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SMALL DOSES PAST AND PRESENT

By Romaine Saunders
Atkinson, Nebr.

A former government bigwig, divorced in January, at 56, takes another one age 26. Is she marrying the man or the society column?

Ascribing to me because of my manuscript an element of the "near great" I wonder if the genial Frontier "artist" wouldn't concede the very great if it was just a little worse.

In the departure of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Howitt for Merrick county, Swan precinct loses its township clerk, judge of election, republican precinct committee-man Sunday school worker, substantial and highly esteemed citizens.

From the reaction to the dog incident, promotion of son by father to a high rank in the army after a brief period of service, another son holding a fast train's departure from the terminal, Nebraskans are wondering upon what meat doth these our Caesars feed.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lewis of Butte, accompanied by their two daughters and young son, were guests of Mrs. Fannie Riley and Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Baker on Saturday. Mr. Lewis is one Mr. Baker's customers for Short-horn breeding stock and was on this visit for that purpose.

It is said of that famous instrument the bagpipe that the only thing Scottish about it is the wind that goes into the bag. It's various parts represent something of a geographical swing. Blackwood from Africa, cocowood from West Indies make up the blowpipe and the various drones, reeds come from Spain, ivory mounts from Africa. A tralian sheep-skin for the bag and the silk clan ribbons from Switzerland. But they are made in Glasgow.

Peace—a state of rest or tranquility. A universal aspiration, a universal frustration. Nations speak of peace and on come the whirlwinds of mighty armies. Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you; not as the world giveth, give I unto you. There it is, something that imparted consolation to a little group of men more than nineteen centuries ago, centuries that drip the crimson gore of mankind and recho the clash of arms from remote ages. Humanity still cries out for peace. That it can be obtained by political and military means is yet to be demonstrated. "Not as the world giveth, give I unto you." The nations of the world give peace today, slaughter and ruin tomorrow. And amid the slaughter and ruin, peace, "quietness and assurance forever," rests serenely upon all those like that little group of men from Galilee who have anchored faith in a Power transcending the arm of flesh.

If I have counted all of them there are four lawyers now practicing in our county seat, only one of the four surviving of a group of fifteen members of the bar whom I recall that were fiercely a part of the O'Neill picture when the old town was a mere village. Though he was not one of the earliest yet contemporary with some of the others I will head the list with the one survivor, J. J. Harrington; following with such names as M. P. Kinkaid, G. M. Cleveland, G. W. Meals, T. V. Golden, Thomas Carlson, H. M. Uttley, M. F. Harrington, J. H. Meredith, R. F. Dickson, H. E. Murphy, W. R. Butler, and his father, the senior Mr. Chapman. There may have been others. As a boy I was more interested in the cowboys and the Indians over across the river who came to town in picturesque regalia than I was in lawyers. There were others in the county beside these, as John Trommershauser down at Ewing, Alex Searl up at Stuart and one or two in Atkinson. W. V. Allen of Madison, N. D. Jackson of Neligh, Cortelyou, Egge & Van Zandt were imported on occasion. Why this array of legal talent in one little town? The records up at Ira Moss' office have the stories of intrigue and romance, violence and tragedy, broken homes and blasted hopes—the crimes, the folly, the cry for justice of a people emerging from that semi-barbarism of the lynch mob hangman's noose and the six-shooter. Sheriff Kearns was shot dead by a cowboy just out of town, a homesteader from over east was shot by an officer when with companions he was painting the town red, poor Young Wade, the Hills, a few halfbreeds, Scott and unnamed offenders were given the violent treatment of the vigilantes. Much of the dark chapter was buried and forgotten without

Sgt. Dewey C. Newton Killed In Action Over China On February 4th

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Newton of Emmet received word Wednesday from the War Department that their son, Sgt. Dewey C. Newton had been killed in action in China on February 4th. He was an engineer on a bomber and only went overseas just before Christmas last year. He entered the army on March 12, 1942 and at the time of his death was stationed in India.

A. Neil Dawes New Holt County Agricultural Agent

Mr. A. Neil Dawes is Holt County's new county Agricultural Agent and assumed duties on February 1, 1945. Mr. Dawes has been with the Extension Service for some time and has for the past three years been agricultural agent in Boyd County. Mr. and Mrs. Dawes and two sons are planning to move from Butte to O'Neill as soon as living quarters can be obtained.

The agent is anxious to meet the people of this county and any boys or girls interested in being in a 4-H Club are urged to contact either their leader or Mr. Dawes, who will be glad to help them get club organized in their community.

Rev. John E. Spencer, Former Pastor Here, Dies In Sioux City Monday

Rev. John E. Spencer, 69, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in South Sioux City, died Monday night in a Sioux City hospital. Rev. Spencer had held pastorate in Nebraska and Iowa for the last 44 years and was pastor of the Presbyterian church in this city during the years 1941 and 1942. He was born in Fort Dodge, Ia. March 19, 1875. He was graduated from Coe College, Cedar Rapids, Ia., in 1902 and an Omaha Presbyterian seminary in 1905. He received a doctor's degree at the University of Chicago in 1918, 1904, in Rofe, Ia., to Miss Maggie D. Roberts.

Car For Wastepaper Will Be on Track In O'Neill 2nd And 3rd Of March

A car will be on track in O'Neill for wastepaper the 2nd and 3rd of March. This is the first car since December, so we should be able to get a big carload. Schools, Church organizations and individuals are asked to contribute to filling the car.

Holt County is one of the few counties in the Midwest that don't have an Honor Roll for our boys and girls in the Service. One carload of paper should pay for a nice one. We would like to suggest that all who can, donate their paper in this car for that purpose. The money will be turned over to the American Legion, who will take care of erecting the Honor Roll.

This isn't compulsory. Any organization needing or wanting the money will be paid as in the past, but let's have an Honor Roll honoring our boys and girls in the Service.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Mrs. Clarence Donohoe, a son, born Tuesday.
John Cronin admitted Sunday.
Madeline Mlinar, tonsils removed Saturday.
Allen Moler, Middlebranch, dismissed Saturday.
Pat Wettlaufer dismissed Friday.
Billy Wilson dismissed Sunday.

Miss Carolyn Jareske arrived home the end of the week from Los Angeles for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jareske and other relatives and friends. When she returns to California she plans on taking her mother back with her for an extended visit with relatives on the west coast.

Mrs. Paul Beha returned home from Lincoln Tuesday, where she went Sunday to visit her husband who is in the Veterans' Hospital. Mrs. Beha reports that Paul is recovering nicely.

Pfc. Robert R. Ridgeway Killed In Action On Leyte Island January 13

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Ridgeway have received the sad message from the war department on Feb. 8th, stating that their son, Pfc. Robert R. Ridgeway, was killed in action on Leyte Island in the Philippines on January 13th.

Student Delegates From St. Mary's Academy Attend Sodality Meeting In Omaha

Last week-end a group of student delegates attended the annual Sodality Convention held in Omaha. This meeting was sponsored by the Omaha High School Sodality Union, and the principal speaker was Reverend Daniel A. Lord, S. J. The theme was "Going Christ's Way."

Delegates from St. Mary's were: Pattie O'Donnell, Phyllis Chapman, Leah Iler, Margaret Hickey, Helen Adrian, Mary F. McCarthy, Kay Dancy, Shirley Vierson, and Betty White. Back at school on Monday afternoon, these delegates gave their impressions of the event at a general assembly. George Janousek was chairman of the program.

Services Held For John Pospeshil Last Saturday Afternoon

Funeral services for John Pospeshil were conducted Saturday afternoon at the family home by the Rev. C. F. Wants, pastor of the Orchard United Brethren Church. Interment was made in the Grignon Cemetery.

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Christ Lutheran Missouri Synod Reinhard Koepf, Pastor

Sunday, February 18th
Sunday School—2:00 p. m. "The Institution of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper."
Worship—3:00 p. m. Text: 2 Corinthians 6, 1-10 "Receive Not the Grace of God in Vain!"
Monday, February 19th
Confirmation instruction—6:30 p. m.
Wednesday, February 21st
Mid-week Lenten service—8:00 p. m. The Second Word from the Cross: "Today Shalt Thou Be with Me in Paradise!"
Friday, February 23rd
Confirmation instruction—6:30 p. m.
Sunday School Teachers' Meeting—8:00 p. m.

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Sgt. Floyd Jareske, 23, Killed In Action Dec. 23, 1944 in Belgium

Word was received by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jareske, that their son, Sgt. Floyd Jareske, 23, was killed in action December 23, 1944 in Belgium. He had been overseas for 1 1/2 years, serving with the Third Army in the Spearhead Division.

Wilmer H. Chicken Passes Away At His Inman Home Tuesday

Funeral services were held on Thursday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock from the Methodist Church in Inman for Wilmer H. Chicken, 63, who passed away at his home in that city on Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock. Rev. Maxcy was in charge of the services and burial followed in the cemetery there.

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Mrs. Romaine Saunders Passes Away In Lincoln

Mrs. Romaine Saunders passed away at the home of her daughter in Lincoln this Friday morning February 16, after lying in a state of coma for over two months. Funeral services will be held in Lincoln and the body bought here for interment Monday morning.

Page Boy Navigator On B-17 Fortress Ready

An Eighth Air Force Bomber Station, England—Second Lt. Millard W. Ickes, 25, of Page, Nebraska, is now in England with the 96th Bomb. Group undergoing a pre-combat training period of 10 days in preparation for action as navigator of a B-17 Fortress in Eighth Air Force high altitude bombing attacks on Germany's military and industrial targets.

Experienced combat fliers are giving Lt. Ickes instructions and navigational aids used in bombing attacks on Nazi targets. Intelligence officers lecture on prisoner of war procedure, while flight surgeons hold demonstrations in first aid methods.

Lt. Ickes will fly with a group which has been cited by the President for its bombing of Focke Wulf aircraft factories at Posen, Poland. The group is a unit of the Third Air Division, itself cited by the President for its historic England-to-Africa shuttle bombing of Messerschmitt plane plants at Regensburg, Germany, in August, 1943.

O. E. Eppenbach Will Soon Be Home For Visit After Year Overseas

Headquarters Seventh Service Command: Orville E. Eppenbach T-5 46th Arm'd. Inf. Bn. is returning from twelve months overseas in the E. T. O. theater of operations and will arrive here approximately on February 11.

Happy Hour Club

The ladies of the Happy Hour Club served lunch at the sales held recently by W. G. Sire and D. L. Moler and will thank all the patrons for their generous support. They report a net profit of \$11.86. The money will be evenly divided between the Red Cross and the U. S. O.

Another O'Neill Boy In Training At Great Lakes

Harold Henry Parks, 23, husband of Mrs. Viola Rose Parks, O'Neill, Nebr., is receiving his initial Naval indoctrination at the U. S. Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Illinois.

PAGE NEWS ITEMS

The H. O. A. Club met with Mrs. La Vern Finley Tuesday afternoon. Sixteen members and one guest. Mrs. Jennie Finley were present. Roll call was answered with a riddle. The afternoon was spent doing needle work for the hostess. The next meeting to be with Mrs. Allen Hayne and the roll call to be answered with a verse from the bible.

Mrs. Roy Parker, Mrs. A. L. Dorr, Mrs. H. L. Banta, Mrs. Leila Snell and Mrs. Evelyn Gray went to O'Neill Monday, where they filled and packed ready to ship eighty kits made at the Red Cross room. These kits are for men in the service.

Mrs. George Rost, Mrs. H. L. DeLancey, Mrs. John Sorenson and daughter, Mrs. Evelyn Gray, and children spent Friday afternoon with Mrs. O. L. Reed. Ensign and Mrs. Norman Tegler were dinner guests Tuesday of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tegler.

CHAMBERS ITEMS Phyllis Carpenter, Reporter

Staff Sgt. Harlan L. Mulle

Following is part of a letter received by Mrs. Mulle from Harlan's Captain in regard to his death:

"Harlan was killed on December 20, 1944 at Mahong, Leyte Island, while the company was engaged in battle with the enemy. He died among his friends and was fighting for them. Harlan suffered no pain. He died instantly when struck by an enemy rifle bullet while observing mortar fire for his company.

"Harlan was buried in an American cemetery at Mahong on Leyte Island of the Philippines Group. The burial was attended by the Chaplain and many friends, who all joined in a prayer as he was laid to rest. He will be remembered by all of us."

Harlan was born October 20, 1922, near Gregory, S. D., coming to Chambers in 1935. He died December 20, 1944, on Leyte Island, of the Philippine Group. He leaves to mourn his passing his devoted wife, Marilyn, of Shreveport, La., his mother, Mrs. Harlan Van Connet of Sacramento, Cal.; his father, Clarence A. Mulle and his grandmother, Mulle both of Stockton, Cal. One sister, Mrs. Vivian Hennman, of Quinn, S. D.; his step-father, T. Sgt. Harlan Van Connet, of the Pacific area; two brothers, Cpl. Dale Mulle of the Pacific area and Sgt. Don Mulle of the India-China area besides numerous other relatives and a host of friends who mourn his passing and may it not be in vain.

Harlan was graduated from the Chambers High School in 1941. He excelled in sports in which he received many honors.

He was married to Marilyn Medical July 18, 1942, at San Diego, Cal., where they resided until he entered the service in February, 1943, from an induction center near there, going on to Camp Toccoa, Ga. then to Camp Mackall, N. C., for his training in the paratroopers. He left there January 1, 1944, for Camp Polk, La., for maneuvers before leaving for P. O. E. the latter part of April. He arrived somewhere in New Guinea in May, near where they maintained their headquarters until in November when he and his company left for the Philippines.

We of the community would like to add that Harlan was well known here and loved by all who knew him. We extend our sincere sympathy to those he left behind.

Lt. Sprandle came up from Plattsmouth Monday to visit his grandfather, John Walter, Sr., and other relatives. Lt. Sprandle was wounded in Italy and spent seven months in a hospital there before being sent to a hospital at Topeka, Kansas, where he has been since December. He is a son of Rev. and Mrs. Wm. Sprandle of Plattsmouth and had been visiting them before coming to Chambers.

Clyde Primus is leaving Friday night for Leavenworth to enter the armed services.

A fire started in an overheated chimney at the Mark Gribble home Saturday morning causing some damage to the kitchen before they could get it out.

Mrs. Paul Roth and Ardith drove to O'Neill Thursday afternoon of last week to meet Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Stewart and daughter, Phoebe, of Boise, Idaho. Mr. Stewart is a brother of Mrs. Roth's. He is an inspection officer at Gower Air field near Boise.

Mr. and Mrs. Beryl Waldo received word Friday that their son, Harold Waldo, Warrant Officer had landed safely in France.

John Walter, Sr. and Alfred Walter had Sunday dinner with the H. C. Walter family.

Harold Moor Gm. 2-c U. S. N., is visiting his brother-in-law, Edwin Rand and other relatives here and at O'Neill. After his leave he will return to his station at San Diego, Cal.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Wright and children, of Ewing, visited Sunday with Mrs. Wright's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Lehmann and other relatives.

Schedule Given For 1945 AAA Sign-Up Meetings In County

The following is a schedule of 1945 AAA Sign-Up meetings. Please check the date of the meeting in your precinct and plan to attend.

- Harry E. Ressel, Chairman Holt County AAA Committee.
- Schedule of Sign-Up Meetings
- Time: 9:00 A. M. to 4:00 P. M.
- Emmet—Tuesday—Monday, Feb. 19. O'Connor's Hall.
- Grattan-Shields—Monday, Feb. 19. Court House Annex.
- Chambers-Shamrock—Tuesday, Feb. 20. Legion Hall.
- Ewing-Golden—Tuesday, Feb. 20. Ewing Library.
- Inman—Tuesday, Feb. 20. Ladies Aid Parlor.
- Sand Creek—Wednesday, Feb. 21. Celia School District No. 74.
- Scott—Wednesday, Feb. 21. Township Hall.
- Deloit—Wednesday, Feb. 21. Basement, St. John's.
- Antelope-Iowa—Friday, Feb. 23. Allen's School District 123.
- Paddock (north side)—Friday, Feb. 23. Township Hall.
- Paddock (south side)—Saturday, Feb. 24. Township Hall.
- Coleman-Saratoga—Friday, Feb. 23. Phoenix Store.
- Steel Creek—Saturday, Feb. 24. School District No. 4.
- Green Valley-Holt Creek-Francois—Saturday, Feb. 24. Collins School.
- Lake-McClure—Monday, Feb. 26. Martha School House.
- Willowdale—Tuesday, Feb. 27. School District No. 96.
- Atkinson—Tuesday, Feb. 27. Memorial Hall.
- Sheridan—Tuesday, Feb. 27. Memorial Hall.
- Fairview-Wyoming—Wednesday, Feb. 28. Peterson Cream Station.
- Cleveland-Dustin—Friday, Mar. 2. Cleveland Church. Also Saturday, March 3. School District No. 10.
- Stuart—Friday, March 2. Stuart Legion Hall. Also Saturday, March 3. Stuart Legion Hall.
- Conley—Saturday, March 3. School District No. 120.
- Swan-Josie—Saturday, Mar. 3. School District No. 226.
- Verdigri—Saturday, March 3. Page I.O.O.F. Hall.
- Rock Falls—Saturday, March 3. School District No. 33.

Miss Ruth Clemens And Leonard Pribil Married In Atkinson Monday, Feb. 12

At nine o'clock on Monday morning, February 12th, the St. Joseph Church in Atkinson was the scene of a very beautiful wedding when Miss Ruth Clemens of Amelia, Nebraska became the bride of Mr. Leonard Pribil of O'Neill, Nebraska.

The double ring ceremony followed with a nuptial high mass, was solemnized by the Rev. A. A. Lehman, pastor of the St. Joseph Church.

Music for the wedding was furnished by the St. Joseph school choir.

The bride was attired in a beautiful gown of white satin and net. The fitted bodice was of white satin with a sweetheart neckline and long sleeves tapering to a point at the wrists. The back was buttoned to the waistline with tiny covered buttons. The full net skirt with appliqued satin flowers swept into a two-yard train. Her finger ring veil was of net with a wide hair edging, caught to her hair with a beaded coronet. She wore a strand of pearls and her bouquet was of white talisman roses tied with a large white satin bow. She also carried a ruby rosary, a gift from the groom.

The bridesmaid, Miss Mary Ellen Keating of Atkinson, wore a gown of aqua, the bodice being of celanese taffeta with a sweetheart neckline. The full floor-length skirt was of net. She wore a cluster of light pink flowers, covered with a pink veil, in her hair. Her bouquet was also of white talisman roses tied with a large pink satin bow.

The best man was Mr. Lawrence Pribil, youngest brother of the bridegroom. He was dressed in a medium blue suit. Both the groom and the best man wore a rose on the lapel of their suits.

Following the ceremony a three-course wedding breakfast was served to the immediate members of the family and Rev. A. A. Lehman, at the P. J. Keating home in Atkinson. Mrs. Eunice Seger and Mrs. Keating served at the breakfast. A two-tiered cake, baked by Mrs. Keating and beautifully decorated by Mrs. Thomas Slatery of Atkinson, was surmounted with a miniature bride and groom, and formed the centerpiece for the breakfast table.

Mrs. Pribil, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Clemens of Amelia, graduated from the Atkinson high school with the class of '42. She was employed in Atkinson for two years after graduating, and for the past six months she has been employed at the Brown-McDonald store in O'Neill.

Mr. Pribil, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pribil of O'Neill, attended school in O'Neill and prior to his marriage he was engaged in farming with his father.