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## SOUTHWESTERN BREEZES

By Romaine Saunders

Lyle, the 13 yr. old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Addison suffered a violent attack of appendicitis last Friday night. He was taken to a hospital at Burwell Saturday morning and found relief in an operation that afternoon. His mother remained with him in Burwell, but Cap had to return the same day to look after affairs at the ranch.

Fred Beckwith of O'Neill and Louis Bartels of Swan held open house in Amelia a week ago to receive applications of ranchers under the federal range program. Some are availing themselves of the government's gifts of wells in the pasture land districts, application being made to the local officials. This is sent to the county seat for official approval and then to federal headquarters for the state in Lincoln. If approved, another official enters into the picture, known as field man, who tells the rancher where to locate the wells.

An eastern merchant was fined \$21 for selling a nickle shoe string on Sunday. He would have escaped that fine by giving the customer the shoe string. But that has gone out of fashion with merchants. I was employed in Heinrich's store in O'Neill for a few months in what has been called the gay nineties. We always sacked up a free bag of candy for a customer who bought as much as a dollars worth of stuff. In buying a box of four or five dollars worth of provisions these days I haven't found so much as a chew of gum, but there has been times when an item that was paid for was missing. The up-to-date food centers now put their advertising money into effective newspaper ads in place of dropping a little bait to each customer.

The room was neither cheerfully bright nor hopelessly dingy. A stove occupied the middle at the feet of which had been tossed burned matches, bits of cigarettes and scraps of candy wrappers. Similar objects also encroached out over the bare floor. A high counter stood across the back of the room and back of this shelves containing such articles as to accommodate the smokers, candy eaters and lunchers. The head of the house, attired in shirt with sleeves rolled to the elbows and somewhat soiled waist height overalls, unshaven face and ever present cigarette, had not thought to weed a broom. At a table slouched three or four men being amused by what the cards from a begrimed deck could do for them in conjunction with the cigarettes that filled the room with smoke and narcotic odors. These men are also unshaven and untidy but happy. The game over they drift out and others drift in. Children come and go. And what is it all? Just a peaceful country village scene where you feel you don't have to be forever "dressed-up"—and where you are safe from bursting bomb, flaming rifle and roaring cannon.

Geese are passing through. Except for an odd few, they stay up among the clouds so that they are heard rather than seen. A cloudless afternoon a trio of these magnificent birds came from far out of the west and moved in stately military formation above our door yard within range of a Kentucky rifle, necks stretched to a horizontal line that matched with legs and webbed feet held rigidly straight to the rear, their great wings fanning with rhythmic regularity, bearing them onward until lost to view in the distant blue of an April sky. Again the wild ducks swim the water courses, the frogs have organized orchestras, the plumed knight of the prairie hovers about the nesting ground of a mate who will appear in a few weeks with a brood of fluffy pheasants and the shy prairie chickens have withdrawn to re-

## Another Holt County Pioneer Passes Away

Edward Adams died at his home in Chambers last night following an illness of several years. He was about 75 years of age. He is survived by his wife and several children.

Mr. Adams was actively engaged in business in this county for over fifty years. Following the completion of the Pacific Short line to this city he opened a bank in Page, and conducted it very successfully for several years. When he disposed of the bank there he went to Stuart and was engaged in the lumber and coal business there for a few years. When he disposed of his business interests there he went to Chambers and started a bank there, which he actively and successfully managed for several years, until a paralytic stroke about four years ago forced him to give up the active conduct of the bank to his sons. This is one of the strongest small town banks in the state and will stand as a lasting monument to the careful and painstaking management of its founder.

Mr. Adams was one of the finest men in the county. The soul of honor and integrity he had the respect and confidence of all his customers and all who knew him, whether in or out of business. He was one of the real old time residents of the county, coming here when a very young man and had his part in the upbuilding of the county.

## Lighter Receipts Pegged Lower Prices Monday

Bad roads hampered the movement of livestock to the local livestock auction last Monday and, as a result, receipts were lighter than for several weeks. Prices ruled about steady with a week ago on the better grades. However, the quality of the offering was generally inferior and the market weakened a trifle on the plainer kinds. The demand was active and more stock could have been sold readily, had it been here.

An extreme top of \$12.90 was paid for steer calves weighing around 300 lbs. The practical top on the lightweights ranged from \$11.50 to \$12.70 with the heavier kinds of rougher quality selling in the \$10.00 to \$11.00 brackets. Good lightweight heifer calves brought as much as \$10.70 with the bulk cashing from \$9.50 to \$10.50.

Yearlings were not plentiful and prices ruled mostly from \$9.50 to \$10.50 on the steers. Heifers brought from \$8.50 to \$9.50 with a few selling a little higher.

Good young cows reached an extreme top of \$7.00 with the long end of the cow run drawing from \$5.50 to \$6.00. Bulls looked about steady with a week ago. Receipts were light in both the cow and bull divisions.

The hog run was much lighter than usual as a result of impassible roads. A top of \$8.45 was paid for 175 lb. butchers with the heavies selling from \$8.50 to \$8.60. Sows were scarce.

The next regular auction will be held Monday, April 28.

mote retreats for their nesting places. George McCutcheon used to say we got our winter ventilation fresh every morning from the north pole. And after such a season prolonged into weary months, the quickening life of spring, the green on the prairie again undulating above the dead of winter, the budding tree tops and the song of the birds brings its inspiration of renewed energy for a fresh start. This received a temporary check last Saturday in a 6 inch snow storm. And as I write, the silent landscape under a greening verdure stretches to the far horizon, a peculiar charm imparted to the scene with here and there a touch of white laid on the green, all that remains of a Mid-April snow fall.

## Miller-Worth

Miss Ardyce Worth and Orville C. Miller were united in marriage on Tuesday afternoon, April 15th, by Rev. Marie Hubby at the parsonage in Atkinson.

They were attended by the brides sister, Audrey, and Bernard Miller, a brother of the groom. The bride is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Worth of O'Neill, and the groom is the son of Mrs. M. B. Miller, also of O'Neill. After the ceremony, they returned to the home of the brides parents where a buffet dinner was served to immediate relatives of both families. The young couple will reside on the Carie Borg farm where they will be at home to their many friends.

## On The Sidelines

By Observer

Friday afternoon the Holt County Track meet gets under way at the Atkinson track with nine of the schools in the county participating. Of the schools entered, it seems that the best bet for the Championship is in Coach Norm Tegeler's Page outfit, who last week walked away with the honors in a quadrangular meet.

Both O'Neill schools will participate in this annual carnival. This no doubt came as much as a surprise to you as it did to me, but at any rate it seems as though the Academy has sent in their entry and expect to be in the running. We haven't heard much dope on how they are running but from the football field and the basketball floor we would say that Fritz Hickey should be about the top runner from that school.

Over at the High this week, there has been a steady week of strenuous practice and as I see them, I would say Coach Segel has quite a threat for some record breaking in Ted Manser who has been clocked at 2:15 for the half-mile.

Looking over last year's records, there doesn't seem to be very many outstanding ones, except the individual scoring of Pete Kozicek, Stuart's one-man team and the clipping off of the Century in 10:02 by Mossman of Inman.

This year's teams that should make it close are, Page, Ewing, O'Neill, Chambers and Atkinson. Once again the time, Friday afternoon, starting promptly at 1:00 P. M.

There have been many questions about the fact whether Buck Hunt, now at Creighton University, is out for spring football and if not, why not? As we understand it, Buck is suffering with a dose of flat feet which have been very sore and as yet have not permitted him to go-out for spring football, but he hopes to be completely cured and ready for action next fall.

## Jolly Star Project Club

The Jolly Stars Project Club met at the home of Mrs. Arthur Hibbs on Wednesday, April 16th, for the election of officers for the coming year and the lesson "Discipline or Guidance, The Problem of Parental Control."

The meeting was opened by giving Flag Salute, next the business meeting was held, there the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. C. V. Cole; Leader A, Mrs. E. J. Revill; Leader B, Mrs. Ray Siders; Sec-Treas. Mrs. Wm. Derrickson; Music Leader, Mrs. Dale Revill; Reading Leader, Mrs. Hazel Hibbs, and Health Leader, Mrs. Robert Miller. Our agreement blank, Form 20-G, was filled out.

Mrs. Richard Curran led us in singing two club songs, with Mrs. O. O. Newman, pianist. Our reading leader, Mrs. Dale Revill, gave a summary of the book, "Paul Revere's Square" by Louise Andrews Kent.

We conducted our lesson by having a round table discussion on the subject of "Discipline or Guidance" using Extension Circular 5-77.

Our visitors were Mrs. Elizabeth Grant, Mrs. Richard Curran and son, and Mrs. O. O. Newman. Our hostess served a delicious lunch, and a good time was had by all.

## Defense Savings Bonds And Stamps On Sale Next Thursday

The United States Defense Savings Bonds and Postal Savings Stamps will be placed on sale at the postoffice on the opening of business on Thursday, May 1, as part of the national effort to make America impregnable.

Postmistress Agnes E. Sullivan announced today that plans are nearly completed for this community, along with thousands of others from coast to coast, to do its full part in the opening of the savings program.

The new Defense Savings Bond is similar to the familiar "Baby Bonds," of which more than five billion dollars worth have been bought by more than two and a half million Americans since 1935.

A Defense Bond may be purchased May 1, or thereafter, for \$18.75. In ten years, this bond will be worth \$25.00. This is an increase of 33 1-3 per cent, equal to an annual interest return of 2.9 per cent, compounded semi-annually. Any time after sixty days from the date of purchase, the bond may be redeemed for cash, in accordance with a table of redemption values printed on the face of the bond.

For the smaller investor who wants to buy a government bond on an easy payment plan, the postoffice will have a new series of Postal Savings Stamps, at 10c, 25c, 50c, \$1.00 and \$5.00. Each purchaser of any Savings Stamp higher than 10c will be given, free of charge, an attractive pocket album in which to paste his stamps until he has enough to buy a \$25.00 bond or one of higher denomination. Thirty million of these albums are now being prepared.

## Ash Grove Project Club

The Ash Grove Project Club held its local achievement day, Friday, April 18th at the home of Mrs. George Reector, seven members and two visitors arrived with covered dishes, after a trip of forty-two miles to get some sixteen. Our club presented Mrs. Reector with a gift since she moved from our community, however we may still have her as a member next fall providing she finds there is no project club organized up in her neighborhood.

Next year's officers were elected. Mrs. F. W. Hendrick was elected our president; our leader will be Miss Morna Wertz; as Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Joe M. Wadsworth; the Reading Leader, Mrs. R. E. Lucas; as Health Leader, Mrs. Ben A. Miller; and Mrs. R. E. Tomlinson for News Reporter.

Mrs. R. E. Lucas was left in charge of making and placing our booth for our County Achievement to be held Thursday, April 24th. We have two new members, Mrs. Joe M. Wadsworth and Miss Morna Wertz, may possibly have a few more next fall when Club again starts.

## The Weather

With the soil in the best general condition in Holt County for many years all the farmers are wearing broad smiles of anticipation of a good crop this year. Last Saturday one of the wettest and heaviest snows in the history of the county was reported, with about ten inches of snow and .89 of moisture. The soil in general is in good condition, but the spring work on most farms is behind schedule with some farmers planting oats the past few days.

Following is the weather report for the past week:

	High	Low	Prec.
April 17th	76	50	.14
April 18th	58	40	.30
April 19th	40	32	.89
April 20th	47	32	
April 21st	55	28	
April 22nd	60	42	.02
April 23rd	60	33	

In April, 1940, we had 2.86 inches of moisture up to April 24th, and to date, we have received 3.52 in April.

Alvin Bowden of Denver, Colo., arrived on Sunday and is visiting relatives here.

## Mrs. George R. Sanders

Mrs. George Sanders died at the O'Neill hospital last evening about 8:30, after an illness of several years, at the age of 64 years and one month. The funeral will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Methodist church, Rev. Wright officiating and burial in the O'Neill cemetery.

Nellie Mae Stanton was born in Clinton county, Iowa, on March 24, 1877. She came to this county with her parents in 1887 and ever since had been a resident of this county. She grew to womanhood here, and on April 13, 1899, she was united in marriage to George R. Sanders, the ceremony being performed at Mineola. Six children were born to this union, two sons and four daughters all of whom survive. The children are: Ervin Sanders, Spencer; Mrs. Flora Henifin, Mrs. Ethel Henifin, Floyd Sanders, O'Neill; Velda Sanders and Mrs. Thelma Youngworth, Lincoln. She is also survived by one brother, Fred Stanton and one sister, Mrs. Kate Smith, of Ewing, who with her husband are left to mourn the passing of a kind and loving wife, mother and sister.

## Tourists Were Liberal In Nebraska Last Year

Tourists in Nebraska spent \$34,014,004 last year, according to an estimate just released by Philip Fuller, director of the Conoco Travel Bureau, the largest free service organization for motorists in the country. At least 3,011,685 persons entered or crossed the state during the year, the report shows.

Fuller's estimates are based on all tourist information obtainable—traffic flow data, counts made by state highway controls, statistics obtained from managers of private tourist attractions, and from various other sources, including the Bureau's own records of travel information furnished through Conoco stations where Touraides are available.

Records of the Conoco Travel Bureau, broken down between the eastern and western halves of the state, show that the Bureau itself directed 90,515 tourist parties, or 316,803 individuals, into the western section; and 89,560 motoring groups, or 313,460 persons into and through the eastern region.

Fuller's investigations over the entire country show that motor travel throughout the United States showed an increase of 6.82 per cent last year. The greater portion of this increase, Fuller indicated, was brought about by Mr. Average American making his vacation a motor trip. The wealthy group of travelers added materially more than their usual amount of the total tourist travel by staying away from Europe and doing their traveling in this country, a fact definitely indicated by an increase in the business done by the higher-priced recreational establishments throughout the country.

## Storz Brewing Company Entertains Dealers

C. J. Gatz was in Omaha last Monday attending the annual Storz Brewing Company distributors convention. The meeting was held in the main ball room of the Fontenelle Hotel and was attended by over 200 men from eight states, comprising the Storz territory. The sales and advertising plans for this year were presented and explained at the morning session. In the afternoon a trip through the brewery gave all the visitors an opportunity to inspect the new additions and new, modern machinery and equipment recently installed at the brewery.

Vaudeville entertainment and dancing followed a banquet in the evening. Adolph C. Storz, president of the Storz Brewing company, was host and Arthur C. Storz, vice-president, conducted the meeting.

Miss Nadine McNally of Schuyler, Nebraska, spent Sunday here with her father, George McNally.

## DISTRICT MUSIC CONTEST ONE OF MOST SUCCESSFUL HELD IN STATE

Notwithstanding Inclement Weather Meet Was Most Successful, Which Is Gratifying To The Sponsors.

Many splendid compliments have been given to O'Neill for the excellent manner in which the District Music Contest was entertained here last Friday and Saturday. Members of the Managing Committee, Music supervisors, superintendents of participating schools, and music judges expressed admiration for the way the community of O'Neill had and was helping to carry on the contest. Many remarked on the ease and smoothness with which the contest moved along.

The people of O'Neill, the students of the O'Neill schools, and the faculties deserve recognition and praise for their contributions in service and good will in entertaining the guests that came to O'Neill to attend and participate in the events. The stenographers gave outstanding help to make the contest successful. Due to the efficiency of their help and the cooperation of their employers, it was possible to distribute the criticisms of each day before the contestants started home in the evening. Schools attending other District Music Contests usually have to wait a week, or so before they receive their criticisms. It is important that schools receive these criticisms as soon as possible, so that they can be used for the contestants attending the National Music Contest in May.

The individuals serving on the Door Committee did a fine job in handling the audiences that attended the programs.

Community cooperation makes it possible to achieve success in large undertakings like this one, which bring benefits to other communities and schools as well as our own.

Students who earned superiors in the contest are eligible to compete in the Regional Music Contest. The soloists and small groups of O'Neill who earned superiors are planning to represent this community at the Regional. Whatever assistance you can give to enable these young people to meet part of the expenses in going to the Regional Contest at Minneapolis, Minn., will be a boost for O'Neill.

## CONTEST RESULTS SUPERIORS

Horn Solo—Barbara Barnes, Ainsworth; Roy Lundgren, O'Neill.

Trombone—Jack Campbell, Spencer; Patsy Kruse, O'Neill; Robert Parkins, St. Mary's.

Cornet—Robert Tomek, Butte; Dorothy Lowery, O'Neill.

Baritone Horn—Robert Jorden, Page; Shirley Mae Claussen, O'Neill.

Oboe Solo—Ardis Heiss, Page; Bonnie Linville, Atkinson.

Bassoon Solo—H. Rex Welch, Ainsworth.

Drum—Evelyn Elder, Atkinson. Alto Clarinet—Dale Stauffer, Page.

Bb Clarinet—Meredith Bunnett, Bassett; Ruth Watson, Inman; Charles Harrison, Neligh.

Flute Solo—Lillian Peter, St. Mary's; Evelyn Gustason, Page.

Tuba Solo—Jim Ruby, Ewing; Paul C. Cuplin, Ainsworth.

Baton Twirling—Anita Solmen, Butte; Lois Bates, Ainsworth; Nancy Linville, Ainsworth.

Tenor Saxophone—Edward Jorden, Page.

Eb Alto Saxophone—Don Clifton, Butte.

Small Groups Earning Superior Mixed Quartette—Ewing. Girl's Sextette—Ainsworth; Stuart.

Clarinet Quartette—O'Neill. Clarinet Quartette—Stuart. Saxophone Quartette—Page.

Horn Quartette—O'Neill. Brass Quartette—Atkinson. Brass Sextette, O'Neill.

Brass Quintette—Butte. Trumpet Trio—O'Neill; Stuart; Butte.

Large Groups Earning Superior Girls' Glee Club—Butte, Class C school.

Mixed Chorus—Sacred Heart, Class D school.

Boys' Glee Club—Atkinson, (B). Mixed Chorus—Valentine, (B); O'Neill, (B); Atkinson, (B).

Girls' Glee Club—O'Neill, (B); Atkinson, (B). Orchestra—Long Pine, (C); Sacred Heart, (D).

Band—Stuart, (C); Butte, (C); St. Mary's, (C); Bartlett, (D); Atkinson, (B); O'Neill, (B).

## EXCELLENTS

Horn Solo—Neva Ickes, Page; Sidney Tingle, Butte.

Trombone Solo—Sybil Ickes, Page; Howard Seiler, Butte.

Cornet Solo—Wilford Scheier, Verdigrée; Dale Carrell, Bassett; Gerald Clair, Neligh; Dorothy Yeum, O'Neill.

Baritone Horn—Dean Whitla, Butte; Orville Little, Bassett; Bill Brennan, St. Mary's; George Hamik, Stuart; Dorothy Sobotka, Inman.

Bb Clarinet—Carlotta Ballantyne, Page; Dick Mauch, Bassett; Donna Gallagher, St. Mary's; Lydia Halva, O'Neill; Marion Olson, O'Neill; Lois Findley, Atkinson.

Tuba Solo—Arthur Eveland, Atkinson; LeRoy Nyquist, Spencer; George Vonderacek, Verdigrée; Jack Harty, St. Mary's; Virgil Chase, Page; Jack Cotton, Stuart.

Baton Twirling—Anita Salmen, Butte.

Tenor Saxophone—Billy Howell, Page.

Eb Alto Saxophone—Geraldine Everett, Atkinson.

Piano—Aileen Mohr, Tilden; Lois Kaup, St. Mary's; Rhea Eberly, Niobrara; Darlene Arnett, Bassett.

Girl's Low Voice—Ruth Harrison, Sacred Heart; Alice Marie Armstrong, Elgin; Eileen Kelly, St. Mary's; Wanda Wantz, Orchard.

Girl's Medium Voice—Bonnie Yarnall, O'Neill.

Girl's High Voice—Mary Corliss Kosovine, Long Pine; Annie Curran, Sacred Heart; Wilma Krinac, Butte; Bette McCoy, Ainsworth; Ruth Burge, O'Neill; Bernice Jones, O'Neill.

Boy's Low Voice—George Hammond, St. Mary's; James Wants, Orrhard.

Boy's Medium Voice—Neal McKee, Atkinson; Robert Hinman, Elgin.

Boy's High Voice—Duane Ryan, Niobrara.

Small Groups Earning Excellent Boys' Quartette—St. Mary's. Mixed Quartette—St. Mary's.

Boys' Octette—Stuart. Girls' Octette—Atkinson. Girls' Sextette—Neligh; Atkinson; Valentine.

Girls' Duet—Sacred Heart. Girls' Trio—Tilden; Valentine. Mixed Octette—Atkinson. Madrigal Group—O'Neill; Atkinson.

Girls' Quartette—Orchard. Clarinet Quartette—Spencer; Atkinson.

Saxophone Quartette—Atkinson. Woodwind Trio—Atkinson; Page. Woodwind Quartette—Atkinson. Woodwind Quintette—Atkinson. Brass Quartette—Niobrara. Brass Sextette—Page; Spencer. Trumpet Trio—Page. Large Groups Earning Excellent

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