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**Courage Is Needed**

Courage is essential. Under a great many different kinds of circumstances and conditions in just the average life in this world courage is essential. In the whole range of human experience and activity, both in the world today and in past ages, there are a vast number of people who have needed courage to live and to carry on their various projects: the explorer, inventor, scientist, religious leader, missionary, pioneer, student, statesman, teacher, businessman, wife and mother. All these and a multitude of other individuals, each with his or her own problems, struggles and, perhaps, hardships to perplex and contend with all in need of courage to overcome and win the victory.

It is an inspiring thought and the glorious victory of other people against tremendous odds in the past along various lines of human endeavor should encourage all of us of the present generation to fight harder and more courageously to accomplish our own objectives.

When people become discouraged, they cease to live and achieve.

This thought seems generally true and applicable to all classes of individuals, but it seems especially appropriate at the commencement season when countless numbers of ardent, ambitious young men and women are leaving our schools and colleges to face the uncertainties, perplexities and dangers of the present age.

Life is not an easy proposition at any time and it is never more difficult than it is in 1949.

It requires courage to live and accomplish things and the graduate will require all the stamina and endurance possible in order to succeed.

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**School's Out! Watch Out!**

"School's Out! Watch Out!" says the Nebraska safety council in one of its recent bulletins.

The Summer months, when the children are out-of-doors, always brings an increase in traffic fatalities among school-age youngsters. Last Summer, 19 children were killed in Nebraska alone; the same number were killed in 1947 during the vacation period.

These cold statistics do not impress the casual reader, much less the careless driver of motor vehicles. A tragic incident in which a child is maimed or mangled or even fatally injured sometimes creates only a temporary impression on motorists.

Holt county has had more than its share of violent deaths in recent months and drivers must use extra caution now that school children are free in the out-of-doors.

But the responsibility doesn't end with the driver. Parents should take part in the safety program by teaching their children the principles of safe walking and the necessity for alertness to the dangers of automobile traffic.

One needs only to watch traffic move through O'Neill's main downtown intersection a few hours to witness "close calls" between automobiles and pedestrians. Eternal vigilance is required on the part of all.

Let's be extra careful this Summer.

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Romaine Saunders suggests there is a crying need for sidewalk improvement. He doubts if ever the human's walking legs will be supplanted by new-fangled gadgets and suggests that the Diamond Jubilee year is as good as any to replace many of the walks that are up to three score years old.

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People who are privileged to live in Nebraska at this delightful season of the year are also privileged to see some of the most beautiful scenery in the world. Nothing more beautiful than the green fields and hills and the luxuriant trees, filled with warbling birds.

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O'Neill will be a mecca for golfers early next week. Many of these visitors will come intact with merchants, shopkeepers and professional people on the streets as well as on the links. Let's greet them warmly and impress them favorably.

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The weatherman could by no stretch of the imagination be called a conservative.

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"Problems Are the Price of Progress"—how would that be for a slogan?

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Every holiday is followed by a ghastly toll of dead and injured.

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And let us not forget all the beautiful June brides!

**NOTICE !!**

I have taken over DENNIS' SHOE SHOP and am now open for business.

**ANDY SCHACHT**



**Everything from Sauerkraut to Atlantic Pact Gets Attention on First National Steps**

By ROMAINE SAUNDERS

For 65 years the stone steps of the First National bank have served as the local Mars Hill, where everything, from the right method of making sauerkraut to the Atlantic pact, have been duly discussed and the



Romaine Saunders

most profound conclusions arrived at. Mike Sullivan, Bennet Martin, Hank McEvony, Bill Fallon, John McCafferty and many others, each in his generation, contributors of their inexhaustible fund of knowledge and understanding toward the solution of domestic and world problems. This generation has its goodly portion of able citizens contributing to the enlightenment of those who daily gather on the bank steps. Now it is time O'Neill furnishes a fitting place with benches, say in the shade of the trees on the courthouse lawn, where gentlemen of leisure and visiting friends can gather to talk things over during the long Summer days.

Pink roses perfume the air. Robins, bobolinks and cardinals flit from bough-to-bough among the foliage, the plaintive note of the mourning dove at dawn, the flash of scarlet on a blackbird's wing in the morning sunbeam, the hum of insects, the soft rustle of leaves in tree tops, the green and bright colors of floral bloom adorning open spaces—the long and dreaded Winter is past, the charm of Summer days again brighten, and quiet nights unfold, the vast prairie land.

Friends and adherents, critics and enemies of the late President Roosevelt and the new generation will have soon spread before them in book stalls another volume portraying the great New Dealer, this one by his former confidential secretary. Biographies and memoirs have become stale. I have seen books with some national notable staring at you from the cover in great unsold piles on the book counters, a line drawn through the original figure on the price tag and reprinted at a lower figure. This new one about FDR will give the Women's clubs another chance at a book review.

The American Medical association brings to bear the weight of a great organization opposing government interference in their business. If socialized medicine becomes a reality the physicians of the large cities will be to blame. The specialists in many cities are in agreement for financial reasons and there is neither competition among them nor the high aims of professional service in the healing art. This

profession of a great and honored profession has become dominant in many places and there is a feeling among laymen and doctors themselves that the AMA is due for a housecleaning.

If O'Neill is not to have city mail delivery it would help to remedy a situation that the town has outgrown to place mail boxes at convenient corners where letters could be dropped. As it is there is no way to mail a letter but go to the postoffice, and that is about a mile from some points in the city. The mail service is not keeping pace with the growing community. This doubtless is not attributed to inefficiency in the local office and if brought to the attention of the department in Washington may not accomplished desired results, unless the citizens want it to the extent that sidewalks will be put in a condition whereby mail carriers can travel the streets.

Humanism is being flaunted as the hallowed highway to peace on earth and good will among the nations. I wonder if it has not been humanism, the human element devoid of divine inspiration, the greed and lust for earthly dominion—distilled, raw humanism—that is the cause and fulfillment of all the raging battle fields; humanism that has inspired the Alexanders and the Caesars, that has driven the plowshare of destruction across fair lands, dug the graves of fallen nations and filled the earth with lamentation and woe. Humanism indeed! Let it step aside, make room for the celestial spirit to come in.

While a lot of folks have been fretting about the weather and concerned over material things, members of a church group have been on their knees in O'Neill for two weeks enjoying in their way the things of the spirit. The Wesleyan Methodist membership of a number of churches met here and for a fortnight laid aside the affairs of earth to lift their aspirations in celestial realms. Maybe it would help everybody to pause on occasion to shake the worldly dust from their garments and start over clothed in bright new spiritual robes. The Wesleyans are now planning to take their young people to the Niobrara state park next month for a five days' youth camp.

It appears that they are not frightened at the word tax up at Bassett. They have just voted on a bond proposition for an airport and are for it strong. The derrick long ago was taken down and the search for oil abandoned up there, the whistling post to which Kid Wade was hung was replaced after a few years, the bedbug infested pioneer hotel has disappeared from the picture and our neighboring county seat town goes marching on into the airplane and atomic age. Who cares for cost?

If enough signatures can be

secured, the state's 10 million dollar road building program will run against a referendum vote. A movement is on to get the proposal before the voters in 1950. To get the required number of signatures appears to be the simple process of seeing the required number of voters as the mood at present on the surface is to vote down anything that savers a 10 million dollar tax bill.

The paved lanes through O'Neill's business district are kept swept and garnished for the

glittering new automobiles but the footman is officially left to his peril on the jungle paths that Dan Camron laid of concrete nearly a half-century ago, now fallen to decay and reposing in mud and water. Household could well emulate the city street sweepers and maintain a bit of respectability along their sidewalks.

Once in a while some one has the courage to speak up. Here is one thing they heard out at Alliance the other day at the Nebraska Stock Growers associa-

tion annual meeting: "It is not unusual to hear a rancher remark that his cattle are paid for, his ranch is clear and that he is better off financially than he has ever been," said Mr. Coffee of the Omaha Union stock yards. "He should be reminded of the 252 billion dollar mortgage that Uncle Sam holds on his place."

**Visit Pribils—**

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Clemens and Joan, and Mary Ellen Smith visited at the Leonard Pribil home near O'Neill Sunday, June 5.

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