

THE FRONTIER

Ed Hall Purchases Local Sale Barn

A business deal was consummated in this city the latter part of the week whereby Ed Hall purchased the O'Neill Livestock Commission company and will take possession the first of December.

Mr. Hall has been engaged in the ranching business for several years and has been very successful. At the present time he is living on his ranch northwest of this city, but he will dispose of his live stock and farm machinery at a sale next Tuesday and will move to this city so that he can give his personal attention to the business at the stock yards. His experience in the cattle, sheep and horse business for several years gives him the necessary experience for this business and we predict that he will make a success of the O'Neill Livestock Commission Company, as he has of his livestock ventures.

Mr. Hall informs us that he will retain all of the same employees at the sale yard and that the business will be carried on under his ownership the same as it has been under the present management, which insures the continuation of a first class sale barn in this city. Mr. Hall says that he will do his best to render the same efficient service that the public have been receiving and will appreciate their business in the future.

For several years the O'Neill Livestock Commission company has been operated by John Berrigan, Joe Gallagher and Cliff Ray. These men made the market one of the outstanding ones in north central Nebraska. All of these gentlemen have other business interests which demand their attention and for this reason they disposed of the market.

A TRIBUTE IN MEMORY OF JACOB K. ERNST

This community was saddened by the sudden death of our old time friend, Jake K. Ernst, who passed away after a brief illness.

He was a great organizer, interested in the community affairs and was the possessor of a fine sense of humor. His disposition is best described as jolly. He was a big hearted man, one who took a sincere interest in those who had found life rough and who helped to make the way easier for them to walk. Mr. Ernst, a man of stout build, with a hearty laugh and a fund of stories and who would often be found surrounded by his numerous friends, fascinated by his brilliant wit and his personality. He enjoyed company, delighted in conversations, always willing to express his views whenever something tickled his fancy or stirred his emotion. We would gather around him to listen to his narratives, eager for some of his witty comments. There was nothing in his make-up to make anyone shy with him. The esteem and the affection of his many friends in a vast community was demonstrated last Sunday by the large concourse of old friends and neighbors who accompanied him to his last resting place. This is the way we will always remember J. K. The family has the sympathy of a vast number of friends that payed homage to a worthy husband and father.

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to express our sincere thanks to the many kind friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness and sympathy extended following the death of our beloved mother, Mrs. Ellen Jane Enders.—Her Children.

The Cactus Club

The Cactus Club met with Mrs. Francis Curran on November 11, with eight members and three guests present.

Mrs. Henry Martin called the meeting to order, after the covered dish luncheon had been served. The Green Light, L. B. 295, a bill passed to enable counties or groups of counties to establish local public health departments, was the topic of the day.

Many years ago an English statesman pointed out that "the health of the people is really the foundation upon which all their happiness and all their powers as a state depend." (Desraeli, 1796).

With Nebraska lagging in the development of a health program for the protection of its citizens, and our soldier boys coming back from foreign lands with tropical diseases, which may become epidemics, well organized health services are essential. Therefore let us do our part in the development of this bill.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Arthur O'Neill on December 2.

Marriage Licenses

Otto C. Kallhoff, 29, of Ewing, and Marie A. Bauer, 21, of Ewing, on November 12.

Ludwig V. Fagel, 22, of Ewing, and Loreta Thrasher, 20, of Clearwater, on November 15.

Sgt. Robert D. Ott left Monday night for a few days visit with his brother, Virgil, located at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey and from there to his station in Newfoundland.

Frank Stuetz

Frank Stuetz died at St. Elizabeth's hospital in Sioux City last Tuesday, after an illness of about three months. The body was brought to this city and the funeral was held from the Catholic church this morning at 9 o'clock. Mnsgr. McNamara officiating and burial in Calvary cemetery.

Frank Stuetz was born in Faldenhof, Austria, on January 25, 1883. When he was about thirty years of age he came to this country and several years ago came to this city and accepted a position as janitor at St. Mary's Academy. He remained there for several years and then left for a few years, coming back and taking his old position about five years ago. He had one brother, but his whereabouts are unknown.

He has often claimed that when he attended school in Austria, as a boy, that Adolph Hitler was one of his schoolmates.

Educational Notes

The State Teachers' Examination will be given in O'Neill on Saturday, November 20. The usual schedule of subjects will be used, beginning with Arithmetic at 8:00 o'clock war time.

In January the examinations will be given at the normal training points at Stuart, Atkinson, O'Neill and Ewing. In November only, in O'Neill.

ELJA McCULLOUGH, County Superintendent.

Hearings Held Wednesday On Soil Conservation

Forty interested farmers were present at hearings held by the State Soil Conservation Committee last Wednesday in Atkinson and O'Neill. Considerable interest was shown in Soil Conservation work in this county and it was decided at the hearings to instruct the State Committee to proceed with a referendum relative to organizing a Soil Conservation District.

At the referendum to be held, it will be necessary for 75 per cent of the land owners voting, to cast favorable votes, before the State Committee will proceed with the organization of a district. The state committee will also require that a reasonably representative vote of the land owners is cast before proceeding further.

Those attending the hearing were in agreement that some soil and moisture conservation work was needed in this county and that several benefits from a Soil Conservation District could be received by those farmers who are interested in carrying out such practices.

H. R. Allen, living about eleven miles east and a half mile north of this city, went down to Ft. Calhoun, Nebr., on Saturday, November 6 for a few days visit at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Grace Sprague. Mr. Allen figured on coming home on Sunday but the storm caught him in the eastern part of the state and he was unable to get home until Tuesday. Mr. Allen says they have grand corn in Washington county this year and in practically all the eastern part of the state. Having lived in this county so long, about thirty years, he says that the hills down there—although he did not mind them when he lived there so many years ago—does not look good to him any more, and that he was glad to get back to the level prairies of good old Holt.

Lt. George Hammond will arrive home tomorrow from Camp Barkley, Texas, to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herb Hammond, and other relatives and friends.

Two O'Neill Boys Taking A. C. Training in Texas

Taking preliminary courses to prepare them for actual flight training, 67 aviation cadets from the state of Nebraska, including two from O'Neill, are now stationed at the army air forces pre-flight school of the San Antonio Aviation Cadet Center.

At the cadet center the cadets undergo thorough academic military and physical training leading to subsequent flight training to prepare them for aerial combat.

Those at the cadet center include: Max D. Chapman and James R. Herre, both of O'Neill.

Former O'Neill Girl Married At North Platte

A wedding of local interest took place in the rectory of St. Patrick's Catholic church in North Platte at 10 o'clock a. m., Thursday, November 11, when Miss Betty McNally, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred McNally of North Platte, former residents of this city, was united in marriage to Orville Gene James, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred S. James of North Platte.

The bride was attired in a street length dress of royal blue chiffon velvet. She wore white and blue accessories and a corsage of orchids. Her matron of honor and only attendant, Mrs. James Ryan of North Platte, wore a white wool street length dress with black accessories and a corsage of red rosebuds.

The groom was attended by Al Hruby, a close friend of the young couple.

Following the wedding, which took place in the presence of the relatives and immediate friends of the bride and groom, a wedding breakfast was served at Miss Lane's Hostess House. A three-tiered wedding cake, surrounded by white sweetpeas, mums, and rose rosebuds, centered the table.

Among out of town guests at the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Dick Tomlinson of this city. Mrs. Tomlinson is a sister of Mrs. James. The young couple will make their home in North Platte.

Hospital Notes

Lod Sladek, of Chambers, admitted on Friday, dismissed on Tuesday.

George Craig, of Inman, admitted on Thursday.

Mrs. Floyd Sanders a son, born Monday.

Mrs. Bosn and baby dismissed on Saturday.

The Lions Club met Wednesday evening at the Golden Hotel with twenty members present. They now have twenty-seven members and the membership here will be limited to thirty. The next meeting will be at 6:45 p. m., November 24, at the Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. James Robertson and son, Jimmie, of Alliance, came Friday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Robertson's father, J. K. Ernst.

Mrs. Esther Cole Harris entertained the M. M. Club at a dessert luncheon at her home Wednesday evening. Mrs. Ted McElhaney won high score. Mrs. Mary Zastrow guest prize and Mrs. Guy Cole game prize.

Miss Margaret Ellen Donahue, of St. Marty, S. D., spent the week-end here as the guest of Miss Bernadette Brennan.

Pvt. Robert Selah, of Camp Stoneman, Cal., arrived Sunday to visit his mother, Mrs. Ethel Selah and other relatives and friends.

Owen Hiatt, U. S. A., arrived Tuesday from Camp Pickett, Virginia, to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hiatt and other relatives and friends.

BREEZES FROM THE SOUTHWEST

By Romaine Saunders
Atkinson, Nebr., Star Rt. No. 5

Youth expresses it in song or a whistle; age talks to themselves.

It requires about 100,000 tons of tobacco yearly to supply the smokers in Great Britain.

It is admitted that the senators from eight southern states can defeat the wishes of the other forty states by talking the poll tax bill to death.

Mar. Farley's observations on election trends is a classic. "The people are tired of being pushed around." Too many fuehrers scattered across the country.

One penny was a day's wage in the time of the Caesars. The Roman penny was equal in value to 17 cents from the U. S. mint. That would hire a Yankee union man 7 minutes and 50 seconds.

Secretary of the Navy Knox regards the talk about this being the last war as a delusive dream. Cold realities are not popular but the peace makers may as well enjoy their dream while it lasts.

Charles A. Lindberg is carrying on experiments with Henry Ford on a new type of engine for the motive power of a huge transport plane for high altitude flying which Ford plans to turn out in quantities "after the war" to furnish jobs. It is not stated who is going to buy them.

According to the published report of the chairman of the War Fund campaign, Swan and Deloit precincts were the only slackers in the county. Swan was short about \$20 of the goal set for it, Deloit slightly more. If our solicitors will drive these prairie trails again the rebuke to our liberality can be rebuked.

Like the open space from which a tooth has been extracted, a cavity now shows on the main boulevard in Amelia where was the home of the late, Rhody Adams. A bomb was not dropped, but the building was taken over by the Bethany church group of Wyoming precinct, out of which to furnish a residence for their pastor.

"And when the chief priests and Pharisees had heard his parables, they perceived that he spoke of them. But when they sought to lay hands on him they feared the multitude." The multitude, humanity in the aggregate, men and madams of every known degree of quality, cultured and uncouth—Homo in the mass. It doesn't know its strength. It could have prevented every tragedy from the cross to Pearl Harbor. When something of which he did not approve was brought to the attention of my maternal grandfather he epitomized the attitude of the multitude in few words, "Such doin's aint right." That's about as far as we go. If words of disapproval were accompanied by the giant clutch of the multitude the men responsible for this mighty scourge of war would be crushed to earth.

Recent events in the southwest—Baker, Friedrich, Berry and White have quantities of wood sawed. Kennedy has butchered. Road Boss Doolittle has had the road graded along the Breezes premises. A small pile of sawdust caught fire at Friedrich's, reducing to ashes some stove wood. Addison and Rockford have marketed cattle and sheep in Omaha. A truck load of turkeys has been shipped out. Henry Clark, a bachelor across in Garfield county, lost his house and contents by fire. Duane Bly, a Chambers high school student, spent a day in a dentist's chair in Atkinson. Kunkny shot an overgrown skunk that was taking a nap in the hollow of a fallen tree where it had feasted on one of Ryley's albino turkeys. Mrs. Tom Baker reports the loss in a recent storm of a 12-year-old hen that daily sought admittance to the house and left a fresh egg in a cushioned rocking chair.

An hour before daybreak. A full November moon is hung in gilded glory high above earth's western rim. Jewels sparkle under foot and frost larks like a dim shroud across the land. An owl perched on a post continues his oration, a rooster arouses his harem by lusty crowing, the chill in the air, the expanses of a cloudless sky, the huge hulk of buildings and ghostly apparitions outlined in the dim light. Morning comes again on the prairie land. Late afternoon. A band of white vapor high overhead has formed a cloud that streaks through the sky the length of Holt county's 60 miles from Deloit to Dustin. A giant locomotive has roared in the heavens and left a trail of smoke. It lingers for an hour and then becomes the fantastic shapes of the gods of the ancients. Sunset. A sunset viewed through the blue haze over Judean hills that in-

Brother of Mrs. M. A. Summers Passes Away

Mrs. M. A. Summers received a telegram last week from Omaha announcing the death of her brother, James Cruicshank, who passed away suddenly at his home there. Mrs. Summers had been to Omaha for a visit with him two weeks before his death and she found him in good health and spirits. He passed away suddenly from a heart attack. His family were among the pioneers of the eastern part of the state. Mrs. Summers was unable to attend the funeral. He is survived by two brothers and five sisters.

Getting Reckless With Heavy Guns

According to Sheriff Peter Duffy last Saturday Roy Spindler, living in the Meek neighborhood, reported a heavy caliber bullet pierced a truck under which he was working last Friday and that he had seen an unidentified airplane flying several miles in the air.

Spindler reported the missile passed through the trucks engine and floor and dented the car spring a few feet from where he lay.

The hard metal covered bullet, blunt nosed, nearly three inches long and with a three quarter inch base, was found on the running board, Spindler said. Another bullet, not found, struck an old store building nearby. Duffy reports Spindler as saying.

The sheriff notified the Federal Bureau of Investigation at Omaha of the incident.

William Kubitschek, U. S. A., son of Dr. and Mrs. F. J. Kubitschek of this city, has recently been transferred from Camp Roberts, Cal., to Creighton University in Omaha.

Mrs. Irving Johnson and Mrs. Lyndle Stout entertained the 9F Club at a 7:00 o'clock dinner at the home of Mrs. Johnson Wednesday evening. Mrs. Walter Pharris won high score, Mrs. Herb Peterson second high and Mrs. Harold Weir all cut.

Pfe. Donald Loy, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Loy of this city, has recently been transferred from the Lincoln, Nebr., air base to the Truist Air base in Madison, Wis.

Mrs. D. N. Loy is entertaining Circle 1 of the Presbyterian church at her home this afternoon. Mrs. J. H. Patterson is the assisting hostess.

Miss Davenue Loy and Miss Virginia Schulz spent the week-end in Page visiting Mrs. J. M. Kennedy.

Cron Stannard returned last Thursday from Denver, Colo., where he had been employed, to visit the home folks for a time.

spired the sweet singer of Israel may have been comparable to the transcending charm of the gold and pink tints of a like scene on the Nebraska prairie.

With changes having been made in our national life may our anthem is not to survive. Is the militant Star-Spangled Banner on the way out? I hope not. Objection to it is raised on the allegation that it is difficult to sing. Maybe so. Anything is difficult for a people who never sing. The Indianapolis Times has been moved to raise a battle cry for our great national song. Listen:

"The nation of which it is the anthem was difficult to establish. It was difficult for the Pilgrim Fathers to land on a stern and rock-bound coast. It was difficult for Daniel Boone to make a path in the wilderness. It was difficult for George Washington and his barefoot soldiers to hold on at Valley Forge. It was difficult for the pioneers to trek across the great plains, bearing their children and burying their dead by the wayside. It was difficult for Lincoln to save the Union. It was difficult for men and women to build a new south out of the ashes of Reconstruction.

"It was difficult to send 3,000,000 men across the seas in 1917 and 1918. It was difficult to establish women's rights, and children's rights, and labor's rights and farmers' and businessmen's rights in this land. It is difficult to maintain political democracy against selfishness, divisions and bossism. The way of dictatorship is the easy way, the American way is the hard way, and ever will be.

"America is difficult, but glorious with a beauty that is the reward of difficulty. So her national anthem should be, and is.

"No easy tune from Tin-Pan-Alley is worthy of this nation.

"The Star-Spangled Banner is 'too high.' Of course it is high, like the aims of this country. High like the cost of being an American. High, but not too high.

"Let us learn this heart-lifting song, difficult though it is. It is little enough to do for our beloved nation, bought for our enjoyment by heroes, great and humble, at the price of so much difficulty, past, present and to come.

"And the Star-Spangled Banner in triumph shall wave O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave."

County Court

Fred Gren was arrested on November 14 by Patrolman Walter and charged with having wrong number plates. He was fined \$3 and costs of \$3.10.

Edmond Carney was arrested on November 14 by Patrolman Walter and charged with failure to stop at a stop sign. He was fined \$10 and costs of \$3.10.

Marvin L. Flucky, of Chambers, was arrested by Patrolman Walter on November 14 and charged with reckless driving. He was fined \$10 and costs of \$3.10.

Allen L. Kopejtko, of Redbird, was arrested by Patrolman Walter on November 14 and charged with having wrong number plates. He was fined \$3 and costs of \$3.10.

Harold Wolfe, of Bassett, was arrested on November 15 by Patrolman Walter and charged with speeding. He was fined \$10 and costs of \$3.10.

Otto Lorenz Suffers Accident Saturday

Otto Lorenz, prominent farmer living just west of this city, met with a peculiar and serious accident last Saturday morning, that may cost him the use of his right eye.

Mr. Lorenz was sacking alfalfa seed and was using a piece of barb wire to tie the sacks. While tying a sack the wire slipped from his hand and struck him in the right eye, entering under his glasses, which he was wearing at the time. The end of the wire penetrated the eye ball. He was taken to Norfolk that afternoon for medical treatment, but so far we have heard no reports as to how he is getting along.

St. Mary's Pupils To Give Operetta Tuesday Night

The music department of St. Mary's Academy will present the annual Cecelia program this year on Tuesday evening, November 23 at 8:30 o'clock at the public school auditorium. The operetta "Jeanie" will afford a pleasant evening diversion for the music lovers of O'Neill.

THE CAST

Jeanie Rawdon, a young Southern girl — Lou Birmingham
Mammy Phyllis, her servant — Mary Jewell Walker
Rodney Crawley, Dennis Jackson's treacherous cousin, and the villain — Bob Allen
Mr. Poisson, Rodney's shyster lawyer — Joe Biglin
Judge Calhoun Rawdon, Jeanie's uncle and guardian — George Janousek
Pamela — Shelia Taft
Melonie — Joan Smith
(Flirtatious girls, friends of Jeanie)

Sandra — Delores Frederickson
Charlotte — Donna Gallagher
Leslie — Jim Early
Gordon — Bob Wallace
(rather flippant young men)

Dick — Ed Campbell
Tom — Tom DeBaker
Dennis Jackson, alias John Smith, Jeanie's real sweetheart, returning from the east. Bill Froelich
Lucifer, his servant — John Baker
Jeanie's other guests:
Alvera Ramm, Patti Kieser, Lou Ann Iler, Twila Fox, Lyle Babec, George Bosn, Quentin Cavanaugh, Jim Golden, Beverly McCarthy, Mary Miles, Patty O'Connell, Bonnie Hynes, Hazel Kobarg, Thelma Reefe, Patricia Scott, Dick Clark Gene Streeter.
Jeanie waits faithfully for the return of Dennis Jackson, who loved her before going West. His cousin, Rodney Crawley, attempts to have him declared officially dead and persuades Jeanie to accept him—almost. Dennis returns in disguise and prepares to leave again on hearing of Jeanie's engagement. However, as he is making his farewells his identity is discovered and the treachery of Rodney is unmasked.

Friendly Neighbor Club

The Friendly Neighbors Club met on Wednesday evening, November 10, with Mrs. Switzer. The lesson was discussed, after which luncheon was served. Miss Mary Holiday was assistant hostess to Mrs. Switzer. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Emmet Crabb on the afternoon of December 2.

On Saturday evening, October 30, Mrs. Crabb entertained the Club in honor of a former member Mrs. Edwards, who moved to Rockford, Illinois.

The Alpha Club met at the home of Mrs. Carl Widfield Wednesday afternoon. Plans were made for the annual Christmas dinner, which will be held the eighth of December. Mrs. Halsey Moses and Mrs. Alfred Drayton were on the program. The hostesses served a delicious chicken dinner, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

Mr. and Mrs. James McLern, of Mirror, Alberta, Canada, arrived the latter part of last week for a short visit with her brother, H. R. Allen and other relatives and friends in the Page vicinity.

Robert Ryan, son of J. B. Ryan of this city, has been transferred from Knoxville, Tenn., to Santa Ana, Cal., and is now an aviation cadet at the Santa Ana Field.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Sundell, of Wakefield, came Sunday to attend the funeral of J. K. Ernst.

Funeral Services For J. K. Ernst Held Sunday

The funeral of Jacob K. Ernst was held last Sunday afternoon from the Presbyterian church in O'Neill, Rev. Ohmart officiating, and burial in Prospect Hill cemetery. The funeral was one of the largest ever seen in this city, friends and neighbors coming for many miles to pay tribute to the memory of their departed friend, and it can be said that not many in Holt county had more friends than did Jake E. Ernst, for every one who ever knew him was his friend.

Jacob K. Ernst was born at Wesley, Ontario, Canada, on July 15, 1873, and passed away at the O'Neill hospital at 11:30 o'clock Thursday morning, November 11, 1943, following a stroke suffered a few weeks before. In 1884, when he was 11 years of age his parents came to Holt county, coming here from Canada, and ever since, except three years spent in Iowa, he had been a resident of this county.

On October 11, 1893, he was united in marriage to Miss Malenda Harris, daughter of one of the pioneer families of the northern part of the county, the ceremony being performed in this city. To this union nine children were born, three sons and six daughters, one daughter passing away in infancy, leaving eight children who, with their mother, are left to mourn the passing of a kind and affectionate husband and father. The children are: Mrs. Maude Cole of Page, Mrs. Lorena Lorenz of Inman, Mrs. Martha Dick of O'Neill; Homer Ernst, Mrs. Clara Lorenz, Ralph Ernst of O'Neill; Mrs. Myrtle Robertson of Alliance. He is also survived by three sisters: Mrs. Fannie Reiser of Friend, Mrs. Mary Rosler of Boulder, Colo., Mrs. Susan Kubitschek of O'Neill. He is also survived by twenty-five grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

Deceased was one of the finest men we have ever known. We had known him well for over a half century and Jake was one of the kind of men whom to know well was to love more. He had a pleasing personality and always met his many friends with a cherry hello, how are you. And his greetings were not superficial. There was nothing superficial about Jake Ernst. He was honest and sincere, with great love in his heart for his family, his church and his friends. His passing removed one of the old time pioneers from our ranks; one who lived a long and useful life and his passing brought grief to many outside of his immediate family, for in his death a real man passed on.

Junior Red Cross Rally

Junior Red Cross members of District No. 241, Page, Nebr., held a rally at the school house Friday evening, November 12. The students entertained with a short patriotic program. They sold several articles that they had made at school. Lunch was served at the close of the evening. The sum of \$7.50 was collected during the evening and this amount was turned over to the children's fund. We wish to thank everyone who helped to make it a successful evening. Pupils of Dist. 241.

St. Mary's To Play Lynch Next Friday Afternoon

The St. Mary's Cardinals six-man foot ball team will play their last game of the season at home, in Carney Park, Friday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock with the Lynch six-man team.

In their last game Lynch suffered a 37-24 defeat at the hands of Butte and the Cardinals have played Butte twice and have won both games, 18-8 and 18-0. It should be a very good game and let us show the Cardinals that we are backing them up by attending the game Friday and cheer them on to victory.

Heavy Receipts At Monday's Local Sale

As there was no sale last week due to the bad storm, the local receipts were extremely heavy at the sale here Monday. Prices were lower on both hogs and cattle in accordance with all the central markets.

Steer calves sold from \$10.50 to \$11.50 and heifer calves sold from \$8.50 to \$10.00. Yearling steers brought from \$10.00 to \$11.50 and yearling heifers from \$8.00 to \$10.00. There were some good two-year old steers here that brought \$11.90, with the balance bringing from \$10.00 to \$11.50. Cows suffered the most with prices dropping from \$1.00 to \$1.50 per hundred, with prices ranging from \$5.75 to \$89.00. Bulls brought from \$8.50 to \$9.50.

The hog market was lower than it has been for some time with butcher buying from \$11.50 to \$12.50 and an extreme top of \$12.60 being paid on very few. Sows sold from \$11.00 to \$11.50. Shoats brought from \$11.00 to \$12.00 per hundred with \$11.00 being the main figure paid. There was around thirty head of sheep sold and twenty head of horses.

Next sale Monday, November 22, 1943.

