

MUST BUY LIGHT PLANT TO HAVE CREAMERY

Hanford Produce Company Tells Commercial Club City Must Purchase Present Plant As Price of Creamery.

The City of O'Neill will get a creamery and ice plant with the Hanford Produce Company signboard on it when the city sees fit to purchase its second-hand electric light and heating plant now operated by the company on the grave of the old creamery burned down a year or more ago.

O'Neill, however, is going to have a creamery, ice plant, and a poultry and egg packing establishment whether or not the Hanford company cares to rebuild. Kansas City capitalists are in correspondence with the Commercial club regarding the building of a plant here, and the officers of a co-operative butter making concern which also intends to locate a plant in Atkinson are inquiring as to the possibilities of locating in O'Neill.

In this connection attention of would-be investors is called to the fact that Holt county is fifth in dairy cattle and dairy products of the several counties of the state. Also that O'Neill long has needed, and needs more than ever now that ice for private consumption will not be put up this year, an artificial ice plant.

Following is the correspondence exchanged between Secretary Daly of the Commercial club, and J. W. Schunck, general manager of the Hanford Produce company, which shows just what the city may expect from the company unless it takes over the old lighting system:

Hanford Produce Co., Sioux City, Ia. Gentlemen: The business men of O'Neill expect to get out a booster book of O'Neill and Holt County this fall and I am writing you with a view of ascertaining your intentions regarding the erection of a creamery here in O'Neill.

I also wish to advise that there are a number of butter makers associations being organized in this part of the country and there is a corporation of that kind at Spencer and I understand that there is a promoter organizing one now at Atkinson. When these little independent butter factories are established in different towns over the country, it, no doubt, would have some effect on a creamery.

We would much prefer to have a large creamery established here in O'Neill than a small butter making factory which no doubt they will try to organize here if there is no move or announcement made that you people contemplate or intend definitely to build here.

If you feel so disposed I would like to have you write me your intentions in this matter and furnish me with as much information as you will at this time and I will give the facts some publicity.

Yours truly, C. M. Daly, Secretary.

C. M. Daly, Sec'y, O'Neill, Commercial Club, O'Neill, Neb.

Dear Sir: We are in receipt of your letter. The one thing that has held us back, principally, from building over at O'Neill is the extreme and abnormal cost of all kinds of building material and equipment, also the extreme shortage of help. We had the matter under consideration some weeks ago and on investigation found it would be practically necessary to import all the help that would be required to put up the building we had in mind from outside of O'Neill.

So far as Sioux City and Omaha is concerned, it is almost impossible for the construction company to get enough help to do the work. Material and equipment is hard to get, and we have decided to wait until these conditions become some what more normal.

We purchased some time ago a large portion of the vacant ground on the tractage that lies between the North Western and Burlington tracks. This tract is sufficient for all the buildings that we expect sometime in the future to put up there.

Then, too, we have already a pretty heavy investment at O'Neill in the shape of the local light and heating plants, which, before we make any further investment, we are very desirous of disposing of. It is out of our line of business and we really have not had the time to look after it, although we have given the proposition our very best attention and tried to give the people of O'Neill the kind of service they expect of the plant, and it has been expensive for us, and takes considerable of our time. It would seem to us that it would be a good plan and a good move on the part of the City of O'Neill to work out some plan whereby the city would own that plant.

When we are relieved of that burden then we can give the matter of putting up a creamery, ice plant, ice cream factory, and a department for handling eggs and poultry there pretty prompt attention.

We think a great deal of O'Neill as a location for a plant such as we have in mind and we have not changed the opinion we have held right along about that location, but the conditions and situations are such that it makes us feel that we should wait until they become a little more normal before we proceed.

Yours truly, HANFORD PRODUCE CO., J. V. Schunck, Gen. Mgr.

PYLE BROTHERS INDICTED FOR MURDER

Joe and Richard Pyle, the former O'Neill lads who recently were arrested in Sioux City for robbery and for being implicated in the murder of Jacob Christensen in a tax-cab in Sioux City, have been indicted both for murder and for robbery. The indictment charges the two Pyles alone with the murder of Christensen. Joe Pyle, Richard Pyle and James Bruno are indicted for the robbery of Mrs. Margaret Gaillet, 1806 Riverside Avenue, Sioux City. It was the holdup of the Gaillet home that led to the arrest of the Pyle brothers for the taxicab murder. Mrs. Gaillet noticed that one of the bandits carried a revolver with a broken handle. Acting on this tip the Sioux City police in a general roundup of crooks took in the Pyle boys. The broken-handled revolver was found in the possession of Joseph Pyle. A broken piece from a revolver, found in the taxicab in which Christensen was murdered fitted the handle of Pyle's gun and he later confessed to having been present at the murder.

Mrs. A. L. Wilcox and Miss Helen Wilcox entertained Saturday evening at cards in honor of their week-end guests, Captain Lester Gibson and Mrs. Gibson, of Chadron, Neb. Captain and Mrs. Gibson returned to Chadron Sunday evening.

ARNOLD'S FOREMAN SHOOT AT THIEVES

Neligh News: "L. W. Arnold, the big cattle feeder here, has had a heavy loss last year and this through theft of corn and hogs. He estimates the corn stolen from his feed yards at about 2,000 bushels and several head of hogs. This year it has been around 1,200 bushels of corn and also some hogs.

Last Friday evening, about eight o'clock, Charles Salisbury, his foreman, heard a noise out near the big pile of corn and taking a shot gun, went out to investigate. When he got near the corn he saw a man carrying corn in a basket to the road south of the cemetery and dump it into a wagon. Without warning he fired on the thief, who fell to the ground, yelling with pain. He quickly regained his feet, however, and ran to the fence where he was assisted by a second man to get over and into the wagon which started north. A second shot was fired at the fleeing team, but whether this charge struck the mark or not, is not known. As yet the identity of the thieves has not been proven, but many unfounded stories have gained circulation as to who it was and that the one who was shot has died. Authorities, however, have so far been unable to locate them, or connect them with the case, or at least say they have not. The whole case will be thoroughly investigated and thieves brought to justice if caught."

Mr. Arnold, who has just returned from Chicago, says that he does not know how much corn has been stolen from his Neligh feed yards. "My last year's bill for corn at these yards was \$98,000," he said to The Frontier in commenting on the shooting.

FRED WUPPER AND MISS TERESA DEVLIN MARRIED

Plainview News: Fred Wupper of McLean and Miss Theresa Devlin of Plainview, were married in Omaha, Wednesday, December 31st. They arrived home Friday afternoon and that evening a big wedding dinner was given in their honor at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Devlin. The groom is a banker at McLean, and is a man of high standing in the banking business. The bride is well and favorably known to all in Plainview, having resided here for a number of years. During the past two years she has taught in the public schools of McLean, in which vocation she has been very successful. They will make their home at McLean.

DEMOCRATIC CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION REFUSED.

William H. Green of Creighton, who was a delegate to the democratic national convention at Baltimore, answering a request from W. D. Jamison, treasurer of the democratic national committee for funds, in a letter dated December 15, wrote:

"I voted forty-three times for Woodrow Wilson at Baltimore. I again voted for him at St. Louis, but the present democratic party with its overload of southern tory autocracy is dying of dry rot, and I would not contribute five cents to give it a decent burial.

"Quieting title for the predatory trusts and corporations was not the mission those hewers of wood and haulers of water had hoped for the party they sacrificed to reorganize."

WANT THE JUDGE BACK

Brown County Democrat: The first of the present week a petition was circulated here and generously signed placing the name of Judge R. R. Dickson on the non-partisan ticket, as candidate to succeed himself as judge of the district court in this district. Judge Dickson has occupied the bench for eight years, and has given general satisfaction. He is recognized as being fearless and fair, and has made hosts of friends in a most difficult position.

It is the belief of the Democrat that his return would be more than satisfactory to the members of the bar generally throughout the district, and in fact many of them have already endorsed his candidacy. A rumor has been current in the district that W. M. Ely of this city was a candidate. Mr. Ely is authority for the statement that he is not a candidate.

LOCAL OWNED ICE PLANT BEING ORGANIZED

Business men of the city, despairing of any relief from the Hanford Produce company building a creamery and artificial ice plant to replace the creamery burned down a year and a half ago, will erect a \$35,000 ice plant financed entirely by local capital.

After discussing the matter at length stock lists were placed in circulation Wednesday by J. J. Thomas and James A. Brown and in a few minutes more than \$7,000 had been subscribed.

The new plant, which will cost about \$35,000, will be erected along the railroad. It will have a daily capacity of fourteen tons, sufficient to look after the city's needs both commercial and private, for some time to come. Among those who already have subscribed to the project are John L. Quig, James A. Brown, J. J. Thomas, C. E. Stout, S. J. Weekes, Charles M. Daly and J. F. O'Donnell, each for \$1,000, and Miss Florence McCafferty for \$500. No trouble in raising the entire amount in a few days is anticipated.

ODD FELLOWS MAY BUILD BUSINESS BLOCK THIS YEAR

The local lodge of the I. O. O. F., owners of considerable real estate and several buildings in the business section of the city, contemplate the erection of a two-story business block on the site of the old postoffice, construction to begin this spring. A committee appointed several weeks ago is investigating the possibilities and is getting estimates. At the regular meeting of the lodge Wednesday evening the committee asked for another week before submitting its report.

Two plans for a structure are being considered. One is to erect a second story on the postoffice building, the upper story to be used as lodge rooms by the order. The second is to extend the present building to the alley, taking in the store rooms now occupied by Graves, the jeweler, and Harty brothers, and to erect a second story over the entire structure, with the front finished for office rooms and the rear for lodge rooms. This type of building would give a street frontage of fifty-six feet, with two excellent store rooms on the ground floor. A definite program probably will be adopted at the lodge meeting next week.

CLARK-COFFEY.

Buffalo (S. D.) Times: At St. Anthony's Catholic church on Tuesday, December 30, at 8 o'clock in the morning occurred the marriage of Miss Mayme Coffey and Frank Clark, Rev. Fr. Shannon of Cox, officiating. Miss Edna Maney acted as maid of honor for the bride and George Jennings was the best man.

Miss Coffey is a sister of Mrs. T. P. McPharlin, and has resided at O'Neill, Neb., the former home of the groom, until the last two months, when she and her mother moved to this city. She is well known to some of our people, having visited here a couple of years ago. She was formerly employed at office work, but of late years the care of her invalid mother has taken all her time.

The groom is well and favorably known to every one in this vicinity, having settled on a homestead three miles northwest of town ten years ago. He is an industrious, capable business man and has acquired a nice body of land near town in addition to his thriving business.

The young couple will make their home for the present in the cottage recently occupied by Mrs. Witt.

The Times joins with their many friends in hoping that their pathway be free from troubles and their skies forever unclouded by the storms of care.

DEFENDS CATALOGUE HOUSES

Emmet, Neb., Jan. 20, 1920.

Dear Sir: As one of the many hundreds of women in Holt county, not to mention the hundreds of thousands elsewhere, who send to Sears Roebuck, Montgomery Ward & Co., and other reliable catalogue houses, I wish to protest against the slur cast by the "recording angel of O'Neill," against such women and also the men who marry them. For myself I can say that when I have paid a fair price for goods sent for to good catalogue houses I have always received good goods and have found them enough cheaper than I could buy at home that I was more than paid for my trouble and the freight charges. I always aim to buy of the home merchants, if they sell anywhere near right, and the catalogues are our market sheet, keeping us notified right along as to what is right. I consider this proof on our part of more business acumen than Mr. Brennan shows in his slurs on the women who patronize him (for most of them send orders I don't doubt). The only time a merchant has any business mixing in his customers' affairs, to my notion, is when they run

a bill at his store and then send off orders with their money that he feels (rightly) should be spent with him. We always try to pay cash therefore feel we are perfectly free to buy as we please without being "slammed."

ONE OF MANY.

LOCAL MATTERS.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hunter returned Saturday night from Omaha.

John Miskimmins, of Atkinson, was an O'Neill visitor Wednesday.

John Robertson, of Stuart, was an O'Neill visitor Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. L. C. Chapman visited friends at Sioux City the latter part of last week.

D. M. Stuart, of Stuart, was an O'Neill visitor the latter part of last week.

Judge R. R. Dickson left Thursday morning for a several days visit in Omaha.

Mrs. Etta Hall, of Norfolk, was a Sunday guest at the home of Mrs. Viola Brown.

E. L. Davies, one of Ewing's leading citizens, was an O'Neill visitor Monday.

Miss Mayme Cullen went down to Omaha Wednesday morning for a few days visit with friends.

Miss Helen Wilcox went down to Sioux City the latter part of last week for a few days visit.

Joe Winkler, of Emmet, was an O'Neill visitor last Tuesday and make a pleasant call at this office.

Mrs. John Ryan and children of Gillette, Wyoming, arrived in the city last week for a couple of weeks visit with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. James Moore are rejoicing over the arrival of a young daughter at their home, who arrived this morning.

Mrs. Bert Wattles, of Hot Springs, S. D., is in the city visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Harrington.

Frank Froelich left last Friday morning for York, Nebraska, where he will spend a few days visiting relatives and friends.

Miss Grace Carlon left Wednesday afternoon for Ainsworth, where she has a position in the law office of Attorney William Ely.

Pat Harty left last Tuesday morning for Atlanta, Georgia, where he has accepted a position traveling for the U. S. Rubber Co.

Mrs. L. W. Arnold and little granddaughter went to Omaha Tuesday morning, where the little one will undergo medical attention.

The Misses Elizabeth Donohoe and Grace Hammond left this morning for Omaha where they will spend a couple of weeks visiting friends.

Albert L. Beckwith, of O'Neill, and Miss Catherine Myerperter, of North Platte, Neb., were granted a marriage license in county court last Monday.

Mrs. George Mullen, of Omaha, arrived in the city the latter part of last week for a few days visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Holland.

J. W. Thomas, who was engaged in the banking business in this city a quarter of a century ago, died in Omaha last Tuesday night, as a result of an operation performed several days ago. Thomas conducted the O'Neill State bank, which was owned principally by G. W. Wattles of Omaha. The banking rooms were in the building now occupied by the O'Neill National bank, which was built as a home for the bank. After Mr. Thomas' removal to Omaha the bank was conducted by John McHugh, until it liquidated, about 1900. Mr. Thomas was sixty-seven years of age and had many friends in this city who will regret to learn of his death.

Sheriff Peter Duffy returned the last of the week from Omaha, where he was elected secretary of the state association of sheriffs and chief of police.

County Agent Frank Lancaster returned Tuesday evening from the farmers congress at Omaha and the meetings of the several agricultural societies at Lincoln.

Mrs. J. F. O'Donnell and Mrs. John W. Hiber entertained about forty of their lady friends at a seven o'clock dinner and progressive whist party at the Golden Hotel last evening.

Joe Harrison returned Wednesday morning from a several months stay at Riverton, Wyoming. After arranging his affairs here Mr. Harrison will return to Riverton to reside.

Miss Anna Donohoe, county superintendent, went down to Lincoln last Monday morning to attend a meeting of the superintendents of the state, which is being held in that city this week.

Earl Jensen of this city has purchased the William Wells farm seven miles north of Sioux City and will engage in dairying thereon. Mr. Jensen formerly was in the dairy business in Sioux City.

The next number of the lyceum course will be given at the Royal Theatre next Monday evening, January 26th. War Time Singers and Players with a vocal program and also a program on stringed instruments.

Secretary Arthur Ryan of the Holt county fair association went to Lincoln Tuesday morning to attend the meeting of the state fair association. While away Mr. Ryan will consult regarding attractions for the Holt county fair.

Joseph Rotherham and Miss Gladys Kennedy, both of Amelia, were granted a marriage license in county court last Friday. These young people are members of pioneer families of the southwest part of the county and they have many friends who wish them many years of happiness and prosperity.

Mrs. Margaret Dickerson died at her home in California last Thursday after an illness of several weeks, according to word received by relatives here the first of the week. Mrs. Dickerson was the daughter of Mrs. Jerry McCarthy and was born and grew to womanhood in this city. The family left here about a dozen years ago and have since resided at Butte, Mont. Deceased was about thirty years of age.

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BEST EVIDENCE A Nebraska State Bank check-book gives sure every-day evidence to you of every cent you receive or expend. Furthermore every check that you "make out" comes back to you the following month as positive evidence that you have made payment to the one who endorses it. What good reason is there for you not to use this service which this strong financial institution will supply you without cost. Come in and ask for a check-book. Nebraska State Bank

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