

O'NEILL HIGH JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET ONE OF SCHOOL YEAR'S HIGH LIGHTS

One Hundred and Ten, The Largest Assemblage To Ever Attend a Junior-Senior Banquet, Were Present To Enjoy The Festivities

One hundred and ten juniors, seniors and teachers attended the annual junior-senior banquet at the Golden Hotel on the evening of May 14. After the dinner everyone went to the high school auditorium and finished the evening with dancing.

The juniors followed the theme of Pinnocchio, with the programs and decorations. The seniors were given Pinnocchio charms which consisted of necklaces for the girls and small watch charms for the boys.

Owen Hiatt, the toastmaster, who represented Pinnocchio, started the program with the welcome and was followed by Ralph Brown, representing Figaro the Cat, giving the response. Other toasts were given by Mary Allen, as Cleo the Fish, Eunice Hunt, as Jiminy Cricket; Bob Mitchell, as Honest John the Fox; Mr. Harold Connors, as Monstro the Whale; Miss Marjorie Graybill as the Blue

Fairy; and Mr. C. F. Grill as Gepetto.

The boys quartette, composed of Phil Yarnell, Bob Mitchell, Howard Graves, and Keith Vincent sang two selections. Don Bowen sang, "When You Wish Upon a Star," the theme song of the show, "Pinnocchio."

The menu consisted of Fruit Cocktail, Pork tenderloin, Browned Corn, Buttered Potato Balls, Candied sweet Potatoes, Spring Salad, Ice Cream and Cake, and coffee.

The tables were decorated with silver star nut cups, and candle light. The seniors' flower, the rose, added to the color and decoration of the tables.

Since this was probably the last time that these two classes will ever be together as one group, everyone entered the spirit of the occasion and enjoyed a very pleasant evening.

Mrs. Caroline Steabner, One of Real Pioneers Passes Away

Mrs. Caroline Steabner died at her home in this city last Sunday after an illness of several months, of ailments incident to old age, at the age of 84 years, two months and seven days. Funeral services were held from Biglin's chapel at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon and burial in Prospect Hill cemetery, at the side of her husband, who passed away on June 25, 1924.

Caroline Frank was born in Marquette county, Wisconsin, on March 12, 1856, where she lived for several years. Her parents then moved to Minnesota, where she grew to womanhood and on December 6, 1872, she was united in marriage to Louis Steabner, the ceremony being performed at Yellow, Madison county, Minn. No children were born of this union and she is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Minnie L. Jones, of Minneapolis, Minn., and Mrs. Charlotte Bhan of Wood Lake, Minn.

Mrs. Steabner came to this county in 1879 from Minnesota and they located on the Eagle northwest of this city where they lived for forty-four years until their removal to this city in the fall of 1923, since which time she has been a resident of this city. Mrs. Steabner had been a resident of this county for nearly sixty one years and was well known to all of the old timers of the county. She was a splendid woman and had a host of friends in the county, especially among the old timers who remember her graciousness and hospitality when they would visit her home on the Eagle in the days that are long gone. With her passing another of the real old time pioneers has passed from this vale of tears to the great beyond and there are but few of the real old timers left. In fact we can recall but one in this section of the county who has been a resident the same length of time that Mrs. Steabner had and she is nearing ninety years of age, but still hale and hearty and her many friends hope that she will pass the 100 mark.

St. Mary's Alumnae Will Hold A Meeting Next Sunday, May 26th

The annual reunion of St. Mary's Alumnae Association will be held next Sunday, May 26. Benediction, 5:00 P. M.; Banquet, 6:00 P. M.

Class night exercises for the graduates of St. Mary's will be held in St. Mary's gym, Thursday evening, May 30, at 8 o'clock.

Commencement will take place at ten o'clock Friday morning, May 31, in St. Patrick's Church.

The Faculty and Senior Class extend a cordial invitation.

Holt County Pioneers Celebrate Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. John N. Steinberg, of Orchard, celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary at their farm home six miles northwest of Orchard on Sunday, May 19, 1940. A sumptuous dinner was served at the noon hour which was attended by their children, grandchildren and a few of the close friends of the family.

The children present were: Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Steinberg and Naomia, of Page; Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Steinberg, Janice and Jimmy, of Orchard; John and Marie, at home; Mrs. Clyde Sponhower, of Denver, and Mrs. Walter Wegney, of Scribner, Neb., were unable to be present. Arthur Rouse and Miss Maude Rouse, of O'Neill, were also present at the dinner.

A beautiful white angel food cake which was baked by their daughter, graced the center of the table.

They received many beautiful and appropriate gifts, not only from their immediate relatives but from many other friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Steinberg were both born in Germany and came with their parents to the United States in the year 1884, locating at Scribner, in Dodge county. They were united in marriage at Fremont, Neb., in the year 1890. They lived in Dodge county for twenty-five years then moved to eastern Holt county, six miles northwest of Orchard, which has been their home for thirty-one years. They are the parents of six children, three boys and three girls and have nine grandchildren. Mr. Steinberg will be 81 years of age on his next birthday, November 8, and Mrs. Steinberg will be 75 on October 13. They both enjoy good health and their many friends in eastern Holt hope they may enjoy good health and happiness for many years to come.

O'Neill Girl Wins Honors In Omaha College

Miss Mary Janet Kubitschek, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. F. J. Kubitschek of this city and a Junior in Duchesne College, Omaha, was elected by popular vote of the student body to the office of President of the Student Body for the next year.

When a freshman, Miss Kubitschek was treasurer of her class, and the following year she was chosen president of the Sophomore class. Very active in extra curricular activities, Miss Kubitschek is treasurer of the Duchesne College Players, the drama club, secretary of the Glee Club and is a member of the International Relations Club, the Mission Club, the D. Club and the Glee Club.

Memorial Day Program

NEW HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

Thursday, May 30

10:00 A. M.

- Parade at 9:30 to Auditorium
- Invocation Rev. William I. Bell
- Music Combined O.H.S. and St. M. Band
- Chorus St. Mary's Academy
- Reading Student of O. H. S.
- Vocal Solo Student of O. H. S.
- Address Rev. R. Parr
- Reading Student S. M. A.
- Solo Mrs. Lawrence Russell
- Taps
- Benediction Rev. V. C. Wright

Ceremonies at cemeteries.

All ex-service men are requested to be in attendance.

A NATIVE SON OF ST. JOHN'S PARISH CELEBRATES HIS FIRST MASS THERE

Father Hupp, Born and Raised in Deloit Township Celebrates His First Solemn Mass In His Home Community Parish at Deloit

Approximately five hundred people thronged the church of St. John the Baptist on Monday, May 20 to attend one of the outstanding events of its history when Rev. Father Robert Hupp, the first native son of the parish to be elevated to Holy Priesthood celebrated his first Solemn Mass.

Assisting Father Hupp at Mass were Rev. Theo. Buelt, pastor of St. Boniface church, Elgin, Neb., as Arch-priest; Rev. B. J. Leahy, pastor of St. Mary's church, Laurel, Neb., as Deacon; and Rev. Richard Parr of O'Neill, Neb., as Sub-Deacon. Rev. Peter Burke, Plainview, Nebraska, acted as Master of Ceremonies. Rev. C. A. Beyersdorfer, pastor of St. John the Baptist Parish at Deloit delivered the sermon. James and Andrew Hupp, brothers of the celebrant served at the Mass.

Other members of the clergy who were present in the sanctuary were: Rt. Rev. Monsignor Lorde-man of Hartington, Neb.; Very Rev. Fr. Windolph of Creighton; Rev. P. Vanderlaan, Ewing; Rev. J. O'Brien, Emmet; Rev. A. Lehmann, Atkinson; Rev. B. Westermann, Bloomfield; Rev. R. Auer, Madison; Rev. Kluthe, Raeville; and Rev. Tregent of St. Louis, Missouri.

After mass Father Hupp bestowed his First Blessing upon each one in attendance. Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament was given at 3 o'clock with Rev. Hupp as Celebrant. Ordination ceremonies were held at St. Cecilia's Cathedral, Omaha,

OLD TIME O'NEILL BOY PASSES ON

Funeral Services Will Be Held in O'Neill Next Monday Morning

Word was received in this city this morning that Miles Gibbons died at his home in Butte, Mont., Tuesday night. He was about 68 years of age. The body will be brought to this city Sunday morning and the funeral will be held from St. Patrick's church on Monday morning.

Miles Gibbons was one of the real old timers in this city, coming here with his parents along about 1880 and they resided here until the early nineties when they moved to Montana, where they have since resided. Miles was a likable boy and forty-five years ago was one of the most prominent young men of the city and his passing will be regretted by a host of friends in his old home town.

Mrs. John Kennedy

Mrs. John Kennedy, of Inman, died at the Stuart hospital last Tuesday morning at 1:30 a. m., after an illness of several weeks, at the age of 71 years, one month and twenty-five days. Biglins ambulance went after the body and brought it to this city and the funeral was held this morning at 9 o'clock from St. Patrick's church in this city. Rev. P. F. Burke, a first cousin of Mr. Kennedy, of Plainview, officiating and burial in Calvary cemetery.

Johanna Kennedy was born at Waukon, Iowa, on March 26, 1869. In 1908 she came to this county and was united in marriage to John Kennedy at Burwell, Neb., on November 24, 1908. There were no children and she leaves to mourn her passing her husband, three brothers and one sister.

Mrs. Kennedy had been a resident of Swan precinct for thirty-two years, her husband having been engaged in the ranching business in that precinct. They disposed of their interests there last summer and in September, 1939, moved to Inman where they had since made their home. Mrs. Kennedy had been in the hospital for the past four weeks. She was a charming lady and had a host of friends in the southern part of the county, where she lived for so many years, who will regret to learn of her passing.

Marriage Licenses

A marriage license was issued on May 18 to Ardel A. Cleveland, of Bonesteel, S. D., and Hattie A. Redmer, of Fairfax, S. D., who were then united in marriage by Judge Reimer.

Robert A. Nisson, of Page, and Dorothy Mae Sorenson, of Page, were issued a marriage license by Judge Reimer on May 18th and were united in marriage on May 20th by Rev. Virgil Wright, pastor of the Methodist church in this city.

Raymond Richards and Rita McCaffrey both of Atkinson, were issued a marriage license on May 21st at the office of the county judge, and were united in marriage on May 22, by Rev. A. A. Lehman of the Catholic Church in Atkinson.

Glen L. Brewster of Page, and Muriel Graham of O'Neill, were granted a marriage license on May 18th and were united in marriage by Rev. Virgil Wright of the Methodist church in this city, on the same date.

Arthur Juracek of Star and Ruby Ruzicka of Verdigris, were granted a marriage license by the County Judge on May 18th and were united in marriage on May 21st by Rev. Virgil Wright of the Methodist church in this city.

ST. MARY'S JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET WAS GALA EVENT FOR THE ACADEMY

The Juniors, Who Will Be The Seniors Next Year, Entertain the Seniors in a Royal Manner

Last Thursday evening at 6:30 the Juniors of St. Mary's with their Senior guests and members of the faculty, assembled in St. Mary's gymnasium for the annual Junior-Senior Banquet. The gymnasium was decorated with blossoms of many hues, in keeping with the Banquet theme, "Blossom Time." The brilliant decorations were only over-shadowed by the bright and colorful formal worn by the girls in attendance.

The guests of the evening were Monsignor McNamara, Father Parr, Mr. and Mrs. Ira George, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Arbutnot and Dr. and Mrs. F. J. Kubitschek.

After the bountiful and appetizing dinner was served and eaten, Toastmaster John Shoemaker took charge of the program and introduced the evenings entertainment. The Junior class opened the evening's program by singing their tribute to the Seniors in the form of the banquet theme song, "Our Prayer in Blossom Time," the works of which, several enterprising Juniors had fitted to the tune of the popular song, "My Prayer."

The toastmaster then introduced the various speakers of the evening. Constance Biglin, the vice-president of the Junior class, gave a toast to Alma Mater. The next speakers were Betty McNally, Junior class president and Alma Wallace, who spoke on the Junior and senior class mottoes. After the explanation of the Junior class motto, four Juniors, Verne Coyne, Eileen Kelly, George Hammond and Bob Parkins sang a hymn to the Sacred Heart. Following Alma

Wallace's talk on the Senior class motto, Miss Catherine Finley sang, "Ave Maria" by Schubert.

James Matthews, who spoke next, delivered an address in verse to Monsignor McNamara for his toil and kindness. Dale Kersbrook humorously toasted Father Parr for his work in the school.

Charlotte Buell, secretary of the Junior class, next gave vocal tribute to the Franciscan Sisters of St. Mary's. Robert Miles then toasted Mrs. Kubitschek for her work in the interests of drama and physical education in the school, followed (as usual) by Lorene Mains, who addressed Mr. George, director of instrumental music at St. Mary's, thanking him for his self sacrifice and toil in the behalf of St. Mary's student. Francis Hickey delivered a toast to Jack Arbutnot, basketball coach of St. Mary's basketball team. Thus the faculty of St. Mary's was thanked by various representatives of the student body for their labor and efforts in behalf of St. Mary's students.

The class poet, Bob Parkins, added much to the entertainment by a very original and clever, rhythmic toast to the Seniors.

Anne Purcell, Lois Jean Robertson and the last speaker of the evening, Darleen Weber, gave a toast to the Juniors, thanking them for the banquet and wishing them success as Seniors of next year.

The hall was cleared in a short time and the students danced until 10:00, when ended an enjoyable and memorable evening.

OUR NEIGHBORS AT AMELIA CELEBRATE PIONEER DAY WITH A PROGRAM

On Thursday of Last Week The Residents of The South Country Gathered at Amelia For A Good Old "Get Together Celebration."

Amelia "Only town in the world having neither pump nor windmill, believe it or not," says Ripley; celebrated Pioneer Day on May 16th. The Helping Hand Club sponsored the event. A picnic dinner was served from 12:00 to one o'clock to approximately 250 guests, at the Amelia Hall. Bonnets small and large, flower and ostrich feather trimmed, shoulder shawls and sweeping dresses were the order of the day. At two o'clock the following program was presented by a group of old timers and club women whose costumes were originally worn in the early eighties.

Opening Address, by Mrs. F. C. Watson, president of the club. Songs, "America" and "Old Folks at Home," by the entire crowd, led by Rev. Carter of Amelia and Chambers.

A musical playlet. Mrs. Blake Ott read the narrative and Mrs. Vern Sageser the verse. The Pioneer Chorus sang "Battle Hymn of the Republic," "Oh, Susanna," and other old favorites. A long list of earliest settlers who have passed on to new frontiers was read.

A male quartet sang "The Little Old Sod Shanty on the Claim," and Mrs. Ernest White gave a list of the early settlers and some information concerning each.

A letter written by W. O. Sammons, June 26, 1883, to his father in Illinois, describing the country, climate and mode of living in this newly settled area was read by Mrs. Blake Ott. Careful directions for following the angling wagon trail from O'Neill to his home, and mention of the possibility of a postoffice that might soon be established, probably brought back many memories to the old-timers in the audience. "Home Sweet Home" was sung

by the chorus. Mrs. Ralph Rees gave the location, names and dates of early towns, mills and stores. Amelia, we find, is named for Mrs. Amelia Bliss, wife of I. D. Bliss, and was first established one-half mile south of the present location. Later it was moved to the place where it now stands, because Mrs. Florence Anderson deeded forty acres as a town site on her own property.

"School Days" sung by the chorus, preceded "First Schools and Early Teachers," by Mrs. Vern Sageser. "The Little Brown Church" introduced "Early Churches and Pastors" by Mrs. Etta Ott.

"When the County Was Organized and Early Officers," was given by Mrs. F. C. Watson.

So far as we were able to learn, our community has never been used as a background for a book or magazine article. The topic "Local Features Worthy of Being Written Up," by Mrs. Lee Sammons, recounted tales of the early days.

Important celebrations or community get-togethers, as we prefer to call them, was reported upon by Mrs. M. L. Sageser. The old Amelia co-operative Creamery, established in 1895, was given honorable mention.

The quilting party, sung by the Pioneer Chorus, aptly introduced the subject, "Recreations of the Early Days," by Mrs. Duane Sammons.

Nebraska Land, by the male quartette, preceded the topic on severe storms, fires and droughts, given by Mrs. Blake Ott, in which the blizzard of 1888 and the drought of 1894 were featured.

An original song, "The Postman" was sung by the chorus. Date of the first mail delivery and developments of the postal service was

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