Let the Grass Grow

The 25 million dollar irrigation project under acceptraction in the Ainsworth community is opgused by the sandhills cowboys as a foolish underrising and waste of millions of taxpayers' dollars. There is a crop growing region everywhere throughaut our country-just let the grass grow on prairieand on which the herds of Herefords and Shorthorns will fatten for market.

Not a free trip to Lincoln for a name for that

But of prairieland sod on the principal street of our Essetal City but a trip to Lon-England for two. Thought * was so stated in plain typewritten words sent to this deperforment a week or two ago. come on with your prairie sod Title and get that flying trip with your girl friend to the great ants of London. . . . A state senin Michigan proposes to rettle their state's worries by turning the country back to the



Indians. We paleface out here hang on a while yet. . . . The latest issue of The Nebraska History magazine is devoted to the story of Fort Atkinson, an outpost of the 1820's loanted at the Council Bluffs where now a thriving Bowa city stands. The story might be of special interest to my Atkinson friends. Two of the comemanding officers of the fort are pictured, Col. Atkirson and Col. Leavenworth, smooth shaven and mlean, dolled up in the army dress of their day.

The light that glimmers and glows in the morning of life, my lad, will lead you to the glare of monday if you will. If not, then to a burned out candle of life that dies in the black of the night.

A group of a few hundred at the annual banquet of Lancaster County Youths Citizenship Club were by one speaker that citizenship is determined by that kind of a person you are. What this collection from worshiper to worshiper. sone and muscle and brain is, involves more mere citizenship. When the teacher lined us is a row along the south wall of the old school buse that stood where now the classic halls of learnrear their walls along north 4th street, she standing there in front of us with a spelling book m Band-how long you stood there in that line of ties depended upon how good a speller you were now accurate.

Guy Baldwin and Minnie Sulkirk spelled us all

be human feet walk that far. But human eyes that of fun. And soon two prairieland young folks taked along life's highway as one!

The month of April brought sunshine and showars to praireland, with here and there a blanket snow. Mother earth wet down and as we enter me month of May, we anticipate the field and garproducts, the fragrance and beauty of floral

May 22 he is to be escorted to the death chair, strapped in, the current turned on and the life of that killer. Charles Starkweather, will ebb out. Thus will end not only a wasted young life but closes the fire which occurred in May of the story of the most brutal killings of modern times 1899. The families which lost the in this state. His associate in crime, a young girl, lives on in custody of our penal institution.

us any of those 300 million Mohamedans who observe ah. O. O. Snyder, Oscar Wilcox, Friday, the sixth day of the week as their holy day. C. L. Bright, B F. Cole and E H. direct the religious in human affairs we may hark back to Colonial times when dissenters were burned at the stake. Our federal constitution waves the at the stake. Our federal constitution waves the directed a new building to store lime at their yards. . . The post-office force point with a degree of pride to the embelished front of their building to store lime at their yards. . . The post-office force point with a degree of pride to the embelished front of their building to store lime at their yards. . . The post-office force point with a degree of pride to the embelished front of their building to store lime at their yards. . . The post-office force point with a degree of pride to the embelished front of the major jobs to be completed this year under a \$557,870 construction and equipment budget for the 11-county area served out he prays and preaches and the collection plate passes

It was a calm late April morning. Out of the blue above the sun was in golden glory, spreading warmth and light across the city. I met this morning a gentleman of the cloth from Ainsworth. He is here to look upon a mob of young America from regions 'round about that fill the Capital City's grand auditorium at 16th and N streets, a youth's congress. We hear and read about a lot of "juven-city, where stands our stately Statehouse, a throng kiled by lightning at the C. J. Kimbrough ranch eighteen miles Himan hands cannot reach to you distant star, of young people that sense the importance of life north of O'Neill during the severe their devotion to their home, their country and electrical storm. . . . W. C. Buford, fuman thought behold what cannot be bought. their God. It came to this old-timer, as a touch depot agent at Bristow, who was walked along life's highway an afternoon in May out of the glowing skies above, a chance to meet depot here, was rendered uncon-I saw her coming just off a little way. We met, with and speak to a clean young man, a mere lad scious when a large hail stone smiled, we spoke, we blushed and thought it a from Missouri, one who early on life's highway has struck him on the head during the already a purpose in life. He informed me that hail storm that visited Bristow in there were 75 in his group from Missouri. The congress was to be in session for four or five days.

May of 1930. . . . The rainfall for the first week in May in 1930 amounted to almost one-half inch. O yes, we superanuated-has-beens looked in upon these young people as they sat in the great auditorium, participating in it all, and were amazed and gratified that so vast a group of young people from April 29, 1953 special swimming

Editorial

Must It Always Be Thus?

and it told of many things, among others, age and

that goes with age. The little 89-year old lady from Chambers re-

strued the subscription notice and check to The Frontier and the note. It was the kind of note that harts more than anything else in this business of newspapering. This is the note:

No. I can't take The Frontier any more for I am dring so poorly I can't read a paper any more-my ayes are so poor. I am 89 years old. I hate to give two for I have taken The Frontier a long, long time. Mrs. W. L. Medcalf,

Chambers, Nebr. Must it always be thus? Just when a person reaches a time in life when he or she should have the opportunity to sit down and leisurely read a

newspaper, their eyes will not let them. We do not know what to say, Mrs. Medcalf, exment that we are sorry. Your kind of letter hurts more

We are hoping, however, that from time to time, someone will be your eyes for you, that someone will be good enough to take the time to keep you informed and read The Frontier to you.

Little Peeps

Scores of small, north-central Nebraska children zaised their band instruments to their lips, and with a gleam of admiration in their eyes, began to play when the master gave the signal.

Mr. Leonard Sawyer, well known and loved bandmaster from Royal raised his baton and started the wixth annual mass band concert consisting of his students from five area towns.

Children from Royal, Page, Inman, Clearwater and Meadow Grove were in Inman Friday evening

and the performance was top-notch. "The little children must start somewhere," the and master said. "You could hear the little ones, not always with everyone, but we want them to start

playing together." But those little "peeps" made the evening in Inman something very special. The parents knew that their children were learning.

"I know that the little ones enjoy playing as much or more than the older children," Mr. Sawyer said. "It's a wonderful training ground."

\$\$? NO!

(From the Ashland Gazette) The Gazette has this to say about letters home from boys away at college: "Dear Dad: Guess what E need mo\$t of. That'\$ right. Please \$end some

along. Your Son, Ross.' Dad wrote back: "Dear Ross: NOthing cheers us so much as your NOtes. We kNOw you like school. Goodbye NOw. As ever, Dad."

Since tossing into the legislative hopper at the sett and they are comfortably set-State House a bill, which if enacted into law will tled in the McNichols house in the close retail stores in Nebraska on Sunday, Gov. Laphan has leased the Dollar A Brooks has been bombarded on the one hand by Day house and will open it soon protests and on the other hand by congratulations. |. The governor, confined to a hospital as a sick man eral soaking rains during the past as this is typewritten, no doubt has a sincere de- closed a term of school nine miles sire to promote reverence among our citizens for north of town and is now with her Sunday revered by multitudes today as a memorial parents in O'Neill. of a risen Savior, known by ancient fire worshipers lagher and R. H. Jenness are adas the "venerable day of the sun." Perhaps one- ding valuable improvements to half of prairieland's population has no church con- their residence properties. nection. These Sundays are just another first day May 4, 1899, the funeral of Dan Kelly was held at the Catholic of the week. And then there are among us some church. . . . Greenberry Darr, who thousands of Jews, Seventh Day Adventists and a has been spending the winter in branch of the great Baptist church, all of whom York county, returned to O'Neil regard the seventh day, not the first, as a holy day odd Fellows went to Spencer May "made for man" in the beginning by the Creator 2 to organize a lodge. Those not himself as He stood before our first parents in the iced with their best suits on were Garden of Eden. I do not know if there are among If our state ventures on a program to control or Thompson. . . . banner of religious liberty over Americans-let it still wave over prairieland. Close the retail stores by law on Sunday-why? Money rattles into the cash register on the man made holy day. Then close gain of twenty over ten years ago. District, summarized the year's churches, that is the day pastor earns his pay as

our western states have high ideals to guide them pool election. A canvass of the ballots cast during the special through life.

An Opportnuity

Sandhills ranchers will soon have an opportunity to hear one of the leading economists in the busi-

Francis A. Kutish, professor of economics at Iowa State College, will address the annual convention of the Sandhills Cattle Association to be held at ular monthly session. . . . John V. O'Neill on this date O'Neill on this date.

Kutish will address the convention on "The Out- 30, 1953 in St. James hospital at look Situation as it Pertains to the Cattle Business-Both this Fall and in the Future."

This is a good opportunity for you ranchers to AF.B. near San Antonio, Texas. widen your experience. If anyone can understand the reasons for cattle price fluctuations, this is the

Kutish has written articles on "outlook" and agricultural economics for many of the major farm publications and has made numerous appearances as a speaker before groups throughout the Midwest-

You ranchers will also have the opportunity to hear a panel of local ranchers discuss estate and income tax problems. The panel will consist of Daniel Stubbs, Alliance; W. B. (Bryan) Quigley, Valentine; John Cassel, Ainsworth and William W. Grif- organization to stimulate a more

fin, O'Neill. The program has been formed by some excellent men in this community for the entertainment and information of all cattle people and others interested in livestock production in the Sandhills range area. All ranchers, both members and non-members of the Association are invited to attend the convention

Regardless of what business you happen to be in, it would be a good idea to take an active part in the Association's annual convention. It will pay you in more ways than you might think.

JAMES CHAMPION, Co-Publisher JERRY PETSCHE, Editor

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Frontiers

THE FRONTIER WAS YOUNG Three families lost nearly every thing and several others had hay, sheds and machinery burned in heaviest were the Puckett ranch, nine miles south of O'Neill, Charles Ingersall, five miles from O'Neill and J. B. Maring residing about ten miles out. . . . W. E. Hamlin moved his family down from Bassouthern part of town.

Holt County has enjoyed sev-Miss Stella Shively parents in O'Neill. . . . Dr. Gilligan, Dr. Trueblood, Ed F. Gal-May 4, 1899, the funeral of Dan Maylon Price, Jim Davis, R. H.

Bezelmans have erected a new building to store their building.

Henry, J. H. Meredith, Judge Sel-

THE CENTURY TURNS The 1930 Census showed the

Immediately following the an- budget as follows: nouncement by the Northwestern

MOST OF US REMEMBER The Frontier's information desk handled 187 telephone calls in connection with the outcome of the swimming pool election resulted in a revision of final vote tabulation and the official final tally brought cheering news to the enthusiastic . A mobile mupool supporters. seum of Robert Ripley's collection of "Believe It or Not" oddities and art objects was presented in O'- and perhaps others. Neill May 7, 1953. Thirty-six sneak day in Omaha. opera "Down in the Valley". under the direction of Charles B. Houser, band instructor. . . . City Supt. L. C. Anderson filed a letter of resignation with the city council in reg school superintendent, died April Butte. Mont. . . . Allen H. Walters and Delbert R Rouse completed their basic training at Lackland

Local Church Members Form Study Group

A study committee for the cre-

counties and 9 communities met at and Cherry. the O'Neill Methodist church to consider the problem of a county adequate program in the county in the areas of alcohol and other nar-

The Rev. Jim Sloan of North Associate Director of the State Temperance League of Nebraska, led the discussion.

The study committee will be convened by the Rev. Glenn Kennicott, president of the O'-Neill Ministerial Association, and will be composed of representatives from the county, selected from the various churches. Their task will be to set up the actual plans for such a county educational organization.

educational organization.

They are: The Rev. Charles Cox, pastor of the Methodist church in Chambers; Mrs. Kenneth LaRue also of Chambers; The Rev. Burl Baty, pastor of the Wesleyan Methodist church of Page; Mr. Harvey Tompkins of Inman; The Rev. Ross, pastor of the Presbyterian church of Ewing; Mr. Ernest Norwood of Ewing; The Rev. Robert the Stuart Community church; and Mr. Fred Horne, of Atkinson.

SOCIAL SECURITY

A representative of the Norfolk social security office will be in the court room of the court house in Butte from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p. m. on Thursday May 21, 1959. A person reaching retirement age this year and expecting to earn \$1200 or less is urged to apply for social security benefits about a month before his birthday.



A reward in the amount of \$500 to a person or persons furnishing information leading to the apprehension and conviction of those involved in stealing cattle from members, has been adopted by the Nebraska Stock Growers Association. The state cattlemen's organization located at Alliance is encouraging its members to secure signs like the one being posted here by W. B. Pearson,

Consumers Budget One Half Million For Coming Year

completed and material is on hand for the 11-county area served out on April 26 with 21 present. of Consumers Public Power Dictrict's O'Neill office.

K. L. Van Voorhis, CPPD's man-

Rebuild and general improve-Railway Company that bus mail ments of heavy-duty high voltage favorably to hold a meeting once a transmission line, \$241,300; remonth with every other Sunday Neill would be discontinued on May vamping or general "beefing up" of 4, 1930, C. P. Hancock of this city local distribution lines in 17 or gear, pole digging units, supplies

> Van Voorhis said the largest transmission line investment is the planned \$90,000 rebuilding of the 69.00-volt line between Belden and Dixon. Like other line jobs, the Belden-Dixon project is necessary to provide for increased power capacity to be carried to

Two other major transmission line jobs include the relocation and rebuilding of about 101/2 miles of a 24,00-volt line and reinsulate for 34,500-volts. The job, between O'other big job, with a price tag of initial debate \$60.000, is the rebuilding of approximately 10 miles of 34,500-volt line between O'Neill and Atkinson.

or at least 14 communities, including O'Neill, Ponca, Creighton, Wausa, Valentine, Butte, Osmond, Concord, Atkinson, Coler-Osmond, Concord, Atkinson, Neligh

This has caused optimism amplified the solution of the coler than the solution of the coler than the coler t

Sub-station additions or rebuilseniors of the 1953 O'Neill high ding is planned for O'Neill, Dixschool graduating class spent on, Concord, Elgin, Clearwater, The O'- Lynch and Bristow. The rural pro-Neill Civic chorus and O'Neill Civic gram includes provisions for addorchestra presented a preway folk ing equipment to handle new farm of legislation can't keep a score customers, making general over-all card accurately because bills ofimprovements and re-routing and ten believed not in position for derebuilding about a mile of a line bate for some time are picked for east of Martinsburg.

Van Voorhis said the remaining \$51,830 in the budget is tabto be invested in trucks, trailers and other transportaion equipment, office supplies and equipment, such tools as air compressors, diggers, truck derricks, various testing and checking equipment, mobile two-way radio gear and miscellaneous it-

The O'Neill District, Mr. Van Voorhis pointed out, serves 53 cities or villages at the retail level and three other communities which ation of a Holt County "Temperance League for Alcohol and Nar-The O'Neill District office handles cotics Education" was appointed CPPD operations in all or part of at an inter-church meeting recent- the following countes: Holt, Brown, Keya Paha, Rock, Boyd, Knox, Representatives from 7 of the Cedar, Dixon, Dakota, Antelope

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Cycle Club Meets

Saddle Saints motorcycle club was held at the Bob Courtney home Due to future plans and a lack of time the ride to Lake Andes, population of O'Neill as 1993, a ager for the 56-community O'Neill Lynch after which the meeting S. D., was replaced by a ride into Capitol have hoped for some me-tion. was called to order by president, Jay Long of Bristow

being for activity or ride.

Points for year-end trophy given by the "American Motorcycle Association" for the most active participating rider have started. A "Quiz Run" on True and False Ride will be held May 17 for AMA members only. All AMA and club members were invited to join the Plainview club in a trail ride south of Niobrara Wednesday evening

Meeting was closed after which lunch was served. Our next meeting will be held with Bruce Schollmeyer of Lynch on Saturday evening, May 23 at 7 p.m. All riders in tri-county and Dakota area are welcome.

CAPITOL NEWS

By Melvin Paul Statehouse Correspondent The Nebraska Press Association

LINCOLN-The Nebraska Legis-Neill and Inman, will represent lature has begun to whittle steadiabout a \$65.000 investment. The ly at a huge pile of bills up for

This has been made possible by conclusion of committee hearings, which since January have occup-Revamping or bolstering local ied time of lawmakers every afdistribution systems is scheduled ternoon, Monday through Friday Afternoon floor debate is becoming more frequent, with sessions Wausa, Valentine, Butte, Elgin, from 9 a.m. to noon and from 2 to

ong some observers that the solons may wind up earlier than the last week in June as has been the forecast.

As a result of the all-day sessions, those interested in progress argument and acted upon rapidly. The Legislature's budget com-

mittee has completed its public hearings and has started the tremendous job of fashioning a budget for presentation on the floor. With the added work load of senators become correspondingly a baking in the summer sun. thin. This situation in past sessions has produced some of the more readable copy from the Legislature. Advent of warm weather will nasten work and also wear on tempers of lawmakers who have

Brook's Hlness

possible Democrat candidates for the fund. 1960 elections. The physician of the governor, who suffered a slight stroke April It carried by a 21-14 vote.

7, said he is "completely satisfied" with progress the governor said he saw no permanent disa- Ralph G. Brooks. bility for the governor, who has a

weakness in his right arm and leg and on the left side of his face. Some insiders say if the governor chooses not to seek another political office, Rep. Donald Mclinley of Ogallala might be a good bet to run for the U.S. Senate, and Brooks' administrative assistant, Robert Conrad, for governor.

On the Republican side, sources say that State Sen. Terry Carpenter continues to gain strength in Nebraska and will be in a good position if he runs for governor.

Some sources say Carpenter in tions. recent weeks has become more acceptable to conservative elements of the GOP. Best information appears to be

that the tax reform program which of State Aeronautics Director. Carpenter guided through the Legislature has been one thing which has boosted his popularity. People from inside both parties king a decision on who should be

political campaign will be a hot Air Conditioning during hot summer months to the

will agree on one thing: The 1960

air-conditioning.

floor debate all day, tempers of thod of cooling the building after Sen. Terry Carpenter of Scotts-

bluff tacked an amendment in the Legislature to a bill which would allow funds to be used for cooling the building. Carpenter's amendment provides

been battling with words since that 20 per cent of the money earmarked for repair and improvement of the statehouse from an in-The illness of Gov. Ralph G. stitutional building levy should go Brooks caused the armchair poli- for air-conditioning, in addition to ticians to take another look at 20 per cent of the \$400,000 now in

> The senator had some difficulty pushing the amendment through

Health Board Member The first member of the State making on the road to recovery. Health Board to live outside Linco-Barring anything unexpected he In has been appointed by Gov.

Appointed by the chief executive was Mrs. Laura Berge, of Lisco, wife of the late Wendell Berge who served as an assistant U.S. attorney in charge of the federal antitrust division.

She succeeds the late Dr. C.B. Edwards of Lincoln.

The board was created in 1953 but a Constitutional amendment, eliminated at the polls last November, required that all members of the board reside in Lincoln.

The governor said he was pleased with Mrs. Berge's qualifica-

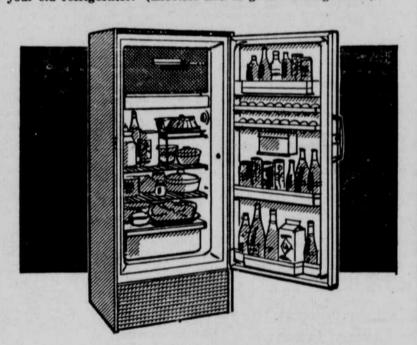
Obbink Air Chief

A Lincoln man, 39-year-old Jack Obbink, has accepted the position Obbink was offered the post by Gov. Ralph G. Brooks. to replace Rolland Harr, who resigned after blasting the governor for not ma-

Obbink said he is going to put 'past controversies on the shelf" and look toward producing the best A problem of major concern aeronautics department possible. He told the Aeronautics Commis-,800 workers in the statehouse is sion he has been a pilot for 18 years and that he is extremely in-Since the use of air-conditioning terested in aviation and will give became general, workers in the the commission his full coopera-

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