

Prairieland Talk

"Frontier To Move"

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Printer-Editor-Captain Cal Stewart spent a day early in December in the Capitol City and got out to 51st street to give Prairieland Talker a glad hand before heading back to O'Neill. Cal has had nearly a year now away from his arduous duties as editor and publisher of the Frontier. He has the material together now for a striking literary contribution to our country's collection of notable incidents of World War II, of which Captain Cal was a part. We await with interest the publication of the book which we believe will be of historical value as well as thrilling interest. It was a pleasure to have a visit with Cal and thus learn of friends where I had spent life's greater number of years. Cal informed me The Frontier is to move a block to the north of the old stand where it was located in the Millard building that stood where now stands a great food market at 5th and Douglas streets. In 1899 The Frontier was moved back to the old location, that building destroyed by fire in the late 20's and a new building erected on the site of the old. The Frontier was established in 1880 by W. D. Mathews in a little building that burned down, two more buildings then followed. Now the oldest established business concern in Holt county is to move to a new location. The second oldest business concern in the county is the Atkinson Graphic, started by a brother of the pioneer who started The Frontier, and the Graphic is published in a building that stands on the site of the first Graphic office. The next oldest business concern in O'Neill stands here yet. The First National bank.



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December 4 and 5 a group of Nebraska Young Republicans met at the Cornhusker hotel in Lincoln, some in the group not so youthful any more. Interest in 1960 elections is warming up. Promoters of schemes to make you good, or do as they do, in the Capitol City plan to go at it again when the next legislature convenes—a Sunday closing law. You will be permitted to buy a gallon of gasoline but you can't buy a quart of milk, you can go to church but not to the ball game. Sunday laws have yet to make any individual good; but rather such laws inspire hatred and resentment. The Creator invites His people to "remember the Sabbath day." But that is another day, not Sunday. At the last legislative session the Gov. Brooks' proposed Sunday closing law was defeated in committee. Now another group is going to try it.

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F. A. Johnson, a lawyer of Fremont, Dodge county, comes to the Capitol City to assume the duties of state tax commissioner, the appointment being made by Gov. Brooks to fill a vacancy.

Editorial

Benson's Prepping For Surgery

Our best slick paper magazines indicate Secretary of Agriculture Benson is proposing some more surgeries on next year's farm program, operations that closely parallel his inspired (?) handling of this year's corn.

The latter has the GOP currently reaching for a restraining jacket but to refresh your memory of it, it consisted of reducing the supports on corn from \$1.31 a bushel to \$1.07 a bushel in return for unlimited production.

Well, it beats the heck out of us. All we know is that storage this year by the government will call for an additional \$1 billion. What happened was that when the support price dropped, corn farmers simply went out and raised more.

Well, you might argue, "Then the program reduced wheat—other crops—since every acre in corn was denied to something else."

That's a fine argument except that wheat production—other crops too, for that matter, isn't down either.

Well, what did the program accomplish? For one thing it sharply curtailed Valley county farm income because farmers here didn't raise that extra 25 per cent more corn to offset the reduction in price; and it curtailed it further in other crops because when corn went off 25 per cent it dragged several other associated products with it. Barley for instance went from 9¢ to 6¢.

These related lower prices, less corn per acre and the ever increasing cost of farm production has actually dropped farm income here this year to the point that it is pinching.

Some farmers have discovered it already. Others won't until they suddenly realize what big amounts of money they have been handling this year and how little of it is left to get acquainted with.

"Let's Be Honest"

Neligh Leader—Neligh, Nebraska

Comment on President Eisenhower's world tour came tumbling out of the Democratic camp this week.

"Goodwill tours are all right, but what this country needs is a man who will—
1. Stabilize the economy at home;
2. Overtake the Russians abroad;
3. Lower taxes.

"Only the Democrats can give the nation such a man," said the party spokesman.
Most of us are aware that with election time drawing near, we can expect some pretty hollow promises, but this one is a little wild for even the staunchest party believer.

How we'd laugh at the fat lady for telling us she was going to lose weight by eating more food and that this would lower her food costs.
Yet we are expected to believe a similar story on a national scale.

Perhaps—just perhaps—it's time for both Democrats and Republicans alike to tell an honest story to the voters.

To admit that giving away billions of dollars has not purchased any reliable friends for United States.

That Russia is far ahead in both the missile and propaganda race.
That some nine billion dollars will be needed just to pay interest on this country's fantastic national debt.
That world peace hangs on such a thin thread of political and economic intrigue, statesmen are fearful of even trying to untangle it lest it break

President Eisenhower is on his world tour accompanied by his son and his son's wife. Throngs of welcome at every stop. The president goes abroad in the interests of world peace, that which the vast majority of world people want. But world dictators would not have it so. And as we think we have "peace and safety, then sudden destruction comes."

We travel the highway of life and are pleasant when things go our way but you still smile when everything goes haywire!

It was a day in December 50 years ago. James Early pulled into O'Neill from his farm with a "load" of hog meat for market, just one porker that made a wagon box load. It weighed 748 pounds. Irishmen, Attention, was the headline over a notice in this paper a week in December that year—1909. A meeting was called to make plans for a big celebration of the next Saint Patrick's day, March 17. It was signed by Neil Brennan, J. J. McCafferty, M. M. Sullivan, John Golden, James Mullen, O. F. Biglin, John Carr, T. V. Golden and M. F. Harrington.

The daily papers featured a story from Washington telling us that seventeen United States senators have relatives on the federal pay roll, one Nebraska senator among the lot, though he denies he had anything to do with his son getting a federal job. Well, why not sons and daughters and others of the senators' kith and kin being given government jobs, surely a senator should favor his own above all others. That quite a group of our U. S. senators feel that way is commendable and this superannuated has been favors them doing so.

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and throw us into war.

That there can be no honest talk of lower taxes with inflation on our doorstep.

That there can be no talk of lower taxes when businessmen, farmers, veterans, young and old ask for more and more hand-out from the federal government.

That this country is in a hell of a mess both internally and as a world leader.

That it's time both leaders and citizens realized this, stopped talking and acting like fools, and showed some of the determination and sacrifice that made this country the greatest nation on the face of the earth.

Protection vs. Prevention

Pierce County Leader—Bill Cox

All the towns in Pierce county offer their communities rural fire protection. Fire trucks and trained manpower await your emergency call day or night.

Pierce, Osmond, Plainview, Randolph, Hadar, Battle Creek, Meadow Grove, Tilden and Wausa all serve portions of Pierce county with rural fire protection. Rural residents are indeed fortunate to have such facilities available when fire strikes.

Rural fire protection is fine . . . but alone it cannot do a full job unless the rural residents practice rural fire prevention.

Just because your farm has rural fire protection does not mean that you can safely do a welding job with a pan of gasoline for washing parts on the floor just below your welding job.

A heat lamp placed too close to hay can result in fire . . . shelling corn and allowing the shaft to build up around the tractor can often cause a fire . . . a neglected chimney allowed to cake with soot is a sure start for a fire . . . good rural fire protection is a help after the fire breaks out but you are the only one who can practice fire prevention on your farm.

Be grateful you have good rural fire protection . . . but don't be careless and forget fire prevention. Just because you have a good life insurance policy is no protection if you drive 80 miles an hour down a rural road and have a tire blow out.



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Frontiers Ago

20 YEARS AGO

The fire alarm sounded about 1:30 this afternoon and it was discovered that the Pat O'Connor hay barn, just west of the Tri State Hatchery was on fire. The fire had gained great headway before it was discovered, and from the start it could be seen that the building was doomed. The hatchery just a few feet east also caught on fire but the fire department soon had it under control. . . . Sunday December 30, was the 80th birthday of Mrs. P. J. Lansworth, a pioneer Holt county settler, and in honor of the event nine of her thirteen children gathered at the family home in celebration. . . . Dr. L. A. Carter drove to Pawnee City last Sunday, returning home Tuesday evening, after visiting a few days with his sister, Mrs. Lisco and old acquaintances there. . . . Mrs. Guy Cole of Emmet, and Mrs. Esther Cole Harris left Monday for Omaha where they will visit relatives and friends for a week.

10 YEARS AGO

Mr. and Mrs. William Williamson observed their 56th wedding anniversary Tuesday, December 6, at their home in Page. . . . Very Rev. Timothy O'Sullivan, of Jackson has been appointed successor to the late Rt. Rev. J. G. McNamara, as pastor of St. Patrick's Catholic church in O'Neill. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Otto Matschullat and Mr. and Mrs. Neil Asher and son,

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Jerry will leave Thursday morning by train for California where they plan to spend two months. . . . Mrs. Peter Moore returned Tuesday, December 13, from Lincoln where she has been near her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Harold Berglund, who has been ill. . . . Deaths: S/Sgt. Conrad Liebsack, 49, Orchard man in air force; Robert C. Heck, 61, of Inman; Clarence P. Stevens, 41, of Page; Emil Millicek, farmer near Lynch; Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Farley Davis, 78, Adkinson World War I gold star mother; Mrs. Dan Austin, 68, Orchard resident.

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Butterscotch Nut Bread Is Enjoyable Gift Loaf Suggests Joe Sivesind

Put this butterscotch nut bread on your list of "things to bake" before Christmas. Your friends will enjoy receiving a loaf of the rich, moist tea bread during this entertaining season, says Joe Sivesind, local salesman of the Meadow Gold Dairy.

It's such a simple bread to make, points out Beatrice Cooke, director of the company's Chicago test kitchens, that you may wish to bake several loaves. Just be sure you have plenty of dairy egg nog on hand as this popular holiday beverage is used to provide moisture.

- Butterscotch Nut Bread
2 cups sifted flour
1 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
1/4 teaspoon soda
1 1/2 teaspoons salt
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
1 cup brown sugar, firmly packed
1/2 cup chopped nuts
2 eggs, beaten
1 cup egg nog
2 tablespoons butter, melted
Sift together flour, baking powder, soda, salt and cinnamon. Mix in brown sugar. Stir in nuts. Combine eggs, egg nog, and butter. Add to dry ingredients, mixing just enough to moisten. Pour into greased 9 by 5 by 3 inch loaf pan. Bake at 350 degrees about 1 hour, or until done.

Advertisement for Lee Stores featuring Christmas shopping time. Includes sections for 'The Wise Place to Shop... LEE STORES VARIETY DEPARTMENT STORES Known for SAVINGS!', 'Christmas SHOPPING TIME!', 'WEAREVER PENCIL SETS', 'CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHT SETS', 'Boys and Girls Men and Women WATCHES', 'Christmas Decoration Square', 'Boxed Jewelry', 'GIFT WRAPPING', and 'CHUBBY CUBBY BEAR'.

Santa will be in the store Thursday and Saturday nights, December 17 and 19