

Looking Forward

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Generally speaking, the farmers of the United States are in revolt against President Roosevelt and the New Deal. There is nothing violent about their attitude. On the contrary, it is a quiet deep-seated resentment which bespeaks a resolute determination to get rid of an Administration that has done irreparable harm to the agricultural community.

Results of last November's elections clearly indicated that Mr. Roosevelt and the New Deal had lost the support of a majority of the farmers. This was true in Kansas, Iowa, down-state Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Wyoming, Idaho and the Dakotas, an area constituting America's bread basket.

The sentiment which last November spelled out Republican victories in those states has not changed. If anything, hostility to the New Deal has become greater. At least, according to all accounts, it has been far more outspoken this summer than it was a year ago.

Low Farm Prices
What are the reasons for this hostility in rural sections toward the New Deal? Primarily, the low level of farm prices is at the bottom of dissatisfaction with the New Deal. This is just another way of saying that the New Deal has failed to solve agriculture's problem. Despite the billions of dollars paid out by the New Deal in various forms of agricultural subsidies, the grim fact remains that farm prices now are around their 1933 levels.

The feeling among farmers generally seems to be that they have been worse off under the New Deal than in the previous six-year period, despite the farm subsidies. Statistics on farm incomes of the Department of Agriculture bear out this contention. Farmers say that if they could go back to the price levels of the twenties, they would gladly forego handouts from the government.

"Of course, I take the A.A.A. checks but I know it is wrong and that we are getting nowhere," is a common complaint heard from farmers throughout the bread-basket states. Incidentally, many farmers apparently resent the New Deal efforts to make them wards of the government. They insist in conversation that they desire only a fair price for their products and do not wish to be treated as privileged beneficiaries of the Federal Treasury.

Futility of A. A. A. Shown
The futility of New Deal efforts to control farm prices and production by acreage restriction is obvious on all sides in the farm belt. Driving from Lincoln to Omaha, Nebraska, in a temperature of 106, with a hot wind swaying the tasseling corn, we realized how puny were the efforts of men to dictate the yield of the earth.

Yet man himself refuses to be regimented by the Washington theorists, who seem to think that the yield of an acre of corn always is the same. Farmers have learned to plant their rows of corn closer together since acreage restriction commenced. And those close to the railroads now make a greater use of fertilizer. Those more distant cannot afford it, so they are penalized by the New Deal program.

But the greatest boon of all, under an acreage reduction program, is the use of hybrid seed, which it is reported will increase the yield of an acre of corn by 15 to 25 bushels. Many farmers refer to this seed as "high-bred" corn. The fact that Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace is widely reputed to have a financial interest in a company producing such seed causes expression of doubts as to his sincerity. It appears to be another New Deal example of not letting your right hand know what your left hand does!

Other Reasons for Hostility
Failure of the New Deal farm program to work, however, is not the only reason why the farmers are sour on the Roosevelt Admin-

Band Program For Saturday Evening

March—"Barnum and Bailey's Favorite," King.
March—"The Headliner," Cummings.
Hymn—"God Be With You Till We Meet Again," Tomer.
March—"Mountaineers," Metcalf.
Overture—"Lustspiel," Kela Bela
Vocal Solo—"Mexicali Rose," Tenney. Soloist Mrs. Lawrence Russell.
March—"On the Heights," Goldman.
"Star Spangled Banner," Key.

Another Prominent Resident Passes Away

Signa Naylor died at her home in this city about 3 o'clock Wednesday morning after an illness of several months, at the age of 82 years, 10 months and 7 days. The funeral will be held at 2:30 p.m., Friday afternoon from the M. E. church, Rev. D. S. Conard officiating and burial in Prospect Hill cemetery.

Signa Weingartner was born at Quebec, Canada, on November 6, 1856, the family later removing to Illinois. In 1886 she was united in marriage to Joseph Albert Naylor, the ceremony being performed at Hanover, Illinois. She and her husband came to this county in 1909, coming here from Ware, Mass., and she had been a resident of the county and this city ever since. Her husband passed away twelve years ago. There were no children and she is survived by one brother and three sisters. They are: John Weingartner, Rockford, Ill.; Mrs. George Winter, Hanover, Ill.; Mrs. E. R. Riley, Inman, Nebr.; Mrs. Mayme Boehme, Craig, Nebr., besides several nephews and nieces.

Mrs. Naylor was a charming lady and until her health failed a few years ago always took an active part in the civic life of the community and in the affairs of her church. She had many friends here who will regret to learn of her passing.

New Athletic Coach For O'Neill High School

Donald H. Anderson, who has been coaching and teaching at Ainsworth for the past four years, was elected by the school board at a recent meeting to take the place vacated by the resignation of Elmer Stolte. Mr. Anderson comes to O'Neill well recommended, both as a teacher and a coach; his basketball teams especially, having made remarkable records.

Industrious, thrifty, and frugal by nature, farmers are agast over New Deal activities in the field of spending, relief and labor relations.

Most farmers see red when W.P.A. is mentioned. They do not object to government relief for those genuinely in distress, but they believe that the W.P.A. in many instances has been made a racket for boondoggling, radicals and those who wish to get out of working. With so much unemployment in the country they cannot understand why it is so difficult for them to get farm help. As for the W. P. A. protest against the 130-hour work - month requirement, most farmers just explode, pointing out that their work-month is twice that long.

Moreover, farmers are becoming spending and debt conscious. They cannot understand how the Federal Government ever is going to pay out. Already they complain that taxes take whatever small amounts of cash they receive. Not many farmers pay the Federal income taxes but they have become aware they pay substantial amounts to the Federal Treasury in hidden taxes. State and county taxes are incertasing, primarily because of new undertakings initiated by the New Deal in Washington and farmers pay these taxes.

These are the things one hears talking with the dirt farmers of the country. These are the reasons why the farmers are in revolt against the Roosevelt Administration. One hears also a great deal about good neighbor policies which should start at home. But more about that next week.

Congress to Meet In Special Session A Week From Today

President Roosevelt has called congress into special session and they are to meet next Thursday. In these troublesome times, when many, so-called Americans, are trying their best to get the United States involved in another European war, calmness and deliberate consideration should guide the pathway of our national lawmakers. America has no business in the war and the wise office holder, who is anxious to hold the support of the people of his state and district, will be very careful to vote for nothing that would endanger our non-participation in the conflict.

HOLT COUNTY 4-H TEAMS WIN STATE FAIR HONORS

Both Boys' and Girls' Teams Bring Home Fair Ribbons

When the reports of the winners of the 4-H club activities at the Nebraska State Fair were announced, it was very noticeable that the thirteen members of Holt county 4-H clubs who represented the county came home with more than their share of the ribbons and honors.

Demonstration teams were particularly outstanding and this can be noticed by the fact that three of the four demonstration teams were ranked in the blue ribbon class and the fourth won a red ribbon. Among the blue ribbon winners were Ralph Allyn and Dick Shearer, of Stuart, who were demonstration the correct way to solder. Other blue ribbon winners were Edwin Krugman and Rex Oberle of Opportunity and Dorsey making rope and rope halters and Dale Stauffer and Charles Harmon of Page demonstrating poultry equipment. Bill and Bob Rees of Amelia won a red ribbon in the livestock loss prevention contest.

The livestock judging team with Stanley Lambert of Ewing, Delbert Robertson and Jack Resse of Chambers, although not in the winning bracket, made a very fine showing in spite of their lack of experience and age. They gave promise of being among the top ranking teams in future years.

The poultry judging team composed of Charles Harmon, Dale Stauffer and John Allen of Page, working under the handicap of age and experience, also made a good showing. Dale Stauffer was fourth high individual in the contest.

Marian Prill of Page who entered the Stytle Revue ranked along with the boys bringing home a red ribbon. This is very good considering that 57 entries from 47 counties were competing.

Holt county can well be proud of its 4-H members and their achievement in county, state and national competition because they are a group who distinguish themselves in any contest.

Construction of Brennan Building Progressing

The cement foundations for the Brennan building have been laid and workmen are now busily laying the floor joist. The walls of the two adjoining buildings will be used so that there was only both ends to run. The Galena Lumber company has the contract for the erection of the building and G. E. Burge is the contractor in charge of the work. Ed is a hustler and he expects to have the building completed before the date set, December 1st.

CARD OF THANKS

We take this means of thanking our friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness and untiring efforts in our behalf during the illness and death of our beloved husband and father, John Anspach, and for the lovely flowers.—Mrs. Louise Anspach and Helyn, Mr. and Mrs. Hardin Anspach and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Conard and Mary Lou.

Wants Hitler To Take Over United States

Alleged claims that he wanted Adolf Hitler to come to the United States and take over the country so he could get a job, landed John Grunke, 50, of O'Neill, Nebr., in the city jail and he was fined \$25 or 30 days in jail for vagrancy yesterday. Grunke was arrested by Traffic Officer Floyd Milbourn who said the elderly man claimed that as long as the country was being run the way it is he was "going to get his share and start breaking into places right now." The man denied that he made these statements when arraigned in police court.—Wyo. Eagle, Cheyenne, Sept. 12, 1939.

O'Neill Public School Opens Monday, Sept. 18

The public school will be re-opened on Monday, September 18. While the new addition to the school building is not yet completed, work has progressed to such an extent that it will be possible for all departments to go ahead as usual and it is expected that the balance of the work on the new addition will be completed some time during the next month. The school opens with a new course in Smith Hughes Agriculture and shop work, which from present indications is going to prove very popular.

BRIEFLY STATED

Mrs. Tom Nolan, Mrs. Ed O'Connell and daughter, Mary Ellen, of Denver, Colorado, arrived here Monday to visit their brother, J. B. Ryan and other relatives here. From here they will go to Sioux City then on to Chicago where they will visit before returning to their home in Denver.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mulligan, of Johnston, Nebr., were in the city Tuesday visiting relatives and old time friends. Mr. and Mrs. Mulligan were raised in this county but have been residents of Brown county for the past twenty-five years, where he is one of the prosperous ranchers of that section of the state.

The glass fronts were installed in the fronts of the new Hagensick building the first of the week and it is now beginning to take on a finished appearance. Plastering is about completed on the lower floor and it will not be long now until he will have it ready for his tenants. This building adds much to the appearance of Fourth and Douglas streets.

Officials of the O'Neill National bank have had a force of carpenters and painters busy the past week, redecorating and repairing the building. Several of the old window frames, after forty-eight years of service, were badly decayed and new ones have replaced the old frames and when the final touch is put on the building will be as good as the day it was completed in 1891.

United States District Judge J. A. Donohoe, United States Marshal Proudfit and Anton Gross, bailiff in the United States District Court, were in the city this morning on their way home from Chadron, where they held a term of court. The term of court at Chadron lasted only part of two days, while we remember only a few years ago it took a week and sometimes two and a half to finish the business there.

Ted McElhane went to Valentine on Saturday accompanying State Sheriff Wm. Flake and County Attorney W. B. Quigley, of Cherry county, who were taking Bernard Oots, who confessed to the murder of George Harris in 1936, back to jail in Valentine from Missouri, where he had been arrested. Three men committed the murder, the other two confessing and implicating Oots, following which the County Attorney and State Sheriff went to Missouri where Oots was arrested and taken to Valentine where he also confessed his part in the murder.



SUPT. F. E. ALDER RESIGNS TO ACCEPT LINCOLN POSITION

School Board Accepted Resignation; Successor Still Unchosen

F. E. Alder, superintendent of the O'Neill Public School for the past year, Wednesday tendered his resignation to the School Board, to accept a position with the NYA at Lincoln, Nebraska. While Mr. Alder said that he regretted very much leaving O'Neill, the position at Lincoln is such, that he felt he could not afford to refuse it. While Mr. Alder has been here only a year, coming here from Pierce, where he was superintendent for a good many years, he made many friends, both among the students at the high school and the people of the community, all of whom are sorry to see him leave, but will wish him success in his new work.

While the school board has not yet elected a successor to Mr. Alder, his resignation coming as a surprise, they expect to do so before the opening of school which is scheduled for Monday, September 18th.

NOTICE

September 20 is the closing date for applying for Federal Crop Insurance in Holt County, according to Floyd D. Anderson, the Federal Crop Insurance County Committeeman for Holt County. No applications for insurance or applications for eligibility for Parity Payments and Soil Conservation Payments on wheat will be accepted after that date.

To date, Andy says, that there are 700% more applications for Federal Crop Insurance in Holt Co. in 1940 than there were in 1939, probably due to the fact that the farmer has had a better chance to learn what Crop Insurance means to him.

Andy also tells us that there is a man down by Page from Holt Co. who holds the honor of being the first on four counts in the Wheat Program. Otto Terril is the first man to apply for Crop Insurance in 1939, the first man to receive an "Indemnity Payment" in 1939 for Crop Insurance. He was the first man to receive a "Parity Payment" in 1939 under the Wheat Program, and the first man to apply for Crop Insurance for 1940.

Andy is anxious that all men who are interested in insuring their wheat crop call at the Holt County office soon and that they will not forget that September 20 is the last day for signing under the 1940 Wheat Program and Crop Insurance Program.

With the indications leaning strongly to higher prices in wheat, the farmers in Holt County cannot depend entirely on the weather. With Federal Full Coverage Crop Insurance, each farmer is insured of having some income no matter what natural hazard the wheat encounters.

Negro Too Handy With a Pen; Lands in Jail Here

Roy Henderson Smith, a negro, of Stuart, Nebraska, was before U. S. Commissioner F. J. Dishner in this city on September 8th, on a complaint signed by John M. Curran, a U. S. Secret Service man, charging that on or about August 5th, Smith forged and uttered a United States government check in the amount of \$19.00, check No. 241,569, written in Lincoln on July 27, 1939, and made payable to Silas Yellow Boy, and that on or about the above date, he cashed the check at the J. C. Penney store at Rushville, Nebraska. Bond for Smith was fixed by the U. S. Commissioner at \$1,000 and as he was unable to furnish bond, was lodged in the county jail here until the next term of the Federal Court at Norfolk.

Nations Still At War But News Very Scarce

War is still raging in Europe but with very little news escaping the rigorous censorship they are employing in all nations. About the only thing we know is that they are still at it and that the Germans have been unable to capture Warsaw, the Polish capitol, or had not done so at noon today. On the west front thousands of English and French troops are said to be making gains into Germany. This is denied by the Germans.

Returns From Extended Trip to West Coast

Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Gill and daughter, of Chambers, were in the city last Saturday and made a pleasant call at this office. They have just returned from an extended trip to the west coast where they visited the San Francisco World's fair, Boulder Dam and many other points of interest in the south and west. Dr. Gill says he saw lots of country on his trip but that none of it looked finer to him than the South Fork Valley, and that it was good to get back home.

Another Old Timer Joins the Silent Majority

Word was received in this city Wednesday morning that William Nollkamper had passed away in his home in Omaha that morning, after an illness of several months. He was about 84 years of age. Bill Nollkamper was one of the pioneers of this county in the early days he settled on the Eagle, about twenty miles north of this city. He dammed the creek and he soon had a flour mill there, that he operated very successfully for several years. He also had a store at Turner, which was the name of the place, but it should have been Nollkamper as every person in the little village was an employee of his. He was prudent and a good manager and he prospered. He kept adding to his real estate holdings along the creek year by year and at the time of his death was the owner of a good sized ranch in the Eagle valley.

A few years after the Rosebud country opened up Mr. Nollkamper moved his mill from Turner to Gregory and it is still operated there by his two sons, who are also active in several other lines of business in that prosperous little South Dakota city. Shortly after the removal of the mill, Mr. Nollkamper moved to Omaha 25 or 30 years ago, and that city had been his home ever since.

Bill Nollkamper was one of the finest citizens this county has ever known. Coming here as a young man, with a meagre supply of money, but a lot of energy and resourcefulness, he started out and carved himself a fortune in the northern part of the county. That he was highly esteemed by his neighbors and friends is attested to by the fact that he represented his district on the county board in the days when politics were thought of very seriously. As a member of the board he handled the business, just like he did his own, with an eye single to the best interests of the people of the county and the taxpayers thereof. He was a real man.

4-H CALF SHOW AND SALE TO BE HELD HERE OCT. 2

Eastern Buyers Being Invited Here for Sale; Prizes and Show Being Sponsored by Lions Club

Indications are that one of the best feeder calf shows and sales in the State of Nebraska will be held in O'Neill Monday, October 2. At present the interest from eastern buyers seems to be greater than in past years and with the present prices this should make a very good place to market feeder calves.

The show will be run in a series with Basset following O'Neill as has been the practice in past years.

Liberal premiums have been provided by the O'Neill business men in cooperation with the Lions Club which is sponsoring the event. The show will be divided into a 4-H club class and a commercial class. Calves will be shown individually in the 4-H club class and in lots of one, five and twenty in the commercial class.

Some extensive advertising is being done in eastern farm journals and among eastern county agents in order to secure both 4-H members who are in the market for baby weavers and feeders who are looking for larger lots.

Ranchers and farmers who have calves to sell are invited to bring them in for the show and sale in order that Holt county calves may be shown at their best to outsiders.

Former Holt County Boy Marries at Ogallala

A very pretty wedding was solemnized at the Methodist church at Ogallala, Nebr., Sunday Morning at 8 o'clock when Rev. McCaig united Kenneth E. Harding and Miss Margot Jensen in marriage. The couple was attended by Mildred Jensen, a sister of the bride, and Wayne Harding, a brother of the groom.

Kenneth is well known in O'Neill being the son of the late I. R. Harding. Together with his mother, brother and sister he moved to Ekalaka, Mont., July 1, 1930, at which place he lived until two and a half years ago.

He is a graduate of the Ekalaka high school class of '35. He then entered the CCC camp and for a period of nearly three years acted as top sergeant.

The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Jensen of Ogallala, and a graduate of the Ogallala highschool in the class of '35.

The Weather

Nebraska as well as the entire west has been suffering from extreme heat the past week, with very little moisture. Wednesday was the hottest day of the month when the thermometer registered 100 degrees, which was the hottest September day this section of the state ever witnessed. It was 97 in Chicago the same day, which is the hottest September day ever seen in the Windy City. Following is the chart for the past week.

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| September 7 | 99 | 65 | |
| September 8 | 71 | 50 | |
| September 9 | 88 | 47 | .07 |
| September 10 | 88 | 64 | |
| September 11 | 95 | 68 | |
| September 12 | 97 | 75 | |
| September 13 | 100 | 73 | |
| September precipitation | .71 | | of an inch. |
| Total precipitation since January 1, 1939, | 12.68 | | inches. |

Fine Farm Home Destroyed By Fire

The Lloyd Gallagher farm home, thirteen miles northwest of O'Neill, burned completely to the ground last Tuesday while the family were absent in Atkinson attending the sale. We understand that practically nothing was saved from the house, the fire being discovered by a neighbor while on his way to O'Neill. The damage was estimated at about \$3,000.00.