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## Leah Serck's Box Brings Top Figure

EMMETT—The teacher, Miss Helen Martens, and pupils of district 20, gave their Christmas program Thursday evening, December 21, after which a box social was held. A total of \$37.25 was netted.

The box bringing the highest amount was an original "white church." The "church" was complete with a "bell" in the "steeple." The box brought \$4.50 and belonged to Miss Leah Serck.

### Other Emmet News

Mrs. Agnes Gaffney was a Christmas dinner guest at the Ed. Flood home in O'Neill.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Strong, of Omaha, were Sunday, December 24, visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil McMillan.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil McMillan were Christmas day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold McMillan and daughters at Newport.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex McConnell were Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Puckett, Lois and Jimmie at Atkinson.

Miss Marybelle O'Connor, of Omaha, spent from Wednesday, December 20, until Monday, January 1, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James O'Connor, and uncle, Tom Perkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Murphy, Maureen and Ronnie were Christmas day guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Friton and Luanne at O'Neill.

Mr. and Mrs. James Foreman and sons, Byron and Craig, of Bristow, were Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Norma Lou.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pruss were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Ries and family near Atkinson.

Miss Marybelle O'Connor was a Friday overnight guest of Darlene Summers at O'Neill.

Henry Winkler spent the holidays visiting Mr. and Mrs. Percy

Watenpaugh and daughters at Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Schoenle and family spent a few days visiting Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Janzing while enroute to their home at East Moline, Ill., from California.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Dailey spent Christmas with their son, Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Dailey, and family at North Platte.

Mr. and Mrs. John Conard and Mary Lou spent a few days last week in Omaha. They were accompanied to Omaha by Miss Leona Winkler, who spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Winkler, and Bob.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Winkler, Bob and Leona were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Weichman and son, Ricky, of Stuart.

Fred Perry, of O'Neill, was a Sunday dinner guest at the home of his son, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Perry, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold McMillan and daughters, of Newport, were Sunday visitors at the Cecil McMillan home.

### ATKINSON NEWS

Guests at the Dorothy Barrett home in Atkinson for the New Year weekend were her sister, Mrs. Blanche Pick, and son, Ted, of Wynot.

LeRoy Swensen, of Mankato, Minn., was a guest of Miss Rose Osborne at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Osborne, on New Year's day.

Mh. and Mos. Glen Butterfield and Mr. Butterfield's sister, Mrs. Grace Edson, of Lynch, drove to Scotland, S. D., Thursday, December 28, to spend the day with their aunt, Mrs. Charles Cobb.

Guests of Mrs. Callela Leach at Norfolk Friday, December 29, were her children, Mrs. Richard Carol Osborne, Gloria and Gary Leach and Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Hickok, all of Atkinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Wentz, of Scotland, S. D., were weekend guests at the home of Mrs. Wentz's father, Alfred Andersen. They also visited at the home of her sister, Mrs. Charles Kirkland, and her brother, Leland Andersen.

Edward Bulu, of Mankato, Minn., was a guest of Miss Maxine Seger Monday, January 1, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Seger.

Out-of-town guests at the Fred Barnes home over the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Barnes, of O'Neill; Mr. and Mrs. Art Holtz, of O'Neill, and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Frary, of Omaha.

Fred Carns and Robert Hendricks returned Tuesday, January 3, to their studies at Miltonvale, Kans.

### Service Men Visit Summers Home—

Christmas eve guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Summers were Howard Campbell, of Neligh, who is in the Air Force and is going to report to Florida, and Marvin Leach, formerly of O'Neill, who is stationed in Texas. Mr. Leach's parents, formerly of O'Neill, reside in Washington.

## Running the Gauntlet Again



### Prairieland Talk—

## Capital City Could Use a 'Really Nebraska' Newspaper Without Boston Inspiration

By ROMAINE SAUNDERS

LINCOLN—The two Lincoln newspapers are coming from one hopper. The owners decided it was economically unwise to maintain two large printing establishments in a city like Lincoln where there are a score or more commercial plants in operation. We take it they are moving all equipment into the Journal's new building at 9th and P streets.

The plan is to produce one morning paper and one evening paper.

The publishers say there is to be no change in editorial policy, though it has not been clear that either the Star or the Journal has had any defined policy. The one has a faint Democrat leaning, the other Republican in slight degree, and both more-or-less on the fence in public matters.

The Journal has been a going institution since shortly after the close of the war between the North and the South and for many years there was no doubt of where it stood on political and public questions. Other publishers entered the field from time-to-time only to fade out. Then the late Mr. Gooch, of the milling company, had a vision and the Lincoln Star cast a glimmering light over the scene and continues to function.

The capital city is the location for a really Nebraska newspaper, but neither is qualifying as such. The vision of the editors reaches beyond the Missouri to the world field, draw editorial inspiration from the Christian Science Monitor, of Boston, and publish next to nothing of the activities of Nebraskans.

Mr. Hoover takes a stand opposing world military activities on the part of our government and calls for the navy and air force to "arm to the teeth" and stand guard over the homeland. Of course, there is heard the murmur, ever more faintly, of "isolationist." One Democrat in the senate is worried that if Mr. Hoover's suggestions are followed we will be "without any friends in the world." It is all of that now. The only pretense to being our friends is to the extent Uncle Sam has the handout for them.

The budgeteers are busy at the statehouse. Todate the department of assistance and child welfare has the largest budget prepared for the next two-year needs, a total of \$39,951,000. Of this, old age assistance is to be allotted \$27,890,000; for the blind, \$1,152,000, and child welfare, \$6,998,000. The state university management now thinks they can get along with about a million less than their original figure.

About everything is being worked over, pulled down, cast aside and replaced by this modern generation. They have set the winter equinox a day ahead.

Christmas day on prairieland draws to its close in a glow of radiant splendor. The heavens touching the western rim of earth are inflamed with gold by the setting sun. The day has been cloudless with temperatures above freezing. Over the radios have come the dirge of storm warnings, dire predictions of what is in store for prairieland by nightfall. Nightfall closes in with earth and sky draped in the afterglow of a bright winter day. Within the hour the December moon will move in silent majesty out of its eastern retreat as if to bless a quiet Christmas night. Nature today seemed to direct the vision to the scene on Judean hills in the long ago, when peace on earth, good will toward men was the expressed wish of heaven; it should have humbled pride, rebuked wrongs and silenced the rattle of sabers. Guts have been bestowed the little girl's doll, the boy's mechanical toy, useful things, decorative things, that may well remind us as the New Year unfolds of that greatest gift to mankind laid in a cow manger long centuries ago.

Various church groups appointed prayer seasons to petition our heavenly Father for peace. Why implore Deity? maybe rather get to your knees and confess. God has not sent war and confusion and crime upon the earth. Men have it within their power to bring peace on earth, stay the tears of wives and mothers and sweethearts, heal the heartaches, to saddened and horror-haunted childhood bring joy and laughter. While the devout are on their knees, let the Gideons corral the truculent heads of nations, load them in ships, steam to the mid-Pacific and dump them overboard.

Outstate senators have given warning. One honorable gift will storm the ornate legislative halls with a proposal to put Nebraska into the wholesale liquor business. Another is going to eliminate the nonpartisan feature and set up the party line. Still others are mulling over sales and income tax proposals. Wonder if our legislature wouldn't make a hit with the people if they would meet, go through the necessary formalities of organizing, vote any necessary appropriations, adjourn and go home?

The refulgent Eleanor has another three-year appointment to the U. N. human rights commission. The president may have made some questionable choices in executive appointments but most patriots will agree that Mrs. Roosevelt is admirably suited to serve in this capacity. One who has let us in on her more intimate side tells us the former first lady gets her morning exercise by tuning the bed mattress.

From Maine comes the report of the death of the state's oldest citizen at the age of 111. To be born in the year 1839 and survive until now the tough old Yankee would have been an interesting character to have met. He lived through the period of American development and became a live specimen past the century mark.

of the value of the old native doctrine of root, hog or die.

One excited Nebraska patriot calls for veteran organizations, patriotic societies and citizens to bring pressure sufficient to bear upon congress to escort Mr. Truman from the White House back to private life in Missouri. But if war worries or a Puerto Rican don't get him, our chief executive will doubtless survive all other onslaughts.

Word from friends out on prairieland says skating is good on the meadows. Only two winters ago meadows were inaccessible because of mountains of snow. Ice this season laying a glazed surface must be a thrill for the young folks who can gather for skating parties, if this generation knows what an ice skate is.

Railroad pay hikes affecting favorably about a half-million patriots, which means J. Q. Public gets another sock in the solar plexus in the form of increased costs.

That Nebraska lawyer who suggested the witness might be a prevaricator meant that the gent is a liar.

### RIVERSIDE NEWS

Christmas dinner guests at the Aloys Kaup home were: Mr. and Mrs. Tony Kaup and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Weichman, Jr., and family, "Grandma" Wallinger and Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Kaup, all of Stuart, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gilg and family, of Atkinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kunz and family, Mr. and Mrs. Stub Kunz, Miss Margaret Kunz, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Paxton and son, Larry, and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Phillips and daughter Sue, spent Christmas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Winkler, of Atkinson.

Miss Joan Kaup, of Omaha, and Miss Ardella Hunke, of West Point, were Sunday guests of Miss Margaret Kramer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Kramer.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Phillips and daughter, Sue, of Stockton, Calif., spent a week's vacation at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kunz and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kunz during the Christmas holidays. Mr. Phillips and Fred Kunz were army buddies.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kramer and family, Peggy Russel and Randy spent Sunday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Kramer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Pongratz, near Emmet. Other present at this pre-Christmas gathering were Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Pongratz and family, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pongratz and son, Duane, all of Emmet; Mr. and Mrs. Dan Troshynski and family, of Page; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Givens and family and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Givens and family, of Stuart. Christmas gifts were exchanged.

Miss Margaret Scholz, of Grand Island, spent Sunday at the home of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Florian Scholz.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Davis and daughter, Donna, of Des Moines, Ia., arrived Friday noon and are spending their Christmas and New Year's vacation at the G. V. Davis and Marion Davis homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Peeter Engler, of Stuart, and Ila Mae Johnson, of Atkinson, were Sunday guests of the Gilbert Engler family.

Mr. and Mrs. James Nachtman and family were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. Nachtman's parents at Verdigre.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Kramer and sons, of Omaha, spent their Christmas vacation at the home of his mother, Mrs. Mary Kramer, and sons, Louis and Joe, and other relatives. Mrs. Kramer's daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Amil Tenopir, and son, Garry, of St. Paul, were also guests at the Kramer home during the holidays.

Mrs. Mary Kramer and sons and all their guests spent Christmas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Kubart in Atkinson, Tuesday, December 26, at the Lawrence Kramer home, and Tuesday evening at the Leo Kramer home in Atkinson.

Miss Helen Engler, of Omaha, is spending her Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Engler and family. Other Christmas day guests at the Engler home included their son, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Engler, and family, of Shelby, Mr. and Mrs. John Schmit and son, Melvin, and Mr. and Mrs. John Straka, Janette and Jeanne, of Atkinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Thome, of Hartington, spent the Christmas holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Steinhauer. Guests also included Mr. and Mrs. Edward Friedel.

Mr. and Mrs. Florian Scholz were hosts and hostess to Christmas day dinner guests at their farm home. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Scholz, of Stuart, and Miss Margaret Scholz, of Grand Island.

Mr. and Mrs. G. V. Davis were Tuesday evening, December 26, supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Davis and daughter, Danny, at their Stuart home.

### Denverites Here—

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McLeod, of Denver, Colo., were holiday visitors with Mrs. Mary McLeod, his mother, and his sisters, Mrs. C. J. Gatz and Mrs. H. J. Lohaus, and their families.

Ed Condon returned to Lincoln Tuesday after having spent 10 days with his mother, Mrs. Hope Condon, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Cal Pruitt, of Lincoln, visited friends in O'Neill over the weekend.

### Christmas Dinner

#### At Davis Home—

A family Christmas dinner was held at the farm home of Mrs. Mabel Davis, of Venus. Everyone brought well filled baskets. After the dinner was over, card playing featured the afternoon. There were 32 present:

Mrs. Mabel Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Davis and family, of Page; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Davis, of Venus; Mr. and Mrs. John Davis, of Niobrara; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Davis, of Niobrara; Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Davis, of Niobrara; Mr. and Mrs. Everett Griffith and family, of Lake Andes, S. D.; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Griffith and family, of Columbus, and Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Summers and family, of Page.

## 3 O'Neill Men Among Enlistees

Sgt. James R. Lyons, of the army and air force recruiting station at O'Neill, reports the following enlistments from the O'Neill recruiting area for the past month:

For air force: Thomas E. Krause, of Elgin; Donald C. Sauer, of O'Neill; LaVern D. Lynch, of O'Neill; William D. Jensen, of Merriman; Glen O. Lieding, of Orchard; William L. Beebout, of Ainsworth; Raymond D. Burger, of Ainsworth; Wiley P. Lentz, of Long Pine; Marvin R. Pospisel, of Wausa; Dale B. Stuart (formerly from Stuart); Rudolph Eiler, of Monowi; Virgil T. Faubion, of Bassett; Harry D. Stoneking, of O'Neill; Robert L. Drafa, of Merriman; Lowell A. Callaway, of Ainsworth; Charles E. Blomquist, of Ainsworth; Quentin E. Murer, of Ainsworth; Donald L. Moseman, of Wausa; Dwain H. Hollingsworth (formerly from Neligh). These men went to Lackland air force base, San Antonio, Tex., for further processing, re-

assignment and training.

For regular army: Vernon H. Dahlberg, of Lynch; Harlan H. Rowan, of Mills; Eldon L. Hammon, of Lynch.

For airborne: Verlyn D. Morton, of Crookston. Dahlberg, Rowan, Hammon and Morton went to Ft. Riley, Kans., for further processing and training.

Sergeant Lyons stated that anyone enlisting can select one of several fields in the army or air force and that an ex-service man can select any branch or field he wishes. He also said that there are still many openings for women in nearly every field of the WAC's and WAF's.

### REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

WD—LaVerne R Beckwith to Vivian & Allen H Martin 12-21-50 \$10,100- Lots 5 & 6 Blk B-Goldens Sub-division-O'Neill  
WD—Verne Beckwith to James F Earley 12-21-50 \$15,000-Part lots 12-13-14-15 & 16 Blk A-O'Neill & Hagerty's Add-O'Neill  
SD—Peter W Duffy to Arthur Humpal 11-7-41 \$250- Lot 17 Blk 8- Atkinson

WD—Rudolf W & Victor E Mikkelsen to Emil M & Henry A Mikkelsen 12-27-50 \$7000- E½ 35- W½SE¼- E½SW¼ 26-25-13  
WD—Fannie M Payne to Lester J Derickson 11-30-50 \$11,200-N½ 14-30-14

DEED—State of Nebr to Egnatius & Pete Nickolite 12-11-50 \$1440- E½E½ 20-26-9  
WD—Lloyd D Brennaman to Loyd & Theo Mary West 12-26-50 \$10- Lot 8 Blk 12- Kimball & Blairs Add- Ewing

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Taylor visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Taylor, at Fullerton for Christmas. For the New Year's weekend they visited in Royal at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hans Hofer.

Guests for New Year's dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Tharnish were her father, Charles Cole, and family, of Star.

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