

Prairie Land Talk

Holt County Has Good Water

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The past ten years or so there has been much talk in our Capital City of doping the city water with a drug said to prevent tooth decay.



Romaine Saunders

how to make water as well as to make grass to grow. In O'Neill in the long ago the citizens had their wells of water or went to the nearest pump or water drawn from a well in a bucket to get it.

Two from Scotland, two from England, three from Germany, one from Russia and one from France—friends in my part of the Capital City that I meet from time to time.

Mid February and spring like days. Snow faded away, the weather indicator out in front recorded 65 above zero the day this was written.

There may be no one in the Capital City of our beef state related in any way to one who held forth in the White House at our nation's capital in recent times.

Editorial

Faith In Your Banker

The third bank embezzlement in recent weeks was revealed last week, hitting headlines in all the daily newspapers. It was big news in each instance.

Such events shake a community to the very core. What makes them news, however, is their extreme rarity.

Bank officers and employees are human and as such are subject to the failings of all the rest of us. It is inevitable that some among this highly moral profession should succumb to temptation.

The fact that three such cases have been discovered in recent weeks can only be coincidence. Faith in banks is something we have developed over a period of many years.

Banking in small towns is a peculiar institution. Probably no one knows you better than your banker. He is a shrewd, hard-working man who works beside you on community projects.

The events of recent weeks has not dampened our respect for the banking institution. On the contrary... it has sharpened our appreciation of the importance of the bank and the people who run it.

Your banker is a busy man. During the day he may be providing a loan to a businessman, farmer or rancher, making out deposit slips or helping a schoolboy start a savings account.

But he'll be pleased if you stop by, shake his hand and express your gratitude for the faith he has had in you. Tell him of your confidence in him, his bank, his organization. Why not do it today? You'll be glad you did.

You Can't Create Money

In the months to come it is a safe bet that much will be heard about such things as adverse balance of payments, loss of gold, the value of the dollar, prices and foreign competition, all of which to the average person will be highly confusing.

and the wife of President Grover Cleveland were cousins. Our land went through its greatest period of hard times during the Cleveland administration in the 1890's, two or three cents a dozen paid farm women for their eggs, five cents a bushel for corn down in the farming communities of Nebraska.

The watch upon your wrist or in your pocket ticking away tells the time of day. The throbbing heart beat within counts off the hours and days as we travel life's highway.

It was a week in February in the year 1902—Our new Short Line railroad from Sioux City had just got going and talk of extending it on west was heard on every corner.

The spring meeting of the State Historical Society has been set for May 7 in Omaha, when one or two notables will be there to address the group that gets together once a year to talk it over and eat a two dollar dinner.

A shave and a hair cut at John Smoots or Maylon Pricess barber shops on South Fourth street for 35 cents. And those two tonsorial artists lived well, owned their homes and had their "horse and buggy."

The City Dads of Omaha a day recently sent over three buses to cart the members of our state legislature to Omaha where they were entertained for a time, given a good dinner and then taken back to Lincoln.

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\$12 billion of gold as backing for currency in circulation. Some believe that gold should now be removed altogether as backing for the currency. This is a question that will be debated in months to come.

About 20 years ago a book was published entitled "The Promises Men Live By." Its author, Harry Scherman, endeavored in simple language to explain the economic facts of modern life.

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That is a large order but as the experts and the authorities expound their ideas on what to do about these strange new problems of international payments and gold, the least we can do is try.

Senator Barry Goldwater of Arizona writes: "The ivory tower visionaries who produce the blue-prints for the superstate, refuse to take into account the differences between men.

"If government is to be truly the servant of the people and not their master, we must never permit ourselves to presume that because something is good for one man it is good for all men."

Frontiers Ago

50 YEARS AGO

M. F. Harrington of O'Neill has filed a complaint with state railway commission against disconnection of trains between Long Pine and Norfolk Junction.

25 YEARS AGO

Charles Wrede jr., 66, a pioneer in this county, dies February 22 after illness of several months.

10 YEARS AGO

Guy Coles and John Conards of Emmet return from two weeks' trip in Texas, Louisiana and Mexico.

5 YEARS AGO

Fred O. Robertson, 70, retires from Consumers. Mr. and Mrs. George Pongratz of Emmet celebrate 50th wedding anniversary.

The Long Ago At Chambers

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Josephine Lienhart will teach school at Lynch. R. J. Starr has rented part of the old Hubbard hotel and will run an implement house there.

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Capitol News -

Legislature's Budget Committee Details Spending of \$7 Million

By Melvin Paul Statehouse Correspondent The Nebraska Press Association LINCOLN—The Legislatures of the future may take a good look at the problem of distributing bills introduced. Requests for the copies often result in a shortage of printed legislative bills for senators.

State Sen. Hans Jensen of Aurora raised this question and suggested that those wanting the copies pay a \$2.50 fee. He feels this would eliminate half the requests and assure that sufficient copies of bills would be available for senators.

But Sen. J. W. Burbach of Crofton said he doesn't think a fee would be proper at this stage of the session but would be a good idea for "future consideration."

There are some 1,300 individuals and firms on mailing lists who receive free copies of proposed legislation. In the 1959 session 17,300 pounds of bills alone were mailed to those on the lists.

There are 12 full time employees in the legislative bill room for the first two months of the session. This drops to seven for the remainder of the six-month-long meeting.

Focal point of a lot of maneuvering in the Legislature on the question of a sales and income tax is a bill to increase the state property tax levy for parks.

They tried to tie the .22 of a mill increase to a sales and income tax, thus providing it would be effective only if a sales or income tax were enacted by the Legislature. But this failed.

The committee did amend the bill, earmarking .04 of a mill for development of a park and recreation area along the Interstate highway between Grand Island and North Platte.

Present guesses are the .35 levy would raise \$11 million in the next 10 years to boost the state's park and recreation program.

If the Legislature passes a bill to abolish capital punishment Gov. Frank Morrison says he won't veto it. But, he says, his thinking is still fluid on the matter of whether he favors or does not favor capital punishment—that is, execution of criminals convicted by courts of first degree murder.

year. But a Legislative committee was certain it did not like the proposed bill that would have authorized a luminescent background for license plates.

Verdigre News

By Vac Randa

James J. Chalupnik, one of Verdigre's pioneer business men, recently purchased the 160-acre farm from Mrs. Elizabeth A. Walker, which adjoins Verdigre on the south just across the Verdigre Creek.

A meeting was held Monday night at the Yankton Masonic temple. Attending the meeting from here and Niobrara were Dr. V. A. Walstrom, Alvin Fosterman, L. O. Marshall, Walter Dobrichovsky, Vac Randa, Kirk Snowden and Dale Jones.

Ionic Lodge No. 37, AF & AM held "Guest Night" honoring the birthday of Mason George Washington February 22 at the Niobrara Masonic Temple which was filled to capacity with Masons and their guests.

Some motorists aren't sure whether they like the stickers instead of new license plates this year.

America, and O. W. Samuelson, of Omaha.

A film was shown on Lafayette, during colonial days. Walt Dobrichovsky showed two films, one of Niobrara Centennial and one of Verdigre Lord's Acre parade. A buffet supper was served.

ROYAL THEATER

Thurs. Mar. 2 Family Nite - Entire Family \$1.00 "THE FASTEST GUN ALIVE" Glenn Ford - Jeanne Crain Broderick Crawford

Fri.-Sat. Mar. 3-4 Edgar Allan Poe's the evil "HOUSE OF USHER"

Sun.-Mon.-Tues. Mar. 5-6-7 "THE FACTS OF LIFE" Bob Hope - Lucille Ball

Wed.-Thurs. Mar. 8-9 Family Nite - Entire family \$1.00 "APRIL LOVE" Pat Boone - Shirley Jones CinemaScope - Color by DeLuxe

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SATURDAY, MARCH 4

Sale starts at 2 p.m.

- Gas range GE Washing machine Complete set cooking utensils, and dishes Living Room Set Coronado refrigerator-freezer combination less than a year old and in excellent shape End table and lamps TV trays Kitchen table and 4 chairs Fruit jars Bedroom set and mattress Buffet Kitchen cabinet Wash tubs Coffee table Living room rug Ironing board Telephone stand Several throw rugs Many miscellaneous items

Other persons wishing to sell property on this sale are invited to bring the items to the above address prior to sale time.

TERMS: CASH. No property to be removed until settled for.

LOUIS NILES, Owner

Verne Reynoldson, auctioneer

Virgil Laursen, clerk

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It's impossible to pin down in dollars and cents. But consider the value in these terms: What good would your farm products be to you if you couldn't get them to market? Even if you could get them to market some other way, how much less would you have to take because they were not fresh enough to bring top prices?

Consider, too, the tools, feed, fertilizer, implements and other necessities for farming. Chances are they came by truck. The same is true of the luxuries that make life more pleasant. Your television set, washing machine, hi-fi, newspaper—the list is endless.

How much is all this worth to your county? Trucks serve in so many ways it's impossible to compute the exact value. But one thing is certain—trucks are the vital force that assures prosperity for this county—your county—and every other county in the state of Nebraska.

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