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O'NEILL TENNIS PLAYERS MEET CREIGHTON TEAM

O'Neill Ladies Defeat Opponents. Men Lose By Small Margin

Mr. and Mrs. Kruse and daughter, Patsy, Helen Toy, Nellie Toy, James Turor, Louise Zastrowe, Ralph Tomlinson, Beryl Winchell, Margaret McMurphy, of Wayne, Orville Winchell, Ray Toy and Loretta Saunto drove over to Creighton Sunday where they met the Creighton tennis teams in a series of inter city tennis matches. The O'Neill men bowed to defeat at the hands of the men's team of Creighton while the ladies team of this city defeated the ladies team of Creighton. Foursingles and three doubles matches were played by the men with Creighton emerging the victor with a score of 22 to 20. The same number of games were played by the ladies with the O'Neill team emerging the victor with a score of 26 to 16.

Next Sunday the Creighton tennis teams will come over here and another match will be played on the grounds of the local club, in the southwestern part of the city. The closeness of the games, played by the men last Sunday, assured a good close contest.

GEORGE HESS BAKER DIES.

George Hess Baker died at his home in Chambers last Tuesday morning at 7:30 after an illness of five days of pneumonia, aged 32 years. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon from the family home, interment in the Chambers cemetery.

Mr. Baker was taken sick on Wednesday afternoon, August 10th, with an attack of influenza, which developed into pneumonia and, although all that kind and loving care and medical skill could do was done he kept gradually sinking until the end.

George Hess Baker was born at Chambers on July 25, 1900, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Baker, prominent and pioneer residents of the South Fork country. He attended the public schools of that village and after graduation studied pharmacy and followed that profession for a few years. He was an energetic and hustling young man well liked by all and had an extensive acquaintance, not only in the southern part of the county, but all over it and his sudden death will be deeply regretted by his numerous friends.

On June 13, 1927, he was united in marriage to Miss Bessie McLeod of this city, who, with a little son, John Lee, four years old, his mother, one sister and two brothers are left to mourn the death of a kind and loving husband, father, son and brother.

The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon from the family home in Chambers, Rev. Scott, pastor of the Methodist church at Tilden and a former resident of Chambers, officiating, interment in the Chambers cemetery. The funeral was very largely attended, many going down from this city to attend the funeral rites.

ECONOMY LEAGUE MEETING

The Holt County Economy League will meet at O'Neill, on Saturday, August 27th, at 2 o'clock P. M.

At this meeting the county tax levy will be considered, and election of officers for the ensuing year will take place.

Martin Conway, Secretary.

POUNDING THE BALL

A fast ball game was played Sunday, August 7th, on the Stuart ball diamond between the Skyscrapers and the Gravel Scratchers. The score was 13 to 3, in favor of the Skyscrapers.

Everyone that was there and witnessed the game said it was a very good one. The Umpires were Chris Anderson and John Sorenson.

EDUCATIONAL NOTES

The Annual Pre-Opening Meeting for the Teachers of the Rural Schools of Holt county will be held on Saturday, August 27, 1932, beginning at 9:30 o'clock at the O'Neill Public School. It is imperative that each teacher who expects to teach in the rural schools of Holt county attend this meeting. Supplies will be given out and important instructions given at this time. Topics will be discussed which I hope may aid the teachers in their work for the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. John Carson, of Red Bird, were O'Neill visitors this morning. John is the republican candidate for supervisor in the Second supervisor district and was on his way to the Old Settler's picnic to mingle with the voters. However John did not have to be a candidate for office in order to be eligible to attend an Old Settler's meeting, as he has been a resident of northeastern Holt county for forty-three years, which makes him a real old settler, although not so old in years.

COLLIDES WITH TRUCK

John Stauffer, who was driving the O'Neill-Ainsworth bus last Wednesday night, on the evening trip from Ainsworth to O'Neill, ran into a truck, that was parked on the highway about a mile west of Emmet and wrecked the bus. Stauffer emerged from the collision with only a few cuts and bruises. Stauffer was coming east and about a mile west of Emmet he met a car coming from the east, that had only one light, so he was giving his attention to that car, and when it had passed he saw a truck standing in the road about ten feet in front of him, without lights and he crashed into it. People driving trucks are daily becoming more of a menace to highway travel. There are so many truck drivers, who imagine that they are the only ones who have a right to be on the highway and when they are not hogging the road they pull off stunts like the one in this case, stop on the highway without any lights to warn drivers of their danger. Unless truck owners make their drivers conform to all the rules of safe driving on the highway it will not be long until legislation will be enacted that will tie truck owners up so tightly with restrictions that it will be impossible to operate trucks profitably.

O'NEILL RADIO PROGRAM

A small delegation drove over to Yankton last Sunday to be present at the O'Neill hour on the air at the WNAX station. Despite the small crowd those present put on a good show, as least that is the consensus of opinion of those that heard them over the air. L. A. Jones, president of the Lions Club, was the first speaker and he extolled the virtues of this city and county. It is said that he made a very good talk. Then Judge Dickson delivered an address on the schools and churches of the city and county and those that heard him say that he delivered a very fine address and that it came in fine. Then Hank Ritts rendered several selections on his "fiddle" among them being his favorite, "Turkey in the Straw." Mrs. Eby and Mrs. Harris rendered some vocal selection that were appropriate and timely and added much to the success of the Radio hour.

THE ACCIDENT PICTURE.

The complete 1931 accident "picture" is an interesting study in contrasts.

Motor vehicle deaths numbered 33,500—a new high record. Accidents were the second most important causes of death in men, heart disease being first. On the other hand, industrial plants reduced employes' injury frequency rates 38 percent in two years, and railway crossing accidents declined ten per cent.

In the past decade, industry has made amazing strides in preventing accidents and in lessening their severity. Part of this has been accomplished by improved guarding of machinery. The larger part, however, has resulted from a new spirit of safety first that has been instilled into workers and management alike. Precisely the opposite has occurred on our highways. Recklessness grows, rather than slackens; improvements in cars breed more deaths and injuries, not less.

What has been done in industry can be done with automobile driving. Just as industrial management disciplines the heedless worker who endangers others, so must the state discipline the heedless driver. If industrial workers can learn the gospel of accident prevention and take it to heart so that it becomes a part of their mental operations, so can the automobile driver learn care, competence and courtesy.

It is time to take drastic action to make our streets and highways safe.

Summer boarder: Oh, I'd just love to be a farmer, to live with the blue sky overhead!

Farmer Jones: Yes, that would be all right if the blue sky was the farmer's only overhead.

BRIEFLY STATED

H. B. Hubbard left Wednesday morning on a business trip to Lincoln.

George Davies, of Ewing, was looking after business matters in the city today.

William Hughes, of Battle Creek, was visiting friends in this city Wednesday.

P. W. McGinnis, the Emmet merchant, was looking after business matters in the city this morning.

John Wrede, of Red Bird, who had been the guest of Jean Hartly for a week left for home Tuesday morning.

James S. Nickels and Mrs. Lillian Sullivan were united in marriage at the Methodist parsonage last Thursday evening.

Fletcher Payne and Miss Mazie Thurlow, both of Stuart, were granted a marriage license in county court last Monday.

Miss Jane Means returned from Omaha last Sunday afternoon, where she had spent the past two months visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles V. Cole, of Star, are rejoicing over the arrival of their home bound son, who arrived at eight o'clock Saturday.

Miss Margaret McMurphy, of Wayne, arrived in the city the latter part of last week for a couple of weeks visit with Miss Nellie Toy.

Burton Hubbard who had been in attendance at the National Guard encampment at Ashland the past two weeks, returned home last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mechaley, of Casper, Wyo., arrived in the city the latter part of last week for a couple of weeks visit with relatives and old friends.

Thomas J. Steinbach and Miss Fern Hardesty, both of Stuart, were united in marriage at the Methodist parsonage yesterday afternoon, Rev. Kuhler officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Anton Toy and Mr. and Mrs. Abe Saunto drove up to Stuart last Sunday and spent the day visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ferris Abdalla.

Jerry Brennan, of Norfolk, came up the latter part of last week for a couple of weeks visit with his grandmother, Mrs. Neil Brennan and with other relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Johnson, of Omaha, came up last Sunday afternoon and visited relatives over night, returning to Omaha Monday afternoon. Mrs. Johnson is a sister of Mrs. Thomas Means.

Corn in Northern Boone county, in the neighborhood of Petersburg, was seriously damaged by hail a little over a week ago. On our trip to Omaha last week we saw several fields of corn that were totally destroyed.

C. M. Daley and daughter, Dorothy, of Omaha, arrived in the city last Thursday for a few days visit with relatives. Mr. Daley left for home Sunday while Miss Dorothy remained for a few weeks visit with relatives.

Pete Todson drove down to Grand Island last Saturday to spend a few days with his family. On Sunday morning the stork visited his home and left a little baby daughter. Mother and child are reported as doing nicely.

The streets of the city have a deserted appearance this afternoon. Practically everyone that can get away have gone out to the Old Settler's picnic and many of the younger folks will go out later to enjoy the evening festivities.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Davies and daughter, Louise, will leave Saturday for Lincoln where they will make their future home. They are moving to Lincoln so that Miss Louise can enter the state university at the beginning of the school year.

Albert Croxell and son, Lester, of Sioux City, Iowa, were in the city Monday visiting at the homes of Mrs. Julia Harrington and Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Harrington. Mr. Croxell was a former resident of this county, living northeast of this city.

Dr. Merle Hunt, of Battle Creek, was in the city Wednesday visiting old friends.

Several good sized delegations of O'Neill people took in the rodeo at Burwell last week and they speak very highly of the show put on by the enterprising little capitol city of Garfield county. The entertainment was good and large crowds were present each day.

Martin Conway, one of the energetic farmers and stockmen living north of this city, took a car load of cattle to the Omaha market last week, returning home Friday night. Mr. Conway said that he was well pleased with the price received for the shipment.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Basye and J. S. Ennis drove down to Norfolk last Sunday, where Mr. Ennis went to consult an oculist regarding the condition of his eyes. They returned home that night, stopping for a few hours visit with Rev. Fortune and family at Tilden.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted McElhaney and daughter, Margaret, left last Thursday afternoon for Omaha, where they will visit relatives for a few days and will then go on to the lakes in Northern Minnesota for a few days fishing. Ted will probably have some real fish yarns to spin upon his return.

Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Cronin drove to Sioux City Tuesday afternoon, taking Sister M. Calixa, of Sinsinawa, Wis., and Sister M. Eugene, of Sioux City, who had been visiting their mother, Mrs. O. F. Biglin, and other relatives here for the past ten days. Mr. and Mrs. Cronin returned Wednesday evening.

Clifford Gamble, a farmer living between here and Page, was seriously injured last Monday afternoon when a hay stacker fell on him. He received a compound fracture of the right ankle and other injuries. On Tuesday morning he was taken to the University hospital at Omaha for medical treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Moran entertained the following guests at a seven o'clock dinner last Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Hayes and family of Lincoln, the Misses Phaleres of Omaha, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Lee and family of Bassett, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Nieschmidt of Ainsworth and Henry Herpolscheimer of Lincoln.

D. F. and John Foley, of Detroit, Michigan, cousins of the editor, who have been visiting at his home for the past two weeks, left for home Tuesday morning. This was their first trip to the west and they were agreeably surprised at the beauty of this section of the universe and the splendid crops throughout the state.

J. B. Ryan, accompanied by his sons, Robert and Joe, and Miss Bernadette Brennan drove to Sioux City last Saturday and met Mr. Ryan's daughter, Mrs. Emmet Doyle, who came out from Chicago for a visit with relatives here. From Sioux City they came home via Yankton and took in O'Neill day at the WNAX station there, reaching O'Neill Sunday evening.

Rev. G. W. Bruce and wife of The Dalles, Oregon, were in the city last Monday visiting their many old friends. Rev. Bruce was a former pastor of the Methodist church here and about thirty of his former congregation met him at the Methodist parsonage for dinner that evening, and they all had an enjoyable evening. Rev. Bruce came to O'Neill from Correctionville, Iowa, where they had been visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Cronin and children, accompanied by D. F. and John Foley, of Detroit, Mich., who have been visiting at the Cronin home, drove to Omaha last Friday afternoon and spent a few days visiting relatives and friends in the metropolis. They returned home Monday evening, all except Marjorie Cronin, who remained in Omaha for a visit at the home of her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Butt. Omaha was a real surprise to the Foley's, as they had no idea such a magnificent city could be found in this section of the middle west. It is needless to say that the splendor of Omaha and the beauty of Nebraska will be told to their numerous friends in the automobile city upon their return home.

A regular deluge descended on Omaha last Thursday night, seven and a half inches of water falling there during the night. Many basements were flooded, retaining walls washed away and corn fields on some of the rolling land seriously damaged. Sunday night they received another inch and a half of rain, making nine inches of water in four days. This rainfall broke all records for that section of the state and the rainfall for Omaha, so far this year, now exceeds the average rainfall for the year in that section of the state.

IN COUNTY COURT

The case of R. F. VanHorn vs. the St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company was tried in the county court last Wednesday. This is an action where the plaintiff sued to recover the value of an automobile that was insured in defendant company and which was partially consumed by fire. In their petition they allege that they had the automobile, a 1929 Model Whippet two door Sedan insured in the defendant company on January 14, 1931, and that it was destroyed by fire on October 28, 1931. They allege that the defendant was liable for the actual value of the car and that its actual value on the date of the fire was \$750.00. The defendant, in their answer, said that they had agreed to get the plaintiff another car of the same make and one that would be in better condition than the one burned, but the plaintiff refused to accept the offer. When the case came on for trial this morning the defendant tendered the plaintiff in open court, in complete satisfaction of his claim the sum of \$265.00 and the costs incurred to date. The defendant refused to accept the offer and the case was tried to the court. At the conclusion of the case Judge Maone took the matter under advisement for a few days.

HOLT COUNTY FARM BUREAU NOTES

James W. Rooney
County Extension Agent

Nebraska Farmers Plant Trees

Nebraska remains among the leading states in forestation work, according to a report received at the Agricultural College. More than a hundred million trees were distributed by state forestry departments for forestry plantings last spring in the United States. Nearly one million were planted in Nebraska.

Distributed under the Clarke-McNary congressional act, twenty-five million trees were sent out over the United States for farm plantings. Nebraska was among the leaders in the farm forest plantings and was the only western state to gain recognition for the planting.

Station Bulletin on Contract Feeding of Live Stock

Severe shortage of livestock credits brought on by falling prices and wide market fluctuation during the past two years has caused some livestock feeders and growers to enter into contracts whereby the feeding enterprise was carried on as a joint enterprise known as contract feeding. Prof. R. R. Thalman of the Nebraska College of Agriculture is author of a new station bulletin No. 274, "The Contract Feeding of Livestock."

In the preparation of the bulletin the author says no attempt has been made to promote or discourage contract feeding. Neither has any attempt been made to discuss the merits of buying and selling direct on the open market. The sole object has been to present data that will aid those interested in contract feeding, and to also serve as a handbook for the average livestock feeder.

Thalman says contract feeding was popular with many Nebraska farmers last year who had the feed on hand but lacked the credit to buy stock to feed out. The trend toward contract feeding started in 1930 with the low prices of livestock and the lack of credit. Thalman estimates that thousands and thousands of lambs and cattle were fed by contract last year.

The bulletin discusses such factors as shrink, death loss, overhead costs, feed costs, feeds, and contracts. The best parts of 150 or more contracts are concentrated in three forms as illustrated in the booklet. Farmers are shown they may figure their costs of gain also. The bulletin is available at the County Agent's office in O'Neill or at the College of Agriculture in Lincoln, Nebraska.

JOHN FLANNIGAN FIES AFFIDAVIT OF POVERTY

Two Cases Involving Real Estate Are Filed In District Court

On August 3rd, John M. Flannigan filed a poverty affidavit in the office of the clerk of the district court alleging that he had been convicted of a felony and that he desired to appeal the case to the supreme court, but that he was unable by reason of his poverty to pay for a copy of the evidence in the case, the bill of exceptions. That he was without any property or means with which to pay for same. Judge Landis came up from Seward last Sunday afternoon and he heard the motion in district court Monday morning. The prayer of the petitioner was granted and the court reporter was ordered to deliver to Mr. Flannigan the bill of exceptions and that same would be paid by the county the same as other bills of the county are paid. The costs in the office of the clerk of the district court were also ordered paid in a like manner.

John Donlin has filed suit in the district court against H. F. Rigler, et al., asking that title be quieted in him to the following described real estate, situated in the county of Holt and state of Nebraska: The east half of the southwest quarter of section twenty-three and the west half of the northeast quarter and the east half of the northwest quarter and the southwest quarter, and the west half of the southeast quarter, of section twenty-six, all in township thirty-two, range twelve and the southwest quarter of section fourteen, northeast quarter and the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section twenty-two, and the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section twenty-three, all in township thirty-two, range twelve, and the east half of the northeast quarter, and east half of the southeast quarter of section twenty-seven, in township thirty-two, north of range twelve. He alleges in his petition that he has been in undisputed possession of the above land for over ten years and he asks that the defendants be barred from asserting or claiming any interest or right in said land.

The Ohio National Life Insurance Company has filed suit in the district court to foreclose a mortgage given by Alva W. Good on the northeast quarter and southeast quarter of section eighteen, township twenty-six, north of range ten, west of the 6th P. M. A mortgage for \$3,500.00 was given on January 26, 1925. According to plaintiffs petition the interest was paid on this mortgage until the interest note that was due July 1, 1931, amounting to \$105, which was not paid, nor was the interest note, for a like amount, due January 1, 1932. Plaintiff alleges that there is now due on the mortgage the sum of \$3,935.25 and it asks the defendants be directed to pay the amount found due or that the lands above described be sold to satisfy the amount.

A MERCHANT'S STATEMENT

Madison News: An unusual statement was published some time ago in the News-Jazette, Champaign, Ill., signed by E. L. Murdock, head of a former leading ladies' read-to-wear store, which had closed its doors to avoid being thrown into bankruptcy.

In this statement the merchant set forth the principal reasons for the store's failure to maintain the prestige and prosperity it had enjoyed in times past. He said:

"Perhaps the greatest contributing cause is the fact that four years ago our firm, because we thought the rate was too high, discontinued all advertising in the News-Gazette. We tried other forms of advertising to supplement the News-Gazette, but found none effective. Our business continued on the down grade. Seemingly our friends had forgotten us. The fault was ours."

In every city and town there are stores which have made the serious mistake to which Mr. Murdock confesses in such a manly fashion.

People look to their newspaper for their store news. No such amount of handbills, circulars, signboards or other devices can take the place of the newspaper that does into the homes and is read by every member of the family.