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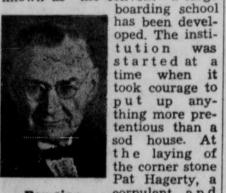
Prairieland Talk . . .

Building First Convent Took Courage; Fire Later Left Heap of Ashes

By ROMAINE SAUNDERS

of bright looking young people things for Christmas. Two re-

From the ashes of what was known as "the convent" a large boarding school



the corner stone Pat Hagerty, a corpulent and Romaine jolly Irishman, did the honors Saunders of passing the collection plate among the assembled onlookers and with grunts of encouragement urged everybody to "chip in." Everybody was hard up but the one thing they had plenty of was a willingness to help and

Pat raked in a sizable collection. Den Hunt, who with his wife, was the boss of the construction were married. Both were of pio-Now in life's twilight upon in-frequent trips to the scenes of the first brick.

Blood stains the highways, hu-man flesh is crushed under the wheels of moving trains. The railroads coming into O'Neill have been the scenes of accidents. Where the highway crosses the Burlington tracks east of town the lives of two young men from Inman were crushed out. At the North Western depot at the foot of Fourth street a citizen of Stuart met his death under the train. On a day in June in 1936 the mangled body of a man was found by Dave Miller, section foreman, lying on the North Western right-of-way west of O'Neill a few miles. From a paper in his overall pocket it was learned that the man was Frank McDermott, of Bassett, who was on his way to take a job at Graver Bros. ranch on the South Fork, Al Kittendorf, residing in the Redbird country, was

LINCOLN- The O'Neill high found by his son frozen to death school and St. Mary's academy in a snowdrift. He had gone to have each graduated a large class O'Neill on foot to get a few cently taken to hospitals as the result of falling, one is home, the other under the sod—"under the sod and the dew waiting the judgment day." Childhood, youth, maturity, age and life's fitful dream is over. And not a mortal on earth who escapes the memory linked with the dead,

> The ladies have an organization they call Nebraska League of Women Voters. How much of prairieland woman-hood is included may mean on-ly Lincoln and Omaha, as there reside the chief functionaries, but we understand the worthy purpose to be to support the best gents for of-fice, even if that means a vote against friend husband.

Bushes along residential streets are aflame with white bloom, gorgeous flowers of purple, red and yellow adorn stalwart stems within a setting of green and trees wave a velvet plumage in the soft sum mer the former Nellie Cronin, live at breeze. . . Water from a peak in 51st and O streets in Lincoln, Glacier National park in Montana drains into three oceans. fancy free at that time but not long afterward he and Nellie a medicine—and lived or two. . . Martin Van Buren. meer families in Holt county, the 8th president of the United Mrs. Hunt being a daughter of the county's first probate judge. born a British subject. He was born after the Revolutionary war. life's early romance they see a great institution of learning words of a lady journalist on where Den in the long ago laid "What Is German Youth Thinkin?" you are left wondering what German youth thinks of layout. democratic candidate for governor, has had a tussel pneumonia. . . Columbus voters defeated a proposal to issue \$345,000 in bonds for sewer extension. . . Ralston voters approved a \$500,000 school bond issue. . . Dodge has dedicated a \$120,000 parochial school. Three Lutheran synods, Nebras-ka, Kansas and Midwest, are uniting as one.

Now that little spot in New England marked R.I. on the map comes up with the culprits that pulled the biggest holdup since a gent stood by a light post with a machine gun at 13th and O streets here in Lincoln, while his pals went in and gathered in a basket the deposits and assets of the bank and made their getaway, while blue - coats stood nonplused at a safe distance.

down in Swan precinct about the time this department was promulgated, the observation was indulged that what is needed over in Europe is plenty of melon great neighborhood friendship maker. I hope they are still like the melon to foster neighborly feeling. So today I resurrect the watermelon sentiment

expressed at that time. "Well, Joe," says neighbor, Jim, "how were your melons this season?" "Didn't plant melons this season so have none." And as neighbor "Didn't plant melons this season so have none." And as neighbor Joe talks to the "women folks" neighbor Jim goes to his melon patch and comes in with a big one under each arm for Joe to take home "for the kids." There patch and comes in with a big one under each arm for Joe to take home "for the kids." There is something about a melon that do is being resented by his formakes you feel that way and if mer friends and supporters. He Holt county was shown at the thus brought up became the "salt that sort of a spirit could take still holds state office and that national western stock show held of the earth.'

With many citizens all over Nebraska I have been friendly with and regarded Gov. Val Peterson as an able executive. He patches. The watermelon is a has been three times honored by Nebraska republicans. It is renational government that our governor has seen fit to take militant action in the matter of who that creates division and contending factions within the par-

When I was a legal voter and over among men military activiserved on the election board over among men military activished by have the right exhibited by Harry Henderson, cently who had just landed from and we will all have the right exhibited by Harry Henderson, cently who had just landed from to love him still.

Some 15 years ago Charley Peterson and the late Jesse James went on a cattle scouting trip that took them into Arizona and west Texas, but came home gretable that at a time when not trailing a herd. Jesse told me planting melon patches down there in Swan. There is nothing can do anything toward cleaning the country were plenty of cattle but can do anything toward cleaning the owners were asking 8 cents up questionable conditions in the and he and Charley could see nothing in them at that price. It is more than 50 years since Lamont & Richards brought in 2,000 is to be nominated for president head of wild-eyed ones from Arizona at about \$5 a head and ran

of Lancaster county, one of these Tasler, of Holt county, and was said to be the smallest of the long-eared tribe extant, weight 94 pounds. The other exhibited

Texas were suffering greatly from drouth.

Dr. Fisher has his home for with the midget was said to be the bigegst of his tribe, weight 2,200 pounds. The little fellow was a colt, the big boy harness

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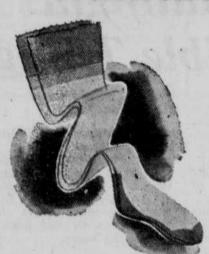
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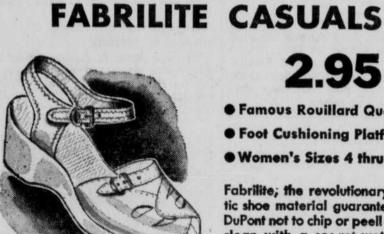
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