

**Fish Bite Off Ducks Legs.**

One of the most interesting of this season's meetings of the O'Neill Piscatorial Research Society was that of Tuesday evening at the Club's headquarters on the First National bank steps, when the Club assembled to hear Professor Mike Kirwin's report on his recent trip to Lake Andes. Mr. Kirwin brought back the information that the bass were biting the best on luminous bait at present and that many of the old timers were abandoning other lures for this type. He also said that a move is on foot to remove sunken logs from along the lake banks, several having lost large fish by falling over the logs while attempting to land the big ones. In fact the Professor himself lost his largest fish that way. The extreme ferocity of the bass and pike in the lake during the hot, dog days of August, noted by the fishermen, may explain in a manner the growing scarcity of wild ducks. Thousands of the ducks spend their summers along the lake, rearing their broods, and the fish are biting the legs off the little ones learning to swim. This fact is established by many of the farmers residing along the lake borders who report their tame flocks similarly mutilated. While the loss of a leg or two is not necessarily fatal to a tame duck it eventually results so to a wild one, because in taking the air, from land or water the bird must make a running or swimming start before its wings become effective. Unable thus to fly the wild duck cannot go south for the winter and eventually freezes to death. Shin guards for the ducks or muzzles for the bass were suggested. Following the report was a learned and scientific discussion on fish, fish habits and ways, fishing lines and fishing in general, participated in by Arthur Ryan, Mike Horiskey, Ed. O'Donnell, J. M. Hunter, Tom Griffin who is thinking of taking fishing lessons, and several others. Mr. Ryan took violent exception to a contention of Mr. Kirwin that a bass never swallows a frog, contending that he does and explaining that the reasons a frog never is found in the commissary department of a bass is because the bass gets rid of the frog as the whale did Jonah when it feels the prick of the hook. Mr. Hunter poured oil on the troubled waters by telling about the time he caught a carp and a black sucker, simultaneously, on a two-hook line, after which Mr. Horiskey told of the educated carp in the lakes of the Sioux City parks, many of which come to be fed when called. This, Mr. Griffin declared, demonstrated that fish can think, and his contention was reinforced by the experience of Dr. Kubitchek with a pickerel recently. It appears that while Doc was trolling in a nearby creek, a large pickerel struck at his frog and missed. The performance was repeated several

times until finally the exasperated fish, wondering why the frog left the water each time but still came back, came to the surface, took a long look at the doctor and then went over on the other side of the stream and moodily sulked under an overhanging bank, refusing to be further interested. The society is talking of building a club house at Stoney Point on Lake Andes, next spring, and the remainder of the session was devoted to considering plans for the building.

**Prairie Chicken Season Shortened.**

The open season on prairie chickens will be one month shorter this year than last year. The opening date of the open season was changed by the legislature from September 15 to November 15. The law as it now is November 51. The law as it now is permits the serving of game in hotel and restaurants during the open season.

**Old Settlers' Picnic.**

One of the largest crowds in the history of these gatherings attended the Old Settlers' Picnic at the Adam Martin grove northeast of the city Thursday and a most enjoyable time was had by all. Senator James A. Donohoe, who was to have been the speaker of the day, was unable to be present, being absent in Iowa, so the speaking part of the program was eliminated. The Bristow and Dorsey baseball teams furnished a most interesting feature on the program with

a closely contested and well played game resulting in a score of 3 to 0 for Bristow.

**CHILD MANGLED BY HOGS.**

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Webb, of Chambers, was attacked by hogs, while playing in the yard at the Bushbaum ranch on the Cedar, Sunday afternoon, and before it could be rescued was mangled so badly that small hopes for its recovery are entertained. The child, but two years of age, had gone with its parents to visit at the ranch and while the elders were in the house strayed out into the yard. A few minutes later the mother was attracted by a noise and rushing out into the yard found the hogs tearing the little one, which had fallen. The child was badly lacerated about the head, a portion of the scalp being torn away, the skull crushed and the brain exposed. It also received several severe wounds in the abdomen.

**FARMERS UNION PICNIC.**

The annual picnic of the Holt County Farmers Union will be held at the N. G. Miller grove, one mile east and one and a half miles north of Page, on Tuesday, August 26th. All farmers in the county are invited to attend this picnic and a good time is assured. We expect to have Mr. Watts, manager of the Live Stock exchange and Mr. Gaines of the extension service for short lectures on that day. Bring your family and stay all day.

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The following named citizens of O'Neill received a 20% dividend on the annual premium paid the Nebraska National Insurance Co., of Lincoln, Nebraska, during the month of August, 1919, for insurance expiring during the month of September, 1919, viz:

Names	Premium Paid	Dividend Paid
Zeb Warner	\$22.88	\$ 4.58
Mrs. E. H. Whelan	13.75	2.75
Lee Wyant	3.75	.75
Eva Zeimer	27.61	5.52
W. B. Graves	54.48	10.89
Walter Hodgkin	18.04	3.61
Holt County Agricultural Society	70.73	14.14
Holt County Agricultural Society	14.85	2.97
Alex Virgin	24.21	4.84
J. J. Thomas	1.32	.26
Walter Hodgkin	6.60	1.32

During the month of July, 1919, the following named citizens received dividends on policies expiring in August, 1919, in the same company, viz:

Names	Premium Paid	Dividend Paid
Charles McKenna	\$22.00	\$ 4.40

During the month of June, 1919, the following named citizens received dividends on policies expiring in July, 1919, on insurance in the same company, viz:

Names	Premium Paid	Dividend Paid
A. H. Corbett	\$18.75	\$ 3.75
A. Toy	58.08	11.61
O. O. Snyder	5.01	1.00
Alex Virgin	10.34	2.07

During the month of March, 1919, the following named citizens received dividends from the same company on policies expiring in April, 1919, viz:

Names	Premium Paid	Dividend Paid
W. W. Abbott	\$ 1.44	\$ .28
W. W. Abbott	23.80	4.76
J. C. Horiskey	24.30	4.86
John Horiskey	19.80	3.96

During the month of February, 1919, the following named citizens received dividends on policies in the same company, expiring in March, 1919, viz:

Names	Premium Paid	Dividend Paid
Gilligan & Stout	\$20.40	\$ 4.08
O. O. Snyder	4.90	.99
Nellie Virgin	13.09	3.00
J. C. Horiskey	24.30	4.86

This Company has paid losses within the last year to the following named citizens of O'Neill, insurance being paid within ten days after the loss in each case:

Names	Amount.
Seth Noble	\$5,092.00
E. A. Dimmitt	3,200.00
Harry Jordan	1,000.00
L. A. Burgess	800.00
Alex Virgin	24.60

The dividends were paid, whether or not, the assured renewed his insurance. Why not insure with the Nebraska National Insurance Company, of Lincoln, the profit sharing company, and a Home Company. A number of the above named citizens have received as many as three yearly dividends of 20% each. The premiums paid by the assured, above mentioned, were not any more than they would have paid in any other company doing business here.

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- 30c Jar Heinz Sour Spiced Pickles ..... 17c
- 2 15c Packages Egg Noodles ..... 25c
- 2-18c Packages Kellogg's Krumbles ..... 25c
- 2-18c Packages Corn Flakes ..... 25c
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