

## Prairieland Talk—

## Minions of Law After Grandsinger

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LINCOLN—The minions of the law are still after that South Dakota citizen with a streak of Sioux Indian in him—Lloyd Grandsinger.

Now it is a trumped up federal invention. A highway patrolman was shot down in Cherry county. Some one did it. Why are not the sleuths hunting down the guilty one? No, they must make a martyr out of young Grandsinger.

(Editor's note: Mr. Saunders, there are many citizens of Cherry county, near Valentine, who will disagree with your reference to Grandsinger being a martyr. It's one of those sayings that will be talked about for years to come.)



Romaine Saunders

Heads of our state institutions of higher learning reach out eager hands for some few millions of the taxpayers' money to add to the educational budget. Oh yes, it costs more now to eat, sleep and go to school than it did when my prairieland homesteader father pulled down \$20 a month for teaching the kids from three homestead families. But out of such conditions we have our silk-robed landscape of today. . . . While others are wrapped in furs and shoveling snow, here on prairieland this early in December the sun shines bright and we can go about in the open coatless with no snow at our feet here in the Capitol City. So, after a brief visit from North Pole conditions, Indian summer is with us this first week in December.

"Bernice Swanson accompanied Mrs. Don Cole and children to Gothenburg Sunday." That is just one item noted in an outside paper. It's one of hundreds of such bits of news about our citizens that appear week-by-week in the "hometown" paper. And it is these short items telling of the friendly calls of neighbors with neighbors or their drive to another town that everyone is pleased to read. The 250 Nebraska weeklies (of which The Frontier is the only north-central publication in the top 25 in the state) tell the story of the coming and going of the citizens and puts us all on a common level of neighborly friendship. The glaring headlines in the daily papers frighten—satellites fired, artillery duels, world war brewing, science has space travel down to the mere matter of pushing buttons and taking off. Your "hometown" papers tell of friend visiting friend, of the visitation by death of one we had known, of which crowd won the basketball match, of community activities, and of the latest arrivals in babyland.

## Editorial—

## Virginia Senator Nails It

We have been an admirer of U.S. Sen Harry S. Byrd (Va.-D) for a good many years. It is regrettable that his conservatism and realistic approaches to problems are drowned out by the northern democrats who are content to be dominated by labor bosses and extreme leftists.

If the control of these United States is going democratic, as 1938 elections indicate, why can't the leadership pass into the hands of a true Jeffersonian democrat such as Byrd? Instead, it appears we're going to get a bellyfull of government by goon. It is too much to expect that a labor government will investigate itself. Even in agrarian Nebraska we have congressmen-elect who are obligated to unions for their successful campaigns that ended November 4.

Senator Byrd cried "state socialism" the other day in a public speech.

"We have come to a level of state socialism in America which is obvious if not admitted. We have arrived there by the process of cheapening our money and centralizing power in the federal government," the Virginian declared.

Mr. Byrd has long been outspoken on the necessity of balancing the budget and getting our nation's fiscal matters squared away. He has been blunt in congress on the cheapening of money through inflationary federal spending.

Attendant to the huge spending is centralization of power which feeds the inflation mill. Government acquiring ownership of production and of many services makes not only for unfair competition but whoops the tax burden for taxpayer private ownership.

The National Association of Manufacturers News recently reported the federal government is: The largest producer of electricity in the land. The largest landowner. The largest tenant. The largest holder of grazing land. The largest warehouse operator. The largest shipowner. The largest truck-fleet operator.

Thus, the government of a country built on the principle of free enterprise, has reversed itself and is now the largest competitor of free enterprise. It is also the biggest customer of free enterprise but its purchase are minus the federal taxes socked on all other customers.

Further, this huge "socialized state" operates in a manner that would ruin any other business. It loses money constantly. It operates at a deficit.

## Bixler Runs True to Form

State Sen. J. Monroe Bixler of Harrison, who was republican nominee for state treasurer and lost to an unknown bartender-democrat by the name of Richard Larsen, at this late can't decide whether he is a democrat or a republican.

But that's Mr. Bixler! He lost to Larsen by several thousand votes and was in accord, apparently, when the republican chiefs decided to put up the dough and press for the recount. Now Bixler has filed a withdrawal from the recount controversy.

Abandoning the battle at this stage of the game—when the office he sought was second in importance to the closer contest for governor—should leave Bixler with exactly no friends in the political arena.

We are reminded of some difficulty in lining up Mr. Bixler a few years ago in a Save-the-Trains association matter. S-T-A wanted the state law amended to permit North Western trains 13 and 14 to drop the flagman and thus save 30-thousand-dollars annually. Bixler was hot-and-cold even though his district (including Chadron) was vitally interested. Bixler finally came 'round after he saw how public opinion was shaping up.

Because the state demo leaders have been able to sell some people on the idea a vote recount is "unsportsmanlike", Bixler runs for cover. Some republicans have criticized the GOP stand. The recount mechanism is as much a part of the secret ballot as any other phase of conducting an election and there is nothing whatsoever wrong in exer-

My little friend Trudy out on the Eagle writes to me to straighten me out on names. An aunt of hers up at Atkinson beat her to it, but that in no way detracted from the pleasure of hearing from Glass Eyes' little mistress. She writes that her pony has mothered three colts and this last one could not be christened the name suggested here in "because it is a boy". So Glass Eyes' latest offspring will be known as Cowboy. And I thank little Trudy for her gracious invitation to visit them.

And now Christmas, the anniversary that lives after nearly two thousand years. Who heard the first Christmas story? The shepherds on the Judean hills, "Fear not, for unto you is born this day a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." Who gave the first Christmas gifts—gold, frankincense and myrrh? Stars shine above Judean hills where the shepherds watched their flocks. The Star of Bethlehem still glows in human hearts, as it once guided the wisemen of the east. Again I reach a hand across the snow and greet prairieland friends with a "Merry Christmas".

Out at Scottsbluff a wife brings suit against her husband, asking 50-thousand-dollars damages for the loss of her son's hand in a compicking machine, the son being by a former marriage. Neglect on the part of that husband to see that the husking rig worked as it should brought about the severing of a 50-thousand-dollar human hand.

The recent democratic landslide is still sliding across prairieland. Heads of our state-supported institutions say they must have nine-million dollars more for the two-year period ahead than sufficed for the past two republican years. Dig a little deeper when you ask for tax receipts while the "landslide" is in control.

The story is told that at a certain point during World War II a group of children was being evacuated from a certain section of the city of London, England. A little girl on the train, being taken away from her home, was crying. Her little brother by her side wiped his own eyes and asked his sister what was the matter. The reply was to the effect that the child was afraid because she did not know where they were going. Her brother said, "And I don't know either, but the king does!" Yes, along the highway of life we do not know where the difficulties will lead, but the King does—that overruling Providence that sees us through.

## The Indian's Prayer

Once in awhile an editor stumbles onto a piece of writing that he thinks it would be unselfish if he didn't share with his readers.

Incidentally, Nebraska's demo bigwig, Bernie Boyle of Omaha, doesn't regard as "unsportsmanlike" recounts being carried on in Iowa and Kansas, where democrats are the apparent losers in closely-contested races. And Mr. Boyle was on hand himself at South Sioux City to look after the interests of two Dakota county democratic candidates at the canvass of the vote.

Bixler can now join with Terrible Terry Carcenter as a political meverick first-class.

Wouldn't it be fun to have the recount result in the throwing out of all ballots in several Larsen precincts?

And that could happen!

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In that category falls the prayer of the late Sioux Indian, Yellow Lark. His prayer was chosen by young people of 16 tribes (attending a training school in Arizona) to be used by Christians for the recent world day of prayer.

It has a fresh, outdoor quality that almost sings with its beauty. . . . and, in a midwestern way, it reminds one of the Twenty-third Psalm.

Here is what Yellow Lark (and we think he was aptly named) wrote:

"O Great Spirit; Whose voice I hear in the winds, and whose breath gives life in all the world, hear me.

"I come before You, one of Your many children. I am small and weak! I need Your strength and wisdom.

"Let me walk in beauty and make my eyes ever behold the red and purple sunset. Make my hands respect the things You have made, my ears sharp to hear Your voice.

"Make me wise, so that I may know the things You have taught my people, the lesson You have hidden in every leaf and rock.

"I seek not strength to be superior to my brothers, but to be able to find my greatest enemy—myself.

"Make me ever ready to come to You with clean hands and straight eyes, so when life fades as a fading sunset, my spirit may come to You without shame."

According to the U.S. department of commerce, the average size of families, statistically, is 3.65 persons. Rural farm families were the largest with an average of 4.08. The total number of families as of last March was 43,700,000.

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## When You &amp; I Were Young . . .

## Thomas to Omaha

## for Corn Show

## 100 - Pc. Dinner Set Being Given

50 Years Ago  
Gilligan & Stout, druggists, offered a 100-piece dinner set to the holder of the lucky ticket. Tickets are given with every purchase of 50 cents. . . . Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Thomas went to Omaha to spend a week visiting friends and attending the great corn show.

A Phoenix item: Edith Syfie and daughter and Lena Damerio spent a few days with their mother in Atkinson. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Carr and children of Anear, Bert Anderson, Mrs. F. Coburn and Ralph and Mr. and Mrs. Friend Keeler spent a pleasant day with the Ray Coburn family. . . . Will Adams, a former resident, died in southern Texas. . . . Married: W. L. Shoemaker and Miss Marie Anna Yantzi at the Presbyterian parsonage by Reverend Hulhorst. . . . John Kennedy of Kola and Miss Anna Duffy of Carson were married at Burwell.

## 20 Years Ago

Daman Flynn and Miss Adelaide Doyle, known on the stage as Eva March, were married in New York. His mother, Mrs. Catherine Flynn of Omaha, was unable to attend the wedding. Damian is well-known here, being a native of O'Neill. . . . Mrs. Mary McClellan, 74, died. . . . Eric Borg suffered a stroke. He is slightly improved. . . . Miss Leonie Kuskie of Norfolk was a weekend guest of Miss Ethel Tasler and Miss Ruby Weisman. . . . John Sullivan, Jim Gibson, John Carson and Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Smith of Stuart are attending the county supervisors' and commissioners' association meeting in Omaha.

## 10 Years Ago

"Grandma" Menish, 99, a well-known O'Neill homesteader, died of exposure. She remembered seeing Abraham Lincoln in Scranton, Pa. . . . Atkinson, O'Neill and Stuart firemen fought a blaze in Atkinson when the Roy C. Richards' building caught fire. Strong winds threatened a block in the business district. . . . Owen LaBrath of O'Neill was a guest on the "Voice of The Frontier" program. . . . Mrs. W. French was hostess to the Women's club at their annual Christmas party. . . . Joe Winkler of Emmet purchased the Pock farm located 1½ miles east of Atkinson.

## One Year Ago

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Snell of Page celebrated their golden anniversary. . . . Deaths: Mrs. Myrtle Bell, 72, of Chambers; Oscar Roy Thurlow, 75, of Atkinson; Lloyd A. Hiscote, 45, of Bristow; Mrs. Minnie Ehrlich, 89, of Spencer; Marjorie LeMae Hall, 3, of Cedar Falls, Ia.; Joseph Nedorost, 83, of Stuart; Mrs. Zeffa Stein of Burbank, Calif.; Mrs. Edward Wales, 65, of San Lorenzo, Calif. . . . Thomas Liddy, a senior at O'Neill high school, was one of the top 112 percent in the national merit examination.

## Enroute to Germany with Airborne—

Pvt. James R. Tomlinson, son of Richard L. Tomlinson of O'Neill, is enroute to Germany with the 82d airborne division's 504th infantry.

The 504th is being reassigned from Ft. Bragg, N.C., to Mainz, and will become part of the Eighth infantry division.

Tomlinson, an automatic rifleman in the 504th's company B, entered the army in May, 1938, and was last stationed at Ft. Carson, Colo.

mother, Mrs. Doris Tomlinson lives in Cedar Rapids, is a 1937

## Plan Gift Competition at Club Meetings—

The Grattan Farmerette club met at the home of Mrs. Anson Closson Wednesday, December 10. Eleven members were present. Christmas gifts were exchanged and mystery sisters were revealed. Names for the new year were drawn.

For club mystery gift each month, two members will bring a gift, games will be played for the gift.

Next meeting will be January 14 at the home of Mrs. Kenneth Ellington.

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## THE BARBARIAN AND THE GEISHA

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All children unless in arms must have ticket. Wed. note family rate.

## Bank Deposits in

## State Up Over

## 69-Million-Dollars

Total deposits increased \$69.7 million at federal reserve member banks in Nebraska during the year ended September 24, 1936, according to condition reports of Tenth district member banks released this week by the Federal Reserve bank of Kansas City, Mo. Total demand deposits rose \$62.2 million, while time deposits rose \$7.5 million during the year.

The rise in deposits permitted member banks to expand both their loan and investment accounts. Earning assets increased \$70 million, with a \$40.1 million rise reported in loans. Farm loans advanced \$34.6 million, led by an increase in nonguaranteed loans—up \$21.7 million over the year. Total farm loans had increased by only \$6.5 million during the preceding year ended October 11, 1937. The rise in nonguaranteed farm loans reflects an expansion in loans for purchasing and feeding cattle. Loans to individuals also showed a substantial \$9.8 million advance, divided evenly between single-payment and installment loans, the report shows.

## State Board Goes

## for Federal Aid

The state department of education Thursday sent to Washington for approval Nebraska's plan for use of certain funds from the national defense education act.

Acceptance was decided at the December 2 meeting of the state board of education even though a majority of local boards of education in the state had answered a poll and said "no thanks" to federal aid.

State Education Commissioner Freeman Decker said if the plans are approved for Nebraska's use the state would immediately receive \$152,036 in federal funds for use in strengthening mathematics and sciences in high schools and \$43,442 for use at the state trade school in Milford.

The state also would receive 20-thousand-dollars for administering the math and science program.

Mr. Decker said if the plans were not approved by Washington, Nebraska either would have to give up all prospects of receiving funds this school year, or start over again and develop a new plan.

When the state board of education accepted the proposal to apply for the federal funds, it stipulated certain conditions.

These conditions included provisions that schools furnishing matching funds for the math and science program shall be allowed to retain title to any equipment they purchase and that no special list shall be included by the state in detailing material which can be purchased by the schools.

## Lynch News

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Audiss and family of Anoka spent Wednesday evening, December 10, at the Merle Sieler home.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Vonasek and daughters of Verdell were Sunday, December 6, visitors at the C. L. Haselhorst home.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Tingle and daughters of Neligh were Friday dinner guests at the Merle Sieler home.

Frances Stenger called Friday at the Anton Wasatko home.

Friday, Mrs. Joseph Micanek, sr., visited Mrs. Wallace Courtney.

Little Beth Haselhorst spent Thursday and Friday at the Beryl Moody home.

Mr. and Mrs. William Stauffer spent Friday afternoon at the Veldon Lee home in Bristow.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Haselhorst and family of O'Neill, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Streit, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Haselhorst and Mr. and Mrs. Beryl Moody and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Haselhorst spent Wednesday evening, December 10, at the Lorie Micanek home.

Mrs. Willa Schollmeyer and Miss Isla Ruda were Niobrara visitors Wednesday evening, December 10.

Mrs. Ralph Papstein spent Thursday afternoon, December 10, with her mother, Mrs. Nata Bjornsen.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Kalkowski entertained Mr. and Mrs. Robert Courtney, Mr. and Mrs. Dayton Sieler, and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Havranek at 6 o'clock dinner in honor of Mrs. Leonard Havranek's birthday anniversary.

Mrs. Jake Muller spent Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Dennis Kube.

Mrs. Robert Courtney and Mrs. Delbert Wade and Mrs. Clarence Kolund were Thursday O'Neill visitors.

Mrs. Edmund Rohde, Mrs. Harold Micanek, Mrs. Homer Tanner, Mrs. Joseph David, Mrs. Ernest of Lynch, attended the extension club council meeting Tuesday, December 9, held at Butte.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Micanek and family were Friday, December 12, evening dinner guests at the Peter Mulhair home honoring Mrs. Micanek on her birthday anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Dayton Sieler and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Havranek were Saturday business visitors in Sioux City.

Margaret Stenger spent Friday afternoon at the Mrs. Dennis Kube home.

## Haselhorst Plans to Take Family to Labrador Soon

LYNCH—Lt. Delbert Haselhorst left Thursday for Omaha where he took the plane for his airbase in California with his family. He had spent a month's furlough with relatives here.

He expects to be assigned for 18 months in Labrador. His wife and family plan to join him when military housing accommodations are completed.

His wife and parents drove to Omaha with him.

## Completes Basic

## Combat Training—

BRISTOW — Army Pvt. Melvin R. Kraft, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Kraft of Bristow, recently completed eight weeks of basic combat training at Ft. Carson, Colo.

Kraft, 22, was formerly employed by Gilpatrick Construction company at Riverton, Wyo.

Miss Carlene Schoenle, a student nurse at Providence hospital in Kansas City, Kans., was elected secretary-treasurer of her class.

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HE'LL BE LADEN with treats for the kiddies . . . he'll want to spend a few moments with all the youngsters — learning their wants.

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