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President Coolidge's Tribute To Abraham Lincoln

A proclamation issued January 30th, 1919, by Calvin Coolidge, then Governor of Massachusetts

FIFESCORE and ten years ago that Divine Providence, which infinite repetition has made only the more a miracle, sent into the world a new life, destined to save a nation. No star, no sign, foretold his coming. About his cradle all was poor and mean save only the source of all great men, the love of a wonderful woman. When she faded away in his tender years, from her deathbed in humble poverty she dowered her son with greatness. There can be no proper observance of a birthday which forgets the mother. Into his origin, as into his life, men long have looked and wondered. In wisdom

great, but in humility greater, in justice strong, but in compassion stronger, he became a leader of men by being a follower of the truth. He overcame evil with good. His presence filled the nation. He broke the might of oppression. He restored a race to its birthright. His mortal frame has vanished, but his spirit increases with the increasing years, the richest legacy of the greatest century.

MEN show by what they worship what they are. It is no accident that before the great example of American manhood our people stand with respect and reverence. And in accordance with this sentiment our laws have provided for a formal recognition of the birthday of Abraham Lincoln; for in him is revealed our ideal, the hope of our country fulfilled.

Now, therefore, by the authority of Massachusetts, the 12th day of February is set apart as **LINCOLN DAY** and its observance recommended as befits the beneficiaries of his life and admirers of his character, in places of education and worship wherever our people meet one with another.

GIVEN at the Executive Chamber, in Boston, this 30th day of January, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and of the independence of the United States of America the one hundred and forty-third.

CALVIN COOLIDGE

LOCAL MATTERS.

Hugh O'Neill, of Ann Car, was in the city today.

J. S. Noble of Star was an O'Neill visitor Monday.

A son was born Thursday to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Miller, of Stuart.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. James Kelly last Saturday.

A daughter was born on February 6th, to Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Coleman, of Atkinson.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Anderson, of Atkinson, on February 5th.

Oliver Shane and Miss Ferne Davis, of Atkinson, have applied for a marriage license.

Miss Mabel Odland, of Meckling, South Dakota, visited with the Beha family last week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bressler went to Plainview Tuesday to visit her father, Mr. Dibble.

D. G. McGaffey, of the State Savings and Loan association, was in O'Neill Wednesday.

A son was born on Tuesday, February 5th, to Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Fullerton, of Atkinson.

S. M. Bauer and Frank Gross, of near Middle Branch, were looking after business matters in O'Neill Monday.

Attorney Tom Nolan, of Bassett, was in the city Monday looking after the interests of a client.

A son was born January 30th, to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Goeke, living in the northeast part of the county.

Thomas Quinn was called to Mapleton, Iowa, Tuesday by the serious illness of his son, James Quinn.

Mrs. H. C. McDonald and baby came home from McClanahan hospital in Omaha, last Sunday. The baby is improving nicely.

Mrs. R. M. Sauer entertained the members of the Et-A-Virp club at her home in the west part of the city Friday afternoon.

J. C. Stein, of Meek, received a thirty pound turkey by express today that came from a large turkey farm in Pennsylvania.

Mrs. G. A. Herrick returned to her home in Waterbury, Monday, following a ten days visit with her daughter, Mrs. Elmer Surber, and with her son, Albert.

Mrs. Mattie Twamley, who made her home in this city for a number of months during part of 1922 and 1923, while her husband was employed as traveling representative for the Handford Produce Co., later moving to Valentine where Mr. Twamley died last year, was married recently to H. C. Shepherd and now resides at Kearney, Nebraska.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Wagers, of near Page, were in O'Neill today.

Rev. Dr. Clinton Lowrie, of Detroit, Michigan, occupied the pulpit at the Presbyterian church last Sunday morning. Rev. Lowrie returned to his home Monday.

William Buskirk, Jr., residing near Page, was sentenced to thirty days in jail in county court today on the charge of stealing an automobile tire from Rufus Wagers, also of near Page.

John McCafferty, of Butte, Montana, arrived here last week from the Mayo hospital, at Rochester, Minnesota, for a visit with relatives. John has been suffering from a nervous breakdown.

A son was born Friday to Mr. and Mrs. John Grutzel, who reside fourteen miles northwest of O'Neill, at the home of their aunt, Mrs. Margaret Allen, in the eastern part of the city of the city.

Miss Anna Donohoe, the county superintendent, returned home last Friday night from Lincoln where she was in attendance at the state meeting of the county superintendents Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Sheridan Simmons came over from Venus last Saturday for a short visit with his family. Mr. Simmons has been assisting his son Charles and wife this winter in repairing some of the outbuildings on their ranch.

The W. C. T. U. will meet at the home of Mrs. F. L. Bain Tuesday, February 19th. On account of the bad weather the last meeting was postponed until the 19th. A large attendance is expected and every member should come. The roll call will be Rights of Childhood.

Grand Patriarch Grove, of the I. O. O. F. Encampment, was in the city over Sunday. The several Odd Fellows lodges of the county have been invited to meet with the O'Neill lodge next Wednesday evening at which time several grand officers of the Encampment will be present and talk upon the work of the Camp.

About forty Masons from various parts of the county met in O'Neill last Thursday, February 7th, to attend a meeting under the auspices of the National Masonic Service Association. Rev. Charles M. Shepherd, Grand Chaplain for Nebraska was in attendance from Lincoln and delivered a lecture in the evening. In the afternoon the time was occupied by initiatory work in the Master Mason Degree and an address by Bishop G. A. Beecher who was, at one time, Grand Chaplain of the Masonic Lodge in Nebraska. A seven-o'clock dinner was served at the Golden Hotel in the evening.

The Omaha Bee began Monday to cartoon the O'Neill feature story that appears every Monday on the front page. These stories are making a big hit all over the state; that the Bee recognizes their value is evidenced by the fact that they are going to cartoon these features each week. A few people in this locality do not appreciate the value of advertising that O'Neill derives from the publicity of these articles and are censuring the correspondent, but then, what great man or what great invention was fully appreciated in the home community?

Miss Elizabeth O'Malley, the efficient chief operator of the local telephone station, was in Norfolk Monday attending a meeting of chief operators.

Elmer Davey has purchased a dry cleaning establishment at Valentine and he and his family departed for the first of the week where they will make their future home.

Clinton Brome, of Omaha, spoke at the K. C. opera house, Wednesday evening in the interest of the American Legion, on the subject of Adjusted Compensation for Ex-Service Men.

Ira H. Moss, now serving his first term as Clerk of the District Court, filed for re-election to that office on the republican ticket the latter part of last week. Mr. Moss has been one of the most efficient and courteous, as well as one of the hardest working officers ever to serve the county. During the past four years his office has handled more business than any time heretofore in the county's history which was done without any increase in help or expense.

RESIDENTS OF OVER THIRTY YEARS ENJOY DINNER AND SMOKER.

Tuesday evening at 7:45 the doors of the Golden hotel dining room swung open and twenty-eight old residents of the city who came here more than thirty years ago, sat down to a three course dinner.

During the dinner hour many stories and incidents of the early days of O'Neill and surrounding country were recounted at different tables by the older ones of the party.

Following the final course of the dinner, J. H. Meredith, who was instrumental in bringing the party together, after a few appropriate remarks, introduced T. V. Golden as the toastmaster of the evening. Mr. Golden spoke befittingly of those who were absent from the gathering by cause of death. Among those who were active in the upbuilding of O'Neill and surrounding country during the early life of the town, of whom Mr. Golden made particular mention, were Patrick Haggerty, Neil Brennan, O. F. Biglin, John J. McCafferty and Ed. F. Gallagher.

Toastmaster Golden then called upon the following in the order named who responded with reminiscences and incidents of their early experiences many of which are amusing now but thirty or more years ago were considered persecutions, disaster and utter ruin in many instances:

H. M. Uttley, C. C. Millard, Judge Robert R. Dickson, J. H. Meredith, J. F. O'Donnell, C. N. King, R. J. Marsh, Dr. A. H. Corbett, L. G. Gillespie, Edward Gallagher, J. F. Gallagher, R. H. Mills, Neil P. Brennan and J. P. McManus.

Some of the things of general interest that took place many years ago that were discussed during the evening by several of the speakers were the big prairie fire of the early '30's, the big blizzard of January 12, 1888, and the packing house strike of the early '90's, when Captain Meredith and his company of National guards took part in the guarding of South Omaha.

During the evening the following letter from United States Marshal D. H. Cronin, one of the old timers, was read:

Omaha, Nebraska, February 1, 1924.
J. H. Meredith Esq.,
O'Neill, Nebraska.

My Dear J. H.:

Yours of the 30th, inviting me to attend a banquet to be given by the "Old Timers" at the Golden hotel on February 12th, received and carefully noted.

There is nothing I would enjoy more than going to O'Neill on that day to partake of the Feast of Wisdom that is bound to flow from the lips of the "Old Timers" at that banquet, but stern duty will prevent my being present in person, but my spirit will be there, and while I will be in Grand Island on that night I will think of all the old timers there and of the good time they will have. Our regular winter term of Court will open in Grand Island on February 13th and I will have to go there on the evening of the 12th.

Give my regards to the "Old Timers" present and I sincerely hope that you will all have a good time, and I know from experience that, that bunch cannot get together without having a good time. With kind regards and best wishes I beg to remain,

Sincerely yours,
D. H. CRONIN.

In his closing remarks the toastmaster urged those present to assist the committee in a personal way in getting all of the old timers of this community, who have changed their residence to other parts of the United States, to come to the "Home Coming" celebration which will be held in O'Neill July 3, 4, and 5th this year.

In closing, the toastmaster announced the adjournment of the meeting for one year to assemble again at the call of J. H. Meredith.

Those present were:

J. F. Gallagher, J. F. O'Donnell, R. J. Marsh, J. B. Ryan, R. R. Dickson, J. B. Mellor, Emil Sniggs, Tim Hanley, Henry Zimmerman, J. C. Horiskey, L. G. Gillespie, Clyde King, H. W. Grady, M. F. Kirwin, C. F. McKenna, Neil P. Brennan, S. F. McNichols, Frank Howard, H. W. Mills, W. J. Hammond, M. F. Cronin, A. H. Corbett, C. C. Millard, H. M. Uttley, W. C. Templeton, J. P. McManus, Edward Gallagher, T. V. Golden, J. H. Meredith.

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