and feeders are firm with the demand from the country becoming broader as we get nearer to grass time. Bulls are selling at a lower level.

We look for an advancing beef market.

We quote: Good to choice cornfed heifers \$7.25 to \$8, common kinds down to \$6.50. Good to choice cows and heifers \$6.25 to \$7, fair to good \$6.50 to \$6.20, canners and cutters \$3.75 to \$5.40. Veal calves \$7 to \$10. Bulls, stags, etc., \$4.75. Good to choice feeders \$6.85 to \$7.80, common grades down to \$5.75. Stock cows and heifers \$5 to \$6.50. Stock calves \$6 to \$8.

Hogs receipts are still fairly liberal with the price changes slight. Bulk \$6.55 to \$6.65, top \$6.80.

Sheep and lambs are holding steady to strong with new top prices being recorded.

The Elkhorn river assumed threatening proportions Tuesday and fears were entertained for a time for the bridges south of town. Supervisors Tomlinson and Hubbard, as a committee from the county board, made an investigation of the long steel bridge Wednesday morning, it being reported on the verge of breaking out at one end but it was found intact with no immediate danger of washing away and no prospects of the water rising. The bridge a mile west of town was reported swaying from the flood and men were sent out to anchor it with wire cables. The Elkhorn has spread pretty well over the bottoms and a trickling stream broke over the grade just south of town in one place. The fast melting snow with a heavy downpour of rain Tuesday night and Wednesday morning has made great volumes of water to be carried off by the streams.

Considerable local interest was manifest in the pugilistic encounter Monday of Jess Willard and Jack Johnson at Havana, Cuba, for the heavyweight championship. Reports of the fight by rounds were received by wire at the Western Union's up-town station and considerable of a crowd of men assembled to hear the reports. The crowd was plainly for Willard who seemed to have the best of the fight right along and finally knocked out the big negro in the twenty-sixth round.

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