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SMALL DOSES PAST AND PRESENT

By Romaine Saunders

The '88 blizzard stories have gone through a 58-year enlargement process.

You might share your pound of butter with those dry bread eaters in California. We can't ship them a house but a package of butter goes by express.

With soldiers, strikers, groups from many sides bringing pressure to bear in a dizzy whirl the poor congressman is getting about as severe a dose of post war headache as the next one.

So far neither bus, truck, electric, telephone or other strike has disturbed the prairie land. Buses and truck drivers, telephone girls and table waiters are happily functioning throughout the community.

Just how much of the blaring and braying over the alleged plunder of the assistance funds is because of an honest interest in the welfare of the beneficiaries of the funds or how much of it is pure political claptrap?

Irrigation enthusiasts are to turn it all over to the partners of Uncle Sam in the revamping of Europe and Asia. My own view is that the scientists who produced the inflammable atom should have the control of their discovery.

Boys with the city dailies come before daylight. Then you have the daily grist of strikes, accidents, crime and the headache in Washington. But for the news of pleasant things, the activities of a happy people, you wait for—these little weekly papers.

Irrigation enthusiasts are toying with the idea of violating the Niobrara to irrigate 300,000 acres. The volume of water might dampen a hundredth part of such a tract, spoil the catfishing, rob the valley and the gulches of its natural heritage and compensate with a few loads of melons.

The stone wall that the army of strikers seem to have encountered does not lend encouragement to workers in the few remaining unaffected industries to join the walk-out procession. Maybe some of those big industries around Detroit are now determined to move to more congenial localities or stay closed indefinitely.

The January evening sky is aflame with color. Sunset in the prairie is a picture of alluring charm; the pink, the gold, the azure blend to intrigue the eye, to hold us at eventide in a bit of transcending loveliness. A touch of gaiety that fades into night's shadows and blooms again into celestial dots of light dusted across the far expanse of eternity. The prairie lies in somber winter robes and traffic moves freely over dun-gray roads, cattle feed in the open spaces with no snow to hinder—and withal we are having a pretty fine winter in this grassland of Nebraska.

Accidents, more or less serious, are not confined to the highways of earth or air. They have become rather alarming out where it has hitherto been regarded as a field of peaceful and happy pursuits. Machines have taken over the land, the plow, the reaper and other emblems of agriculture. Machines are also taking a toll of human hands, of crushed limbs, of broken bodies. How much of this is the result of carelessness, or at least a lack of caution, is not for one sitting in comparative safety at a desk to say. Tractors and corn pickers are responsible for most of the reports of a hand taken off. This seems quite avoidable. It is always a risk, a potential tragedy, to reach into any part of a moving machine. The railroad warning, Stop, Look, Listen, has filled a mission. Maybe the farm worker can borrow the one word, Stop. Turn off the power and when wheels no longer

revolve reach to remedy the difficulty.

They're after you again. This time it's your very duds having cleaned the pocketbook. So shed them and fork over. From one of those "Area" directors down at Omaha comes the mandate to O'Neill citizens to gather up clothing for the needy overseas. And nobody ever new this community failing to respond, generously and gladly, to a call for help. We are fed like gormands, clothed and housed beyond real needs and there is not a lean and hungry Cassius among us. There will be receptacles about town where clothing may be left as well as women's organizations taking clothing to make any needed repairs. Anything that can be worn, furnish covering to bare feet and naked bodies is now greatly needed in distant lands ravished and denuded, starved and diseased by the ravages of war. And maybe generous souls will feel like tossing in a new suit or less to gladden some hapless ragamuffin. Judge Reimer is taking on active interest in the work here.

Mrs. P. B. Harty was hostess to the Martez club Tuesday evening at a 7:00 o'clock dinner at the M and M. Twelve guests were present and later in the evening cards were played at the Harty home. High scores were made by Mrs. Ed Campbell, Mrs. F. Cronin and Mrs. Ed M. Gallagher.

Pvt. John Etherton is spending a furlough with relatives in the city before returning to Camp Roberts, California.

First Presbyterian Church

Kenneth J Scott Pastor
Sunday, January 20, 1946
10 a. m., Sunday School, John Harbottle, Supt.

11 a. m., Morning Worship.
Sermon: "Spiritual Surgery."
5:30 p. m., Junior Christian Endeavor.

7 p. m., Westminster Fellowship. Leader, Dick Remy.
Tuesday, January 22, Mid-week Devotional Service at 8 p. m.
Thursday, January 24. Our third monthly "Christian Neighbors Social." This social begins at 8 p. m. Circle No. 2 has charge of it. Let us come and enter into this fellowship with our whole heart.

ST. MARY'S WINS OVER BUTTE HIGH SCHOOL 39-23

Thursday, January 10, several of St. Mary's Cardinals went to Butte where they played a wonderful game against the Wildcats. The first quarter was the most successful for the Cardinals, making 14 points to the Wildcats six.

After a short rest the Cardinals come out on the floor and with their luck holding up they shot every way there is to make a point. In this quarter the S. M. A. Cardinals made an additional 12 points, with Willson as high-point man. The score at the half was 26-12.

In the third quarter the Cardinals met with a little more competition. It seemed that the Wildcats were a different team after the half, but they were still unable to make any points during this quarter, whereas the Cardinals made 4. The score at the end of the third quarter was 30 to 12.

The final quarter was one of much excitement, although the score was a little one-sided from the beginning. After about two minutes of playing the Wildcats began shooting long shots and making many of them. Hansen was fouled out of the game. The score ended 39-23 in favor of St. Mary's.

Willson was high point man for the Cardinals with 13 and Koehler for Butte with 10.

The St. Marys Reserves also announce their victory over the Butte Reserves with a score of 38 to 8.

Torn Harty was high point man for the St. Marys Reserves with 13 points.
Having a wonderful display of teamwork from the team, Joe Biglin, the reserve team coach, was proud of them and so were we all. Congratulations, team.

Organize to Get Hospital Started

Last Monday evening a number of prominent leaders and business men of O'Neill met in the library at St. Mary's Academy for the purpose of discussing plans for a community hospital. The meeting was an animated one in which each person present expressed his opinion freely. All present were in favor of the project, and pledged their individual and united support. William J. Froelich was unanimously selected as chairman of a permanent general committee. As plans stand every man who was present will serve as chairman or member of a specialized committee. Contacts will be made in a wide area. According to present plans the hospital will be located on the lots west of the academy, set back so that the park will form its front lawn and contain a driveway.

The size of the building will depend almost entirely upon the designations and requirements of the doctors of the area to be served.

BRIEFLY STATED

Miss Genevieve Biglin returned to Sioux City Tuesday after a visit with the home folks.

M. Sgt. Cletus Sullivan, who returned from overseas last week, will arrive home Friday.

Mrs. Joe Shipman arrived Saturday from Randolph to visit her sister-in-law, Mrs. Clara Miles.

Ed O'Donnell of Denver, came up from Omaha Tuesday evening for a short visit with the home folks.

Romaine Saunders made a business trip to Lincoln Monday afternoon, returning Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Harty left for Sioux City last Sunday, where Ben entered St. Vincent's hospital for treatment.

Robert Gallagher came up from Omaha Tuesday evening and is a guest at the home of his mother, Mrs. Bea Gallagher.

Mrs. John Frenking came up from Omaha Tuesday evening for a visit with her sisters, Mrs. Mame Melvin and Mrs. Bea Gallagher.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde McKenzie returned home last Friday, after spending a couple of weeks visiting relatives and friends in the eastern part of the state.

Mrs. C. E. Stout, Mrs. Edward M. Gallagher, Mrs. Ed Campbell, Mrs. H. J. Birmingham and Mrs. W. J. Froelich drove to Norfolk Monday evening to see St. Mary's play Sacred Heart.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Campbell drove to Grand Island Sunday where they met their son, Seaman 2-c Eddie Campbell, who came in that evening from San Diego, California. He will return to San Diego Saturday.

Richard Cronin came up from Norfolk Wednesday evening to spend the balance of the week at home. The first semester is over and the second starts next Monday morning, so the students are having a few days of rest after their examinations.

William Wells one of the pioneer residents of the Redbird section of the county, was transacting business in this city Monday and made this office a pleasant call, extending his subscription to The Frontier, which he has read for nearly a half century, to 1947.

W. A. Summers was up from Wheeler county Monday and found time while in the city to visit the printers. Serving for many years on the county board and their official jobs in Wheeler makes him one of the well informed men especially on tax affairs, which at present is and absorbing matter to the fellows who have to "dig up."

Holt county has been exceedingly well favored with mild weather, open winter. The counties south of Holt have had much snow which remains in drifts on down to the valley of the Platte and east through the "corn belt." And mountains of corn are cribbed in farm-yards, with an outfit now and then along the way still in the fields gathering the crop. Few if any cattle are seen in feed lots and the corn for the most part remains untouched in heaps. At Lincoln you need fur coats and sheep-lined boots to keep out the cold. Judge Meyers down from Alliance thought he would become frost-bitten before he could get out of Lincoln and back to Nebraska's better climate region. Roads in Holt county could hardly be better and no snow banks adorn the landscape.



List of registrants discharged since last report:

Fred Colfack, Jr., Ewing
Omer G. Gibson, Ewing
Donall L. Pollack, Ewing
Duane L. Domina, Atkinson
Robert W. Allendorfer, O'Neill
Earl R. Hunt, O'Neill
Maurice C. Hupp, Ewing
Carl C. Spangler, Clearwater
John H. Gallagher, O'Neill
John Bilstein, Amelia
Edward D. Etherton, O'Neill
Leo B. Valla, O'Neill
Henry F. Kruger, Stuart
Raymond A. Munson, O'Neill
Edward R. Jordan, Page
Charles E. Russell, Page
Ernest W. Larson, Spencer
Louis D. Walters, Chambers
Maurice E. Tomjack, Ewing
James P. Higgins, O'Neill
William L. Lofquist, Ewing
Paul J. Deemer, Atkinson
Leo S. King, Stuart
Owen M. Hiatt, O'Neill
Donald L. Carroll, Atkinson
Clyde McKendie, Dorsey
Ralph Colfack, Ewing
Harold E. Cnors, O'Neill
Alvin Kloppenborg, Emmet
Robert F. Gaskill, O'Neill
Arthur W. Kopp, Stuart
Arthur H. Leach, O'Neill
Leonard J. Shone, Stuart
Donald L. McPherran, Atkinson
Emrick E. Rocke, Atkinson
John D. Alder, Opportunity
Clarence M. Hammill, Atkinson
Benelict B. Turek, Amelia
George E. Green, Atkinson.
Edward W. Gamel, Page
Byron Grenier, Opportunity
Ivan A. Pollock, Atkinson
William J. White, Dorsey
Victor A. Kaup, Stuart
Richard G. Smith, Chambers
Bennie G. Braun, Atkinson
Herman H. Kramer, Stuart
Ward J. Flannigan, Stuart
Leslie C. Perry, Inman
Harry D. Mutschallat, Page
Frank R. Belmer, Jr., Ewing
Harold J. Donohoe, O'Neill
Lyle M. Green, O'Neill
J. I. Smith, Atkinson
Robert C. Sniler, Ewing
Merwin W. Arter, Atkinson
Joseph C. Witherwax, Spencer
Louis R. Brown, Atkinson
Clarence L. Nelson, O'Neill
Lawrence W. Rudolf, Stuart
Aelred J. Sanders, Ewing
Bernard Dale Marr, Atkinson
Charles E. Fridley, Ewing
Gordon G. Barta, Redbird
Ernest H. Eppenbach, O'Neill
Ross O. Barnhardt, Ewing
Vernon L. Smith, Chambers.

Donald Wolfe departed Monday for Glenwood Springs, Col., with the view of locating in that section. Mrs. Wolfe will remain with her mother at Inman for the present.

APPRECIATION

I wish to thank the kind friends and neighbors that sent me cards and letters while I was in the hospital. Also thanks to the ladies who called and assisted me in my home.

Mrs. DALE POTTS.

Local Livestock Market Unsettled

A special meeting of the O'Neill Commercial Club was held last Friday evening. E. C. Weller, who recently purchased the O'Neill Sale Yard, was present and explained in detail his plan of operation for the balance of the year.

Mr. Weller explained that the rates for the selling of cattle and hogs at the O'Neill yards have been lower than those charged by him at Atkinson, and in his opinion he could not operate the O'Neill yards at a profit to himself unless he could obtain higher rates. He further explained that he is endeavoring to have the rates at the O'Neill barn to conform with those charged at the Atkinson yard. He went on to explain that he could not profitably operate the yards on a full time basis of a sale every week. He stated that he expected to open the yards as soon as he could get the rates raised. Sales would be held every two weeks until May 1st. Then the yards would be closed until August 1st. From that time until the middle of September sales would be held every two weeks. From the middle of September sales would be held every week. The balance of the year sales would be held every two weeks until May 1, when the sale would be closed. Hogs would be bought at the yard on specified days during the weeks no sales were held. He made no mention of his intentions regarding the holding of sales after May 1 of next year.

President McElhanev asked for discussion from the club members. After considerable discussion Mr. Weller was asked by Mr. McElhanev whether he would put a price on the yard and whether he would give the club a 30 day option. This would give the club members and business and professional men time to give the matter of purchase more thought. Mr. Mr. Weller put a price of \$13,000.00 on the yard and agreed to give a thirty day option.

Another meeting was held by the directors of the Commercial Club and a number of business and professional men on Tuesday of this week. A discussion resulted in the opinion that there are two ways of providing the ranchers and farms of the O'Neill territory with a livestock market. One way would be to purchase the present yard from Mr. Weller at a fair price and the other would be to erect a new yard in a more accessible location. There is considerable sentiment for both plans. An option has been secured on a 20 acre tract of land in a highly desirable location in the event that it is decided to build new yards. A temporary organization was set up at the meeting with Dr. H. L. Bennett as chairman and James W. Rooney as secretary. The chairman was authorized to select five business or professional men to constitute a committee which will draw up a set of incorporation papers. These papers will be submitted at the next meeting of all business and professional men of O'Neill, as well as farmers and ranchers of the territory, who would be interested in helping to organize a stock company. This stock company would purchase the old yards or build new ones, and in either event, lease such yards on a term basis to a reputable and able sale yard operator. The committee appointed by Chairman Bennett consists of, J. D. Cronin, Henry Lohaus, H. L. Lindberg, Hugh Ray and Herb Peterson.

A great many farmers and ranchers of this territory have expressed their dissatisfaction with the closing of the sale yards and the plan submitted by Mr. Weller for the operation of the yards on a part of the year basis. The O'Neill sale yards have in the past given the farmers and ranchers of the O'Neill trade territory a highly satisfactory market at reasonable rates.

The O'Neill business and professional men are anxious to do whatever they can to be of service

vice to the farmers and ranchers in this territory and also to get behind anything that would be of value in keeping O'Neill growing, but they feel that perhaps the plans for the operation of the O'Neill yards as outlined by Mr. Weller would not give the farmers and ranchers a suitable and year round market at reasonable cost. Part time operation will raise the cost of marketing to a good many farmers and ranchers, through the fact that they might have to haul their livestock to the closest market, which would be Atkinson, one day and then make an extra trip to O'Neill another day to transact their necessary business. The officers of the O'Neill Commercial Club, who initiated the movement for the purchase of the old yards or the building of new yards, sincerely trust that all business men and professional men of O'Neill, as well as all farmers and ranchers of this territory, who may be interested in helping to establish their own market yards, will attend the next meeting of the Temporary Sale Yard organization, which will be announced by Chairman Bennett very soon.

Have You Got a Dime?

Once again we have an opportunity to share in the unrelenting battle against infantile paralysis, the dread crippler that annually attacks America's children.

We can hope that the children of our community will be spared, in the year before us. We cannot be sure. No one can predict where, when or how severely the Great Crippler will strike. It therefore behoves us to be prepared.

The Holt County Chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis is arming now, against the possibility of an outbreak in the summer ahead. They must have the necessary funds to help our health officials, physicians and hospitals provide the finest available care and treatment for infantile paralysis patients. When a polio outbreak occurs, no one knows how much special equipment and appliances or how many physical therapists and nurses, may be needed.

Our chapter and the National Foundation are pledged to see to it that no victim of infantile paralysis shall go without care and treatment for lack of money, regardless of age, race, creed or color.

This is our opportunity to share in one of the greatest humanitarian services of all time. Let us all resolve to give generously. Let us make this March of Dimes the greatest ever!

Submitted by
Mrs. D. C. SCHAFFER,
Holt County Chairman
Infantile Paralysis Foundation.

BRIEFLY STATED

Mr. and Mrs. Bennet Gillespie were in Sioux City last Friday.

The first carload of furniture to arrive in O'Neill "since the war" was unloaded for Biglin's Monday and a lot of homes are going to sparkle now with bright new furniture.

Ellis Wade, a brother of the Kid who met a tragic death at the hands of the vigilantes 62 years ago next month, visited in the city the past week. He has land in the vicinity of Lynch but makes his home in Colorado.

P. J. Frost was up from the Frost Bros. ranch near Ballagh, formerly known as the McDonald ranch, on Monday advertising the public sale at the ranch January 24. Mr. Frost says he and his brother have bought a ranch west of Stuart and will be moving there in the near future. Their sale is advertised in this issue of The Frontier.

The Tri-State has the incubators in the turkey hatcheries now in operation and plan to put 12,000 poulets on feed on their farm southwest of the city. The output of this firm last year amounted to about 25,000 turkeys after losses of between 25 and 30%. The Corkle hatchery informs us they expect to start their turkey incubators early next week but we did not ascertain the number they plan to produce this season.

Soldiers Guests at PCA Meeting

Honoring the men of this vicinity who left farms and ranches to fight for their country, more than 200 stockholders and guests of the O'Neill Production Credit Association held their first post-war annual meeting on Monday, January 7, in the High School Auditorium at O'Neill.

D. C. Schaffer of O'Neill, president of the short term credit co-op, introduced 12 veterans from Holt, Wheeler, Boyd, and Garfield counties who attend the meeting as honored guests. Small tokens of appreciation were presented to Keith Shellhase of Aankinson, who served 48 months in the army and to Joseph Price of O'Neill for 36 months of overseas service in the army in the South Pacific.

Two members were re-elected to the board of directors for three year terms, Ray Siders of O'Neill and Otto Krupicka of Spencer.

In his annual report, James W. Rooney, secretary-treasurer, revealed the O'Neill Production Credit Association wound up 1945 with 246 members and \$267,000 in loans outstanding. Farmers and stockmen in the four county area borrowed more than \$684,000 to finance livestock and farming operations during the year, he reported.

A feature of the meeting included the presentation of dividend checks to all stockholders present.

Guest speakers included John Arner, of the Federal Land Intermediate Credit Bank of Omaha, and Robert L. Chesire, secretary of the Production Credit Corporation of Omaha.

W. W. Derrick, Animal Husbandryman, University of Nebraska Extension Service, presented his colored picture, "Cattle Raising in the Nebraska Sandhills" which was enthusiastically received by all present.

Miss Evelyn Stannard left Tuesday for Omaha on a business trip.

Eagle Creek 4-H Club

The Eagle Creek 4-H Club held their annual Christmas party at the Walter Sire home in Butte December 30. After the covered dish luncheon the club enjoyed playing bingo. At the close of the afternoon the gifts were distributed and much fun was had in finding out who gave each gift.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Max Warnke and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Hull and family, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur O'Neill and family and boys, Jess Mellor Jennie Beth, Murray and Benton, Mrs. Loreta Hynes and family, Mr. and Mrs. Oswald Drucke and Tommy.

The next regular meeting will be held at the J. B. Mellor home January 27.

—J. W. S., News Reporter.

NEW BOOKS AT THE GRATAN LIBRARY

The following new books are now at the Grattan Public Library:

New easy to read books: City Dog and Country Cat; The Quinducklets; Little Engine that could; Sukey; Little Elephant's Christmas; Me, Too; Merry Christmas, Julie; Christmas Whale; Pete's Adventures; Too Big Feet; Unhappy Rabbit; Wagglies.

Adult books: Bridesh at Revisited, Waugh; Green Dolphin Street; Try and Stop Me, Cerf; The Egg and I, MacDonald; Strange Women, Williams; General Ike, Hatch; Stairs of Sand, Grey; Morley's Varieties; Earth and High Heaven, Graham; These Two Hands; Three o'clock Dinner, Pickney; Younger Sister, Norris; White Tower, Ullman; Through These Fires, Hill; Weekend at the Waldorf; Tomorrow is Forever; Immortal Wife, Stone; Mass of Brother Michael; And They Shall Walk, Sister Kenny; Up Front, Mauldin; Our Grapes Have Tender Vines; Sight Without Glasses; World, the Flesh and Father Smith; Brave Men, Pyle. Bernadette Brennan, Librarian.