

## Rock Falls News

By Mrs. Lloyd Johnson

Through all the snow and slush we're back again. A little child asked it's mother, "Mommy, I thought it said spring was here. And so we all did for a short time anyway, but it was surely pushed into the background as Old Man Winter came back with snow and more snow bringing badly needed moisture.

Highway conditions were hazardous and there were numerous accidents over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Pridmore visited Wednesday till Friday at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Sterns.

Miss Evelyn Sterns spent last week with her brother, Edward's family near Atkinson.

Mr. and Mrs. John Schultz and girls were afternoon visitors at the home of Alden Breiner and sons on April 12.

Vincent Ernst watched the fights over TV with Mr. and Mrs. Orville Thorson on Friday evening. Lots of excitement during the show.

Fred Ernst and Mike Bauer purchased some milk cows at Clearwater last Thursday.

Mrs. Delia Ernst accompanied Mrs. Ernest to town on April 14 and spent the day with her old friend and neighbor, Mrs. Tess Murray.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Bauer and family spent April 14 evening at the Fred Ernst home.

Wednesday evening visitors at the James Curran home were Mesdames Fred, Fanny and Delia Ernst. The latter stayed there until Sunday.

On Sunday Mr. and Mrs. James Curran and Ardell accompanied Mrs. Delia Ernst to her home in Amelia.

Mr. and Mrs. John Schultz and girls were last Thursday evening visitors at the Bob Gallagher home.

Mrs. Kathryn Yantzi and granddaughter, Debbie had dinner with the James Curran family April 14.

On April 14 Mrs. Kathryn Yantzi and Debbie, Mrs. James Curran and Mrs. Floyd Johnson attended a party at the home of Mrs. Neil Hipke.

Mrs. Yantzi and Debbie were supper and evening guests at the Floyd Johnson home on April 14.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Johnson and Linda were Sunday guests at the Gale Taylors. Mrs. Gordon Johnson was an afternoon caller.

Messrs and Mesdames Art O'Neill, Lyle Vequist, Francis Curran and Jim McNulty were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Miller on the evening of April 14, honoring the couple's wedding anniversary.

Rita, Janice and Tommy Vequist spent the evening at the home of their grandmother, Mrs. Celia Grutsch in O'Neill.

Rita Vequist accompanied the Albert Wittfeldt family to O'Neill on Friday evening to attend the music contest. Jimmy Wittfeldt spent the night with Terry Brown.

Norma Wittfeldt visited Saturday afternoon and had supper with Peggy Rakes and Yvonne Steele. Dan Rakes recently moved to the place formerly occupied by the late Charley Vequist.

Mrs. Henry Vequist took time out from shopping on Saturday and had dinner with her brother, John Turner and family.

Orville Morrow and Duane Sanders helped shell corn at the Henry Vequist home on Friday.

Jimmy Wittfeldt accompanied Terry and Cindy Brown with Mrs. Brown to the Ma and Pa Kettle show on last Wednesday evening.

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Mrs. John Schultz and daughters, Gwendolyn, Trudy and Debbie were escorted to the same show by their sister and aunt, Linda Johnson.

Mrs. Fred Ernst and Mrs. Louis Vitt visited at the George Schenkel home in Norfolk last Thursday.

The John Schultz family were Sunday afternoon visitors at Sam Erickson's home.

John Schultz stopped by to offer an item, saying one of his Holstein cows had presented him twin calves.

He and wife, Lorraine, had dinner and spent the most of the day at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Johnson, on Monday.

## Amelia News

By Florence Lindsey

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Sladek and family entertained at a dinner April 12 in honor of Airman 3c Donald Sladek, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ladd Sladek of Atkinson, who is home on a twenty day furlough.

Also for the birthday of his grandson, Mrs. Julia Sladek, who was observing her 76th anniversary on that day and her great grandson, Danny Schmit's 1st birthday which was April 8th.

Present besides the honored guests were Mr. and Mrs. Ladd Sladek and family, Mr. and Mrs. John G. Peter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Peter and Colleen of O'Neill, George Sladek of Chambers, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Schmit of McLean and Mrs. Helen Pokorny and Donald.

AMELIA PROGRESSIVE CLUB

The Amelia Progressive Project club met April 15th, at the home of Mrs. Julia White in Atkinson. There were ten members and two visitors present. Mrs. Vern Sageser, vice-president, had charge of the business meeting, as the president, Mrs. Elmer Collidge was absent because of illness.

Mrs. Paul Fisher and Mrs. Glenn White presented the lesson on "Lines and Designs". Mrs. White served a delicious luncheon of sandwiches, salad, pickles, cookies and coffee.

Our May meeting will be with Mrs. M. L. Sageser and the lesson will be on breads.

AMELIA-Pine Grove Hustlers

4-H club met at the home of Jacky and Billy Doolittle Friday evening.

The president called the meeting to order by all repeating the 4-H pledge. Eleven members answered roll call by naming a grass or a seam. There were guests.

Next meeting will be May 8 with Venita White. Cathy Doolittle won the guessing game.

For project work we did an experiment on commercial feed and discussed feed grains, roughage and commercial feeds for livestock.

Grasses—we had samples of the different root systems.

Boys Continued making knots in the rope division.

Yeast Breads—looked over baking utensils and named different kinds of rolls.

Sewing—girls studied proportion in clothing and made three different kinds of seams.

At the close of the meeting Mrs. Doolittle served a lunch of sandwiches, pickles, cup cakes, cocoa and coffee.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Milton of Denver, Colo., came Friday bringing her father, H. S. White, to his home here. He had been visiting in Denver since Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Sageser, and Mrs. Dunk Peterson were O'Neill callers Friday.

Mrs. Eva Backhaus and Caroline of Atkinson were visiting in Amelia April 15.

Mrs. Bernard Blackmore, Mrs. B. W. Waldo and Mrs. Link Sageser attended a Rebekah lodge meeting in O'Neill Friday evening.

Mrs. John Cearn of Scottsbluff came Wednesday and stayed several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Fryrear. Mrs. Fryrear has been ill and under the doctors care.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Lytle and Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Edwards, Arls and Zane, of Amelia, went to Rockford, Wash., Thursday to attend the funeral of George Cutler.

Mrs. Cutler is the former Hazel Snelson and a sister to Mrs. Edwards.

Charles Edward of Nevis, Minn. joined the Delbert Edwards family at Atkinson and accompanied them to attend the funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Clemens, Jeanette and Don were dinner guests at S.C. Barnetts.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Burge, Robert Joyce and Bruce went to Omaha Friday afternoon and visited over the weekend with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Nielsen and with Mr. Burge's brother, Dean Burge and family.

Rev. Charles Cox, pastor of the Amelia-Chambers Methodist Churches received word of the death of his sister at Sioux Falls, S.D. He planned to go there for the funeral.

Farmer Withers of Omaha, visited his aunt, Mrs. Effie Withers and Mrs. Blossom Buttrill Monday afternoon and evening.

Mr. and Mrs. S.C. Barnett visited Mr. and Mrs. John Shipman at their new home in Chambers Friday afternoon.

Baby of Burwell were dinner guests on April 12 at the Tenus Madsen home. The Lytles planned to move to Hayes Center that week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pierce called at William Fryrears on April 15.

Mrs. Floyd Adams and Mrs. Blake Ott were O'Neill callers Saturday.

Mrs. Lew Backhaus, Mrs. Edith Andersen and Mrs. Blossom Butler were shopping in O'Neill Friday.

Lonnie Sparks visited Jim and Dennie Doolittle at Stuart over the weekend.

Joe Stoecker went to Grand Island Thursday to attend the horse races. He returned home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. August Pospichal, and Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Peterson attended the chuck-wagon feed in Burwell Thursday evening.

Pfc. Richard Baker, stationed in Maryland has been visiting his mother, Mrs. Doris Baker, and his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Baker and family.

Kenneth Backhaus, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Backhaus, who is in the armed service, has been stationed in Alaska. He went on Friday of last week by plane.

Pfc. Hale Kennedy arrived home Sunday morning for a ten day leave.

Mrs. Leonard Svatos and David were dinner guests on Tuesday of Mr. and Mrs. Dary Carr and Debra.

Mrs. Delia Ernst came home Sunday after several weeks visit with relatives and friend North of O'Neill. Mr. and Mrs. James Curran and Ardell brought her home.

Mrs. Milton Clemens attended a 4-H leaders' meeting in O'Neill Wednesday. Mrs. Levi Clemens accompanied her and spent the afternoon with her daughter, Mrs. Harold Humrich and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Clemens took some Atkinson glee club girls to O'Neill Thursday to the music contest.

Celia News

By Mrs. Mark W. Hendricks

Bobby Hendricks is really puffed up these days but not with pride. He woke up Thursday morning with the mumps, on both sides. It's tough on a guy—just moved to the farm and anxious to explore and drive that Ford tractor for daddy.

Harold Frickel spent the night with his cousins, the Hoffman boys, April 14, and Roger Hoffman returned the favor by spending Wednesday night with the Frickel boys.

Mr. and Mrs. George Mittle and Mr. and Mrs. Duane Mittle of O'Neill were dinner guests of the Milton McKathies on Sunday.

The Gary Hoffman missed school a couple of days this past week because of the flu bug.

Sunday, April 12, guests at the Raymond Robey home were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Elder.

Mrs. Edna Wood, Mrs. Robert Hendricks and children and Mrs. Mark Hendricks called on Mrs. Fullerton at the Robey home April 13. Mrs. Wood stayed to spend the entire day with her.

Mrs. Omer Points spent the day at the Mark Hendricks home April 14.

Francis Chaffin accompanied a group of home-economics girls and others to Lincoln to spend the day.

Mrs. Robert Hendricks had dinner at the home of her cousin, Mrs. Ione Wayman in O'Neill Thursday.

Mrs. Mark Hendricks and Mrs. Leonard Chaffin drove cars to O'Neill to take students to the music contest Thursday.

Reverend and Mrs. Walter Steinkamp were April 11 supper guests at the Robert Hendricks home.

Mrs. Omer Points visited at the Robey home April 11.

Arlin Hendricks visited at his grandparents home, the Omer Points, Sunday until Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Petron of Long Pine were dinner guests of the George Mintles Wednesday. They are American S.S. missionaries.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton McKathie and Mr. and Mrs. Duane Mintles of O'Neill were April 14 dinner guests at the George Mittle home.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Johnson have been helping out at the Sichel

ender home in the absence of Mrs. Sichel.

We are surely welcoming every flake of this snow which not only means moisture which ultimately means hay, gardens and other farm crops but also a relief from the danger of so many fires. We should all truly praise the Lord for such blessings.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Focken and children visited at the Elmer Allen home April 15 in the evening.

Mark and Arlin Hendricks called at the Leonard Chaffin home Saturday.

The Celia 4-Hers met at the Leonard and Chaffin home Friday evening. The leaders were proud to announce that every one of the 22 members were present.

Benton Mellor was a dinner guest of the Leonard Chaffins April 12. Mr. Mellor and Mrs. Chaffin are brother and sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Anderson were April 12 dinner guests at the Karl Krogh home north of O'Neill.

Mrs. Dorothy Hoffman, Brush Creek school teacher, took her sons to O'Neill to the arithmetic contest April 11. She says she understands why she was only asked to help in policing the halls. She had relatives in every grade but the 7th in that contest. A nephew, Allen Frickel, missed 1st place by 1/3 of a point in the 3rd grade group.

Another nephew, Garold Frickel placed 5th in the 8th grade group. A niece, Judy Syfie, placed 1st in the 6th grade group.

Mr. and Mrs. Duke Hoffman and Mrs. Ralph Arnold attended the wrestling matches in Atkinson Friday evening. They reported a very large crowd in attendance.

Leila Hieser, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Heiser, celebrated her

6th birthday April 16. Her mother and little sister, Linda, brought ice cream, cake and coolade and treated the teacher and pupils at district 40.

Mrs. Dorothy Hoffman took two of her pupils, Ralph Heiser and Venita Schwindt, to the rural school music festival in O'Neill.

Joe Boeck of Omaha was a supper guest at the Alex Frickel home April 8.

Danny and Ronnie Frickel spent the weekend with their folks, Mr. and Mrs. Connie Frickel, Carolyn and Kurtis. Donny and Ronnie are students in Lincoln colleges.

Miss Dorothy Scott had dinner at the Duane Beck home Sunday. Skunks are still plaguing those Celia school kids. The boys have caught 4 skunks and have a leg from each of 4 others. One that they caught had 3 legs.

Mrs. Ralph Chace took her pupils from the Celia school to the rural school music festival. Her pupils put on a musical skit called "Go on By".

Emil Collick and Dennis called at the Robert Hendricks and children attended prayer meeting at the John Dick home west of O'Neill Wednesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Dick are aunt and uncle of Mrs. Hendricks.

The Arnolds checked O'Neill activities quite well last week. Miss Peggy was there Monday. Mrs. Arnold went on Tuesday to a club council meeting and Ralph went on Wednesday to a 4-H leaders meeting.

Richard Klingler was a Sunday dinner guest at the Mark Hendricks home.

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