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## SOUTHWESTERN BREEZES

By Romaine Saunders

The evening of August 1st lightning struck down a horse in the pasture across the road, one of Bernard Kennedy's work stock.

The AAA has wrought wonders on the farm. The present day farmer is ten times more efficient than his fathers. Mr. Wallace says so. Just the same, our fathers produced abundance where you can't raise a fuss now and they had no expert advice from Washington nor conservation checks to encourage idleness.

The free-trader used to say the consumer pays the tariff. By the same token the tax payer and not the government is putting up the money for these copious grants of public funds.

The tall grass country craved the fancy of sister when she was with us several weeks this summer. Her home is in a charming little city in a charming little valley in California. Miss Meals also is familiar with many of the nation's beauty spots, so as she thrilled to the simple pleasures of we prairie dwellers, the glow of sunset, the swaying of the tall cottonwoods' green plumage, a vast landscape spread in summer garb to a far horizon and exclaim: "This is a beautiful country!" I wondered if citizens of our community half understood the beauty, the value, the great opportunities, out here far from the maddening throngs. The water in the tall grass country had a special appeal for Laura. Dwellers in most cities have poor water and dinking fom living fountains out this way is to them as sipping nectar of the gods.

Some say it was two inches, others 3. I have no rain gauge, but after nearly two hours rain in this community, not in drops nor slanting lines, as the poets say, but in mighty waves carried before a violent wind which roared out of the north in the early evening of August 2; after two hours, as we started to say, the new mown meadow out across the creek was a lake, two bushels of apples had been shaken from the trees and a winter windbrake at the barn was torn from its moorings. Corn, gardens, flowers, potatoe vine needing rain and a two or three inch visitation has now supplied that need. There was an attendant loss of young poultry.

The old town undergoes changes. Where the cabin stood from whence that aristocratic and most always sober cowboy, Bob Ingersoll, stole a bride and made-off on one of the town's sensational elopements, there is now a thrifty place of business. Where John Horriskey challenged all comers at the handball alley the gap is now closed with an imposing glass front. Where Odie Biglin rang the bell just about every shot at Dave Tierney's shooting gallery there is now no place to hang a target. Where either a fight or foot-race amused the loafers green and red lights now direct traffic. Where Sherd Simmons rode Hay McClure's "Dynamite" you can't find a parking place. Where the arena was in which Col. Doyle layed an imported wrestler low now stands a row of bungalows. Where stood a blacksmith shop in which government agents found the dies of a counterfeiter the county has a building housing school activities. And then a gloomy picture. The corner where Joe Cowperthwaite, Bill Fallon, George Bowden, Con Keys and other stock buyers held forth reminded one of the South Omaha stock exchange is now deserted, names carved on the brick wall standing out like the ghosts of a bygone age.

## Presbyterian Church

Dr. J. E. Spencer, pastor

Bible School every Sunday morning at 10:00 A. M. C. E. Yantzi, superintendent.

Morning Worship at 11:00 A. M. The sermon subject will be, How to Obtain and Retain the Best of Two Worlds.

The C. E. Society will meet Sunday evening at 7:00 o'clock.

The Missionary Society will meet at the home of Mrs. Ray Sauers on Tuesday evening at 8:00 o'clock. Mrs. Miller will be the topic leader.

## Eighteen Young Men Selected For Induction On August 22

The following named men have been selected for induction by this board. They shall report to this Local Board at O'Neill, Nebraska at 1:00 A. M. on August 22nd, 1941; whereupon they shall be sent to an induction station of the United States Army at Fort Crook.

Order No.	Name
502	Victor Bredehoeft
18	Robert Gaskill
415	John Gilg
439	Richard Hovey
442	George Latzel
446	Ernest Brinkman
465	Ervin Wilson
471	Ralph Jungbluth
479	Dan McKenzie
501	Victor Fricke
512	Donald Witt
523	Kenneth Hunt
525	Lyle Henifin
557	Louis Peter
559	Kieth Abart
584	Dale Stearns
590	William Crawford
1323	Albert Derickson

Frank J. Biglin  
Local Board Member.

## Maynard Wayne Putman

Maynard Wayne Putman died in an Omaha hospital at 1 a. m., on July 1, 1941, after an illness of a little over a month of Pulmonary tuberculosis, at the age of 11 years two months and fourteen days. The body was shipped to this city last Friday morning and the funeral was held Sunday afternoon from the Pleasant Valley church, north of this city, conducted by Rev. V. C. Wright of this city and burial in the Pleasant Valley cemetery.

Deceased was born in this city on May 17, 1930, and had been a resident of the city all his life. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Putman and three brothers, Dwayne, Ronald and Lerverne.

## Visits Old Town After Long Absence

Frank O'Connell and his brother, Jerome, of Chicago, arrived in the city last Saturday and put in a couple of days visiting old time friends in this city, while on their way to Denver to visit relatives. The boys were residents of this city in the old "horse and buggy" days leaving here some twenty odd years ago, since which time they have made their home in Colorado and Illinois. Frank said that he was surprised when he drove into this city last Saturday evening and felt that he had got tangled in his directions and was evidently heading into State street in Chicago, instead of the O'Neill that he remembered. "You residents do not know the great change that has taken place in the appearance of the town," said Frank, "you have to be away a few years and then come back to observe the great change in the town." The population of the city has nearly doubled since the boys left and Frank said that out of every ten people he would meet on the street nine of them would be strangers, although for several years he was one of our most prominent business men and knew practically all the residents of the town and the surrounding country.

## National Youth Representative To Be Here On August 19

Helmer E. Wolkow, Representative of the National Youth Administration will be in O'Neill, on Tuesday, August 19, at the courthouse between the hours of 2:30 and 5:00.

Youths between the ages of 17 and 24, out of school, and in need of work experience who desire information about any phase of the NYA out-of-school program may make application for part-time work or may have questions answered by seeing Mr. Wolkow while he is in the city, or by writing to the NYA Area office at Norfolk. Opportunities for part-time employment are available at resident and local projects.

Clerical tests will be given to all youth working on clerical projects and those interested in being assigned to clerical work.

Robert Lansworth of Seattle, Washington, who has spent the past two months with his aunt, Mrs. Carl Widfeldt, went to Omaha Saturday where he will join his mother, Mrs. P. J. Lansworth, Jr., an dwth her will return to their home in Seattle.

## Holt County Boys Purchase Purebred Rams

On Friday, August 1, Mr. A. L. Mathis, the O'Neill Vocational Agriculture instructor, took Robert Thomas, Estelin Thomas and Francis Luben to Lincoln to the purebred ram sale. The all-day program consisted of a sheep shearing contest, showing and judging rams wool grading and a talk by H. C. Filley on prices.

In the afternoon the purebred rams were auctioned. These boys bid on the rams that they thought were best and the results was that they bought a Hampshire from the Waldo Kruse flock, Florence, Nebraska and Robert Thomas's is from the Fred Feeken flock, Crete, Nebraska. Both of these rams are from very good sires.

This year these boys bought some Colorado western ewes. With the rams they will have better offspring. Francis and Robert are increasing their flock of sheep every year and they have found a need for better sires. If they continue to improve their flocks, they will be able to supply this part of the state with some good sires.

## Seek 500 Young Men To Be Trained For Skilled Work

The Norfolk local office of the Nebraska State Employment Service will interview applicants and give tests in connection with an order for aircraft workers to be placed in a west coast defense plant, according to manager Steffen.

"The State Employment Service has an opening order for 500 'Trainers,' that is, men 18 years or over who meet the tests, and also an order for semi-skilled and skilled workers," he said.

In order to qualify for the "Trainer" group, applicants must (1) be 18 or over, (2) pass physical tests, and (3) pass tests to be given by aircraft company representatives indicating mechanical aptitude and general ability.

Men available to take such job if accepted, should inquire at their nearest local office or at one of its itinerant points at once. Actual testing of applicants will be done during the week beginning August 11.

Manager Steffen said young men who have been in defense training courses, NYA training courses, CCC or any other classes may apply. However, it is not necessary to have had training or experience if the tests are successfully passed. The men to be selected in the skilled and semi-skilled group must of course, have experience.

This method of selecting workers is called the "pooled interview," and aids in curbing unnecessary migration to defense sites. "It is our first big opportunity of enabling mechanically inclined youths to do something for defense and to find opportunity for placement without having had previous experience as skilled workers, Manager Steffen said.

## Workmen Landscaping Court House Grounds

The grounds of the new court house are being landscaped by the WPA as a project sponsored by the Holt County commissioners. All of the old dirt on the north side where the old court house stood is being removed, and new dirt being hauled in. A well is being dug which will furnish the water required, and more shrubs and a new lawn is to be planted. A new side walk leading to the north, is also to be put in. This improvement is one that has long been needed and will add much to the beauty of the building.

The landscaping project was included in the original project of tearing down the old court house and rebuilding the new annex, but work was delayed, pending the completion of the annex, and until fall to plant the new lawn.

Large delegations of O'Neill people went to Atkinson Monday and Tuesday afternoons and evenings and took in the Atkinson Hay Day celebration being held in that city. O'Neill visitors say they had a large attendance at all their performances and that the event was a success from every point of view. The next big event in this section of the state is the O'Neill Free Day next Wednesday. If you want to put in a good day come to O'Neill and partake of the entertainment furnished you by the business and professional men of this city.

## NOTICE

On account of the shortage of water, residents of the city are earnestly requested to shut off their lawn sprinklers when the fire alarm sounds. This order to be in effect until further notice.

John Kersenbrock, Mayor.

## BRIEFLY STATED

Mr. and Mrs. Lett Johnson entertained twenty-four guests at a picnic supper followed by ice cream, cake and lemonade at their home last Sunday evening.

Major H. R. Turner and Colonel W. E. McConaughy of Lincoln, conducted a meeting of the chief clerks of the draft boards of nine counties of the Selective Service in O'Neill on Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Johnson and daughter, Barbara, of Sioux Falls, S. D., arrived on Friday to spend their vacation here visiting at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. John Protivinsky.

Allen Jaskowiak left on Saturday for Rushville, Nebr., where his wife and daughter had been visiting relatives and then drove to Scottsbluffs, Nebr., where they visited, and Mr. Jaskowiak entered the annual golf tournament held there.

The Catholic Daughters entertained at a 1 o'clock luncheon at the M and M cafe on Tuesday, honoring Mrs. Emmet Hickey of Los Angeles, Cal., who is National Grand Regent, and who is here visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Burge drove to Norfolk on Sunday where they spent the day visiting. Mrs. Burge's mother, Mrs. E. W. Sargent, who had been visiting there for the past week, returned home of O'Neill.

Mrs. H. J. Hammond and her daughter, Miss Mary Lois, returned on Friday from Denver, Colo., where Mrs. Hammond had been visiting for the past ten days, and where Mary Lois has been living for the past year.

Come to the O'Neill Photo Company and have a Family Group taken O'Neill Day. You will all be together and it will only take a few minutes of your time. Soon the family will be scattered. A \$2.00 deposit will hold your order for later delivery.

Bill Ryan, who has been attending a training school at Norfolk for aircraft workers, returned on Monday evening and then left on Tuesday morning for Baltimore, Md., where he has accepted a position in an airplane factory.

Mrs. M. E. Slattery, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Turbey and John Slattery, Jr., of Washington, D. C., left on Sunday for their home after spending a few days here visiting at the home of Mrs. Slattery's daughter Mrs. Edward Gallagher, and Mr. Gallagher.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Campbell and son, Eddie, left on Sunday for their vacation trip. From here they went to Cheyenne, Wyo., where they will be joined by Dr. and Mrs. Devine and then will go on to Salt Lake City, Utah, where they will visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Winchell will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary on next Sunday. The anniversary will actually occur on Friday, August 8, but the celebration will be held on Sunday, and all of the children are expected to be home for the event.

Albert Rummel of Sheldon, Iowa, drove here on Sunday to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Rummel. He left on Sunday evening, Mr. and Mrs. Rummel accompanying him to Sheldon, as Albert was to be inducted into the army on August 4th. Mr. and Mrs. Rummel returned home on Tuesday.

Dr. and Mrs. G. W. French and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sauers returned on Friday from Minnesota, where they spent the past two weeks fishing, while on their vacation trip. Dr. and Mrs. Pete Todson and children and Mrs. W. I. Blaine, of Mexico, Mo., who accompanied them home, remained here visiting until Sunday morning.

## Kitten Ball Players Active Past Week

The Knights of Columbus Softball team got into high gear and won two contests in the city League this week by defeating the O'Neill All Stars 15 to 11 on Monday night, and topping the Brown McDonald outfit Wednesday, 7 to 6.

In the first game the K of C boys got a four run lead and held it throughout the affair. Poor fielding and 10 errors led to the losers defeat.

Box Score-K of C 15 runs, 13 hits, 5 errors. Batteris, Flood and Valla. All Stars, 11 runs 15 hits, 10 errors. Batteries, Halva, McDonough, Jack Vincent.

The bottle Wednesday was more of a even match. The K of C team tied the score in the third with a four run outburst and cinched the game in the first of the seventh with a home run by Bob Shoemaker.

Box Score-K of C 7 runs, 13 hits, 4 errors. Batteris, Flood and Hammond.

Brown-McDonald, 6 runs 9 hits, 2 errors. Batteris, Lowery and Calkins.

These teams will again meet Sunday afternoon to play the scheduled game rained out August 1st.

## BRIEFLY STATED

Art Wedburg and daughter Artice of Fremont, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Widfeldt, last week.

Abe Saunto returned Saturday from Sioux City, Iowa, and Columbus, Nebr., where he visited relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Jones drove to Norfolk on Friday where they attended a picnic of the Central Finance company employees.

Bob Burks, who has been here visiting his mother, Mrs. Laura Burks for the past month, left Thursday for San Deigo, where he will rejoin his ship.

Misses Nadine Neal and Helen Ullom of Hastings, who have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Widfeldt the past two weeks, returned to their homes Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Godak left Monday for their home in Omaha after visiting here for the past month at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Bazelman.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Thomas of Brady, Nebraska, arrived here on Saturday to spend a few days visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Protivinsky.

John Mullen and son, John Jr., left on Sunday for West Point, and Omaha, Nebr., where they will visit before returning to their home at Hobbs, New Mexico.

O'Neill Day August 13. Stamp Photos taken for one day only 25c a dozen; two positions. Finished three hours after they are taken. O'Neill Photo Company.

Miss Hazel Schwisow left on Tuesday for her home in Omaha, after spending the past two weeks here visiting her father, Paul Schwisow.

Ted Sirek, who completed a two-month course in a Norfolk training school the first of the week, left on Tuesday for Baltimore, Md., where he has accepted a position in an airplane factory.

Mrs. W. J. Bro, of Nebraska City, Nebr., arrived on Sunday to visit at the home of her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Moore.

Miss Mildred O'Malley of Chambers, arrived on Sunday and will spend the week here visiting her sisters, the Misses Edna and Isabella O'Malley.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Streeter and Clyde Streeter and daughter, Barbara, drove to Brunswick Sunday and spent the day there visiting at the home of their mother.

Mrs. Ruth McCafferty of Kansas City, Mo., arrived Monday and will visit here for the next two weeks at the home of her sister and her family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles McKenna.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnkersenbrock Ray Schriener and Jesse Scofield drove to Norfolk on last Sunday and spent the day there visiting and taking in the ball game in the evening.

## Clinic For Crippled Children To Be Held Here On Saturday

Under the auspices of the Division of Child Welfare and Services for Crippled Children an extension clinic is being held at the O'Neill High School in O'Neill, August 9, 1941, from 7:30 a. m., to 4:00 p. m. All registrations should be completed by 11:00 A. M. Dr. Wm. R. Hamsa will be the examining orthopedist in attendance at the clinic and Dr. G. E. Robertson is the pediatrician who will examine all new cases being considered for Services for Crippled Children as well as cases referred for consultation only.

Children who are not now receiving service under the program of Services for Crippled Children may be admitted to the clinic when referred by the local physician, or in certain cases at the request of the child's parents or guardian.

The clinic is for diagnosis, consultation, checkup and aftercare services on cases receiving treatment. Children admitted to the clinic for consultation or preliminary diagnosis will not receive treatment under Services for Crippled Children unless formal referral is made and the child found to be eligible.

Orthopedic cases may receive treatment if care cannot be arranged through private resources. Pediatric cases will be accepted by the clinic for the purpose of consultation and diagnosis only and should be referred only by the family's own physician.

The Norfolk Elks Lodge is furnishing without cost, a noon lunch to all children and their parents who are registered for the clinic examinations.

## O'Neill Boosters Visit Boyd, Western Holt and Eastern Rock Counties

The O'Neill Boosters, headed by the High School band made the first O'Neill Day Booster trip last Wednesday morning, leaving here about 8 a. m. From here they went to Redbird, then to Lynch, Bristow, Spencer and Butte, where the party had lunch. At each of the towns the band furnished inspiring music and the residents were told of the entertainment provided for their amusements in this city, on O'Neill Day.

Leaving Butte they headed west for Naper, then south to Stuart, west to Newport and Basset, then east to Atkinson, Emmet and home arriving back home about 5:55. At each of the towns visited the Boosters were met with an enthusiastic group of residents and the bands and the crowds furnished a lot of amusement for the young folks of the several towns visited. Another Booster trip will be made Friday afternoon, east and south, leaving here at 5:30 p. m., and returning home about 10 p. m. If you can furnish a car for this trip notify one of the members of the committee of your willingness to be of assistance.

## The Weather

There has been no break in the heat wave which has continued in this part of the state, although the eastern half had a definite break with Omaha and Lincoln both reporting temperatures in the lower seventies, while O'Neill and vicinity sweltered in 104 degree heat. Some corn, especially that in the northeast part of the county, which is planted in gravel, has begun to fire and curl, but the western part of the county is still in good shape. The weather report for the past week is as follows:

	High	Low
July 31	98	62
August 1	93	65
August 2	87	65
August 3	97	68
August 4	101	70
August 5	104	71
August 6	98	70

## Marriage Licenses

Marriage licenses issued by the office of the County Judge during the past week.

Leonard La Porte Hansen of Thurston, Nebraska and Geneva M. Lamb of Wichita, Kansas, on August 2nd.

Wilbur M. Spangler and Thelma Grafft, both of Ewing, on August 1st.

Dale Perry and Virginia Hopkins, both of Inman, on August 2nd.

Harold L. Wickersham and Velma Pritchett, both of Lynch on August 7th.

## THE DAYS OF LONG AGO

### Fifty-Five Years Ago

The Frontier, August 5, 1886  
Fine rains on Monday and Tuesday. Corn is an assured crop. Sidewalk are being built from the skating rink to connect with the one on the west side of the Presbyterian church, making a continuous line from the main street to the church.

The carpenter work on the mill being about finished the millwrights are busy putting in the machinery. This work will take about two months. The mill will have twenty-two sets of rollers.

### Fifty Years Ago

The Frontier, August 6, 1891  
Thomas Carlon has removed his law office to the McBride building, occupying the two front rooms up stairs.

Died, at his home in O'Neill on Saturday, August 1, 1941, James Coughlin, aged 61 years. He is survived by his widow, who was the widow of General John O'Neill the founder of this city. He is also survived by two children and three step-children, by her former marriage.

Butte City has been designated by Governor Thayer as the county seat of the new county of Boyd.

### The Item, August 6, 1891

P. Fahy and A. D. Watson went up to Long Pine Wednesday to hear Hon. J. Sterling Morton, who spoke there that evening.

Romaine Saunders, one of the typos on The Frontier force, is lying at his home quite ill. We hope however, that in a short time he will be back at his post all right.

Last Monday evening the young men of the city got together and completed the organization of the "O'Neill Eagle Club." The officers elected are: President, H. E. Murphy; vice president, J. J. McManus; secretary, Fred Swingley; treasurer, Jake Hershiser. The Club starts out with a membership of thirty, but they expect to increase to 100 within a few weeks.

### Forty Years Ago

The Frontier, August 8, 1901  
It rained. Not a roaring, tumultuous tempest with lightning's red glare painting hell in the sky. It came gently, fell steadily with scarcely less noise than the evening dew. It rained about four hours and .85 hundredths of an inch fell. It was of vast benefit to the corn crop.

### Thirty Years Ago

The Frontier, August 3, 1911  
The race meet will be held in this city on August 9, 10 and 11th. A large number of horses are already on the ground and an excellent meet is looked for by the officers in charge.

The settlers of northern Holt and southern Boyd county have organized a permanent Old Settlers Association. Ed Larson of Meek has been elected secretary.

### Twenty Years Ago

The Frontier, August 4, 1921  
This county and section of the state was visited last Sunday and Monday with another splendid rain, which insures the largest corn crop in the history of the county.

Senator D. H. Cronin, editor of The Frontier, was endorsed by the Nebraska delegation in congress for the position of United States Marshal for the District of Nebraska.

### Ten Years Ago

The Frontier, August 6, 1931  
The government weather reports for O'Neill show that for the past week ending last Saturday the average temperature for the week was 103 degrees.

Miss Clarissa Tequist, who has been chief operator at the Northwestern Bell Company for the past three and a half years, resigned her position, effective the first of August, and her place has been taken by Miss Ruby Edlund, of Holdrege, Nebraska. Miss Tequist is to be married at her home at Spencer, Nebraska, on Thursday, August 7th.