

## Convening of Unicam Revives Story of First Legislature

The convening of the Unicameral this week brings to mind the first territorial legislature, which met at Omaha from January 16 to March 16, 1855. The territory had been organized only a few months before, and the members of that pioneer law-making body were confronted with the problem of establishing representative government in an area which hitherto had been only unorganized territory.

They met in a two story brick building, dimensions 33x75 feet—a far cry from the world-famous structure in which the legislature is now sitting. The building had been erected by the Council Bluffs and Nebraska Ferry company as an inducement for the location of the territorial capitol at Omaha, and it was declared by the Omaha Arrow (still printed across the river in Council Bluffs, Ia.) "without cost of one single dollar to the government."

The house of representatives met on the first floor, and the council or upper house on the second. Both chambers were fitted out with school desks, and each desk was shared by two members. The windows were curtained with red and green calico. Despite all this, however, that first capitol was in a sense as distinct in the landscape of that day as the present one is today—it was the only brick building in Omaha.

Whatever the platforms on which the members of that first legislature ran for election, they couldn't have included as one of their planks the claim of long residence in Nebraska. In one instance at least, the same issue of the paper which announced the arrival of a man in the territory also carried a notice that he was a candidate for the legislature. During the first session, members often were referred to as "from Iowa," "from Michigan," or from some other place outside the territory.

Many of those early lawmakers couldn't have campaigned on the basis of age and experience either. A number were in their early twenties, and one member of the house of representatives—Lafayette Nuckolls of Cass county—was only 19 when elected.

The problem of laws for the territory was solved by the adoption of civil and criminal codes of Iowa. In addition, the first legislature enacted laws of a general nature, located and established territorial roads, defined county boundaries, designated county seats, and incorporated industrial, town, bridge and ferry companies.

Most of the time and energy of the early lawmakers was expended on the location of the capitol. In the minds of vir-

tually all of the territorial pioneers, the town which became the territorial capitol would be the one most likely to become the great city of the territory. Consequently, every community wanted the capitol for itself, at least for its own section.

There had been a great deal of opposition to the location of the capitol at Omaha by Acting Gov. Thomas B. Cuming. Charges of fraud resounded in the legislative halls, and the first legislature occupied itself with investigations of the circumstances which had resulted in this favoring of Omaha.

Almost until the time the residents of the territory began to think about statehood, the capitol question remained disputed, and in most of the early territorial legislatures there were determined attempts to remove the capitol from Omaha. None of these were successful, and Omaha retained its position as the seat of government throughout territorial days.

### CHAMBERS NEWS

Miss Vera Stuart, of Page, accompanied Miss Phyllis Carpenter home Friday evening and spent the weekend here.

Mrs. Ruby Martin left Wednesday for California to visit her daughter, Miss Audrey Wilcox.

Jack Taylor, of Omaha, spent the weekend with his father, Isaac Taylor, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Medcalf, and son, Ben, and Phyllis Carpenter spent New Year's day with the Allen Miller family at Clearwater.

Mr. and Mrs. William Turner visited friends in Orchard Sunday.

The following guests were present at a surprise dinner Friday at the Elwyn Robertson home, honoring them on their first wedding anniversary: Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Robertson and Delbert, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Roth and Mary Jo, John Walter, sr., Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Deirking, Mrs. Charles Spath and daughters, Mary Lou and Angie, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Spann.

Guests for New Year's dinner in the Paul Roth home were: Mr. and Mrs. Walter Roth, Mrs. Ole Olson and son, Larry, Leona Abar and son, Denny, and a friend, all of Columbus.

Sunday dinner guests in the William Wood home were Mrs. J. A. O. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Hoerle, and Dr. and Mrs. Eason.

**Back From Washington**—CHAMBERS—Mrs. Alma Farrier returned Monday from Washington, D. C., where she has spent several weeks visiting her daughter, Mrs. Ernest Staples, and family. She spent a week with another daughter, Mrs. C. O. Briggs, and family, at Red Oak, Ia.



### FOR WINTER WEAR?

Janis Page, a Warner Brothers beauty, is shown above modeling a winter ensemble.

### EAGLES SWAMP EWING 58-29

EWING — The O'Neill Eagles poured it on the luckless Ewing Tigers Wednesday night, 58-29, as the Blue's forward wall—like Saindon, Bob Matthews and Dick Tibbetts—accounted for 41 points.

The Eagles were in front 15-6 at the first quarter; 19-8, half-time; 36-20, third quarter.

The boxscore:

O'NEILL (58)	fg	ft	pf	pts
Saindon, c	8	2	0	18
Hartman, f	3	1	2	7
Matthews, f	6	1	1	13
Ricky, f	1	0	3	2
Tibbetts, f	5	0	2	10
VanEvery, g	3	0	4	6
Elkins, g	0	0	0	0
Calkins, g	1	0	0	2
Hungerford, g	0	0	0	0
Osborne, g	0	0	0	0
Totals	27	4	14	58

EWING (29)	fg	ft	pf	pts
Bergstrom, c	2	0	0	4
Koenig, f	2	1	0	5
Dunaway, f	5	2	3	12
Weyrich, f	0	0	0	0
Schrad, f	2	2	0	6
Bennett, g	0	1	2	1
Lampert, g	0	0	0	0
Steskal, g	0	1	0	1
Vandersnick, g	0	0	3	0
Totals	11	7	8	29

### HOLT COUNTY AAA NOTES

Deadline date for close of 1946 program: A few have not made their compliance report for 1946, which must be made at the county office prior to January 31, 1947.

If you do not file a report before January 31, 1947, you will not be eligible for a 1946 payment.

If you have not received your application for payment, we advise you to check with the office as it may be lacking in certifications or seed receipts.

Applications are now being processed in the state office and the sooner your report is completed the sooner you will receive your check.

### Better Business Bureau Warns Against Clothes Racket

The Better Business Bureau issues a warning to the unwary against contributing clothing or food to unknown solicitors representing unfamiliar "drives." The bureau reports a scheme has sprung up whereby solicitors ask housewives to give clothes for the needy of Europe. The unsuspecting housewife, familiar with the unhappy plight of many European countries, gives all her old clothing to the solicitor, who has created the impression that his is a civic project to clothe the needy—whereas it is really nothing more or less than the old clothes business.

Promoters of this business readily admit that collectors are authorized to pay for the clothing which they receive.

Collectors for these "drives" usually infer that it is a part of some "local" or "nationwide effort for charity." This should be a warning to the contributor, because a genuine, nonprofit collection is usually heralded with considerable publicity. Usually complete information is given a bonafide drive as to where garments are to be taken.

"To be sure you really are giving your clothing to a charitable organization, if you have any doubts at all, get free and impartial information from the 'Better Business Bureau,' a spokesman points out.

### PAGE SICK & INJURED

Mrs. Kenneth Braddock and son, Dale, and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Lamason drove to Sioux City January 1 where Dale submitted to an appendectomy that night at the Methodist hospital. His condition is good and he expects to return home this week.

Mrs. Albert Kirchner had a minor operation at the Orchard hospital Friday. Mrs. Calvin Harvey and son, Gene, left Saturday for Rochester, Minn., where Gene will submit to a postponed operation. Mrs. Roy Parker has been sick for some time and under the doctor's care.

### Mrs. Cronk Entertains

PAGE—Mrs. Frank Cronk was hostess to the members of the Bid-or-Bye bridge club Friday. Guests were Mrs. Earl Hurst, Mrs. Alton Braddock, Mrs. Herbert Steinberg, and Mrs. LaVern Finley.

Mrs. Melvin Carson won high score and Mrs. Harold Kelly traveling prize.

Though generally regarded today as one of the most important Federal services, the U. S. weather bureau was not created until 1890.

### Ample Transportation



Although his legs are paralyzed from war injuries, Norman Zillner, former Army lieutenant now studying at the University of California, needs no assistance in getting about. He lifts the lightweight collapsible wheel chair from his specially equipped automobile to enter his Berkeley quarters. The 23-year-old veteran is studying with financial aid from the Veterans Administration.

### LEGAL NOTICES

(First publication Dec. 26, 1946.) Julius D. Cronin, Attorney NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND HEIRS

County Court of Holt County, Nebraska. Estate of Thomas V. Cassidy, Deceased.

The State of Nebraska, To All Concerned: Notice is hereby given that Esther V. Cassidy has filed her petition alleging that Thomas V. Cassidy died December 6, 1933, intestate, a resident of Cook County, Illinois, seized and possessed of

the Southeast Quarter and the Southeast Quarter of the North-east Quarter of Section 1, and the Southwest Quarter of Section 12, all in Township 28, North, Range 11, and the West Half of the Southwest Quarter of Sec-

### Money to Loan

ON AUTOMOBILES TRUCKS TRACTORS EQUIPMENT FURNITURE

Central Finance Co. C. E. Jones, Manager O'NEILL, NEBRASKA

tion 6, in Township 28, North, Range 10, West of the 6th P.M., in Holt County, Nebraska.

That petitioner is the present owner of a one-half interest in the above described property, having derived title thereto by inheritance from deceased.

The prayer of said petition is for a determination of the time of death of Thomas V. Cassidy, a determination of his heirs, degree of kinship, right of descent of the real property of said deceased person, and that there is no inheritance tax, state or federal, due from said estate or the heirs thereof.

Said petition will be for hearing in this Court on January 16th, 1947, at ten o'clock A.M.

LOUIS W. REIMER, County Judge. 33-35

CHAMBERS—Mrs. Leo Adams is in Lincoln for medical care. Mr. and Mrs. Adams and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Turner drove to Lincoln Wednesday.

Have you read THE FRONTIER classified ads? **tt**

**DANCELAND**

— O'Neill —

**Saturday, Jan. 11**

**DUFFY BELORAD**

and His Orchestra

**Adm. & Dance: \$1**

**Old Friends are the Best!**

**FALSTAFF**  
Premium Quality Beer

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## Outlaw Stores

**ASIMUS BROS. O'NEILL**

Pure —	Sweet —
<b>SORGHUM</b>	<b>PINEAPPLE</b>
Gallon Cans ..... <b>1.69</b>	Gallon Cans ..... <b>1.39</b>
<b>KD Block —</b>	<b>Nice Size —</b>
<b>MINERALS</b>	<b>ORANGES</b>
50-Lb. Blocks ..... <b>1.49</b>	Per Dozen ..... <b>9c</b>

One of the most complete and best block minerals sold.

**FRESH & CURED MEATS**

of all kinds!

Fancy, All-Meat —

**HAMBURGER** 39c

Per Pound (No filler.)

Minced HAM and —

Ring BOLOGNA 37c

Per Pound

Ready-to-Eat —

**PICNIC HAMS** 35c

Per Pound

**FANCY CANDIES**

of all kinds!

— Boxed Chocolates

— Bulk Chocolates

AT ASIMUS BROS.' OUTLAW ...

### Farm Implement Store

8 — One-row Corn Pickers for sale. Buy yours now for next Fall's use. Buy before the prices raise. We will keep plenty of repairs as we have sold 42 of these pickers during the past month.

4 — New General Implement Feed Grinders.

1 — New Corn Sheller.

2 — New Blower Grain Elevators.

1 — 1940 Buick (new motor).

1 — New Willlys Station Wagon. Two new Jeeps coming this week.

### Hereford Bulls

On January 16 we will sell at the Fredrickson Livestock Co. sale barn in O'Neill three choice registered yearling Hereford bulls. Papers furnished. Ready for service.

Rents	<b>R. H. SHRINER</b>	Hail
Fire		Bonds
Theft	GENERAL INSURANCE	Plate Glass
Liability	O'Neill — Phone 106 Farm Property	Live Stock
Automobile		REAL ESTATE, LOANS, FARM SERVICE, RENTALS

# McCARVILLES

## JANUARY SALE

### Continues!

WE'RE OFFERING our entire stock at greatly reduced prices, clearing the deck for new Spring and Summer merchandise.

THERE ARE a number of lines we are discontinuing and our clearance prices are at rock-bottom.

YOU'LL HAVE TO HURRY because these clearance items are going fast.

## McCarvilles

Clothing : Ready-to-Wear : Shoes

## COLD WEATHER SPECIALS!

that are really hot!

<b>TENDERONI</b>	5c	Red and White —	
Regular Pkg. ....		<b>COFFEE</b>	42c
		Per Lb. ....	
		Regular or drip.	
<b>GLOSS STARCH</b>	12c	Special Prices on	
2 Lb. Pkgs. ....		<b>ORANGES</b>	
		—by the dozen or one-	
<b>CLOTHESPINS</b>	15c	half boxes. Get our	
2 Dozen for ....		price on extra fancy	
		oranges.	
<b>BROOMS</b>	98c	Also <b>APPLES!</b>	
1.25 Value ....			
<b>CANDY</b>	25c	<b>PEANUTS</b>	23c
Lb. Pkgs. ....		Per Lb. ....	
While they last.		<b>BRAZIL NUTS</b>	49c
<b>Fancy Sweet —</b>		Per Lb. ....	
<b>PEAS</b>	25c	<b>WALNUTS</b>	49c
2 No. 2 Cans ....		Large Size, Lb. ...	
<b>Red Pitted —</b>		We have a good supply	
<b>CHERRIES</b>	1.69	of —	
Gallon .....		<b>LAUNDRY SOAP</b>	
<b>SUGAR! SUGAR! —</b>		<b>TOILET SOAP</b>	
Bring us your 53		— <b>SALMON</b>	
stamp. Do not de-		<b>MEATS</b> of all kinds	
tach your stamps as		<b>MILK &amp; CREAM</b>	
we are warned not		<b>SARDINES</b>	
to take loose stamps.		<b>TOMATO SOUP</b>	10c
<b>LOOK TO US —</b>		Per Can .....	
for your fresh veg-		So-Lite —	
tables. If it's on the		<b>FLOUR</b>	2.98
market you will find		50-Lb. Bags .....	
it here.			

## Schulz Store

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