

Prairieland Talk

Faint Hope for Green Stuff

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LINCOLN—President, cashier, tellers, board of directors and stockholders of a downtown bank entertained the public at their banking house at 13th and O streets.

Whether it was to get a look at the plush interior, maybe get a glimpse of stacks of tens and twenties with the faint hope that one would float their way or the ice cream and orange juice that attracted the crowds, curious human specimens massed in line for a block moving toward open doors, looked things over where millions are available if you have a slip of paper to hand to one of the charming lady tellers at a hole in the ornate barrier behind which she stands.



Romaine Saunders

Something to get away somewhere—such it is that draws a crowd. Twenty-five years ago the bank that was the scene of gaiety today was the scene of a million-dollar holdup.

The proposed ton-mile tax is just another form of sales tax to be passed on to the men and women who buy household supplies. Any tax proposal is unpopular with Nebraskans unless some citizen comes up with a plan to reduce taxes. A young lady met with yesterday from Kansas way, up here for a college course, said she was taking shorthand and typing. Responding to the mention made that many of the girls who come to college to launch on professional careers leave college to become housewives, she said, "That's what I hope to be." Eva Bowring, owner of a Cherry county cattle ranch, a former U.S. senator, member of state livestock organizations, republican committee chairman, delegate to party conventions, serving on various boards, has another star added to her crown, President Eisenhower appointing her to serve on the federal board of paroles. The sign on the outside reads "5 and 10 cent store." Inside at the counters the price tags say 15 cents, 35 cents. A "survey" by imported surveyors informs the capital city that it should have 174 police officers, 81 more than now on the force.

Many of the larger cities of the country have what are known as one-way streets; that is, traffic moves just in one direction. Lincoln is finding the one-way street system of handling congested traffic a simple solution. Two streets have been so designated recently, 9th and 10th, the last named taking care of northbound traffic and 9th street of the south traffic. Streets in the city are now one-way arteries of travel.

Critical of Governor Anderson taking to the air from time-to-time, his opponent this election promises to be a "stay home" governor if elected. The executive head of a staff should keep informed of conditions in his state and to do this he must get about and contact citizens and communities. If you do not find Nebraska's present chief executive reposing at ease in the governor's office at the statehouse, he may be out somewhere on prairieland checking up on a community's problem or looking in on jobholders in the capital building—which inspires them to get busy.

The sun goes down and Venus starts her nightly round. With softer light and milder glory crowned. That untrod planet glimmers from afar. To realms remote man's vision goes to view distant stars. But human foot has not yet trod beyond their earth-bound bars.

It was in 1900, A wagon wheel case was in court, Mike Tierney being charged with stealing a wheel from the C. W. Hagensick blacksmith shop. Joe Mann returned to Atkinson to look after the Mann mercantile business there after a short stay in O'Neill. Tess O'Sullivan went to Fremont to take up studies in college there. Norris and Oran Bowen of the Judge Bowen family, formerly of O'Neill, came up from Lincoln to look after property interests in the county. Reverend and Mrs. Hutchinson, Miss Melvina Benedict and Miss Flora Blinco went to Oakdale to attend camp meeting. Patsy Murphy came from Park City.

Editorial

Deadly Inflation Progresses

In the Prairieland Talk department (above) the blame for the spiraling cost of living is blamed on labor.

Inasmuch as the United States has become an industrial nation (whereas within the memory of most of us it once was largely agricultural) labor must accept some of the blame. However, for a quarter of a century the government and politicians have been coddling labor through the management-labor disputes, thereby stimulating the crazy spiral. During that same era government, regardless of party, grows bigger and bigger.

The deadly progress of inflation has been aided by no desire to cutoff the reckless dumping of taxpayers' dollars overseas and the expanding of credit. Always next year or the year after our finances are going to be put in order, but the hope keeps fading further and further into the dim and distant future.

The country's big ill, as we see it, is the deterioration of the dollar. Big government and inflation go hand-in-hand.

Comes now the grandiose WPA project—the multi-billion-dollar super highway program. Federal expenditures were under 34-billion-dollars during the 1947-48 fiscal year. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 1956, they were 64-billion-dollars—an increase of almost 90 percent.

In fiscal 1951, which included a full year of the Korean war, government expenditures were 44 1/2-billion-dollars. Now, in a year of "peace and prosperity," we have spent 64-billion-dollars.

The standard answer to the crazy spending is the so-called "cold war." Nowhere in America anymore is there effective opposition to global spending, present or prospective.

Labor to blame? Yes, in part. Big government growing bigger to blame? Indeed.

A Too Literal Bull

Popular adages, like dreams, seem to lose something by coming true. Take that old simile about a bull in a china shop. It was vivid, amusing, cogent. But its appeal seems to have come from its having been born and maintained in the imagination and from its power to evoke an imaginative process to which fact had set no limit.

But an end has been put to these delights — by the only force that could do it and in the only place it could be done. The force was a bull and the place was a china shop. And, of course, it would have to happen in Paris, that capital of skepticism.

Now we are no longer permitted gleefully to

Utah, for a visit with his sister, Mrs. M. M. Sullivan, and other relatives. Miss Leonie Skirving was visiting friends in Iowa. Mrs. P. D. Mullen was spending a fortnight in Lincoln with friends. A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. George Tomlinson. It was noted that Mrs. Tomlinson was the daughter of County Treasurer H. R. Henry. Miss Mamie McManus returned from a visit to Wisconsin, the McManus' former home state.

Attorney William J. McNichols— Thus he was known in court and official circles. Familiar, personal friends and those near to him by ties of nature knew him as Billy.

Again the grim reaper has reached out a cold hand and taken one more friend and loved one to the abode of the dead. Billy is no more but lives forever in our memories. One of the mysteries of life is that the good and great are so often swept into eternity while loafers and bums live on. Billy was a friend of all, a native son of friendly pioneer people of O'Neill. Devoted, as all too few are, to his life's companion who survives him. Professionally successful, he was, moreover, a friend of man, seeking out the needy and extending the helping hand. Among other things that I personally know Billy was doing in the way of charitable ministry, he helped support a group that cared for needy Negro children in a Southern state. And the memory of his boyhood was ever with him, and in the last letter I had from him he said, "I love the old town of O'Neill."

There are those here who loved you, Billy, and not all eyes are dry as we say goodbye!

Loss of the sense of smell, resulting from an automobile crackup when struck by another highway traveler, is the latest in claims for damage. The court, considering this nasal function of paramount importance, awarded the plaintiff \$18,000.

Neither Mr. Eisenhower nor Mr. Stevenson can lower living costs. That must rest largely with the AFL and CIO. Living costs are determined by retail prices and prices of goods are determined by cost of production. Wages paid workers enter into the cost of production. I got one dollar for the weekly visits for one year for a paper I published back in the 1890's and the girl setting type for me got seven dollars a week, half a day's pay today in a union shop. What the farmer gets for his crops is determined at the elevators and mills, livestock prices fixed by the stockyard buyers, the cost of a pound of meat by the packing houses and a loaf of bread by the AFL and CIO bakers, clothing and all manufactured goods at the mills and factories where union labor wages is the determining factor.

Mr. Kefauver is concerned lest Mr. Nixon should become president in the course of time. That is, if the GOP candidates are the winners. Maybe others are worried over the possibility of Mr. Kefauver taking over at the white house. Election less than three weeks from now, and no torchlight parades strutting along Douglas street in the capital of Holt. Ed Heald, in a recent issue of the Ohio Local History News, who has visited many of the museums of the country, has this to say of the Nebraska Historical Society's museum: "Another highlight, a new, well-planned museum. Fine exhibit practices as illustrated by the exhibit photos shown in this issue of Ohio Local History News."

Sunlight lingers in golden glory over prairieland this mild October morning. Autumn days have come, summer floral bloom fades and the landscape becomes robed in deeper brown with brightly tinted spots here and there. The season's fruits entice us to sit down and eat. Thus Mother Nature holds us to her ample breast to be nursed in the lap of luxuries. The colorful fall season invites to the open prairie, away from office and shop and household cares, out where the grasslands are robed in autumn brown through days of lighted glory and the beauty of the sunset hour, eyes to see the lovely things, ears to hear the call of the prairie wildlings, soul attune to nature's matchless scene.

The way to have friends is to be friendly. To think well is the beginning of acting well.

When You and I Were Young.

Floyd Harrington Hurt in Football

Suffers Fractured Collarbone

50 Years Ago

Floyd Harrington sustained a broken collar bone in a football game. James Ryan of Bone-steel, S.D., and Miss Kathryn Stanton were married here. Andrew Remold of Atkinson went to Nebraska City and brought back a car of apples which he is selling on track. Chris Yantzi has just finished building his new barn, now for the dance. Messrs. Scott Phillips, Stuart and Green will discuss political issues in Rock Falls voting place.

20 Years Ago

Rev. M. E. Geild, formerly of Page, died at Pacific Junction, Ia., and services were held at Page. He had been stationed at Page six or seven years. Arthur F. Melcher of Atkinson and Miss Bernice Trese of Orchard were married at the Presbyterian manse. A son named Patrick Henry was born to Mr. and Mrs. John McNally of Pleasant Dale. He weighed 10 1/2 pounds. Grandma Miller of Emmet, who has been very ill, is better.

10 Years Ago

Miss Judy Ryan had her tonsils removed. Miss Mary Louise Birmingham has been selected as countess at the Omaha Ak-Sar-Ben. Lester Lee Coon, 32, of Page died after a nine-year illness. Mrs. John Funk, 63, of Ewing, died from burns suffered from a stove explosion. Miss Mary Constance Golden and Marvin Miller and Miss Harriet Bennett and Donald McKamy and Miss Mary Lou Shrader and Gerald Wettlaufer of Page were married.

One Year Ago

O'Neill and Burwell were the hottest towns on record in the nation Sunday. It was 90 at both points. Frank H. Binney, 81, better known as "Herb" and the first white child born in Holt county, died in Atkinson. "Grandma" Isabella Summers, 95, O'Neill's oldest resident, died. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Snyder of Page quietly noted their 57th wedding anniversary.

Former Stuart Resident Is 90 Years Old

STUART—Mrs. Rena Wymore, a former resident of Holt county, celebrated her 90th birthday anniversary on Monday, October 15, at Council Bluffs, Ia.

Mrs. Wymore resides at her birthplace and has resided there all her life except about 12 years when she, her husband and family made their home in the Sand Creek neighborhood northeast of Stuart in the early 1900's. They also operated the Dustin store two years.

Mrs. Wymore is a frequent visitor at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mahlon Shearer in Stuart. Mr. and Mrs. Mahlon Shearer and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Shearer and family are spending the weekend in Council Bluffs, Ia., to be present at an open-house on Saturday and a family dinner on Sunday.

All of Mrs. Wymore's living children, her grandchildren and great-grandchildren expect to be present for the occasion.

Group Pledges \$170 to Church Missions

STUART—The Women's Society of the Community church met Thursday, October 11, in the church basement with 22 members present.

Rev. D. D. Su, Mrs. Minnie Johnson and Mrs. Walter Creamer were visitors. Mrs. Creamer became a member of the society.

The devotions were led by Mrs. Jane Cobb. One hundred seventy dollars was pledged to the mission goals for giving for 1957.

Two dozen new chairs will be purchased for the church dining room.

"Get-well" cards were signed by those present and sent to Mrs. Ora Yarges, who is hospitalized in Omaha and to Miss Minnie Haskins.

Also a birthday card was sent to Mrs. Rena Wymore, who celebrated her 90th birthday anniversary on October 15. Lunch was served by the hos-

tesse, Mrs. Fred Zink, Mrs. John Newman and Mrs. George Keidel.

3 from Holt Make WNAX Tour

Three Holt countyans are among those who left Monday, October 15, on the WNAX-sponsored 13-day tour of Chicago, Ill., Niagara Falls, N.Y., New York City, Washington, D.C., and Cleveland, O., returning October 27.

Mr. and Mrs. John Storjohann of O'Neill and William Derickson of Star are making the trip. Others from this area include: Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Morton of Star; Ray B. Nordyke of Ne-; Emma Bothwell of Mills.

O'Neill Locals Mrs. Vern Wrede and Mrs. Henry Martin went to south of Chambers Tuesday, October 9, to visit Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Watson.

Mr. and Mrs. William Luben spent Sunday evening, October 7, with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Young.

O'NEILL LOCALS

Mrs. F. J. Kubitschek left last Thursday for Long Island, N.Y., to visit her son - in - law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bishop, and their new daughter. October 6-7 weekend guests of Mrs. M. J. Wallace were her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Connors, and children of Greeley.

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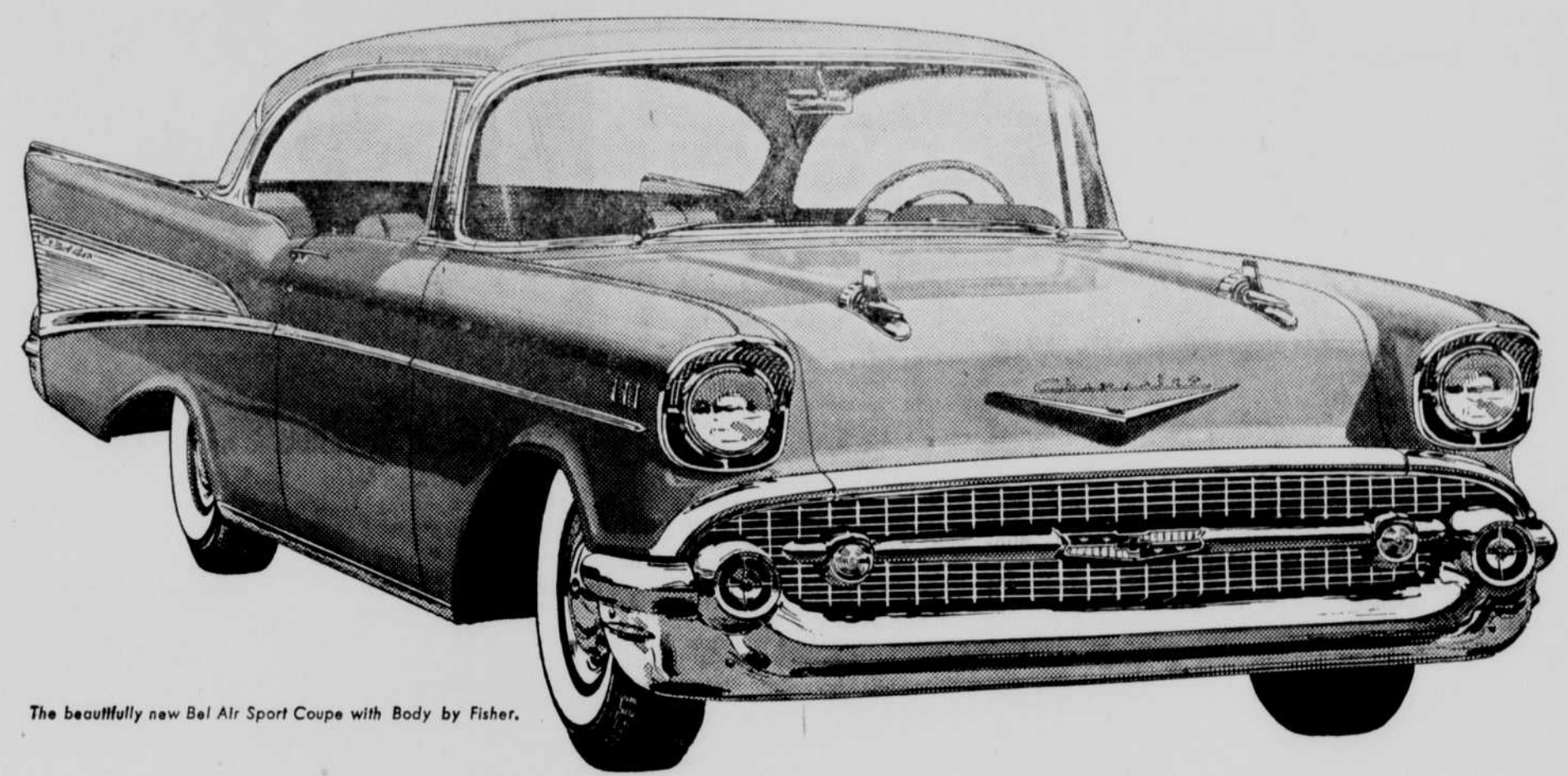
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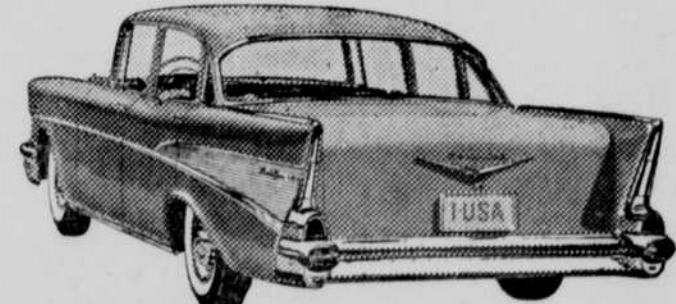
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