

**Over the County**

**INMAN NEWS**

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Britzell and Mr. and Mrs. Merle Sparks and son of Newport, visited among relatives here Sunday.

The R.N.A. Juveniles met at the J. S. Thompson home Saturday for their regular meeting, with Mrs. Leona Smith, their sponsor, in charge. A lunch was served at the close of the meeting.

R. G. Goree of Long Pine, has been here several days with his mother, Mrs. W. S. Goree. Mr. Goree is a railway mail clerk, and is taking a couple of weeks vacation.

Glenn Van Every of Montana, was here Saturday greeting old friends. Glenn was a former resident of Inman, having grown to manhood here.

Rex Butler, Miss Fern Morrison and Pat Britzell visited in Newport Sunday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Crosser on Friday, March 18, a baby boy who has been named Roland Dean.

Miss Wilma Chicken, who is a student at the Wayne State Normal, spent the week-end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Chicken.

Robert Jackson of Sioux City, was a guest at the G. E. Moor home last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Riley visited in the homes of their daughters at Royal over the week-end.

Mrs. Tony Lockman and Miss Virginia Julious of Stuart, were here Friday visiting at the D. E. Lockman home.

Miss Dorothy Chicken, who teaches near Dixon, spent Sunday here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Chicken.

Miss Lois Moor, who is Principal of the North Bend schools, spent the week-end here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Moor.

Rev. W. L. Green of Emmet, was here Thursday and Friday, visiting among friends.

A school caucus was held at the High school auditorium Saturday evening at which time candidates for the Board of Education were nominated. The nominees are: Forest Smith, Floyd Keyes, Calvin Geary and Bill Hartigan.

Mrs. S. Naylor and Nephew, George Weingartner, of O'Neill, were here Sunday to visit relatives.

Miss Merle Leidy left Sunday morning for Omaha to attend the Beauty School convention.

**EMMET ITEMS**

Mrs. Robert Allen had the misfortune to run a needle in her hand last week. An x-ray was required, which showed the piece of needle resting on the bone.

Henry Heiser of Atkinson, was a business caller in Emmet Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Allen and family of Spencer, and William Wolfe of O'Neill, spent Sunday at the Clyde Allen home.

Charley Fox is installing a telephone at his home south of Emmet which will be connected with the O'Neill line.

Mrs. Bert Gaffney visited at the Claude Bates home Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Abart made a business trip to Stuart Monday.

Joe Ziska had a foreign particle lodged in one of his eyes, causing considerable pain before a doctor located the trouble.

John Tenborg of Omaha, visited at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Tenborg, over the week-end.

Miss Teresa Pongratz, Miss Geraldine Harris and Miss Maxine McConnell were dinner guests at the Howard McConnell home last Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Earls visited at the Gains Rzezoski home Sunday afternoon.

Miss Viola Kellar was a dinner guest at the Clyde Allen home last Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Denberg of O'Neill, were Sunday dinner guests at the Charles Luben home.

**MEEK AND VICINITY**

Some from here attended the pageant at the Presbyterian church in O'Neill Sunday evening. It was very good and enjoyed by everyone.

Mrs. Spindler and Leroy were dinner guests at the Griffith home on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Devall and baby, Charles Fox, John Hynes and Cecil Griffith called at R. D. Spindler's Thursday afternoon.

A. L. Borg, Howard Rouse, R. D. Spindler, Elmer Devall, Clarence Devall and Leroy Spindler helped saw wood at Frank Griffith's last Friday.

Charles Caywood, who has been suffering with his leg for several days, was taken to a hospital in Omaha last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Thomson and sons, Clyde and Elmo, were overnight guests at the Frank Griffith home enroute to their new home in Oregon. They lived for a good many years in this locality, and their many friends here wish them the best of luck in their new home.

Edith, Hazel, Evelyn and Roy Devall spent Saturday afternoon at the A. L. Borg home.

Mrs. Della Forbes of Brunswick is visiting her sister, Mrs. Charles Clouse, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Nelson and baby drove to Stuart Sunday.

Mrs. E. H. Rouse was an overnight guest Saturday at the Frank Griffith home.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Robertson and children called at A. L. Borg's Sunday afternoon.

Miss Lucille Jones spent the week-end with the home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bay of O'Neill, were guests at the Morris Graham home on Sunday.

Miss Marie Steinberg of Orchard, and Mrs. Frank Griffith were overnight guests of Miss Maude Rouse in O'Neill Tuesday.

On Wednesday, March 23, about thirty friends called at the A. L. Borg home at noon, with well filled baskets of good things to eat and sprung a surprise on Axel as it was his birthday. After all had eaten their fill of the good things provided, the men visited and some of the younger folks sang, while the others played games. All departed for their homes about five o'clock wishing Axel many more happy birthdays.

Will Devall and son, Walter, spent Monday evening at the Preston Jones home.

**PLEASANT DALE**

Dave Bellar purchased a new tractor last week.

The younger generation of the community are going in for bicycles it seems.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Spangler called at the Ralph Beckwith home Thursday.

Mr. Bellar made a business trip to Chambers last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lawyer and family have moved to the Enright place north of O'Neill.

Miss Edna Heeb is in a much better condition this week. She can be around some.

Ronald and Harold Hubert spent the week-end at the Vern Harding home.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Beckwith and family spent Sunday afternoon at the Hickman home near Atkinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Hickman and Mrs. Vera Hickman took Mrs. William Bantz to her home at Auburn Monday. Mrs. Bantz, who is 83 years of age, spent the winter here with her daughter, Mrs. Vera Hickman.

Mrs. Theodore Herring and son, John, of Omaha, are visiting with friends and relatives in this locality for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex McConnell and daughter, Maxine, were O'Neill shoppers Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Gus Seger and Mrs. Rex Beckwith spent Friday afternoon with Mrs. Ralph Beckwith.

**SHIELDS**

The annual celebration of St. Patrick's day was held on Thursday evening, March 17, 1938, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Steskal. This is also the anniversary of Mrs. Steskal, also Peter Farewell, so we had one grand whoopee. Last year's six button roast turkey feast was auspicious and successful and gave credit to the ranking cooks in this section. They decided to repeat and even excell, if possible, their initial triumph by substituting roast oysters in many styles. Other good things to eat and plenty of refreshments insured a feast of supreme enjoyment for the men and ladies who attended.

Everything on the menu was prepared with the thought of contributing to the St. Patrick feast that would stir up pleasant memories of the past. Everyone appreciated the splendid work done by the committee in charge, that planned the feast, and arranged the program.

The forepart of the evening several tables were arranged for those that indulged in card games. Muriel Murphy and Jim Earley out classed

all the other contestants in this form of amusement and they were instrumental in breaking ties in the finals.

Buffett supper was at the usual hour and included almost everything on the calender of eats. When a short intermission was held prior to the program, Dennis Murphy, a great historian, was introduced and gave an elegant insight on the theme of the tragic death of Robert Emmet. He said Robert was born March 4, '78 and was 20 years of age at the time of the rebellion of '98, of which his brother, Thomas A. Emmet was one of the leaders. While Robert was a student at Trinity College, Dublin, he incurred the displeasure of the faculty by delivering a speech in defense of the rights of his native land. Threatened with expulsion he resigned. Thereafter he toured the continent of Europe and conferred with many revolutionary leaders, especially Napoleon Bonaparte, who had promised Thomas a strong expeditionary force to aid Ireland in the uprising but proved faithless to the promise and forgot about the 420,000 Irishmen that died fighting for France shortly before.

Ireland has fought all other battles successfully but her own. Even in modern times she has furnished more than her quota in the South African war. Suffered 700 years of continuous prosecution and privation. Ruled over, given false promises, pasted on the head and danced to the crack of the driver's whip. This proves that the people will never submit to any dictatorship and today Ireland, under the courageous management of DeValeria has a free and united government in the south of Ireland. St. Patrick sowed the seed that nourished the faithful descendants down until the dawn of the new Ireland when Robert Emmet's epitaph will be written.

E. O. E.

**Notes From Agricultural Agent's Office**

The first group of 1937 Agricultural Conservation checks, totaling approximately \$62,000 were received on March 14, and are now being distributed. A large transmittal of applications was received this week and are being mailed out for signature. It is expected that in a very short time all the applications will be received from Lincoln, and they will be mailed without delay to the operators. A second group of checks is expected in the near future.

The county agricultural conservation committee has started the education meetings for the 1938

program, and will probably finish the middle of next week. Many farmers have asked whether or not the program is compulsory and whether there will be contracts to sign in 1938. There will be no contracts for the farmer to sign, but later on there will probably be applications for participation, which will have to be executed by the operator as was done in the 1936 and 1937. The program is not compulsory and the adjustment of acreages and the adoption of soil-building practices are entirely voluntary on the part of the farmer.

To meet the provisions under which benefit payment can be made in 1938, a Holt county farmer will adjust his acreage of common grain crops, which are called soil-depleting in this program, to an acreage established for his farm by community and county committees. These committees are farmers elected by their neighbors to represent them in their county association. The farmer will also adopt certain soil building practices for which he will receive payment representing approximately 75 per cent of the total cost of adopting the practice.

Land taken out of grain crops can be used for temporary pasture and for the production of emergency forage feed for livestock and for seedings of legumes or grass. This land may be summer fallowed or left idle, providing weeds are controlled in a manner which is considered a good farming practice in the area.

The county committee and office assistants are now tabulating figures and getting ready to establish farms goals. It is hoped that at least a preliminary figure can be released for each farm by corn planting time.

**BRIEFLY STATED**

Mrs. M. F. Meer drove down from Valentine last Monday morning, bringing her daughter, Mary Ann, back to her school studies after a couple of days at home.

**69 or 96**

How many baby chicks do you have alive at the end of 3 weeks? Do you have 69% and part of them weak? Or 96% and all husky, sturdy chicks?

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Hatches Every Monday and Thursday

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F. J. Dishner made a business trip to Omaha last Friday morning, returning home Sunday afternoon.

Ladies, Demonstration and Fitting Clinic for Gossard Corsets at the Golden Rule store tomorrow, March 25.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kersenbrock and family spent Sunday visiting relatives at Osmond, returning home that evening.

J. B. Mellor and Thomas S. Mains made a business trip to Chadron last Tuesday morning, returning Wednesday night.

Mrs. Julia Waters came up from Omaha last Thursday night and is spending a week visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. J. Biglin.

Dr. M. F. Meer came down from Valentine last Friday and went

home that evening, taking his daughter who is attending St. Mary's academy home with him for a couple of days visit.

According to word from the Department of Roads and Irrigation, Nebraska Safety Patrol department, patrol examiners will be at the court house in O'Neill every Saturday during the month of April, 1938, to examine applicants for drivers licenses.

Mrs. Margaret B. Clausson and her three operators, Pearl, Ann and Veramel, returned Tuesday from Omaha where they attended the tenth annual Trans-Mississippi Beauty show. They were all well pleased with the many artists on the modern hair styling and with the helpful lectures given at the convention on skin and scalp diseases by Dr. Miller of New York. Mrs. Clausson also purchased some new equipment for her shop while away.

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The savings to our residential customers through these reductions will enable them to make better use of our service and aid them to banish household drudgery. We are trying to cooperate with you to make your home a happier, more comfortable and more contented place in which to live.

**EXPENSES STEADILY MOUNTING**

These savings to customers are being made in spite of steadily mounting expenses. Our taxes have increased until our annual tax bill is now more than \$600,000.00, an increase of nearly \$70,000.00 over the amount of taxes paid last year. Other costs have also increased... coal prices, freight rates, and wages are higher, all of which are considerable items in the Company's operating expenses.

**NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS... JAMES F. ORR, NEW PRESIDENT**

The stockholders of our Company on March 3 elected a Board of Directors of members who live in the territory we serve. At the same time Mr. James F. Orr was elected president. He is a man who has had considerable experience and who is highly respected in the industry. Among his first announcements is the rate reduction which the Company is now making effective.

**MAY WE HAVE YOUR COOPERATION?**

We hope that you will cooperate with our Company in its policy of being a good citizen of each community it serves. If you have any suggestions, Mr. Orr and the new members of the Board of Directors will appreciate a visit or a letter from you. Please help them in their determination to give you the finest electric service at the lowest possible rates.

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**BANANAS**  
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2 bunches **5c**

**Extra Large Grapefruit**  
6 for **25c**

**CREAM CHEESE**  
Per Lb. **20c**

**BEANS & PORK**  
3 cans **21c**

**Pure Santos COFFEE**  
Per Lb. **16c**

**Tomatoes**  
3 No. 2 cans **25c**

**Spiced COOKIES**  
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