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THE DAYS OF LONG AGO

Fifty-Five Years Ago

The Frontier, January 7, 1886
The tin roof is on the court house. Also two coats of plaster in the lower rooms. The officers rooms will be ready for them by February 1.

On January 1, 1886, articles of partnership were entered into and between G. M. Cleveland, of this place, George W. Meals, of Atkinson, and I. M. Cleveland, of Cleveland, under the firm name of Cleveland, Meals & Co., for the transaction of law and collection business.

The O'Neill public school will open in the new school building next Monday morning.

The O'Neill State bank was reorganized during the last days of 1885, under the national banking act, and having obtained their charter commenced business on January 1, under the title of The First National Bank of O'Neill. The following officers were elected: W. G. Palmanteer, president; M. Flannigan, vice president; E. S. Kelley, cashier; W. W. Stewart, assistant cashier. Directors: J. Fitzgerald, P. Fahy, W. G. Palmanteer, Ed Gallagher, E. S. Kelley, M. Flannigan, M. D. Long.

Married, at the Lusk House, Logan, December 26, 1885, by Rev.

H. C. Gilligham, John Bland, of O'Neill, Neb., and Miss Ella Baker, of Plainfield, Ohio. Mr. Bland is principal of the public schools of O'Neill, Neb., and Miss Baker of the West Lafayette school, Cashacton, Ohio.

The Frontier, January 14, 1886
O'Neill Markets: Rye, 25c; Oats, 20c; Eggs, 20c; Butter, 15c; Wheat, 45c; Fat Steers, \$3.00; Barley, 20c to 30c; Hogs, \$2.75 to \$2.90; Fat Cows, \$2.25 and \$2.50.

Married, at the home of the bride near Paddock, on Thursday evening, January 7, 1886, Rev. D. Winship, of Niobrara, officiating, F. W. Anthony, of Buffalo Gap, to Miss Cora Parker of Holt county. J. C. Harnish acted as best man and Miss Bessie Wisegarver as bridesmaid.

Married, at the Catholic Church, by Rev. Father Smith, on Tuesday morning, January 12, 1886, John C. Hayes to Miss Sadie McNichols, both of O'Neill.

Last Wednesday evening ushered in the first genuine blizzard of the season and by Thursday morning it was difficult to travel against the wind or see far ahead. It was extremely cold on both Thursday and Friday, the thermometer going to 35 degrees below zero.

Fifty Years Ago

The Frontier, January 1, 1891
In the city of O'Neill for the year 1891, \$155,270.00 was spent for new buildings and improvements, a sum far in excess of the amount spent in any previous year in the history of the town.

Wm. Mullen, who has been attending the Fremont Normal the past three months, came home Tuesday to spend the holidays with relatives and friends.

A bloody fight occurred between the Indians of Big Foot's band and the Seventh Regiment of gallant veterans at the head of Wounded Knee Creek, northwest of Pine Ridge on Monday. The Indians had been captured and as prisoners of war were about to be disarmed by the soldiers when, with characteristic treachery, they turned upon the soldiers when within twenty feet of them and fired upon them. The soldiers were taken by surprise, but returned the fire with interest. Twenty-three soldiers were killed and sixty-three wounded, while 150

Indians were killed.
The Frontier, January 8, 1891
Arc lights have been put in the following places: J. P. Mann's, P. C. Corrigan's Morris & Co.'s, M. Sullivan's, J. J. McCafferty's, Higgins & Gibbons', Gallagher & O'Neill's. They were lit up Tuesday for the first time.

On Monday morning at an early hour was solemnized the marriage of four O'Neill citizens, as follows: William Gallagher to Miss Maggie Murphy; Thomas McDonald to Miss Sarah Gallagher. A few friends of the contracting parties were present. Rev. Cassidy performed the ceremony.

A special to the daily press of yesterday says that another engagement took place Monday near Wounded Knee Creek and the following particulars given: "A detachment of thirty men was sent out to meet a wagon train with supplies for the camp, and when ten miles out the wagons were found besieged by a band of 100 Indians. The Indians attacked the detachment. A courier was sent back to the camp for reinforcements, but in the meantime an incessant fire was kept up by both sides resulting in the wounding of one soldier and the killing and wounding of several Indians, the exact number of which could not be ascertained. About three hours after the courier's departure troops came to the rescue and the wagon train was escorted to camp."

Several companies of the Nebraska National Guard went up Monday night, passing through O'Neill about 2 o'clock.

No less than ten companies of State Militia have gone to the seat of war and will now have an opportunity to cover themselves with glory—and gore.

A bogus telegram was sent to Captain Brennan, of the home guards on Tuesday, supposing to come from the governor ordering our boys up west. There was considerable hustling among them, and some of them were pretty warm when they found it was a hoax. Not warm because they didn't have to go but because of the needless trouble caused them. Over forty of the boys were on the streets and ready to go within a short time after the message was received. They were not hunting for substitutes but were ready to face the music.

The Frontier, January 15, 1891
At the meeting of the militia company on Monday evening the following permanent officers were elected for the term of three years: Neil Brennan, Captain; J. H. Meredith, first lieutenant; John Davidson, second lieutenant; U. S. Adams, quartermaster's sergeant; C. E. Hall, first sergeant; Samuel Thompson, second sergeant; D. H. Cronin, third sergeant; H. E. Moore, fifth sergeant; Corporals: Dowling, Bright, Sanders, Marsh, Beauchau, Robb, Tierney, Outwait;

W. Adams, bugler; Tom Kearney, drummer.

Forty Years Ago

The Frontier, January 3, 1901
The ladies and gentlemen of the Presbyterian church spent a most delightful evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Whitfield on last Wednesday, the occasion being a farewell to the Whitfield's, who move from O'Neill to Spirit Lake, Iowa.

Wednesday, W. R. Butter begun

a criminal Ebel suit in county court against D. H. Cronin, editor of the Frontier. It is charged in the information that The Frontier libeled Butter in an article published last April. This article is the one that first announced the shortage of Butter as County Attorney of Holt county when the finding of the supervisor committee that went over the records of Mr. Butter were given publicity along with action to disbar filed by Tom Smith. Mr. Cronin appeared in court and was admitted to \$200

bond on his own recognizance to appear in court January 16.
The Frontier, January 19, 1901
A. J. Meals went to Omaha Tuesday to attend to matters relative to his return to Alaska.

The county convention of the Modern Woodmen camps met in O'Neill last Thursday and elected D. H. Cronin, of O'Neill, and F. W. Phillips, of Star, as delegates to the state camp to be held at Kearney.

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January CLEARANCE Sale

THE ONE YOU HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR—REAL VALUES—We must get rid of our Winter Stock to make room for Spring Merchandise which will soon be rolling in. There is a bargain in every department—some prices slashed to less than half. There may be Spring in your heart, but Old Man Winter is just around the corner! Don't hesitate! Come early!

SALE STARTS SATURDAY, JAN. 18

PIECE GOODS DEPARTMENT 36-IN CRETONNES—Sale Price 9c Yard Hundreds of yards of Curtain Material, Scrims, Marquisettes, Voiles—Sold up to 29c yard—some slightly soiled. In order to clear it out, we are selling it at a sacrifice price—9c Yard.	MEN'S SWEATERS Clean-Up Price 79c Part way zip, round neck, brushed wool, broken sizes.
PRINTS — PRINTS — PRINTS Extra fine quality, beautiful patterns, 36-inch, some originally sold at 25c a yard. Clearance Price 15c Yard	ONE LOT CHILDREN'S SWEATERS Broken sizes—Values up to 95c Clearance Price 39c
FANCY SUITINGS Checks, plaids, plain colors Value 29c Yard—Sale Price 19c Yard	MEN'S Two-Toned Sleeveless SWEATERS Fonda Cloth. At Bargain Price of 49c
PART WOOL FABRICS—36-Inch Value up to 98c Yard Clearance Price 59c Yard	CHILDREN'S BLOOMERS for cold weather, made of rayon and cotton—14c
ALL WOOL MATERIAL—54-Inch Flannels, Crepes, in Plaids and Plain Colors for dresses, skirts and suits. Value \$1.95 Yard January Clearance Price \$1.49 Yard	OIL CLOTH—46 Inch, Fancy patterns in dark and light—Sale Price 19c Yard.
PARKA HOODS, TAMS AND STOCKING CAPS Large Assortment Sale Price 39c	BOY'S CORDUROY JIMMY-ALLS Broken Sizes Clearance Price 49c
LADIES GLOVES Suede Cloth, wool, odd sizes and colors. Value up to 98c Pair Clearance Price 25c Pair	EXTRA! EXTRA! EXTRA! Boy's Corduroy Pants Odd Sizes—Mostly rust color. At Sacrifice Price of \$1.00
MEN'S Medium Weight UNION SUITS Long sleeve, long leg, fine rib. Cherokee Brand Sale Price 59c	MEN'S WORK SOCKS Part wool—full seamless, full length. Knit or rib tops. January Bargain 9c Pair

DOES FORD PAY GOOD WAGES?

HERE ARE SOME FACTS ABOUT Ford Labor.
During the year ended November 30th, 1940, the Ford Payroll throughout the United States averaged 113,628 hourly wage earners, not including office employees, students, or executives. They were paid \$185,105,639.12. On this basis, the average annual wage was \$1,629.05.

According to the latest available government figures, the annual average wage of all workers in employment covered by old age insurance law was \$841.00.

If the 45,000,000 workers of this country received the same average wage as Ford employees, they would have had additional wages of more than \$35,000,000,000, thus increasing the national income about 50%. Think what such an increase would mean to the workers of this country and to the American farmer, whose prices are based on the national income.

Wage scales in the Ford Rouge plants are divided into three classifications:

- Unskilled . . . Minimum hiring wage . 75c per hour
 - Semi-skilled . . . Minimum hiring wage . 80c per hour
 - Skilled . . . Minimum hiring wage . 90c per hour
- Higher wages are in consideration of ability and years of service.

Minimum wage scales for unskilled labor at the Rouge plant are the highest in the industry. Top wages for skilled labor compare favorably with, or are higher than, wages in other automobile plants.

Now some facts on Ford labor conditions
Not only are sanitation and other health conditions the best in the industry, but Ford also leads in safety devices for the protection of employees. Proof of this is found in the following com-

parison of compensation insurance costs:
The national average rate in automotive manufacturing plants as computed by the National Association of Underwriters is in excess of \$1.50 premium on each \$100 payroll. The Ford cost of workmen's compensation is less than 50c.

This indicates that the chance of injury in a Ford plant is much less than in the average automobile plant.

The Ford Motor Company has no age limit for labor, and in fact deliberately attempts to keep older workers working. The average age of Ford workers at the Rouge and nearby plants is 38.7.

A recent check-up shows that nearly one-half the workers at these Ford plants were 40 or over, falling into these age groups:

- 25,819 between 40 and 50
- 14,731 between 50 and 60
- 3,377 between 60 and 70
- 417 between 70 and 80
- 12 between 80 and 90

In addition to the so-called regular employees, the Ford Motor Company has hired, and now has on the payroll, at the same regular hourly wage, thousands of workers who are blind, crippled or otherwise incapacitated for normal productive work. They are not selected for their ability to build cars or to maintain the plant. They are on the payroll because of Henry Ford's belief that the responsibility of a large company to labor goes beyond the point at which the unfortunate worker can no longer produce profitably.

The above are facts. They are open to anyone who really wants to deal in facts. Anyone who wants to get a job . . . buy a car . . . or place a national defense contract on the basis of fair labor treatment must place Ford at the top of his eligible list.



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 Space does not permit us to mention all the wonderful bargains at our January Clearance.

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