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SOUTHWESTERN BREEZES

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It doth appear, from the noises I hear morning and evening, that most of the pheasants eluded the hunters. The harsh call of the male birds indicates that there are a lot of pheasants left over to generate the broods next season.

Many of the workers in struck factories and mines would prefer to stay on the jobs but are called out by union bosses, whose proper treatment would be good stiff fines and a few years in a penitentiary.

There is said to be ten million horses in use on the farms as against twenty million a score of years ago. Maybe therein lies an answer to the "farm problem."

Alaska's contribution to the country's fish supply is 1,241,000 cases of canned Salmon as the season's pack. But this is a story I was told by a friend who visited an Alaska Salmon cannery: Signs hung plentifully around indicating strict sanitary regulations, but he saw a chap at work packing the cooked Salmon into cases as he thought no one was looking squirted his tobacco stained spit into a can and filled it with the red flesh of the Salmon.

Mr. and Mrs. George Meals, Melvin and Marvin, and Mrs. Hannah Meals, were out Sunday from their home near Atkinson. I learn from them that Frank Meals, a native of O'Neill, commander of a cutter in the coast guard service, was on patrol duty in these cold and dangerous waters around Iceland in August and when last heard from, a few weeks ago, was along the coast of a desolate and uninhabitable region of Greenland.

Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Baker spent Sunday evening at the home of the Breezes. Mrs. Baker and Mrs. Saunders gave their conversational attention to matters of feminine fancy, while Tom and I settled the map of Europe. Tom is native of Bristol, England, and I am a British sympathiser in this instance, so we settled it as two such would. In the meantime the tragic horrors are not perceptibly lessened. The violent wind of the Sunday previous furnished Tom with a job of setting to rights a wagon and load of hay that had been blown over.

A subscriber came into my newspaper office in a little Nebraska town and announced he was there to pay his account, after greeting me with the familiarity of one who had grown up with me. I was new in the community and did not know many of my readers, so as I turned to my records resorted to that miserable subterfuge, "Let's see, how do you spell your name?" I was about floored when he drawled out, "S-m-i-t-h," but escaped confusing embarrassment by saying, "Some spell it 'S-m-y-t-h-e.'" The late John Horiskey, ever alert to the need of the moment, saved a country lady from what might have been an embarrassing situation one day on the street in O'Neill. She passed John and I as we stood in front of the old post office when we noticed that her dress had come unfastened and was sagging ominously to earth. John took in the scene, realized its seriousness and stepped gallantly to the rescue, informing the lady of the situation. The weather was hot, but little clothing was worn and no telling what a few steps more might have meant to that sister.

The valuable state historian down at Lincoln, A. E. Sheldon, proposes that the survivors of the populist national convention held in Omaha July 4, 1892, get together again in that city on the 50th anniversary of that gathering of westerners next year. Who was in at that convention from Holt county I do not know but our prairies and gulches were as thick with eligible patriots as lice in an army camp. Of those who identified themselves with this prairie fire movement Dan Cronin, Jim Harrington and Miks McCarthy have survived the wreck of time and are best known. The movement, built upon the ashes of disappointed hopes to transform the prairies of Buffalo Bill into cornfields and inspired by implacable hatred of republicans who held all

O'Neill High Trims Gregory High School

The O'Neill Eagles came roaring back in the second half to down Gregory High School 19-7 on a slippery field at Gregory, South Dakota, on October 30.

In their first out-of-state game, the O.H.S. outfit had to come from behind in order to gain its margin. From the first kickoff, the Eagles drove to a touchdown but failed to make the point. The score was made by Wetzler on a pass from Manzer. Gregory rebounded to repeat the O'Neill drive and score a touchdown, making the 7-6, as the try for point was successful. This brief flurry gave the only scores in the first half.

In the third quarter, O.H.S. went on a drive which netted a score when Burgess broke loose for a long broken-field run. Wetzler scored the extra point on another pass. On a fake line plunge in the closing minutes of the quarter Manzer took a lateral and skirted the end for the last touchdown.

Besides the scorers, outstanding for O'Neill was Calkins, multi-threat fullback, whose psses punts, runs and tackles contributed brilliantly to the Eagles' victory. He prevented two touchdowns by the opponents when he overtook Gregory backs who were in the clear.

O'Neill completed three of six passes. Gregory one of four.

Council Oak Had Grand Opening Last Week

The Council Oak opened their new store, in the new Vincent building last Friday, and held an open house that day and Saturday to hundreds of customers and other hundreds of prospective customers. The new store is a beauty and is one of the largest country grocery stores in the state. Manager Rhode, and a large force of efficient clerks were busy last week attending to the wants of their many customers and new friends and expressed himself as highly pleased with the reception accorded their new store, and the business transacted during their two days opening sale. Council Oak stores solicit your patronage by the liberal use of printers ink. They tell you what they have to sell and the price asked for each item, which is putting their cards right on the table. Visit their store, when you are in town, this week, you will be surprised at its beauty, and the enormous stock of reasonable merchandise they carry. From Manager Rhode down they will all be glad to see you.

Riser-Spadt

At a candle light ceremony on the evening of September 27, Miss Clea Riser of Lincoln, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Riser of Friend, Nebraska, became the bride of Mr. Al Spadt of Lincoln, son of Mrs. Katie Spadt. The ceremony was performed at 8:30 by Rev. Henne at his home with only the immediate families attending.

The bride wore a brown street length dress suit with plaited skirt and striped trimming. Her shoulder corsage was of gardenias. The couple were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Peterson of Lincoln, close friends of the bride and groom. Mrs. Peterson wore a gray street length dress with wine accessories with a shoulder corsage of roses. Mr. Peterson and Mr. Spadt wore conventional dark suits.

A reception followed the ceremony, at the home of the bridegroom's mother.

Mrs. Spadt is a graduate of the Friend High School with the class of '36, and has been employed in Lincoln for the past four years.

Mr. Spadt is employed by a Motor Company, and the couple are at home at 1121 North 29th Street, Lincoln.

the offices, developed some notable if not picturesque characters in Nebraska, among the great or near great of whom was Mike Harrington of O'Neill, and J. P. Mullen of Emmet, who became known locally as the Idol. From county surveyor to governor of the state, all officers were swept under the control of the populists, but we still had to pay taxes, work for a livelihood, suffer loss from hot winds and experience the biting penury of industrial stagnation.

S. J. Weekes, Pioneer Banker and Holt County Resident, Passes Away

Stephen John Weekes passed away at his home in this city this morning at 6 o'clock, after an illness of about four months of a heart ailment, aggravated by an asmethic condition, at the age of 73 years, four months and twenty-three days. The funeral will be held Saturday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock, from the Presbyterian church, with Rev. J. Spencer officiating and burial in Prospect Hill cemetery. The funeral will be in charge of the Masonic lodge.

Stephen John Weekes was born at Waterloo, Iowa, on June 13, 1868. When he was eleven years of age in 1879, his parents moved to this county and lived on a ranch northeast of this city for about three years, when his father disposed of his investments there and they moved to O'Neill in the spring of 1883, and this city had been his home ever since, with the exception of one year that he spent on the Pacific coast, but not satisfied, with the climate there, he returned to the land of his youth.

On June 12, 1901, he was united in marriage to Miss Emma Dickinson, of Tekamah, Nebr., the ceremony being performed at Tekamah. No children were born of this union and Mrs. Weekes is left to mourn the passing of a kind and affectionate husband. He is also survived by two sisters, Mrs. Maud Curl, of Los Angeles, California and Mrs. Frank Martin, of Riverton, Wyoming. He is also survived by several nephews and nieces.

John Weekes, as he was generally known, was one of the most beloved residents of this county, of which he had been a resident for over sixty-one years. When the family moved to this city from the ranch John attend the O'Neill High School graduating with the class of 1888. After his graduation from school he served as a clerk and later deputy treasurer in the office of the county treasurer. In 1894 he entered the real estate and investment business in this city, in which he was unusually successful. He continued in this business until 1897 when he was appointed registrar of the United States land office in this city, a position he held for practically ten years. It was after his retirement from this office that he went west.

He returned to O'Neill within a year and entered the O'Neill National bank as cashier in 1908 thirty-three years ago. He served as cashier of this bank until 1920,

Holt County Boy Wins Trip To Chicago

Ralph Allyn of Stuart received notice this week that he was awarded a trip to the National 4-H Club Congress in Chicago during the International Livestock Show. The trip awarded by the Chicago and Northwestern Railway Company and the National 4-H Club Congress will be attended by 4-H members from every state in the United States. The National Club Congress is one of the highest honors that can be earned by a 4-H member and has been given to Ralph because of his outstanding 4-H club work over the past five years.

The Nebraska 4-H Congress delegation will leave Omaha on Saturday, November 29 to be entertained throughout the following week in Chicago returning to Omaha on December 4.

This high honor is one which has been earned by outstanding efforts and is an achievement for which Holt County can be proud.

Captains For The Coming Red Cross Drive

Captains for the Red Cross drive for 41-42 have been chosen. The following ladies will act as Captains for the drive, which will start Wednesday November 12. Northeast quarter, Mrs. Wm. Froelich.

Southeast quarter, Mrs. Clinton Gatz.

Northwest quarter, Mrs. Ed. Campbell.

Southwest quarter, Mrs. James Walling.

when he was selected president of the bank a position he held at the time of his death. He was recognized as one of the ablest bankers in the state of Nebraska, and was held in high esteem by the members of that profession all over the state.

During the years of his residence here, he was always active in civic affairs and worked constantly for the advancement of the city he loved and for its residents. He served as a member of the School board of his Alma Mater for eight years, then retiring. He was often importuned to serve the city in other capacities, but he preferred to remain in private life, but was always willing to do what he could, financially or otherwise, for its advancement.

In the death of John Weekes the writer loses his oldest and best friend. We were boys together here sixty years ago, grew to manhood here, attended the same school and were both members of the same graduating class of the O'Neill High School, but the writer was compelled to leave school before graduation. During the years of our manhood, we have been close personal and political friends. During the years of our acquaintance, we have known John to dip into his pockets many times to help others in distress and he performed this duty without a blare of trumpets or hope of reward. There are many in this city and county who can testify to his wholehearted generosity. He was one of the most influential residents of the city, and when it became necessary to promote anything for the benefit of the city or county, John Weekes was the first man to be interviewed to get his reaction to the proposition, and when his ok, had been secured victory was always in sight. There is no man in O'Neill, or in this section of the county who had more or loyal friends, and while his death had not been unexpected, the knowledge of his passing will be received with regret by hundreds of the people of this city, county and state. Good Bye, John. You lived a useful and not a selfish life and we hope that your many good deeds while on earth will bring you happiness hereafter. You have been gone from us but a few hours as this is writt'n and already we have heard so many expressions of sorrow that we know that you will live long in the memory and hearts of the people of your home city, county and state.

Derickson-Lundeen

A very pretty wedding was solemnized at the Dorsey Presbyterian church on Sunday, October 26, when Olive Virginia Derickson became the bride of Wallace Lundeen.

The ceremony was performed at 4 o'clock by Rev. Wright of the Methodist church of O'Neill.

Preceding the ceremony, Mrs. Lee Brady Jr., sang "O Promise Me." The Lohgrein wedding march was played by Mrs. Lee Brady Sr.

The bride wore a deep wine afternoon dress fashioned on the princess lines. She carried a bouquet of yellow roses.

Mrs. Frank Bren Jr., of Omaha, the bride's niece, was matron of honor, Miss Sadie Derickson, the bride's sister, maid of honor, they carried a bouquet of tea roses. Miss Vera Arylene and Olive Darylene Pickering of Lynch, Mildred Derickson of Star, Virginia Derickson of Dorsey, the bride's nieces were bridesmaids. They carried yellow carnations and wore brown and green dresses with matching accessories.

Walter Lundeen served as best man, the ushers were Lester Derickson, Iroin Nightingale, Jack Brady, and Carl Peterson. The flower girl was Mabel Derickson.

The reception was held at the home of the brides mother, Mrs. Samuel Derickson of Dorsey. The bride's father was unable to attend because of ill health.

The couple left immediately after the reception for their new home in Plattsmouth, Nebraska.

Go To Iowa To Attend Funeral

Mrs. M. A. Whaley, received word Wednesday of the death of D. A. Whaley of Marshalltown, Iowa, of a heart ailment. Although he has had failing health for many years, he was able to attend the funeral of his brother, Marion Whaley in O'Neill last September.

This is the third death in Mrs. Whaley's close family within the past two months. Mrs. M. A. Whaley and Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Whaley leave tonight for Marshalltown to attend the funeral.

COUNTY COURT

John Andrus Atkinson, arrested by Patrolman John T. Meistrell, charge of delinquent operator's license, date: October 30. Plead guilty, fine \$1.00, costs \$3.10.

Leonard Pate of Butte, arrested by Patrolman C. C. Brandt, charge Speeding, date November 1. Plead guilty, fine \$10.00 costs \$3.10.

William Robinson of Missouri, arrested by Patrolman C. C. Brandt, charge Reckless Driving, date November 3. Plead guilty, fine, \$10.00, costs \$3.10.

H. L. Hollenbeck, Inman, arrested by Patrolman John Meistrell, charge delinquent operator's license and driving without a tail light, date November 3. Plead guilty, fine \$1.00 and \$2.00, costs \$3.10.

Notice

Due to the fact that Tuesday is Armistice Day, the Commercial Club meeting will be held Wednesday of the following week.

Livestock Receipts Heavy Prices About Steady

Receipt of livestock were heavy last Monday both in the cattle and hog divisions. Buyers were here from several states and the increased supplies found ready outlet. Prices held about steady though there was some tendency for prices to ease off on the plainer kinds.

A few choice steer calves paid \$12.50 or more, but the supply of this kind was rather limited. Bulk of the lightweight steers cashed from \$11.00 to \$12.00. Heifers were plentiful and sold as high as \$10.75. However, the long end of the heifer calves turned at \$9.00 to \$10.50.

Yearling steers cashed most from \$9.00 to \$10.00 with a few reaching upwards to \$10.50. Several straight load sold at prices ranging from \$9.65 to \$9.85.

An unusually large supply of cows was here. Fat cows took from \$7.00 to \$8.00. Feeding cows sold mostly from \$5.50 to \$6.50. Bulks paid from \$7.25 to \$7.85.

Hogs receipts were considerably increased with about 40 head on sale here. Butchers bulked at \$10.00 to \$10.10. Sows ranged in price from \$9.35 to \$9.75. Heavy feeder pigs had a price spread from \$11.15 to \$12.25.

About 35 sheep completed the day's offering.

The next regular action will be held on Monday, November 10.

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Hammie Allen

Funeral services were held Sunday Nov. 2nd at the Biglin Funeral Home for Hammie Allen who died, Friday, at a hospital in Iowa City, Iowa.

He leaves a twin brother Ed H. Allen of Des Moines, Iowa, D. H. Allen, Emmet, Nebr., and three sisters, Mrs. Charles Ison, Alcester S. D., Mrs. Henry Millard Washington, D. C. and Mrs. Bert Gaffney of Emmet Nebraska.

Out of town relatives and friends attending the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Allen of Des Moines, Iowa, Guy Ison and daughter Laura of Alcester, S. D., Mr. and Mrs. George Jacobson of Beresford, S. D., Mr. and Mrs. Jack Keene of Huron, S. D., and Mr. and Mrs. Doc McNaley of Hewarden, Iowa.

The pall bearers were Pat McGinnis, Guy Cole, Pete Duffy, William Dailey, Charles Withers and James Ryan.

Rev. Peacock conducted the services and interment was in Pleasant Hill cemetery.

HOSPITAL

Earl Woodworth of Venus, patient Sunday and Monday.

Dorothy Dalton, admitted Sunday and dismissed Monday.

John Vitt, Jr., patient Saturday.

Mrs. Richard Tomlinson a son born Sunday.

Mrs. Forest Henderson, a son born Monday.

O'Neill Men In Auto Accident Near Bassett

While on their way to Ainsworth, last Monday night, a car driven by L. G. Gillespie, with Archie Bowen and Leon Sargent, turned over near Bassett, with the result that Mr. Gillespie and Mr. Sargent were taken to a hospital there, while Mr. Bowen, who was considerably bruised and suffered a broken left wrist came home that evening. Mr. Gillespie, suffered a severe cut on the head and is suffering from shock and bruises. Mr. Sargent suffered a few broken ribs and is also suffering from shock and bruises. It is expected that they will be in the hospital until possibly Sunday.

The boys were on their way to Ainsworth to attend a meeting of the I.O.O.F. lodge. When a little ways this side of Bassett there was a pickup truck on the highway, without flares or lights. It had evidently been loaded with potatoes for near the center of the highway there were 3 sacks of potatoes that had been taken from the truck. In attempting to go around the sacks the wheels of the car hit a sack and threw it into the ditch, and it turned over. The car is said to have been badly wrecked.

Marriage Licenses

Conrad Bott, Oskosh, Gertrude Miksch, Stuart, November 1.

John Marvin Gallagher, Inman, Velda Jennette Kemper, Page, November 3.

Melvin Ramon Poeschl, Norfolk and Leslie Elaine Bishop, Pierce, November 5.

BRIEFLY STATED

Mrs. Margaret McCormick, of Valentine, spent Saturday night with her cousin, Mrs. Wilbur Hancock.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barkus and daughter, of Plainview, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Yocum and family Sunday.

Mrs. F. N. Brennan, Mrs. Francis Cronin, Mrs. Pat Harty, and Misses Marie Biglin, Bernadette Brennan spent Friday in Sioux City, Iowa.

A group of schoolmates and friends had a farewell party Monday evening, at the home of Miss Bernadette Brennan in honor of Miss Lenore Reka, who left Tuesday for Omaha to make her home. Games furnished the evening entertainment, and a lovely lunch was served at the close of the evening.

Miss Mary Harty, returned from Minneapolis, Minnesota, Monday, after spending several days there visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rickly, moved Saturday to the home formerly occupied by Mrs. Theresa Connelly and family.

Howard Graves and Robert Lowery, left Thursday, for Baltimore, Maryland, where they have secured employment.

Louis Jones, arrived Sunday, from Miles City, Montana, and is visiting at the home of R. H. Murray.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCormick and Ernest Foster of Valentine, spent Saturday night and Sunday, with Mrs. Frank Hunter and Mrs. Joe Hunter.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hart and son, Jerry, spent the week-end in Grand Island, visiting his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. P. T. Schultz and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Schultz of Atkinson, Miss Sybil Harmon of Bassett, were guests of Mrs. Helen Simar Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bellin entertained a group of friends Sunday evening. Mr. and Mrs. John Schmidt won high score at Pitch and Mr. and Mrs. Virg Kline received low.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Youngs-worth, of Lincoln, were week-end guests at the of Mr. Younsworth's sister, Mrs. Paul Beha.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Liddy and children, came down from Long Pine, Saturday, to visit his mother, Mrs. Goldie Liddy. Mr. Liddy, returned to Long Pine Tuesday, but Mrs. Liddy and children remained for a longer visit.

District Court Met Monday

The fall jury term of the District Court of this county opened Monday with District Judge D. R. Mounts on the bench. This is the first jury term held by Judge Mounts in this county since his appointment.

A criminal case entitled The State against Clarence Tasler was the first case to be tried. Tasler, a farmer living southwest of Atkinson about ten miles, was charged with stealing a calf from Dvorak Brothers, who are also farmers living in that locality, on the afternoon of April 15th last. A jury was empaneled Monday and the reception of evidence started that afternoon.

The evidence offered by the state was to the effect that Tasler on the afternoon of April 15th, stopped his car near an alfalfa field in which Dvorak Brothers had some cattle, climbed over a fence and drug out to his car a newly born calf; one of the Dvorak boys was in the field in a car looking at the cattle and seeing the car stop and the man enter the field drove that way honking his horn; Tasler seeing the approaching car dropped the calf got in his car and left, with Dvorak in pursuit. Other evidence related to the two cars passing different points between the alfalfa field and the Tasler home. Joe Dvorak, Mrs. Clarence Grieg, Mrs. Lillian Heying, William Marsoun, Alfred Heying and Arthur Kaplan were the chief witnesses for the state.

Mr. Tasler, on his part, denied being on the road near the alfalfa field on the afternoon in question and denied taking the calf or having anything to do with it and called several witnesses in his behalf. The case went to the jury about 4:30 Wednesday and the jury returned a verdict of guilty about ten o'clock that night. Mr. Tasler has three days to file a motion for a new trial which must be acted upon by the Court before sentence can be passed. Judge J. J. Harrington represented the defendant Tasler and County Attorney Julius D. Cronin the state. The case created more interest and attracted more spectators than any case tried here in recent years; the court room including aisles were completely filled each day long before Court opened and the doors locked leaving many in the halls unable to get in.

Thursday morning the case of Williard Schroeder of Keya Paha county against William Storjohann of this county growing out of an automobile collision near Stuart, sometime ago came on for trial and was submitted to the jury, late Thursday afternoon. Schroeder is asking damages of Storjohann, because of injury to his truck and its contents. About two hundred dollars is involved. Francis D. Lee of Atkinson, represents Schroeder and Judge J. J. Harrington Storjohann.

The last case for trial at this term and which is expected to be started Friday morning is that of J. L. Fisher, formerly of Ewing, but now of Norfolk, against Ora Keeler, of Ewing, based upon a promissory note given by Keeler, some years ago. It is expected that the trial will take a day and a half. Fred Deutsch of Norfolk, and Julius D. Cronin, represent Fisher and J. J. Harrington, Keeler.

Holt County A. C. A. Notes

Educational meetings are being held this week throughout the county for the purpose of acquainting farmers with the new 1942 AAA and Farm Defense Program. At a later date community committee will contact the farmers throughout the county.

Holt County has been asked to make the following increases in food:

Milk and dairy products— 11 per cent in 1942 over 1941.

Eggs—8 per cent in 1942 over 1941.

Chicken—27.5 per cent in 1942 over 1941.

Hogs for slaughter—11.9 per cent in 1942 over 1941.

Prices on these foods will be the best since the World War. Claude R. Wickard, Secretary of Agriculture, states that one billion dollars has been set aside to keep these foods up to 85 per cent parity.