

# THE FRONTIER

## Jerry Cronin Named Navy Editor of The Frontier

At the suggestion of Secretary of Navy Knox, Jerry Cronin, of The Frontier, has been made Navy Editor, to help the Navy in giving information about the opportunities the "Two-Ocean Navy" offers them for technical training and advancement as they serve their country in its emergency.

According to an announcement made public in Washington, a limited number of additional men between the ages of 17 and 50 will be given a chance, by enlistment in the Navy or Naval Reserve, to get to the top, with big pay, in jobs which by their aptitude and as a result of examination they show themselves fitted, from among nearly 50 different trades and vocations. These include such calling as aviation machinist, dental technician, photographer, diesel engineer, radio technician, electrician, welder, storekeeper, and baker. Enlisted men may also qualify for commissions as officers.

Beginning this week, the Navy plans for a limited time to accept new qualified men for training. These men will be sent to one of four Naval Training Stations and may have a chance to go to a Navy Trade School even before assignment to the fleet. During this period they will be given regular Navy pay and the Navy's free schooling is valued at hundreds of dollars.

"Never in the history of the United States has there been greater opportunity for loyal young Americans to serve their country and build their futures than right now," said Secretary Knox.

In outlining many advantages offered by enlistment in the United States Navy, Jerry, Navy Editor of the Frontier said, "It is possible for a bright young man to increase his pay seven times during his first enlistment and he can earn as much as \$126 a month. This monthly figure is actually worth much more when it is remembered that the man has few living expenses and is provided with the finest of medical and dental care.

"You have all your food and lodging, and also your original outfit of clothing provided by Uncle Sam free," Jerry continued. "In addition there are free sports and entertainment, even to the latest Hollywood pictures. On top of this you get free travel and adventure in colorful places, a thing few civilians can afford.

"When you consider the size of this country and the fact that the Navy will select only 15,000 applicants a month from many times that number throughout the United States, the quotation, 'Many are called but few are chosen,' will apply to local young men interested.

"Navy men are a 'hand-picked' lot. Candidates must be men of more than average intelligence and ambition, of fine moral character and must have the written recommendation of at least two local townspersons."

As Navy Editor, Jerry has received from Washington a supply of free illustrated booklets for all men interested and, in addition, will welcome inquiries from young men who wish to look into the new and greater opportunities the Navy now offers for training for future civilian careers as they serve their country now in its emergency.

## Mrs. Anna Siebert

Mrs. Anna Siebert, a member of one of the pioneer families of the county, passed away at her home a mile north of Atkinson last Saturday morning, after an illness of several months, at the age of 75 years, ten months and twenty-six days. The funeral was held last Tuesday afternoon and burial in the Atkinson cemetery.

Mrs. Siebert had been a resident of the county for over fifty years, being a sister of John Alfs of this city. She is survived by four sons, all whom live at Atkinson. In her death but two of the Alfs family remain, the eldest and the youngest of the family, John Alfs of this city and Otto Alfs, of Wall, S. D.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Barnes and Mrs. Dean Selah drove to Norfolk on Sunday, where they spent the day visiting friends.

## Celebrate Eighty-Second Birthday With Family

Apicnic for the immediate members of the family was held at the city park on Sunday commemorating the eighty-second birthday anniversary of Mrs. Della Shaw, with forty-three members of the family present. Mrs. Shaw is one of the early pioneers of the county, coming to Holt County in the early eighties, with her husband now deceased. They came to Holt County from Kentucky, and homesteaded six miles southeast of O'Neill. Mr. Shaw owning the first team of horses in this vicinity.

Five of Mrs. Shaw's sons and daughters were present at the re-union, Henry of Sheridan, Wyoming, being the only one unable to attend. Those present were, Rafe, Atkinson; Charles Emmet; Grover, Chambers; and Mrs. H. F. Plank of Spearfish, South Dakota, and Mrs. Harry Clauson of O'Neill. Mrs. Shaw has twelve grandchildren and eighteen great grandchildren, many of whom were present to assist in honoring her on the occasion.

## McWhorter-Brady Descendants Hold Their Annual Reunion

On Sunday, August 17, 1941, thirty-three of the one hundred twenty seven descendants of the James Brady and John McWhorter families gathered at the Ta-Ha-Zonka Park in Norfolk for their eighth consecutive reunion.

Those in attendance were: Mrs. Etta Compton and Mr. and Mrs. Marion Moore of Waterloo, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Arp and daughter, La Vorne of Yutan, Rob McWhorter of Fremont, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Spalding, Blanche and Lois McWhorter of North Bend, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McWhorter, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Van Buskirk, Mrs. Tom Waining of Foster, Ruth and Thomas Skoglund of Wausa, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Johnson, Hazel Marie, Marcella, and Geraldine Johnson and Effie M. Brady of Opportunity, Betty Brady of Dorsey, Mr. and Mrs. John Carson of Red Bird and Mr. and Mrs. Shemwell, Mrs. F. P. Hunter of O'Neill and Fred Hansen of Norfolk.

Visitors present for the P. M. were: Mrs. Zack France, Frank Osborn, Claudia Jones and Mrs. Hilda Robinson of Norfolk, Mr. and Mrs. Delos Malcom, their daughter and grand daughter of Niobrara, Mrs. Wilson Black and daughter of Fremont and Mrs. Wm. Willis of Key Stone, S. D.

## Brisk Livestock Market Brings Steady And Strong Prices

A firm undertone prevailed at last Monday's auction and the brisk demand coupled with an increased number of buyers from several states absorbed the heavier receipts of livestock at prices fully steady to strong. Quality of the offering was fair to good.

One package of lightweight steer calves reached \$13.00 for the day's top. The most of these bulked from \$11.50 to \$12.50. A few heifer calves paid \$11.20 with the long end cashing at \$10.00 to \$10.50.

Yearling steers brought from \$9.50 to \$10.65. Several carload lots of these were sold and the demand was active. Yearling heifers sold from \$9.00 to \$10.00.

Some short two year old steers reached \$10.25. A rather limited supply of these was on hand and the quality was only fair.

The cow market showed some strength and moved at stronger prices. A good supply was here and the best kind drew \$8.25. The long end paid from \$7.50 to \$8.00. More feeding cows showed up in the run this week and these brought from \$6.00 to \$7.00. A few bulls were represented and brought from \$7.75 to \$8.25.

In the hog division receipts were only moderate and prices were strong to higher. Butchers reached an extreme top of \$11.05 with a practical top of \$11.00.

Sows sold from \$9.85 to \$10.25 and few light kinds paid \$10.40. Pigs were scarce and sold at fancy prices.

The next regular auction will be held on Monday August 25th.

Ed. George, of Creighton, visited relatives and friends in O'Neill on Friday.

## Uhl-Gokie

On Monday morning, August 18, at 7:00 A. M. Miss Alexa Uhl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Uhl became the bride of Leo Gokie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gokie.

The marriage ceremony was performed by Reverend Richard Parr, assistant pastor of St. Patrick's church.

The attendants were: Norbert Uhl, brother of the bride and Mary Gokie, sister of the groom. Betty and Kathleen Flood sang during the ceremony accompanied by Mrs. Tom Brennan, who also played the wedding march. The servers were Billy McDonough and Dickie Minton.

The bride was attired in a dress of dusty rose with accessories to match and carried a prayer book. The brides maid wore a pretty street length dress.

The bride is a graduate of St. Mary's Academy, the class of 30, and Wayne State Teacher's College.

Mrs. Gokie has been a very successful Holt County teacher for the past ten years.

Mr. Gokie is one of the prosperous young farmers in this vicinity.

The couple left early the same morning on a ten day trip to Denver and other points in Colorado, and upon their return will make their home on a farm north of O'Neill.

## Employment In The State Increasing

Job placement by the Norfolk office of the Nebraska State Employment Service totaled two hundred and forty four during July, one hundred and fifty two per cent greater than in June, and thirty-nine per cent above July, 1940, according to Manager Walter Steffen.

Steffen reported that employment conditions had shown improvement this year, compared to corresponding periods a year ago. The active file of persons seeking work dropped from 3,681 in June to 2,809 in July, a decrease of twenty-four per cent.

Also indicating a drop in unemployment is the fact unemployment insurance benefits in this area totaled only \$798 in July, a decrease of forty-five per cent from June, and seventy-four per cent from July of last year.

State placement figures also indicate better conditions. During July the State Employment Service made 5,408 placements, sixty-one per cent more than in July, 1940, and forty per cent over June of this year.

"These figures do not mean that there are no unemployed in this area," Steffen said, "but it does show that employment is increasing."

He explained that defense has improved job opportunities in a great many groups, and that there is urgent need for workers skilled in a fairly wide range of classifications.

## Holt County Educational Notes

The date of the annual Pre-Opening Day for Holt County Teachers is Saturday, August 30. This is one of the two Institute days required by law. The meetings will be held in the Public School Building at O'Neill.

ELWA McCULLOUGH  
County Superintendent.

## Tri-State Defeats All Stars Tuesday Night

Tuesday night the Tri-State and the All Stars played a very good game of Kittenball. In the second it was tied up 3-3, then a home run by Bunky Tomlinson put Tri-State in the lead 4-3. They scored three more runs and in the last half of the seventh inning the score was 7-3. Then the All Stars started to hit and with a lot of ribbing from the crowd, Manson, the Tri-State pitcher walked three in a row and the All Stars began to get even. With the score 7-6 and two outs the Tri-State settled down and got the third out, winning the game 7-6. Both the pitchers, Manson of Tri-State and Jack Vincent of the All Stars pitched good ball Tuesday the men started to put up the electric lights and they will be finished by Thursday night.

St. Johns Tri-County Day Sunday, August 31st.

## GREETINGS, READERS

The Frontier appears this week with a new dress, the first we have had for twenty years. The new type is Excelsior with Memphis Bold, one of the latest creations of the Mergenthaler Linotype company and it has been very popular on account of its legibility, plain and distinct face, which makes it easy on the eyes. The installation of this new dress entails a considerable outlay in cash and we hope those of our readers who are in arrears will come forward and get on the right side of the ledger. We really need it.

## Holt County Editors Attend Press Meeting At Grand Island Monday

Gerald Miles, D. H. Cronin and Ralph Kelly of Atkinson, drove to Grand Island Monday where they attended a special meeting of the Nebraska State Press Association. Editor Coats of Stuart, Editors Crellin of Ewing, Jordan of Page and Alderson of Chambers, were also at the meeting, which made a one hundred per cent attendance for this county. It was the largest meeting ever held by the State Press Association there being nearly three-hundred and fifty members in attendance.

The meeting was called for the purpose of meeting with officials of the Navy department and with an officer of one of the large advertising agencies, who has charge of an advertising campaign for the Navy. Faced with the necessity of enlisting from 1,200 to 1,500 men a month, the Navy is launching a campaign that will penetrate into every community and home in the country. They already are running newspaper advertising campaigns in Iowa, Indiana and Illinois and next week will start the campaign in Nebraska, Kentucky and Missouri. The campaign will last at least two months and the first advertisement will appear in Nebraska papers next week. This will be paid advertising and will be augmented by personal work of patriotic citizens, newspaper men and patriotic organizations of the state.

It will be a campaign that will produce the men necessary to man Uncle Sam's rapidly growing navy, the building of which, according to Navy officials present at the meeting, is far ahead of schedule.

For years the newspapers of Nebraska, as well as practically every other state in the Union, have been donating thousands of dollars worth of free publicity to the Federal government and this is the first time they have resorted to paid advertising to help put across a campaign and there is no doubt but that it will be a success.

## Flood Lights To Be In Operation Tonight

Flood light are being installed at the ball diamond in the city park and they will be ready for use tonight. They have set eight poles and on each pole will be two 1500 candle power lamps, with the proper reflectors. Experts say that this number of lights will make the diamond as bright as day and the first night ball game that is played under flood lights will undoubtedly draw a huge crowd.

## Four H. Club News

The D. D. 4-H Club met at the Clarence Sauser home Aug. 17th with Margaret Sauser as hostess. Seven members were present and at the regular business meeting, when the roll was called each member answered with the name of a favorite song. Time was spent working on team demonstrations and the judging of luncheon cloths and pictures. The recreation consisted of singing, club yells and games. Our parents were our guests. A delicious lunch of strawberries and cakes were served at the end of the meeting. Plans for the next meeting were not made. The D. D. Club and their leaders attended Demonstration Day at O'Neill, August 1st.

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## Mrs. Benjamin Bachmann

Mrs. Benjamin Bachmann died at the Stuart hospital last Monday evening at 9:10 P. M., after an illness of only seven hours, at the age of 37 years, ten months and twenty-seven days. The funeral will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Methodist church in this city, Rev. Wright officiating and burial in Prospect Hill cemetery.

Mrs. Bachmann was taken sick last Monday morning and was taken to the Stuart hospital a few hours later, but lived only a short time after reaching the hospital.

Minnie Joksch was born at Hebron, N. D., on September 21, 1903. The family went to the west coast and on July 5, 1924, she was united in marriage to Benjamin Bachmann, the ceremony being performed at Orland, California. Three children were born of this union, one son and two daughters, who with their father are left to mourn her passing. The children are: William, Opal and Orville. She is also survived by her parents, six sisters and three brothers.

The family came to this county in 1932 and had been living south of Emmet, in which section Mrs. Bachmann had many friends who were shocked at the news of her sudden death.

## O'Neill High School

The past two years O'Neill High School has offered Vocational Agriculture to the farm boys of this community. They have found that this department is one of the important departments of the school system. Last year there were 48 boys enrolled in this course. Each boy is carrying a home project which has helped him educationally and financially.

This year Animal Husbandry, Crops and Soils and Farm Management will be taught. These courses will accommodate boys from the ninth to the twelfth grades inclusive. Farm Management is the new course being added. The boys will deal with problems which will confront them in managing a farm or ranch.

The Future Farmers of America organization plays a very important part in Vocational Agriculture. Last year it helped send two boys to Kansas City to the F. F. A. Convention; had a Father and Son Fun Feed; made concrete troughs for farmers; entered judging contests; developed leadership; carried on meetings throughout the year, and had a basketball team.

## Great Crowd Attends Amelia Picnic

Hundreds of people spent last Sunday afternoon and evening in Amelia, at the picnic sponsored by St. Joseph's church of that town. They went away praising the splendid dinner and the other arrangements.

The Parish is grateful to the visiting crowds, and is doubly grateful to the many neighbors and townfolk who aided the parishioners in making this year's picnic one to be remembered.

## The Weather

The heat wave of the past three weeks was broken on last Saturday night when rain began falling, and continued on through the night, until a total of one inch and eighty-seven hundredths had fallen. The rain was a boon to the late corn crop and to the pastures, and insures much of the crop. In some sections of the county the rain was much heavier. A total of some three inches falling directly north of the city, while other sections received only a quarter of an inch, but it was quite general.

The weather chart for the past week is as follows:

|           | H. | L. | Pre. |
|-----------|----|----|------|
| August 14 | 90 | 64 |      |
| August 15 | 87 | 64 |      |
| August 16 | 87 | 58 | .05  |
| August 17 | 71 | 57 | 1.82 |
| August 18 | 76 | 59 |      |
| August 19 | 83 | 53 |      |
| August 20 | 86 | 56 |      |
| August 21 |    |    | .04  |

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Johnson and children, and Mrs. L. O. Johnson and daughter, Betty, left for their home at Sioux Falls, S. D., on Saturday after spending their vacation here visiting relatives.

## Second Annual Golf Tournament

The Junior Tournament Committee of the O'Neill Country Club, held a meeting Tuesday evening, and selected September 7th, as the date for the second annual two ball foursome tournament.

Members of the Committee are soliciting participants and hope the turnout is as large or larger than last year. A later announcement will list pairings and prizes.

## NOTICE BULK OIL DEALERS

Notice is hereby given that the City Council will receive bids on a carload of distillate to be delivered to the city's tank in this city. Bids to be received on or before Tuesday, September 2, 1941, the next regular meeting of the Council, when they will be opened and contract awarded.

15-2 C. W. Porter, City Clerk.

## Band Concert August 23

- "Star Spangled Banner" Key.
- Polka-"Bartender Polka" Ward.
- Sernade-"The Old Church Organ"-Chambers.
- Slection-"Songs From The Old Folks"-Lake.
- March-"The Children's March"-Franko Goldman.
- Vocal Solo-"Carry Me Back To Old Virginia"-Soloist-John Sullivan.
- Popular-"Trade Winds"-Tobias.
- Slection-"Scenes From Op-eraland"-Hayes.
- Hymn-"Abide With Me"-Monk.
- March-"Bon Voyage"-King.

## Crop Insurance

The protection of All-Risk Wheat crop insurance is again available for all wheat growers in Holt county. This insurance protects the wheat against any natural hazards, such as winter-kill, drought, plant disease, insects, hail, flood, fire, wind, etc. Any Holt county wheat grower who is interested in this insurance may call at the Holt county AAA office and make application for it. The closing date for receiving applications for All-Risk Wheat Crop insurance is August 30, 1941, or the beginning of the fall wheat seeding, whichever date is the earlier.

## Presbyterian Church

J. E. Spencer, pastor. Sunday School at 10:00 o'clock. Morning Worship at 11:00 a. m. Rev. Ohmart of this city will be the speaker at this hour.

Dr. J. E. Spencer and his wife left Tuesday of this week for Bismarck, N. D., where they will visit with Mrs. Spencer's sister. On their return, they will visit a number of places in Minnesota. They expect to return the middle of next week.

## YOUNG FARMERS

There will be a young farmers class taught this year if enough boys are interested in furthering education.

The young farmers group will include men and boys up to 25 years of age who are not enrolled in high school. Subjects to be studied will be those in which the majority of the group are most interested. This course will probably be started in November.

Should anyone desire further information regarding this course, get in touch with A. L. Mathis, Vocational Agriculture Instructor, O'Neill High School.

The Frontier is in receipt of a renewal of his subscription from H. L. Bain of Middlebranch, who comes from one of the pioneer families of the county. His grandfather was Bartley Blain, the father of Methodism in this county and who, in the latter seventies and early eighties was a circuit rider for this entire section of the state. He took a home-stand in Verdigris township and lived there for many years. He was also one of the first county superintendents of the county and always took an active part in civic affairs of the county and was one of our most beloved citizens a half century ago.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hayes spent the week end in Norfolk visiting friends.

## Holt County Young Man Gets Four Years For Cattle Stealing

Trying to get rich quick, without much effort, lands an O'Neill young man in the state penitentiary, where for the next four years he will have an opportunity to figure out to his own satisfaction that crime does not pay. The young man is Harold Fuller, 26 years of age, who was sentenced last Friday by Judge Mounts to four years in the state penitentiary, after he had pled guilty to a complaint that had been filed against him charging him with stealing thirty-eight head of mixed cattle, valued at \$1,700.00. He was taken to the state penitentiary by Sheriff Duffy last Monday morning.

Events and results in this case came fast. On the thirteenth the county attorney filed an information in the District Court alleging that Harold Fuller did on the twelfth day of August, A. D., 1941, in the county of Holt and state of Nebraska, then and there being, did then and there unlawfully and feloniously steal, take and carry away thirty-eight head of mixed cattle, branded V on the right hip, the personal property of Jay LeMaster, of the value of \$1,700, contrary to the statute in such cases made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the State of Nebraska. Young Fuller was picked up the fourteenth in this county and the next day was taken before Judge Mounts, where the complaint was read to him and he was advised of his legal rights and that if he desired, an attorney would be provided for him. He said that he did not need an attorney and pled guilty to the charge filed against him. The Judge then sentenced him to four years at hard labor in the state penitentiary and assessed the costs of the prosecution, amounting to \$8.75 against him.

Mr. LeMaster, the owner of the cattle stolen, lives on the edge of Knox county and had the cattle, 135 head all told, in a pasture four miles southwest of this city. There was no caretaker but Mr. LeMaster came over once every week to look after the fences and see how the cattle were getting along. From information secured by the officers it was learned that Fuller took the cattle the morning of August 12, and drove them about two miles to the farm home of L. Johnson, where he put them in a corral and then loaded them in a truck and took them to the sale ring at Atkinson, where they were sold that afternoon. The cattle were sold in the name of Ray Wayman, a brother-in-law of Fuller. The officers of the sale ring, knowing the standing of the Wayman's in the county, did not question the transaction and the cattle were sold and Fuller was given a check for the proceeds of the sale which he brot to O'Neill and the next morning went to a local bank to have it cashed. The check being made out to Wayman, the banker did not like the looks of the signature on the check, purporting to be Wayman's and he informed Fuller that they could not cash it, but would deposit it to his credit and forward it for collection. The sale ring was then called and a couple of them were soon in town and payment of the check was stopped. The officers then got busy and it was not long until this "get rich quick boy" was in the hoosegow, and the final result is told in the first paragraph.

This is Fuller's second trip to the Nebraska penitentiary. He was sent up for one year in 1937 for forgery.

J. B. Ryan drove to Sioux City, Iowa, on last Saturday and met his daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Doyle, his sons, Robert and Joseph, and Mrs. Joseph Ryan and son, Pat, all of Chicago, Illinois. Joe returned to Chicago on Monday evening, while the others will remain for a ten days visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Calvert and Mr. and Mrs. Bud Calvert of Norfolk, returned on Saturday from their trip to the Black Hills of South Dakota. Bud Calvert's two daughters, who accompanied them on the trip, remained in Ainsworth, where they will visit relatives until the beginning of school.

Mrs. Tom Gaughen and sons, Jim and Tom, of North Bend, Nebraska, spent Sunday here visiting relatives and friends.