

The Best of ...

"Prairie Land Talk"

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"The solution to peace in the world must come through education." A familiar catch word of the day.

Graduates at O'Neill just had it poured at them. Education has been making more and better fighter, more and more deadly things to fight with; if educators have anything with which to reverse the process come along with it and ditch the platitudes of the spell-binder.

Now comes a clergyman from dark Africa with this remedy: "For the troubles of the world we must find God's solution; there is no other way." Just who is meant by "we" is not stated.

If it comprehends the whole human family and as such all are ready to fall in line the riddle is already read. But the proposal of educator and clergy alike are just something to talk about.

There are as many conceptions of "God's solution" as there are nationalities and tribes. The Buddhists, 460 million of them, have one form of education, Brahmanes with 230 million another form, Mohammedans numbering 220 million still another educational setup. Maybe our ideas of "education", our conception of "God's solution", representing as we do about seven percent of the earth's people, is neither acceptable nor suited to the other 93 percent scattered over the globe.

The silken fabric of peace has been woven into the dreams of men while war has been the experience of the race throughout the centuries.

While mankind continues to be endowed with ideals, with ambitions, with covetous and lustful eye there will be conflicts.

Seven percent of the world's population travel the streets and highways of America with 85 percent of the world's automobiles.

In the person of a 13 year old boy of Alliance, has a marbles champion. Now let's have a mumble-deep tournament.

Thus early in June the dead heat of summer has been laid upon the land.

Not a leaf flutters in high tree tops, not a whisp of dust stirs, not a ripple forms to disturb the cool depths of outlying waters.

Trees are robed in stately green, frail flowers of white and blue, pink and red bloom from long stems amid a cluster of vines and slender plants. Short clipped blue grass dotted with the white plumage of clover, the poignant gooseberry and red ripe strawberry compliments the creamed peas plucked fresh from vines and new potatoes dug out of the dirt.

No worry over high cost of living if you are thus equipped. Beauty and benefit, flower and fruit, color and life to intrigue, fruits of the ground to sustain activity. A bountiful Providence day by day prepares a table before us and takes us by the hand to lead "beside the still waters". "Surely goodness and mercy" follow us all our days.

A recent issue of The Frontier reached back 60 years for one of Walt Mason's jingles in which the imitable Walt thought he would like to be known as a gent from prairie land when he reached the other shore. That jingle first appeared in the Lincoln Evening Call, a long since defunct little sheet. To the late Clyde King is credit due, for the preservation of the jingle of The Frontier, of that bit of Walt Mason. Clyde was an employee of The Frontier 60

years ago and made a grab for the Lincoln Call that came with the late afternoon mail, turning at once to Mason's offerings. He cut out that paragraph handed it to Editor Jim Riggs with the suggestion that it be used. Mason wound up in California where his "weary bones" were finally laid. Shades of Mason, Bixby and McVicker! Nebraska editors have found none such since.

A fat slob of the male species draped only in trousers and shirtless makes a street scene at which you don't care to take the second look.

According to the chancellor of the university that institution must have additional funds for expansion. Heads of such places of learning have been captivated by the desire to enlarge, based upon supposed needs in view of record breaking enrollments under the backing of the U. S. treasury. As this federal program fades enrollments at colleges and universities will shrink and with reasonable upkeep present facilities will be found adequate. It is notable that the various pleas for state and federal aid do not come from the producing classes but from an element which finds its survival dependent on what the producers bring in.

If you are not connected with anything suspicious there is nothing to fear from the direction of the congressional committee on un-American activities.

Goodbye, the first word the baby tongue frames, the last word the tongue of the venerable person frames before drawn lips are forever sealed in death. From the cradle to the grave it is goodbye to dear ones nevermore to be seen. He was wheeled away to the hospital. From the depth of his soul, conscious or unconscious, came almost as a wail the last goodbye. Friends come and go, good morning and then goodbye, joy and pain but there are the stars, forever stayed, the open air, the open sky and the sweep of green earth across prairie-land.

Another of those temperamental entertainers refuses to answer questions at a congressional hearing, this time a negro singer, which is tantamount to admission. The trouble with some of these gents the public has showered too much attention on them and it is about time to stow them away. There is something wrong with an individual's thinking when they decline to answer a simple question as to their political sympathies.

The college crowd has gone forth to conquer or be conquered. Their departure reduces the parking worries slightly and some of the GI's who are about to get their last check from Washington may not long have need of a parking place.

A half million nameless half-breeds is one of the legacies left European girls by invading armies, a delicate matter little mentioned. The private soldier was the least of the offenders.

The capitol city has among a multitude of such things, a Knife and Fork club. Just what its members find to use these instruments on they might let the public in on it.

A four column head line spread over the department of a gentleman of the press reads "Truman's Blunders and Failures". He has plenty of them to his credit, and who hasn't?

It remained for an Indian woman to debunk the four leaf clover. While gathering a few clover stems with four leaves she was knocked rolling by a run-away motorcycle.

Ray Apple, the notable Holstein at Ithaca, N. Y., is dead. He had to his credit 15,000 calves sired by artificial insemination. A bit of wire in his feed caused death.

Frontiers Ago

50 YEARS AGO

Dr. P. C. Corrigan came up from Omaha last Tuesday evening to spend a few days in the city looking after business interests and visiting old time friends. Married at St. Patrick's Catholic church by Rev. M. F. Cassidy Wednesday morning, June 18, William J. Hammon, Lillian Carlton, Sr. and Mrs. J. F. Gallagher of St. Louis, arrived in the city last week for a couple of weeks visit at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Gallagher. Louis Kavar and Emma C. Sander, Ewing, were granted a marriage license by county Judge Carlon, last Thursday. Patrick Regan returned last week from Ireland where he had spent the winter visiting relatives and scene of his youth. His niece, Susie Egan, who went back with him, was married a couple of months after her arrival in Ireland and will make her home in the Emerald Isle.

25 YEARS AGO

A pretty wedding was solemnized in the Catholic church last Tuesday morning when Monsignor McNamara performed the ceremony that united in the holy bonds of wedlock, Rola O. Newton of Waver to Mary Morrison, O'Neill. John Sullivan filed Wednesday as a candidate for renomination as democratic candidate for supervisor from the Third district. Ray Edemiller met with a painful accident last Tuesday morning that cost him the tip of the middle finger, of his right hand. On Tuesday, June 7, at 10:30 a.m. at the Congregational parsonage, Chadron, occurred the marriage of Lela C. Evans and J. Albert Carson. They were attended by Iris Carson and Roy Evans. Ted Happe who has been the night clerk at the Golden Hotel for the past five years, tendered his resignation the first of the week and leaves the employ of the hotel, Saturday. He has purchased the Blackbird grocery store from C. E. Yantz.

10 YEARS AGO

Jeanne Head, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Head and Mary M. Troshynski, and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Troshynski were members of the 1953 nurses' graduating class at the St. Francis school of nursing, St. Joseph's hospital, Minot, S. D. State Sen. Frank Nelson arrived in O'Neill Tuesday completing the 113-day legislative session at Lincoln. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Bazelman were surprised Sunday noon, June 14 when a group of friends and relatives brought well filled baskets and a three tier wedding cake. The occasion was their 25th wedding anniversary. John O'Neill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur O'Neill, returned from Rapid City, S. D. where last week he attended the convention of the Young Republican National Federation. Eddie Price, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Townsend is no youngster. Last week she was honored at a district Rebekah lodge convention for having been a member 54 years. Robert Hynes, son of Mrs. Loretta Hynes, Jack Carney, son of Leo Carney and Donald Graham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Graham, all graduated from Creighton university with bachelor of science degrees from the business college.

5 YEARS AGO

Leonard Lorenz, former Navy flier, who lost both arms in a farm accident 24 months ago, Wednesday, June 11, was married to Gladys Ripsinkie, a nurse, in Minneapolis, Minn. Harry Spall, formerly of Valentine police department, is the new game conservation officer for the O'Neill area. He succeeds Fred Salak, who has been transferred to Mullen. Add Mrs. Dora Town send, Page, to the list of mumps victims. Mrs. Townsend is no youngster. Last week she was honored at a district Rebekah lodge convention for having been a member 54 years. Robert Hynes, son of Mrs. Loretta Hynes, Jack Carney, son of Leo Carney and Donald Graham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Graham, all graduated from Creighton university with bachelor of science degrees from the business college.

The Long Ago At Chambers

50 YEARS AGO

A very pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Jones, June 11 when their only daughter, Emma, was united in the holy bonds of wedlock to Lewis Mielke. A very interesting game of ball was played here last Saturday between Chambers and Bliss. Both sides played well and showed the result of practice. The score stood 12 to 13 in favor of Chambers. A very pleasant time was had last Thursday evening when the Band Boys and their wives gathered at Chambers and then went in cars to Lamberts where they surprised Carl and his wife. Dr. Oxford reports the birth of a baby girl at the home of Ernest Bradshaw. Ed Harris is having lumber sawed for a new barn which he will build on his place. Dr. Gill reports the birth of twins, a boy and girl at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Anderson.

25 YEARS AGO

Edwin Rand has a young coyote which he captured recently and is taming as a pet. Neighbors and other friends were saddened to learn of the passing of Mrs. M. A. Engelhardt at the O'Neill hospital, Monday morning. The "Young Married Folks" class of the Baptist Sunday School held their monthly class party at the Lawrence Widman home Friday evening. Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Brittain left Monday, for Oregon, where Mr. Brittain will continue his work in the ministry. We understand that the M. F. Sanks here do not plan to have a resident minister until after conference meets in September. At a double wedding ceremony which was performed at Ainsworth, Tuesday, Miss Mildred Waldo, Amelia, became the bride of Kenneth Werner, Emmet and Miss Birdie Doolittle, Amelia, the bride of Harold Fullerton, Atkinson.

Pages Past

50 YEARS AGO

The Finley family, southeast of Page, have had a lot of sickness. Both Mr. and Mrs. Finley and youngest daughter have been ill. J. G. Kennedy informs us that the outlook for a fruit crop is indeed excellent. His strawberries will be a great crop and his ten acre orchard with 400 bearing trees should produce close to two thousand bushel of apples. Small fruits are equally good and vegetables will be an enormous crop. A 20 horse power Big-4 gas engine arrived last week for the Childs farm ten miles north and one west of Page. It will be used to pull four sixteen inch breaking plows. Beside the breakers four stirring plows

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The City of O'Neill, Nebraska, on the 2nd day of July, 1963, will accept sealed bids on all gas, oil, oil changes, grease jobs, car wash, diesel fuel, and bulk oil that the City may use in their equipment. Diesel fuel and bulk oil to be delivered to the city shop, the rest at the station. 8-9c O. D. FRENCH, City Clerk

and a double disc goes with the outfit. The price of the engine is \$2,100.00. The Hansen and Humphrey team ran away from the slaughter house last Friday and paraded down the principal streets at a rapid gait, coming to an inglorious halt in Nate Patersons pea patch with one nag underneath the buggy.

40 YEARS AGO

Promptly at high noon on Wednesday, May 23 occurred the marriage of Harley G. Kennedy, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kennedy and Miss Vera Henderson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Henderson at the Methodist parsonage in O'Neill. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. A. Hutchins in the presence of a few relatives. A band of gypsies passed through town Wednesday. Fred Cronk's baby was operated on by Dr. Fletcher at Orchard last week. Duran Hunt of Spearfish, S. D. called at the Reporter office Thursday. He will make Page his home. Miss Alice French, who finished her school term at Royal last week, will attend the summer session of the Nebraska Wesleyan college at Lincoln. Maude Rakow, daughter of H. F. Rakow of Page and Rex Hartman, were married May 4 in Seattle. Miss Rakow is a teacher and Mr. Hartman is a road contractor. Commencement exercises were held May 24 at the Odd Fellows Hall.

Clearwater News

Mrs. Charles Curtright Hunter 5-2290

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Curtright went to Grand Island Friday to visit their brother-in-law, Ray Sanks in the Veterans hospital. Mr. Sanks has been a patient there two weeks and is expected to undergo surgery in a week or two. Sunday Mrs. Howard Luben and Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Britt and Larry Chambers visited him.

Relatives here have received word of the serious illness of Mrs. Helen Schmitz, Mrs. Carl Haska and Mrs. Harold Loewe attended a convention in Grand Island Tuesday.

T. A. Lucas went to Omaha Saturday evening to get Mrs. Lucas who has been assisting at the home of her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brady, since the arrival of their new son. The Lucas' came home Sunday by way of Grand Island where they met their daughter, Ardene and children, who came from Arizona for a visit.

Debby Damme spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Terry Peterson and Lisa while her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Damme were on a fishing trip. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Knapp, Redondo Valley, Calif., are visiting relatives and friends here.

Liquor by the drink was voted down here Tuesday, June 4 when

a special election was held. 145 ballots were cast with the results 104 against and 40 for and one ballot was spoiled and could not be counted. Serving on the election board were Mrs. Majestic Phillips, Mrs. Stanley Herftgenway, William Peters, Hans Anderson and Amos Switzer. Mona Ziemis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ziemis, was graduated Friday evening from the Grand Island business college. Mona is a 1962 graduate of the Clearwater High school and is employed in Grand Island.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Ernst was baptized Sunday at the Concordia Lutheran church during the regular church services. Baptized Roger LeRoy by Pastor D. L. Braunerseuther. His sponsors were Lynette Samne and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Koopman of Fremont. Mr. and Mrs. Ernst entertained at dinner honoring their son following the service.

Last week's news The annual high school alumni banquet was held Wednesday evening in the Lutheran church basement with ladies of the church serving the dinner to one of the smallest crowds since the group was organized. Eighty-one plates were served. The theme, Merry Old England, was carried out in decorations and program. Hoffman of the class of '45" was toastmaster for the evening. Leonard Muff, class of '34" and his sister, Mary Magdalene Muff Cox, of Texas, came the greatest distance. Miss Ellen Lambert, Wyo., was recognized as representing the class having been graduated the most number of years, 40. Classes of 23, 33, 43, 53 and 63 were honored. On the program were, Mrs. Erick Mine-rich giving the invocation, Mrs. Lyle Rhee, welcome; Richard Twiss, response. A duet was by Mrs. Harold Kester and Mrs. James Wiegand, with Cathy Wiegand, accompanist. Dennis Samne played an accordion solo. No date was set for next years affair. Officers for this year were: Mrs. Leroy Ernst, Mrs. Gene Neal, Douglas Hemmenway, Sharon Knapp, Mrs. Erick Mine-rich and Mrs. Hal Thompson. Officers for next year will be, Mrs. Lloyd Kimes, Mrs. Tom Lucas, Douglas Hemmenway, Ronnie Lau, Mrs. Joy Wilcox and Richard Twiss.

Memorial Day services were conducted here Thursday morning with the local American Legion and Auxiliary in charge. Rev. D. L. Braunerseuther of Concordia Lutheran church gave the main address of the morning at the cemetery. Services were at the bridge at 10 a.m. Rev. Braunerseuther led the prayer, followed by the flag salute by the Legion. The audience sang Near-er My God To Thee, after which

taps were sounded. The group then proceeded to the cemetery. The Processional was by the Legion of which Harry Graham is local commander. The Star Spangled Banner was sung. Roy Scott and Cub Scott also took part. A duet was sung by Mrs. Dana Sisson and Mrs. Jack Jones. The triple trio also took part. The main address by Rev. Braunerseuther followed. Taps were sounded.

Members of the firing squad were Erick Minerich, Joy Wilcox, Glenn Wolfe, Fred Halsey, John Thompson, Harold Bearing, and Donald Herley were the color guard and Kenneth Johnson and James Wiegand bore the colors. Wayne Jacke commanded the escort. Mr. and Mrs. Ted Allemang are the parents of a son born in a Norfolk hospital May 24. Mrs. Allemang is the former Lucy Goscha. The little boy weighed 9 lbs. 9 ounces.

The young people of the Walter League of Concordia Lutheran church held a Hare and Hound hunt at the Walter Mosel home north of town Sunday. A wiener roast followed the activities.

Guests at the Charles Curtright here Memorial day were, Mrs. Howard Luben, Lela and William, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Britt and Larry James Chambers, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Luben and Danny Lee, Weeping Water, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Haska and Mary Alice, Weeping Water, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Brandt, Neligh, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lorenz, O'Neill, Mr. and Mrs. Arnie Mace and Dick and Mr. and Mrs. W. Ritter-bush also called.

Mr. and Mrs. William Griffith were hosts to a family gathering Sunday at their home with 35 guests present. Honored guests were the Bill Damme family and Merle Damme from Arizona and Iowa.

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Announcement

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Editorial

An Equal Chance

It is a school book maxim that every American boy has a chance to grow up and become President. And just about every American with an interest in public affairs and strong views on what should or should not be done would practically give an arm or leg for the honor of a Presidential nomination and chance at attaining the most powerful office in the world.

These are generalities, and like all generalities have only a partial validity. There has been many an occasion in the past when the leaders and front runners in one or the other parties looked with something akin to horror on the possibility of a Presidential nomination. The reason for it is that the incumbent he would have to run against seemed a shoo-in, and nobody likes to be a sure loser. On such occasions the party out of power goes through the motions and that's about the size of it. They put up a respectable candidate who hasn't a chance, take their beating, and wait for next time.

There was a similar attitude in GOP ranks during the early months of the Kennedy Administration. Despite the extraordinary narrowness of his victory over Mr. Nixon, his popularity increased spectacularly. His speeches stirred the public pulse, reached near-record highs. And the top men on the Republican ladder began to act as if the White House hardly existed. They look ahead, to the apparently greener fields of 1968, when Mr. Kennedy's constitutional tenure in office would end.

Now all is changed. The front runners within the party—Rockefeller, Goldwater, Romney, perhaps Scranton of Pennsylvania—are sniffing the wind like eager fire horses, even though they may disavow their ambitions. And the reason is simple enough—the Administration has lost an amazing amount of ground in a relatively short period of time. Even Mr. Kennedy's personal popularity—turning again to the polls—is far from what it was. And the GOP leadership, and the men behind the scenes who control the purse strings and have much to say about policies and candidates, now think that the party has a first-class chance of coming out on top next year if it plays its cards right and presents a unified front, so far as that is ever attainable in a great and scattered political organization. Some even think that, as of the present, the GOP has an actual edge.

The desired unity has been largely achieved. And party strategy has been to concentrate the fire where, seemingly, it will do the most good. Planning and the execution of plans are done with the utmost care and the weighing of every consideration. The most is made of issues where the Presi-

dent stands on very shaky ground—notably, the Cuban disaster, and the apparent failure of the Administration, despite all the brave words, to force Khrushchev's hand and keep Soviet influence out of this hemisphere. The obvious danger of ever-increasing Soviet influence in Latin America—both open and covert—is constantly stressed.

And the big guns are trained on Presidential domestic measures, many of them enormously costly, which the public obviously views with skeptical eyes. Medicare, extensive federal aid to education, urban renewal, the confusions and dissensions within the Pentagon over the size and kind of armament we need, the prospect of new waves of inflation that would do far more than just offset any possible tax cut, more government in business at the expense of taxpaying private business, a sense of drift and indecision within Administration circles—these are just some of the issues. And commentators whose political leanings vary widely think that the GOP is doing well with them.

It's a long way to the fall of 1964. But the Republican warhorses are chomping at the bit.

PORT HURON, MICH., TIMES HERALD: "Those who oppose medicare under Social Security are not callous to the real needs of many of our elderly for health care. They simply believe that the Administration approach is a case of attempting brain surgery with an axe instead of a scalpel."



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