

Prairieland Talk

Her Name Was Tomy

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LINCOLN—Her first name is Tomy. I'll not tackle the rest of it.

She is Spanish and hales from Santa Fe, N. M., was in Lincoln to register the day I met her at Union college to become a student in secretary work and business administration.

They come to this college from distant lands—Asia, Africa, South America and the West Indies. The little Spanish lady was friendly, a row of faultless white teeth showing as a smile parted the lips of a swarthy face that indicated association with things out in the open where New Mexico ranges stretch to the distant mountain peaks.

A student from North Dakota cut me rather short but I guessed he had to hot foot it off to class resitation, or something like that. Two from Cuba, brother and sister, are here and will work their way through college.



Romaine Saunders

Two of the six Nebraska republican presidential electors are women—Eve Bowring of Merriam and Bertha Clark Hughes of Omaha. William W. Spear of Fremont, Don Boyd, Charles Thone and Arthur Dobson, all of Lincoln, are the other Republican members of the electoral group in the state. The democratic members are Ray J. Medlin of Albion, Pat Heaton, sr. of Sidney, L. K. Cramb of Fairbury, Frances F. Casey of Plattsmouth, Richard Henry of Lincoln and John O'Neill of Omaha. The electors meet in the governor's office in Lincoln December 27. The vote will be taken to Washington by a member of electoral group.

Maybe his name should be inscribed in gold on the hall of the lonely. I saw him yesterday, quitting business after 50 years and has never owned an automobile or sat at the steering wheel of one.

The Greeting Card association, a multimillion dollar card printing organization, starts a movement to eliminate the objectionable products in greeting cards. Most of these ornate bits of paper may be considered, if not objectionable, as least stale and unprofitable as a greeting to friends. Think a moment, sit down to your typewriter or take up your pen and let your brief message of greeting to a friend flow from your heart in your own understandable language. And if you would like to see it in print go to The Frontier and have your message of cheer done on a selection of cards as printers know how it should be done.

Extending a helping hand to fellow travelers along life's rugged highway brings into view the beauties along the way.

From the days of old mankind has been under the inspired dictum, Six days shall thou labor and do all thy work. Then a day of rest. Union labor organizations now promote a cry for a four-day work week. Three days each week idled away. Nations have been swept away because "abundance of idleness and fullness of bread." The human brain, the human hand that has made civilization what it is today thought, the midnight oil and labored on. Four-day work week and no reduction in the pay check means increase in living costs an reduced output.

Garfield, Wheeler, Foss and Madison counties are the nearest to Holt of the 23 counties in line for drought aid. After many years of abundance, how is it that such counties as Saunders, Seward and York cannot survive one tough season without extending the call for aid? Old Palestine, Egypt, Babylonian lands went through seven year periods of famine and still survive. If 23 Nebraska counties need assistance why not the other 73 come to their impoverished doorstep with well-filled baskets and not trot off to Washington for handouts.

If North Nebraska communities through which the Northwestern railroad operates trains all got busy as Inman and O'Neill and a few towns west have in their efforts to retain passenger train service the railroad would probably abandon the idea of cutting out passenger train service that has been steaming up the Elkhorn valley and beyond for three quarters of a century. Through indifference the public often is the loser.

Church membership in the United States is said to have reached a total of 100,162,529. United they could put across most anything. Yet, not even church goes see eye-to-eye. This is the Yankee privilege.

Some items out of a week in the summer of 1900 in O'Neill: Ed Tremain and Rafe King spent Sunday in Stuart. County Judge Selah had business in Omaha. Two of Mr. and Mrs. David Starnard's children are quite ill. Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Bright made a trip to Boyd county. Work on St. Mary's convent is progressing with all speed. Miss May Murry left for her home in Chicago, Ill., after a few months spent here with her sister, Mrs. J. P. Mann. Mrs. M. M. Sullivan and daughter, Loreto, returned from a visit in Lincoln. Dr. Gilligan had professional business in Ainsworth. Aching teeth filled or extracted without pain by Dr. Corbett. Come in and get your Dutch Uncle riding cultivator at Biglin's. Neil Brennan has the best line of stoves ever seen in this section.

On September 2 a Colorado citizen, John Ross, became the 10,000th visitor to the Nebraska State Historical Society museum at Ft. Robinson since its opening to the public early last June. The nearby town of Crawford, has enjoyed a business rush and extended hospitality in western prairie-land's happy fashion.

Editorial

'Beanball' Being Used

The 1956 baseball season seems to have made many major league players conscious of the "beanball."

The beanball, as it is known in the majors, is a "duster," thrown by a pitcher to back off the batter, who crowds the plate, away from home plate.

It is an admitted fact that the well-known slugger, Joe Adcock, who has been hitting many homers recently, was given the duster treatment by Brooklyn last year, and was once hit by a highly questionable pitch. This, and other actions of a similar nature, have many players sensitive to the "beanball."

Not long ago, New York Giant Pitcher Reuben Gomez hit Joe Adcock with a pitch, and Adcock started out toward the mound and not to shake hands. Gomez took the ball from his catcher and threw it at Adcock again as he approached the mound, and then turned and fled in apparent terror. His Giant teammates poured out on the field, and Milwaukee Brave teammates of Adcock fell in behind the advancing batter. Serious trouble was narrowly averted and, although the National Anthem was played, a near-riot ensued.

We don't blame hitters too much for losing their temper when they feel that a pitcher is intentionally dusting them off. In fact, it might be a good thing for one or two pitchers to feel the resentment of the batter, first-hand, if the beanball is to be eliminated.

Moreover, major league umpires should be tougher in their warnings on the beanball since player's life, his career and the sporting element in the game of baseball are all in the balance.

In our opinion, the beanball has come in for increasing use in the last two years and the trend should be ended.

Here's hoping the world series, now in progress, will not be blighted with the use of the beanball.

However, it already is apparent a "beanball" of a different type is being used rather extensively in the game of politics now rapidly grinding towards the November election.

The Decision to Sell

Quite a number of farm and ranch closeout sales have been conducted in this area during August and September, and still more are scheduled throughout October and into November.

Some of the sales are well-earned retirement situations; several sales have been necessitated because of the deaths of husbands, leaving widows no alternative; others can be blamed in part on dryness; still others are blamed on general economic conditions.

The decision to "sell out" is an important one for most people; usually, it's a once-in-a-lifetime proposition.

Auctioneers, bankers and we at The Frontier, which have handled advertising on hundreds of

sales in recent years, view each sale with a measure of genuine nostalgia. Some folks are heading for other parts, their children to grow up and establish homes there, and occasionally we never see them again. Yes, the decision to sell is an important one affecting quite a few people.

When folks make the decision to "sell-out," we stand ready to help in every way possible. More important, we hope their decision has been the right one, and we wish them well.

Homer E. Asher

Unexpected death of Homer E. Asher, 59, statewide plant engineer for Consumers Public Power, headquartered in O'Neill, was a distinct loss to the utility, to the community and to the Frontier family. His wife, Esther, is an associate publisher of the Frontier.

Mr. Asher was one of those individuals who went about his non-spectacular, yet very important work in a skillful and deliberate way. He knew, perhaps better than anyone else, the inards of the big diesel engines, throbbing around the state and providing firm power and peak power to hundreds of communities.

Rev. Glenn Kennicott, pastor of First Methodist church, eulogized at the funeral: "He was a quiet man, a man of ability, a man of strong loyalties, a good man... one who went about his work in an unassuming but very efficient way. Needless to say, his passing will leave an empty place in the ranks of those with whom he worked and within the circle of family friends."

One of the inherent dangers in big government is that the bigger government gets, the smaller are the people who are willing to run it.

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When You and I Were Young...

Shields Township Getting Town Hall

Public Place Deemed 'Necessity'

50 Years Ago Peter Donohoe hauled lumber out Saturday for a new town hall being built by Shields township. Peter says the township treasury had a surplus and that it thought advisable to expand in this way, as in a thickly settled community place is indispensable. Walter Wyant is able to be out again after a long illness with typhoid fever. Invitations are out for the wedding of James P. Gallagher and Winifred M. McEniry. John Carr of Stuart brought down one of his horses to Ewing and raced with J. A. Furley's sorrel Carr's horse won by a neck.

20 Years Ago While visiting at the Ed Wayman home, Mrs. Maggie Gray, 82, fell from the steps of the house and broke her right hip. Wallace R. Johnson, living northwest of O'Neill, celebrated his 56 years of residence in the county. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dobrovolsky and daughter, Dorothy, and son, Jess, and Miss Edna Heeb of Pleasant Dale left last week for Yakima, Wash., to visit Mrs. Dobrovolsky's sister, Mr. and Mrs. George Hansen and son, Gerald, returned from their Washington trip Wednesday. The Busy Hour club met at the home of Mrs. M. E. Gray.

10 Years Ago Newcomers to O'Neill are Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Holly and Mr. and Mrs. James Lyons. Mrs. Marguerite Brown, 54, of Butte died after a lingering illness. Thomas Maring, 75, of Emmet, died of pneumonia. Newly elected officers of the Methodist Youth Fellowship are: Richard Connell president; Gene Closson, vice-president; Joan Connell, secretary-treasurer; Jacqueline Vogt, world friendship; Doris Smith, community service; and James Bridges, recreation. Miss Delores Fredrickson was queen of homecoming at St. Mary's. Attendants were Maxine Golden, Nancy Froelich and Caroline Gran.

One Year Ago Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Downey quietly celebrated their 57th wedding anniversary at their Page home. Herbert Stevens, 70, of Atkinson and Mrs. Lillian Berger, 74, died after a three years' illness. Mr. and Mrs. William Emmet celebrated their 63rd wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Fry of Ewing are the parents of a daughter, Jane Margaret.

Pancake Day Brings Throng to Lynch

LYNCH—Lynch pancake day, sponsored by the local American Legion and businessmen of Lynch proved a huge success. The dinner served from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., was very good according to the many remarks heard. In the free ball game Lynch won from Butte 10-9. Many children took part in the races and Boyd county won the tug-of-war contest from Holt county. The Niobrara Saddle club entertained the public for a couple of hours.

Visitors Here—Mr. and Mrs. Paul Winkler and son, John, of Clarion, Pa., arrived last week to spend a week or so at the Casper Winkler home and with other relatives.

Frank O'Donnell and sisters, Miss Anna O'Donnell and Mrs. Suss Deaver, left Saturday to spend the week in Omaha.

Mrs. Hulda Miller's 11 Children Present for Family Reunion

STAR—A family reunion was held Sunday at the home of Mrs. Hulda Miller with all of her 11 children present for the occasion. This is the first time in many years that this group has been together. A cafeteria dinner was held at noon. Those present were Mrs. Hulda Miller, Misses Viola and Dora Miller, Mrs. Martha Tate, Mrs. Donald Jacobs and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Boelter, Mr. and Mrs. Ewald Miller and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Miller and family, Mrs. Pearl Groeling and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Widhalm and family, Wyn and Larry Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Horst and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Edwards and family, Mrs. George Mott, jr., and children and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller, Harold, Melvin and a friend.

Mrs. Miller's children are: Daughters—Martha Tate, Mrs. Bruce (Clara) Johnson, Mrs. Delbert (Lillie) Boelter, Mrs. George (Laura) Mott, Mrs. Pearl Groeling, Misses Viola and Dora Miller and Mrs. Wilbert (Ruby) Widhalm; sons—Ewald Richard and Robert Miller.

Mrs. Miller has 36 grandchildren and 29 great-grandchildren.

Other Star News

The Gibson school district had a party at the school house last Thursday evening in honor of the teacher, Miss Brenda Beelaer. Mr. and Mrs. Ewald Miller, Wyn and Larry Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Butterfield, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Boelter and Vernon, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Mitteis and Mrs. Hattie Boelter spent last Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Boelter to honor the birthday anniversary of their son, Jim.

Mrs. Hulda Miller and daughters spent Friday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Edwards and family at Ainsworth.

Mrs. Martha Tate of Dallas, Ore., has been visiting her mother, Mrs. Hulda Miller, and sisters, Dora and Viola, the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Miller will spend a few days in California visiting their sons-in-law and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Fink and Mr. and Mrs. George Getter and family.

Chambers WSCS Meets at Church

CHAMBERS—The Woman's Society of Christian Service met at the church Thursday. Mrs. William Woods and Mrs. William Ermer were hostesses. Mrs. Raymond Beed conducted the worship. Mrs. E. R. Carpenter presented the first part of the mission study on "South East Asia" with Mrs. Jim Grimes discussing the Philippines and Mrs. T. E. Alderson telling of Indonesia. Mrs. Guais Wintermote reported on the "World Federation of Methodist Women." Others reporting were Mrs. Joe Daas, in Children's work, and Mrs. Raymond Beed, on the letters and copies of the Upper Room sent to students and young men in the service. Each member was reminded to bring a guest to the next meeting on Tuesday, October 11, which is the anniversary of the Woman's Society. The meeting will be at the church.

Other Chambers News

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fauquier accompanied by Mrs. William Wood left early Thursday, September 27, for Litchfield, Minn., for a few days visit with the Eugene, Carl and Clyde Hansen families. Guests Sunday in the Kenneth Werner home were Mr. and Mrs. Les Gillespie and daughter, Leanne, of Neigh. Harold Dean Young, who has

recently received his discharge from service in the navy, arrived home Sunday, October 1. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Young.

Mrs. Jim Kirkland of Burwell spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Walter.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Moss observed their 56th wedding anniversary with a dinner in their honor at the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Grimes, and Gerald.

Dean Smith celebrated his birthday anniversary on Monday evening, September 24, with a party and wienner roast. The guests were the boys of his class in school.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Osborne and family and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Grimes and daughter recently visited Mrs. Osborne's father at Ewing. Present there also were her sister, Mrs. William Alderson of Boise, Ida., and her brother, Raleigh Snyder, of Tulsa, Okla.

The John Honeywell's entertained at dinner September 23 in honor of their daughter, Mrs. Elwin Rubbeck on her birthday anniversary. Present besides Mrs. Rubbeck were her husband, Elwin, and daughter, Kathy; Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Rubbeck and Mrs. Milford Coats of O'Neill; Miss Janet Ewer, Mr. Hopkins and Mrs. Anna Alberts, all of Chambers.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Beed and Judy went to Lincoln September 23, where they visited their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Lutken. Mr. and Mrs. William Crawford and family visited his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Arrp, north of Atkinson, September 22. Next day they were guests of another brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Krieger, in Atkinson.

Frontier for printing!

ATOKAD Agriculture and Racing Association. Racing track advertisement for Sept. 20th through Oct. 13th in South Sioux City, Nebraska. Features 8 races daily except Sunday, electric starting gate, 3,000 seat grandstand, and various prizes.

Former Horace Heidt Talent Coming Here

Bill and Jean Bradley, known as the king and queen of the Silver Strings, will play and sing Western and Hawaiian songs in a special musical service at the Assembly of God here on Wednesday, October 10, at 8 p.m.

Bill and Jean formerly were with the Horace Heidt show, Steel Pier, and big nite clubs all over the country.

Bill's three-necked steel guitar is considered the world's greatest with controls for 96 tone changes. Jean's regular guitar is also custom built with features not found on the market.

DR. H. D. GILDERSLEEVE OPTOMETRIST. Advertisement for an optometrist located at the northeast corner of 4th & Douglas, O'Neill, Nebr. Phone 167. Eyes Examined—Glasses Fitted. Office Hours: 9-5 Monday thru Saturday.

PENNEY'S ALWAYS FIRST QUALITY

SAVE! New Fall Coats. Advertisement for Penney's featuring wool donegal tweeds, neat small cuddle checks, sleek zibeline fleeces, and firm knit back curls. Prices range from \$19.75 to \$39.75.

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LOW-COST Electricity backs Modern, Progressive Farming. Advertisement for the National Mechanical Corn Picking Contest on Oct. 11-12 in Columbus, Nebr.

Nebraska, always a leader in agriculture, becomes the nation's center of farming interest as the site for THE 1956 NATIONAL MECHANICAL CORN PICKING CONTEST.

Back of the story of Nebraska's rise to agricultural prominence lies the story of the ever-growing use of Low-Cost Electricity to increase farm production, to improve quality, to reduce costly, time-wasting man-hours of labor, and to work daily miracles of efficiency in the performance of countless chores safely, silently, automatically... at lower costs than ever before! Today, more than 95% of Nebraska's farms rely on the expanding use of Low-Cost Electricity to pave the way for even greater agricultural progress in the future.

Since 1939, Consumers Public Power District has played a vital role in helping to build a greater, Electrical Nebraska. To date Consumers has made essential modernizations and additions totaling approximately \$43,500,000 to its system providing more than 116,000 customers, including more than 8,000 rural and farm customers, with dependable, low-cost electric service.

Consumers Public Power District looks ahead to the electrical needs of its customers with a system of long-range planning to provide the power for the new horizons of tomorrow.



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PAINTING'S EASY with that good Super-TEX QUICK DRY ENAMEL. Advertisement for a paint product, highlighting its ease of use and durability. Price: \$1.69 per quart, \$98 per pint.

LEE STORES

O'Neill, Nebr.