

THE FRONTIER

BREEZES FROM THE SOUTHWEST

By Romaine Saunders

Mrs. John Curry, of Lincoln, was a guest 4th of July week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bly. Mrs. Curry is a sister of Mr. Bly.

Roy Warden and Howard Berry wound up the bond drive in Swan last week and this grass country will make a better showing in the next published report.

Poor little Finland. I have confidence in the wisdom of our state department, but wonder why the Allies found no way to rescue that unhappy country from the Axis grip.

An Iowa farmer was fined \$400 for building a barn that he was denied a permit to construct by a federal agency. He should have used willow poles and slough grass hay like we do out this way.

The mournful note of the bitters is heard again in the prairie land. A water bird that doesn't swim, it has been invited back to the southwest by the revival of water holes and running streams.

Another Roosevelt flighty and fickle in his affair d'amours, is again in a divorce court. Not a few old fashioned fundamentalists scattered over the country will regret that a representative of the nation's first family should make the third trial at domestic felicity.

Another accomplishment to be added to a sizable list since the ladies have taken their place "among men" finds a woman of considerable property languishing in a hospital in a Nebraska town with bird shot in her legs, acquired when she was discovered in a neighbor's hen coop.

Many Holt county citizens will be gratified to learn that friends of the late Arthur Mullen—a Holt county product—have been instrumental in placing his portrait in the state historical society quarters at Lincoln. There may be some question of propriety in placing it there. Arthur never had any use for Lincoln, but hung his hat and hopes in Omaha. Maybe that portrait should go to the Joselyn Memorial.

It was 48 below. The Alaska night was starless and black as Egypt. A call same to the Airways at Anchorage from 750 miles away for serum to save the life of a sick woman. An hour later a lone pilot took off at 10,000 feet across a wilderness with only two possible points for landing. He got through and the woman's life was saved. The pilot had jeopardized his life to save a life. Airplanes darken the sky over land and sea, the lives of pilots jeopardized in a search for other lives to snuff out. Men are queer.

Every man, woman and child in Holt county feel that they have lost a friend in the death of Peter Duffy. A big, warm-hearted, friendly Irishman, Duffy was not an inexorable minion of the law to inspire fear to any citizen as he approached your doorway. An efficient official, some duties of the sheriff's office were distasteful to him. He would rather hand a needy person a ten dollar bill than flash a warrant for his arrest. He was moved at the suffering of others and that he passed to his rest void of suffering was emblematic of a character that recoiled from giving another pain.

Probably no man of consequence in America today has a better record, private and official, than Gov. Dewey—clean, capable, strong and brilliant he has been presented to us not merely as a match for any other candidate but as a champion to restore the America that we have known, shekles removed from individual effort and freedom to live and laugh and plan and dream without the barriers of alphabetical setups through out the country. It is hoped the political issues will be clothed in vestments of dignity and the skirts of none trail in the muddy mire of depraved politics.

The golden or Baltimore oriole—I can not distinguish one from the other—adorned with plumage in deep yellow and black, has been late arriving. Not until

Mellor-Stephens

Miss Laura Mellor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jess B. Mellor, of O'Neill, Nebr., became the bride of Howard Stephens, son of Mrs. Della Stephens and the late Newton Stephens, of Council Bluffs, Iowa. The marriage was performed at a double ring candle-light ceremony at 6 o'clock on June 22, 1944, with the Rev. Kenneth Scott officiating at the Presbyterian church in O'Neill.

The bride, whose hand in marriage was given by her father, wore a formal gown, fashioned of a white lace bodice with sweet heart neckline and long sleeves pointing over the wrist. The full silk sheer skirt fell into a three yard train. The bride's finger-tip veil of net was crowned with three rows of pearls, and her shower bouquet was of pink roses and white swansonia. Her only jewelry was a triple strand of pearls, a gift from the bridegroom.

The bride's sisters served as attendants. Miss Maude Mellor, as maid of honor, wore a pale yellow silk sheer gown and as bridesmaid, Miss Jennie Beth Mellor, wore a gown of light blue silk sheer. Each had a corsage of pink carnations.

George Mellor, brother of the bride, served as best man. For the occasion, Mrs. Mellor chose a navy blue sheer and Mrs. Stephens wore a sheer of grey silk. Both mothers wore gardenias.

Among the out of town guests at the wedding and the reception held at the Mellor home, were: Mrs. Stephens, mother of the bridegroom, and his sister, Mrs. J. O. Brown of Omaha; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Belsky, aunt and uncle of the bride, and their family from Merriman, Nebr.

For traveling the bride wore a powder blue two piece dress of silk jersey, with white accessories.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephens are residing at 155 West Washington Avenue, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

O'Neill Soldier Not Wanted At Salerno

With the Fifth Army, Italy.—Pfc. John C. Jardee, ex-farmer, son of Mrs. E. Jardee of O'Neill, Nebr., tried three times without success to land at Salerno, Italy, on D-day, September 9, 1943.

Off shore about a mile before dawn, Jardee, with his ack unit, was waiting to land. His landing craft started in but was turned back by heavy fire from German shore batteries. Again they failed. The third time the landing boat barely escaped being hit.

The boat moved along the coast about a mile and landed. The ack crew dug its gun position. Jardee said, "That was my baptism of fire."

Another O'Neill Boy Wins Army Commission

New Orleans, La., July 10.—John E. Flood, whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. Edward Flood, O'Neill, Nebr., has been graduated from the Transportation Corps Officer Candidate School at the New Orleans Army Air Base, and has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army of the United States.

Lt. Flood attended St. Mary's Academy and Regis College, Denver. Before induction, he was a sheet metal worker with Glenn L. Martin Company, Baltimore, Md. The officer was assigned to active duty with the Transportation Corps immediately after receiving his commission. The mission of the Transportation Corps is to transport soldiers and materials to theaters of operations throughout the world.

Mrs. Elma Evans made a business trip to Omaha Sunday.

early July did we have a glimpse of his gorgeous coloring as he paused a few moments on the ground to be seen through a window or darted on swift wing into the dense foliage. The nests hung in the bird hideouts are yet to be discovered. Robins are a much earlier bird. They came, mated and nested and are gone weeks ago. The prairie curlew of an earlier period is no more. The magnificent prairie chicken just holds its own with the truculent pheasant. The mournful note of the lovebird comes from afar from dawn till starlight and the meadow lark sings until fading light merges into the gloom of night. Tracks of birds and insects and little wildlings in the dust of the road are a study in art designs. The prairie land's crowning glory comes at sunset, the distant horizon aglow with color of nameless shades. Simple things, common place things? Yes. Beauty, dignity, inspiration, life's worthwhile and enduring values—they are found in the simple things.

Two Carloads Of Paper Net \$557.56 To Schools In May Drive For Paper

Here is a list of the schools that helped in the collection of the two carloads of paper that was shipped out of Holt County about the first of May:

District No. 122	\$ 2.10
District No. 206	1.50
Stuart Boy Scouts	20.16
Dorothy Young School	7.84
District No. 63	2.94
Ewing City School	20.83
St. Mary's, O'Neill	31.60
Chambers Commercial Club	69.90
District No. 187	2.10
District No. 21	37.06
Page School	24.68
District No. 57	2.55
Inman Red Cross	7.60
St. Joseph's, Atkinson	118.54
District No. 11	10.20
District No. 86	6.75
District No. 32	3.92
District No. 36	5.71
O'Neill Public School	133.07
District No. 10	4.20
St. Boniface School, Stuart	10.00
District No. 122	3.37
District No. 20	13.50

The following schools and individuals brought in paper and turned it in to the Red Cross: District 76, District 127, District 132, District 84, District 80, Dustin School, District 93, Clarence Kiltz, John Redr, Miss McCullough, Bill Farr—\$117.56.

Holt County Boy Missing In Action In Italy

Word was received Monday by Mr. and Mrs. Guy Young, of the Meek community, that their son, Pvt. Richard Young was missing in action in Italy on May 26.

Pvt. Young entered the armed forces on July 5, 1943. He has two older brothers in the service, Harold and Lester.

Some Combines Are Being Contacted For Work Here

At least one Kansas combine has been contacted for custom work in Holt County and more probably will be available when the harvest is ready.

All farmers who wish to obtain custom combines from outside the county are encouraged to contact the county agent's office in O'Neill.

Pressure Cookers Will Be Loaned By County Agent

The county agent's office has obtained one six-quart pressure cooker which will be available for a short period to those who might wish to use it. Although it will only serve so many people, those who would like to use it are invited to apply.

O'Neill Defeated By Chambers In Good Game

Chambers defeated the O'Neill baseball team here Sunday on the local diamond by a score of 3 to 0. Ed Thorin, the Chambers hurler, held the O'Neill boys to 4 hits and no scores, while his teammates were getting 7 hits and 3 scores. O'Neill threatened several times but lacked the punch to score. Batteries: O'Neill—Helmer and Pruss; Chambers—Ed Thorin and D. Carson.

Neligh Legion Here Sunday

The O'Neill team will play the Neligh Legion here Sunday, July 16. The O'Neill fans will have a chance to see Richie Ashburn, the Neligh catcher, in action. He was selected as the outstanding American Legion player in the State of Nebraska and will represent Nebraska in Esquire's All-American boys' baseball game to be held at the Polo Grounds in New York City on August 7.

Heavy Run Of Cattle At Local Sale Monday; Hog Run Was Very Light

The O'Neill Livestock Commission Co. reports a heavy run of cattle last Monday for this time of the year. 400 head of cattle were sold and the market was about steady on the light feeder cattle, which sold from \$9.00 to \$11.50 for the steers and the light heifers from \$9.00 to \$10.25. Fat cows were still in demand at \$10.00 to \$11.50. Stock cows were \$6.50 to \$8.00.

The hog run was very light and the prices were some stronger, the best butchers going at \$13.00, but the bulk going at \$12.90; the good sows at \$11.00 to \$11.10.

The management wishes to ask you to get your hogs in early as the cattle run will start soon.

Word has been received by Mrs. Ellen Regan that her son, Brother Ivo, (John Regan), is now attending Fordham University in New York City, where he will be for the summer.

Ruby Wieseman And Sgt. Cletus Sullivan Married In Omaha

Saint Mary Magdalene's Church in Omaha, Nebraska was the scene of a very pretty wedding Saturday, July 8 at 8:00 A. M., when Miss Ruby Wieseman became the bride of Sgt. Cletus V. Sullivan. Monsignor Bernard J. Sinne performed the marriage ceremony. Only immediate family relatives were present.

The bride, attired in a powder blue suit with white accessories and carrying a white prayer book with streamers, was attended by Miss Helen Sullivan, sister of the groom, wearing a tangerine suit with dove gray accessories.

The groom, in army khaki, was attended by Gerald S. Graybiel, dressed in summer tan. The bride's mother wore a rust dress with matching accessories, while the groom's mother wore a yellow dress with white accessories.

Each lady in the wedding party wore a gardenia corsage. A sumptuous wedding breakfast was served in a private dining room at the Paxton Hotel.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Wieseman of Osceola, Nebraska and was a graduate of Osceola High School in the class of 1935. Since 1936 she has been employed by the Interstate Power Company, now the Consumers Public Power District at O'Neill, Nebraska.

The groom is the only son of Postmaster Agnes E. Sullivan, O'Neill, Nebr. He is a graduate of St. Mary's Academy in O'Neill in the class of 1930. In 1928 he was employed by the Interstate Power Company in which place he served continuously until his induction into the United States Army in July of 1942.

After a furlough spent in Osceola and O'Neill the happy couple will reside at Fort Benning, Georgia, where the groom is stationed.

Those in attendance at the wedding were: Mr. and Mrs. Chris Wieseman of Osceola and daughter, Betty, of Omaha; Mrs. Agnes E. Sullivan and daughter, Helen, of O'Neill; Mr. and Mrs. Gerald S. Graybiel of Chicago, Ill.; and the groom's aunt, Miss Ann Clark, of Omaha.

Round-Up Calf Club Holds First Meeting On July 7th

The Round-Up Calf Club held its first meeting at the home of Walter Puckett on July 7th.

Walter Puckett was elected leader and Albert Miller assistant; Gladys Ernst, president; Dick Clark, vice-president; Dorothy Clark, secretary; Duane Miller, news reporter.

All members were present and we have two new members, Junior Butterfield and Arlys Wayman. Cakes were tagged in the afternoon.

Next meeting at Clarks July 18.

Some Transient Farm Labor Is Reporting At County Agent's Office

Three transient laborers, all appearing to be good men, reported and were placed through the county agent's office last week. While the supply of laborers is being urged to make their needs known at the county agent's office or to the Volunteer Labor representative in your town, either by mail or in person.

Labor Representatives in each town are: Humphrey Shoe Shop, Atkinson. Stuart Creamery, Stuart. Banta Barber Shop, Page. West Lumber Co., Ewing. Harley Hardware, Chambers.

Mr. R. C. Andersen, Superintendent of Schools in O'Neill, who is employed as a special labor assistant at the county agent's office, will be in very close contact with these volunteer labor representatives in an effort to supply enough labor for the hay and harvest.

If enough labor cannot be supplied locally, it will be possible to recruit and transport labor from the southern states through the newly organized Holt Non-Stock Labor Association. Farmers wishing to secure labor must make application for membership into this association before labor may be obtained under contract.

Christ Lutheran Missouri Synod Reinhard Koepf, Pastor

Sunday, July 16 Morning Worship—9:30 a. m. Text of Sermon: Matthew 19, 16-26. "The Danger of Riches" Sunday School—10:30 a. m. The quarterly voters' meeting will be held this afternoon.

Mrs. Bernard Matthews and daughter, Madge, returned Sunday to their home in Omaha, after spending a week visiting Mrs. Matthews' sisters in O'Neill and Ainsworth.

Paul D. Hartigan Passes Away At Inman Home

Paul Douglas Hartigan was born December 10, 1901, at Inman, Nebr. He was the elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hartigan, of the Inman vicinity. Early in life, illness of scarlet fever, and severe rheumatism, left him with the handicap of a weakened heart, which held him back from many active sports or difficult bodily activities. Last winter he suffered attacks which were somewhat relieved at a Sioux City hospital and he had been taking some active part in planning the work at home, when, very suddenly in the evening of July 7th, an acute attack of his trouble took him suddenly away from us at about 11 in the evening.

He was united in marriage to Miss Mary Carey, of Inman, on April 12, 1930, and they have lived in this community all the time. Two sons were born to this home, Paul Douglas, Jr., and Graydon Eugene.

He was an active member of the Inman Independent Order of Odd Fellows for some time. At the Easter Season, April 25, 1943 he with his family was baptized and received into membership of the Inman Methodist church, and was on one of the committees of the church at the time of his death. He was of a cheerful and helpful disposition, and a man whom you were pleased to meet at any time. He was hopeful and looking ahead, and in spite of his poor health, didn't complain, but was planning for better days ahead, and the welfare of his loved ones.

He leaves behind, besides his companion and children, a brother Stuart Hartigan, of Wichita, Kansas, and a sister, Mrs. Lyle Barnhart, of Ewing, Nebr., and his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hartigan, of Inman, and a large number of friends in this community.

Funeral services were held Tuesday forenoon at 11 o'clock in the Methodist church Rev. Maxcy, assisted by Rev. A. R. Bell of St. Paul, officiating. A quartette of ladies consisting of Mrs. I. L. Watson, Mrs. Elwin Smith, Mrs. L. R. Tompkins and Mrs. Eva Murten sang, with Mrs. H. A. Tompkins at the piano. Interment was in the Inman cemetery.

Relatives from out of town attending the funeral were: Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Hartigan and daughters, Mrs. Raymond James and Mrs. Paul Buddle and Mrs. Clyde Cochran, of Norfolk; Mrs. Robert Richards, of Beatrice; Mrs. Krouse and John Carey, of Council Bluffs, Iowa; Sgt. Laddie Carey of Louisiana; Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Barnhart, of Ewing; Mrs. Anna Asher, of O'Neill.

Holt Farmer To Work Another Field After His First Year Of Contouring

"I think enough of contouring so that I am going to work on another field next year," said Harry Tegeler, farmer one-half mile north and 1 mile east of Page, after trying it this year for the first time.

"It was a common thing to see water standing in the listed furrows," he continued. "I started listing at the top of the hill late Saturday afternoon and early that evening we got a three-quarter inch downpour. The next morning the water was still standing in the furrows."

"Last year when the rows ran up and down hill, the soil washed down on the field and garden bed with every heavy rain," he stated. "However, this year with all the rain, the water never broke through the ridges."

Mr. Tegeler pointed out that he was sure the slick spots in his field were caused by the top soil washing away. He expects to build productivity back in these by the use of an alfalfa and brome grass mixture in the rotation and heavy applications of barnyard manure. Then he plans to keep this productivity on these spots by reducing erosion and runoff with farming on the contour with terraces.

Contouring and terraces are only two of the conservation practices which Mr. Tegeler plans to put into operation on his farm with assistance available from the Holt Soil Conservation District. Other practices which will be used are grassed waterways and outlets, crop rotations including alfalfa and brome grass, sweet clover in rotations, seeding turnrows to grass, a diversion above the farmstead, grazing of brome grass to supplement native pasture, farmstead windbreak and garden irrigation.

Assistance can be secured for establishing any of the above conservation practices from the Holt Soil Conservation District without cost.

Mrs. Mattie Soukup, Mrs. Bernard Matthews and daughter, Madge, Mrs. Dean Streeter and Mrs. Clyde Streeter and daughter, Barbara, visited their sister, Mrs. Ernest Perkins at Ainsworth Thursday. They also visited at Long Pine.

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W. S. C. S. met in the church parlors last Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Duran Rutherford led the devotionals. Hostesses were Mrs. Rollie Snell, Mrs. Wm. Clark and Mrs. John T. Walker.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wells, of O'Neill, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hayne. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Asher and son, Freddy, of Fremont, spent the week-end at the home of his mother, Mrs. Ethel Asher, where they visited S. Sgt. and Mrs. Dale Asher and son, Jimmie Lynn, of Chandler, Arizona. Evelyn and Sharon Asher, who had spent a few days at the Asher home in Fremont, returned home with them.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Walker and Mr. and Mrs. Alton Braddock were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hurst Sunday.

Mrs. Neva Ickes left for San Antonio, Texas, Monday morning and expects to be away two weeks. She will visit her son and his wife, Lt. and Mrs. Millard Ickes.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Barr spent Sunday evening with Mrs. Lloyd Cork.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lamason and son, Wilson, of Adams, Nebr., and Bobby Heaton, of Lincoln, came Sunday evening and will spend two weeks at the Jerry Lamason home. Lynn Lamason, who has been working at Lincoln, came home with them and will spend a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Lamason.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Neubauer were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Haynes Sunday.

Miss Neva Ickes, who has been employed at the city hall in Lincoln, came home Saturday to spend a two weeks vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nevan Ickes.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Braddock, Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Allen and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Lamason were 7 o'clock dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Allen Sunday evening.

Dick Wood went to Lincoln Sunday to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Wood, while waiting his call for induction in the Navy.

Melvin and Elwin Haynes went to Omaha last week. Elwin returned home Monday, while Melvin remained to seek employment.

The Misses Florence Cunningham, Faye Finch and Sylvia Belick, who have been working in Lincoln, are spending a weeks vacation with the home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Walker arrived home Saturday, after spending the past week visiting relatives at Olivet and Scotland, S. D.

Mrs. Grace Lamason was tripped by a chain, while taking care of their goat Sunday. She fell and injured her knee. Miss Viola Haynes took her to Orchard to Dr. Fletcher, where an X-ray was taken. The ligaments around the knee were torn loose and it was necessary to put it in a cast.

Mrs. J. I. Gray went to Atkinson last Thursday to visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Stevens. J. I. Gray went to Atkinson Monday to bring her home.

Sgt. and Mrs. Harlan Van Conett and Miss Yvonne Van Conett went to Chambers Saturday to visit at the Fred Catron home. They returned to Page Sunday.

Owen Parks who works at Nickerson, Nebr., spent the week-end at his home in Page.

Mrs. Harold Murphy, of Omaha spent Sunday at the Louie Schacht home, where she visited with Pvt. Roy Schacht, who was a buddy of her husband, Pvt. Harold Murphy while in Africa.

Sgt. Harlan J. Van Conett, of Camp Campbell, Ky., is spending his furlough at the home of his mother, Mrs. Myrta Van Conett. Mrs. Harlan Van Conett, of Sacramento, Cal., is also visiting at the Van Conett home during her husband's furlough.

Mrs. Harold Kelley was hostess to the Bid or Bye Bridge Club Wednesday, July 5. Mrs. Fred Wilbur of Marysville, Mo., and Mrs. Kenneth Braddock were guests. Mrs. Jerry Lamason received high score Mrs. Jerome Allen traveling and Mrs. John D. Walker low.

Miss Dorothy Liewer, of Cheyenne, Wyo., visited at the homes of Mrs. C. E. Walker and Mrs. Evelyn Gray Monday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Wilson, of O'Neill, were dinner and supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Chasey Sunday. They visited at the Roy Wilson home in the afternoon.

Rev. and Mrs. Kattner and Mr. and Mrs. Duran Rutherford were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Chichester.

Funeral Services For Mrs. J. Pinkerman Held On Wednesday

Funeral services were held on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock for Mrs. Sarah J. Pinkerman who passed away at the Lynch hospital on Saturday, July 8th, after several months illness.

Services were held from the Dorsey church, with Rev. Norman Riedesel officiating and burial in the Scottville cemetery following.

Sarah Jane, daughter of Levi Ray and Fanny Jeffries was born at Jefferson City, Mo. on August 9, 1856 and was 87 years, 10 months and 29 days of age at the time of her death. She was united in marriage to James Pinkerman at Winnebag Macon County, Mo., on November 2, 1873. She came to Holt County from Missouri with her husband and family, arriving here on March 22, 1882 and home-stayed in northeastern Holt Co. where she spent most of her life with the exception of a few years in later life, when they lived in O'Neill.

Fourteen children were born to this couple, two of whom preceded her in death. She is survived by twelve children, six boys and six girls as follows: Clara Kemmerer, Lynnwood, California; Bertha Yost, Hanford, Calif.; James W. Hanford, Calif.; Glen, Stuart, Nebr.; Pearl Phelps, Omaha; William of O'Neill; Ralph and John of Dorsey; Maud Spencer of Edgemont, S. D.; Amelia Ireland, Miami, Florida; Nell Wunsch, Washington, D. C.; and Walter, Lynch.

She is also survived by 46 grand children, 64 great grandchildren and 6 great great grandchildren.

She was one of the earliest settlers of this county, coming here when the country was first being settled and went through all the privations of the early settlers and to them we owe thanks for what the country is today. The readers of the Independent will be sorry to learn of the death of one of their first residents, and will extend their sympathy to those who remain to mourn her passing.

Family Of 4-H Club Members Makes Good

Stacking eighty stacks of hay, calving sixty cows and losing but one calf, caring for and marketing 75 head of feeder stock, doing their own laundering and cooking, attending school regularly and punctually, playing Legion baseball and basketball, and paying off a \$4,000.00 farm mortgage are but a few of the achievements of the McNally boys, John and Bob, of Emmet, Nebraska.

John, aged 16, and Bob, aged 14, were left in charge of a Holt County 450-acre ranch and 135 head of cattle in the spring of 1943 when their father, John McNally, found it necessary to take his invalid wife to their former home in Detroit, Michigan.

According to their 4-H club leader and assistant leader, Mr. and Mrs. Pat McGinnis of Emmet, only one calf was lost in the calving of 60 cows, a record of which any cattle grower might be proud. During the summer they set eighty stacks of hay beside caring for 75 head of feeder stock. From the sale of hay the boys realized \$1,000.00 and with \$3,000.00 realized from the sale of feeder cattle they paid off a \$4,000.00 mortgage which had been placed on the farm during the lean years.

In the fall of '43 John reentered St. Joseph's Academy at Atkinson as a senior and Bob as a sophomore, where both were honor students, according to a statement of Father Lehman. John captained the championship St. Joseph's basketball team which won the Holt County tournament. Both boys also played Legion baseball during the summer, John being the catcher of the team. Both Tom Slattery, basketball coach, and T. Miller, Legion baseball coach, are high in their praise of the performance and sportsmanship exhibited by these two boys. They seemed to be obsessed with but one fear—that of repeating an error and not making good.

John is now in the Navy V-12 program at Notre Dame University and Bob is working in Detroit and caring for his invalid mother, while the father and two younger brother, Jimmy and Jerry, are operating the ranch during the summer.

Both boys have been members of 4-H Club feeder projects during the past five years, serving in various capacities during that time. The father is of the opinion that much of the credit for the success of his boys is directly due to the training the boys have received from their club leaders and sponsors. Tom, an older brother, now a Lieutenant in the Infantry, distinguished himself by receiving the first blue ribbon for 4-H Club Feeder competition in Holt County. Marion, the only daughter of the family, now a cadet nurse, won honors in 4-H Club farm accounting competition several years ago.

There are heroes on the home front engaged in food production as well as on the fighting fronts although not as easily recognized.

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