

Prairieland Talk

Romaine, a 'Thorough-Going Republican' Sees Commendable Qualities in Opposition

By ROMAINE SAUNDERS

LENCOLN — Talk, talk, talk — poured at perspiring mobs in conventions, echoing along the walls of banquet halls, beating the air from platform and pulpit, clattering nonsense to the select groups, bellowing over radios and mingled with the deliberations in solemn assemblies—a conglomerate mass of vocal gymnastics freighted with little enlightenment and less inspiration.

Where are the silver-tongued who could sway multitudes with their simple eloquence? Has the elegance of the voice, the grandeur of the pen, had to be sacrificed to a roaring machine age?

A Nebraskan took a national convention by storm with an spontaneous burst of eloquence, "You shall not press down upon the brow of labor this crown of thorns, you shall not crucify mankind on a cross of gold!"

Fifty-six Americans once dipped their quills in the flame of freedom and signed that document which reposed on the final words, "And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the Protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our Sacred Honor."

Those news men who unscrupulously emblazon figures in large type have it that Nebraska wheat farmers are pulling down an income of around 150 million dollars from this season's crop. What isn't mentioned is the cost.

Much of the wheat is grown on rented land. That means a third or two-fifths goes to the land owner, who may be a banker or insurance executive or even an auctioneer.

That's the first dip out of the farmer's income. Then there is the expensive machinery, tractors and trucks, harvest hands at 10 a day and grub. Uncle Sam also gets in on a share of the income. So that the gent who really put himself into the venture in the end looks at his collection of weigh slips, receipts and unpaid bills and wonders where his share of the 150 million comes from.

Experts are advancing their theory to explain away the causes of high living costs. We have given the dark subject profound thought and there has been registered across the cerebral of our brain the conclusion that prices are high because the gents who sell the stuff set the price.

This is the machine age. With wheels under us and in our heads we have neither elegance of voice nor beauty of literature.

The state liquor commission denied a grog shop license to an applicant by the name of Sinner.

There was heated rivalry for the Republican presidential nomination but a united party stands behind the men selected at the convention. The Democrats are in a vastly different position with respect to their standard bearers. By all the forms and practices under the code of American political usages, Mr. Truman had first claim on the nomination that has split the party. Any of the several candidates for the Republican nomination were acceptable to the party.

Governor Dewey was nominated because he had the convention votes. His chances for election appear at present not seriously challenged. The attitude of Southern Democrats toward Mr. Truman is understandable and this opposition combined with a northern revolt places a millstone to the bid of Mr. Truman for a full term in the White House.

It is admitted he is not a bad guy but a little underweight for the difficult job of president of our country.

The Frontier readers are aware that the engineer of this department is a thorough-going Republican, but not the sort of partisan who sees nothing commendable in lives of opposing political creed.

Kentucky is illustrious for a number of outstanding things. The announcement of an 11-year-old girl becoming a mother adds another star to the diadem of the blue grass state.

It takes a secretary and a reception functionary to manage them. They come singly and in groups. Some looking for jobs, others to pay their respects, news hounds looking for what's up officially, out-state delegations with propaganda of a variety, political friends with a mission and an odd one at times with a worthwhile suggestion. Such are some of the less important activities in the charming suite of the chief executive at the state house. Governor Peterson is holding up under it as fresh as a daisy and his friends say he looks wholly fit for another term.

"The Phrygian queen to her rich wardrobe went, Where treasured odours breathed a costly scent; There lay the vestures of no vulgar art; Sidonian maids embroidered every part, Whom from soft Sydney youthful Paris bore, With Helen touching on Tyrian shore. Here, as the Queen revolved with careful eyes The various textures and the various dyes," She chose the slacks with the yellow bar And went forth resplendent as the morning star.

An able functionary of the decrepit United Nations has come to town. Within the classic precincts of the University of Nebraska he addressed those who cared to go and listen in at the third of 4 clinics held at the university this Summer.

Nobody knows how much money is being spent to flag down the country's effulgent spellbinders and rabble rousers that the university centers all over America may have the benefit of their life-saving messages.

This gentleman from Lake Success is something of an apologist for the obstreperous Bolsheviks, and moreover indites the citizens of Nebraska with those of the rest of the country as being responsible for the inefficiency in this latest attempt at rolling the heterogeneous mass of earth into political unity. "God... hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth and hath determined the times before appointed and the bounds of their habitation."

The flame of chivalry may be burning low, but not with a gent from Scottsbluff and another that holes up in Lincoln, who tossed into the police court funds \$150 each in fines and costs, an estimate of what it was worth to beat up a third Adonis, who had been toying with the fickle affections of a lady in whom the assailants were interested. The armored knights of old broke their lances in a rush upon a rival when fair ladies were not as numerous as they are today.

Much of Europe and Asia is a seething caldron, the fruits of enslavement of the consciences and bodies of men by madcaps with lust for power. Our own fruitful land is comparatively tranquil under a rule that springs from the consent of the citizens, guaranteeing to all life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. While the course rests upon Mount Ebal we may claim the blessing long upon Mount Gerizim as long as we are true to the best American traditions.

I wonder if The Frontier editor would mind giving us an interpretation of this which has been attributed to the head of Nebraska's educational department found in a recent issue: "The larger the administrative and fiscal unit for schools the less the inequality among units in the ability to support education, in tax burden and the quality of instruction provided."

The most cheering word for Nebraskans is not what was done at Philadelphia. It is the bountiful harvest of grain, the meadows in the grass lands dotted with hay stacks, grazing areas amply sustaining the beef herds and the tall corn holding a promise of full cribs on the farms when frost comes around again.

Whatever the individual nerve response to the revolution in the ladies' attire may be it must be admitted it is all to the good for comfort on a hot July day.

Attend Rites for Returned Soldier

INMAN—Mr. and Mrs. John Gallagher, Mr. and Mrs. James Gallagher, Joseph and Beatrice Gallagher drove to Sioux City Thursday, July 22, for the funeral services of their nephew, Jack Gilligan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gilligan, whose body was among those recently returned from overseas. Young Gilligan lost his life in the service during World II. The services were Friday at 9 a. m. at a Catholic church. They returned Friday evening and Mrs. Mayme Harte, who has been in Sioux City, the past 3 weeks, a guest in the Gilligan home, accompanied them home.

Mrs. Kivett Hostess — INMAN — Mrs. Emma Kivett was hostess to the LL club at her home on Wednesday afternoon, July 21. The time was spent socially. Mrs. Kivett served refreshments in late afternoon. Mrs. James Gallagher was a special guest.

Frontier Want Ads will sell that excess property.



ENTERS TRAINING . . . Miss Ardene Andersen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Andersen, of Amelia, will enter nurses' training at the Bryan Memorial hospital at Lincoln in August.



TO LIVE IN OREGON . . . Mrs. Rudy Norton (above), was the former Miss Bonnie Couch, of Inman, before her marriage on Monday, July 19. The Nortons will reside in Blodgett, Ore.—O'Neill Photo Co.

Butler Family in Sunday Reunion

INMAN—The A. N. Butler home Sunday, July 25, was the scene of a family gathering when all of their children were home.

Here for the affair were: Mr. and Mrs. Harold Brower and daughter, Sally, of Independence, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. Rex Butler and son, of Bassett; Mr. and Mrs. Vere Butler and family, of Neligh; and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Youngs, and daughter, Barbara, from south of town.

Other Inman News — Mr. and Mrs. Haddin Geary drove to Omaha Wednesday, July 21. Gifford Tompkins accompanied them to his home in Omaha after spending 10 days here with relatives. His sister, Nancy Tompkins, of Omaha, accompanied them home and she will remain for a 10-days' visit with relatives.

Mrs. George Morey, of Conrad, Mont., returned to her home Friday, July 23, after spending 10 days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Haddin Geary, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Clark of Burwell, spent Sunday, July 25, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Moore. Mrs. Anna Clark accompanied her son and daughter-in-law back to Burwell for an indefinite stay.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Tomlinson, Mrs. Virgil Tomlinson and daughter, Bonnie, Mrs. Leo Harte and son, Joe, and Mrs. E. L. Watson were Norfolk callers on Tuesday, July 20, and on Friday, July 23, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Watson drove to Norfolk.

Mrs. Helen Sholes returned to her duties at Brown McDonald's in O'Neill on Monday, July 26, after spending a week's vacation at home.

Mrs. Arthur Tomlinson and Mrs. Leo Harte and son, Joe, drove to Dorsey Saturday to see their father, Joe Schollmeyer, who is ill.

Mrs. H. S. Overocker and Miss Jennie Mills, of Los Angeles, Calif., and Mr. and Mrs. John Overocker, of Norfolk, spent Tuesday and Wednesday, July 20 and 21, here at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Tompkins.

Mr. and Mrs. Gurney Ben-shoff and 2 daughters, of Van Tassel, Wyo., stopped in town a short time, Wednesday, July 21, and called on Mrs. Ben-shoff's niece and nephew, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Watson, and family.

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