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2307 Pass Through Pork Special Train

A large number of farmers, accompanied by their families, were in O'Neill Wednesday morning to visit the Profitable Pork Special. The door of the train was opened promptly at nine o'clock and immediately the large crowd began to file through the train. The high school and seventh and eighth grades went through the train and took notes which they will use as a part of their school work during the remainder of the week. The records of Mr. Kuska show that 2,307 persons passed through the train during its stay in O'Neill.

The special left for Orchard promptly at 12 o'clock, where it spent the afternoon; Wednesday evening was spent at Plainview.

Educational features in the Profitable Pork Special are included in five exhibit coaches and one open flat car. Without question the exhibits were the most attractive to ever appear in a special train operated in Nebraska. All the pictures were tinted, all the tables were decorated with split ears of yellow corn.

The first coach which the crowd here entered emphasized the size of the hog industry, uniform production of hogs from year to year, and the contrast between diseased hogs and healthy hogs raised in the hog lot sanitation system.

The second car was the open flat car which has been referred to as the "water wagon" car. On it were mounted properly constructed A-type hog houses, a self feeder and a water wagon and tank similar to those used by many Nebraska farmers who haul their water out to pigs on pasture.

Only two exhibits filled coach No. 3. The first was an A-type hog house and a bunch of thrifty pigs that have actually been raised on clean ground and housed in a small house. The contrasting exhibit was a bunch of diseased pigs and some old equipment which is still too often used by Nebraska farmers in their attempt to raise profitable pork.

Ernest Whisenand of Harvard was in the next coach with his hogs to show and tell what he is actually doing with hog lot sanitation on his Clay county farm. He had the boar, some of the sows and some of the pigs used and produced this year. In the last half of the same coach were other hogs fed in experimental tests at the college of agriculture in Lincoln this year. Their rations, cost of gain, and total gain were given on the panels above them. Prof. William J. Loeffel who has charge of these tests had promised to bring the annual rooters day out to the country and this exhibit was his offering. The test this year compared ground wheat and tankage and with corn alone.

Coach number five was devoted entirely to feeds and feeding. The first part of it was about pastures and stressed the importance of hardy alfalfa. Balanced rations were pictured by a clever little pig which has been able to balance a sack of feed on his nose in spite of the motion of the train on the tour. Self feeders, pasture, tankage, milk, minerals, etc., were included in the last end of the coach.

The pig tail coach occupied its proper position, number six of the train. The pig tail turned out to be a comparison between three types of hogs; one, the "cob roller" type called Shorty in the exhibit. The other, the medium type called Ham And; and the other, the extremely big type called Highpockets. Carcasses of these three types were also hanging in the coach and cuts of meat off the three carcasses showed the difference in finish, desirable cuts, etc.

The supply of circulars handed out from the train were kept at the end of the coach and given to people just as they stepped off. The main circular, just off the press entitled "Profitable Pork Production" was written by O. O. Waggener, who has had charge of the preparation of the exhibits. The circular summarizes the exhibits in the train and gives some figures which farmers will want to keep.

One of the slogans of the train which will be remembered by most of the farmers who went through the coaches is "Give the Pig a Chance." This slogan appeared several times in the exhibits and was included in both the publications of the Extension Service and the Burlington railroad.

Breed right, prevent disease, feed right, were the three sub-divisions of the slogan. These three short statements really summarize the exhibits of the train.

Hogmen were urged to take a tip from the highway engineers and cut off the ups and downs of hog production. The example was given of prices

in 1924 and 1925. Eight pigs actually brought more money in 1924 than nine pigs in 1925. The difference is due entirely in price per pound paid in the two years.

Diseases which can be prevented largely through hog lot sanitation took one out of four pigs farrowed in Nebraska. Hogmen were appealed to on the hog lot basis in one exhibit which showed that twelve sows on hog lot sanitation system would raise a better carload of pigs than 16 sows in infected hog yards.

Dr. L. A. Es of the College of Agriculture one of the leading authorities on animal diseases in the world, prepared three panel exhibits showing necro in an intestine, worms in the lungs of a pig, and worms in the intestine of a pig. Necro and hog worms can thrive and reproduce rapidly in old filthy hog lots. Farmers say the best way to handle them is to keep the pigs away from the old hog lots. For best results they recommend clean sows, clean pens, and clean pastures.

This was emphasized in one exhibit by a bucket of water, a scrub brush and a cake of soap decorated up with a sign "for the sow"; and also another bucket, broom pitchfork and spade with a sign "for the pens."

This water wagon car which had created some comment before the train arrived turned out to be an equipment car featuring the Nebraska blizzard beater type of hog houses. A self feeder such as is used out on clean pasture, and a self watering stock tank and the actual water wagon used to haul water from the well at the house to pigs out in the field. Farmers may have a general idea of what this equipment is like but they did spend a lot of time on this flat car looking over the details of the house, the feeder and the watering outfit.

Those who went through the train and stopped to talk with Ernest Whisenand of Harvard were well impressed with his story of how he has raised hogs profitably for the past 16 years. Mr. Whisenand had a boar, a sow, and some of the pigs from his own farm in some pens on the train. Hogs have paid for several hundred acres of good Clay county land for this man and he says there has not been a single year in the last 16 that he has not made some money with his hogs. He is said to be the first man in the state to work out and adopt the present hog lot sanitation system of raising hogs.

Alfalfa seed may look good but not be good, according to the first exhibit in the feeds and feeding coach. Two samples of seed were shown there, one of them hardy northern grown seeds and the other Arizona seed. Plants of each kind were growing in boxes side by side in the next exhibit. This was to represent the alfalfa as it appears the first fall after it is sown. The next spring the Arizona alfalfa would be grown feed as shown in the next pair of boxes.

Those in charge of the exhibits put this pair of boxes in the refrigerator at the college and froze them for only one hour. Within a few hours the Arizona plat appeared entirely dead while the northern hardy plant was still as green as ever.

Pictures of the live hogs, carcasses and cuts of meat told the story of "Shorty," "Ham And" and "High Pockets," the three types of hogs commonly found in this country. "Shorty" is the little cob roller type that gets fat early and makes a carcass that is to fat for most consumers. "Ham And" is a medium type which makes economical gains and yields a high percent of desirable cuts of meat. "High Pockets" is the extremely big type hog, unwept, unhonored and unsung. He does not mature and fatten up at desirable weights and his carcass is ham, unfinished, and flabby.

Town people as well as country people appreciate the lesson in this coach because they see the carcasses of hogs and the cuts of meat with which they are familiar.

Boys and girls going through the train were given little circulars entitled "A Pig Tale." Contents of the circular describe a normal boy going through the train and getting all enthused about the hog business. This boy talked the matter over with the other boys at school and then decided to see the county extension agent about a pig club. The agent helped them form a pig club and get started right in the hog business.

If any boys and girls between 10 and 20 years of age in this community wish to get started in any kind of a 4-H club they should either see the nearest county extension agent or write directly to the state club office.

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ROSS—LINES

Clyde Ross and Miss Alma Lines, both of Inman Nebraska, were united in marriage at the parsonage of the Methodist church by the pastor, Rev. O. A. Fortune, on Saturday, September 28th.

BAUSCH—CHASE

The marriage of Charles Bausch of this city and Mrs. Mary A. Chase, of near Page, Nebraska, occurred in Neligh on Saturday, September 21st. Mr. and Mrs. Bausch have taken up housekeeping in the Bazelman residence in the eastern part of the city. The Frontier joins the many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Bausch in wishing them continued prosperity.

HONEYCUTT—MORTON

The wedding of John Honeycutt and Pearl Morton was solemnized in Neligh last Tuesday. Following the wedding, Mr. and Mrs. Honeycutt went to North Loup, Nebraska where they are visiting at the home of the former's parents. They are expected home the latter part of the week.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Morton of this city and is well known by everyone in this vicinity. She is the proprietress of the Marcel Beauty Parlor and is a young lady with hosts of friends. Mr. Honeycutt is also well and favorably known in this community; he has played baseball with the O'Neill team for several seasons and has won the plaudits of the baseball enthusiasts many times by his seemingly phenomenal pitching.

The Frontier joins their many friends in extending congratulations.

MR. AND MRS. S. DOWNEY BUY ROYAL THEATRE

Mr. and Mrs. Sumner Downey purchased the Royal Theatre and the adjoining lot from W. M. Miller, of Omaha, the first of the week, and will take possession December 1st. We understand that Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rasely will continue to operate the theatre as in the past.

SCHOOL DISTRICTS ORGANIZE P. T. A.

School districts numbers 37 and 62 perfected a joint Parents and Teacher's Association Tuesday evening at the school house in district 37, nine miles northeast of O'Neill. Miss Chloe Baldrige, of Lincoln, State P. T. A. Vice-President, and County Superintendent Luella Parker, were present and explained the object and work of the organization. The following officers were elected: John Schmidt, President; Hurley Jones, Vice-President; Miss Katherine McCarthy, Secretary; Miss Knapp, Treasurer. Miss Ruby Knapp and Miss Katherine McCarthy are the teachers in these districts and should be commended for the interest they manifested in the promotion of this organization. It was voted to hold the next meeting at the school house in district No. 62 on October 11th. Miss McCarthy and Miss Knapp served lunch at the close of the business.

A BOY SCOUT TROOP ORGANIZED WEDNESDAY

A Boy Scout Troop was organized in the basement of the Methodist church on Wednesday evening.

The temporary organization consists of Elmer Bowen, Scout Master; Pete Hereford, assistant Scout Master; Bennett Gillespie and Thomas Liddy, Patrol Leaders; Rev. O. A. Fortune, sponsor.

The following boys have signed up and are members of the troop:

- Herbert Morgan
- John Harbottle
- Merland Savidge
- Robert Lubker
- Bill Lubker
- Bennet Gillespie
- Garland Bressler
- Harold Sexsmith
- Max Hough
- Thomas Abdouch
- Thomas Liddy
- Jack Cromwell
- Hugh Ryan
- Mike Hart
- Roland Crellia

LOCAL NEWS.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Vince Suchy of this city, at a hospital in Sioux City, Iowa, last week.

C. E. Stout, John Carr, W. J. Biglin and John O'Malley were called to Norfolk Monday to serve on the Federal jury.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Oppen were over from Creighton last Sunday visiting with their sons James and Ralph and daughter Gurna.

Bob Haley suffered a severe laceration of the right hand last Sunday when a shotgun he was carrying was accidentally discharged.

EARL ROOT PLEADS GUILTY; SENTENCED TO REFORMATORY

Earl Roots was arraigned before Judge Dickinson in District Court on Wednesday of last week where he pleaded guilty to forging two checks of \$10.00 each and to the passing of "no fund" checks. He was given a sentence of not less than one year nor more than two years in the reformatory for men, on two counts, the sentences will run concurrently.

O'NEILL WOMAN'S CLUB ENTERTAINS TEACHERS

A reception was given for the teachers of the public school by the Woman's Club, at the club rooms on Wednesday evening.

Miss Thelma Riley, accompanied on the piano by Miss Helen Reardon, sang two vocal numbers; Miss Ruth Scott rendered two violin numbers; she was accompanied on the piano by her mother, Mrs. Jeanne Scott.

After a short business session, a social hour was enjoyed, followed with a lunch served by the social committee, Mrs. H. E. Coyne, Mrs. R. E. Gallagher, Mrs. James McPharlin, Mrs. H. H. Haffner and Mrs. Frank Howard.

SURGEONS WATCH GIRL, OPEN PIN IN STOMACH

(Omaha World-Herald, Oct. 3)

With nurses and surgeons watching her condition closely, Mildred Robinson, 17-year-old Atkinson, Neb., high school senior, is in St. Joseph's hospital with an open safety pin lodged in her stomach.

The girl swallowed the pin at her home Tuesday morning. After x-ray pictures taken by an Atkinson physician showed the pin in her throat, she was brought to Omaha for its removal. At the hospital here, however, x-ray technicians failed to find the pin in her oesophagus. Further examination revealed that she had swallowed it.

Physicians said that the pin should

New Cream, Poultry and Egg Station

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be discharged from her system, but view her condition serious.

Apparently suffering no ill effects from her unusual diet, Mildred explained Wednesday night how the accident happened.

"I was sitting on my bed fixing the belt on a girl friend's dress," she

said. "I put the open pin in my mouth while I adjusted the belt, before I fastened it. Then I either sneezed or laughed—I don't remember which—and swallowed the pin."

The girl's father, an Atkinson farmer, drove the two hundred miles to Omaha with his daughter Tuesday.

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