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## Snow Drifts Slightly Reminiscent of 1949

DELOIT—Snowdrifts along the road between the Savage and Pofahl places have been slightly reminiscent of the winter of 1948-'49.

Snow had been piled from 8 to 10 feet in depth. Farmers report an abundance of rabbits in the community.

### Other Deloit News

HEO club will meet at the Henry Reimer home at 1 p.m. on February 14. No covered dish luncheon will be served. A lunch will be served by the hostess.

Elyne Reimer spent the weekend with her friend, Joyce Demary, near Bartlett.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Bartak took their daughter, Shirley, back to Wayne State college on Sunday after spending 2 weeks' vacation with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Tomjack and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Ray and daughter visited recently Henry Reimer's. The Rays have moved their furniture back to Omaha, Gene reported back at San Diego, Calif., where he is in the navy and will be released in 7 weeks.

Mrs. Frank Bohn's father, Alphonso Beelaert, sr., of Ewing, suffered a stroke and is a patient in a Norfolk hospital.

Farm bureau met Monday evening, January 7, at Bud Bartak's. A 4-H club was organized. Next meeting will be at A. E. Bartak's on February 4. Pie will be served.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Harpster visited Sunday evening at H. Reimer's.

HEO club met Thursday at the Glenn Harpster home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ewald Spahn left Monday for Oregon to visit relatives. Mrs. Anna Savage accompanied them to the home of her daughter and family in Montana.

Mrs. Deloss Thompson and Mrs. Henry Reimer attended a leaders' training meeting in Neligh on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Seaman attended the funeral of an aunt on Monday.

Roland Schunk is staying at the Werkmeister home during the winter to be near the school where he teaches.

### Vet Instructor Entertains Class

EWING—Charles Sanders, instructor in the veteran's institutional on farm training program, was host to the class Monday evening, January 7. Those enrolled are: D. D. Allen, David L. Anson, Floyd Belik, Lester Bergstrom, Claude Elliot, Edward Funk, Michael Gallagher, Theo. Jareske, Leland Johnson, Ed Kaczor, Wesley Larson, Norman Pollock, Marvin Rouse, Kenneth Schmidt, Ed Shaw, Herbert Spahn, Carl Spangler, Walter Spangler, Albert Spangler, Gerard Spittler, Albert Weibel, Sylvester Bahm, Carl Beelaert and Ferdinand Hupp.

Man has lifted his foot to take the first step of another year. December 31 the record closed and stands for all time, just as other years that have spelled out the records of the centuries.

What is January 1? Just another day, a day that inspires the wise ones among us to forecast what's ahead. Viewing the past in the light of present trends most anyone can qualify as a prophet as to what lies ahead for another year. What of yesterday, of the brief span that reaches back through the days and months now gone? Failures have meant humility but not despair, they have cast down but not destroyed. Victories inspire hope for tomorrow.

And what of tomorrow? The sun will ride its flaming chariot across the azure blue above unchanged.

Today the sweep of prairie land lies under a robe of celestial purity; tomorrow blooms with the fragrance and color of the prairie rose. We cannot level the hill, nor would we brush from the scene the wooded slopes among the gulches and the endless miles of open country, but we may add heavily, to rejoice with them that do rejoice and sympathize with the fallen tear of those who weep; learn better to enjoy the heritage that the gracious hand of Providence has laid at our feet—to thrill for a moment over the sublime grandeur of it all.

Pride, selfishness, the things demanding so much of us, appear mean and unlovely as we thus face another year, conscious that what progress comes in the hearts and brains of men who un- days ahead must come from the derstand what their place is in God's pattern for our lives and our relationship one to another.

The plaudits of the crowd can mean disaster to the hero. Five basketball players that had floated in the stary realms of college sports will cool their restless heels in jail. Invulnerable on the basketball court their armors of self-respect and honor cracked wide open when the lure of bribes confronted them, betrayed their friends and the institutions they represented. Judge Saul S. Streit in passing sentence after the hearing in an Eastern court, said of the gent who had attained the pinnacle of perfection at the game that he was "greedy and glamour struck, with an insatiable lust for night clubs and the company of girls." Of the others the judge found them "completely lacking in moral and ethical concepts."

And the college administration heads, the coaches and alumni groups were rebuked by the court for sharing in the responsibility for such conditions in the sports of their institutions. If the higher institutions of learning fail to inculcate the fundamental principles of honesty education becomes a tragedy, and the thing that has always been flaunted as the high goal of sports is a mere farce.

Of the millions of civilian patriots on the federal pay roll, 21,300 Nebraskans are on the gravy train, not counting those favored with subsidies, gratuitous favors and maybe a mink coat or 2.

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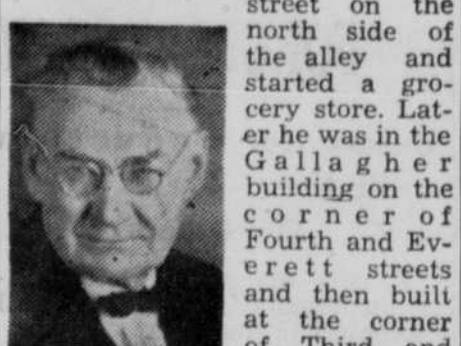
## Prairieland Talk

# Late Jake Pfund One of O'Neill's Pioneer Merchants and Builders

By ROMAINE SAUNDERS

LINCOLN—Mrs. Jake Pfund died January 5 in Galt, Calif., where 2 of her daughters make their homes. The body was brought to Lincoln for burial. Members of the Pfund family were citizens of O'Neill for a number of years, Mrs. Pfund coming with her husband from Wisconsin about the year 1886.

Mr. Pfund put up the building on the west side of North Fourth street on the north side of the alley and started a grocery store. Later he was in the Gallagher building on the corner of Fourth and Everett streets and then built at the corner of Third and Douglas. Their children, 3 daughters and 3 sons, were born in O'Neill. Miss Louise Pfund and Mrs. George Wrede are at Galt, Calif.; another daughter, Mrs. Dawson, at Wayne; Jake, a son, lives at Norfolk; William in California and Milton at Pratt, Kans. The family lived in Lincoln at one time where Mr. Pfund died.



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After leaving O'Neill some 40 years ago they established a ranch in Swan precinct and made that the family home for a time. Mrs. Pfund was 87 years of age. She was an active worker in the Methodist church in O'Neill.

Nebraska authors added some books to the literary products of 1951. A work by Ann Terry White deals with "Prehistoric America" and has special interest for North Nebraskans as the "Quicksands of the Niobrara" are one of the subjects dealt with. What is said to be the first of the kind in the United States is a work by Arch Donovan, "County Government in Nebraska." The fertile pen of Jane Leonard down at Broken Bow, a one-time picturesque and often wild and woolly frontier town, has produced in "Call of the Western Prairies" what must arouse unusual interest among Nebraskans who cherish their prairie land heritage.

"Pawnee Indians" by George E. Hyde and "White House Profiles" by Bess Furman are some of the books by Nebraskans or former Nebraskans to have been published in 1951.

Returning from a holiday visit to sunny California a group of Lincoln innocents stopped for a lunch in one of those desert towns in the Southwest and for a bit of relaxation thought they would look in on a show flaunting an alluring sign. But they soon ducked out with red faces. They had run into a brazen bunch of men and girls drinking and dancing in the nude. You can run into most anything in some parts of the world. I boarded a bus in Los Angeles a few years ago for Denver and at the first stop we made for a rest and to change busses we were ushered into a gambling den.

September last TV raked in \$11,920,000 as against radio \$11,861,000. TV is a newcomer that seems to be going across strong.

An army dog school has been put into operation at Camp Carson, Colo., with 48 German shepherd dogs and 25 enlisted handlers. There was a similar training camp at Ft. Robinson during the last war. A baggage car load of the dogs was attached to the North Western train I rode to Omaha one night on their way to the front. The soldier informed me that army dogs were temperamental and strangers should keep away from them. But the dogs were valuable at the front to warn of a hidden enemy. The warning is a growl and the hair of the dog's back raises a flag of danger.

A senator spoke this morning at the mike. The agenda of this session of congress was his brief theme. National defense, keep the wheels of industry oiled. But—recapture the moral values of honesty and decency in government—not a word. The solemn grandeur of our American traditions to inspire the members of congress—not a word. Shrinkage of the tax load, let the air out of inflated prices—not a word. Lifting the hand of the bureaucrat from the private and industrial affairs of American patriots—not a word. End this monstrous thing that stains the earth with the life blood of young America—not a word.

The stalwart statures of Nebraska patriots begin to loom over the political horizon this early in January for a place on the ballot for the April primary. We must admire anyone who has the courage to seek office and take the abuse that goes with it.

One use found for the helicopter brings it into the realm of religious service. It picked up a church steeple at a newly built house of worship and placed it in position on the church tower.

The past 3,865 years civilized man has enjoyed only 323 years of freedom from wars, during which time there have been negotiated, signed, sealed and delivered 8,250 peace treaties. Man is essentially a scrapper.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Butterfield were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Meitties at Star.



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WD—John T. Russell et al to Rudolph & Werner Poesnecker 6-16-51 \$3380-S 1/2 NE 1/4 23-33-16

WD—Emily Bowen to W P Curtis & wf 11-27-46 \$1-East 1 1/2 ft by 45 ft of Lot 15-Blk 11-O'Neill

Adm Deed—Ferdinand Shald Adm- to Jasper Hitchcock 12-19-51 \$3000-Lots 2-3 & 4 Blk 36-David Wixson's Add-Atkinson

WD—Iona A Bouska et al to Frank Osborne 11-20-51 \$3000-Lot 9 Blk 51-McCafferty's Add-O'Neill

WD—Millard W Ellenwood to Phillip H Stech & wf 1-2-52 \$54,000-Part of SE 1/4 SW 1/4 29-30-14

WD—E C Weller to James L Travis 9-25-51 \$1- 808.3x808.3 ft

in NE corner of NE 1/4 Sec 24-29-12

WD—Arthur G Rouse to Howard W Rouse 1-11-52 \$1- 5/8 Int in S 1/2 NE 1/4-N 1/2 SE 1/4-SW 1/4 SE 1/4 28-SW 1/4 SW 1/4 34-32-11 E 1/2 NW 1/4 3-NE 1/2 SE 1/2 4-31-11 Grantor retains a life interest in the above described land.

QCD—Grace B Lamason to John T Lamason 11-17-51 \$1-SW 1/2 10-28-Range 10

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