

### CHILD FATALLY BURNED PLAYING WITH MATCHES

#### Little Fellow's Clothes Are Consumed By Flames.

### SCREAMS THOT IN PLAY

#### Tragedy To Cecil Stewart Baby Occurs At Aug. Wabs Farm Near Whiting Bridge.

While he and his two brothers were playing with matches, little Bob Stewart, three year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Stewart, farmers living about fifteen miles north of Atkinson, was so severely burned Monday evening that he died at 9:30 the next morning at the Spencer hospital. The children, one four years old, Bob, three, and another about two, were at the home of their aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. August Wabs, near the Whiting bridge on the Niobrara river, when the tragedy took place. Mr. and Mrs. Stewart were in O'Neill on business Monday afternoon and on their way to that city they left the children at the Wabs home. Mrs. Wabs and Mrs. Stewart are sisters. Mr. and Mrs. Wabs were also away from home, in Iowa visiting relatives, and the Stewart youngsters were left with their cousin, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wabs.

About five o'clock in the evening Bob and his brothers were playing alone out in the yard while the Wabs girl was in the house. The girl heard the children screaming, but at first thought that they were having a hilarious time at some game. When she realized that something was wrong she rushed out to find little Bob with his clothes almost all burned off. The little fellow was rushed to the Spencer hospital where it was learned that he was so badly burned that it would be impossible for him to live. The other two boys were not hurt. It is not known where the youngsters got the matches and the Wabs girl could not tell just how the boy's clothes caught fire.

Mrs. Stewart it also a sister-in-law of E. L. Hammill of Atkinson. Funeral services were held for the little fellow at the Evert Burley home about 27 miles northeast of Atkinson Thursday and the body was buried in the Phoenix cemetery. Mrs. Stewart is a daughter of Mr. Burley.

### LARGE CROWDS MARK CHURCH FESTIVAL DAY

#### St. John's Lutherans Celebrate Fifth Anniversary of Local Church Dedication.

The annual mission festival in connection with the fifth anniversary of the dedication of St. John's Lutheran church, which was held last Sunday, brought out large crowds of people. Especially well were the morning and evening services attended. The smaller attendance in the afternoon was because many of the country people returned to their home to do chores, coming back for the evening service.

Holy Communion, with the pastor, Rev. Wm. G. Vahle as celebrant, was observed at the morning service and the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gottchalk was baptized, receiving the names Arlene Laverne. Mrs. Wm. Stratmeyer of O'Neill and Mrs. W. G. Vahle of Atkinson were the sponsors.

The speaker at the morning service, Rev. D. H. Franzen of Laurel, was an aged man past seventy, one of the pioneers of the Lutheran church in this state. Judging from his keen mind, happy disposition, powerful voice and agility, no one would suspect him to be as old as he claims. Born and educated in Germany, he put forth every effort to learn English. For many years he has preached in English and although he speaks with a slight German accent, yet he speaks fluently and is easily understood. He and the local pastor again spoke at the afternoon service.

The speaker of the evening was a young man known to Atkinson people as he has spoken here before on several occasions. He is the Rev. Geo. Obermeyer of Creighton, who spoke at the dedication of the church here five years ago.

The ladies served an excellent luncheon both at noon and evening. Visitors and strangers who attended expressed their pleasure at the fine services and the wonderful kindness and hospitality for which the members of St. John's church are known. All three services were beautified by special music by the senior choir. Mrs. W. C. Smith and the Misses Bertha Humpal and Ethel Brill served as pianists.

### Weather Man Brings Some More Rainfall

Thirty one-hundredths of an inch of rain was measured by Weather Observer C. J. Wilson in the gauge at seven o'clock yesterday morning. Other recordings for the week are as follows: Average maximum temperature, 73; average minimum, 54; mean temperature, 61; highest, 89 on Sept. 23; lowest, 41, last Friday, Sept. 20.

### SORENSEN WILL SPEAK IN STUART

#### Attorney General Is Feature On Program Of Tri-County Meet Next Week.

Attorney General C. A. Sorensen, who is scheduled to deliver an address, is the headliner for Stuart's tenth annual Tri-County Meet to be held in that city next Wednesday, Oct. 2. Mr. Sorensen will speak at 7:30 p. m.

A championship ball game between Atkinson and the North Central Nebraska League All-Stars at 3:30 is also booked as one of the leading attractions. The program starts at ten o'clock with an exhibit of farm products. At 1:30 foot and horse races and a rodeo are scheduled at the athletic park, followed by thirteen rounds of boxing, the ball game and a tug-of-war between Rock and Keya Paha counties.

A dance in the evening and a Curtis Robin cabin monoplane from the Norfolk Flying School for carrying passengers, are other features of the day's attractions.

### BROKEN BLOOD VESSEL RESULTS IN PARALYSIS

#### Henry Bauman Suffers Ill Effects Of Heavy Lifting; Can't Use His Arm Nor Leg.

Henry Bauman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bauman, is at the home of his parents in Atkinson suffering with a paralysis, the result of a broken blood vessel. Mr. Bauman is employed by the Western Bridge and Construction Company and while on a job at Ewing last Friday he was injured by heavy lifting.

The paralysis took effect in one arm and leg. At this time he is improving and it is thought that he will be able to use his limbs in time. Mr. Bauman is a single man.

### Visits Atkinson After Thirty-Year Absence

Mike Cross, one of this community's old-timers, is here this week visiting old acquaintances and swapping tales of old times after an absence of more than thirty years. He is a guest at the Nightingale home south of town. When the Crosses came here in 1877 there were only a few families in this vicinity and Atkinson was not yet born. They homesteaded the place where Fred Mack now lives.

Mike joined the colors and went to the Spanish American War with a company of Holt county volunteers led by his brother, Capt. Cross. He got the fever and almost died, came back to Atkinson on a short furlough and since then has never been back. Quite naturally he is enjoying visiting the old-timers and noting the wonderful improvement in the country in those thirty years. His home is in Los Angeles, Calif.

### Presbyterian Church

Next Sabbath morning will be our Rally Day. The program will begin at 10 a. m. and occupy the larger part of two hours. The concluding part will be a short sermon. Everyone is invited.

Y. P. S. C. E. at 7 p. m. The evening service will be dismissed in order that we may go to hear the new Methodist pastor. —Forest A. Heizer, pastor.

### SIGN YOUR NAME

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### THREE-FOURTHS NEBRASKA CORN OUT OF DANGER

#### Another Week Will See Ninety Percent Of Crop Matured.

### MOISTURE IS SUFFICIENT

#### Feeding Operations Are Expected To Be Below Normal In This Section.

Seventy percent of the corn in the state is mature enough to escape injury from frost and by October 1, over 90% will be safe according to Nebraska bankers in their Mid-Month report to the State and Federal Division of Agricultural Statistics. Most of the state is well supplied with moisture and over half of the fall plowing was completed before September 1. The extent of feeding operations is yet uncertain. The eastern Platte Valley district, again this year, is the only district which does not show an increase in number of cows milked while the remainder of the state does.

Three-fourths of the state is supplied with sufficient moisture. The south central and southwest districts being the only ones which are short of moisture. An unusually long cold snap was felt early in September with a slight snowfall and frost in the north and west part of the state. Slight, but no serious damage was done. Rains following this have brought the condition of the range sections up to normal for the fall period. About 54% of the fall plowing for winter wheat was done prior to September 1 and the recent supply of moisture was of great value in completing the work and sowing of winter wheat.

The danger from frost in the north and west parts of the state is very slight at the present time as the greater part of the corn is now matured and nearly all of it is expected to be matured by October 1. There was a slight injury from frost early this month. The crop in the southeast corner of the state is later in maturing and 20% of it will still be in some danger on October 1. The central district is almost matured due to extreme dry weather earlier in the season. The south central and southwest, although not completely matured, is expected to be out of danger by October 1.

Potatoes and sugar beets were injured slightly in western Nebraska from the early September frost. Most of the injury occurred in the lowlands. Some of the late potatoes were injured quite badly. The injury to sugar beets was slight, being confined largely to the tips of the leaves.

The present indications on cattle and sheep feeding are that lesser number will be brought in kept for feeding. However, the reports are uncertain as yet. There will not be enough corn supply to allow normal feeding in the north central, central and southeast districts of the state. The supply of hay is sufficient in every part of the state except the south central and even a slight surplus is shown in some places. The south central district is the only one showing shortage in hay and even there, the situation is not critical.

The farm price of alfalfa hay shows an increase over the price a year ago of nearly \$1.50 per ton. The average price for the state is now slightly over \$11.00 while some have been quoted as high as \$18.00.

Only one district in the state shows a decrease in the number of cows milked, that being the east district covering the eastern Platte Valley. Here only a slight decrease is shown and the entire state except this district is showing a steady increase in what will soon be called "Nebraska's Hundred Million Dollar Industry."

### Immanuel Ev. Lutheran Church Missouri Synod.

No services Sunday, September 29. Your pastor has to deliver a mission festival sermon at Ainsworth on that day. All our people are invited to this mission festival.

All those wanting to attend the circuit meeting at Neligh, Oct. 2, should let the pastor know in plenty of time. F. J. Schleefer, pastor.

### Some Treasurers Are Not Claiming 25c Fee

Numerous county treasurers are making no effort to claim the 25c fee of the drivers' license. If the courts decide they can have it they will take it as a matter of course. But they will make no fight for it. Some of them are driving over the county, spending a day or so in each town, for the convenience of the public. This saves special trips to the county seat.



"A Monday Morning, Autumn Landscape"

### TEACHER'S INSTITUTE WILL BE IN O'NEILL

#### All Schools In County To Be Closed During Sessions Early In October.

The Holt County Teacher's Institute will be held on Thursday and Friday, Oct. 10 and 11, in O'Neill, according to an announcement made yesterday by Luella A. Parker, county superintendent. "The law requires that all schools be closed at this time and that all teachers in the county attend the institute full time," says Mrs. Parker.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Swingley, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Stilson and Mrs. Leona Landon drove on a pleasure trip to Niobrara Sunday afternoon and returned home that evening.

## Society Notes

### BRIDGE DINNERS DISCONTINUED

Nine members of the Eastern Star Kensington gathered at the home of Mrs. G. E. Morgan Monday evening for their first regular meeting of the season. Miss Helen Mack presided.

The club decided to discontinue its monthly bridge-dinners and hold but one meeting each month, that on the third Tuesday, when the group will do sewing for the hostess. After the short business meeting cards followed and the hostess served lunch. The next meeting will be held Oct. 15 at the home of Mrs. B. W. Planck.

### PRESBYTERIANS SERVE SUPPER

The ladies of the Presbyterian Auxiliary served a supper in the basement of the church last evening to a large gathering of Atkinson folks.

### JUNGMAN ENTERTAIN BRIDGE CLUB

Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Jungman entertained the South Side Bridge Club at their home last evening at a seven-o'clock dinner. Covers for twelve guests were placed and the tables were daintily and appropriately appointed.

### ENTERTAINS FOR OUT-OF-TOWN GUEST

Mrs. L. F. Harmon entertained a group of Atkinson ladies at bridge last night at her home, complimenting her house guest, Mrs. Albert Tradup of West Englewood, N. J. There were six prettily appointed tables and following the game the hostess served a dainty with her son, Robert, and daughter, Jean, expects to leave for her home today.

### MRS. W. J. GRIFFIN IS HOSTESS

Another pleasant, early-fall social event was the party last Thursday night at the W. J. Griffin home when Mrs. Griffin entertained twenty-four Atkinson ladies at auction bridge. The guests arrived at 8 o'clock and enjoyed a short interval of general sociability before gathering about the tables for cards, which occupied

### Deputy Custodian Will Visit Atkinson Lodge

Members of Atkinson Lodge No. 164, A. F. & A. M., will be drilled in a school of instruction to be held at the Masonic hall next Tuesday and Wednesday. Deputy Custodian, Elmer Serber of O'Neill, will have charge of the school and sessions will be held in the afternoon and evening both days.

### Goose Lake Posted

Game Warden Wallace Weller of Atkinson this week posted Goose Lake, state owned bird sanctuary in southern Holt county, warning hunters that no shooting is allowed on the lake. Deputy wardens recently noted some shooting on the lake and Frank B. O'Connell, secretary of the Game, Parks and Forestation Commission, has issued orders to fully prosecute violators.

### WORK BEGINS ON NEW CITY WELL

Local Wellman E. L. Hammill, who was engaged by the city to drill a new well for the water works system, began work on the project the first of the week and is now down nearly forty feet. The full depth of the well will be approximately seventy feet. The diameter is eighteen inches and the well is to be gravel treated by Mr. Hammill. Helping him are John Harley, Evert and Floyd Burley.

### Pork Special Will Stop In O'Neill

O'Neill is one of the 61 towns which will be visited by the six-car train running over the Burlington lines as the "Profitable Pork Special." The train will be in O'Neill Wednesday morning, Oct. 2, carrying a message of hog lot sanitation, efficient pork production, breeding, feeding, and marketing of carlots of hogs. The exhibits were built and arranged by the agricultural extension service and the animal husbandry department of the Agricultural College, Lincoln, and faculty members from the college will travel with the train to discuss the exhibits with visitors who go through the train.

### Missionary Society Elects New Officers

New officers were elected at the meeting of the Methodist Foreign Missionary Society Wednesday as follows:

Mrs. W. F. Dyson, president. Mrs. R. E. Chace, vice-president. Mrs. E. D. Harrison, recording secretary and treasurer. Mrs. L. E. McDowell, correspondent. Mrs. Gail Kreyborg was hostess to the society and the meeting was held in the church basement. The business session following a dinner served by the hostess.

### Lutheran Church (St. John's)

Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity, Sept. 29, 1929. Sunday school: 10:15 a. m. English service at 11 a. m. Service at Phoenix school house at 2:30 p. m. Evening service, 8 o'clock. If you have no other church home make our church yours. A hearty welcome awaits you. —Wm. G. Vahle, pastor.

### Methodist Church Notes

Regular services will be held at the Methodist church next Sunday and you are cordially invited to attend all of them. The new pastor is here and will have charge. Watch this paper for more complete announcement of the church programme next week. —George M. Carter, pastor.

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The new school building in district No. 84, three miles east of Phoenix, is progressing rapidly. It will soon be ready for the teacher and pupils to move into. The residents in school district No. 142, about three miles southwest of the Whiting bridge over the Niobrara river, have voted bonds for a new schoolhouse. The construction work will begin immediately.

### MEDICAL SOCIETY MEETS IN ATKINSON

#### Doctors Gather Here For Annual Business Meeting And Lecture Program.

Physicians and surgeons of the Eighth Counsellor District Medical Society gathered in Atkinson Thursday afternoon for their annual meeting. The group met at the old lodge hall, where, besides listening to lectures by well known doctors, a business session was held, the chief object of which was to perfect a credit system for use by the association in this district.

Among the speakers on the program were: Dr. Nilson of Omaha, chief surgeon of the Union Pacific and North Western Railroad systems in Nebraska, who lectured on fractures. His talk was illustrated by moving pictures. Dr. Bartholomew, chief of the health bureau, state of Nebraska, lectured on the subject of County Health Organization. He also expected to give a talk to the Atkinson high school students on some health subject.

Internal Medicine was the subject of the talk of Dr. Lucien Stark of Norfolk. Dr. Douglas of Atkinson presented an unusual clinic case to the group, illustrating an unusual condition of the blood. The doctors and their wives were entertained at dinner at the Commercial hotel cafe at six o'clock by Dr. Douglas, Dr. C. L. Sturdevant and the Wilson Drug Co., of Atkinson.

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