

THE FRONTIER

SMALL DOSES PAST AND PRESENT

By Romaine Saunders

Whatever may be said of the OPA, their "Press Releases" are typed on both sides of the paper.

It has remained for the democrats to hamstring both the party and democratic processes in government.

One or more marriage licenses about every day the past winter, but I haven't heard of a baby being born in town.

What agriculture needs, what industry needs, what the returned veteran needs—what we all need most is to be let alone.

Hanging in the shade on a west wall the glass tube recorded 86 degrees above Sunday afternoon, if not an all time record for March 31 nobody knows the difference.

A gent writing in an Omaha paper says girls down there are "greely, stuck up, egotistical." He signs himself "Bachelor." If he hangs around Omaha he will doubtless have to remain a bachelor.

The bread and milk and hot corn mush season is about over. The order from Washington to cut the grinding of cornmeal 15 per cent comes at a time when it matters little. Our able Secretary of Ag. should be informed of the piles of corn on the ground in Nebraska's corn belt and some in the fields yet.

O'Neill citizens are putting their premises in order as an inviting background for the fresh growth and bloom of spring and express the hope that the Supervisors will authorize a transformation in the county's storage yard that has become something of a junk pile in the midst of an otherwise orderly and well kept section of the city.

Man and horse were killed by lightning in Boone county a day last week. The "rumble and grumble and roar" of distant thunder was nature's drum beats accompanying rain fall up this way at the same time. Fabled March weather laid no violent hand on the prairie land but natives have feared all along to do any boasting.

"A hundred dogs bayed deep and strong clattered a hundred steeds along," wrote Walter Scott. Not quite that many of the nondescript canine denizens of the town race the automobiles up and down Fourth street and become a nuisance with their yipping and barking. Tramp dogs are nobody's dogs and nobody moves to eliminate the daily nuisance.

The withholding tax taken from the pay of all that have the ambition and ability to work and then sent back is just a bit of New Deal financial philosophy. Out of every hundred dollars earned \$18 is taken and all or part refunded some time in the future. It piles up book keeping and accounting not only at the revenue centers but for every business concern that employs help as well as in the county and state offices.

They say isolationists passed out when that first atomic bomb blew the divinity out of his highness at Tokyo. It is a simple matter to prove the latter but nobody has made a count of the citizens who still regard George Washington's warning concerning "foreign entanglements" something more than an historical gesture. If we are ever to escape from the "foreign entanglements" woven as a mesh the past decade the country will have to call bigger men to the helm.

The boxelder trees set out a generation ago by O'Neill citizens are falling victims to the march of time. Dead or alive they are hewn down and the stumps removed. Perhaps the usefulness of the box elder as a shade tree, for ornament or as wind-

breaks has passed out with the generation that planted them. One objection is the boxelder bug, so called. They are about the best tree in this section for fuel but not many gents around town could or would swing an ax to reduce a tree to firewood.

The charming Eleanor, fresh the hypnotic shades of the United Nations council board, gave an Omaha audience a distilled dose of New Deal philosophy. According to the former first lady it is not important that England repay the proposed three billion loan if they buy American goods with the money. A simple method of financial juggling, but Nebraskans don't do business that way.

A gentleman heading a New York corporation says Nebraska has 22,000,000 acres involved in the "soil conservation" program. "This growing emphasis," he says, "on care of the soil promises to keep in full service the acreage which contributed so much to the war effort and also to produce foods that will upgrade the American diet." Nebraska's grass lands do more to "up-grade" the table supply of Yankeeland's mighty eaters even than her mellow richness down in the "corn country" where most of these twenty-two million acres spread their rich black loam.

BRIEFLY STATED

Frank Nelson returned Monday from a visit at the home of his brother near Omaha.

Bob Eby came out from the Great Lake naval base Saturday for a brief visit with relatives in O'Neill.

Mr and Mrs. Rafe Shaw came down from Bassett last Thursday. Mr. Shaw remaining here for medical treatment and Mrs. Shaw returning to Bassett that evening.

Arthur Graves, son of Mrs. W. B. Graves was in the city Tuesday visiting friends in his old home town. Art had just been discharged from the armed forces where he had served nearly three years.

Seaman 1-c William J. Grady came home last Friday on a few days leave to spend them at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Grady. Bill has been in the navy for nearly a year and a half and came home from Philadelphia, where he has to report back on April 10.

An automobile belonging to Ross Ridgeway caught fire as it was parked on Fourth street Monday morning. Citizens gathered at the scene in the usual numbers when the fire alarm blared out and looked on while Joe Martin and a few firemen subdued the fire. The car moved away on its own power.

Going to Chambers last week for a funeral F. J. Biglin was unable to proceed with the hearse when he struck a soft spot that caused the front wheels to buckle and carry the hearse into the ditch. He flagged a passing car and was taken to Chambers, calling a hearse from Atkinson and garage men at O'Neill to bring the Biglin hearse in. Slight damage was done.

Romaine Saunders, having terminated his services at The Frontier office on account of failing eyesight, left Monday afternoon for Lincoln, where he will visit his daughter and family and attend a meeting of the State Library Board, of which he is a member, Tuesday. He then plans on interviewing eye specialists regarding his eyes and may probably go to Colorado for a few weeks, after which he will be back on his ranch in southwestern Holt. Romaine was a long time employee of The Frontier and a personal friend of the editor for over fifty years and we sincerely hope that he will find some specialist that will assist him in regaining his lost vision.

Reports are that a warm municipal election was held in Atkinson. Dr. Douglas, present mayor, was opposed by F. J. Brady, who they claim won by 1.

Congressman Miller's Weekly Letter

Several matters of a highly controversial nature are under consideration of the Congress at the present time. In most cases the controversy is not of a partisan nature and the proponents and opponents are not divided on party lines. In fact the majority party is now in an intense struggle to recruit enough support to pass legislation recommended by the President. Strange to say his must laws are not being given much consideration by the Congress. I have some definite opinions on many of the issues which I do not hesitate to express. I hope they reflect the feelings of the people of the Fourth Nebraska District but realize that their feelings will not be unanimous. I will appreciate an expression from anyone in the District on these matters regardless of whether or not they are in agreement with my views.

Renewal of the Price Stabilization Law is a burning question. Most people agree that prices should not be permitted to skyrocket but there is a growing conviction that the way the Office of Price Administration has administered the law has seriously hindered the production and thus added to the threat of inflation. It is a fundamental fact that manufacturers will not make goods unless they can have a reasonable profit. The stubborn way in which Chester Bowles and his clic have persisted in following their theories and refused to take a realistic view of conditions has disgusted many former friends of price control. When they want an extension of their powers they make all kinds of promises to be good but after they get it they return to all their crack-down tactics. To cure this I have advocated placing price control over foods under the Department of Agriculture rents under Federal Housing and other necessary controls under other appropriate agencies.

Control of Atomic Energy. Shall it be under a Civilian Board or under military? Few people realize the far reaching possibilities of atomic energy. Most of us are more impressed by its military aspect. Whether for good or evil the problem is with us and we must find the right solution. It is a subject for prayerful consideration.

Draft Extension and Compulsory Military Training. Premier Stalin's statement supporting world peace has taken the wind out of the sails of the propaganda campaign engineered by the proponents of draft extension and compulsory military training. There is reason to believe that much of the war scare recently whipped up had this in view. A powerful army, navy and air force with up to the minute equipment recruited on a voluntary basis would seem to be the proper military establishment for a Republic. If our military leaders would end their fight over which arm of the service should have preference and get busy on our problem of defense we could recruit such an establishment.

Loans to Foreign Countries. The proposed British loan cannot be considered except in relation of the demands for loans from France, Russia and several lesser nations. The question is just how long we can continue to waste our resources and mortgage our future without promise of a fair return. Our national debt is now larger than the combined debt of the rest of the world.

Reorganization of Congress. Congressional machinery is old creaky. It must be streamlined if Congress is to retain its historical functions principal among is to check the expansion of administrative power. Here is a subject for careful study by civic organizations.

Mr and Mrs. Neil Brennan, of Rapid City, S. D., came down last Monday morning to attend the funeral of Mrs. P. C. Donohoe and visit relatives for a few days.

W. A. Stefan of Norfolk, district supervisor of the F. E. S., was in the city Tuesday.

O'Neill Native Passes Away

Mrs. Margaret Donohoe, beloved wife of Patrick C. Donohoe, and a native of this county, passed away at her home in this city last Saturday afternoon, about 6:00 o'clock, after an illness of a little over a week, although she had not been in good health for the past couple of years, at the age of 63 years, 5 months and 26 days.

Funeral services were held last Tuesday morning from the Catholic church at 10:00 o'clock, Rev. Monsignor McNamara officiating and burial in Calvary cemetery. The funeral was a large one, friends coming from far and near to pay their last tribute to this estimable and beloved woman.

Margaret Holland was born in O'Neill on October 4, 1882, and had been a resident of this city and county all her life. She was the daughter of one of the pioneer families of the county, her father coming to O'Neill from the copper mines of northern Michigan in April, 1877. Margaret grew to womanhood in this vicinity and on November 11, 1913, she was united in marriage to Patrick C. Donohoe, a son of another pioneer family living north of this city. She is survived by her husband, two sisters and one brother all of whom were here for the funeral services. They are: Mrs. George M. Mullen, Omaha; Mrs. Arthur D. Duffy, Petersburg and Charles T. Holland, Chicago.

Mrs. Donohoe was a charming woman, pleasing, friendly and affable and had a host of friends in this city and community who were sorely grieved when they learned of her passing, and join The Frontier in tendering consolation to the bereaved ones in their hour of sorrow.

Relatives from out of the city, who were here attending the funeral, were: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Holland, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. George Mullen, Judge J. A. Donohoe, Mrs. Elizabeth Grady, Omaha, Nebr.; Marie Duffy, St. Louis, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Duffy, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Duffy, Petersburg, Nebr.; Margaret and Lorraine Agnes, Norfolk, Nebr.; Mrs. P. J. Donohoe and daughters, Mrs. Robert Devoy and Mary Ann of Bonesteel, S. D.



Harry Thompson, Norfolk, Nebr., and H. I. Bishop, Kearney, Nebr., personal friends of Mr. and Mrs. Donohoe, were also here for the funeral.

EDUCATIONAL NOTES

Eighth Grade Examinations will be conducted at 16 centers on Friday, April 12 and Friday, May 3. The first examination will begin at 9 o'clock a. m. Teachers have been notified as to the places and schedules.

The next regular teachers examination will be held in O'Neill on Saturday, April 1, beginning at 8 o'clock a. m. The schedule will be the same as the one previously used, arithmetic being the first subject given. No other Teachers Examination are to be given until July 6.

ELJA McCULLOUGH, County Superintendent.

Married At Inman

Inman, Nebr.—Special to The News: Miss Marguerite Jean Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Clark of Inman, and Roy E. Tjessem, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Tjessem of Maywood, Ill., were married at 5 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at the Clark home. The Rev. E. B. Maxcy performed the single ring ceremony.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, was gowned in blue taffeta, with which she wore a gold sweetheart locket and matching bracelet, the gift of the bridegroom. Her corsage was of pink rosebuds and sweet-peas.

Miss Emma Stevens was bridesmaid and also wore a blue gown. She had a corsage of gardenias and red carnations. Both the bride and bridesmaid wore Dutch hats of matching blue.

The bride's mother wore a green dress and the bridegroom's mother a dress of navy blue. Each had a corsage of red carnations and gardenias.

Following the ceremony a buffet supper was served to the thirty guests, with a wedding cake baked by the bride's mother serving as a centerpiece.

The couple left on a short wedding trip and for her going away costume the bride wore a green suit.

Mrs. Tjessem is a graduate of Inman High School in 1942 and attended college at Sioux City. The bridegroom was recently discharged after serving three years in the army, including eighteen months in Hawaii.

The couple will live at Maywood, Illinois.

Soil Conservation District To Elect Two District

The terms of two of the Supervisors of the Holt Soil Conservation District expire according to announcement from the State Soil Conservation Committee. Nominations are now being made. Petitions are being circulated for Louis Bernholtz, Page, Jim Allyn, Stuart, Carl Lambert, Ewing, and L. B. Price, O'Neill.

Anyone who wishes may nominate someone else by securing the signatures of 25 land owners on a nominating petition. Petition blanks may be secured at the District office in the basement of the Courthouse Annex. They must be completed and turned in at the district office by April 8, 1946. It is suggested that you make your nomination immediately.

Major J. B. Grady Out Of The Army

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Grady have received word that their son, Maj. J. F. Grady, was discharged from the armed forces in Washington, D. C., on March 26. Mr and Mrs. Grady had made their home in Washington since last fall and they were all packed and ready to come back to God's country, at least for a visit, but when the Major received his discharge he was informed that he was to report to the Department of Labor at once. He went there and was informed that he had been appointed to an important position in that department and they wanted him to accept. As the salary offered was not to be sneezed at he accepted and he and Mrs. Grady will remain in Washington for at least three months, while he is taking preliminary training in his new line of work, when he expects to be transferred to the west, possibly Chicago.

Jack is one of the few men in the army who entered as a private and was a major at discharge three years after—unless they were pilots—so he must have something on the ball. Congratulations, Jack.

F. J. Dishner Elected Mayor

Following is a list of O'Neill officials for the next year, starting May 1st:

Mayor—F. J. Dishner
City Clerk—B. J. Grady
City Treasurer—E. F. Quinn.

Councilmen:
First Ward—James Corkle.
Second Ward—Merle M. Hickey.
Third Ward—James W. Rooney, new.

For members of the Board of Education, the present members, Miss Anna O'Donnell and Dr. H. L. Bennett, were elected without opposition. Their vote was as follows: O'Donnell 291; Bennett 329.

Election day was very quiet in this city and a light vote was cast, there being but 378 votes cast for mayor, out of a possible 1500 voters in the city. As there was but one ticket in the field citizens were not anxious to put in the time to go to the polls, although to maintain good citizenship all electors should vote at election for which they are qualified.

Frank Dishner, after considerable persuasion, agreed to make the race. Petitions were circulated and his was the only name on the ballot for mayor, but some of the boys got busy and 111 of them wrote in the name of Paul Beha and 53 wrote in the name of Mayor Kersenbrock. The vote on mayor in the city was as follows: First Ward—Dishner 68; Second Ward 73 and Third Ward 73, total 214.

Paul Beha, written in: First Ward, 24, Second Ward 26, Third Ward 61, total 111.

John Kersenbrock, written in: First Ward, 21, Second Ward 9, Third Ward 23, total, 53.

There was no candidate on the ballot for the office of Police Judge. Petitions had been circulated to place the name of M. H. Horiskey on the ballot for the place, but he said he would not serve if elected, so his name was left off the ballot. But the boys wrote in Mike's name, that is 27 of them did in the First, 19, in the Second and 19 in the Third, for a total of 65. The friends of Chas. Switzer, present Police Judge, also exercised their pencils and 15 of them wrote in his name in the First Ward, 13 in the Second Ward and 13 in the Third Ward, for a total of 41.

HONOR SELECTIVE SERVICE PERSONNEL

The members of Selective Service Draft Boards and Government Appeal Agents from nine counties in North Central Nebraska will be guests of the O'Neill Commercial Club at their regular meeting on Tuesday, April 9, at 6:45 p. m. These men, who have served two years or more will be awarded the Selective Service Medal an award authorized by Congress.

A series of meetings are being held throughout the state to honor the Selective Service Board members and Appeal Agents who have performed a "thankless" task in a very creditable manner. Brig. Gen. Guy N. Henninger, State Director of Selective Service, will be in charge of the program. He will introduce Governor Griswold, who will present a medal to a local member, as a representative of the entire group. Medals will be presented at this meeting to all Selective Service Board members and Appeal Agents who are present.

A committee consisting of R. E. Armbruster, Herb Peterson, John Havelka, Fred Ristow and C. E. Jones will sell tickets for the occasion. Tickets may be secured at the Secretary's office. All business and professional men of the city are urged to attend and honor O'Neill's guests. Please purchase your tickets before Monday in order the seating arrangements may be made. Officers for the Club for 1946 will be elected at this meeting.

Those eligible to receive the medal and award are: Boyd County—Crist Anderson, (Continued on Page Eight.)

Assessors Meet for Annual Job

The meeting of the local assessors of Holt county met at the court house last Friday, March 29, with County Assessor Gillespie.

Upon motion R. J. Rhode was elected chairman and P. W. Killmurry was elected secretary. Roll call and absentees noted. Minutes of the last meeting read and approved.

The following committees were appointed: Livestock, Withers, Shaw, Claussen, Winkler and Schmisser. Stock of goods: Richards, Porter, Anson, Lockman, Cronk, Tomlinson and Coventry. Hay, Grain and Seeds: John Schmidt, Colburn, Lieb, Rouse. Farm Machinery: Rickard, Her-shiser, Welton, Cameron and Troshynski. Real Estate: Le-Muynan, Hanley, Frank Schmidt, McClurg, Rhoda. Tractors Hay Balers, etc. Lemmer, McDonald, Serck, Bonenberger, Bly.

After some discussion meeting adjourned until 1 p. m. Committees reporter as follows: We, your committee on tractors, hay balers, refrigerators, etc., resolved to adopt the prices set by the State and on machinery to use own judgment, which motion was adopted.

We, your committee on real estate, find that the valuations of the land of Holt county should be left as it is except some land that is out of proportion with adjoining land; that the total valuation should be left the same, and no additions or reductions in improvements be made unless it amounts to more than \$100.00, which motion was adopted.

We, your committee on farm machinery, suggest that the values in the supplement should be followed and for other machinery we use our own judgment as to value, which motion was adopted.

We, the committee on livestock recommend, that items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, and 33 be valued as stated by the State Tax Commissioner (these items are found on the individual schedule) and are as follows: Purebred cattle up to 6 months old \$15.00; 6 to 18 months \$45.00; 18 to 30 months \$55.00; milk cows \$85.00; stock cattle \$70.00; bulls \$100.00; Grade cattle up to 6 months old \$10.00; 6 to 18 months old \$35.00; 18 to 30 months old \$45.00; milk cows \$75.00; stock cows \$60.00; cattle on feed 900 per hundred; bulls \$100.00. Horses, yearlings \$10.00; 2-year olds \$15.00; 3-year old and over \$25.00; ponies \$25.00; stallions \$75.00; mules, yearlings \$15.00; 2-year olds \$30.00; 3-year olds and over \$45.00. Jacks \$75.00. Hogs \$9.00 per hundred. Sheep and goats \$5.00 per head; sheep on feed \$9.00 per hundred. Turkeys \$1500 per dozen; turkey poults \$5.00 per dozen; chickens \$5.00 per dozen. Dogs \$10.00 fur bearing animals \$10.00 per head; bees \$5.00 per stand, which motion was adopted.

We, your committee on stocks of goods and fixtures recommend that we use the inventory as of January 1, 1944, as a basis to which shall be added goods bought at wholesale up to April 1, 1946, from which total the sales at retail price less the profit be deducted and the balance shall be the assessed value of the stock of goods as of April 1, 1946, and that the fixtures be valued by the local assessor in such an amount that he considers fair and equitable.

We, the committee on hay and seeds recommend the following assessed valuation for grain, hay and seeds: corn .75c; wheat \$1.00; oats 45c; barley 75c; rye \$1.25; sorghum 50c; pop corn \$1.00; grass seed \$12.50; soy beans .75c; potatoes \$1.00; hybrid corn \$5.00 per bushel; hay in stack, 1 year or less \$1.00 per ton; silage and fodder \$1.50; bal-d alfalfa \$8.00; baled prairie hay \$4.00; broom corn \$1.00 per bushel, which motion was adopted.

On motion the meeting adjourned. Dr. Fisher, Dentist. 244