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Fire Destroys Frontier and Biglin Buildings

Fire, breaking out on the second floor of The Frontier building and presumably from a defective flue, destroyed the building and plant of the newspaper and also the building occupied by the implement store of the O. F. Biglin estate Thursday evening. The night was the coldest one to date of the winter season, and it was only by the most superhuman effort that the firemen, working in a temperature of fourteen below zero, were able to prevent the spreading of the flames to other buildings both north and south.

The intense cold of the night froze the spray from the hose nozzles so that the fire fighters were sheathed in ice and the freezing of the falling water on the streets and about the burning buildings despite the heat created by the conflagration, made their task an extremely dangerous one. The books, subscription lists and files of The Frontier were saved, as was most of the stock of implements and repair parts in the implement building.

The thanks of the owner and management of The Frontier is due and tendered to the firemen for the noble fight they made and also to Mr. Charles Daly, who furnished them with rubber mittens to prevent their hands from freezing and that they might better fight the flames, and to the Knights of Columbus, who in their hall maintained a relief station where men were served coffee and hot lunch and where in many cases their clothing literally had to be broken from them when they were brought in for warmth. To others innumerable heartfelt appreciation is extended for assistance rendered and particularly to Mr. George A. Miles and The Holt County Independent, the facilities of which newspaper were promptly extended during the progress of the blaze for the publication of The Frontier until temporary quarters can be secured and new equipment ordered.

New machinery and equipment already are being ordered and a new

building is to be erected by The Frontier and the O. F. Biglin estate on the sites of these destroyed. The new structures will be of brick and concrete fireproof construction.

LOCAL MATTERS.

Walt O'Malley has been on the sick list this week.

Ronald and Catherine Loy spent Monday in Sioux City.

Miss Bridget Carr went to Omaha Wednesday for a short visit.

Edward Henderson was down from Ainsworth Tuesday on some business matters.

John Robertson was down from Stuart Wednesday looking after some business matters.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Golden and daughter, Constance, came up from the ranch near Ewing Monday.

Mrs. J. P. Gilligan enjoys a visit last week from her cousin, Mrs. Will Campbell, of Helena, Montana.

The Frontier printed and delivered the Holt County Educational Directories to the county superintendent last week.

Mrs. Quinten Deaver is here from Casper, Wyoming, on a visit to her mother, Mrs. O'Donnell, and other relatives.

Miss Irene O'Donnell came home from Lincoln last Sunday where she has been visiting with her sister, Miss Maxine.

The Farm Bureau directors met on Monday and sold the building to J. W. Hickey, and closed the Farm Bureau office here.

Charles Pettijohn came down from his ranch northwest of Stuart and is visiting with his wife during the holiday season.

Judge R. R. Dickson and Reporter C. B. Scott returned home Tuesday from Butte, where they have been holding court.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Sauer will go to Hooper, Nebraska, next Wednesday for a visit with Mr. Sauer's parents over Christmas.

Edward Janering, a young man about twenty-five years of age, was before the insanity board last Friday. He was taken to Norfolk the same day.

About twenty friends of Mrs. John Quig gathered at the Quig home last Monday evening and assisted her in celebrating her birthday anniversary.

L. C. McKim, chairman of the board of supervisors of this county, was compelled to travel with the aid of a cane last week, because he stepped on a nail.

The Royal Theatre will give a Free Matinee Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock. All the children of O'Neill and surrounding country are cordially invited to attend.

Foster Loy, of Fort Scott, Kansas, was here last week visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. F. Loy. Mr. Loy is chief engineer in the ice plant in his home town.

Dr. Margaret Frost expects to go to Omaha next Sunday where she will spend the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Dan McGinty and with her son, Rolland and family.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Chase last Wednesday evening at the H. W. Tomlinson home in this city. Mr. and Mrs. Chase reside in the Opportunity neighborhood.

Miss Gertrude Hart, of Omaha, spent several days last week at the home of Miss Miriam Gilligan. Miss Hart is employed in the office of the internal revenue collector in Omaha.

Attorney Henry Beal, of Omaha, was in O'Neill last Tuesday representing the German consul in the probate of the estate of the late Herman Patak, who died at Phoenix, Nebraska, last October.

The warm weather of last Thursday and Friday has been followed by extreme cold weather this week. The government thermometer has registered from eight to fifteen degrees below zero every night this week.

D. Abdouch returned home Monday from Sioux City, Iowa, where he was called the previous Saturday to attend the funeral services for a cousin, Ekel Abdouch, who died last Thursday.

John Nolan is now sporting one of the finest overcoats in this part of the state. Some time ago John secured a number of beaver hide and had them made into an overcoat which he received from his tailor last Thursday.

Christmas trees illuminated by electric lights, in front of all business places, in the scheme of decoration for the business section of O'Neill a week before Christmas until after the holidays. The scheme was suggested by Mrs. Georgia Rasley. Sidewalk sockets used in the place of uniform flag decoration in the city will hold the trees, which will be lighted from an overhead circuit. The illumination will begin Thursday evening of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Zimmerman will leave Friday for Hutchinson, Kansas, where they will visit over the holidays with their son Leo, and family. Mr. and Mrs. Zimmerman will be away for about a month. They will visit with their son, Harold, at Hastings before their return.



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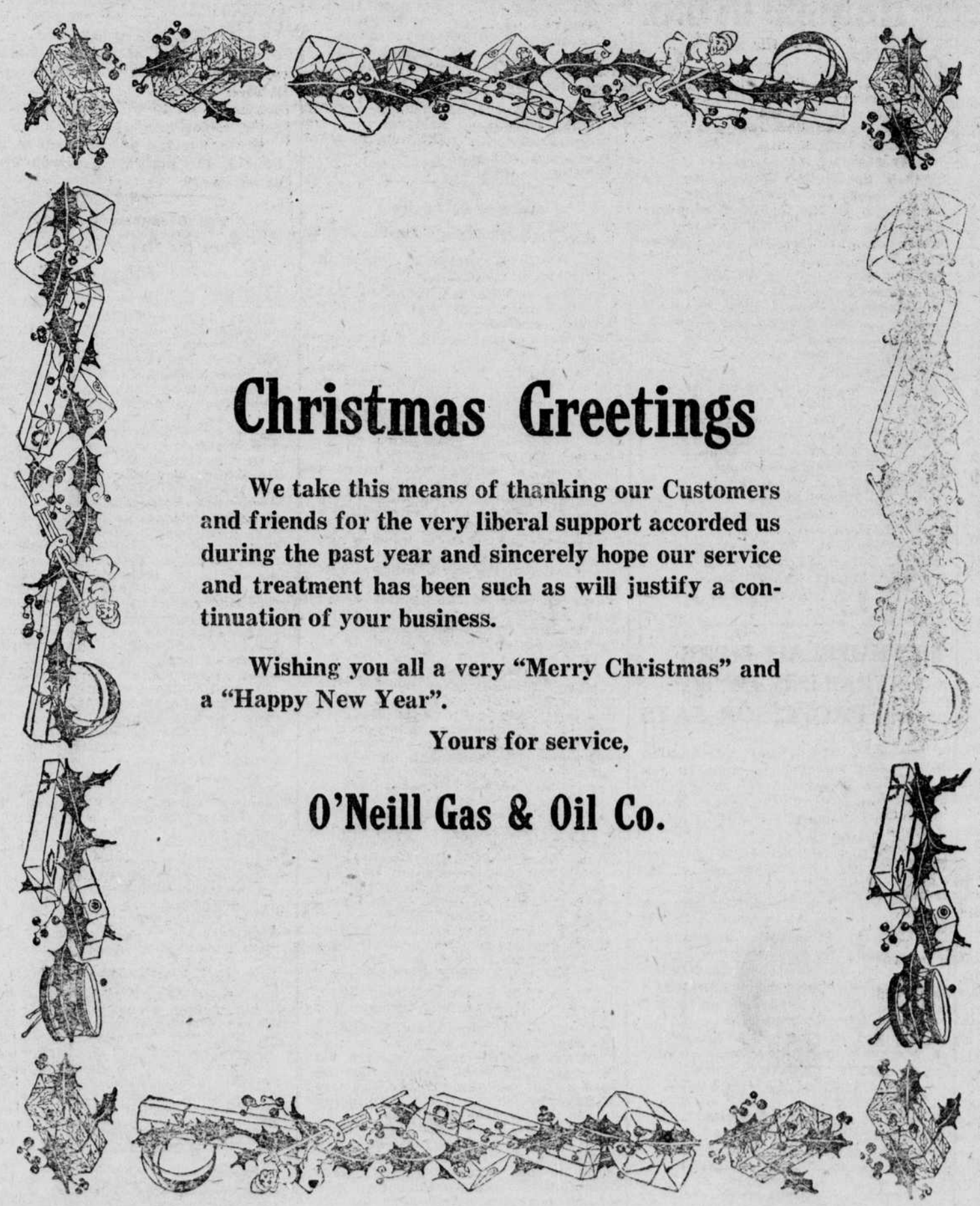
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Christmas Greetings

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Wishing you all a very "Merry Christmas" and a "Happy New Year".

Yours for service,

O'Neill Gas & Oil Co.

Mrs. Mary Mullen will leave Sunday for Oakland, California, where she will spend the winter with her son, Francis. A number of her neighbor friends gave her a surprise party last Thursday afternoon, at her home.

Miss Maude Gillespie county clerk of Sheridan county, stopped in O'Neill last Saturday for a short visit with her brother, L. G., and family, on her way home to Rushville. Miss Gillespie had been in Omaha attending the convention of county clerks.

Supervisors L. C. McMin, L. E. Skidmore and John Sullivan accompanied by County Clerk E. F. Porter, spent several days last week attending the state convention of the supervisors and county clerks of the state, which was held in Omaha. The convention recommended the passage of a two cent gasoline tax at the coming session of the legislature.

Representative and Mrs. J. M. Hunter expect to leave Saturday morning for Tipton, Iowa, where they will visit a sister of Mrs. Hunter's. They will spend Sunday in Omaha with Mr. and Mrs. Pat O'Donnell, former residents of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Hunter will go to Lincoln from their visit where Mr. Hunter will assume the duties of representative of the 64th district.

WAR VETERANS ARE URGED TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF NEW LAW

The U. S. Veteran's Bureau is sending out an appeal to veterans of the late war urging them to take advantage of their benefits under the World War Veterans' Act of 1924.

One of the provisions of this Act allows special benefits to veterans suffering from tuberculosis, mental diseases, paralysis agitans or shaking palsy, encephalitis lethargica or sleeping sickness and amoebic dysentery. Any honorably discharged veterans of the World War who develops these disabilities before January 1, 1925 is entitled to compensation and hospitalization. Prior to the enactment of this law last June, veterans suffering from these disabilities had to prove that they were caused by their army service. Because of the difficulties in getting medical evidence in these diseases and proving that they developed within 3 years after discharge Congress extended the time limit and requires no proof of service connection. All that is necessary now is for the veteran thus disabled to apply before January 1, 1925. He is then examined and rated.

The new law makes some 50,000 veterans eligible for compensation who were disqualified under the old law. As the records of these men were on file in the Veterans Bureau they were notified to report for a new examination. According to the officials of the bureau, there are many

disabled veterans who have never applied for Government aid, and who are now entitled to it. Red Cross offices and American Legion posts have been asked to co-operate in locating these ex-service men and urging them to file applications before the time limit expires on January 1, 1925. Veterans who have previously been turned down are told to file new claims. Widows, orphans, and dependent parents of veterans who have died of these disabilities are also urged to apply for death compensation.

FOX-CLYDE.

The wedding of Harley Fox and Miss Mary Clyde occurred at the home of the bride's brother in Sioux City, Iowa, of Wednesday evening, December 10th.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Clyde, who reside near Page. Harley is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Fox, who reside near O'Neill. These young people are among the most highly respected citizens of the county.

The young people will make their home on a farm near O'Neill.

Woman's Club Activities.

On Wednesday, December 10th, the Household Economics Department held their regular scheduled meeting and carried out their program in full. A good attendance was present and enjoyed very much the work of the afternoon.

Community singing was led by Mrs. Clauson, who was leader for the afternoon. Mrs. Weekes was at the piano.

Mrs. L. A. Burgess demonstrated the wrapping of Christmas packages, and many new and novel ideas were brought out, which delighted the prospective givers of Christmas gifts.

Mrs. Geo. Longstaff, who is particularly noted for her plum pudding, revealed her private recipe to those who were lucky enough to be present, and afterwards served that most delectable dish to each one.

On account of the extremely cold weather, and the illness of some of those on the program, the regular meeting of the Music Department was postponed indefinitely.

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