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Others Reject Spanish Ties

The question of including Spain in the program of economic assistance to Europe and in the Atlantic Defense Pact has been thoroughly aired in congress but the people of this country can well afford to pay some attention to the recent statements of James Bonbright, deputy assistant secretary of state for European affairs.

Mr. Bonbright points out that the question cannot be decided by the United States alone but must be considered in connection with the feeling of our European allies. These are opposed to bringing Spain into the common effort, he says, "in large part for political reasons." They do not like "the nature, origin and history of the Franco dictatorship."

In addition, Mr. Bonbright suggests that the inclusion of Spain, despite the objection of our allies, would lead them to think that we are abandoning the defense of Europe in favor of building up a real defense line in the Pyrenees mountains.

Some of our military experts have suggested such a course and the idea has been enthusiastically hailed by the pro-Spanish faction in this country. They have argued that we must secure the goodwill of Franco-Spain, or we might face the loss of the Spaniards as potential allies.

This argument, of course, overlooks the fact that Franco and his regime have already incurred the bitter enmity of the communists. In the event of a Russian attack upon Europe, the communists would like nothing better than to get at the Spaniards. Under the circumstances the only salvation for Spain, in the face of such a threat, would be assistance from the democratic nations of the world.

In short, in the event of a clash between communists and democracy on the battlefields of Europe, the Spaniards would have nowhere to go but on the democratic side. Any other course would invite disaster.

Socialism Isn't Working

England's labor government is worried about the increased number of key industrial workers who are deserting the "social paradise" in England to come to live and work in the sinful, capitalistic American system. Many things are not going so well for the planners in England. Perhaps after all we shouldn't be too hasty in following in Mother England's socialistic footsteps.

There is growing discontent in England among the industrial workers, etc. but what use is it to complain to the government about it? After all, labor IS the government in England. Perhaps they are finding out that nationalization and planning isn't the perfect answer to social problems.

They are finding out that nationalized industry just doesn't pay for itself. As a matter of fact, the only nationalized industry to show a profit was power. That's a pretty poor record!

There certainly would be some changes made in our private industry here in this "rotten, decadent, capitalistic system" if it couldn't even break even. We are rather surprised that the owners of England's industry, the British people, don't do a little changing around and maybe kick the social planners out on their "collective noses" so that English industry can start paying its own way again.

50 Attend Thanks Banquet at Inman

INMAN—The fifth annual Thanksgiving banquet of the Youth Adult Fellowship of the Inman Methodist church, was held at the WSCS parlors on Thursday evening, November 9. The rooms were decorated in colors of orange and brown crepe paper, colored leaves and gourdes. The placecards and programs were colored turkeys. There were 50 guests.

The program: Toastmaster, Lewis Kopecky, jr.; Wesleyan grace, all; welcome,

Herbert Nielson; response, Mrs. Lewis Kopecky, jr.; vocal duet, Mrs. Don Luben and Ralph Gray; reading, Miss Mildred Keyes; talk, Rev. C. C. Chappell; prayer, Mrs. Herbert Rouse.

The menu: meat loaf, escalloped potatoes, baked beans, moulded vegetable salad, cranberry sauce, relish plate, rolls and butter, mince and pumpkin pie.

A freewill offering was taken and proceeds turned over to the reserve pension funds.

To Hastings—

Gerald Lounsbury, assistant manager of the J. M. McDonald Co. store here, spent Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in Hastings on business.

The Disbeliever



PRAIRIELAND TALK—

J. J. ("Jim") Harrington Became a District Judge at Age of 32

By ROMAINE SAUNDERS

LINCOLN—A news item in a recent issue of The Frontier referred to Judge J. J. Harrington as having been county judge.

J. J. (Jim), as everybody knew him in those days) at the age of 32



Saunders Romaine

Judge Westover presiding over the courts in the counties in the Chadron area and our Jim in this and neighboring counties to the west. At times the two judges exchanged judicial duties.

Judge Harrington's record was such as a young jurist that but few cases appealed from his court to the supreme court were reversed or remanded. Political capital was made out of the relationship with one of the foremost attorneys of the state, his brother, the late M. F. Harrington.

Politics was something to make the angels weep in those days and political foes were a-let to scare up an "issue."

J. J.'s first case in district court after being admitted to the bar was in the county treasury shortage case brought against Barret Scott. The question involved was the amount of the shortage. That was not so difficult as there was 13 cents left in the treasury. Sam Elwood, who had been Scott's opponent in the election, was heard to remark, "See what you got by electing Scott. If I'd been elected you wouldn't have the courthouse left."

Life in litigation circles is pretty tame now. If you contact J. J. when he is in the reminiscent mood you might get some thrillers.

Today I looked upon a face cold and gray, furrowed with the marks of 79 years, nevertheless serene in the embrace of death, and once dark hair now forming a crown of snow. It was the head and face of John Ashton, a former Holt county citizen, child of a pioneer family of the Emmet community.

It is a half-century since he left Holt county, then a young man launching upon a career in educational work. He had graduated with one of the first classes to complete the work of the O'Neill high school. There are two now left of that class, Merritt Martin, of Buffalo, Wyo., and Mrs. Henrietta Frye, of Yuba City, Calif., the former Henrietta McAllister, daughter of the late Jim and Mrs. McAllister, of Minneola.

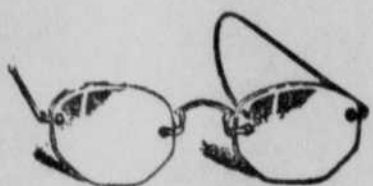
John Ashton first had a bent for newspaper work, took over the Chambers Eagle for a time, later headed the Chambers schools, and some years ago filled the position of superintendent of the O'Neill public schools. He was buried in Wyuka cemetery in Lincoln on November 13. His

wife, a daughter of the Eisele family, pioneers in the Chambers community, died two years ago. He is survived by one son, who lives in Omaha, and a brother in Lincoln.

I don't know who holds the record for continuous service in county office but maybe it's a tossup between County Clerk Stockwell, of Rock county, and Ira Moss, clerk of the district court of Holt county. Up in Rock, Stockwell and his wife have kept the clerk's office functioning since 1919 — and they must be doing a good job of it. It is apparent that the court clerk's office of Holt county is without blemish through the years of Mr. Moss' supervision. Faithful county officials are worth retaining in public service.

Now comes the state university guiding stars with a budget which, if allowed by the legislature, means 38 percent increase over the present allotment of millions for this institution. The chancellor explains the increase is desired for the purpose of increasing salaries, his own to be raised from \$12,000 to \$15,000. Our schools and universities are doing worthwhile service but probably to some extent over-estimate at least in the higher stratas of learning. And probably not one of the faculty of our educational institutions could earn half of what they are paid if they would venture forth into the world of competitive industry. While Nebraskans do not want to see their universities inadequately staffed, the legislature may conclude that the salaries are adequate. After all, have not teachers a sense of responsibility to communities that should transcend salary considerations? If the money grabbing idea becomes paramount heaven help our educational institutions.

An oldtimer got his daily diversion going to the village railroad station with his dog to watch the express train whiz by. As the last coach passed in a whirl of dust the dog took out after the train. It became a daily occurrence when the station agent told the old man his dog was crazy trying to catch the Empire State express. The oldtimer said that was not what was worrying him but what the dog was going to do with it when he caught it. Like scientists who have found dangerous things they don't know what to do with.



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The winner of the 1,000-mile horse race from Chadron to Chicago something like 60 years ago was a buckskin bronc with the distinguishing black strip length of his saddle-marked back. And he was pitted against some thoroughbreds. Our armies in Korea have now to deal with the tough Mongolians. They are as rugged as our prairieland buckskins and do not easily give up. Had they even a little of the intelligence of the American soldier the situation would be even more serious. Our American boys have come from steam-heated homes, traveled about in heated automobiles, enjoyed other softening living conditions and are not inured to the harsh conditions that mean nothing to the hardy hordes from Manchuria.

In view of the whitewashing, state department's foreign policy and the executive veto of the measure passed by congress to deal with any gang that would overthrow constitutional government, Mr. Truman's claim that (Continued on page 7.)

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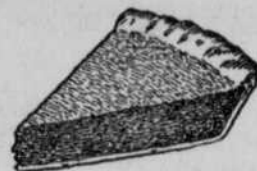
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