

O'Neill Rockets

Blank Bartlett

Wheeler Crew Bows Sunday, 9-0

The O'Neill Rockets romped over Bartlett, 9-0, in a North-Central Nebraska league game played Sunday at Bartlett. Bernard Troshynski struck out 12 and allowed only four hits as he led his teammates to victory. Virgil Morrow led the hitting for the Rockets with a home run, a triple, a double and two singles in six times at bat. Lloyd York had four hits in six times at bat for O'Neill.

Boxscore: O'NEILL (9) AB R H Tielke, cf 4 1 0 Hamik, cf 2 0 0 Cork, ss 6 2 4 Morrow, 1b 6 3 5 Gorgen, 3b 3 0 1 Culhae, 3b 1 0 0 Appleby, 2b 3 0 0 Luber, 2b 1 0 0 Sholes, lf 3 0 1 Godel, lf 1 0 1 Troshynski, c 1 0 2 Holz, rf 2 0 0 Cooper, rf 3 1 1 B. Troshynski, p 4 1 1 Totals 44 9 15

BARTLETT (0) AB R H Tillington, ss 4 0 0 M. Passo, p 3 0 1 Peterson, 2b 4 0 2 E. Passo, 1b 4 0 1 Hinz, p 4 0 0 Day, 3b 3 0 0 LeLage, lf 3 0 0 B. Passo, cf 3 0 0 Menvey, rf 3 0 0 Totals 31 0 4

O'Neill Loses The O'Neill Rockets suffered a 4-8 setback Tuesday night at Spalding. The winners outthrew the Holt crew, 11-6.

Boxscore: O'NEILL (4) AB R H Tielke, cf 2 1 1 Sholes, lf 4 0 0 Cooper, 3b 5 1 1 Morrow, 1b 5 1 1 Appleby, 2b 4 0 1 Troshynski, c 3 0 0 Godel, ss 3 0 0 Hamik, rf 4 0 1 Graham, p 4 1 1 Totals 34 4 6

SPALDING (8) AB R H Zahn, cf 5 0 1 J. Smith, p 5 1 2 Jensen, 3b 5 0 1 McQuillan, 1b 4 1 1 Cannon, lf 1 1 1 B. Dugan, ss 4 2 3 Costello, p 4 0 1 R. Dugan 2b 4 2 0 Lammers, rf 3 1 1 Totals 38 8 11

Stuart 15 - Chamber 10 CHAMBERS - The Chambers baseball team was defeated by Stuart Sunday by a score of 15 to 10 in a game played at Chambers. Tomjack led the hitting for Chambers with two singles and two doubles in five times at bat.

Box score: STUART (15) AB R H Schuessler, ss 5 2 1 Hoffman, 1b 4 2 1 Baum, 3b 7 1 2 King, c 7 0 1 Johnson, lf 4 3 0 Hytrek, 2b 3 2 1 Kunz, rf 4 2 1 Shald, cf 5 1 2 Krysl, p 5 1 2 TOTALS 43 15 12

CHAMBERS (10) AB R H Cameron, 3b 5 0 2 Hillgas, ss 4 0 1 G. Otter, 2b 5 0 1 Tomjack, c 5 3 3 Couch, 1b 4 1 2 Harley, cf 5 1 1 Grimces, p 5 1 1 K. Otter, 3b 2 0 1 Waldo, lf 2 1 1 Lambert, rf 5 0 1 TOTALS 42 10 13

C&NW Receives 32 New Diesels

Thirty-two diesel electric locomotives for freight service have been delivered to the Chicago & North Western railway system during recent weeks, it was announced Monday by R. L. Williams, president. The diesels are part of the railway's program to add 90 units of diesel motive power during the current year. Fifty-eight additional locomotives are still on order with deliveries scheduled to be completed by the end of November. The recent deliveries consist of 23 1,500-horsepower road switching locomotives.

EWING NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Nini of Oklahoma City, Okla., arrived in Ewing Saturday for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sturbaum, and her sister, Mrs. Allan Pollock, and family. Mr. Nini, who has been in the army air force for some time, has received his discharge.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sturbaum entertained at a family dinner party Sunday at their country home. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Nini of Oklahoma City, Okla., and Mr. and Mrs. Allan Pollock and daughter, Patsy.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Philben and children accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Delmont Stonebraker and son of Neigh and Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Stonebraker of Chambers enjoyed a picnic dinner at Goose lake on Sunday. Fishing was the afternoon's pastime.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Edwards of Irwin, Ia., spent last Thursday at the home of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Edwards, and family. Other guests at the Edwards' home were Ricky Ann and Paula Jean Edwards of Park Ridge, Ill. Arthur Funk, James Schindler and Peter George departed for San Diego, Calif., on Friday. They made the trip by auto.

Mrs. Velma Robertson of Hardin, Mont., has been a guest at the home of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Lee. She left Sunday to return to her home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Tomjack and family of Melbeta were recent guests at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tomjack, and also at the Frank Hawk country home.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Bergstrom and children, Mrs. Caroline Sanders and Arthur Sanders, were Sunday evening guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Curly Sanders and family.

Mr. and Mrs. William Kropp and family of Norfolk were weekend guests at the home of his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kropp, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Jefferies, Judy and Jerry left Monday on a two weeks' vacation trip through the western states. They will visit her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Dwaine Bendon, and family at Los Angeles, Calif., and other relatives and friends in San Francisco, Calif. Mrs. Verge Kline of California was a houseguest of Mrs. Mae Gemmill from Thursday to Saturday when she left by bus for Norfolk to visit at the home of her son, Harold Kline, and family.

16,000 Cattle Hit Omaha Market

Some 16,000 cattle and calves hit the Omaha market Monday. Better than 40 percent of the run came from the west and south-west—some forced to market by drought. Slaughter steers and yearlings sold unevenly steady to 50 cents lower, most decline generally on steers above 1,150 pounds. Steers and yearlings bulked at \$29.00-\$32.75, with better steers to \$33.50 and late in the trading session one load held higher. Weighty steers included 1495-pounders at \$31.50, 1337-pounders at \$32.50. Plain killers sold down to \$22, odd head under that. Best heifers were some at \$32.75. Cows sold steady to weak, canners and cutters \$12 to \$14.50, strong cutters to \$15.50, beef to \$19, odd head \$20. Bulls lost 50 cents and more, bolognas to \$23 and \$23.50 sparingly, beef to \$19, a few \$20. Vealer top held at \$29. There were some 5,500 stocker and feeder cattle and calves on sale Monday at Omaha and bulk sold steady, better yearlings strong, but late in the day some of those lacking in quality remained unsold. Plain to good stock steers ranged from \$17 to \$28.25, good to choice lightweights \$29. Medium to good feeder steers brought \$22.00-\$25.50. Hogs sold weak to 50 cents lower, maximum decline on sows over 400 pounds. Butchers weighing 180-360 ranged from \$20 to \$23.65. Butchers Friday at Omaha hit \$23.75, best since February 1951. Sows weighing 270-550 Monday sold at \$16.50-\$21.00, lightweights to \$21.50. Stags brought \$14-\$16. Still barred from the Omaha market as of Monday were hogs from counties under federal quarantine for vesicular exanthema—those counties in Nebraska, Box Butte, Hall, Dodge, Douglas, Saunders, Searcy and Washington; and in Iowa, Woodbury and Pocahontas. Among recent sales at Omaha for shippers from this area: Louie Pofahl, 23 hogs, wt. 329, \$21.75; 17 steers, wt. 1,312, \$32.00; 61 hogs, wt. 317, \$21.85.

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Out of Old Nebraska... Emigrant Woman Poisoned at Well?

Susan Hail Legend Is Still Alive

Not far from Keneasaw, in Adams county, stands a lone grave, the final resting place of Mrs. Susan O. Hail, a covered-wagon emigrant who met her death on the overland trail, June 2, 1852, a hundred years ago. We know very little about Susan Hail. Indeed, the only documentary evidence we have comes from the notes of Justus L. Cozad, who surveyed Keneasaw township in the summer of 1899, and copied the inscription on the marker, as follows: "Memory of Mrs. Susan O. Hail of LaFayette county, Mo., who died June 2, 1852, age 34 years, 5 months and 12 days."

The gaps in documented knowledge have been filled in over the years by a host of legends surrounding the lone grave on the prairie. One of these legends concerns the circumstances of Mrs. Hail's death. According to the story, she died from drinking water at a well poisoned by the Indians.

This seems improbable on the face of it. Much more probable is the suggestion by Niels Mikkelsen of Keneasaw, a close student of the history of the region, that she died from that dread, universal killer of the trail, cholera. Another oft-repeated story has Mrs. Hail's grief-stricken husband returning to Omaha to secure a monument, then transporting it across the prairie in a wheelbarrow, erecting it on his wife's lonely grave. This is possible, but if Mr. Hail made this trek of devotion he probably made it, as Mr. Mikkelsen suggests, to St. Joseph, Mo. Another possibility might have been Kanesville (soon to become Council Bluffs) across the river from the present city of Omaha, and then an outfitting point of some pretensions.

The legends are very well in their place, and they make good reading in the Sunday supplements of eastern papers. Susan Hail's lone grave, however, needs no legend to perpetuate its place in history.

In a very real sense, the grave of Susan Hail serves to commemorate the memory of thousands of emigrants who lie in unmarked graves along the overland trail. The ravages of nature soon destroy the original grave marker, and when it was discovered by the early settlers of Adams county very little was left of it. A new marker was erected in 1896, but it, too, soon gave way before the destructiveness of nature and souvenir hunters. Finally, in 1933 the Hastings Outdoor club erected a stone marker bearing the plaque of the Oregon Trail Memorial association (now the American Pioneer Trail association), and protected by a strong iron fence.

Kinkaid Act Increased Arthur's Population — Though Arthur County was named, and had its boundaries defined, in 1887 when the legislature established a number of sandhill counties, it was not actually organized on a going basis until 1913. It may rightfully claim, then, the title of Nebraska's youngest county.

It is a statistical distinction in Nebraska, 100—for some time it had the smallest population of any county in the state. In 1940, the census showed 1,045; a preliminary report of the 1950 census shows only 799.

Lack of population was the principal reason for the failure to get the county on a going basis in the 19th century. The census of 1890 gave the new county which had been named in honor of President Chester Arthur, a population of just 91. There did not seem to be many signs that the population would increase, and for a quarter of a century Arthur county was, for all practical purposes, a part of McPherson county. (The arrangement does not seem to have been a particularly happy one.)

The basis of settlement in the county, as in much of western Nebraska, was the Kinkaid act, pushed through congress by Moses P. Kinkaid of O'Neill, who represented Nebraska's Sixth district in the house of representatives from 1893 to 1922. According to the Kinkaid act, passed in 1904, in certain counties of western Nebraska, including Arthur, a homesteader could claim 540 acres rather than the customary 160.

The prospect of securing a section of land brought a rather considerable influx of settlers to the county, and in 1920 the population was 1,412, the highest it has ever been.

There was some expectation that the Kinkaid act would make it possible for general farming to supplant cattle raising in the areas in which it operated. By 1920, however, any fears that this would occur had generally been laid to rest. Though the valleys of Arthur county produce good crops it was soon found that cattle raising, which had been the earliest activity, would remain the principal one.

In his historical sketch of Arthur county written for "Who's Who in Nebraska" (1940), Carl C. Crouse described the pattern of life in the county as follows: "A little farming, a bunch of Hereford cattle, some milk cows, hogs and turkeys together with plenty of hay is the picture of the average ranch."

About 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, July 30, a fire started on a newly-mowed meadow at the Ted Crawford place on the Niobrara river, east of the Spencer dam. About 30 volunteers came to help fight the blaze. Neighbors told Mr. Crawford they saw a small tornado touch down and then smoke began to rise. About 160 acres was burned off on the Crawford and adjoining Bennie Johring places.

REDBIRD NEWS

(Last Week's News) Mr. and Mrs. Jake Knittel of Gregory, S.D., called in the Ray Wilson home Monday morning enroute home. They had been Sunday overnight visitors of Mrs. Knittel's brother, Joe Schollmeyer, sr., at O'Neill.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hiscocks and Mrs. Bill Conard and daughter, Neta, are vacationing in Oregon.

Dick Truax and Bruce Schollmeyer visited Friday afternoon with Larry Halstead.

Mrs. Ralph Pinkertan went to Omaha Wednesday, July 23, and flew to Fairmont, Ind., to visit Pinkertan relatives.

Jo Ann Baker of Lynch called in the Ray Wilson home Friday afternoon.

Mrs. John Stewart and sons of Wagner, S.D., are visiting her parents, the Art Besserts, and Miss Dorothy Rosenkrans departed Saturday for Wayne college to complete her two-year course during the post-season.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wilson and Billy attended a Sinclair family reunion at Chamberlain, S.D., Sunday. Little Philip Wilson

stayed with his grandparents, the Ray Wilsons.

Mrs. Fred Truax, sr., visited her daughter, Mrs. Dale Bessert, Friday.

Mrs. Albert Carson and Mr. and Mrs. Junior Wilson accompanied Lloyd Tuch of Verdell to Omaha Friday.

Mrs. Ellen Savitts of Forest Grove, Ore., visited in the Nick Baker and Ray Wilson homes Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wells entertained the Wells families at a family dinner Sunday in their home.

Clifford Wells, Frank Wyant and Ray Wilson were busy Friday and Saturday looking for a machine to finish their threshing.

Mrs. Mary Wolfe is visiting her son, Clifford, and family of Clinton, Ia.

Gaylene Kaasa visited Doris, Helen and Alice Halstead Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. George DeCamp and daughters, Carolyn and Leona Mae, of Meadow Grove, were dinner and supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Wright and family Sunday, July 27.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Miller and family were supper guests of

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Wright and family Monday night, July 28, to help Jackie Mae Wright celebrate her 12th birthday anniversary.

Ewing Boy Scouts Enjoy an Outing

Take Swim in River on Trip

EWING—Boy Scout troop 183 members accompanied by Assistant Southmaster, H. R. Harris and Committeeman Gail Boies went on a hike Tuesday evening, July 29, which ended at Yellow Banks for supper.

The group was divided into pairs. The meal was prepared over open campfires, which is a part of their scout training. The boys are getting a professional touch to this style of cookery.

Since each individual brought the makings for a supper, the menu was a varied one.

Later in the evening, the Scouts went for a sponsored swim in the Elkhorn river after which they broke camp and headed for home.

Other Ewing News

Ronald Neisius spent a few days with Milan and Bob Welke last week.

R. H. Jefferies has returned home from Long Pine where he has spent several weeks at the home of his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Hixson, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Welke and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Neisius and family picnicked at Goose lake on Sunday.

Slate Meeting

A meeting will be held at the Odd Fellows hall in the village of Inman on Friday, August 8, at 8 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of outlining the method of obtaining improved telephone service for the people served by the Inman exchange and for all others interested in the territory. A spokesman for the committee announced this week.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Warren Finch Cronk and Miss Carmen Linda Roach, both of Page, on July 23.

Robert Kenneth Shaw and Miss Julia E. Martin, both of O'Neill, on July 23.

Merlyn Dwayne Anderson of Redbird and Miss Florence Mildred Walters of O'Neill on July 31.

Terminates Visit Here; Returns to Canada

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Hull and Charles Caywood took George Caywood to Sioux City where he took the train for Edmonton, Alberta, Can., after a six months' visit here with his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lowry, and brother, Charles Caywood.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brinkman went to Lincoln Sunday to visit Ernest Brinkman who is recovering in the Bryan Memorial hospital from injuries received in an automobile accident.

Advertisement for 'The New OUTLAW' featuring a cartoon character and various grocery items like peaches, apricots, lemons, coffee, flour, and soap powder. Includes the slogan 'EVERYDAY LOW PRICES'.

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