

Prairieland Talk—

Eggs on Easter a Pagan Custom

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LINCOLN—Another Good Friday, another Easter Sunday, another month of April, another spring day dawns on prairieland.

Easter comes early this year—April 6. Last year April 21 was observed as Easter. Why should the anniversary in memory of a great event fall on different dates?

Easter date is determined by the first Sunday after the first full moon after the 21st of March, according to our almanac.

It was long ago I took off across open prairie on mission one Sunday morning. Met up with a guy who asked me, How many eggs did you eat this morning? I had none for my breakfast; then it occurred to me that it was Easter. Well, said he, I downed 18 and my wife ate 16.

There are still a few eggs if you go for the pagan custom of observing Easter, but rather bow your head and reflect on what Mary Magdalene saw that morning of the first day of the week at an empty tomb in old Jerusalem.

The snows and frosts of winter have melted away under the glow of the early spring sun high in the azure blue above. The time of the year has come for the song birds to be heard again on prairieland, the brown of autumn to become green, flowers to bloom again. Nature awakes from the winter sleep of death, as mankind now marching on to joining the multitudes wrapped in the sleep of death will some day come forth to newness of life. The time of sowing and planting has come again when prairieland puts on the robe of green verdure, dotted with floral bloom, colors rich and rare.

Look out this morning—Springtime comes to our favored land. Given to us from the immortal Hand, The gloom of winter's cold frosty nights and days, Now gone as we enter upon spring's pleasant ways.

After 10 days enjoying prairieland hospitality, the expert departed for his Pacific coast state home, \$1,300 of Lincoln's taxpayers money in his pocket and leaves the gratifying word that our police force did alright in the Starkweather murderous outburst. Of the four doctors selected by the court to pass on the sanity of the young killer, three decline to take on the job.

If former president HST knows it all why does he not go down to the congressional halls in Washington and advise his party friends that are in control of congress what to do instead of traveling the country over slashing at President Eisenhower. Former President Hoover did not blow off partisan hogwash at either Mr. Truman or Mr. Roosevelt, but advised what measures to adopt when invited to do so.



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When You & I Were Young . . .

Kane Thrown from Buggy and Killed

Companion Unhurt in Accident

50 Years Ago

Dennis Kane, a pioneer resident living about six miles east of Atkinson, was thrown from his buggy and was killed instantly. John Hurley was with him at the time, but he was only shaken. Another old settler has passed to the great beyond. James Sullivan, or "Uncle Jim", as he was familiarly known around the courthouse where he had worked for many years in the recorder's office, died of heart failure. A native of Ireland, he came to O'Neill from Michigan and settled on a farm one mile north of the city. He leaves his widow; sons—Phillip, Jack, Jerry, Daniel and Eugene and a daughter, Miss Mary. Mr. and Mrs. John C. Hayes, formerly of O'Neill, came from their home in Park City, Utah, with the body of their son, Leo, 17. Leo was born here and his parents are remembered by the older inhabitants. Mrs. Hayes is the sister of S. F. McNichols.

20 Years Ago

Fred Robertson slipped and fell from a ladder and sustained a badly sprained ankle. He was connecting a pipe to pump fuel oil from a tank car down at the railroad tracks. Mr. Robertson is employed by the Interstate Power company. Deaths: Mrs. Sarah Jane Wolfe, a resident of Holt county for 65 years; Roy Mabel Pond of Stafford; Roy W. Carroll, superintendent of the O'Neill schools for 26 years, tendered his resignation; Mrs. Emory Peterson slipped and fell down the back stairs of her apartment and received a broken collarbone. Representative to boys' state are Harold Hunt and Hugh McKenna from O'Neill schools and Jacques Kersbrook and Robert McDonough from St. Mary's academy. McKenna and McDonough are the alternates.

10 Years Ago

Thugs entered three offices with the loot totaling \$223. The loot included Speels-Ray Lumber Co.; Shelhamer Oil and Equipment Co. and J. B. Ryan Hay Co. . . . Kleih Abart is the new Holt county service officer. Deaths: Charles J. Bursell, 65, a Chambers resident for 40 years; Arthur James Belter, 63, a longtime resident of the Walnut community; Mrs. Peter Hughes, about 80, a resident of O'Neill about 50 years, at her home in Omaha.

One Year Ago

M. J. Golden, Dr. E. M. Gleason and Fred Heerman were victors in the election of members to the city council. . . . William J. Froelich will become a Knight of St. Gregory. It was announced this week that one of the highest lay honors bestowed by the Roman Catholic church. . . . Tony Asimus, who has been in business 23 years, sold his implement and auto business to Oscar Spitzberger and Max Derry. . . . Harold Weier and Dale Fetrow are new members of the board of education. . . . Atkinson was shy about 30 votes to pass the bond issue of \$33,000 for the proposed new swimming pool. . . . The temperature was 60 degrees on the 1st day of March.

Purchase Two-Room House for Replacement—CHAMBERS—Mr. and Mrs. Wade Davis and two children, ages 12 and 10, are now living in a two-room house that has been moved into their place temporarily. Their farm home was destroyed by fire Thursday, March 20, while the family was away. Insurance adjusters blamed the cause of the fire on faulty electric wiring. The two-room dwelling was moved from the Asa Watson ranch southwest of Amelia.

Son Wood, Son Feted—Mr. and Mrs. LaVern Caskey attended a birthday party in honor of her sister, Mrs. Robert Wood and son, Bobby, of Page. The affair was held at Page Sunday. Mrs. Wood's birthday anniversary was Saturday and Bobby's was Monday.

Sue Shepard Is 7—Sue Shepard celebrated her seventh birthday anniversary Friday at a party at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Kaiser visited their daughter, Mrs. Warren Seger, and Mr. Seger Sunday in Lincoln.

Ed Alford, 67, Rites at Bonesteel

LYNCH—Funeral services for Ed Alford, 67, were held Friday, March 28, at Bonesteel, S. D. Burial was in the Alford cemetery southwest of Monowi near the farm home where he was raised. The late Mr. Alford died at Rochester, Minn., where he had gone for medical aid. His daughter, Lorraine, was near him. He was a brother of Bill Alford, and Mrs. Kenneth McMeen, both of Lynch, and Mrs. John Haun of Spencer.

Martin Christensen Burial at Verdel

LYNCH—Funeral services for Martin Christensen, were held in Verdel Saturday, March 29. Burial was in the Verdel cemetery. The late Mr. Christensen was a native of Denmark. He and his family lived at Lynch in the twenties. He died at the Sacred Heart hospital Tuesday, March 25. Survivors include: Daughter—Mrs. Delbert Shaw of Verdel; sons—Russell of California and Norton of St. Paul, Minn.

Lynch Seniors to Omaha on Sneak

LYNCH—The Lynch high school seniors left early Friday morning for Omaha where they spent their annual sneak day. Don Allen took them by bus.

Group Elects Two New Officers

EWING—The Past Matron's club and Star Kensington were entertained at the home of Mrs. William Spence Friday afternoon. Out-of-town members in attendance were Mrs. Maud Brion and Mrs. Leonard Hales, both of Neligh.

Guests were Mrs. J. H. Wunner and Mrs. E. Ruby. At the business session, new officers were elected: Mrs. Spence, president, and Mrs. Henry Fleming, secretary-treasurer. Retiring officials are Mrs. Waldo Davis and Mrs. Elmer Bergstrom.

A luncheon was served by the hostess.

Hrbek Arrives at Depot in France—LYNCH—Army Pvt. Eugene W. Hrbek, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emil M. Hrbek of Lynch, recently arrived in France and is now a member of the U. S. army engineer depot.

A clerk-typist in the depot's headquarters detachment, Hrbek entered the army last September. He completed basic training at Ft. Carson, Colo.

A 1953 graduate of Lynch high school, Hrbek is a 1955 graduate of Norfolk Junior college. He was employed by the Firestone store in Norfolk before entering the army.

Garden Plant Diseases Studied—The Pleasant Brook 4-H club met at the Cletus Muff home Tuesday, March 18. All members were present.

Two new members joined—Elaine and Jodine Funk. We discussed a song for fun night. Each member gave a report on diseases of garden plants.

Next meeting will be held at the Clarence Schmisser home April 21.

Make Plans for Cancer Drive—PAGE—Mesdames Neven Ickes, jr., and Ray Snell, Melvin Held and Frank Beelaert met at the home of Mrs. Dan Troshynski, chairman of the cancer drive here, to formulate plans to canvass the district.

The cancer drive will be in progress during the week of April 13-19.

PHONE FIRM INCORPORATES ATKINSON—The South Side Telephone company of Atkinson Thursday filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state at Lincoln.

Easter DANCE SUMMERLAND BALLROOM - EWING - Sunday, April 6 BILL STOURAL and His Orchestra

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Lynch News

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Spencer spent Sunday, March 23, with relatives in Norfolk.

Albert Miller moved to his farm northeast of Lynch, recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Ed Johns.

Melvin Haselhorst of O'Neill visited at the Beryl Moody home Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Jehorek were business visitors in O'Neill Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Beryl Moody and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Haselhorst spent Wednesday, March 26, at the Dale Audiss home in Anoka. The men attended the livestock sale at Butte in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Sieler spent Thursday evening at the Dayton Sieler home near Monowi.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Havranek spent Friday afternoon at the Glen Hill home. They also called at the Leo Kalkowski home before going home.

Mr. and Mrs. Eric Neilson and Mrs. Delbert, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Haselhorst were business visitors in O'Neill Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Haselhorst called at the home of their son, Melvin, in the afternoon.

Marjean Weeder is staying with Sharon Courtney while her parents are away.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Kolund and family were Sunday, March 23, dinner guests at the Martin Jehorek home. In the afternoon they all motored to the Ernest Vomacka home in Gregory, S. D., and visited there the remainder of the day.

Mrs. Therza Crawford has been in Menlo, Ia., where she attended the funeral of a relative.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lewis of Monowi visited at the Gerald Lee home Sunday, March 23.

Mrs. Phyllis Mulhair and family and Mrs. Jonas Johnson have gone to Lincoln and plan to return to Lynch for Easter vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Schochenmaier of Bonesteel, S. D., and Mrs. Dale Barta of Verdel assisted at the Albert Kalkowski home here Wednesday, March 26.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Johns moved to their acreage southeast Lynch.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Weeder returned home Tuesday, April 1, from a trip to Ft. Knox, Ky., where they attended U. S. services in which their son, Carl, took part. Carl had completed his national guard stay in the army and returned home with them. Enroute home they visited in Chicago, Ill., also other points of interest.

Wallace Moffett and Donald Johnson were business visitors in Omaha last Thursday and Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hull of Verdel were Lynch visitors on Friday.

Laurence Kalkowski, Emil Koval, Keith and Kenneth Stewart came Friday to spend Easter with homefolks from their school work in Lincoln. Gary Schmidt of Spencer also accompanied them home.

Louis Novak of Norfolk was a business visitor here Tuesday, March 25.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mahlendorf and daughters were in O'Neill Thursday afternoon.

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Dr. Joseph David returned home late Friday from attending medical convention. Doctor Quinn of Lincoln looked after the patients here during Doctor David's absence.

Marlin Lewis assisted Herman Lindgren with chores at the Weeder farm during their absence the past weekend.

Mrs. Kenneth Fish of Gross spent Wednesday, March 25, with Mrs. Leonard Havranek.

Mrs. Laura Vurtz returned to her work in Vermillion, S. D., on Tuesday, March 25, having come home to attend the funeral of Leo King at Atkinson Tuesday, March 18.

Joe Biglin and Gene Schmeichel of O'Neill were business visitors here Saturday.

Eddie Birger looked after the chores for Leonard Havranek while they were in California on a trip.

Mrs. Bill Spencer and Mrs. Leo Kalkowski spent Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Leonard Havranek.

Parents visited school in district 62 Thursday afternoon observing the regular school work.

Mrs. Lorie Micanek, teacher, served lunch in late afternoon.

Margaret Stenger and Mrs. Albert Kalkowski attended the spring NCCW deanery board meeting at the M & M cafe Thursday afternoon. Other Boyd county people who attended the meeting were Rev. Robert Steinhausen, Mesdames Harold Hargens and Robert Krotter and Joe Jambor of Spencer, also Mesdames Frank Reiser and Herman Schultz of Butte. The spring deanery meeting will be held May 6 at Spencer.

Mrs. Mary Fusch called on Mrs. Billy Spencer Thursday afternoon.

Billy Halva is working with the REA telephone crew at Osage, Kans.

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Sieler and Susan spent Sunday, March 30, at the George Sieler home.

Receive Baptism—CHAMBERS—The following received baptism at the Chambers Methodist church Sunday morning: Michael Lubken, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Lubken; Madeline and Dennis Cook and Kenneth Coolidge, all of Chambers.

Advertisement for Ramblers cars. Includes text: 'Is your car robbing you blind?', 'Make the Switch to Rambler', 'Save money every mile you drive', 'Rambler sales are up 65.2%!', 'OSCAR'S RAMBLER SALES', '125 WEST DOUGLAS - O'NEILL'.

Editorial—

Unadulterated Control

The fallacy of federal control in any field is graphically revealed in Nebraska's experience with the labor wage scale in connection with interstate highway construction.

State Engineer L. N. Ress made a futile trip to Washington in an effort to keep interstate employees' wages compatible with other highway construction wages in the Omaha-Lincoln area. But the department of labor says no—the labor wage scale must be whopped. This tactic in Washington further proves the interstate is nothing more than a giant WPA project planned and designed for pump-priming of the nation's economic and employment ills.

The result of Washington-dictated policy is readily apparent. Federal participation (90 percent of the interstate dollar is from the federal treasury) is accompanied by rigid federal controls.

This land of ours is crowded with do-gooders who want federal aid to education. These enthusiasts blindly proclaim the federal aid would not necessarily mean federal control. But those who adhere to that philosophy simply are not aware of the facts of life. Federal aid means control; increased state aid means more state control.

The interstate costs for Nebraska are skyrocketing by leaps and bounds, and the department of labor ruling is by no means a small factor.

Then there are those who feel the federal government's 90 percent "sales package" is something that can't be passed up. Apparently these people are turning their backs to the fact the federal treasury had to exact the money in the first place from the people, and the dollar shrinks alarmingly on its dubious trip from here to Washington and back.

Someone has said if Nebraska and the 47 other states arranged their own highway building, eliminating the great white father, the interstate could be built for a fraction of the contemplated costs.

Putting money in circulation is the theory. And, apparently, it will be the practice accompanied by unadulterated control.

Ready, Aim, Fire!

(Dakota County Star)

From all appearances the democrats in Nebraska are showing signs of a renaissance after they had frankly admitted Nebraska was "almost to point where we were a one-party state."

The Third district of Nebraska in which we live, appears to be sparking the climb which should concern the die-hard republicans.

And the democrats are readying both barrels in their attack upon the republican office holders.

An Omaha paper, which has been kind to the GOP party for years, was referred to as the "Worst-Herald". The demos have taken cheer in the realization that even the Herald has supported an occasional democratic candidate of late.

Larry Brock's defeat in the mail count two years ago was blamed on "some sort of republican miscount".

Victor E. Anderson was addressed as "our own smiling governor", making jest at Vic's peppy look which he usually displays before the shutter bugs.

Third District Congressman Bob Harrison was labeled as this area's "mis-representative". Whether such attacks are warranted or in

good taste, is a matter of conjecture.

However, it does show that the democrats are going all out in an attempt to break the republican stronghold in the state and especially the Third district.

There is no doubt that the Third district is a two-party area, having as its ace in the hole perhaps the top demo political candidate in the state.

We think it's a good sign. Whether in politics or in business, too often the lack of competition encourages laxity.

Intricate Teamwork, Planning

News contributions local and regional in character are solicited by this newspaper.

The avalanche of professional mailing that reaches our desk through the medium of paid publicists is something else. Much of the latter category of "news" is thinly-veiled advertising or is designed to espouse a cause of some type. Most of the latter type "news" finds its way immediately into a large, round wastebasket.

Ninety-nine percent of the other news is published. Only contributions that ever are intentionally omitted is because the contribution is several weeks old when it is received, and the space is allotted to fresh items. Not infrequently more than one thousand individual news items appear in a single issue of The Frontier, not to mention the pictures and features and, of course, advertising.

It's a colossal job publishing a newspaper the size of The Frontier and involves intricate teamwork and planning.

Not Enough Places

According to The Ashland Gazette, a farmer near Ashland recently was confronted with a real problem when an elderly Chester White sow gave birth to 19 pigs.

The problem was, in the words of the farmer, the mother hog had "only 14 place settings."

The problem was met when the farmer bought an electrically heated milk warming pail equipped with enough outlets to keep the surplus five pigs happily fed.

Comes now a defector from a soviet guided missile base who said in London the Russian scientists have had a few misfires and accidents with their "baby moons" and, incidentally, killed 130 people. But strict censorship enabled the reds to gain full impact when successful launchings of Sputniks I and II were announced.

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