

# Order Your Turkey or Meats Early and Get the Best

We will have in stock all the good things to be found in a high-class Meat Market for your Christmas Dinner. For your dressed Turkeys, Chickens, Ducks, Geese, we will ask you to leave your order as soon as possible so that we can have for you just the kind and size you would wish. We make a specialty of giving our customers just what they wish and we are asking them to help us in their Christmas order by letting us know now what they wish.

Remember that we have steaks of the nice juicy kind, and all kinds of cured and salt meats, as well as all the other thing usually kept in a Market.

## J. B. Ryan Meat Market

### Financial Condition of Holt County, By R. H. Parker.

During the past three years I have been examining and going over the real estate mortgage records of Holt county, Nebr., and believe that I have compiled statistics on the encumbered and unencumbered lands of the county that are nearly correct.

I have examined the mortgage records to ascertain how much the real estate mortgage indebtedness is. I have been loaning money on farms and ranches for the past 14 years and my business has prompted me to know what land is mortgaged and what land is clear.

I am pleased and agreeably surprised to find that my figures show half of the farms in Holt county, Nebr. or 50% of them are free and clear of encumbrance. And I estimate that of the other half or 50% there are about 25% or one-fourth normally mortgaged with only good, healthy normal mortgages.

This makes 50% or one-half of them clear; 25% normally mortgaged; and of the last 25 per cent I find 15 per cent are quite heavily encumbered but not in the danger zone, and with careful management will pay out.

This leaves 10% which I estimate are in course of foreclosure. Some people will deny this because they hear of some foreclosures. But my dear people, when you hear of a farm foreclosure, you do not consider the 8 or 10 neighboring farms that are clear or nearly so. You hear of the farm in foreclosure and do not hear of the 8 or 10 farms near by that are clear, not a word is said about them.

It is true that quite a number of farms close to O'Neill and in the locality where speculation was great, are in foreclosure; but when you go beyond that locality, either north on the creeks and river, where speculation was not so great you will find sturdy

farmers who have lived there several years with clear farms today. The same is true when you go up and down the Elkhorn river and over in the Chambers and Amelia districts; also among the farmers who live north of O'Neill who did not sell, there you will find many clear farms.

I find that the demand for loans on farms is decreasing, not many people borrowing money now; and my loan companies have plenty of money to loan and are urging me to send them more loans. This shows the financial condition of this county is getting extra good.

To me it seems that there will be money turned to purchasing farms in the near future. Big money must get a certain amount of "kick" from their money, and when they can not find loans enough to absorb their money, naturally they will turn their attention to speculation in land.

I actually believe there will be several farms sold in the very near future.

Respectfully,  
R. H. PARKER,  
O'Neill, Nebraska.

### MRS. ED. HOBBS.

(Atkinson Graphic, Dec. 12.)  
Dora A. Elwood was born in Sidney, New York, October 2, 1847, and died in Atkinson, Nebraska, December 3, 1924, age 77 years, 2 months and 1 day. In 1869 she was married to Ed. Hobbs. They moved to Sutton, Nebraska, in 1890, and to Atkinson in 1900.

Twin daughters mourn her departure. Mrs. Arvilla Howard, of Omaha, and Mrs. Arilla Bessey of Atkinson. Also Vera Barnes, a granddaughter, and Gaius Green, a grandson and George Green a great grandson.

Mrs. Hobbs was a life-long member of the Methodist church, and was always a regular and faithful attendant. Funeral services were conducted at the Methodist church Friday, December 5th. The pastor took as his text, "She Hath Done What She Could." A large attendance of friends and neighbors, notwithstanding the deep snow, attested the high esteem in which she was held by all who knew her.

### PLEASANT VALLEY.

(From last week.)  
Mrs. Mabel Hayne is on the sick list this week.

George Fink finished corn picking last week.

Edward Gras is picking corn for Jim Shanner this week.

Constance Grass spent the week end with Minnie Hart in Middle Branch.

Elsie Hamilton, of O'Neill, spent the week end at the Charlie Grass home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Morey, of Page, and Claude Hamilton, visited Sunday at the Perry Grass home.

John Hayne and family, John Davenport and family, Will Brown and family autoed to Burton, Nebraska, for Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Strk, and Walter Hopkins, of Inman, spent Thanksgiving at the Wm. Anderson home.

### PLEASANTVIEW ITEMS.

(From last week.)  
E. L. Hammill did some work on a well at the George Shingler home last week.  
D. M. Armstrong had a double deck car of sheep on the Omaha markets Monday.  
Mrs. Ivan Cone is on the sick list under the care of Dr. Sturdevant of Atkinson.  
Mr. and Mrs. Nels Anderson were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Klingler Sunday.  
Karl Hoppe expects to leave Monday for a visit in Omaha and other places this winter.

Tommy Maring, Jr., sold 1,000 bushels of shelled corn to Mr. Waters, of Atkinson, at \$1.00 per bushels this week.

Frank Heeb and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Walnofer, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bohoe spent Sunday afternoon with Herman Klingler.

Miss Genevieve Cleary of near Emmet, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Klingler spent Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Winkler.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Heeb, Mr. and Mrs. John Galleger, Misses Elizabeth and Emma Hinkle called on Mr. and Mrs. Frank Heeb and family Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kiddle and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Schane, Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Miller spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Cone near Atkinson.

A fire on the prairie about thirteen miles north of Atkinson called for help Sunday afternoon; luckily it was put out without burning hay or buildings. The cause of the fire is unknown.

On Monday evening about thirty neighbors and friends sprang a surprise on Bailey Miller to remind him of his birthday. Luncheon was served and all returned home wishing Mr. Miller many more happy birthdays.

Miss Genevieve Cleary and Miss Margaret Gallagher's horse ran away while driving home from school Monday evening. The girls came out lucky but their buggy was broken up quite a little. Their horse ran home.

One of the pleasant events of the season occurred last Wednesday evening when about fifty friends and neighbors sprang a surprise on Joe Bruder at his home. The evening was spent at cards and dancing luncheon of sandwiches, cake and fruit salad and coffee were served, all returning home at a late hour hoping for many returns of the evening.

Saturday evening about thirty friends and neighbors gathered at the home of Nels Anderson to remind him of his seventieth birthday anniversary. The evening was spent in a social way. The Disterhop orchestra furnished music. Luncheon was served.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hershberger left Tuesday for Mitchell, Illinois, for a visit with Mr. Hershberger's mother; also a visit to a son and family in Minnesota, on returning home they will visit a sister of Mrs. W. E. Hershberger at Oxford, Wisconsin.

### EMMET DOINGS.

Dec. 16, 1924.  
The cold weather of the last few days has caused a good many of the good towns people (and others) to do their full winter regalia as well as purchase a goodly supply of coal.

What we would consider a very fortunate accident happened on Tuesday night of last week when Section Foreman J. H. Coleman, J. J. Shortill, and R. S. Harris, railway employes, and W. A. Cosgrove, depot agent, were returning from O'Neill on the gas car where they had been to see the Dempsey-Frippo fight shown at Royal theatre in that city. They saw the light of an approaching train as they were nearing home and thought it to be through freight No. 119 and knew that if it was they would have plenty of time to make the tool house ahead of it, upon nearing town they saw that the train was fast over taking them and decided to stop and take the car off, when they applied the brakes and tried to stop the rails were so icy that they had a hard time to get the car stopped. They jumped off and in their haste to get the car off did not notice that the train was upon them.

Shortill and Cosgrove were fortunate enough to jump clear of the track but Coleman and Harris, who were at the front end of the car could not get out of the way and were thrown with the car a little over three rail lengths and landed in the ditch, the train stopped which proved to be No. 3 a, a flier making better than 40 miles an hour. The boys were picked up by the train crew and taken to the depot while Harris was taken to Atkinson to the hospital and was later taken to Norfolk where it proved that aside from a few severe bruises he was unharmed and is able to get around with crutches. Mr. Coleman has gone to his home at Inman and we understand he is coming along as well as could be expected after such a shaking up as he got, he is also on crutches. The boys are congratulating themselves.

J. C. Graham was in Omaha on business slast week.

Clara Heinowski was a passenger on the Sunday morning train to Omaha where she will spend the Christmas holidays.

The business men of Emmet say that the Christmas business is getting well under way and that buying is very brisk especially on all useful articles although there is only nine (9) more shopping days until Xmas they feel that the buying this year will far surpass all previous years, they are showing far more extensive lines than ever before.

Hay is moving quite rapidly again after a tie up of about a week on account of the roads being impassible after the heavy snow of a week ago.

Some improvements were done this week in the south part of town, the railway company put in a sider walk running south from the east end of the platform across their right of way, this walk will be replaced with cement in the spring as soon as the work can be done.

W. A. Cosgrove is renewing old ac-

quaintances in Norfolk this week.  
Let us help you with that Xmas problem this year we have a very nice line of attractive and useful articles that will make beautiful gifts, such as silk neck ties, silk hose, woolen shirts, flannel shirts, leather vests, mittens, blankets, baby blankets, men's and boys' caps, bracelets, necklaces, cuff links, barginis, barretts, leather belts, belt buckles, tie clasps, bobby combs, belt chains, ever-sharp pencils with neck ribbons, and many other articles, also a nice line of m-o office.

### PLEASANTVIEW ITEMS.

Fritz Neilor called on Ed Early Friday.  
Mr. and Mrs. John Hinkler were in Atkinson on business Thursday.

Miss Elizabeth Hinkle, of Lincoln, spent Thursday with Mrs. Albert Klingler.

Herman Klingler and Elmer Strong called on Christ Gleiser and family Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Aline Walnofer is home to their many friends on the Alice Heeb farm.

Homer Ernst of near O'Neill, is shelling corn for some of the Pleasantview farmers.

Miss Francis Elder, teacher of the Early district, dismissed school part of last week on the account of a sore jaw caused by extracting a tooth, is back on duty this week.

D. M. Armstrong bought two loads of shelled corn of Elmer Warner Saturday. Ed Steskall and son, John, shelled for him. Same sheller shelled corn for Melvin Klingler Monday.

Oscar Fullerton Sr. and son, Robert, shipped a car load of sheep from Emmet to Omaha markets Tuesday.

Raymond Fullerton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Fullerton accompanied the car to Omaha where he will visit relatives of his mother's a few days.

Gerhard Jenzing and family, of Emmet, called on Fred Sieberts family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Klingler and son, Melvin, and Miss Elizabeth Hinkle, of Lincoln, spent Wednesday evening at the home of F. Sieberts.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Thushla and family, Michel Troshinski, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Murphy and son, of near Emmet, spent Sunday with Mr. and Joe Bruder and family.

### A TEST OF YEARS.

Is the Experience of This O'Neill Resident.

Are you miserable with an aching back? Feel tired, nervous and run down? Do you have daily headaches, dizzy spells and annoying urinary disorders? Then why not take the advice of an O'Neill resident who suffered as you do and found lasting relief by using Doan's Pills—a stimulant diuretic to the kidneys. Here is an O'Neill case that the years haven't changed. Why not profit by it.

H. W. Ritts, prop. Merchants Delivery Co., says: "I suffered with weak back and was in such a bad way that every time I stopped, pains derted through my back. An ache through the small of my back bothered me and when I sat down it was only with great effort I could get up again. I used Doan's Pills and two boxes cured me."

NEARLY ELEVEN YEARS LATER, Mr. Ritts said: "My cure has been a lasting one. I am glad to tell others about Doan's Pills."

60c. at all dealers. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.

### (First publication Nov. 27) NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Estate No. 1701.  
In the County Court of Holt County, Nebraska, November 26, 1924.

In the matter of the Estate of Joseph C. Horiskey, Deceased.

CREDITORS of said Estate are hereby notified that the time limited for presenting claims against said estate is March 31st, 1925, and for the payment of debts is November 26th, 1925, and that on December 31st, 1924, and on April 1st, 1925, at 10 o'clock A. M., each day, I will be at the County Court Room in said County to receive, examine, hear, allow, or adjust all claims and objections duly filed (County Court Seal.)  
C. J. MALONE,  
County Judge.

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### Gifts That Are Sure to Please

Give Jewelry for Christmas. We have a gift for every name in your Christmas list. Come in and see our complete line of Diamonds, Watches and Jewelry. Special prices on Silverware.

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Jewelry of All Kinds

Toilet Articles  
Manicure Sets  
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Belts for Gents

A Lot of Other Articles

Come and See The New Things We Have For Your Christmas Buying.

## W. B. Graves O'Neill, Nebraska



### (First publication Dec. 18.) (W. J. Hammond, Attorney.)

#### NOTICE OF GUARDIAN'S SALE.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a license granted to me by the District Court of Holt County, Nebraska, in an action pending in said Court entitled "In the matter of the application of Zada Russ, formerly Zada Schreier, guardian of Henrietta Schreier, a minor for leave to sell real estate," dated December 1, 1924, I will offer for sale and sell to the highest bidder for cash, subject to all encumbrances, the undivided one-half interest of Henrietta Schreier a minor in the Court

ing real estate in Holt County, Nebraska, to-wit: South Half of South Half, and the North Half of Southeast Quarter and the South Half of North-east Quarter of Section 18, in Township 25 North, of Range 11 West of the 6th Principal Meridian, on the 7th day of January, 1925, at ten o'clock A. M. at the front door of the CCourt House in the City of O'Neill, Holt County, Nebraska. Said sale will remain open for one hour.

ZADA RUSS, formerly Zada Schreier, guardian of Henrietta Schreier, a minor.  
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## Announcement:

I have purchased the Neil P. Brennan Stock of Hardware and have moved it across the street to the New Gatz Building, where I will conduct a first-class Hardware Store with both Light and Heavy Hardware.

Although my new goods have not yet all arrived, I am now open for business.

## H. E. Coyne

## Gifts for the Home and the entire family

BRIDGE LAMPS  
SMOKER STANDS  
CEDAR CHESTS  
SEWING CABINETS

DAVENPORT TABLES  
DOLL BEDS  
CARPET SWEEPERS

Buy Her a Hoover for Christmas

## O. F. BIGLIN, O'Neill

W. A. Cosgrove is renewing old ac-