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BREEZES FROM THE SOUTHWEST

By Romaine Saunders
A good turn done us may soon be forgotten. An injury, however slight, real or imagined, lives on.

Riding boots with the ornate tops are quite the thing for little tots or grownups. Who'd have thought a crummy old puncher would ever set the style in footwear?

Less than two weeks until election and one candidate has been to see us. So times change. In the days of transportation by team and buggy candidates covered the county from Swan to Scottville, from Dustin to Deloit and gave every voter the glad hand, saw our citizens as they were and when the voter went to the polls he felt that he knew his men.

With the flower of American manhood now offering its life blood on the altar of freedom, it is hard for decent citizens to say what is adequate to deal with the 400 despicable workers in a great factory devoted to turning out equipment for the men on the firing lines who as one man defied the rule prohibiting smoking during working hours, were discharged, and the 2,000 who walked out in "sympathy." Is it not time the country was dealing with the arrogant, bulldozing, evil element of organized labor? They are devoid of patriotism; the appeal of a Washington, a Henry, a Lincoln would fall on blocks of stone. Only a ruthless hand can deal with such. Cannot the foundations of public sentiment be shaken until this source of national disgrace is crushed to earth?

The federation of Nebraska labor unions, numerically unimportant and for the most part non-existent outside of Omaha and Lincoln, keeps at its head a gent who assumes to say how labor will vote. Usually it is violently anti-republican. This time it is Norris. I recall when the Lincoln Central Labor Union, of which I was at the time a member, published a sheet for the apparent purpose of throwing mud at Sam McKelvie who was the republican nominee for governor and was elected hands down. Mr. McKelvie was always a friend of union labor, employing none other in his publishing plant. The violent opposition of the promoters of that sheet, falsely claiming to represent the sentiment of union men, was accounted for on the ground of unreasoning partisan prejudice. This now prevails in the state federation. But unions are in none too good standing.

Flowers have faded, the wind hurries through tree tops bereft of foliage, dead leaves flutter across the path, corn fields are yellow and dry, the prairie is clothed in autumn's brown blanket, thrush and barn swallow are gone, yellow jackets are restless, herds are driven off the summer ranges, young America races to and from the little old school house on handsome ponies and teacher walks sedately by morning and evening. The summer is ended, the long lazy days of sunshine, bright blossoms and green verdure have merged into the season of changing colors and gold and crimson sunsets. It is the season of rest on the prairie after the sweat and toil of summer—a summer that has given a storehouse of material blessings to diligent workers. And now marching down the calendar come the brief days and long evenings when we sit in the firelight, counting it "luxury divine" to "dream the old dreams over," while in fancy faces of the friends that we have known float from out the deepening shadows.

And so there is to be "better understanding" among men after this war? Just where are we to anchor our faith for such fruition from the present flow of blood and tears and treasure? Didn't we hear that before, only in fewer words—the world safe for democracy. "Better understanding" implies better men. They are made at the foot of the cross, not on battle fields. Vanquished and victor are left on battle fields, the one sullen and revengeful, the other arrogant and boastful. History, revelation and the experience of mankind holds little hope for the fulfillment of the imagi-

Boys' and Girls' Scrap Drive Was Big Success

The children of the O'Neill Public School and those of St. Mary's Academy gave the grown-ups a lesson in scrap collection on Wednesday of this week when they gathered and deposited on a vacant lot on Fourth and Douglas streets 210,112 pounds of scrap, or a little over 105 tons. Of this amount 125,818 pounds was collected by the students of the public school, while the students of St. Mary's collected and hauled to the scrap center 84,294 pounds. This great amount of scrap makes about 178 pounds for each pupil of both schools, which was a splendid record and one that the older people will have to hustle to be able to beat at their Scrap Day next Saturday. The scrap collection campaign has been extended for one week and will not end on the coming Saturday, but a week from Saturday. Bring your SCRAP in this coming Saturday.

The O'Neill youngsters put on a real campaign and they worked from early morning until late at night gathering the scrap and hauling it to the scrap yard. The day was warm and some of the boys were very weary in the afternoon. Mayor Kersensbrock appeared on the scene and furnished the boys and girls with ice cream, cake and cookies. Immediately thereafter increased activity was seen in the ranks of the youngsters, who sure appreciated the treat from the Mayor.

Tri-State New Building Going Up Rapidly

Great activity has been manifested at the plant of the Tri-State Produce Company in this city the past two weeks, since work of rebuilding the plant, destroyed by fire Sept. 9, commenced. Contract for erection of the new building was let to the Sorenson Construction Company of Sioux City, and he has a force of about forty men working on the building and great progress has already been made in reconstruction.

The new building will be 148x80 feet, being much larger than the old building. The building is being constructed of glazed tile and will be a very beautiful building. It will have a full basement and one story above the ground. The old building had two coolers, while the new one will contain three, giving them nearly twice the cooling capacity of the old plant. The new cooler being installed will be 48x20 feet. The other two coolers are 32x18 feet and 32x40 feet.

It is expected that the building will be completed on or about December 1, but they expect to begin killing at the plant in about two weeks, so that they can get in on some of the holiday business.

Citizens of O'Neill, and in fact residents of this entire section of the state are pleased that the building is being rebuilt, as they paid out more money in this city and territory than any other establishment in this city or section, and its location here gave the poultry raisers of this section a home market for their products.

Marriage Licenses

William Albert Conway and Edna Eppenbach, both of O'Neill, on October 14.
John Francis Kelly and Dorothy Marie Dalton, both of O'Neill, on October 10.
Bud Emery of Nenzel and Della M. Stout of Crookston, on October 10.
Daniel P. Page and Audrey L. Worth, both of O'Neill, on October 9.
Arthur A. Jurgensmeier and Margaret Martin, both of O'Neill, on October 8.
Max D. Chapman and Eileen McKenna, both of O'Neill, on October 8.

VETERANS - You men who fought the last War—make this your job. To see that no American boy shall fall because a lack of scrap deprived him of a fighting chance.

SCRAP SLACKERS CAN LOSE THIS WAR!

It's squarely up to you. The mills need scrap to make the steel to go across the sea as ships, and tanks, and guns. They need it now—and in the months to come. For all new steel must be 50% scrap—and the mills are running out. They haven't enough for even 30 days more production—then they'll be shutting down. Unless you get to work. Unless you go into your basement and your attic and rout out the junk that's there. Talk about it to your friends and neighbors—you men who

know what war is like. Tell them... "Don't be a scrap slacker. Get your scrap ready for the drive that starts next Monday!" Then get to work and help them do it. We're out to fill the junk yards—to make every salvage depot a towering tribute to our fighting men. And don't think the job is done when the scrap starts piling up. Because the war must end before the need for scrap is over. Do this to help make sure it ends *our* way!

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Watch this paper for details of the big scrap drive and what you must do to help
NEWSPAPERS' UNITED SCRAP METAL DRIVE

Two O'Neill Couples Are United, Double Ceremony

A lovely double wedding was solemnized on Friday morning, October 9, at 7 a. m., at St. Patrick's Catholic church in O'Neill when Miss Margaret Martin became the bride of Arthur Jurgensmeier and Miss Eileen McKenna became the bride of Max Chapman, Rev. Father Brick performing the ceremonies.

Mrs. Jurgensmeier, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Martin of O'Neill, was very attractive in a brown street length dress and brown accessories, and wore a corsage of gardenias. She is a graduate of St. Mary's Academy with the class of 1938. She is an employee at the telephone office and will continue in this work.

Mr. Jurgensmeier, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jurgensmeier of Emmet, and is employed in Atkinson as gravel checker for the U. S. Government.

Mrs. Chapman is the daughter of Mrs. Elsie Slattery and was very becomingly attired in soldier blue street length dress with rust accessories and wore a corsage of gardenias. She is a graduate of St. Mary's Academy with the class of 1940. She is also an employee at the telephone office and will continue in that work.

Mr. Chapman is the son of Mrs. Mae Chapman of O'Neill and is a graduate of the O'Neill High School with the class of 1940. He was employed at the Ideal Market for several years, until recently, when he began working in Atkinson as a gravel checker for the U. S. Government.

Both couples are making their homes in the Melvin Klinger apartments on Fremont street.

HOLT COUNTY U. S. D. A. WAR BOARD NOTES

A Holt County Farm Transportation Committee will be selected by the County USDA War Board to assist in the new transportation conservation program announced recently by the Office of Defense Transportation. The committee will be headed by a member of the AAA committee, and also will include two farmers, a trucker and a farm supply dealer. Committee headquarters will be at the AAA office.

First job for the County Farm Transportation Committee will be to help trucks fill out applications for Certificates of War Necessity. Registration days will be October 22, 23 and 24. The towns for registration are as follows: O'Neill, Stuart and Atkinson, Chambers, Ewing, Amelia, Page and Opportunity.

The following prices will be paid for Scrap at O'Neill: Skinned steel, \$7. 25% or less clean or unclean cast with steel or malleable, \$8. 50% or less clean or unclean cast with steel or malleable, \$9. Cast with small amount unclean steel or malleable, \$10. Clean cast, \$12.

The total scrap collected for the county to date is 694,425, of which Atkinson High School collected 97,747 pounds, or 622½ pounds per enrolled student, thus qualifying them for the Ak-Sar-Ben Victory Flag.

Harry E. Ressel, Chairman, Holt Co. U.S.D.A. War Board.

County Court

Glen Williams of Omaha was arrested by Patrolman John T. Meistrell and charged with failure to stop at a stop sign. He appeared in county court on October 12, pled guilty and was fined \$10 and costs \$3.10.

Ernest Cornish of Ainsworth was arrested by Patrolman John T. Meistrell and charged with failure to stop at a stop sign. He appeared in county court on October 12, pled guilty and was fined \$15 and costs \$3.10.

Lloyd Cork of Page was arrested by Patrolman John T. Meistrell and charged with overweight on capacity plates. He appeared in county court on October 12, pled guilty and was fined \$10 and costs \$3.10.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. John Stauffer, a son, on Saturday, Oct. 10. Mr. and Mrs. Glen Harris, a daughter, on Saturday, Oct. 10.

Fellowship Clubs Join In Pushing Scrap Drive

The Youth Fellowship and Young Adult Fellowship of the Inman Methodist church are co-operating with the County AAA Committee and rural and village schools in sponsoring the scrap drive for Inman Precinct. The two Fellowship organizations have been divided into two teams and a contest between the "Commandos" and the "Scrappers" is being staged. All scrap amounting to 500 pounds or more, which is donated to the Fellowship organizations, is being picked up on request. Signs on the vacant lot south of the Inman telephone office indicate where donations to the "Commandos" and "Scrappers" are being placed.

Those in charge of the drive are very anxious that all available scrap in Inman precinct be either sold to Mr. Harkins at the Finkbine Lumber Yard in Inman, or donated to the Fellowship organizations, not later than Saturday evening, October 17, which is the closing date for the state drive. Saturday, October 17, has been designated as Inman Scrap Rally Day, by which time it is hoped that the entire community will co-operate by bringing in all remaining scrap.

For details of the drive, contact Rev. E. B. Maxcy, pastor of the Inman Methodist Church, or Harvey T. Tompkins, president of the Young Adult Fellowship.

Hospital Notes

Visiting hours are from 2 to 4 p. m., and 7 to 9 p. m.
Mrs. Nellie Caulfield dismissed Wednesday. Francis Flood dismissed Friday. Joe Spes dismissed Saturday. Raymond Tunender dismissed Friday. Mrs. Elbridge Maynard and son of Orchard dismissed on last Thursday. Mrs. Chris Reimer and daughter dismissed Monday. Mrs. Matt Hynes a son on Monday. Mrs. Leonard Shoemaker a son on Tuesday. Mrs. Oswald Jindra a daughter on Friday. Sam Fuhrer underwent an emergency operation Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Grill entertained the Dutch Treat Club on Wednesday evening at a 7 o'clock dinner at a local cafe and bridge at their home. Mrs. J. M. Hayes won high score for the ladies and F. E. Parkins won high score for the men, and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Miller won the low scores.

American Legion and Auxiliary Held Conventions Here Tuesday

The annual convention of the American Legion Auxiliary of Dist. No. 2, which comprises eight counties in north central Nebraska, was held in O'Neill on Tuesday of this week.

The convention sessions were called to order at 10 o'clock by Dist. President Mrs. Robert Larson of Pilger, after registration of 75 delegates and visitors was completed.

The morning session included Advancement of the Colors by Pages; the Salute and Pledge to the Flag, led by Mrs. Loa Hubbard of the Chambers Unit; group singing of the "Star Spangled Banner," under the direction of Mrs. Luther Samuelson of Newman Grove, past department music chairman. After the joint recitation of the Preamble, the Welcome was presented by Edith J. Davidson, president of the O'Neill Unit, and the Response by Dist. President Larson, followed by a report of Secretary-Treasurer Mrs. Otto Olk of Pilger.

High lights of the work done by each unit in the district was presented in a condensed form by the county chairman of each county. These were all very interesting and it was found that a great many hours work had been devoted by the Auxiliary membership in this district for Red Cross knitting, sewing veterans' hospital assignments, veterans' gift shop, rehabilitation and child welfare work.

Following these reports memorial services were conducted by the Newman Grove Unit for twelve members of the district who were called by death during the past year. This very impressive service was under the supervision of Mrs. Samuelson and was added to very beautifully by the deeply moving songs, "Lead Kindly Light" and "Taps," well rendered by her young son, Master Rodney Samuelson. At the close

54 Holt County Boys Leave On October 23

The following boys will leave O'Neill for Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, on Friday, October 23, 1942. These boys will please be here at 8:15 a. m., as bus leaves at 8:30 a. m., from Golden Hotel corner:

- Walter Zahradnicek, Stuart.
- Robert L. Vance, Ewing.
- Andy O. Carr, Atkinson.
- Ivan O. Baldwin, Atkinson.
- William J. Morgan, Atkinson.
- Carol J. Isaacs, Ewing.
- Harold D. Kirkland, Atkinson.
- Gerald D. Hansen, O'Neill.
- David E. Stewart, Chambers.
- John E. Grutsch, O'Neill.
- Roy H. Schacht, Page.
- Gordon R. Brittle, Inman.
- John E. Naber, Atkinson.
- Lawrence L. Thurlow, Atkinson.
- Donald W. Moler, O'Neill.
- George E. McCarthy, Atkinson.
- Ross O. Barnhardt, Ewing.
- Leonard E. Jungman, Atkinson.
- Ronald A. Grass, Page.
- John D. Alder, Opportunity.
- Jeffery E. Smith, Page.
- Clair E. Abbott, Amelia.
- Jack M. Barr, Page.
- Leon R. Hickerson, Amelia.
- Marvin J. Lichty, Page.
- Frank Kohle, Stuart.
- George A. Kubik, Star.
- Wayne E. Howard, Page.
- Frederick G. Seger, Atkinson.
- Ernst W. Rosenkrans, Dorsey.
- Carl C. Colfack, Dustin.
- Joe E. Luth, Emmet.
- Edd R. Stewrt, Page.
- George Verzal, Atkinson.
- Lester E. Bergstrom, Ewing.
- Richard E. Albers, Chambers.
- Martin L. Craig, Page.
- John F. Kelly, O'Neill.
- Cleveland M. Sigman, Amelia.
- Kenneth J. Kestenholtz, Inman.
- Joseph D. Price, O'Neill.
- Edward E. Hanley, O'Neill.
- Leo Straka, Stuart.
- Lester C. Zarnfeller, Atkinson.
- Richard Osborn, Chambers.
- Gerald K. Barnes, Stuart.
- Pius G. Ullrich, O'Neill.
- Joseph J. Kalina, Inman.
- Harold K. Brittle, Inman.
- James C. Soukup, O'Neill.
- Paul H. Ludington, Page.
- Elmer V. Loeffler, O'Neill.
- Vernon R. Parks, Page.
- Louis J. Bartos, Page.
- Bernard Van Vleck, Clearwater.
- Russell F. Angus, Butte.
- Joseph E. Funk, Ewing.
- Wayne W. Hickok, Atkinson.
- Leonard D. Lines, Inman.
- Harry E. Werner, Emmet.
- Floyd J. Tucker, Ewing.
- Lyle R. Eppenbach, O'Neill.
- George E. Green, Atkinson.
- Gaylord Hodgkin, O'Neill.

of the service Taps were echoed with the trumpet by Miss Dorothy Lowery of O'Neill.

County caucuses were held to select a nomination committee for the presentation of candidates to be elected in the afternoon.

A very fine luncheon was served in the church basement by the ladies of the M. E. church, during which the Salt and Pepper Initiation was held under the direction of the Norfolk Unit, and some very clever gifts were presented by Dist. President Larson to those securing ten or more 1943 memberships. Mrs. Opal Keating of Atkinson won the prize for high score in the contest conducted.

The afternoon session opened with a "War Medley" presented by the brass sextette, under the direction of Prof. Ira George. George Hammond then presented the very beautiful vocal solo, "The Lost Chord," by Sullivan, with Miss Marjorie Graybiel as accompanist.

After this very pleasant entertainment program, the convention business continued with the annual report of Dist. President Larson.

The honor guest of the day, Mrs. Blanche Starr of Alma, department president of the Auxiliary, presented a very fine report covering all activities of the Auxiliary.

At this time Department Commander John Curtis of Lincoln extended greetings from the Legion and expressed appreciation of the work the Auxiliary has done. Fritz Sellery, district commander, of Neligh, and Ivan Marsh, service officer of the Veterans' Hospital of Lincoln, also extended greeting to the convention.

After the election of officers, which unanimously re-elected Mrs. Robert Larson of Pilger as president, and Mrs. W. H. Harrison of Norfolk as vice-president, there followed presentation of awards and gifts, the retirement of the colors and adjournment.

At seven o'clock a very sumptuous banquet was served in the high school auditorium by the Catholic Daughters to approximately 200 Legion and Auxiliary members and their friends. The banquet room was beautifully arranged with long white tables on which centerpieces of late fall flowers and flags were the only decoration. Nutcups and favors presented by the O'Neill Unit were clever arrangements of a 'ship and sailor boy' and a 'tank and soldier' combination. During the banquet an excellent program of band music was presented by the combined O'Neill and St. Mary's Academy bands under the direction of Prof. Ira George. Then in spectacular marching form the combined glee club of St. Mary's Academy and the O'Neill High School entered the banquet hall singing as the band played "The Army Air Song." They rendered some very beautiful music.

Miss Davene Loy presented a lovely vocal solo, "Symphony," and Miss Kathleen Flood sang very sweetly her solo, "When the Lights Go On Again All Over the World."

At this time the O'Neill Clown Band made their appearance and performed in their inimitable style under the direction of various guest leaders. The three Hoff sisters, Trema, Marcella and Lois, presented their Tumbling Act, which was well and enthusiastically received. A vocal duet was presented by Marvin Holzclaw and Donald Persons, with Gerald Graybiel at the piano.

After this splendid array of home talent, J. D. Cronin, toastmaster, introduced distinguished guests and local, district and department officers of the Legion and Auxiliary, following which Department Commander John Curtis presented an exceptionally fine address. Mr. Curtis is a very talented speaker and while the address was very entertaining, he gave everyone present some things to think about. It was felt that all who heard him cannot help but become better and more useful citizens as a result. His never-to-be-forgotten address was a very fitting climax to a fine and educational convention.

Robert Moore, who is an aviation machinist mate third class in the U. S. Navy, has been transferred recently from the Great Lakes Naval Training Station in Illinois to Norfolk, Va.