

THE FRONTIER

GRATTAN TOWNSHIP ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the electors of Grattan township was held at the library last Tuesday afternoon and was largely attended.

At the meeting it was found that the township was in excellent shape financially and the levy for the ensuing year was materially reduced—over that of a year ago.

The levy for this year will bring in the following amount to the several funds: Road fund \$1,000.00, was \$1,500.00 last year; general fund \$400, was \$500 last year; library \$500, was \$250 last year; bridge fund \$250. Prior to last year the levy for the library raised \$1,000.00 a year; it was cut last year to \$250, which was considered insufficient and it was raised this year to \$500.

The old road overseers were elected for another year, as follows: James Fleming, in district number four; Ed. Matthews in district number sixteen; Bert Shoemaker on the east side of district number twenty-six and Clayton Messner on the west side of district number twenty-six.

STOUT DRUG STORE IS MOVED TO NEW LOCATION

A business deal was consummated by Roy Griffin and Charles E. Stout last week which resulted in Mr. Stout purchasing the corner store, in the Golden Hotel building, and taking over Mr. Griffin's lease on the corner. The first of this week Mr. Stout moved his drug store from the Gilligan building to the new location and is rapidly getting his stock arranged. He will have one of the "niftiest" drug stores in this section of the state and one of the best locations, if not the best in the city.

Mr. Stout had been in the old building for thirty-five years and it had been occupied by a drug store since the building was erected in 1885. The building was built by W. G. Palmanteer, who at that time controlled the First National bank, and Dr. A. U. Morris, who was in the drug business here. The building, now occupied by Reardon Bros. as a drug store and the one vacated by Mr. Stout were built as one unit, Mr. Palmanteer owning the east building and Mr. Morris the west part of the building. As soon as it was completed Mr. Morris moved his drug store there and it has been continually used as a drug store since that date, forty-eight years.

After the death of Mr. Morris the property was sold at administrators sale and was purchased by Dr. J. P. Gilligan and J. L. Hershiser who operated the drug store for several years under the firm name of Hershiser & Gilligan and Mr. Hershiser and Tom Morris ran the store. About this time C. E. Stout came to O'Neill and worked for Dr. Corrigan, who ran a drug store where Reardon Bros. now are. Dr. Gilligan purchased the interest of Mr. Hershiser in the store and his brother-in-law, J. V. Stout, came up from Tekamah and entered into partnership with him under the firm name of Gilligan & Stout. Shortly thereafter C. E. Stout entered this store as an employee, he later purchasing the interest of his brother and they remained Gilligan & Stout until 1919 when he purchased the interest of Dr. Gilligan in the store.

Charlie says that it is like "losing an old friend" to move from the building where he had been employed for thirty years and that it will take him some time to get acclimated to his new location.

We understand there are several applicants for the room vacated by Mr. Stout and the chances are that it will not remain idle long, as it is a splendid store room and in a very choice location. The building is owned by the Gilligan estate.

About twenty ladies gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Kersenbrock last Tuesday afternoon, bringing well filled baskets with them, and announced that they had arrived to help Mrs. Kersenbrock celebrate her birthday anniversary. After recovering from the surprise Mrs. Kersenbrock made the ladies feel at home and a very pleasant afternoon was spent at the bridge table. Mrs. C. W. Porter won the high prize, while Mrs. C. C. Bergstrom walked away with the booby. A delicious luncheon, which had been brought by the guests, was served late in the afternoon and when the ladies left for home they all decided that they had a splendid time and wished for Mrs. Kersenbrock many happy returns of the day.

ELMER HAGENSICK PURCHASES NEBR. STATE BANK BUILDING

The Nebraska State Bank building, one of the oldest business buildings in the city, has been purchased by Elmer Hagensick, the sale being confirmed in district court last Friday. Mr. Hagensick paid \$2,500 for the building. Mr. Hagensick owns the lot east of the bank building and also the ground on the south side of the building and the property was worth more to him than to any other person, as he now has ground enough upon which to erect a splendid store building.

Mr. Hagensick says that he is undecided as to what he will do with the building, now that he owns it. But he said that he might possibly tear the old building down and erect a new building, using both lots for the building and having an entrance on Douglas street and also on Fourth Street. It seems to us that with a desirable building there he would have no trouble in renting it, as it is a very desirable location.

HOLT COUNTY STUDENTS ATTENDING UNIVERSITY

Holt county is represented by fifteen students in the University of Nebraska this year. Classification of the students as to home towns follows: Atkinson, Amelia, Dustin, Chambers, Emmet and Page, one each; Ewing two; O'Neill, two; and Stuart, five.

From O'Neill are Dick Robertson and William W. Griffin. Griffin is a sophomore in the college of business administration and a graduate of the O'Neill schools in the class of 1931. Robertson finished high school at O'Neill in 1930 and is a junior in the college of business administration where he is majoring in accounting.

From Stuart are Toofie Abdalla, Ethel C. Chittick, Glen E. Humrich, Phyllis J. Rhodes and Wilbur E. Johnson. Abdalla, who graduated from Stuart high school last spring is now a freshman in the teachers' college, where he is majoring in physical education. Abdalla was a member of this year's freshman football squad.

Ethel C. Chittick, senior in the teachers' college is specializing in primary education and geography. She graduated from Stuart high school in 1927 and is a member of Alpha Omicron Pi sorority. Glenn E. Humrich, junior in the college of agriculture, graduated from Stuart high school in 1929 and is now majoring in practical arts. He is a member of the university Y. M. C. A.

Phyllis J. Rhodes, graduate of the Stuart schools in 1928, is taking graduate work in physiology. She is a member of Iota Sigma Pi, Kappa Epsilon and Sigma Xi honorary groups. Wilbur E. Johnson is a freshman in the college of arts and sciences. He is preparing for a course in the college of dentistry. Johnson is a graduate of the Stuart schools and is a pledge of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity.

Raymond E. Collins, of Atkinson, is taking graduate work in the university. Eleanor M. Sammons, who graduated from the Nickerson schools in 1928, is a senior in the college of business administration. Her home town is Amelia. Miss Simmons is a member of the university Y. W. C. A. Adebort B. Sageser, Chambers, is taking graduate work in the college of arts and sciences. He is specializing in social sciences. Sageser is a graduate of the Chambers schools in the class of 1928.

Dustin's representative in the university is Mabel J. Adams, a freshman in the college of arts and sciences. She graduated from Dustin high school in 1932. Miss Adams is doing part-time work in addition to her school activities. Henry L. Seger, graduate of the Atkinson schools in 1927, is a graduate student in the teachers' college. He is taking courses in business administration and coaching.

Maurine LaRue and Alberta Butler are Ewing's students in the university this year. Miss LaRue is listed as a junior in the college of agriculture. Miss Butler, a senior in the teachers' college, is majoring in primary work. She formerly attended Omaha university, and is a graduate of the Ewing schools in the class of 1922.

Harold E. Gallagher, Page, is a freshman in the college of arts and sciences. He completed his high school work at Page in 1931. Gallagher is a pledge of Xi Psi Phi, dental professional fraternity.

Genevieve and Doretta Grady, Evelyn Mains, Geraldine Cronin, Mary Lois Hammond, Reta Reardon, Mary Joan Finley and Eileen Davidson were in attendance at the basket ball games at Spaulding last Sunday.

BRIEFLY STATED

Mrs. Archie Bowen was down with the flu the forepart of the week.

Attorney Hutz, of Omaha, was looking after legal matters in this city last Monday.

Mrs. Max Golden entertained the Delta Deck Club at her home last Tuesday evening.

Superintendent Ray Carroll, of the high school, is suffering from an attack of the flu this week.

Mrs. J. P. Brown went down to Holdrege last Monday to spend a few days visiting friends there.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Biglin and children drove down to Spaulding last Sunday, returning that evening.

Dr. and Mrs. O'Connell and son drove down to Spaulding last Sunday to attend the basket ball games.

William H. Cleary and Miss Eleanor Minar, both of Atkinson, were granted a marriage license in county court last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Gatz returned last Monday from a weeks visit with Mr. and Mrs. Rex Brown at Holdrege, Nebraska.

The M. E. Ladies will serve a 6 o'clock dinner in the church basement on Tuesday evening, January 24th. Tickets 25 cents.

Dale Tressler, of the Golden Rule, is attending a meeting of the heads of the various Golden Rule stores in the state, at Holdrege, Nebraska.

Mrs. H. J. Birmingham entertained the Martez Club last Tuesday evening. Mrs. P. B. Harty, Mrs. W. J. Froelich and Mrs. Ira Moss won the prizes.

Thomas Hanrahan, of Atkinson, one of the pioneers of the western part of the county, was looking after business matters in this city Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kersenbrock and sons were among the O'Neill people who drove down to Spaulding last Sunday to witness the basket ball games.

Emil Forsland, one of the oldest prohibition agents in the state of Nebraska, in years of service in the department, was in O'Neill last Saturday.

County Board Estimate of 1933 Expenses

At their meeting last Friday the county board prepared and adopted the estimate of expenses for the coming year. The estimate is \$132,100.00 or \$27,400 more than the estimate for the year 1932. The increase is in the judgment levy of \$38,000.00 that has been made to take care of bills against the general fund of the year 1932 but which were rejected for the reason that the board had no money with which to pay them. The bills were sued upon, judgment obtained against the county and the board now had to provide for their payment; there was no judgment levy in 1932.

Outside of the judgment levy the greatest increase in the estimate, over that of last year, is in the estimate for courts and juries, which has been fixed at \$10,000.00 for this year, while the amount last year was \$2,000.00, an increase of \$8,000.00. The fund for the maintenance of the poor

Fund	1933	1932	Increase	Decrease
Bridge	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	\$	\$ 15,000.00
County Officers	20,000.00	20,000.00		
Printing and Supplies	8,000.00	8,000.00		
Clerk Hire	7,000.00	7,000.00		
Assessors	4,000.00	4,000.00		
County Poor and Blind	17,000.00	10,000.00	7,000.00	
Courts and Juries	10,000.00	2,000.00	8,000.00	
County Fairs	2,000.00	2,000.00		
County Judgments	38,000.00		38,000.00	
Court House and Jail	2,000.00	2,000.00		
Crow and Coyote Bounty	500.00	1,000.00		500.00
Building and Repairs	1,000.00	1,000.00		
Farm Bureau	3,200.00	3,300.00		100.00
County Roads	2,000.00	2,000.00		
Justice and Misdeemeanor	350.00	350.00		
Mothers Pensions	3,500.00	3,500.00		
Feeble Minded	350.00	350.00		
School Exhibit	200.00	200.00		
Coroners Inquest	100.00	100.00		
Insane	300.00	300.00		
Board of Health	100.00	100.00		
Soldiers Relief	500.00	500.00		
Miscellaneous	2,000.00	2,000.00		
Elections		7,000.00		7,000.00
Special Emergency Bridge		2,000.00		2,000.00
Total	\$132,100.00	\$104,700.00	\$ 27,400.00	\$

on his way west and favored this office with a pleasant call.

The Misses Helen and Anna Clark, of Omaha, came up last Monday night for an extended visit at the home of their sister, Mrs. M. R. Sullivan.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ryan drove down to Spaulding last Sunday and witnessed the St. Mary's basket ball teams win two games from the Spaulding teams.

Mrs. W. B. Graves has been confined to her bed since shortly before Christmas with a severe attack of the flu. Her many friends hope for her speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Moss and Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Harty drove down to Spaulding last Sunday to see the St. Mary's basket ball teams win from the Spaulding teams.

Mrs. Frank Froelich entertained at luncheon, followed by bridge, last Tuesday evening in honor of Mrs. W. J. Froelich of Chicago. Mrs. Ed. Gallagher won high score.

The Idle Hour Cafe, which has been one of the popular eating places of the city, closed its doors last Monday morning. Lack of business is given as the reason for closing.

John Miskimons has been on a ranch south of Atkinson for the past week, where he is erecting some cattle sheds for a loan company that is wintering a lot of cattle in the southern part of the county.

Last week W. A. Alexander, who has edited the Spencer Advocate for the past eight years, disposed of his interest to H. P. Howard, formerly of Canby, Minn., who took possession of the plant last week.

Howard Garner and Miss Ethel Gibson, both of Meadow Grove, were granted a marriage license in county court on Wednesday of last week and were united in marriage by Rev. Aucock at the Methodist church that afternoon.

Chairman John Sullivan of the county board left last Wednesday morning for Lincoln, where he will attend a meeting of the legislative committee of the Nebraska Supervisor's Association, which is being held there this week, Mr. Sullivan being a member of the committee.

ST. MARY'S TEAMS DEFEAT SPAULDING

A large delegation of boosters accompanied the St. Mary's basket ball teams to Spaulding last Sunday, where their first and second teams engaged in a battle royal with the first and second teams of the Spaulding Academy. The games were interesting and close but St. Mary's won both her games and there was much rejoicing among the members of the teams over their victories. The games were played in the High School gym and there was a very large crowd in attendance. Following are the scores:

St. Mary's Cardinals	25
Spaulding	17
St. Mary's second team	17
Spaulding second team	11

McCAULEY IS TAKEN TO THE UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL, OMAHA

Arthur McCauley, who had been serving a sentence in the county jail for jury tampering, and who was removed to the Starlin rooming house in this city on recommendation of Dr. J. P. Brown of this city and Dr. W. J. Douglas of Atkinson, last week was taken to the University hospital in Omaha by Sheriff Duffy last Tuesday afternoon.

McCauley is said to be suffering from a stomach ailment.

STATE REVENUE FOR SCHOOLS DROP

The semi-annual state apportionment of funds to the support of public schools for January, prepared by State Superintendent Taylor, shows that the amount is only \$397,709.23 as compared with \$450,492 in January, 1932 and \$450,469 in July, 1932.

In January, 1930 the apportionment was \$503,043 and in July, 1930, \$548,827. In January, 1931 it was \$516,879 and in July, 1931, \$496,408.

The fund, known as the temporary school fund, is derived from interest of bonds owned by the permanent school fund, school land interest and school land leases, insurance licenses and warehouse and liquor permits. Delinquencies of those holding school lands is responsible for much of the falling off in the temporary school fund. The interest on bonds for the past six months was \$245,825; school land interest, \$21,171; school land leases, \$117,367; insurance licenses, \$12,471; employment agencies, \$150; warehouse licenses, \$21; liquor licenses, \$702.

One fourth of the total fund is apportioned equally between school districts. This amounts to only \$82,231 and each district receives \$12.68. Three-fourths of the total fund is apportioned on a basis of school population. The amount thus apportioned is \$246,693 at the rate of a fraction over sixty cents per child. There is deducted from the total \$68,783 to be given to districts or counties having school lands, the sum being equal to what the tax would be payable to the county if school lands were taxable.

Out of this apportionment the schools of Holt county will receive \$7,882.10 to be apportioned among the various school districts of the county.

P. L. Gallagher, of Rawlins, Wyoming, arrived in the city last Monday, being called here by the serious illness of his brother, J. F. Gallagher. Mr. Gallagher was a former resident of this city, but left here something like thirty years ago and this is his first visit since. He will find things changed quite a little in the "old town" during the thirty years of his absence, but there are many friends of his boyhood still here and they will be glad to renew old acquaintances.

A Farm Holiday meeting was held at Oak Park last Monday which was attended by about 300 farmers of northern Holt county and southern Boyd. At Verdigre last week a monster meeting was held which was attended by several hundred farmers from Knox county and they say they got several hundred new members. Our informant says that the organization hopes to have practically 100 per cent of the farmers of Holt and Knox counties in the organization before spring.

Mrs. Arthur F. Mullen and sister, Miss Margaret Dolan, of Omaha, drove up last Sunday and spent a few days visiting friends and relatives in this city. They left for home Tuesday afternoon, being accompanied by Mrs. M. F. Harrington, Mrs. J. J. Harrington and Mrs. W. J. Biglin who will visit in Omaha for a few days.

SALARIES REDUCED BY COUNTY BOARD

Budget for Clerical Help is Cut \$100 Per Month, as Economy Move.

At their meeting last Monday afternoon the county board reduced the salaries of a majority of the clerks, working in the various offices at the court house, including the janitor.

The various clerks, including Deputy Sheriff Bergstrom, were reduced from \$80 per month to \$65 per month. This includes the following employees: A. D. Palmer and Ed. Hancock of the treasurer's office; Miss Theresa Connolly, and Deputy Sheriff Bergstrom of the sheriff's office; Mrs. Ruth Oppen of the county judges office; Edith Davidson of the county superintendent's office and Marjorie Dickson of the county attorney's office. Deputy Sheriff Bergstrom took the largest cut as his salary was formerly \$83.33 per month. Robert Gallagher, chief clerk in the treasurer's office, was not reduced, his salary remaining at \$104.00 per month.

The salary of Miss Inez O'Connell, deputy clerk of the district court, was not reduced and she receives the same salary as she did last year, \$83.33 per month.

The salary of Miss Esther McCarthy remains the same as it was last year; this salary is statutory and is \$104.17 per month.

Harry Bowen, who has been the janitor of the court house for years, and who is an expert in his line had his salary reduced from \$90 to \$75 per month. The reduction in the monthly wage of the seven employees, whose wages were reduced, amounts to \$100 per month.

FORMER PAGE BANKER DIES.

Page Reporter: George Brechler, 63, former Page banker, died at his home in Battle Creek about 7 o'clock last Thursday night. Mr. Brechler underwent an operation several months ago from which, according to reports, he did not entirely recover.

For several years of his life Mr. Brechler was deputy county treasurer of Madison county, following which he went to Washington, D. C. where he held a governmental position. He was employed in the Battle Creek bank for a number of years and then helped to organize the Page State bank for which he served as president for sometime. Several years ago he retired from active life and made his home in Battle Creek.

He is survived by his widow, the former Miss Nellie Hans; one brother, John of Fenimore, Wisconsin; and two sisters, Mrs. Lizzie Miller of Bosceval, Wisconsin, and Mrs. Carolina Scheid of Detroit Lake, Minn.

Funeral services were held Sunday at the Lutheran church at Battle Creek and burial was made in the Lutheran cemetery there.

J. F. Gallagher, president of the First National bank, who has been seriously ill the past six weeks, is said to be much improved this morning. J. F. has many friends in the county who wish him speedy recovery from his illness.

About thirty little folks gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Protovinsky last Wednesday afternoon to help their son, John, celebrate his sixth birthday anniversary. Needless to say the young folks had a delightful time and were loud in their praise of the delicious luncheon served them. Many of the little folks are wishing that Johnny's birthdays would come oftener.

Mrs. Martin Bazelman and her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clements drove down to Pilger the latter part of last week for a visit at the home of Mrs. Bazelman's daughter, Mrs. Ed Psota, and to greet a new arrival at the Psota home, a young lady who was about ten days ago. Mr. and Mrs. Clements returned the first of the week, while Mrs. Bazelman remained for a protracted visit.

At the weekly luncheon of the Lions Club last Tuesday the question of a reduction in the telephone rates and the light rates, charged in this city, was taken up and fully discussed. It seemed to be the consensus of opinion that the rates charged by both of these corporations were too high, considering the times, and that they should be reduced. Outside of the discussion no action was taken regarding the matter.