

# A Gift of \$10,000

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Mr. Aschbacher, director of our state historical society, announces that the society has received a gift of \$10,000 from Sterling Morton of Chicago, who comes from the pioneer Morton family of Arbor Lodge distinction down at Nebraska City. Miss Ruth Sheldon of Washington also sends the society a considerable sum of money, her interest in Nebraska history doubtless anchored in the memory of the late Addison Sheldon who promoted the organization of the state society and served as its first director. The spring meeting of the society is to be April 19 at Wayne; Prof. J. R. Johnson of the Wayne State Teachers' College, billed to address the society.



Romaine Saunders

As I turned to go she was in tears—tears that tell of human sorrow, of heartache. But she wiped away the tears, came to the door as I was leaving to give a word of thanks for the financial help I had brought at an hour of need, for the words of sympathy for a widowed wife in a desolated home. George had awakened her at three o'clock in the morning to tell her of a severe pain. Then relaxed, breathed his last. Today as this is written George is straightened for the grave, another aged widow to travel the highway of life alone, until she too hears the drum-beat of eternity. Cherishing words of sympathy, clutching in her hand the gift handed her, she stands there as I walk away.

After 83 years telling the news stories to citizens along the banks of the Missouri river the South Sioux City Eagle has folded its wings to fly no more. When the Eagle was first published, South Sioux was known as Covington.

State Senator Fern Hubbard Orme, speaking at a gathering of one of our Capital City's numerous "clubs," declared that "Nebraska is like a sick man." No, Nebraska is not sick. It is the same grand stretch of velvet prairie, dotted with farms of growing crops, of countless herds of cattle and sheep, cities, towns and villages, of loyal God-fearing citizens and here and there a prairie wolf or two. But this is not what Senator Orme regards as being like a "sick patient." She, an O'Neill girl, that like others of the old town, has ascended the ladder of life to goodness in human affairs. She lays a hand on the "sick patient," and says "We have an overdose of taxes on homes and other property." Five-five to a hundred dollars annual tax on the little cottage you call home, personal taxes, withholding tax and income tax to pay for what you are demanding in the way of public service. Senator Orme seems to think the way to get relief is to get together and revamp the state constitution.

Bob Britnell reported consigned to the abode of the dead out in the state of Washington, where other former citizens have found resting places. It was a night in December, 1894, Bob Britnell, then living some distance east and north of O'Neill, drove into town with the news that Barrett Scott had been way-laid by a mob, the supposition being he had been hanged. With Britnell was Mrs. Scott and little daughter.

The Scotts were returning to O'Neill from a trip to the Scottville community where Barrett had lived before being elected county treasurer. Some 15 miles northeast of O'Neill, the Scotts were halted by a mob, their horses shot down, Barrett taken and bound hand and foot, loaded into a wagon and hauled away to his doom. Mrs. Scott and daughter found their way to Bob Britnell's home and he hitched up a team and came to town with Mrs. Scott. She went to the Meredith home at a late hour of the night, aroused Mr. and Mrs. Meredith to tell what had happened. Meredith got out that night and aroused others. A group of men, Clyde King, editor of The Frontier among them, took off that night to the north, found a rope hanging from the Whiting bridge at the Niobrara river and guessed Scott must have been hung there and his body then under the icy waters of the river. Some ten days later the body was recovered. Scott, as county treasurer at a period of hard times, did in a small way what the late President Roosevelt did in a big way: used public funds to help the needy. Mr. Roosevelt was honored as a benefactor of mankind. Scott was hung and his bones lie up on the hill in the abode of the dead. In an issue of The Frontier in January, 1895, was an editorial by Clyde King that was a literary gem in memory of "poor Scotty." It was copied by the city dailies and some weekly papers. Clyde, too, lies up there on the hill in the abode of the dead, as do the others that recovered that body, placed it by them on the banks of the Niobrara, sat down by lifeless Scotty that night in January long ago and shed tears. And where are those who formed the hangman's noose?

Governor Brooks, a recent addition to the city's population, hands Lincoln a bunch of prairie land roses when he says it is the outstanding educational and governmental city in the United States. I do not know just what the governor has seen here in the way of "governmental" superiority but in the way of educational institutions we have them on about every corner. But are they turning out as worthwhile citizens as come from our country schools out over the state?

She is an aged widow, has her own modest home at the uncrowded limits of a residential section of the capital city. He is the owner and head of a nationally known concern in Buffalo, New York. As a girl of 13, she too, lived with her parents in Buffalo. He was then a baby that she would take in her arms and fondle. She and baby were cousins. She today knowing something of financial stringency, he well off, sends his aged and widowed cousin a check from time to time.

Prairieland's wide open spaces, city and town, snow blanketed and frost bitten these February winter days. The sun obliterated by fog and cloud. Clean the sidewalks and within an hour they are covered again with a blanket of snow. No drifting winds the snow lays where it falls to melt and soak the soil. And then the fruitful soil of our prairie land brings forth the life giving fruits to sustain us as we walk the highway of time. A night the second week in February, a thunder storm rattles ice and rain across the capital city to give notice that the blooming buds of spring may be "just around the corner."

## When You and I Were Young

50 Years Ago

Miss Marie Morrow entertained some seventy-five guests at a card party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Muller. The occasion was made one of the most notable social events of the season and Miss Morrow showed herself a charming hostess. . . . The Holt county jail burned to the ground early this morning, only the iron cages remaining to tell where the building stood. There were three prisoners in the jail, but all escaped unhurt. The origin of the fire is at present a mystery. . . . Mrs. Mary Thompson sustained a broken arm on her way uptown Tuesday. Going across lots to avoid the snow drifts, she fell going through a wire fence and broke her left arm at the wrist. . . . The Burlington railroad, after a week's struggle with snow and ice, got their line open from here to Sioux City the first time since Wednesday. . . . Deaths: Lillian Blanche Hodges died after a short illness from typhoid fever.

20 Years Ago

A. L. "Pug" Horn leased the Conoco filling station in the west part of town, which was formerly operated by A. W. Tibbets. . . . Former residents of O'Neill, who now reside in Washington, met at The Kenesaw for dinner and organized the O'Neill Nebraska club of Washington, D. C. Marvin Stauffer of Page, Vera Grutsch of O'Neill and Margery Rees of Amelia were presented with orders of 50 chicks free from the Tri State Hatchery in O'Neill as a result of their placing in position judging at the County Achievement Day last fall. Marvin Stauffer will also receive 100 setting eggs as a prize for his placing in judging at the state fair. . . . Mrs. Joe Winkler and son, Charles and daughter, Leona, Mrs. Cal Tenberg and Harry Ellen Schaaf drove to Stuart to attend the miscellaneous shower given in honor of Miss Tillie Weber at the John Shald home. . . . One of the items in the Outlaw grocery ad this week was California Naval Oranges 288, Good Size 10c per dozen. Deaths: John H. Slack of Dorsey, James Leslie Summers of O'Neill.

10 Years Ago

This week's edition of The Frontier has 26 pages with 3 sections, with more pictures and stories on the blizzard. . . . Richard Jennings 67, life long resident of O'Neill died of a heart attack. His body was discovered three days later in a hotel here. . . . The Senior class of Chambers decided for the third and final time not to wear caps and gowns for commencement exercises. . . . The Rural Electrification Administration has approved an additional loan of 157 thousand dollars for the Niobrara Valley Electric Membership Corp., according to William Blakolb, president. These funds will be used for completion of previously planned and approved line construction.

One Year Ago

The Lancaster county court at Lincoln has appointed Marvin Hall and wife, Doris, as guardians of four-year-old David Lee Terrill, only survivor of the yuletide auto accident in which David's parents and his sister were fatally injured. . . . A new school redistricting committee in Holt county has been formed. . . . Vernon Sageser of Amelia swept top laurels in the annual spring show and sale sponsored by the Holt County Hereford Breeders Association. . . . O'Neill draws Neligh in B first round. . . . Members of Cub Scout den III visited The Frontier office this week. . . . Five St. Mary's academy graduates were capped simultaneously in ceremonies at St. Catherine's hospital school of nursing at Omaha. . . . Death: William Egger 61, of O'Neill, formerly an automobile dealer here.

Monuments of lasting beauty from the factory to the consumer—Emmett Crabb, O'Neill, made by skilled craftsmen of the J. F. Bloom Co. . . . monument

Bill Perry Says Use Plenty of Milk and Butter To Make Salad—Ever use milk and butter in a salad? Yes, says Bill Perry, supervisor of the local Meadow Gold Dairy. Eggs and dairy sour cream are added too, if the salad is a molded one such as these individual Salmon Vegetable molds. The recipe was specially developed by Beatrice Cooke, Director of the Meadow Gold test kitchens in Chicago, for Lenten meals. With a hot roll or muffin you should find the creamy fish molds quite satisfying for lunch.

Salmon Vegetable Molds (Six servings)  
1 tablespoon plain gelatin  
2 tablespoons homogenized milk  
½ teaspoon salt  
1 tablespoon sugar  
1 tablespoon flour  
1 teaspoon dry mustard  
Dash cayenne  
1 cup homogenized milk  
2 egg yolks, slightly beaten  
¼ cup vinegar  
½ tablespoons butter  
2 tablespoons lemon juice  
½ cup diced celery  
¼ cup chopped green pepper  
1 tablespoon grated onion  
1 1-pound can salmon, drained and flaked  
Cream Dressing:  
1 cup diced pared cucumber  
½ teaspoon salt  
Dash cayenne  
2 tablespoons vinegar  
½ cup dairy sour cream  
Soften gelatin in two tablespoons of milk. Combine salt, sugar, flour, dry mustard and cayenne. Add milk and egg yolks; blend. Stir in vinegar; cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until thickened. Add butter, lemon juice and gelatin; stir until dissolved. Cool for 10 minutes. Fold in vegetables and salmon. Spoon mixture into six individual molds or one large mold. Chill until firm. Unmold on crisp greens. Serve with cream dressing made by blending ingredients together.

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## Riverside News

### 19 Ladies Present at Meeting

By Mrs. Lionel Gunter  
The Jolly Workers club had an all day meeting with Martha Gunter Thursday. The nineteen ladies present hemmed and embroidered tea towels for the hostess.

The Seek and Share club met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Wayne Fry. Mrs. John Napier served lunch to the group. Mrs. Dale Napier and Mrs. Lorraine Montgomery gave the lesson.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Hord visited Thursday eve at the Alfred Napier home.

Walter Miller has the flu. Mrs. Floyd Napier was on the sick list Tuesday and Wednesday. Mrs. Lynn Fry is under doctors care with a bad cold and sinus.

Julie Fry went to Norfolk Monday for a check-up. She had a tonsilectomy two weeks ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Turner were supper guests at the Bert Fink home.

The John Napier family were supper guests Sunday at the Web Napier home.

Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Gunter and Levon and Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Hord were guests Wednesday evening at the Alfred Napier home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ora Switzer visited Sunday evening at the Amos Switzer home in Clearwater.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Hord visited Sunday afternoon and evening at the George Montgomery home.

Mr. and Mrs. George Montgomery visited Thursday evening at the John Miller home.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Fry and family were Sunday evening visitors at the Harold Milnar home at O'Neill.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Ahlers visited Saturday at the Robert Ahlers home at Wisner.

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The Harold Bennett family visited Tuesday evening at the John Napier home.  
Mrs. Anna Miller visited Sunday at the John Miller home.  
Mr. and Mrs. Earl Pierson took Walter Weopple to Sioux City, Ia., Friday to have some stitches removed from an eye after cataract operation.  
Nancy, Ruth and Susan Napier were overnight guests Saturday and dinner guests Sunday at the Z. H. Fry home. Other guests Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Napier.  
Mrs. Daisy Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Napier and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Z. H. Fry were supper guests Sunday at the John Carol Ann; Cathy and Glenlynn McDaniel were Sunday dinner guests at the Bert Fink home.  
Men of Riverside community cut wood Saturday afternoon at the Don Larson home for the Free Methodist church.  
Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Pollock and Phil of Omaha spent the weekend at the Dave Pollock home.  
Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Hoke took a car load of pep club girls to the grade school tournament at Orchard Thursday night.

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## Editorial

# Brooks, 'A Source of Wonder'

LINCOLN — Complications of state government have been a source of wonderment to most newcomers to the capital.  
Gov. Ralph G. Brooks is no exception. He said he can see the need for a Constitutional Convention to get rid of the "hodge podge" that now exists.  
Some persons are elected, some appointed, terms are different and they even get paid on different days, Brooks noted. He said in the interest of good administration that should be changed.  
However, he cautiously noted that he was not embarking on a crusade to make the changes during the next two years and doubts if he could if he were to launch a campaign.  
But, commented the governor, Nebraskans should be thinking about the problem.  
One way to solve part of the headache, the governor said, would be to have a "short ballot," that is, where the governor only is elected and everyone else appointed.  
This, Brooks said, would provide for "responsible" government and stop a situation whereby a man could slide into an elective office merely because he had a good name for the ballot.  
This should not be interpreted as a slam against other elected officials, the governor said, since many of them are qualified and competent for the posts they hold.  
The governor reiterated that responsible government, in his way of thinking, does not include government by executive boards or commissions. He favors one-man authority, so responsibility can be pinpointed.  
**Appointments Fuss**  
Both parties have been stirring up the pond on the matter of appointments.  
The situation began when former Republican governor Victor Anderson turned out a bunch of last-

minute appointments, including one to the game commission and the state Merit System Council.  
Democratic Gov. Ralph G. Brooks got into the act when he decided to submit his own appointments to the Legislature for confirmation.  
Brooks claimed that selection of John Quinn of Lincoln as a member of the Merit System Council was not valid because all three agencies involved had not formally approved the naming of Quinn by Anderson.  
The council handles personnel problems for the public assistance, labor and health departments.  
Quinn appealed to the attorney general for a ruling. Atty Gen. C. S. Beck ruled Quinn's appointment was not valid, and a new man will be appointed.  
On the game commission, Gov. Anderson named Lee Lauenberg of Columbus, a Republican. But, after the appointment, another vacancy occurred and Brooks selected a new man, plus another commissioner to replace Nauenberg on grounds the Columbus man had not taken office.  
Brooks also told the Legislature his recommendation of former Sen. Leroy Bahensky of Palmer filled legal requirements that at least one member of the commission be engaged in farming.  
Meanwhile, storm signals flapped in the Legislature on the question of appointment of A. Clifford Anderson of Lincoln as State Purchasing Agent.  
Raised was the old bugaboo that he had not the proper background immediately prior to being appointed to qualify for the job.  
Similar objections were raised when Tom Coffey was chosen purchasing agent by Gov. Victor Anderson.  
The Brooks office said Anderson is eminently qualified for the post and besides laws are vague on qualifications.

# There Is No Magic Formula

There is no magic formula in city government that will tell you how many councilmen a city should have. When the problem of adding another ward or more councilmen comes to growing cities like O'Neill, it is possible to do either of two things:  
1. Add more councilmen with the decreasing size of each ward.  
2. Make the wards larger and keep the same number of councilmen.  
Every city is unique in one respect—they want the best representation at the least cost.  
The councilmen of O'Neill have taken the first course and we would like to wish them the best in their efforts.  
For the taxpayer, the course of action should mean that there will be more men representing fewer people. This also means that more interest groups will be added and that even more interests will be voiced. It means, primarily, that O'Neill must get two good men on that council in the April election. We owe this to ourselves.

the new people taking over The Frontier have:  
"You shouldn't feel bad about not being able to find things right away," she said. "It's just like cooking in a strange kitchen."  
Mrs. Hrbek, you don't realize how right you are.

## THE FRONTIER

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'Those Kitchen Blues'  
When Mrs. Emil Hrbek of Lynch came into The Frontier office the other day to renew her subscription, she—in the way only a woman could put it—provided a master stroke in describing the difficulty

# FARM SALE

HAVING DECIDED to discontinue Farming, we will sell the Live Stock and Machinery at Public Auction at the Place One Mile West and One Half South of Chambers.

## Wed., February 25

Lunch at Sale — Bethany Ladies

### 47 -- HEAD of CATTLE -- 47

All Cattle are Highgrade Herefords of Good Ages.

27—Head of good Hereford cows some with calves at side now others will have by sale date; 7 of these cows have calves now.	9—Coming yearling Calves.
6—2-yr.-old Heifers to calve in late spring.	3—2-yr.-old Holstein Heifers to freshen.
3—Chester White bred Gilts, to farrow in April. About 200 Bushels Ear Corn	1—Coming 2-yr.-old Hereford Bull, registered.
	1—Coming 2-yr.-old Bull not registered

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