



THE FRONTIER



SLEEPING SICKNESS APPEARING AMONG HORSES OF COUNTY

Eight Cases Have Been Report Thus Far; Some South of Amelia and Others Northeast of Here.

According to Dr. Bennett there are eight cases of encephalomyelitis, or sleeping sickness, among the horses of this county. He says that about twenty years ago this disease invaded northern Kansas and southern Nebraska and killed hundreds of head of horses. The disease was not active for several years, until 1931 when it made its appearance among the horses in California and has been gradually moving eastward. In this county some of the horses affected are in the country south of Amelia and near Chambers, others are in the northern and northeastern part of the county.

He says that government investigators claim that the disease comes from mosquito bites and Dr. Bennett says that as cold weather is not far off, he is hoping that the disease will not have an opportunity to spread over the entire county, as frost kills off the spreaders of the disease.

MRS. JOHN VIQUIST

Mrs. Betty Viquist died at her home about twenty-two miles northwest of this city last Monday morning at 1 o'clock, after an illness of several years, of infirmities due to old age at the age of 81 years and 9 days. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon at 1:45 from the Presbyterian church in this city, Rev. Vahle, of Atkinson, officiating and burial in Prospect Hill cemetery.

Betty Johnson was born at Gothenburgs, Sweden, on September 9, 1852. On November 9, 1877, she was united in marriage to John Viquist and shortly after their marriage they came to the United States and for a time resided in Iowa. In the spring of 1884 they came to this county from Boone county, Iowa, and located northwest of this city, where the deceased has made her home since that time. She was the mother of five children who are left to mourn the death of a kind and loving mother. The children are: Charles, Henry and Anna, of O'Neill; Lewis, of Four Horse, Wyoming; and David, of St. Joseph, Mo., all of whom were present at the funeral except Lewis.

Mrs. Vequist was one of the sturdy pioneers of the early days of this county, enduring all the hardships and privations of the early settlers of this section, but she came of sturdy stock and persevered so that her loved ones would be provided for. When her husband, John Viquist, lost his life in the sinking of the Empress of Ireland in the St. Lawrence River on May 31, 1914, while on the way to a visit to his native land, she was left with a large family and extensive land interests to look after, but with the assistance of her children she persevered and a short time ago was one of the largest land owners in this county. For the past fourteen years she has been an invalid and could not get around without the use of a wheel chair.

IT WON'T BE LONG NOW

Idaho and New Mexico Tuesday joined in the repeal parade for the repeal of the eighteenth amendment, making the total now stand: For repeal, 31; against repeal, 0.

Both Idaho and New Mexico have long been dry states. Incomplete vote in Idaho was 50,549 for repeal and 36,852 against. The incomplete vote in New Mexico was 19,753 for repeal and 7,032 against. Only five more states are needed to insure the repeal. The next state to vote is Virginia which will vote on the question on October 3.

Word comes from Lincoln that engineers are busy on the specifications for the paving through the city on highways 20 and 281. Before bids are asked for it will be necessary for the city to get ready to do some of the preliminary work. The city will have to put in curbs in six blocks and get things in shape so that the drainage can be taken care of. The expense to the taxpayers of the city will not be very great and this is an opportunity to get the main highways through the city paved, and possibly this fall, when some of the idle men of this community could be furnished employment.

The Atkinson and O'Neill high school football teams formally inaugurate the 1933 football season in this city tomorrow. It promises to be an interesting contest.

WHEAT APPLICATIONS MUST BE IN BY SEPT. 25

Holt county wheat producers have until Monday, September 25, to file their applications for contracts to reduce acreage under the Triple A wheat plan, County Agent Rooney announced today upon receipt of word from W. H. Brokaw, state wheat administrator and director of agricultural college extension service.

Additional information received here also indicates that all wheat contracts must be in Washington by December 1. This will speed up the work of the county wheat association considerably.

Naming of a definite deadline for the signing of applications for contracts means that the entire Triple A program will be pushed ahead rapidly. Some producers who have been slow to sign up, believing no deadline would be set, now must get the applications in by September 25. After the county wheat association has been organized, the allotment committee will go over the contracts and those meeting their approval will be sent directly to Washington.

No information regarding when the first benefit payments will reach Holt county has been received locally but administrators in Nebraska say it will probably not be long after the first contracts are received in Washington.

COUNTY LEAGUE PLAY-OFF STARTS TODAY AT CHAMBERS

The play-off championship series of the Holt County League, between Chambers in second position and Atkinson in first, starts today at Chambers. The second game will be played at Atkinson next Sunday and the third, if necessary, will be played at a point to be designated by the League directors. This is the last base ball of the season and large crowds are anticipated.

SIMMONS AND VINCENT DISCOVER LEAD MINE

Sheridan Simmons and Jack Vincent have dreams of shortly becoming members of the bondholder class. Sherd says they have discovered a lead mine in this county the ore of which has been examined and pronounced very rich by men high in the profession. Sherd is also of the opinion that it will be very easy to get the necessary capital to work the mine and he looks forward to this city becoming the center of a great mining industry.

FRANK JOHNSON DEAD

Frank Johnson, who had been a resident of the county for the past 13 years, died at the Scott rooming house in the western part of the city yesterday afternoon, where he had been living the past ten days. He was about 70 years of age. For several years he had been making his home with a daughter, Mrs. Bonnerberger, at Atkinson, until ten days ago when he came down here. He leaves five children, all of them residents of this county, except two. The children are: Mervin, Harry and Emil, of Atkinson; Clarence, of Prague, Nebr.; Mrs. John Banks and Mrs. Peter Bonnerberger, of Atkinson and Mrs. G. E. Widgrim, of Lincoln. At the time of going to press funeral arrangements had not been completed.

Our old friends the Chase-Lister Stock Company will be here with us again for a short visit, starting Thursday, Sept. 28. This is one of the few companies that has survived the depression, and it comes to us this season better than ever. A new line of plays, new scenery and new vaudeville are among the features that the company will present this season. A few new faces are seen with the company this season, and on the whole, it is up to the usual high standard of the Chase-Lister Company. See the advertisement in another column.

Judge Dickson and Reporter McElhaney drove up to Springview last Monday morning where they held the fall term of district court. They had no jury and the term was very short for the officials finishing their business in about an hour and then returning home.

D. W. Hoover, 77, of Audobon, Iowa, while driving an Oakland coupe west on highway No. 20 struck some loose oiled gravel, where they are repairing the highway, and his car rolled over several times. The car was wrecked but fortunately Mr. Hoover escaped serious injury. He was badly shaken up but was able to travel and Wednesday evening took the train for Casper, Wyoming, where he was going to visit a daughter.

BRIEFLY STATED

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hammond made a business trip to Sioux City last Monday.

Miss Marjorie Dickson entertained the Martez Club at her home last Friday evening.

Attorney Hugh J. Boyle, of Norfolk, was visiting friends in this city last Thursday afternoon.

Alva Davies, of Valentine, formerly of this city, was greeting old-time friends in this city last Monday.

Bill Decker, the old-time democratic war horse of Verdigris, was attending to business matters in this city Wednesday.

Elma McKamy and Germaine Muff, both of Clearwater, were granted a marriage license in county court last Saturday.

Twenty-one government surveyors arrived in the city the first of the week and are going to make a soil survey of the county.

Mrs. John Kersenbrock and children left this morning for a few days visit with relatives and friends at Osmond and Norfolk.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Beha and daughter came up from Sioux City last Saturday and spent Sunday at the home of Br. Beha's parents in this city.

The members of the Martez Club were entertained last Monday evening by Miss Mae Hammond at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Moss.

J. M. Seybolt, who is now operating a medicine wagon in Wayne county, came up last Saturday and spent Sunday with his family and many friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. George Savage, of Norfolk, were in the city Tuesday visiting friends. They were residents of this city for several years, prior to their removal to Norfolk about a year ago.

The ladies of the Country Club are indulging in another of their golf tournaments at the Club this afternoon. This evening the members of the Club will engage in another treasure hunt.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Mellor are rejoicing over the arrival of a little daughter at their home last Saturday. Mother and child are getting along nicely and Ralph is wearing the smile that won't come off.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bruhm, of West Point, came up last week and Mr. Bruhm has accepted a position on the ranch of Leo Farrand near Scottville. Mr. Bruhm is a son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Tomlinson.

Mrs. R. R. Dickson entertained fourteen ladies at a Whist party at her home last Friday. Mrs. H. E. Coyne won the high score; Miss Clark and Miss Mae Hammond, of Omaha, the guest prizes and Mrs. D. H. Cronin the all cut.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cramer, who have been residents of Boyd county for many years, living near Bristow, were shopping in this city last Monday. Mr. Cramer says that he has the finest corn crop that he ever raised in the county.

The Atkinson Izaak Walton league members are going to rebuild the old mill dam there that was washed out a couple of months ago. The property is owned by the Interstate Power Co., but is used by the public by permission of the company.

George Fox has been granted a permit to sell beer in his cigar store and card room in the Fox House, formerly the Beha Hotel. He was granted the license Thursday and expected to open for business in the afternoon. This makes the fifth place in the city that handles beer, besides two wholesale houses.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Miller and son, Duane, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Darrol Baker, of Laramie, Wyo., and also their mother, Mrs. H. G. Cromwell, drove down to Friend, Nebr., Friday where they spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Riser and family. They were also joined there by Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Hull and son, Edwin Jr., of Sioux City, Iowa. All returned home Sunday night.

ANNOUNCE A TEN DAY SEASON ON PHEASANTS

Official dates for the 1933 pheasant season have been set and announced by State Game Warden Frank B. O'Connell for Oct. 22 to 31 inclusive. Seventy-six counties in the state will be open for the hunting of that game bird this season.

The bag and possession limit was set by the game commission at five birds but the number may include, two hens instead of only one as in former years. The open counties are the same as the last two years, Madison county still being included.

The counties where pheasant hunting will be barred are: Box Butte, Cass, Cherry, Dawes, Douglas, Gage, Johnson, Lancaster, Nemaha, Otoe, Pawnee, Richardson, Sarpy, Saunders, Sheridan, Sioux and Washington.

There will be no script distributed this year to the farmers because of the lack of the demand heretofore. If hunters or farmers want it they can obtain it by writing to the game commission in Lincoln.

The game commission also recently set dates for the muskrat trapping season the same as in recent years which has been Dec. 1 to March 1, for the eastern division; and Jan. 1 to April 1 for the western division. The following counties form the western border of the eastern division; Knox, Antelope, Boone, Greeley, Valley, Sherman, Buffalo, Phelps and Harlan.

FORMER O'NEILLITE VISITS HERE

Mrs. Mary Reider, of Gregory, S. D., who has been visiting her youngest son at Denver, William O'Sullivan, and her brother, Phil J. Kirwan, at Glenwood Springs, since last June 1, returned here Sunday and visited several days before going on to Gregory.

Among many side trips Mrs. Reider enjoyed in Colorado was a climb of Mt. Evans, altitude 14,330 feet, on a new trail, another to the top of Flat Mountain, a trip through Rock Mountain National park, near Estes park, on the highest road in the world.

While driving up to Gunnison river after trout, her party drove over the highest bridge in the world, over the Colorado river, a blind road ending at the bridge at present. One week was spent at Estes Park camping and fishing. Mrs. Reider reported the summer cooler there than here, yet considered very hot there all summer.

EXPECT HIGHER PRICES ON FARM PRODUCTS

State Journal: Steady to higher prices for hogs and finished cattle are expected within the next thirty days, according to the monthly economic situation report issued from Nebraska agricultural college by Harold Hedges. Seasonally higher egg prices together with steady butter and corn prices are also probable. Wheat prices should hold above the low point reached in early September.

Hedge says the United States index of farm prices showed a decline of 4 points from July 15 to Aug. 15, dropped from 76 to 72 per cent of pre-war. Since Aug. 15, there has been no material change in farm prices.

"Wheat prices during the next 30 days should hold above the low point reached early in September," Hedges says. "The Sept. 1 estimate of the United States wheat production indicate a crop of 507 million bushels or slightly above the August estimate.

"Less than usual seasonal weakness in corn prices seems probable during the thirty days. The visible supply of corn of record size, the supply available for commercial needs is so large that chances at best seem slight for anything more than steady prices."

Altho the usual trend of hog prices is downward from September to October, Hedges says, several factors favor the seasonal peak in prices somewhat later than usual this year. The pig and sow slaughter program of the government lessens the prospect of burdensome supplies in the coming fall and winter and also reduces the effect of large storage stocks of pork and lard.

The Nebraska farmers are told that even though low grade slaughter cattle may be in an unfavorable position, a steady to firm market for finished cattle is likely. Receipts have been larger and indicate that fall supplies will be less burdensome than last year. The supply situation, however, is not favorable. Higher egg prices are in prospect.

S. J. Weekes returned last evening from Omaha, where he had been for several days serving as a member of the loan committee of the Regional Agricultural Corporation.

WIN PRE-SEASON FOOTBALL GAME

The O'Neill high school football team defeated a team organized by Ralph Mellor, by a score of 7 to 0, Sunday on the field at the fair grounds. The purpose of the game was to raise money to pay for new football suits for the high school team.

Mellor's team was composed mostly of men who formerly played football at O'Neill high.

Mellor won the toss and elected to defend the north goal, with the high school kicking-off. Beech did the kicking. The entire first quarter was ragged with fumbling and no consistent gains.

Mellor's team threatened to score in the second quarter when Liddy speared a long pass thrown by Griffin for a gain of about 25 yards. On the next play Tuor caught another one of Griffin's long passes that took the ball near the goal line, but they were unable to push it over and the high school took the ball on downs. Beech made a long punt setting the town team back in their own territory. They were unable to make consistent gains and the high school took the ball on a fumble. Beech and Smith were good for several gains for the high school but they failed to score and the half ended with the score 0-0.

In the third quarter the high school kicked off, with Bill Griffin taking the ball and running it back to near the 50 yard line. The high school took the ball on an intercepted pass and started a march down the field ending with a touchdown by Beech. Green ran from scrimmage for the extra point.

Mellor's aggregation threatened to score in the fourth quarter after making two first downs, and then a third, when the high school was penalized 15 yards for slugging. Another penalty for offside gave them first down and seven yards for goal. Two yards each were made on the next two plays, putting them within three yards of the goal. They failed to gain on the next play and lost five yards on the next with the high school team taking the ball on downs. Beech punted out of danger but the ball was brought back when Gallagher reached out from between two high school men to spear another of Griffin's long passes, but they were unable to push the ball further, the game ending with the score 7 to 0 for the high school.

Griffin and Walling did most of the ball carrying for Mellor's team and made some good gains. Beech and Smith were the most consistent ground gainers for the high school.

ORGANIZE N. R. A. COMPLIANCE BOARD

At a meeting held last Tuesday evening the following were selected as members of the RNA Compliance Board for O'Neill: W. J. Hammond, legal member; Mrs. R. M. Sauer, to represent the consumers; J. B. Mellor, retail employers; C. H. Bratt, industrial employers; Otto Clevisch, industrial employees, and C. D. Mullen, to represent retail employees. This committee will meet tomorrow afternoon to select a chairman, making a committee of seven, and then they will be organized for business.

H. W. Tomlinson has succeeded to the real estate business that was carried on for many years in this city by Sam Berry. Mr. Tomlinson says that it begins to look as if there was going to be some real estate business this fall and winter as he daily received queries regarding ranches and farms in this section. If the price of farm commodities once gets firmly established on the up-grade there is no question but what there will be considerable demand for farms in this section, as well as in other parts of the agricultural west. Land prices have not been as low as they are today for several years and the far-seeing investor will not be long in taking advantage of the opportunities that real estate affords for a good safe investment.

Ralph Weaverling, of Kansas City, Mo., was in the city last Monday looking after some business for an insurance company of that city with which he is connected. Mr. Weaverling was formerly a resident of North Bend and represented that county in the state senate in 1919. While in the city he made this office a short call, where we discussed many of the stirring incidents of the 1919 legislative session, when we were both in the senate. Mr. Weaverling has been a resident of Missouri for the past eight years, but says Nebraska still seems like home to him.

O'NEILL WINS FROM BARTLETT IN NIGHT BASE BALL GAME

Take An Easy Victory In Their First Game Under Lights. Large Crowd Of O'Neill Boosters Present.

The O'Neill ball team went down to Bartlett last Sunday afternoon and that evening played the Bartlett team under the flood lights, winning with a score of 12 to 4. Dean Beckwith was on the mound for O'Neill. Although this was the first game that the O'Neill boys ever played under the flood lights they put up a splendid exhibition of the national pastime and were masters of the Bartlett team all the way through.

A large delegation of base ball lovers of this city accompanied the base ball team to Bartlett last Sunday evening to witness the flood light game between O'Neill and Bartlett. In fact some of those in attendance said they were more O'Neill people there than there were Bartlett residents. Those who went down say they witnessed a good ball game and the novelty of the night game amply repaid them for their trip, especially as O'Neill won.

FORMER RESIDENT OF HOLT COUNTY DEAD

Paul C. Butler died at his home at Battle Creek last Friday night after an illness of three months. He was a little over 49 years of age. He leaves a wife and two daughters, besides his father, W. R. Butler, and stepmother, of Seabright, Calif., and brother, H. R. Butler, of Pierce. Mr. Butler was a resident of this city for several years, when his father, W. R. Butler, was county attorney of this county. He left here about twenty-four years ago and for a few years was engaged in the mercantile business at Gregory, South Dakota, then moved to Battle Creek where he resided up to the time of his death.

TEXAS PUNCTURE VINE GETTING START IN COUNTY

The Texas or California puncture weed has made its appearance in various parts of the county and unless it is exterminated will become a nuisance in a few years. The plant is very common in California. It is an annual and produces a seed which when matured is enclosed in a burr bearing sharp thorns. The thorns work their way into the flesh of people and animals, and do much damage to cars by puncturing tires. The thorns are strong and are not easily broken. They will be a much worst pest than the cockle burr if they get a foothold in the county.

ECONOMY LEAGUE MEETING.

The Holt County Economy League will meet at O'Neill on Saturday, September 30, at 2 p. m. An election of officers will take place at this meeting. Martin Conway, Secretary.

Manager McNally of the O'Neill base ball team says that O'Neill will play Bartlett again next Sunday evening under the flood lights at Bartlett, the game to start at 8:30. Bartlett has strengthened their team for this game in the hope of making up for the defeat they suffered last Sunday evening at the hands of the O'Neill boys. They have secured the services of Dudley Falk, one of the leading pitchers of the Elkhorn Valley League who twirled for Scribner during the league season, to pitch for them. Falk pitched for Spaulding against Bartlett a couple of weeks ago and fanned twenty-one during the nine inning contest. Honeycutt and Allen will be the battery for O'Neill.

STATE PAY-ROLLS INCREASED

According to a report forwarded to Washington by R. L. Metcalfe, Nebraska NRA chairman, sixty-two of the state's ninety-three counties show an increase in the payrolls of \$7,350,615 per year.

While reporting that there are some "chillers" in Nebraska and that there is some resentment among the farmers, Metcalfe stated that NRA sentiment is remarkably strong.

The fact that there has been an increase in the price of things the farmer has to buy, which is attributed to the NRA, has caused some resentment among the farmers, who have not had a corresponding increase in the commodities he has to sell, according to his report.

Douglas county led the list reporting salary increases, with a total of \$3,315,000 per year. Lancaster was next with \$670,000.