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Crowds Come In For the Celebration

Free Day went over with a bang Tuesday and O'Neill streets were thronged from mid-forenoon until midnight. There was no way of counting the multitudes as unlike a fair ground where tickets are taken in they came from all directions all day and had the free run of the town. Mayor Kersenbrock put forth tireless efforts to make the affair a success and all seemed to feel that it was just that.

The highlights of interest, amid the multitude of games, seemed to center on a few things. Befeathered, moccasin-footed and bespangled Indians from the reservation in their distinctive and rhythmic dance caught the fancy for a time after a parade of something like 1,000 school and Academy students, led by the school band of forty pieces. A ball game between Norfolk and Beatrice, of the state league, drew a large crowd to the fair grounds but after the first few innings interest in that subsided. It was not a contest for supremacy between the teams hence fagged out into indifferent playing and the scores kept piling up until no one cared to know the result, except a few who had staked a little on the outcome.

Amateur boxing exhibitions, promoted by L. D. Putman, who made the matches, held the interest throughout the late afternoon. These were held on a platform on Fourth street, south of Douglas. Elmer Stolte acted as referee and Prof. Carrol as time keeper.

The Norfolk Drum and Bugle Corps gave an interesting drill during the evening and, as usual, were viewed by thousands of the residents of this and surrounding counties.

The Gesundheit band of Pierce won a warm spot in the hearts of the citizens of this city and contributing territory last Tuesday. They were employed to furnish music for the day and they were not stingy about it, and they furnished up to date music. Shortly after noon they were marching down Fourth street by this office when they sighted the picture of the next president of the United States, Governor Alf Landon, in the window, they doffed their caps and rendered the republican national anthem, "Oh, Susannah." They were then decorated with Landon and Knox badges—although they were then generously supplied—and their leader said they were at the notification ceremonies at Topeka and that it was probably the only band in the Union that was 100% for Landon. It is a good band and the boys made a hit here by their willingness to furnish music and assist in the entertainment of the day. They are gentlemen every one of them and they can be sure of a royal reception if they should again return to the Emerald tinted city.

Results of the boxing and the other sports follow:

Foot Race, Boys under 12 years, 60 yards: Maurice Jones, first; Dan Freisen, second, George Melior, third.

Foot Race, Girls under 12 years, 60 yards: Eva Jones, first; Trena Hoffman, second; Marjorie Summers, third.

Foot Race, Boys 12 to 15 years, 100 yards: Everett Gorgen, first; Floyd Jarske, second; Wayne Hancock, third.

Foot Race, Girls, 12 to 15 years, 100 yards: Oda Posvar, first; Eunice Hunt, second; Trena Hoffman, third.

Foot Race, Free For All, 100 yards: Allan Spindler, first; Clarence Benda, second; Jack Cooper, third.

Sack Race, Boys under 16 years, 75 yards: James Bellar, first; Junior Jarske, second; George Melior, third.

Three Legged Race, under 16 years, 75 yards: Everett and Vern Grogan, first; second and third a tie between Alvin Bausch and Pat Mitchell; Floyd Jarake and Jack Cooper.

Boy's Bicycle Race, under 16 years: John Shoemaker, first; Dale Kersenbrock, second; Dale Spry, third.

Pie Eating Contest, under 12

years: Iris, Buffalow, first; James Bellar, second; Don Freisen, third. Pie Eating Contest, under 15 years: Donald Bayle, first; Bob Kellar, second; Cleland Johnson, third.

BOXING.

First—Tibbett Brothers, weight 50 pounds, draw.

Second—Donald Bergstrom, 63 pounds, and Jack Dempsey, 60 pounds, draw.

Third—Floyd Bellar, 120 pounds, and George Fernholz, 115 pounds, draw.

These three matches were all O'Neill boys.

Fourth—Ralph Shaw, 135 pounds, and Harry Brown, 139 pounds, both of Chambers, draw.

Fifth—Clinton Wolfe, 120 pounds, and Leo Valla, 149 pounds, both of O'Neill, draw.

Sixth—Clinton Wolfe, 120 pounds, and Andy Schaacht, 120 pounds, both of O'Neill, draw.

Seventh—Pat Jeffry, 127 pounds, of O'Neill, and Mike Sullivan, 130 pounds, of Opportunity. Decision for Jeffry on a knockout.

Eighth—Joe Lewis, 150 pounds, of Chambers, and Ed Barnum, 145 pounds, of O'Neill. Decision for Barnum on a knockout, second round.

Ninth—Vernon Hixson, 155 pounds, of Clearwater, and Harry Newman, 155 pounds, negro of Sioux City. Decision for Hixson.

Tenth—Jack Cooper, 140 pounds, and Leonard Peterson, 143 pounds, both of O'Neill, draw.

Eleventh—Keith Lear, 171 pounds of Bassett, and Bill Zall, 182 pounds, of Long Pine, draw.

Twelfth—George Cook, 145 pounds, of O'Neill, and Buz Cavanaugh, 153 pounds, of Chambers. Cook knocked out in first round.

Thirteenth—Walter Fix, 168 pounds, of Inman, and Dick Tomlinson, 179 pounds, of O'Neill, draw.

The boys matches were two rounds, others three.

Marriage Licenses

Sept. 2.—Edward Segar, 22, and Viola Schaaf, 19, both of Atkinson; Louis Urbanski, 30, of Stuart, and Rose Babl, 24, of Brocksbury; George Verzel, 28, and Claudine Brewer, 19, both of Atkinson.

Sept. 4.—Jerry D. Sullivan, 36, of Elgin, and Virginia K. Doran, 22, of Chambers.

Sept. 5.—Russel S. Burnham, 30, and Viola Dehart, 21, both of Platte, S. D.

Sept. 7.—John Cearns, 21, and Arlene Bamberger, 21, both of Atkinson.

Thieves Like Canned Foods

Someone who has taken to criminal and contemptible ways of securing a livelihood in place of honest endeavor in northeast Holt stole a quantity of home-canned provisions from the Joe Schollmeyer farm twenty miles northeast last Saturday night. The entire supply of canned peaches that had just been prepared by the Schollmeyer household, canned meat and other provisions were taken.

The family were at the Crookman home at the time participating in the festivities of the Crookman-Stuart wedding party and the provision raider had things all his own way.

This is the second time within a little over a month that this place has been raided. In July a flock of 250 chickens were stolen.

Sheriff Duffy had in custody for a short time George Ketchum, a paroled youth from the Industrial school at Kearney. E. H. Schindler, parole officer, came over Monday for the boy, who had been out on parole and employed by a Cherry county man who was sending him back to the institution.

Casper Addison, of Swan precinct, accompanied by his brother-in-law, Leo Orr of Terryville, S. D., were in town Monday having come in that day from Omaha, where they had been to see Casper's father, J. C. Addison of Opportunity, who has been in a hospital since August 1. He is showing encouraging signs, Casper says, of permanent improvement in health and hopes to be fully restored soon.

THE DAILY BREAD



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Filings in the District Court

Elmer C. Rankan as attorney of record representing them Doris Jean Strong, of Ewing, by Grace Omev, her mother, has begun action for absolute divorce from Harry L. Strong. It is recited the marriage ceremony was performed at Neigh on October 13, 1934, but they have never dwelt together as husband and wife, the girl consenting to the marriage because of false representations. On November 1, following, Strong was sentenced on a conviction of grand larceny to serve five years in the penitentiary, where he is now.

E. A. Marshal vs. August Lappe, an appeal from the findings of the county court over ownership and possession of a body of land near O'Neill.

Julius D. Cronin as county attorney appeals to the court for the appointment of special counsel to investigate and start criminal proceedings, if necessary, against certain Omaha lawyers, whom Rosa Johns Wheeler alleges received from her as bailee certain moneys they refuse to return. Mr. Cronin says he is disqualified to proceed against the Omaha men as he is counsel for the Wheeler woman in other matters.

BRIEFLY STATED

Adults and kiddies from all parts of the county were in O'Neill Tuesday for O'Neill's annual tribute to their customers and friends in this section of the state. The kiddies all had a good time and I think the older folks, of both sexes, also thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Glenn Saunders arrived in the city yesterday after most of the summer spent at Atlanta, Ga. He thinks Georgia is a fine country, the people treat one royally, but have considerable of the old secession spirit left. Glenn will resume duties at The Frontier next week.

At the rate of one dollar a minute, it would take 14,000 years to spend the amount of money President Roosevelt gets rid of in one year. But what worries the taxpayers is the time and sacrifices which are going to be required to pay back the billions borrowed to finance the New Deal plan of borrowing and spending the nation into prosperity.

STREET SCENERY.

At an early morning hour, within a radius of half a block, thirty automobiles with license plates from other states and other counties, discloses some of the foreign traffic in and out of O'Neill.

Maybe not quite a quarter ton for cannibal diet, lifting a heavy foot with the gait of a plow horse, overall legs encompassing ponderous extremities with the bottom turned up to the ankle—a living epitome of Will Markham's poetic picture, "The Man With the Hoe." Just a figure in the street scenery framed for study any day.

Clad in the garments of the laboring man, he sat with quiet dignity at the early morning breakfast table and proceeded with the grace and careful mannerisms that would delight an Emily Post to the business of eating, which seemed with him more like a conscientious rite than partaking of a meal. Who was it reminds us of a princely person may be encountered in all walks of life?

Anxious eye, urgent entreaty—something more than entreaty, approaching the mandatory—and persistent effort—the comely young matron appeared to succeed in piloting a reluctant spouse out of the zone of the freely flowing amber fluid. That is one of the hindrances to a day of pleasure to the woman who still believes in the ways of sobriety while her mate is lured by the cup that cheers and also inebriates.

Sparce of frame, gray thatched, that anxious look of the one whose guiding star seems to have sunk below a distant horizon, leaning against a glass front as if the effort to move to the solid wall for a support was too great, he hovered near the re-employment office. One of many whose material needs and the means to supply them is about to crush to earth. What success attended his efforts for a job is not known, but the observer later saw the weary pilgrim dozing in a chair in front of one of the city's loafing places.

Father time had laid a heavy hand on her. Life's vicissitudes had faded the bloom of maidenly freshness, lines marked the once full-rounded features and shabbiness made no effort to conceal a hard-bitten career since the days she was a charming young school teacher in the county. Little wonder she

Thousand Cattle at the Sale Ring

Report of Atkinson Livestock Market for Tuesday, September 8.

Hogs: Receipts 727 head. Pigs selling equal to the season's best prices. The supply was not equal to the demand as many buyers could not fill their requirements. Most light pigs weighing from 40 to 70 lbs. brought from 6.25 to 7.50 with weightier pigs on up to 9.00. Some fat 125 lb. averages sold at 10.25. The sow market and fat hogs were fully steady with a week ago.

Cattle: Receipts 1027 head. The heifer and cow market was a runaway affair, in many instances as much as 75 cents a hundred higher over a week ago, with some top two year old heifers weighing 950 lbs. bringing 6.00. All cows showed from 25 cents on the canners and cutters to as much as 75 cents advance on the best fat ones. The steer market was no higher than a week ago, however this week's quality was not as good as that of last week. Canners bulked largely at 3.00 to 3.40; cutters at 3.50 to 4.40; fat cows at 4.50 to 5.65; heavy heifers up to 6.00; choice yearling heifers at 5.25 to 6.00. Good steers at 4.50 to 5.00; plain ones down to 3.50; heavy steers up to 6.10. Bulls at 4.00 to 4.50; steer calves at 5.00 to 6.00; heifer calves at 4.50 to 6.00.

had to tell who she was to an acquaintance of years now gone. But while these outward marks were apparent, a happiness and an interest in life was also apparent. Maybe after all those are the big things of the daily experiences.

A fireman at the breakfast table caught a faint note that seemed the start of the fire alarm. He straightened up and listened, ready to jump, leaving breakfast and all but it was only a flash off the radio.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Cronin and other relatives are enjoying a visit from his son, William and wife, two sisters, Mary Cronin and Mrs. Elmer Nelson and son, Joe, all of Omaha.

If the popularity of the republican candidate for president at O'Neill is gauged by the demand for the sunflower badges at this office he is the choice of a great many of our citizens.

One non-partisan news writer relates that some of the republican leaders are getting nervous about the state of Maine—not because it is likely to go democratic, but because the indications point to such a republican landslide that it may make the republicans overconfident. "What worries them," he writes, referring to G. O. P. leaders, "is that the victory may be altogether too heartening—may create delusions of an easy November victory." That's forgetting, however one unusual element in this campaign! That element is the issue of Americanism vs. Europeanism. Independent and democratic voters, alike with republican citizens, are not going to have any delusions about that. The mere stamping out of European radicalism, if not communism, from Washington, is so important that they are going to make it as emphatic as possible.—Grand Island Independent.

Lee Bergland Hurt in Fall

Lee Bergland, living near Opportunity, was brought to O'Neill Saturday with a fractured collar bone, the result of a fall from a horse. Just how it all happened the family doesn't know and Mr. Bergland, who is past 70, continued in a somewhat dazed mental state and did not know just what did happen.

Saturday morning Mrs. Bergland was driving a team hitched to a wagon and they started to run. Her husband saw it, got on a saddle horse and started in pursuit. The team had run about a half mile when Mrs. Bergland got them turned and headed back to the farm buildings where she got them stopped by running into a fence. She saw the saddle horse standing on a rise in the ground some distance back and with her son, Harold, went to where the horse was, finding Mr. Bergland a little distance from the horse on the ground unconscious.

He was brought into O'Neill and attended by Dr. Brown and taken back home where up to a day or two ago he seemed not able to recall just how he had fallen from the horse but was otherwise getting along allright.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Abe Saunto returned to Sioux City Sunday to be at the bedside of Mrs. Saunto, who has been seriously ill in a hospital for some time. Their son, Fred, was down Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Credle and daughter, Judith, came up from Omaha Sunday, Mrs. Credle and daughter visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. O'Donnell, while Mr. Credle went to Denver on business.

Herman Medlin came in Monday with a large truck from Jefferson City, Nebr., where he is locating and loaded his household stuff for removal to that place. He hopes to return to O'Neill some day and engage in business here.

L. D. Putnam of the Putnam Implement company went to Chambers yesterday. Mr. Putnam has an exhibit of tractors and other farm and ranch equipment from his stock here on exhibition at the fair in Chambers.

Our old friend William Grothe, of Emmet, accompanied by his wife and son, Herman, left last week for Lincoln where they will take in the state fair and incidentally visit relatives and friends in the southeastern part of the state.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry N. Johnson and children, of Omaha, and Mrs. Johnson's sister, Miss Florence Veerman, of Burlington, Iowa, have spent the past week with Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Allen, of Page. Mr. Johnson is a brother of Mrs. Allen.

George D. Hansen, of Meek, was in town early Tuesday morning to get an insurance policy before leaving on a trip to Bellingham, Wash., where he has a sister living and where he and some of the family will spend about a month visiting.

New Ideas on Rain Making Recall '90s

In connection with the present day proposals to induce rainfall during summer months it is interesting to turn back the pages and revive our memories of what others did to lure the fickle thunder birds to shake out showers.

On August 4, 1892, one known as Prof. Frank Melbourne, Cheyenne, Wyoming, with a "manager," F. H. Jones, arrived in O'Neill and proposed for \$3,000 to produce one half inch of rain within four days—no rain, no pay. It looked good. Tom Golden was a member of the county board and lived here in town. He was for it. Messengers were sent hither and yon ahorse to get the sentiment of other members of the board and most all thought wetting the county down was worth \$3,000.

At midnight the professor mounted the steps and ascended to the court house cupola. For four days he sat offering incense to a brazen sky and neither ate nor drank only as these emblems of mortal need were brought to him. At midnight the 9th his time was to expire.

O'Neill tinnners were put to work making cans about six inches high and ten inches across to catch the rain. The professor was to make it a half inch. The second day lightning flashed, thunders crashed, wind raged—but no rain. Midnight the 9th came and no rain. A few hours later, however, a gentle downpour set in and wet the whole county from the Black Hills to Omaha.

Melbourne and his man, Jones, got no pay but insisted that the rain was the result of the professor's incantations. Moreover, he proposed an agreement to irrigate Holt and four adjoining counties for ten cents an acre. Again, no rain, no pay.

Two years later a group of O'Neill hustlers tried rain making on their own account. Grand Army men were replete with stories of heavy rains following great battles. A quantity of dynamite was got in at Corrigan's drug store. A day came for the great experiment. The boxes of explosives were loaded into a wagon. Ed Hershiser sat on one of the boxes and the drive was made to about the center of the southeast quarter of section twenty-four, just northwest of town. Ed handled the dynamite and the fireworks began. Boom—crash! Shanty windows and the earth shook, but Jupiter Pluvius looked on and smiled.

This was a period, too, of digging great irrigation canals—on paper. The county records are replete with motions and resolutions on the subject of irrigation. Like the Sunday school picnic, rains spoiled it all.

Those who have hung around north Nebraska the past 50 years or more and watched the heavens for rain clouds, listen to the new ideas on rain making and smile.

Sunday's rain and hail yielded .37 of an inch of moisture at O'Neill. The hail did not cover an extensive scope, the heaviest being about the center of town, where the usual hail stones were accompanied by chunks of ice of irregular shapes that fell like rock. Not many of these but enough to keep any venturesome person from taking a chance with getting hit with one. Ralph Mellor reports the loss of seventy turkeys, while Harry Bowen claims a few cotton plants at his place with the balls of cotton just ready to open were beaten to earth.

A party consisting of Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Rebert and two children, of Boys, Mont., Mrs. Clarence Mills of Omaha, and the mother of Mrs. Rebert, Mrs. W. W. Mills, formerly a resident of the Opportunity neighborhood in this county, stopped for the night here last Thursday on their way to Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. Pearson and baby, Jim, of Neligh, were guests at the home of Mrs. Piesens parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Harnish, this week.