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THE DAYS OF LONG AGO

Fifty-Five Years Ago

The Frontier, April 30, 1885.

Married, on Thursday, April 23, 1885, at the Catholic Church, Jerry McCarthy and Miss Mary Dwyer.

The new ordinance passed by the village board provides for the building of sidewalks from the main streets to each of the three churches.

The Frontier, May 7, 1885.

There will be a meeting in McCafferty's Hall Saturday evening for the purpose of discussing the question of bonding this precinct to raise money to build a court house and jail. The house should be crowded.

Dr. P. C. Corrigan, late of Greeley county, where he has a drug store, but formerly of Monroe, Wis., arrived in O'Neill Saturday night and has opened up his drug store in the State Bank Building.

Fifty Years Ago

The Frontier, May 1, 1890.

The Elkhorn Valley Bank will begin the erection next week of their new bank building on the lots adjoining the O'Neill Grocery Co. The building will be 20x32.

Last week the Mineola Sun ceased to shine and the first of this week the outfit was moved into town and will be used in the publication of the O'Neill Sun, the first number of which will be issued next week. Messers Watson and C. C. McHugh will guide the bark over the uncertain seas of journalism.

As announced last week the First National Bank of this city began work Saturday morning with a full set of new officers and directors. The new officers are as follows: Thad. J. Birmingham, president; J. P. Maim, vice president; E. F. Gallagher, cashier; C. C. Millard, T. F. Birmingham, M. Cavanaugh, E. W. Montgomery and the officers above form the board of directors.

Forty Years Ago

The Frontier, May 3, 1900.

Joe Maim was down from Atkinson Monday. Joe has his new store now under way in Atkinson.

A procession of fourteen loads of hogs and five loads of corn pulled in from the north country Wednesday.

Martin Bazelman and Miss Monica Vandersnickt, were married at the Catholic Church at Ewing last Thursday morning at 11 o'clock.

John D. Kelly and Miss Mary A. Harrington were united in marriage at the Catholic Church in this city Tuesday morning.

William R. Butler, county attorney of Holt County, tendered his resignation to the county board, having been under fire for some time. His resignation was accepted and became effective on May 2nd and on that date George A. McCutcheon was elected by the board as his successor.

Thirty Years Ago

The Frontier, May 5, 1910.

C. J. Coffey was over from Spencer Monday, being called here by the serious illness of his mother. Mrs. Coffey was some better Wednesday and son returned home yesterday.

Mary E. McGrane, 73, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. M. J. O'Neill, in this city last Sunday, after an illness of several months.

On Monday, May 2, 1910, at the home of the bride's mother, David Henry Clauson, of Bredon, Nebr., and Miss Margaret Bell Shaw, of O'Neill, were united in marriage by Rev. T. D. Watson, pastor of the Methodist Church.

The Fidelity Bank changed ownership today, O'Neill, Emerson and Omaha parties purchasing the interest of E. E. Halstead in that institution, Mr. Halstead retiring. At a meeting of the stockholders, the following directors were elected: G. H. Haase, S. S. Welpton, O. F. Biglin and J. F. O'Donnell. At a directors meeting the following officers were elected: Geo. H. Haase, president; O. F. Biglin, vice president, and J. F. O'Donnell, cashier.

Twenty Years Ago

The Frontier, April 29, 1920.

Mrs. Viola Brown died at her residence in this city Saturday evening, April 17, after an illness of a few hours of heart failure, at the age of 47 years. Burial was at Ainsley, Nebr., the old family home.

The Frontier, May 6, 1920.

The total amount of rainfall in Holt County during the month of April was 9.22 inches, according to the government rain gauge at the Court house.

Miss Nell Ryan and Thomas Nolan were united in the holy bonds of wedlock at St. Patrick's Church Tuesday morning. Rev. M. F. Cassidy officiating.

Ten Years Ago

The Frontier, May 1, 1930.

Tabulation of the records of O'Neill by the census supervisor shows an increase of fifteen over the 1920 census.

BRIEFLY STATED

John Pat Dunn, of Harrisburg, Illinois, arrived in O'Neill last Friday to assist in the grand opening of the new O'Neill Drug company store.

Jean Kilpatrick and Miss Vivian Erickson, of Norfolk, spent the week-end in O'Neill visiting at the home of Jean's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Kilpatrick.

Mrs. Delores Patton, of Lincoln, Nebraska, arrived in O'Neill Tuesday evening to visit her brother, Leo Mullen, who has been quite ill, but is much improved at this time.

Miss Julia Ann Helgeson left Sunday for Minneapolis, Minn., where she will remain for an extended visit at the home of her parents.

Mrs. Adolph Schroeder, of Omaha, left Monday for her home after spending a few days here visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Vincent and other relatives and friends.

Miss Bernadine Protivinsky entertained her bridge club at her home in this city on Monday evening. Mrs. James Walling and Miss Marion Dickson winning high scores.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Biglin, daughter, Constance, Miss Betty McNally and Mrs. H. J. Birmingham returned Monday from Omaha, where they spent a few days visiting and shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Beha and Mr. and Mrs. Bennett Gillespie returned Thursday from Minneapolis, Minn., where they had been visiting Joe Beha and family and other friends.

Miss Margaret Hammond, who has been attending school in Omaha for the past year, arrived home Saturday night and will work in the office of the county clerk during the absence of her sister, Mary Lois.

Mr. and Mrs. Manley Lockman, who returned last week from Los Angeles, California, were in O'Neill Friday visiting relatives and friends. They returned to Stuart Friday evening where they are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tony Lockman.

Mrs. Charles McKenna, Miss Marion Dickson, Miss Helen Biglin and Judge R. R. Dickson drove to Sioux City Thursday, returning in the evening and brought back Miss Marjorie Dickson, who has been in St. Vincent's hospital there for the past three weeks, home with them.

THE NEBRASKA SCENE

(By The Lowell Service)

Lincoln—Weird and fantastic management of the affairs of the educational lands and funds, custodians of Nebraska's largest and most important trust, may be aired in the Lancaster county district court. R. H. Walker, Lincoln accountant, has filed suit to compel an additional tax levy to bring the trust fund back to about \$12,000,000 from \$11,242,107.09. The difference is the sum lost by mismanagement and "improvident investment," he alleges.

Walker asks that an accounting be had to determine the amount lost; that the board of educational lands and funds certify the loss; that the district court order the amount raised by taxation, and that the state board of equalization include the necessary amount in the next levy.

Two legislative sessions side-stepped investigation and action, the plaintiff charges. Both the board of equalization and the board of educational lands and funds failed to give due consideration, he says. Plaintiff claims he is a taxpayer, a patron of the schools, and a citizen. He has been damaged by loss of the income from the trust fund because, for so long as it remains diminished, it will be necessary for himself and other taxpayers to supply other funds to carry on the work of education.

Members of the board of educational lands and funds are Governor Cochran, Secretary of State Swanson, State Treasurer Havekost, and Attorney General Johnson. A proposed amendment to the constitution, adding the state superintendent to the personnel of the board, was defeated at the last election. The last legislature submitted another proposal.

The affairs of the board of educational lands and funds have been reviewed impartially and exclusively in this column during the last two years. Also noted was the apathy of the taxpayers' groups in regard to the situation. The last election left the board tied—Governor Cochran and Secretary of State Swanson, democrats, Attorney General Johnson and the late State Treasurer Bass, republicans. It was at the conclusion of a heated meeting of this board that Dr. Bass died of a heart attack. Robert Nelson was assigned by Attorney General Johnson to give legal advice relative to the affairs of the board. A suit had to be filed in order to pay him.

The board of equalization is also a defendant. This body consists of Governor Cochran, Tax Commis-

sioner Smith, State Auditor Johnson, Secretary of State Swanson, and State Treasurer Havekost. As noted in this column, an overdraft is piling up in the general fund.

Some say it is because of the delayed payment of taxes; others claim that the levy fixed by the board of equalization is too low. Whenever the subject came up in the legislature, most taxpayers' league boosters scooted for the cloak rooms.

An effort is being outlined to hang the school-fund shortage and the general-fund deficit on the gasoline taxpayer. In order to head off this scheme and circumvent alleged interferences by the railroads, highway users have planned a three-day convention in Lincoln May 9, 10, and 11. At this congress, representatives of commercial trucks and farm trucks will attend from Nebraska. So will highway users from six states.

Frank S. Henline, congress director, is outlining the program, on which men high up among the motor carriers will appear. It is expected that a proposed amendment to prevent the diversion of gasoline taxes from highway construction will appear.

According to state university experts, Nebraska has the greatest underground water supply of any state in the union. If the subterranean supply was lifted from the water-bearing gravel beds and brought to the surface, the entire state would be covered with water 18 feet deep.

Through faults and openings in the gravel beds, this water leaves the state at various points. Texas' ground flow has been brought to the surface by cleverly placed floating dams—structures resting on steel piling driven through the gravel to impervious strata. The master dam planned for construction near Republican City is more a water trap than a flood-control structure. For holding back flood waters, dams of a different type must be constructed near the headwaters.

The Nebraska Supreme court has held that municipalities have a legal right to sell appliances to customers. In the case of Nelson-Johnson & Dubna against the Metropolitan Utilities district, appealed from Omaha, the court held that the right to sell appliances to gas consumers was implied. The Nelson company challenged the right of the District to advertise and sell appliances. The court replied that the District has every right and power enjoyed by a private company. The effect of the opinion will be to encourage muni-

cipal plants to advertise and sell appliances where local merchants are backward in developing the field.



Congressmen Uniformed

Hardly one member of the house or senate know anything about the occupation of Norway and Denmark by the Nazi troops until they picked up their newspapers early Tuesday morning. The state department, however, had plenty of information and those who passed the gray-stone building were informed that that department had been busy all night. They had advanced information from the American minister in Norway.

When the house convened, members met each others with newspapers in their hands and discussed the matter in excited tones. Congressman Harold Kundson of Minnesota, who voted against war with Germany, is a Norweigan. He was born there and has relatives there. He seemed dazed and just didn't know what to say. He talked several times during the day with friends in the state department. To close friends he declared: "I still say we won't get into any foreign war. We just have to keep out."

The new events seem to have dazed many members who now admit that no one knows what the future may bring to this war torn world. Most members agree that it is a mighty good time for Americans to remain calm and keep their feet on the ground. They are watching every move and praying that nothing will happen to again bring us into a foreign war.

Members from Nebraska, South Dakota and Iowa have been appearing before the food committee during this week. This committee may bring out a bill soon authorizing an unusual amount of flood control work on rivers all over the country. The Third district is asking the committee to include authorization for a large erosion control project from Knox county to South Sioux City where considerable valuable farm land had been destroyed by erosion and where future floods may do considerable damage unless protection is given immediately. Army engineers have investigated this proposed project and indicate recommendations have been made. Approval from the chief of the army engineers is needed and also some authorization from congress before appropriations can be asked for this needy river project.

Speaker Bankhead is sick. He has gone to Florida. He has lost fifteen pounds in the past few months. A few years ago, he stayed away from the house throughout the session on account of illness. Then former Speaker Joe Byrnes passed away and Mr. Bankhead took over the job. It has been a hard grind for him and he shows it. "I want to be away from the crowds—somewhere where I can't hear the telephone ring for a long time," he tells his intimate friends. Mr. Bankhead has heart trouble—an ailment affecting many other members right now.

When will congress adjourn? That's the question which comes in many letters from home. Sam Rayburn as majority leader and John Tabor, minority ranking member on the appropriations committee figured that out the other day. It all depends on when the last appropriation bill is passed and whether or not the senate stages a filibuster on the anti-lynching bill. But chances are that adjournment can come any day between June 8 and 10.

There are but two more appropriation bills to come up. Next is the relief bill which is scheduled to come up about May 7. Then comes the last deficiency bill, scheduled for May 21. It will take about two weeks from the passage of that bill until adjournment can be reached. The new relief bill will call for around a billion and a half dollars. The last deficiency bill will carry around a million and a half dollars.

Total appropriations during this year will be close to thirteen billion dollars, compared to around fourteen billions a year ago.

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Benefit for the Band
And Contestants
SATURDAY
May 4th
in the
GOLDEN HOTEL
Your Help and Patronage will be appreciated.

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Gifts Of All Kinds for
MOTHER'S DAY
STANNARD'S

Outlaw Grocery

STOCK SALT 100 Pound bags 39c	Garden and Flower Seeds 3 Packets 10c
OYSTER SHELLS 100 pound bags 69c	ONION SETS Quart 6c
MINERAL SALT 50 pound blocks 69c	Tomato & Cabbage Plants 8c doz., 2 doz. 15c, or 10 Dozen Box 60c
HOMINY No. 2 cans 6c	Golden Table Syrup Gallon Pails 41c
PEAS Early June 9c	PANCAKE FLOUR 3 Pound Bag 10c
Tomatoes or Cream Corn 2 No. 2 cans for 15c	CORNMEAL 5 Pound Bag 10c
GALLON FRUITS	
PRUNES Gallon 27c	PEANUT BUTTER Quart Glass Jars 20c
BLACKBERRIES Gallon 45c	Salad Dressing or Sandwich Spread, qt. glass jar 20c
PEACHES & APRICOTS Gallon 39c	Puffed Wheat or Rice Large packages, 2 for 9c
CHERRIES, Royal Ann Gallon 45c	Crackers, Iten Berrmittlers, 2 lb. carton 14c
CANDY, Peanut Brittle or Mixed Candy, 2 lbs 15c	ARMOUR'S MILK 3 cans 10c
LAUNDRY SOAP 4 Giant bars 10c	
CHICK STARTER 100 lb. bag \$2.35	
CHICK GRAINS 100 lb. bag \$2.25	
MEATS & CHEESE	
LARD 2 1-Pound pkgs. 15c	SUMMER SAUSAGE Per Pound 16c
BACON SQUARES Smoked, per pound 7c	CANNED WEINIES, Large can 7c, 3 for 20c
SALT PORK Per Pound 6c	SPRY 3 Pound Can 49c
Cheese American or Brick 2 Pound Boxes 43c	
OLEO 2 Pounds 21c	

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of this week, so call now and take advantage of a new and complete line of merchandise and at new low prices.

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