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## SMALL DOSES PAST AND PRESENT

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The war has left an heritage of international and domestic pains that neither Spitfires, bombs nor guns can eradicate.

An up-to-date corn harvester picks and shells the corn in the field. The next advance in mechanical corn growing may bring us the hot corn bread fresh from the field.

It has started. To what extent it will spread remains to be seen. Some industrial plants have settled their labor troubles by closing down. One gent throws down the gauntlet and has taken the stump against Union labor leaders. The stage is set and all that's needed is a few good rabble rousers among the A. F. L. and C. I. O. to bring on a domestic upheaval. And the public stands helpless to ward off the punches.

The hooded Arabs who came over for the San Francisco conference of fifty nations learned American ways quickly. The men of the desert have staged a strike down in old Egypt, cracked a few heads and tied up peaceful pursuits in ancient Alexandria. But a strike is not altogether a new thing in Egypt. About the year 1500 B. C. the Hebrew brick makers dropped their crude tools and walked out on the hardened old Pharaoh, history's first successful strike.

An esteemed disciple of the late father of the New Deal setup asks me to finish the theme suggested by peace time military training, observations on which appeared herein recently, broadening its scope to include various agencies, state and national, if not so designed the ultimate workings of which are to cut in on personal liberties. Liberty, liberty—what a lot of gushing lip service the precious heritage inspires. It is one thing to defeat a proposed program and another thing to throw off the yoke once the pegs have been fastened. And loyalty to your beloved political god demands you carry the yoke without a murmur.

Leaning at a safe angle against the brick wall corner, a confident foot planted on the stone step, clad in swagger pants and ample jacket, dense clusters of hanging curls billowing over broad back and bosomy front, a similarly clad pal at her side, she took in the street scene with smug assurance—or was it disdain. Another waited by incoming and outgoing busses, auburn hair, large and jolly, blue overalls rolled over bare legs to the knees, the confidence of a gold miner asserting everything the new woman has. She swung an ample limb, maybe she would say leg, over the stool at the lunch counter, lighted a fag, and wise to earth's hard ways ordered "black coffee." The gals are taking life in strides.

In a pasture now turned to the brown of autumn a short distance to the northwest loll a dozen male aristocrats of the pure Hereford breed that came from one of the fancy stock showings out at Denver. The pasture and the bulls are the property of Hugh Birmingham with whom I drove by there recently. Those fat, arrogant, self-satisfied bluebloods of cattledom look every inch the thoroughbred. Mr. Birmingham bought nineteen bulls at the Denver showing last month and is selling them to breeders in the county who are seeking to improve their herds. The cattle industry, from the days of the yipping, shooting punchers to the present more genteel booted cowman, has always been the industrial standby in Holt county. And many thousands of three or four popular breeds now grazing the prairies are of a very high quality. Nearby this pasture across the road Mr. Birmingham has a field of corn and will solve the "picking" problem for his

There was a citizen over toward Antelope slough in the happy long ago who wore a straw hat in midwinter. November is not usually straw hat weather but has made an exception this time. Among the conglomeration of bare heads, hats, caps, sombreros visible to the naked eye on the streets Monday gents' wearing straw hats were not missing.

### BRIEFLY STATED

Something is always wrong with the weather. We thought it was about right, a close competitor of the best anywhere. They say it is so dry in the cornfields that mechanical pickers are knocking about as many ears on the ground as are tossed in the wagon. Grass lands would be benefitted by an inch of moisture, though farm lands are in the greatest need.

Land values in Holt county have made material advances in some instances in recent years, others remain stationary and still other instances are cited of land being sold for considerable less than it had been held previously. The advances in prices asked by owners in some cases exceeds 30 per cent of what they had formerly asked. The volume of sales is not great neither are sales at a standstill. Many are coming here from the counties east looking for places to rent.

There tarried for a day and half the night in the city two printers from the composing room of the Chicago Tribune. The Frontier did not get these gents' names though they made a fraternal call. Just what were printers from Chicago doing out here? Well, it was none of my business so took it for granted they were just seeing the country. And they did us a good turn while in our plant. Printers never fail if they can. Printers never fail to lend a hand if they can help a fellow-craftsman.

When the vacancy is filled in the O'Neill supervisor district the new member may inherit a sizeable "lobby" of citizens who are rather up in arms to demand a ceanup of our \$125,000 court house back yard—the storage lot facing Fifth street. About everything objectionable to sight and smell has been dumped in there along with the county bridge timbers and other property. It is a sight for the gods to blush at and not since the rubble of a blacksmith shop and disorderly home was removed from the court house block has such an accumulation gathered in a centrally located part of the city.

Pfc. Jerry Toy of Camp Bowe, Texas, arrived Sunday for a short visit with his mother, Mrs. Anton Toy and other relatives and friends.

farm manager by turning a herd of hogs loose in the field.

Union heads have compiled a volume of over 200 pages on "Living Costs in World War II." How reliable the figures are is anybody's guess. But why a book about it? Do not all know the pinching fact of the price of a meal and the roof without a book. And possibly no small amount of this cost is tracable back to the payroll of Union labor.

November. A chill in the air, freshening, inspiring, imparting vigor for the listlessness of drowsy warmth; trees denuded of the rich summer green, flow-ers faded, birds taken the long flight, the prairie brown and silent save for the call of a coyote for its mate, the mournful bawl of bereft cows for the calves sent away for slaughter, the crow of the barnyard chanticleer and quack of ducks. But autumn skies take on added luster, inviting charm—the glow of dawn a deeper pink, the gold of sunset a bit more intriguing, the night sky aflame above the prairie. Business, work, get the mail and the daily grind. Necessary, proper, but comes there never across the vision nature's grand picture, the sweeping power of spiritual values? Life is more than meat and a bank account. "Consider the lilies, they toil not neither do they spin..."

## No O'Neill Line in the Bus Strike

O'Neill is served by four bus lines, neither of which has been involved in the strike of bus drivers tying up eastern lines. Bonsteel, Sioux City, Norfolk, Ainsworth and Grand Island are points of bus service to and from O'Neill.

The several drivers, asked if they were involved, replied, "We don't strike and are not identified don't strike and are not identified with any Union." One driver said he would carry passengers as long as there was anyone who wanted to ride. Another views the whole strike situation as alarming, saying, "There's a revolution on the way, labor has gone crazy."

All busses serving O'Neill are independent lines and the men operating them are uniformly courteous and helpful, satisfied with the business and the privilege of serving the peaceful communities through which they operate.

### Irrigation Interest

The soil conservation office at the annex reports considerable interest in some section of the county in irrigation and is being called on for technical advice for the location of reservoirs for impounding water. One such is on property owned by C. E. Rundquist of Orchard on the Big Sandy in northwest Holt. Another is six miles south and two east of Atkinson. The conservation officials go only where their services are solicited and their work is to survey the ground to determine the point of location for impounded waters to secure the best results in distribution to the land. These necessarily are located on streams or natural water courses which are dry at times and by construction of dams high water accumulations may be put to use. There is pump irrigation also in limited areas that serve small home plots.

### Testing the Herds

Veterinarians from the state and federal departments of animal husbandry are testing cows and heifers in herds in the county for T. B. and other bovine ailments. This is the first general testing work to be carried on here for a number of years. There was much resentment among ranchers in the southwest part of the county some years ago when they received the mandatory orders from Lincoln to corral their cows on a specified date as a vet "will be there to test them for T. B." The resentment was not so much over the test as it was over the way the officials went at it. A meeting was held in Amelia at that time attended by most cattle growers of the section, but they decided not to hang the oncoming squad of veterinarians. There seems to have been no upheaval this time.

Pvt. Dwayne Landis of Fort Robinson, arrived Saturday to spend a furlough here visiting his mother, Mrs. Mae Landis and other relatives and friends.

### Friendly Neighbor's Club

The Friendly Neighbors Project Club met at the home of Mrs. Harden Anspach Thursday afternoon, November 1, with ten members and one visitor present.

Mrs. Dale Fetrow and Mrs. F. H. Griffith, project leaders for this year, demonstrated the making of a whole meal salad showing the use of vitamins A, B, C, and D, in the salad and dressing.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Dale Fetrow, date not yet decided.

### NOTICE

Two Coon Dogs came up missing the morning of October 29, from my home 1 mile south of Chambers. One black and tan, other blue tick. Will pay good reward for information leading to their recovery.

Lewis Rothchild,  
25-2/4 Chambers, Nebr.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Holliday left Saturday for Grand Island, where they will make their future home. He was recently discharged from the navy after three and one half years service, twenty-eight months of that time being served overseas.

William Miller spent the week-end in Omaha on business.

### BRIEFLY STATED

Miss Babelle Bauman spent the week-end at her home in Atkinson.

Hugh Birmingham made a business trip to Omaha over the week-end.

Rev. Father Brick was up from Omaha during the week greeting friends here.

Mrs. Alice Bridges spent a few days with friends in Sioux City the past week.

Miss Mary Miles of Omaha, spent the week-end here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Miles.

Miss Arleen Shade spent the week-end in Stuart visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Shade.

County Agent A. N. Dawes attended an all day meeting of farm and ranch interests at Bassett Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Voecks arrived Sunday from Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, where he received his discharge from the army.

Rev. Mullis and a group of Methodist young people went to Norfolk Monday to participate in a District church gathering there.

Elmer Nuttleman returned to his home in Springfield, Mo., on Monday, after a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Tomlinson.

Mr. and Mrs. William Froelich returned Friday from Chicago. Mr. Froelich spent the week-end here and returned to Chicago on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Swim of Scottsbluffs, returned to their home on Friday, after spending a few days here visiting Edith Castleman.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Souhara returned to their home in Lincoln on Monday, after a week's visit with Edith Castleman and other friends here.

Joe Beha of Minneapolis, Minn., spent the week-end here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Beha and with other relatives and friends.

Miss Mary Helen Martin of Omaha, spent the week-end here visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. William Martin and other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Edna Selden and Clifford Reese returned to Valentine on Monday, after a week's visit here with Mrs. Seldon's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Fay Miles.

Young America never forgets that they have a "night out" Hal-low'e'n, but perhaps they did more good than harm in the old town by streaking windows with soap, a juvenile suggestion to us for a washup.

Capt. Parr, formerly assistant pastor of St. Patrick's church and just back from army duty as a Chaplain serving in Italy, was in the city during the week renewing friendships here. He has not been released from army service but feels at any rate that it is great to be back in the homeland.

Mrs. Wagner, of the state superintendent's office in Lincoln, was in the city during the week and in company with Miss McCullough visited a rural school or two in the far corners of the county, the object of such visit being to obtain first hand information on the schools in the out of the way places of the county for guidance of the state department of education in the general scheme of schools in the state.

## Tune in on Your Radio Nov. 17

George B. German, farm reporter for WMAX at Yankton, was in the city last Saturday returning from a stock show over at Broken Bow, when he had crossed a sizeable section of the sand hill cattle country which intrigued him, in company with Howard Gillespie, county agent of Dixon county. The stop here was improved leisure time to make transcripts of a three-way discussion which will come over the air from the Yankton station November 17 and 19, at 12:50 p. m.

The trees, the grass, the sweep of endless landscape, unbroken, unmarred by the haunts of city dwellers along the trail from Broken Bow to O'Neill, covered now in less time than when Omer M. Kem came over here to campaign for congress driving a pair of bronchos, was discussed by Mr. German, Mr. Gillespie and A. N. Dawes at Mr. Dawes' office in the court house.

The cattle country is "strictly in it" from most every point of interest and it will be of unusual concern to citizens of the county to listen in on this three-way enlightened discussion when it is released. Mr. Dawes says the two gentlemen from out of the county were a little more than favorably responsive to what they saw of the prairie. His familiarity with the country made Mr. Dawes' participation in the discussion all the more informative for the visiting men.

### Miss Mains' Wedding Date

O'Neill relatives and friends extend congratulations to Miss Jane Mains of Denver, on her approaching marriage and hopes that happiness and prosperity will accompany her and her husband through a long and happy wedded life.

Miss Jane Laurissa Mains has set November 11 for her wedding to Charles H. Brittan. The ceremony will take place at 10 a. m. in the chapel at Regis college and will be performed by the Very Rev. John J. Flanagan.

Miss Mains is the daughter of Mrs. Thomas S. Mains. She is a graduate of St. Mary's Academy at O'Neill, Nebr., and attended Nebraska University. She is a member of the Junior Woman's club of Denver and for the last two years has been most active in the American Red Cross columnar services as a nurse's aid. Her fiancé is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Brittan, a prominent family of Alliance, Nebr. and has just returned from eighteen months of duty in the European theater of war. He is a graduate of Regis College. —The Denver Post.

### Sentenced to Reformatory

Floyd A. Spence, a young man from Atkinson, will have from two to ten years in the men's reformatory for it to be impressed upon him that the way of the transgressor is hard. He was taken before District Judge Mounts Wednesday on complaint of the county attorney involving a serious offence against a young woman high school student, entered a plea of guilty, the sentence following. Attorney Lee Atkinson, was in court in behalf of the girl.

### Gun Accident

Kenneth Coover, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Coover of Page, was accidentally shot last Sunday while out hunting. It seems to be hard to get information concerning the accident, but from what we have been able to learn Coover was shot in the lower part of the body by a five year old boy who was playing with his gun. He is in a Norfolk hospital and his condition is said to be critical.

Mrs. Melvin Ruzicka left Sunday for Redfield, S. D., where she will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Sell.

### Marriage Licenses

James E. Carney, of O'Neill, and Nora Janet Lodwig of Bassett, on November 1st.

For the want of a quorum city council members did not convene in regular session Tuesday evening, deferring the meeting to the call of the mayor.

### PETITIONS FOR DIVORCE

Florence Parkinson vs. Leonard Parkinson.

Florien Gesirlech vs. Iva H. Gesirlech.

### BRIEFLY STATED

Judge D. R. Mounts held court in Butte on Monday.

Mrs. Robinetta Malone returned to her home in Omaha on Tuesday, after visiting friends here.

Alva Marcellus left Saturday for Rochester, Minn., where he will go through the Mayo Clinic.

Pvt. Raymond J. Noble and Donald Sprague are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ray Noble and family.

Frank Clements is in Rochester, Minn., for consultation with the medical as to the state of his health.

Mrs. Harold Connors and Miss Alma Wallace returned Tuesday from Omaha, where they had spent a few days.

The O'Neill Waman's Club meets November 14 at Mrs. Cowperthwaite's with Mrs. Ira George giving the review. This meeting is a week early.

The Catholic Daughters of America held a business meeting at the Academy Tuesday evening. Following the meeting a luncheon was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McKenna left Saturday for Lincoln, where they will visit their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McKenna and son.

Mr. and Mrs. Fay Jones, Mrs. John Baird and Bill Klingler, of Omaha, spent the past week-end visiting Mr. and Mrs. Joe Noble and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Noble and family.

Mrs. Neil Ryan went to Omaha to meet her husband, who was returning to civilian life after his discharge from service in the Navy. They came on to O'Neill Monday.

According to the Hobo News the war has changed romance. Eskimo girls no longer favor rubbing noses but request that a kiss be "like it is done in the movies."

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Welch returned to their home in Omaha Tuesday, after spending a few days here visiting Mrs. Welch's mother, Mrs. Theresa Murray and other relatives and friends.

Lt. and Mrs. La Vern Stevens Evelyn and Helen Cavanaugh went to Omaha last Thursday. Lt. Stevens left from there for his station at Eldorado, Texas, the others returning home on Friday.

Art Cowperthwaite has neither cow to milk, barn to clean out nor herd on pasture to keep tabs on. For the first time in forty years he says he is without a hoof to concern him. But he goes to the sale yards to keep in touch with the livestock movements.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Bowers and Mrs. Donald Elkins and son Kenney of Denver, Col., returned to their home Wednesday, after a visit with their daughter, Miss Helen Bowers. They visited another daughter, Mrs. Frank Havarrank at Lynch and their son, Tom Bowers at Bristow.

Helen Simar spent Sunday in Atkinson visiting at the P. T. Schultz home. Her niece, Miss Maurine Schultz returned to O'Neill with her and will visit here for a few days. Miss Schultz was recently discharged from the Marine Corps at the TI Tora Air base at Santa Ana, Cal.

### JOB OPEN

There is need for a substitute post office clerk at O'Neill. Veterans only. Apply immediately.

## Aged Pioneer is Buried at Inman

Charles Manse Fowler was born in Belmont county, Ohio, on October 7, 1860, and passed away November 4, 1945, at the age of 85 years and one month. At the time of his death he was living with his son Mark, in Omaha. The body was brought to this city Tuesday morning and funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock at the Methodist church in Inman, Rev. Maxcy officiating and burial in the Inman cemetery.

When a young man he left his native state and moved to Iowa and there was united in marriage to Miss Kate Martin, who preceded him in death twenty-four years ago. To this union were born nine children, six of whom are still living. There are left to mourn his passing five sons and one daughter. The children are: Frank, of Denver, Col.; Jess of Jamestown, Cal.; Henry and Mark, of Omaha; Chester, of Compton, Cal., and Mrs. A. N. Butler, Inman. There are also eight grandchildren, four great grandchildren, two brothers and three sisters and a host of friends.

He moved to Nebraska about 1884 and homesteaded seven miles northeast of Inman. Later he moved to Inman, where he lived most of his life. During his years in this county he always took an active interest in the civic affairs of his home community and of the county, in the early days. He had and extensive acquaintance over the county and was greatly admired for his integrity and faithfulness to his many friends. He was a good citizen and one of those who had a prominent part in the upbuilding of Holt county.

Ted McElhaney returned Tuesday from Omaha, where he had gone on business.

### NEW LIBRARY BOOKS

Books added to the Public Library since October 8th:  
Our Vines Have Tender Grapes, Three O'Clock Dinner, Green Dolphin Street, Rivers of Glory, Coffin for Demitridios Greek Coffin Mystery, Tom Paine America's Godfather, Soldier to Civilian, Betrayal From the East, Secret of Keeping Fit, Faith of Our Fighters, Goodbye Mr. Chippendale  
Juvenile books are: Mystery of Lilac Inn, Dorothy Dixon Wins Her Wings, Two Little Fellows Secret, Rose in Bloom, Eight Cousins, Mark on the Mirror, Freckles, Seventeen, Hucklebtry Finn, Tom Sawyer, Robin Hood, The Little Pepper Series.

Magazines regularly at the Library are: The S. turday Evening Post, Look, Life, Modern Screen, Screenshot, Popular Mechanics, Readers Digest, Red, Wee Wisdom, Child Life, Columbia, Army Life, Colliers and Ladies Home Journal.

Newspapers at the Library are: World Herald, Omaha; Independent and Frontier, O'Neill; Graphic, Atkinson; True Voice, Omaha; New York Herald Tribune Book Review and all up to date pamphlets.

### Eagle Creek 4-H Club

The Eagle Creek 4-H Club met at the home of Doris Stearns on October 28. After a covered dish luncheon the meeting was called to order by the president. The main business of the meeting was reorganizing the club for the coming year.

The following officers were elected: President, John O'Neill; vice president, Benton Mellor; secretary, Vincent Warnke; news reporter, James Sire; song and cheer leader, Murray Mellor; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur O'Neill, who have served so faithfully as leaders of this club, asked to be relieved of their duties. Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Mellor were then elected as new leaders. There are twelve members in the club.

It was decided to meet once a month. The next meeting will be at the Max Warnke home on November 25.  
—J. W. S., News Reporter.