Prairieland Talk . . .

Two Classes of Needy

By ROMAINE SAUNDERS, Retired, Former Editor The Frontier

LINCOLN - The week of November 28-December 4 has been set out by congressional and executive order as Salvation Army week. That organization will then observe its 75th anniversary in the United States.

Started first in Europe, it is now about everywhere administering to the spiritual and material

needs of the unfortunate. Other groups are doing a similar work and many communities provide a "chest fund" to help the needy. There are two classes of needy citizens-those brought to such a state through illness or misfortune, and a class that may be described as bums.

One such came into a welfare center recently in need of clothing; said he was an Indian from the Omaha tribe. He didn't have to explain that he was liquor soused as that was very

evident. Some clothing was dug out for him and he left without it, saying he would return to get it, but he had not shown up at last accounts.

Summer has folded its tents like the Arabs and silently stolen away. Today the north wind moans across the land with threatening clouds high above and reaching to far horizons. The weather prophet says a freeze for tonight. Gather perishable fruits out in the open, pluck the red rose and bring in the pumpkin. Flowers will fade, dead leaves fall, the prairie take on its brown garments and the bright tints of autumn flash here and there upon the vision. It has been a long, hot summer and now again a change of seasons marches down the highway of time. The season has brought abundance to prairieland. Summers pass away, harvest is over, cows are rounded in from summer ranges and their calves taken from them and the bawling of bereaved cow mothers comes from crowded corrals. It is soon over and cattle wander off to fill up on buffalo grass.

With memories of past experiences when marching German armies "crossed the Rubicon" France is leery of arming the Teuton tribes, as proposed by "the powers."

It is 23 years this month that Tom Morris, a druggist in O'Neill in the late '80's and until the late '90's, died and was buried at Battle Creek. He had conducted a drug store there after leaving O'Neill. . . It was in October that year (1931) that the Holt County Economy league was organized to urge economy in county government, the headache then, as now, being the taxes. . . The ladies of the First Presbyterian church were putting on a "chicken pie" dinner. Did you get yours? . . John Protivinsky's grocery store was broken into and goods to the value of \$75 stolen, supposed to be the work of hungry transients with which the community was being over run. . . Emil Sniggs, the town horseshoer for many years, was getting wide publicity on account of The Frontier's story of his three tons of horse shoes still on

What Colonel Doyle would have called a "gullywasher" dropped its wet blanket over the section of Nebraska where the capital city has been built about daybreak the morning of October 1, continuing throughout the forenoon. It was a timely visitation for the fields sown to wheat in this corner of the grain belt. City householders also can coil up their lawn hose for winter stor-

Val Peterson has reached a civil defense arm into Nebraska again and taken another gent from the newspaper job to be added to the staff of workers in that setup. This time Val's capable arm stretched out as far as Neligh and now Emil Reutzel, jr., editor of the Neligh News, takes off for Washington, D.C. How the fellows do grab onto it! Running the government is more attractive than publishing a Nebraska countyseat weekly paper; or maybe it's the several thousand-a-year salary that looks good to a small town editor.

Warmed over stories of hunting buffalo with attendant fiction continued to be dished out by students of the past. About time for some genius to come up with a thrilling story about prairie chicken hunting.

Peter Sullivan, 80, formerly of the Michigan settlement near O'Neill and a brother of Mrs. Lawrence Barrett and Paul Sullivan of the O'Neill community, died September 30 in Lincoln where he had lived on South 19th street for many years. Funeral was held on Monday, October 4. So another passes life's portal in the capital city who had known happy days and hardships pioneering on the open prairies of Holt county.

Possibly inspired by the persecution of a patriot in the United States senate, two red spies posing as army men were escorted through a midcontinent military setup by a credulous gent in uniform. They saw it all, bowed graciously out and chuckled to themselves as they walked away over what easy marks we are. Over there in Moscow they are looking on with glee over some things done in official circles here in America.

An ex-convict entered a country home upon the pretext of looking up a fictitious name in the telephone directory, flashed a gun, demanded money. Result-one dead, another may die, the young desperado headed for the pen, maybe the death cell. About time to get tough with the

Omaha and Sioux City packing plants are said to be slowing down operations. Fairbury, down in Jefferson county, has a packing plant operated by four brothers, sons of the man who started the business in 1935, R. D. Rhoode. The plant has an annual output of more than 10,000 cattle and 5.000 hogs.

The state board of control people say they want \$26,500,000 to finance the operation of the 16 state institutions under their supervision for the two-year period beginning July 1, 1955. The institutions include the mental hospitals, reformatories and penal setups.

The battered remains of a little boy found by workmen in a field excites a momentary horror and is then forgotten. But a desolated home in Sioux City will not forget. And what brought this revolting tragedy to a home may never be known.

Out scouting across prairieland in the long ago two gents stopped at the home of a settler to get milk and butter. They were asked 10 cents for a big lump of butter and nothing for the milk. Ten cents meant a lot to a pioneer woman, but she had milk to throw away.

All the labor of man is for his mouth, yet is his appetite not filled.—Ecclesiastes 6:7.

Editorial . . .

Help Yourself!

helps everyone."

be considered trite after having been bashed around quite a few years. Yet it carries considerable meaning

A homely interpretation of the formula recently was offered by the Nashua (Ia.) Reporter as a means of possibly attracting one hundred new residents to that small community. Reading the article inspires one to apply the principle to your own town.

O'Neill is a growing city offering most all the services and facilities of larger cities; yet there are those who are bent upon buying a suit of clothes, a dress, a coat, an automobile or a jag of lumber at some metropolitan point. While the practice of trading away from home is not a critical matter here, a widespread adoption of the "trade-at-home" theme could produce amazing results.

In an editorial, the Nashua editor explained: "If every car, new suit of men's clothes, new hats, dresses, etc., for milady, shoes, radio sets, television sets, drugs, gasoline and tires, hardware, heating plants, produce and feed, groceries, printing and other items used or needed in everyday living and business were to be bought from local suppliers, you would notice some of these things begin to happen:

"Your local printer would have to add a man or two to handle the printing; your clothing dealer would need an extra clerk, maybe more; your filling stations would put on more men; your radio and | feed." TV dealers would need more help, and could offer even better service; your hardware and other hard line dealers could and would expand their services; your auto dealers would sell more cars, more cars would require servicing, and more mechanics-and so on down the list.

"All these workers would come from the age brackets which is the family-raising era. The average family, the census people say, is 4.2 people. So multiply each extra job and you have a sizeable increase in our population.

"More population means more students in our schools and the opportunity to add more courses and instructors, thus making the schools more attractive than ever. More population adds the opportunities of our doctors and other professional people and merchants.

"All by trading at home! "Think about this, you people who save a few dimes, or even dollars-or think you save themwhen you buy or order away from home. A little of the golden rule applied right now, right here at home, would be the greatest shot in the arm the town could have.

"So easy to do! "The dollar spent away from home does the community no good. Let the home fellow make the dollar. Eventually it benefits everyone.

"Forget the grouses and gripes about 'the other buy' for six months to a year. Spend your dollars at home. And within a year, you'd never know

A simple formula-"trading at home"-might | improvement and general all-around gains. The better the town gets and looks, the more others will want to come here. It's a golden circle that

A Cattle State, Too

(Gest Editorial from Nebraska State Journal) Probably most persons in and out of the state think of corn and Nebraska synonymously but there is another industry that accounts for a large | urday. portion of the state's income-we mean the cattle industry. This was highlighted last week by the eighth annual Sandhills Cattle association sale held at Gordon. This sale in the western part of the state drew buyers from seven states and 2,734 head of cattle sold for \$392,115.55. Iowa led the parade by buying 42 loads. Seven loads went to Pennsylvania, six to Illinois, two each to Minnesota, Michigan and Wisconsin. Four loads came to eastern Ne-

Gordon entertained its visitors royally with a barbecue and a program which featured Sioux Indian dances. B. D. Berkheimer told the visitors, "We believe we produce the very best cattle in the world right here. Excellent foundation stock, registered bulls mean you are getting cattle almost in the registered class. Sandhills cattle are developed physically so they are the best possible type to

Nebraska's sandhill area is unique and is one of the richest grazing sections in the world. But many eastern Nebraskans probably know more about California, Iowa and New York than they do about their own sandhills. Now that the black top roads are stretching out that way. Nebraskans might find a tour of the section that grows the cattle that eat the corn of the Cornhusker state most interesing.

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News, Views and Gossip

BY THE EDITOR

Crosby's Game

Huskerland's number one citizen or two late reaching O'Neill. Purpose of Crosby's O'Neill

stop was to appear before the assemblage at the annual meeting of the Niobrara Basin Development association, in session at the American Legion auditorium. An account of that meeting may be found elsewhere in this issue.) Crosby was met at the Munici-

pal airport by Jim Rooney, a Niobrara director, who was charge of arrangements for the O'Neill meeting, in behalf of the Chamber of Commerce, and Bill McIntosh, also a basin booster and active Chamber member.

The governor had acquired a substantial appetite on the solo flight downgrade from the Black Hills. After having been met at the airport and after having rounded the West O'Neill corner enrcute to the auditorium, the right honorable governor begged of his reception party an opportunity to grab a cup of coffee and a sandwich before proceeding fur-

The car immediately was drawn to the curb and Governor Crosby ducked into Myrt's cafe, operated by Mr. and Mrs. Mike M. Langan.

Mr. Langan moved right up with a glass of water and asked his latest customer for an order. "I'm Gov. Bob Crosby," the visitor said by way of introducing

"Governor Crosby!" exclaimed Mike, caught completely flatfooted. At this point Mike began to fumble the ball a little. While Langan was procuring the hot beef and necessary utensils, the pink-cheeked, 5-ft. 6-inch chief executive - airman moved

seated there, enjoying a midafternoon cup of coffee. "Hello, folks," the stranger began, "I'm Governor Crosby . . and how are things with you? "Governor Crosby!" they blurt-

across the room to a booth. Mr.

and Mrs. Louis Sobotka were

ed in unison, obviously shaken. They were somewhat ill at ease n as the discussion shifted to such things as crops and weather.

The governor hurriedly swept down the food and moved on to the Legion club, continuously apologizing to the reception group for being late. He conceded he has come to enjoy hitting folks cold in introducing himself and studying the various reactions. When there's a campaign on

I'd be accused of politicking by doing this sort of thing," he explained. (The governor was defeated in the primary election by Rep. Carl T. Curtis in a bid for a U.S. senate seat.) "It's all over and I can enjoy it

The Frontier's society editor was not swept off her feet when the governor breezed in for a

"I'm Gov. Bob Crosby," came the voice across the counter, extending his right hand of fellow-"I'm Mrs. Henry Schlueter," re-

torted the social scribe. "May I help you, Governor?" -CAL STEWART

To Indiana-Pvt. Donald Becker left Wednesday for Ft. Benjamin Harrison, Ind., where he will attend stenographer's school until March. He had been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Becker, since Sat-

Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Venteicher and family of Norfolk were Sunday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Sauser. Jerry, 4, remained with his grandparents and will visit them for a

Mrs. F. S. Brittell and daughters visited over the weekend with relatives in Neligh.

POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT



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> Of Holt County NOVEMBER 2nd Appreciates Your Vote!

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Frontier Editor Away 26 Years

50 Years Ago Romaine Saunders, associate editor of The Frontier, has de- home southwest of O'Neill. Mrs. Nebraska's Gov. Robert Crosby parted for a visit with relatives Petr had been a Holt county resbuzzed into town Friday for a at the home of his boyhood at ident since 1885. . . Lt. Robert J shortlived visit. As commander of Monroe, Wisc. It has been 26 Early was awarded the air medal the state's national guard and as years since he has trod the well- for meritorious achievement. an airplane pilot in his own right, remembered paths and the "old Lieutenant Early recently returnman" is of the opinion the famil- ed from the Far East where he had been "weathered - in" at iar scenes and objects will be few has been for the past year. . . Lt. Spearfish, S.D., and was an hour and far between. . . Mr. and Mrs. James R. Herre, son of Mr. and O. O. Snyder returned from a Mrs. O. M. Herre of O'Neill, and month's visit to the Pacific coast Miss Carlyn Carter were united cities of San Francisco, Sacra- in marriage at Liberal army air mento, Oakland, Portland, Seat- base, Liberal, Kans. . . Farmers tle and Tacoma. . . Roscoe Moore desiring to secure trees for shelwas arrested in Omaha and re- terbelt and windbreak planting turned to Belle Fourche, S.D., next spring from the supervisors where he is wanted for horse- of the Holt soil conservation disstealing. . . Fred Barnet and Miss trict are urged to make their res-Martha Cress were united in mar- ervations now. riage at the Presbyterian church. Reverend Bowen performed the ceremony. . . The Sturgeon Music Co. of Norfolk wants an organ and piano salesman with team to door to door salesman raged over

ence is necesasry.

It Happened In NEBRASKA---

The earliest "Nebraskans" known to the white man were the Paw-

nee Indians, believed to have lived here longer than any other tribe.

They dwelt in houses made of earth and timber. First they built

a framework over which they piled earth and brush. These were much like the early pioneer sod houses.

Far removed from these early days is the NEBRASKA DIVISION

civilization which brought new respecta-

bility to tavern operation. Today's taverns

are well-regulated business establish-

ments, respected by all!

bankruptcy. The city is without funds to redeem bonds held by the state board of education lands and funds purchased between 1923 and 1931.

10 Years Ago Mary Petr, 92, died at her

One Year Ago A fire touched off by the exhaust of a car belonging to a work in the country. No experi- a 10-mile tinder-dry meadow be-William D. Langan was one of pancake day to be held on the 19 of the Fourth division to re- main floor of the Knights of Coceive a Verdun medal from Aug- lumbus building. Personnel will ust Borglum, French consular serve in three shifts. . . Duane agent in Omaha, on behalf of the McLain, 19, confessed in O'Neill citizens of Verdun. . . Agnes to the slaying of Karen Talbot, Swanson and Oliver Ross were 13, who disappeared from the

When You and I Were Young... united in marriage in the rectory streets of Rushville in late Augweeks with her mother, Mrs. W.

T. 1 D. 1 of the Catholic church. Rev. B. ust. . Wesley Slaymaker sufferJ. Biglin. Paths in Wisconsin

Of the Catholic church. Rev. B.

J. Leahy officiated at the ceremony. . . C. W. Conklin was elected commander of Simonson post of the American Legion. . . The town of Spencer is considering have been supported by the control of the American Legion. . The town of Spencer is considering have been supported by the control of the Catholic church. Rev. B.

J. Leahy officiated at the ceremony. . . C. W. Conklin was elected a painful hand injury Monday when his hand was caught in a block and tackle while he was moving hay.

Dr. and Mrs. E. H. Thompsen of Arcadia, Calif., were last Thursday at the commander of Simonson post of the American Legion. . . The town of Spencer is considering hay.

O'NEILL LOCALS

Rev. Thomas DeBacker of St. Agnes parish, Omaha, visited from Sunday until Tuesday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C.

DeBacker. Mrs. J. F. Carroll and sons, Bill Backer. and Mike, of Chanute, Kans., arrived Friday to visit for several

Dr. and Mrs. E. H. Thompsen of

burg of Cozad visited Saturday at the home of her aunt, Mrs. E. J.

A/2c James DeBacker left Sun day for Ft.º Warren, Wyo., after visiting over the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. De-

Frontier for printing!

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Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection\$1,050,607.88 United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed 2,230,404.69 Obligations of States and political subdivisions Corporate stocks (including \$4,500.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank) fore it was finally brought under Loans and discounts (including \$1,170.39 ovedrafts) 434,036.41 control. . . O'Neill's businessmen Bank premises owned \$3,000.00 3,000.00 are ready for the second annual Other assets 358.02

Total Assets\$3,811,228.10

Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations\$3,084,934.40 Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings) 101,790.28 Deposits of States and political subdivisions 180,251.07

Total Liabilities\$3,539,536,43 CAPITAL ACCOUNTS Capital Stock: Common stock, total par \$50,000.00\$ 50,000.00

Total Capital Accounts \$ 271,691.67

Total Liabilities and Capital Accounts\$3,811,228.10 MEMORANDA

Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities for other purposes\$ 440,000.00 I, J. B. Grady, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly

swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. J. B. GRADY, Cashier

Correct - Attest: Julius D. Cronin, E. F. Quinn, F. N. Cronin, State of Nebraska, County of Holt, ss:

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 11th day of October, (SEAL)

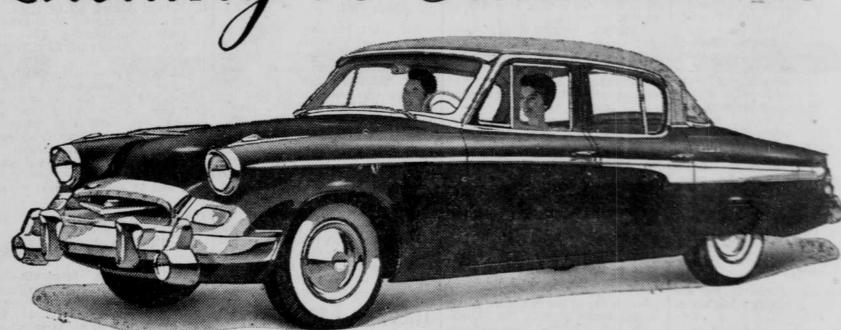
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