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SOUTHEASTERN BREEZES

By Romaine Saunders

What is needed over there in Europe is some of our good American Vitamin D.

I don't know of any more disagreeable task imposed by law on a public official than to arrest and fine a good citizen for catching frogs. Emil Sniggs would have them guessing where to look for the frogs. He had methods of his own of stowing away fish bait. He would catch several, put them in his hat and slap it on his head.

Maybe we Yankees are not as smart as we thought we were. Only 25 per cent of the population are self sustaining after the age of 60. We all talk big, discourse learnedly on all matters under the sun and think we can furnish a remedy for every political ailment, and now we are just finding out that 65 per cent of us can't manage our affairs to acquire a competency for that period of life after the vigor of youth has faded.

She stepped out of the car as it drew up to the filling station, removed the cigarette from painted lips, dropped it to the pavement and extinguished the fire with a dainty foot. Then proceeded to pick her way in the snow amid the traffic across the street to a building where a door was opened to admit her. So a sophisticated young person of the modern model that gives the beer "parlors" an added attraction passed within.

Old timers down in my neighborhood will remember the Allen ranch south of Amelia. I ran across Mr. Allen lately. He says he left Holt county the year Barrett Scott was hung and regards his leaving there as the mistake of his life. He has grown old in the 45 years since he sold the ranch, has a high pitched quaint drawl in his speech and swears like a sinner. He inquires about various ones still in the community and recalls where the neighbors felt a particular pride in the country because Riley Bros. ranch was running the largest pure bred Shorthorn herd then known. Mr. Allen has made Lincoln his home since leaving Holt county.

"The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death." Until then the funeral train moves onward. And one by one friends of a lifetime are cut down. We pause to enquire. Who next? The answer is hid until the fatal blow falls. The Frontier editor pays tribute to the memory of Clyde King. None knew him better. No one can place a more accurate measure upon his worth. They were "kids" together in the publication of the brightest paper in Nebraska. At a still earlier period I labored as an apprentice with Clyde King, whom I looked to as the embodiment of perfection. He had experience as a compositor at Klopp & Bartlett's in Omaha, the attainment of such a place with a large city plant being the zenith in craftsmanship in the vision of a beginner. In the whole range of orthography Clyde was as reliable as the dictionary and he could set type with the speed of a race horse with scarcely an error appearing in his "string" at the proof readers desk. When machines replaced hand compositors in the Sioux City Journal company room he quit the craft in disgust and would not be induced to sit down to a linotype to try his hand. As The Frontier editor has stated, Clyde was a writer of marked ability, touching our human emotions with a magic hand and clothing commonplace incidents in the vestments of literary elegance. Clyde was never a mixer among men. He chose his friends, betrayed none. Political opponents trembled as his brilliant pen tore shame and pretense to shreds. Many regretted his permanent retirement from editorial work. He attained a measure of success in another line, but Clyde was pre-eminently an artist and master of letters.

Pioneer of Northeastern Holt Passes Away At His Home in Lynch

William H. Wilson was born in Iowa county, Iowa, on November 3, 1861, and passed away on December 17, 1939, at his home in Lynch, Nebr., at the age of 78 years, 1 month and 14 days.

Mr. Wilson grew to manhood in Iowa and was there married in January, 1883, to Miss Elizabeth France. The first few years of their married life was spent there with his widowed mother, his father having died when he was four years of age.

The call of the west brought them to Nebraska, settling in northeastern Holt county. There he lived with the exception of one summer, which was spent in Cherry county, until he retired from farm work in the spring of 1919 and moved to Lynch.

To this union six children were born of whom the following are living: Roy Wilson, Rapid City, S. D.; Mrs. Bessie Pinkerman, Mrs. Faye Pinkerman, of Dorsey; Guy and Ray of Redbird and Earn of Burke, S. D. All were present at the funeral, except Mrs. Bessie Pinkerman who was unable to be present on account of illness.

In the year 1901 the wife and mother was called to her eternal home and in January, 1910, he was united in marriage to Mrs. Kate Schullenberg.

Mr. Wilson was one of the sturdy pioneers of Holt county, coming here over fifty years ago and knew many of the hardships and privations of the early days. He was a splendid citizen and had the respect, love and admiration of all who knew him and his passing leaves a vacancy which cannot be filled.

When a small child he was baptised into the Methodist church and a short while ago united with the Methodist church at Lynch.

Left to mourn his passing are his wife, the six children, two sisters, Mrs. A. R. Ladley, of Gordon; Mrs. James Hall, of Oakland, California; 29 grandchildren and 19 great grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends.

The last rites were held from the I. O. F. hall at Lynch on Wednesday afternoon, December 20, with the Rev. Robert Ibach, pastor of the M. E. church officiating. Mrs. Faye Brady sang a solo, "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere" and the quartette composed of Mrs. Brady, W. T. Alford, Earl Landholm and Mrs. Zoe Darnell, with Mrs. G. B. Ira at the piano sang, "Sweetly Resting" and "Going Down the Valley." The flowers were many and beautiful. Pallbearers were grandsons of the deceased, Cliff Wilson, Duane Wilson, Alford Wilson, Bill Wilson, Veldon and Guy Pinkerman.

Flowers girls were granddaughters of the deceased: Dorothy Wilson, Velma Wilson, Iris Wilson, Elva Jensen, Erma Schiessler, Lila Hull, Willa Schollmeyer, Vivian Hasenflug and Mary Ann Wilson. xxx

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Nelson and daughters, of Norfolk, arrived in O'Neill Saturday evening to spend Christmas with Mrs. Nelson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Reardon.

HOW OUR HIDDEN TAXES ARE COLLECTED

To give you something to think about besides these direct taxes that you pay, says the Nebraska Taxpayers' League, let us enumerate a few hidden taxes that you are constantly paying that you don't think about:

- 58 taxes on bread
- 45 taxes on sugar
- 38 taxes on bacon
- 32 taxes on peaches
- 1 1/2¢ tax on every quart of milk
- 154 taxes on a cake of soap
- 6¢ on every package of cigarettes
- 126 taxes on a pair of shoes
- 148 taxes on a pair of overalls
- 125 taxes on just an ordinary house dress

\$231.72 a year hidden taxes are charged against every man who draws \$100.00 a month salary, if he spends the salary to live.

Wishing You A Happy And Prosperous New Year

Gerald Phalin Joins The Ranks of Benedicts

Gerald Phalin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Phalin of this city, was united in marriage to Miss Mary Bethel, of Grasslands, N. Y., on Monday evening, December 18, at 8 o'clock, by the Rev. Father Bennett at the Pacanico Hills parish of Grasslands, Westchester county, N. Y.

Mrs. Phalin is a graduate nurse of the Westchester County Hospital, and the attendants at the wedding were a classmate of Mrs. Phalin, Miss Mildred Monroe, and Lawrence Phalin, brother of the groom.

Gerald is well known in O'Neill, being a native son and graduating from the O'Neill Public school with the class of 1927, after which he attended Creighton University in Omaha for two and one-half years and then later went to New York where he entered training at the Westchester hospital, being graduated from that institution this fall.

Mr. and Mrs. Phalin will continue to make their home in the east, and their many friends in this city, wish them much happiness and prosperity in their married life.

The Weather

Saturday forenoon the first snow of the season, started falling and has continued intermittently ever since, with a total fall of four and one-half inches registered on the official weather gauge at the court house. The temperature, however, has been quite mild, the lowest being four above on Wednesday evening, and there has been little or no wind, with the snow remaining where it fell. The snow was quite general over the entire mid west, and is a boon to the farmers, all over the country, and especially those in the winter wheat belt, as there has been very little moisture all fall. The general snow fall caused an immediate reaction on the winter wheat market, which had been steadily rising for the past three or four weeks, due to the continued drouth. Following is the weather chart for the past week:

	High	Low	Prec.
Thursday	33	12	
Friday	42	16	
Saturday	35	15	.01
Sunday	26	20	.20
Monday	25	22	
Tuesday	25	7	.10
Wednesday	20	4	.08

M. J. Connolly left Wednesday for Wayne, where he will visit friends for a few days.

Miss Ethel Tasler left Saturday for her home in Atkinson, after resigning her position here at Helen Simar's Beauty Salon. She plans on remaining home for about three weeks when she will leave for the west coast where she is to be married at Portland, Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Butts came up from Nebraska City last Saturday and spent the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Cronin. They left for home Monday afternoon and were accompanied by Mrs. D. H. Cronin, Marjorie Joan and Richard, who will spend a week visiting at Nebraska City and Omaha.

Returns After Thirty Years And Astonished At The Improvements

Mrs. Frank Gapter, of Boulder, Colorado, and her sister, Mrs. Geo. Withers, of Amelia, with whom she has been visiting, were in the city last week, visiting Mrs. Helen Simar. Mrs. Gapter, who will be remembered here, as Miss Alta Blackmore, was visiting O'Neill for the first time since 1909 when the family moved away, and she was amazed at the changes that had taken place in the city since that time. She reports that she was unable to find a single landmark that she recalled, and she could hardly believe that this thriving little city was the same town that she left so many years ago.

BRIEFLY STATED

Miss Nellie Toy arrived Friday evening from Herman, Nebr., where she teaches, to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anton Toy.

Miss Exlaura McDonough and Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Sutcliffe left Wednesday morning for their homes in Washington, D. C., after spending Christmas at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McDonough.

Jack Vincent, a student at the university of Nebraska, came home the latter part of the week to spend the holidays visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Vincent and with other relatives and friends.

"The Gang" ganged up on John A. Robertson Sunday, when all but two of his children and four of the grandchildren were home. There were forty present. These homecomings are real events in the memories of the Robertsons.

Charles E. Hiatt, of Moravia, Iowa, and Miss Elsie Runnell, also of Moravia, were granted a marriage license on December 23 and were then united in marriage by Rev. William I. Bell of the Presbyterian church in this city.

Dr. Frank Gallagher returned to his home in LaCrosse, Wis., on Thursday, after spending Christmas here with his mother, Mrs. Winnie Gallagher and his sisters, Miss Hilda and Helen Gallagher and other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Harvey Mitchell and sons, Bob and Earl, drove to Elm Creek, Nebr., on Sunday to spend Christmas with Mr. Mitchell's parents in that city. Mrs. Mitchell returned Tuesday morning while the boys remained for a longer visit with their grandparents.

La Vern Finley, of Neligh, and Miss Lois Filsinger, of Clearwater, were granted a marriage license by County Judge Reimer on December 26 and were then united in marriage by the Rev. John H. Bishop of the Methodist church in Atkinson on the same date.

C. E. Jones, manager of the Central Finance Corporation, returned on Tuesday morning from Columbus, where he spent Christmas with his family. Mrs. Jones returned with him and will spend a few days here before moving their household goods here.



CONGRESSMAN KARL STEFAN

Congressman Karl Stefan will leave Norfolk for Washington not later than December 27th in order to be on hand for several important committee meetings preliminary to the opening of the last session of the 76th congress. The Congressman and Mrs. Stefan plan to drive to Washington and will spend one day visiting relatives in Omaha. Since he has been home the Congressman has visited each of the twenty-two counties which comprise the Third Congressional district. He has made numerous speeches to various groups and attended many meetings. Most of the work while he has been home has been in connection with relief matters, farm loans, farm forestry, farm to market roads. He completed investigations on farm foreclosures, and is making a report to the Farm Credit Administration upon his return. He contacted many farmers to secure their views on the soil conservation program and parity payments, and also secured the views of many farmers on the question of proposed processing tax legislation. The Congressman states that while the biggest problem to face Congress will be the determination to keep this nation out of another foreign war, he lists the following as some of the legislation which Congress will face in this last regular session of the 76th Congress. Reciprocal trade agreements, National defense, the national debt, farm forestry, farm to market roads, federal loan appropriations, immigration, crop insurance, irrigation, relief and unemployment, national labor laws, social security.

The Congressman is now receiving many petitions filed with him and signed by many farmers who are in the soil conservation program, urging the Secretary of Agriculture to allow the corn and grain acreages in the drouth districts to remain the same as it was in 1939, instead of cutting down the acreage. Some of these farmers tell the Congressman that it is unfair to cut the acreage in the drouth stricken districts where only ten bushels of corn was raised per acre compared with 50 bushels in Iowa. The Congressman has sent many of these petitions to Secretary Wallace in Washington and urged that the appeal of these farmers be given careful consideration.

The Congressman is pleased over the fact that there has been more farm forestry projects planted in the Third Congressional district than in any other district in the state. He finds about 75 per cent of the trees that have been planted are growing and he was informed that all of the dead trees would be replaced. He is hoping that an appropriation will be made to continue this tree planting program. The mild weather which has prevailed in the district, he states, has resulted in more work being done on farm to market roads than during the past year and he is now being furnished with a map showing the large increase of the construction of farm to market roads in his district. The Congressman was one of those who urged additional relief appropriations for the drouth districts, and believes that before he leaves for Washington every unemployed and needy person in his district will find some kind of employment during the next two months. He is urging the WPA administration to do everything possible to give farmers who are certified to WPA some kind of employment during the cold weather. In some counties in the district this has been impossible due to the fact that some of the counties have treasuries which are practically depleted of funds for direct relief and the local 25 per cent contributions cannot be made. As a result, some counties with needy unemployed find it difficult to secure work projects. The offices of the Congressman, located in room 397 of the postoffice building, Norfolk, was closed December 24, and all the files will be sent to Washington office which has been constantly open while the Congressman has been in his district. All mail for the Congressman should be sent to

ST. MARY'S BASKETBALL TEAM IS STILL CLIMBING LADDER OF SUCCESS

Won Invitation Tournament Held at Spalding Last Week By Decisive Victories in Each Game.

After defeating Primrose High in the second round of Spalding's Invitational Tournament, St. Mary's went on to defeat Spalding High School and Spalding Academy, thus bringing to St. Mary's its first championship in many years.

The team drew a bye in the opening round which was played on Tuesday and in their first game on Wednesday, defeated Primrose High by a score of 36 to 10. Thursday afternoon the team met and defeated Spalding High by a score of 27-22. At the end of the first quarter the score was tied but at the half St. Mary's was in the lead by seven points, a lead which was only threatened in the final minutes of the game. Bob Shoemaker was high scorer for St. Mary's with 13 points, while German led with 7 points for Spalding.

St. Mary's	FG	FT	PF
B. Kubitschek	2	0-2	2
J. Shoemaker	2	0-2	2
B. Biglin	2	0-0	1
G. Hammond	1	0-0	0
B. Shoemaker	6	1-2	4
D. Kersenbrock	0	0-0	0
B. Price	0	0-2	3

Spalding	FG	FT	PF
K. Hiatt	0	1-2	0
Brimm	0	0-0	0
Connell	2	1-2	3
Mahoney	0	0-0	0
C. Hiatt	2	2-3	0
Bloomquist	1	1-2	3
German	2	3-7	1
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In the evening St. Mary's returned to the floor to win a close game from the Spalding Academy boys, who had beaten Palmer in the af-

ternoon 26-24. Playing unbeatable ball during the first half, St. Mary's led at half time 27-13. This lead was overcome in the second half until but a few points separated the teams. Spalding's attack became much more effective when Bob Shoemaker left the game because of too many fouls. The team held their lead however until the gun went off to end the game. Bill Biglin was high scorer for the winners with 13 points while Speicher had 11 for Spalding.

St. Mary's	FG	FT	PF
B. Kubitschek	5	0-0	0
J. Shoemaker	2	3-4	3
G. Hammond	2	0-0	0
B. Biglin	6	1-1	0
B. Shoemaker	3	0-0	4
D. Kersenbrock	0	0-0	0
B. Price	0	0-1	3

Spalding	FG	FT	PF
Coyne	3	0-3	0
Bopp	2	0-1	1
Cronin	2	0-2	1
Speicher	5	1-2	0
T. Kelly	3	0-0	0
Rogers	0	0-2	1
O'Connell	1	1-2	2

St. Mary's Cardinals will compete in two more tournaments this year, the annual Holt County Tournament, which will be held at Atkinson January 11 and 12th, and in which St. Mary's will meet O'Neill High for their first game.

The second tournament will be the annual State Basketball tournament, which will be held some time during the first week or two in March. It has not as yet, been announced where the teams will compete during this tournament.

St. Mary's B. B. Schedule For Balance of Season

Following is the St. Mary's basketball schedule for the balance of the playing season:

- January 9, Valentine, there.
- January 11 and 12, Holt County Tournament at Atkinson.
- January 14, St. Joseph's of Atkinson, there.
- January 19 Page, here.
- January 22 Ainsworth, here.
- January 24 Inman, there.
- January 31 Inman, here.
- February 2 Long Pine, here.
- February 6 Page, there.
- February 11 St. Joseph's Atkinson, here.
- February 18 Sacred Heart Norfolk, here.
- February 28 Valentine, here.
- February 29 Butte, there.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank all of our friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted us following the death of our beloved husband and father, Henry J. Bauman, and for the many beautiful floral offerings.—Mrs. Henry Bauman, Mrs. John Protivinsky and family, Gene Bauman, J. Howard Bauman and family, Ralph Bauman and family, Lloyd Bauman.

W. J. Hammond drove to Omaha last Thursday where he met his daughter, Harriett, and the Misses Rose Mary and Ruth Ann Biglin, who are students at the Iowa State University at Ames, and brought them home to spend the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fernholz, of this city, enjoyed a family reunion on Christmas day when their eight children were all present for the Christmas festivities. Albert Fernholz, of Portland, Oregon, arrived here last Thursday and William Fernholz, of Colome, S. D., the only two of the children who are out of this county, came last Sunday to make the family circle complete. It is needless to say they had an enjoyable day.

The Washington office, which is located in Room 1017, House Office Building, Washington, D. C.

And a HAPPY NEW YEAR to all from the Third district Congressional office.

Mahlon H. Nuttelmann

Mahlon H. Nuttelmann died in a hospital in Norfolk last Saturday following an operation for appendicitis, after an illness of about ten days, at the age of 33 years, 2 months and 14 days. The body was brought to this city Saturday and the funeral was held from the Presbyterian church last Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, burial in Prospect Hill cemetery.

Deceased was born at Cedar Rapids, Nebr., on October 9, 1906, and had been a resident of the state all his life. He came to this county in 1927 from Norfolk and had been a resident of the county ever since. Since coming here he had been one of the owners of the Norfolk-O'Neill bus line in partnership with Glen Tomlinson, and he drove one of the busses. He leaves to mourn his passing two sons, Rudolph and Douglas Gene, his father and mother and one sister and two brothers.

Mahlon was a robust man in the prime of life. He had always enjoyed good health until about ten days ago when he suffered an attack of appendicitis. He was operated on and was apparently getting along nicely when pneumonia developed and he succumbed to the attack.

C. E. Downey, of Independence, Mo., arrived in this city for a few days visit with his son, Summer, and with other old-time friends and neighbors. Charley lived in this county for many years, his parents operating a general store near where Star is now located and they were also extensive farmers in the early days. For many years Charley drove a mail route between O'Neill, Star and Niobrara. He moved to this city in the nineties and for years he was one of the most active insurance agents in the county. About twenty years ago he moved to Independence, which has since been his home. Charlie does not look a day older than when he left here and we are of the opinion that he must have discovered the fountain of youth in his southern home.

Orville Winchell, of Omaha, came up Saturday to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben T. Winchell.