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BREEZES FROM THE SOUTHWEST

By Romaine Saunders
Atkinson, Nebr., Star Route No. 5.

Four large truck loads of calves were moved from the James ranch to market a day last week.

A sudden violent attack of illness Monday rendered Floyd Adams unable to cover his Kola mail route. Albert Otte, with Edgar Peterson at the steering wheel, saw to it that citizens on the route got their mail.

Raymond Bly took on a job of husking corn in the Chambers country last week. Ray thinks this war spending will be followed by some tough times and if he can get hold of a few extra tens now by working, he's going to do it.

Congress is in the mood, if it lacks not the courage, to add eight hours to the union work week. No man ever struck a spark that flared into a great blaze of achievement by working just forty hours a week or forty-eight hours.

There are women with families, working hard and struggle in ill health with but little to maintain an household, and worst of all a kankantorous husband. Brothers, snort and sputter and shake the fist of wickedness all you like at each other, but go kiss your wife, tell her she's a great gal, and give her the next ten you get your hooks on.

Running for office is being made too costly. Nebraska's three candidates for United States senator report combined expenditures of \$35,713. The Norris crowd made the heaviest outlay, \$19,073, a group of New Yorkers being interested in the venerable senator's campaign for re-election to the extent of over sixteen thousand dollars. Had it been for the successful candidate, he would have been branded with the stigma of "tool of Wall street."

A citizen of the Scotts Bluff country raises an interesting question by appealing his conviction for theft on the grounds of intoxication. I do not know what the courts and pardoning boards hold in case of one committing a minor offense when drunk, but such a case would seem to involve the state or other licensing agency as accessory. Liquor license implies that there will be intoxication. The result of intoxication may be a criminal act. The state then bringing action because of the crime, should it include itself as equally involved?

I brought the black mare from a lope to a standstill, sat erect in the saddle with gaze transfixed in the southeast heavens. Out of the distant blue came the roar of throbbing motors. Then nine airplanes winged into view, coming on with military precision in groups of three. I probably would not be writing this paragraph if those planes had borne the emblem of the rising sun instead of the American army. The last group of the formation passed directly overhead at low altitude. These may have been in the courier service now operating from both Omaha and Topeka to north-west Pacific coast points.

The function of the insurgent seems to be to obstruct but not construct. Obstruction, apart from its setting an abstract sense, is serviceable at the battle front, but the Lone Lewie who withdraws himself and smirks at the honest efforts of his colleagues, is a different matter. If you will look into the heavens on a clear night you may see a single star glittering in cold and lonely brilliancy as if it disdained the fellowship and warmth of the glowing dots all about. Isn't that like the insurgent? Great souls are both humble and considerate. They can work, plan, consult and move forward with his associates. When three hundred and thirty-five thousand troops faced annihilation at Dunkirk by Herr Hitler's juggernaut, King George VI proclaimed a day of prayer. Britain's sons and daughters, the great and the obscure the globe around, went on their knees. Insurgency would be blasphemy. The German war lords scoffed and echoed the defiance of an ancient king, "And who is that God that shall deliver you out of my hand." But within forty-eight hours the troubled waters of the English

Frank Phalin Dead

Frank Phalin passed away at his home in O'Neill on November 14, 1942, after an illness of two years. Frank was born in Wisconsin in the year 1868. He had made his home here for more than a generation.

The funeral services were held from the Catholic church last Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, with Monsignor McNamara officiating and burial in Calvary cemetery. During the hours of the funeral all the business houses of the city were closed as a tribute to the memory of Mr. Phalin.

He leaves to mourn him his good wife, Mrs. Phalin and three sons, John, Gerald and Lawrence, and two daughters, Mrs. Otto Reising and Loretta. All these were present except Gerald, who is in Asia and Lawrence who is in Northern Africa. We wish to extend to Mrs. Phalin and the family all sympathy.

Frank was a fixture in the generation just passing out. He was a man who stood staunchly and with no appeasement for the principles that peculiarly seemed to prove to be right. For that reason it was useless to question his honor. He was quiet and very unassuming. It is useless to catalog all of his virtues. Enough has been said. At the time of his death he was president of the City Council. He knew real human values, and thought little of the tinsel most of us would like to gather to ourselves in this short span of time here below. In our issue of May 21, 1942, we made chronicle of the accomplishments of this humble and forceful man.

"Almost forty years ago Frank and Mrs. Phalin came to O'Neill from Wisconsin. During their years here they raised their five children. All of them not only entered schools of high learning, but each one has completed the work to fit each for service in professional work of some kind. Two sons are now in the medical service of the United States. Frank and Mrs. Phalin should be very proud, along with their family, for their accomplishments. More than that they should be vain, but vanity does not seem to be one of the parts of their way of life. Anyway we will take this opportunity of congratulating them in raising a family that any father and mother, anywhere on earth should be proud of."

Since this was written the third son, John, has joined up with the Medical detachment of the Air Corps. All that was said then still stands as a record. It stands with all force now, because Frank had the soldier in him to stand up with benignity to the end. Like patriotism, men like him are not made in a few days or years, they are born that way and could not be different. Frank would not know how to be different. He will not be replaced in our lives soon.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WILL PRESENT A PLAY

The Christian Endeavor Society of the Presbyterian church enjoyed a social hour Sunday evening, November 15. Immediately following the supper, games were played and a "singspiration" was held, with the singing of many of the old and best loved hymns.

A business meeting was then called to order by Dr. Spencer, at which time the officers for the coming year were elected. Those elected were: President, Goldyne Sebasta; Vice President, Frankie Yocum; Secretary-Treasurer, Polly Kipple; Social Chairman, Eunice Schisow; Financial Chairman, Durven Kipple; Pianist, Barbara Walling. Sponsors for the coming year are Polly Kipple and Eunice Schisow.

The members also agreed to present a play soon, entitled, "Miriam's Vision." Topics for the Christian Endeavor lessons will center around Latin America for the next six weeks, as that is what Christian Endeavor Societies all over the world are studying at this time.

Thomas Shoberg, of Spencer, visited friends here Monday. Channel lay calm and under a heavy blanket of fog the entrapped army was all conveyed by ships to safety. No insurgent had stuck out his neck to defy the king's proclamations. In the dark hours over at Bataan one of our brave men observed a comrade kneeling. "Did I see you praying," he asked. "Yes; there are no atheists in fox holes." And there were probably no insurgents in there either.

Catholic Daughters Have Initiation and Banquet

The Catholic Daughters held their initiation and installation of officers at the Golden Hotel last Sunday. New members admitted are: Mrs. Margaret Cuddy, Mrs. Eileen Arbutnot, Mrs. Julia Samples, Mrs. Margaret Jones, Mrs. Marguerite Hoffman, Mrs. Cecelia Mullen and Mrs. Jettie Shorthill.

Mrs. Laura Bruening, of Hartington, Nebr., the State Regent, was present for the meeting which was followed by a banquet at 6:00 p. m. A splendid program was rendered at the banquet, over which Mrs. Ambrose Rohde presided as toastmistress. Short talks were given by Father Brick and Mrs. Laura Bruening.

Fox-Brainard

Miss Esther Fox of Emmet and George Brainard of O'Neill were united in marriage at Center, Nebraska, on November 10. The ceremony was performed by Judge Sandos.

The bride wore a street length dress with blue accessories. The bridesmaid, Donna Fae Loeser of O'Neill, was attired in a wine colored dress with black accessories.

The best man was Johnny Jackson of O'Neill. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fox of Emmet. She is a graduate of the O'Neill High school with the class of 1941.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Brainard of O'Neill. The young couple are making their home for the present at the Fox hotel.

BRIEFLY STATED

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McKenna and son, Gene, went to Sioux City Sunday, to see their son and daughter-in-law, Lt. and Mrs. Hugh McKenna.

Matt Wolf, Leo Phillips, Miss Evelyn Foot, all of Alliance, and Mrs. Charles McManus went to Sioux City Sunday to visit Miss Genevieve McManus.

Pfc. John M. Grutsch, of Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., came home Sunday on a seven day furlough, to visit his wife and other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Beatty, Mrs. Dr. Aiken and daughter, Mary, Mrs. Orie Adkins and Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Wallace, of Butte, visited Mrs. McCartney on Friday.

Merrill Hicks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hicks, who has been employed in the Lockheed Aircraft plant at Burbank, Cal., has been transferred to the Glenn L. Martin bomber plant at Omaha and started work there November 9th.

Father Isadore, who is stationed at the Passionate Monastery at Sierra Madre, Cal., arrived in the city Wednesday for a couple of weeks visit at the home of his sister, Mrs. C. E. Stout and with other relatives and friends here, the home of his boyhood.

The Golden Hotel was the meeting place on Sunday of the N. H. C. A. District 3 sponsored by Unit 2. An educational program, offering complete beauty service demonstration, was given. A three course dinner was served at 6:00 p. m.

John M. Brophy, with the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, of Bayonne, N. J., arrived here last Sunday morning for a visit at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brophy. He is in the Marine department of the company and his work takes him all over the world. He recently returned from a trip over seas and down in South America.

LAWRENCE ROUSE PROMOTED TO CORPORAL

Lawrence V. Rouse, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Rouse, of O'Neill, has been promoted to the rank of Corporal at the Air Base Advanced Flying School at Stockton Field, Cal. He is a mechanic on the flight line at the California air base. He joined the U. S. Army on March 12, 1942.

O'Neill High Foot Ball Squad Have Good Record

The O'Neill High Eagles had a walk-off game on November 11, Armistice Day when they led the Nelighites with a score of 32 to 0. The game was "easy picking" for O'Neill during the first half which ended 25 to 0, Neligh dragging. Coach Dean then substituted the second team in almost all the last half.

Neligh received the kick off, but soon lost the ball. Warren Burgess, 139 pound quarter back from O'Neill took the pigskin on the first play and plowed through three Nelighites and went sailing over the line, which he visited three more times during the first half. McKenna kicked the extra point for O'Neill.

The second half was played more even with O'Neill's second team. Jonas chalked 6 more points for the Eagles in the third quarter. The final score was, O'Neill 32, Neligh 0.

Now, a look at O'Neill's season's record: Bloomfield 0, O'Neill 0; Creighton 0, O'Neill 39; Gregory, S. D., 6, O'Neill 7; Spencer, O'Neill 7; Bassett 25, O'Neill 13; Ewing 6, O'Neill 7; Neligh 0, O'Neill 32. This gives O'Neill five victories, one defeat and one tie, with two games yet to be played.

The next game scheduled is with Atkinson on Thanksgiving Day, November 26, at Atkinson. The second game is with Ainsworth, which is still uncertain.

Seventeen Young Men Leave For Army Tuesday

The following registrants will leave O'Neill, Nebr., at 8:30 a. m., November 24, 1942, for Fort Leavenworth, Kansas:

Howard Buckley Graves, O'Neill; James Elja Sholes, Inman; Lawrence Buster Walmer, Orchard; Geo. Bernard Ziska, Stuart; Thomas Jennings Flannery, Atkinson; William Charles Morsbach, Inman; Charles E. Chace, Atkinson; Jesse Anthony Jarde, Long Pine; Norman Gonderinger, Atkinson; Charles Everette Standage, Amelia; Louis Hana, Ewing; Harold William Deferman, O'Neill; Owen Michael Hiatt, O'Neill; Virgil Robert Morrow, O'Neill; Orie Lee Tucker, Ewing; Duane Joseph James, Ewing; Marven Donald Vequist, O'Neill.

Marriage Licenses

Harry R. Larson of Chambers, and Miss Arlene E. Morris, of O'Neill, were granted a marriage license on November 12.

Mrs. W. J. Froelich, Betty Biglin, Charles Stout and Billy Froelich went to Sioux City Friday. Mrs. Froelich and Betty Biglin spent the week there while Mr. Stout and Billie went on to South Bend, Ind., where they attended the Michigan-Notre Dame football game on Saturday. Billie returned home Sunday, while Charles went to Chicago, where he will spend the balance of the week on business.



PRICES may be "pegged" but don't expect any ceiling on your Federal income tax. That's one thing that will continue to go up, up, up! Remember the shock you got when you figured your tax last year? Well, this year you might have to pay twice as much. What can you do about it? Here's a suggestion. Make regular deposits in this bank—every pay day from now on—for the express purpose of paying taxes when due.

O'NEILL NATIONAL BANK

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Mrs. Rhoda Sargent

Rhoda Bedford was born November 25, 1854, at Cambridge Shire, England, and departed this life at Wall, S. D., November 15, 1942, at the age of 87 years, 11 months and 21 days.

She was united in marriage to George A. Dart October 11, 1873, at Marquette, Wis. They came to Nebraska in 1877 and settled in Seward county, where they remained for two years and then moved to this county in 1879, Mr. Dart taking a homestead north of O'Neill.

Two sons were born of this union, Edward A. Dartt, now living at Wall, S. D., and William Dartt, who passed away in April of this year.

During the epidemic of typhoid fever in 1882, her husband and many other relatives died. They were buried in the Joy cemetery north of O'Neill.

On April 30, 1885, she was united in marriage to Edson W. Sargent of O'Neill. Three children were born of this union, one son and two daughters. They are Leon M. Sargent, O'Neill; Mrs. Carrie Shove of Adrian, Mich., and Martha A. Burge, who died recently. All of the children were present at the funeral services.

She and her husband continued to live on her homestead until 1915 when they moved to O'Neill, where she made her home until June of this year when she went to South Dakota to make her home with her son and where she passed away.

She lived an active, industrious life, contending with the many hardships of pioneer life. She was a great lover of things beautiful, especially flowers. She kept an exemplary home even at her advanced age, where she enjoyed entertaining her many friends.

She was an active member of the Methodist church from early womanhood and maintained her steadfast faith to the end. During the pioneer days through which she lived she ministered much to the sick and was never weary when being helpful. She leaves to mourn her passing two sons, Leon M. Sargent of this city and Edward A. Dartt, of Wall, S. D.; one daughter, Mrs. Carrie Shove, of Adrian, Mich.; twenty-seven grandchildren and a number of great grandchildren and other relatives and friends.

Her husband, Mr. Sargent, one son, William H. Dartt and one daughter, Mrs. Martha Burge preceded her in death. Funeral services were held in the Methodist church in this city this afternoon, Rev. Dawson Park officiating, and burial in Prospect Hill cemetery.

"Sunbonnet Sue" Here Sunday Evening, Nov. 22

The feast of St. Cecilia, patroness of music, will be observed by the music department, of St. Mary's Academy presenting Sunbonnet Sue, a comic operetta, on Sunday, November 22, at 8:00 p. m., in the Public School auditorium.

As the play opens, Mrs. Coleman, president of the State Music Clubs, arrives in a little southern village to hold a music contest. It is held in the garden of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Meadows. Sue, an orphaned child of musical parents, takes part in spite of many obstacles, especially on the part of the skinflint couple, Mr. and Mrs. Scroggs who have starved and stunted her to pamper their own daughter, Evaline. There is mystery also, and it takes the all-important village constable to clear it... What is it? Who wins the prize? That would be telling, so come and see. Our young people will afford you ample humor by various comic types, among them Mr. Scroggs, the henpecked husband; Mrs. Scroggs his "better" half; the "chesty" constable and his simple son, Reuben.

Matinee, Friday at 1:30 p. m. Admission: 9c and 25c, tax included. Everybody Welcome.

County Court

Lee Smith was arrested by Patrolman Meistrel on November 2, charged with failure to display flares. He pled guilty, was fined \$25.00 and costs of \$3.10.

O. D. Jameson was arrested by Patrolman Meistrel on November 18, charged with overweight on capacity plate. He pled guilty and was fined \$10.00 and costs of \$3.10.

Stella Miller and Mrs. Chas. Tomik, of Butte, visited Mrs. Anna McCartney on Thursday.

A WEEK OF THE WAR

President Roosevelt ordered the Lend-Lease Administration to make available as soon as possible food, clothing and weapons of war to the Armed Forces and the citizens of the areas in North Africa occupied by U. S. Troops. "No one will go hungry or without other means of livelihood in any territory occupied by the United Nations," the President said, "if it is humanly within our power to make necessary supplies available to them. Weapons will also be supplied to the people of these territories to hasten the defeat of our common enemies."

The late November 13 Allied Forces had extended the Algerian Zone of occupation as far east as Bone, just 50 miles from Tunisia. When French destroyers at Casablanca put up strong resistance against American naval units protecting U. S. troop landings there, the U. S. surface forces and dive bombers destroyed an entire flotilla of French destroyers and light craft, and left the 35,000-ton French battleship Hean Bart a burning hulk. All hostilities in French North Africa ceased November 11, 77 hours after the U. S. offensive began. In many places the local population and U. S. troops joined in Armistice Day ceremonies. The War Department said American casualties were light.

The President described the African campaign as a smaller second front launched in lieu of a big-scale offensive against the Axis forces across the English Channel. He said that during Prime Minister Churchill's visit to Washington in June it was decided a major offensive across the channel could not have been started until next year at the earliest. The African offensive was decided upon by the end of June, by late July the number of men necessary and points of attack had been determined, and the approximate date was set by the end of August.

War Secretary Stimson said that despite the fact that the Germans must have been aware some sort of large operations was in immediate prospect in North Africa, Axis efforts to intercept it with numerous submarines were futile. All U. S. forces moved to their points of attack, only one transport was torpedoed, and troops from this ship proceeded in their landing craft more than 100 miles to their destination. Under Secretary of War Patterson reported 700,000 different items of equipment and supplies were required for the North African operation. Navy Secretary Knox said it took five to seven times as many ships to carry men and goods around Africa to the Middle East as it would to carry them straight through Gibraltar and into the Mediterranean.

A family reunion was held on Sunday, November 8th, in honor of Corp. Elmer "Bud" Hart, who was home on a fourteen day furlough, visiting his mother, Mrs. Lettie Hart and family. Those present from out of town were, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hart, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Tubbs and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Appleby and family, Mrs. Minnie Houston, Fred Chase and Harold Asher. The day was pleasantly spent visiting and taking pictures.

William Storts, one of the old timers of the county, was in the city Monday and favored this office with a pleasant call. Bill returned last Thursday from a six months visit with his daughter, Mrs. J. E. Terry and husband at Woodland, Wash., and his son, Sam Storts and family at Astoria, Oregon. He says that things are booming out in that section of the United States, the western cities having so many defense industries that work is plentiful and easy to get. He says that he enjoyed his visit very much, but that he was glad to get back to old Holt, where he spent so many years of his life.

An Iowa businessman threw several old tires and tubes into the Des Moines river because he was peeved over the government's ruling that all extra tires be turned in. Now he faces trial for sabotage with a maximum penalty of thirty years in prison, a \$10,000 fine, or both, staring him in the face. Before the war he could have done that with impunity, but now that we are at war, the destruction of rubber, scrap metals, rags, and other strategic materials constitutes sabotage. These materials are now essential to our war effort.