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Hot Weather Problems

Every season of the year brings its own particular problems. Spring, Summer, Fall and Winter—they all have their problems. They are not all necessarily vital or important—some of them, indeed, in retrospect, appear insignificant and unimportant; but, at the moment, they loom on the horizon of our lives as quite momentous.

Life is like that. It is a series of experiences, some of which are pleasant and some of which are disagreeable. In the lives of some fortunate people, it seems to us at times, of course, that there is very little of the hard and disagreeable—they "get all the breaks," we say; but we can't even be sure of that. If we knew all the facts, we might come to a different conclusion.

On the other hand, there are vast numbers of people in the world who are undoubtedly unfortunate. Apparently, they never get any "breaks." The "cards are stacked against them" and they have to struggle desperately even to make a bare living. Frequently, too, they are handicapped by afflictions of various kinds, such as poverty, sickness, deformity and other misfortunes.

But every season brings its own problems, some of which are really serious and some of which are trivial. The big, important, vital problem in this part of the country, obviously, is the crops.

There is nothing imaginary about that. It is real for the welfare of us all depends on the crops, now and in the future, and, consequently, the condition of the crops and weather conditions which determine the outcome at harvest time are watched from day to day with intense interest. A good, seasonable rain fills every heart with joy and hope; threat of a destructive drouth arouses alarm and fear.

We had a good example of that in May and June. May was an unusually dry month for that time of year. The weather records showed it was one of the driest in history and the people of O'Neill, Holt county and of this entire section of the state began to worry. Their state of mind was reflected in their faces and in their conversation. They knew from bitter experience how serious a drouth can be, how destructive it can be, and they were genuinely alarmed. The effect of the dry weather was evident in the fields, pastures, grazing lands, gardens and lawns and it caused widespread apprehension.

Then, came June and the scene changed almost over night. Rain began to fall—copious, life-giving rains—and the Spring drouth came to an end. Vegetation was revived, crops, pastures, gardens and lawns were refreshed, and people were greatly relieved. It was a new and different picture which was reflected in the columns of The Frontier and in the casual conversation of the street.

Yes, every season of the year has its own particular problems and the hot weather season, which has arrived, is no exception. There are only about 2 months of real hot weather in Nebraska. There have been years, it is true, like 1936, when June was a terribly hot month, but that was an exception. Ordinarily, July and August are the hot months with a few days of hot weather in September and, then, all at once, before we are scarcely aware of it, Fall has arrived and we are beginning to look forward to another long, cold Winter. We scarcely need to add that, in this climate, the big Winter problem is fuel.

In an agricultural and stock raising state like Nebraska, the crops are naturally the major problem and, even if there is plenty of rainfall in June, as there was this year, July and August are still critical periods. More than one crop which was promising in June has been burned up later in the season. We can never be sure of a harvest until the small grains are in the stack or even until the corn is in the crib.

Crops are the major problem during the hot weather season, but there are others. Health is a problem which requires attention for there are certain diseases which are more prevalent in the Summer than in cool weather. Food and diet also demand attention. Travel, motoring, swimming and other outdoor activities reach their height at this season and are hazardous, and even the minor problems of lawns and gardens deserve some consideration. There are plenty of hot weather problems which will demand our attention during the next 2 months and The Frontier suggests that intelligence, industry and faith are the qualities which will be most needed during these more or less trying days.

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Fireworks for Free

Several thousand persons gathered at the Country club or parked in automobiles along the fringe of the club's acreage Sunday night to witness the Fourth of July fireworks demonstration. For a private club to undertake the task of entertaining the public for free to an expensive fireworks exhibition is, indeed, an accomplishment. The club officials and members are to be congratulated.

There are, no doubt, lesser shows and better shows presented in other cities and towns, but most of them will have had a commercial tie-in. The commercial aspect is understandable and most fathers will agree from experience that fireworks this year are not on the inexpensive side.

The Fourth of July fireworks exhibition at the Country club is a tradition. It began a few years back with members bringing along their relatives and friends. Today, however, the club several weeks in advance heralds the exhibition as sort of an "open house" affair. Sunday's throng of spectators was easily a record.

Even if strings had been attached, The Frontier thinks the 1948 edition was a mighty good show. But the fireworks were for free and that made the show even better.

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John H. McCarville, The Frontier's cameraman, lives photography. The other day he bounced into the office, laid a copy of the Reader's Digest on the editor's desk and exclaimed: "I don't see how they make a go of it. No pictures!"

Radio audiences have gone contest-crazy. What the effect of all these contests and the giving away of so many fabulous prizes is going to be remains to be seen.

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The weatherman was a much more popular individual in June in Holt county and Nebraska than he was in May.



FRANCIS CARDINAL SPELLMAN IN JAPAN . . . As Millions of American GIs found out, kids are cute in any country, and apparently Francis Cardinal Spellman, of New York, is one who agrees with that sentiment. Visiting in Japan, he is shown here during one of his tours that brought him to a Catholic church which had been bombed out during the war. He talks to three of the children who attend the school that is taught by nuns and maids.

Prairieland Talk —

Romaine Escapes 'Comely Dame' Who Is Looking for a Husband

By ROMAINE SAUNDERS

LINCOLN—Interesting reading gets into that old institution—the Congressional Record. Here is one such of recent issue:

The Honorable Raymond E. Baldwin, Senator from Connecticut. "Dear Sir: The other day I went to the drug store to buy some baby cream for Louis, our year old son, whose little bottom had gotten all red and irritated.

I was charged 47 cents for a jar which holds about 2 ounces. That price is high enough to pay for this product, but when I have to give 10 additional cents for luxury tax for a baby item, that is when I get my dander up.

Since when has it been considered a luxury for a baby to have a sore bottom? It is hard enough to raise a family and give America the healthy future sons, daughters and voters she needs without these additional burdens such as luxury taxes on essential baby items. —Mrs. Louis W. Mingione. (Congress adjourned without bringing relief to the Connecticut mother and her baby.)

A gent up in the Black Hills has a collection of 800 rattlesnakes. Tourist are entertained by this unusual specimen of the genus homo "milk-ing" the venom from a rattler and drinking it. He will have little or no competition.

An unusual number of young couples have heard the wedding bells ring the past month. Here are some suggestions to help you with the children you may have—but we only raised a family of 8.

The supreme court of Colorado has decreed that squirrels are wild animals. Wild is a harsh word. Maybe timid would be better.

If Mr. Truman's swing across country had political aims he had better remained in Washington.

At Laramie, Wyo., where another generation of 2-fisted and 2-gun gents took care of themselves, the softness of modern culture has taken over. A notable gentleman of education was invited out from Chicago and took to the Laramie trail to tell a group at the Wyoming university that world government is "the only alternative that can bring peace." If further remarks of the Chicago educator were quoted correctly he is neither an American patriot nor a desirable functionary of a great university, and would probably have been lynched for saying it a half-century ago.

A South American country has been heard from with comment on the Republican presidential nominees. They are suspicious of Dewey because he has said nothing about being a good neighbor. If the South American conception of "good neighbor" means a continuation of the stream of U. S. dollars flowing that way they would probably be disappointed with Dewey in the White House.

The midnight train roared to the station, I picked up my luggage and stepped out onto the platform as the engine wheezed to a stop. A comely dame approached me and announced: "I am looking for a husband—do you want to get married?" Ducking into coach 78 I reached my destination without being kidnapped and am still at liberty.

The Sunday edition of a Denver paper carried 50 columns set in 6 point of city and suburban properties for sale. The Lincoln Sunday paper has 1 page devoted to "homes for sale." Sales actually effected are very few, probably because very few have that "down payment."

A hunt is on in southwest Nebraska to ascertain what the early plains Indians used for garbage cans. Public funds thus expended might more profitably be employed in fixing up bad roads.

An Atlantic coast state man and a Pacific coast state man in the field for president and vice-president looks like a good combination. Ohio has had a large share of presidents. Michigan and Minnesota will have to try again. After the razzle dazzle, hair-pulling, trading and shouting the delegates made it unanimous for the New York governor and the California governor.

Out in Dawes county there are about 70 thousand acres of government land. The county commissioners see a possible 12 hundred in cash added to county funds if they can induce congress to make an appropriation to that end. A kid contemplating setting up a popcorn stand should first ask congress for an appropriation.

Got a headache? Stand on your head—if you can do the trick. No less an authority than the headache specialist at Cornell university prescribes the head standing cure.

Seven inches precipitation in 2 weeks following The Frontier's promise of rain, qualifies this publication as a great rain-maker.

It's not what you want that makes you fat; it is what you get.

Good-Better-Best Club Meets — EMMET — Good-Better-Best 4-H club met at the home of Kay Johnson on Tuesday, June 30, with all members present but 2.

The regular business meeting was held at which dimes were collected from the girls to go toward the movie projector which will be bought by the county agent for the amusement of the 4-H clubs throughout the county. Plans were also made for the 4-H picnic.

Samples of cake made by the girls were judged by Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Leon Beckwith.

A lunch was served and the next meeting will be a 4-H picnic at the home of the assistant leader, Leona Ferne Beckwith.—By Marybelle O'Connor, news reporter.

Visit in O'Neill— Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Isaacs and daughters, Farrell and Nancy, are here from Oklahoma City, Okla., visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Wyant and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Bourne.

Lyle Dierks Is New Board Chairman

EWING — At a meeting of the Ewing village school board, held on Friday, July 2, new officers were elected. The new chairman is Lyle P. Dierks, who had been serving as treasurer for the past 2 years. M. B. Huffman is the new treasurer, and C. Donald Vogel is the new secretary.

F. V. Urdil retired as treasurer this year, and E. V. Ruby retired as the chairman.

Other members of the board are Victor Marquardt, E. A. Harris and Leland Welke.

William Tenborg Returns from West

EMMET — William Tenborg returned last week from Castle Rock, Wash., following an extended visit with his daughter, Mrs. Bruce Hummel, and his son, William Tenborg, jr.

Other Emmet News

Mrs. Frank Foreman, Norma Lou and Jeanie Kay and Mrs. Mamie Allen visited at the Wayne Bates home Wednesday evening, July 1.

Bob McCaffery, of Boulder Colo., is visiting relatives and friends here.

Paul Newton and Melvie and Donna, Bob, Betty and Derold Perry visited at the William Newton home Friday, July 2.

Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Dailey, Eddie and Patty, of North Platte, spent a few days last week visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Dailey.

Mrs. Agnes Gaffney visited Mrs. Ed Flood in O'Neill on Thursday, July 1.

Miss Mavis Spry, of O'Neill, spent a few days last week visiting her aunt, Mrs. Larry Tenborg.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil McMillan celebrated the Fourth at the Harold McMillan home in Newport.

Miss Corrine Murphy, of O'Neill, spent several days last week visiting her cousin, Maurice Murphy.

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Junior Missionary Group Founded

EWING — The Junior Missionary society of the United Presbyterian church organized Wednesday afternoon, June 30, at the home of Mrs. Ralph Schrader. Mrs. Rolland Hord, superintendent of the children's department of the Bible school, opened the meeting and introduced the members to the prayer cycle, a calendar of prayers for each day of the month to be hung in their rooms.

Mrs. Richard Napier gave them thank-offering boxes, which are for a special November offering. She also gave them dime special cards.

Mrs. Ralph Schrader closed with a story, "The Little Candles." There were 5 juniors and 10 Little Light Bearers (those under 6 years of age) present. They will meet monthly, the first Sunday of the month during the Bible school hour.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Rolland Hord, Mrs. Richard Napier, Mrs. Ralph Schrader and Mrs. C. Donald Vogel.

Visit at Welkes —

EWING—Mr. and Mrs. Wesen Gage and daughter and Mrs. Lucy Linder, of Atkinson, Miss Anna Chace and Mrs. William Tottenhoff, of Norfolk, and Mrs. Otto Bailey were guests of Mrs. E. H. Welke and family, Sunday, June 27.

REGIS HOTEL All Rooms with Bath OMAHA Home of the Popular White Horse Inn and Cafe Regis

July Dress Clearance



That crisp, cool and refreshing summer dress can now be yours! Fresh cottons in chambrays, piques and gingham. All new smart-looking dresses, with that new fullness and longer length. Each dress has been reduced to please your budget. Take advantage of these wonderful savings!

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