

# THE FRONTIER

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## THE DAYS OF LONG AGO

### Fifty-Five Years Ago

The Frontier, December 17, 1885

The weather the past week has been quite severe. Saturday morning the thermometer indicated 18 degrees below zero.

The Holt County People is on our table. It is a neat sheet typographically, the same size as this paper, two pages printed at home. R. R. Claiborne is editor and manager.

The Frontier, December 24, 1885

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Meredith, on Thursday, December 17, a boy.

Married, on Wednesday morning, December 23, 1885, W. W. Worthly, of Star, and Miss Mae M. Lowe, of O'Neill. The ceremony took place in the Presbyterian church, Rev. B. Blain officiating.

The Frontier, December 31, 1885

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Golden, on Sunday, December 27, a girl.

Arthur Hammond, brother-in-law of John and Tom Golden, arrived in O'Neill Monday night and will make this place his future home.

Eli Hershiser came down from the west last week, went to Iowa to spend Christmas and returned to O'Neill Tuesday night.

### Fifty Years Ago

The Frontier, December 18, 1890

T. J. Birmingham and wife are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine baby boy at their home.

Sitting Bull is dead. The wily old chief was killed by the Indian police. His killing is keeping the soldiers at Pine Ridge alert for trouble.

The Frontier, December 25, 1890

The elegant iron stairs of the McEvony-McBride buildings have been put in place and painted.

The marriage of Charles H. Gardner and Miss Marguerite L. St. Clair, granddaughter of Mrs. Z West occurred at the residence of J. H. Riggs, O'Neill, on Tuesday afternoon, Rev. N. S. Lowrie officiating.

### Forty Years Ago

The Frontier, December 20, 1900

Martin Wintermote was up from Chambers last Friday. Martin says he lost five head of cattle from the cornstalk disease. Charles Brown lost 16 head; Hi Hubbard four head and 22 head of sheep, and W. H. Jeffries, four head of cattle.

The Frontier, December 27, 1900

Harry Hubbard and Miss Nellie Richardson, both of Chambers, were united in marriage at the Evans Hotel on Christmas day, Judge Selah officiating.

Hay McClure and Miss Bertha Trussell, both of Chambers, were married on Christmas day.

Fred Dobney, of Stuart, and Miss Minnie Marlow, of Atkinson, were granted a marriage license.

### Thirty Years Ago

The Frontier, December 15, 1910

Ira Lapham died of dropsy of the heart at Excelsior Springs, Mo., last Friday afternoon, where he had been for the past two months for the benefit of his health. The remains were brought to this city Saturday afternoon and interred in Prospect Hill cemetery Sunday afternoon.

Elmer Bowen was pleasantly surprised on Saturday afternoon, December 3 by a party of his little

playmates who came to help him appropriately celebrate his fourth birthday anniversary.

Mark L. Wagers and Miss Ethel Dunaway, both of Page, were united in marriage by County Judge Malone in the court room Monday afternoon.

The Frontier, December 22, 1910

Joe Daly came up from Omaha Monday evening, where he is attending Creighton law school, to spend the holidays with his parents.

The Frontier, December 29, 1910

Ben Harty left Thursday morning for Shullsburg, Wis., to spend New Years at the home of his parents.

John Mullen, Bernie Mullen and Edward Gallagher, who are attending the state university, came home last week to spend the Christmas holidays.

Romaine Saunders came in from his Wheeler County ranch Wednesday and has taken up his duties in the Frontier office, where he will have full charge during the absence of the editor in Lincoln.

Mrs. Jap Ritts died at her home six miles northwest of this city last Tuesday morning of pneumonia, after an illness of ten days.

Miss Anna O'Donnell, of this city has been appointed to a position in the office of state superintendent Crabtree. The position was unsolicited and was tendered her in recognition of her ability as an educator.

F. J. Biglin came home last at-urday to spend Christmas with the home folks. He is now traveling for the Moline Plow Company and has been in the western part of the state for two months.

### Twenty Years Ago

The Frontier, December 16, 1920

Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Hunter and family, left Thursday afternoon for Omaha where they will make their future home.

The Frontier, December 23, 1920

Miss Helen Harrington, who is attending the State University at Lincoln, came home Monday to spend the Christmas holidays.

The O'Neill National bank has given a bonus of ten per cent to all their employees from the president down to the janitor, so they all can have a Merry Christmas.

Our ideal winter weather caught cold last Monday and that evening and Tuesday we experienced the worst storm of the winter. On Monday it was 14 above zero; 8 below on Tuesday and 12 below Tuesday night and a lot of snow.

The Frontier, December 30, 1920

J. P. Protivinsky, who is operating a flouring mill at Dodge, Nebr., came Thursday evening to spend the holidays.

Frank O'Donnell, who is attending Creighton college of law, came home Thursday evening for the holidays.

Mrs. Frank Campbell died at her home in this city last Monday night, after an illness of two months of heart trouble. She was 58 years of age.

### Ten Years Ago

The Frontier, December 18, 1930

Carl Anderson, of Gordon, Nebr., suffered serious injuries as the result of an auto accident that occurred on the first turn on Highway 20, at the Kohler corner. He was taken to an Omaha hospital.

The Frontier, December 25, 1930

O'Neill friends were shocked Wednesday when a telegram was

received stating that Mrs. C. N. King had passed away that morning at Pasadena, Cal., where she was visiting her daughter.



It is likely that the first big battle in the House of Representatives when the new congress meets in January will be over the investigation of un-American activity, including all phases of the fifth column movements. The battle will not be over the question of how much shall be appropriated, but rather over that of how the war against such activities shall be carried on. In a way it may be said to be a contest between backers of the Dies committee and those who favor F. B. I.

The Dies committee as now composed will expire with this congress. It will seek a new authorization to continue the work and probably an appropriation of a million dollars for the purpose. It is easily probable it will be continued and that ample funds will be voted. Not all those who have criticized the Dies committee have been out of sympathy with its purpose. Its methods of publicity have been under fire many times. The committee insists that it is through disclosures and publicity that it does its most effective work. Whatever may be said about the Dies committee and the publicity it has attained, it has uncovered many un-American groups, and now is even in better position than ever to carry on the work for which it was set up.

The Department of Justice and the Dies committee have been at loggerheads and frantically have rushed to print in criticism of each other. There are more than a few who believe that searching out fifth column operators should be left to the department and its F. B. I. In the matter of appropriations, congress has dealt more liberally with the F. B. I. than with the Dies committee. It has expanded its forces of operators by one thousand or more, and they have produced results in the way of arrests and indictments and in speedy action in sabotage cases in particular. As the defense program proceeds and expansion of industries and volume of output continues, still greater vigilance will be necessary. After the debate has been concluded it is more than likely that the forces arrayed against the terroristic activities of the fifth columnists will be greatly enlarged and their work augmented.

The national defense authorities and the managers of the big steel companies differ as to the capacity of the latter to provide sufficient steel for our armament program and to supply British orders on hand or on the way. The government experts seem to think that there should be an immediate expansion of the steel industry by thirty percent or more. The big steel makers claim that with the new facilities under way, their

capacity will easily be equal to all demands. The present capacity of the steel mills is about 83 million tons annually and present consumption for defense purposes is about ten percent of the total.

The British government has placed orders for 60 new merchant vessels, which will be built in the eastern coast ship yards. It also is seeking to purchase more vessels from our merchant marine, including some of those which have been anchored in the Chesapeake region many years as obsolete. Our government had retired several hundred such vessels because they were old and out of date. Among them were several big ships which were captured from Germany during the World War. Some of them were obsolete because they were coal burners and modern shipping uses oil for fuel. It has been discovered that there are advantages to the coal burners in this time of war, and Britain has purchased and put into operation many of the old ships. Britain has an unending coal supply, while its oil comes from other countries. It is said that the government will sell Britain all the old coal-burner ships it may desire from the fleet of obsolete vessels, which, though not modern, can quickly be placed into service by overhauling.

The committee of the House which is investigating the migratory farmers movement is meeting with considerable success in finding out the facts about why farmers leave home and take to the highways to search for a job and a livelihood. It claims that there are over four million farm people now in the migration. California and the southwest have received the larger number of those moving away from their farms in the middle west. More has been said and published about the migratory workers there than elsewhere. But the movement from the farm has not been confined to the middle west nor have all the farmers gone to California. Some of them have moved eastward.

The middle west, particularly the prairie states, because of the drought, for several years, has lost the greatest number of farmers, estimated at 350,000 farm families. Oklahoma had 74,000 move out in a ten year period. The loss of population in Kansas and Nebraska because of the movement has been such that each state will lose one member of its delegation in congress at the next re-apportionment. Illinois and Indiana notwithstanding gains in population in industrial centers, will have similar reductions in their delegations. The work of the Tolson committee certainly should add further facts

in support of the contention that some policy must be worked out to enable the farm families to remain on the farms. Such a policy would be the best answer as to what should be done to prevent the present national problem of migratory farm workers from becoming a still greater problem.

Secretary Morgenthau orders the issue of new government bonds, some of small denominations, which it is intended to sell to small as well as large investors. These bonds will be subject to taxation, and the Secretary now declares that all federal bonds should be made taxable. There are dozens of bills before congress providing for taxation of all government bonds, but they have never emerged from the control of committees. Party platforms have repeatedly demanded the taxation of such securities, without effect upon the legislation. It is very possible that the emergency may bring the question up in the next congress.

### Methodist Church

V. C. Wright, Minister  
Sunday school 10:00 a. m., H. B. Burch, Superintendent.  
Public worship 11:00 a. m. Special music and Holy Communion.  
Young People's Devotions 7:00 P. M.

W. S. C. S. will meet at the parsonage January 9.

Mid-winter institute will be held at Ewing afternoon and evening of January 26.

The District Superintendent, Rev. John W. Ekwall, will speak in the church at 11:00 A. M., January 12, and hold Quarterly Conference afterward.

### Ninety-Six Holt County Families Use F. H. A.

A total of 96 families in Holt County, Nebraska, made property repairs or embarked on the road to home ownership under the National Housing Act in the period from 1935 through June 30, 1940, it was reported by Holger Holm of Omaha, Federal Housing Administration State Director for Nebraska.

Included in this total were 78 Property Improvement Loans in-

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A reduction of 25% to 50% on one group, bring the price range as low as \$1.98 to \$5.95.

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Costume Jewelry, Gloves, Hats, Purses, Sweaters and Skirts.

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## NEW YEAR LOANS

It took a lot of money, probably more than you anticipated to do your Christmas shopping. Why worry about the innumerable small bills? Consult us about a personal loan, and then repay in small convenient monthly payments. Your car or household furniture can be used as security.

IF YOU NEED MONEY TO START THE NEW YEAR RIGHT—CONSULT

### Central Finance Corporation

C. E. JONES, Manager  
1st National Bank Bldg. O'Neill, Nebr.

ured under Title I amounting to \$33032.77 and 18 small home mortgages accepted for insurance by FHA amounting to \$44,900.00.

"This vast volume of small repairs and new and existing home mortgage insurance is very encouraging," Mr. Holm said. Home buyers at the same time are meeting their mortgage obligations in almost perfect order. At present, FHA has on hand only two homes in the entire state which have been acquired by default. When compared with the 3652 small home mortgages accepted for FHA insurance, this lapse represents an almost negligible fraction.

"Another interesting development in FHA'S operations is the fact that this agency is now entirely self-supporting and is operated on funds acquired from FHA insurance premiums and appraisal fees."

Under Title I of the National Housing Act under which FHA

functions, loans are available for repairs, alterations and improvements to homes and other structures. Under Title II, money for buying a new or existing home may be obtained from private lending institutions with the mortgage, if all conditions are acceptable, insured by FHA.

### The Weather

We have had unusual weather the past week. A novelty for this section of the country was given us on New Years eve when rain fell most of the evening, twenty-eight hundredths of an inch falling. Following is the chart for the week:

	High	Low	Prec.
December 26	37	30	
December 27	38	22	
December 28	37	35	
December 29	38	26	
December 30	30	27	.17
December 31	33	30	.03
January 1	34	30	.28

## THE PRESENT That Lasts A Year

A SUBSCRIPTION TO The Home Newspaper

## Outlaw Grocery

—O'NEILL'S BARGAIN PLACE—

SALT BARGAINS for the Ranchers and Farmers		
STOCK SALT	39¢	
100-Lb. Bags		
GRAY BLOCK SALT	35¢	
50-Lb. Blocks		
MINERALIZED BLOCK SALT	69¢	
50-Lb. Blocks		
OYSTER SHELLS	69¢	
100-Lb. Bag		
PEACHES—Sliced or Halves	35¢	
Gallon Cans		
RED CHERRIES	49¢	
Gallon Cans		
GRAPEFRUIT JUICE OR TOMATO JUICE	15¢	
1/2-Gallon Cans		
ORANGE JUICE	19¢	
1/2-Gallon Cans		
PANCAKE FLOUR	10¢	
3-Lb. Bags		
Golden TABLE SYRUP	39¢	
Gallon Cans		
SWEET PICKLES	19¢	
Quart Glass Jars		
SALAD DRESSING OR SANDWICH SPREAD	19¢	
Quart Glass Jars		
LAUNDRY SOAP	10¢	
4 Large Bars		
CAMAY OR PALMOLIVE TOILET SOAP	11¢	
2 Bars		
FOLGER'S OR BUTTERNUT COFFEE, 1-lb. glass jars	24¢	
or cans, Reg. or Drip		
HONEY	43¢	
1/2-Gallon Glass Jars		
POTATOES—Large Red		
Triumph	75¢	
100-Lb. Bags		
15-Pound	15¢	
Pecks		
CELERY, Large Bunches	9¢	
Bunch		
LETTUCE	5¢	
Per Head		
RADISHES	5¢	
2 Bunches		
FRESH FISH AND OYSTERS MEATS & CHEESE		
Fancy WHITING FISH	9¢	
Pound		
SMOKED BACON SQUARES	10¢	
Pound		
FRESH OYSTERS	23¢	
Pint		
CHEESE—American or Brick		
2-Pound Boxes	44¢	
5-Pound Boxes	\$1.05	
OLEO—3 Good Brands	9 1/2¢	
Pound		
LARD	7¢	
1-Pound Cartons		
MACKEREL or PILCHARDS		
1-Pound Tall Cans	9¢	
YELLOW POPCORN	14¢	
that pops. 3-lb. bag		
OATMEAL—Quick or regular		
5-Pound Bag	17¢	
48-Ounce Tubes	14¢	
At		
O. K. WHEAT FLAKES	6¢	
Large Package		
GRAHAM CRACKERS	15¢	
2-Lb. Box		
MATCHES	14¢	
6-Box Carton		

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