Prairieland Talk . . .

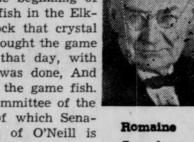
Carp Go Way of Prairie Chickens

By ROMAINE SAUNDERS, Retired, Former Editor The Frontier

MARION, IND .- I was one of a bunch of kids in the long ago having fun as only boys can down willows and came around the bend carrying a fish pole and a string of pickerel tails dragging the

That clear, fresh, uncontaminated stream was for a number of years the delight of fishermen where most any time you could haul out a fivepounder or a string of black bass. There were spots,

too, dedicated to swimming parties in the nude. The idea sprang from somewhere that Nebraska needed a game and fish commission. That was the beginning of the end for game fish in the Elkhorn. We will stock that crystal flowing stream, thought the game commission boys that day, with German carp. It was done, And away disappeared the game fish. The agriculture committee of the state legislature, of which Senator Frank Nelson of O'Neill is chairman, stands for a law to



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poison the carp. This is at the suggestion of the present head of the game and fish commission. The

damage has been done. Never again can the Jake Hershisers and Jim Davidsons be seen coming up from the river lugging a 10-pound pickerel. As the carp ran out the game fish the pheasants replaced the beautiful prairie chicken.

Dad's in jail, mother is in critical condition in a charity hospital, 11 children, the oldest 13, must wonder what it is all about as they were consigned to the children's home of Grant county in Marion. A cold, calculating circuit court has had six of the 11 placed with "relatives and friends," giving as the judicial alibi that the taxpayers of the county should not have to bear the expense of providing for these children. Poor kids! What a start on the highway of life!

There is a Berry school in Holt county, meaning district 243, where the schoolhouse stands on land of the Howard Berry ranch at the township line, dividing Swan precinct from Wyoming. There is a Berry school in the vicinity of Rome, Ga. A little more pretentious if not otherwise outdoing us. Mrs. Inez Henry is secretary of the Georgia Berry school. Holt county had a Henry school in the long ago out toward the defunct Minneola. Mrs. Henry says they don't know what the word delinquency means on their 30,000-acre campus as the 1,000 boys and girls from the surrounding Blue Ridge hills are too busy to get into trouble. The school farms 1,000 acres, has 2,000 acres in pasture, 20 acres in garden stuff, 300 acres in fruit trees, 10,-000 peach trees, runs 800 head of cattle, has 2,000 turkeys and 7,000 chickens. The pupils study, work and have fun together. The school was founded in 1902 by Martha Berry, a vision of culture and training for backwoods kids of three states materialized into one of the country's notable institutions.

Apparently North Platte is to be the site of a socalled national cowboy hall of fame. It has to favor it a central location in the state and is the point from which Buffalo Bill sprang into world notice. Cody had never ridden the range as a puncher but he won fame by promoting a "wild West show." Wild West has always set on pioneers as a misrepresentation. The West was not peopled by wild men and women but by sturdy American stock that could swing the lariat and handle the branding iron as cowboys or hold down a homestead, and in the end built up communities across prairieland. The cattle ranching section of Nebraska is not around North Platte. The greatest cowboy area in the state included the Spade outfit extending from Holt county west to the end of the trail. In the point of realistic features, Alliance, Chadron or Valentine should have the hall of fame in memory of such guys as Eli Hershiser and Jim Dahlman. But North Platte gets it in memory of Bill Cody. And if you never saw that guy on a horse you have missed a wild West tradition.

The daily paper from "back home" devoted four inches of space telling us that a brother of a movie notable was sick. Hope he's better. But most readers would have liked it better had that space been devoted to telling us of activities of prairieland patriots.

Hoosier assessors are being primed for the annual take out of the store house of thrifty patriots. where the crystal waters of the Elkhorn then flow- | Functionaries from the state tax board at Indianaped, when Jake Hershiser ducked out of a clump of olis are around laying down the dictum to precinct assessors, among which is an order to list "money on hand." A local assessor wonders just how it can duced to the president by Conbe done. "Learning the amount of cash on hand is about as difficult as learning a woman's age," he says. Money on hand-I look into the matter and count 98 cents. "Money on hand." Maybe I can get away before the assessor comes along and still be too late for another one in Nebraska; thus escape reporting my 98 cents.

Three inches of snow fell quietly during the night. The landscape glistens white in the sunlight this morning. The snow lies as it fell, light and fluffy; the elements are at rest, symbolic of much that is seen in the east. Men are at work across the way-that is, at work when not idling away the minutes. No hurry, got lots of time. Prairieland was swept by a blizzard, elements rushing as if in a hurry to get it over with, symbolic of the energy and activity of its people.

Mayor Ralph Leech of this Hoosier town is hoping some one will come up with new weeks to be celebrated. The mayor gets a thrill out of tak- | a few days taking care of business ing his pen in hand to sign a proclamation setting aside a day or a week for this or that, but wonders why so little attention is drawn to his mayoralty proclamations. Seem to be having a little trouble in O'Neill, too, over putting into effect a proclamation to add a foot or two to streets which Colonel Brennan and his compatriots laid out wide enough to accommodate the buckin' broncos and covered

A young Nebraskan is stowed away for five years for the theft of \$2.90. If he had made a two hundred thousand haul he might have drawn six months. . . Livestock census enumerators have been riding the spring roundup and report a herd of something over five million beeves on Nebraska prairies. . . The Russians now claim they have the secret that prolongs human life to the age of 180 years. Their bigwigs have been passing out much younger. . . Six firemen in Baltimore, Md., were crushed to death when a blazing wall collapsed and fell on them.

The AFL and CIO have become amalgamated. Some years ago a group of union labor leaders became dissatisfied with the management of the American Federation of Labor, withdrew and organized the Congress of Industrial Workers. The split has been repaired. Does this mean a union labor political party? Maybe so. Bossing the laborers gives a guy the itch to run the country. About time for another political party to be heard from. But remember the fate of bull moose, the populist movement and other third party groups.

Marion has a Nebraska street. Along the street is the creamery and milk processing plant of the Sutter Dairy company. That is also a Nebraska name. On South 48th street in Nebraska's state capital city the Sutter dairy functioned at one time. How a street in this Indiana city came to be known as a Nebraskan, Prairieland Talker has not discovered.

The banners of nations bear the stains of bloodshed, crosses row-upon-row mark the abode of the dead. The histories of earth have one story to tell-the wreckage of battlefields where brave Felzer, fourth prize, and James men fell. Deadly things primed and surcharged to Schmitz, fifth prize. . . Rev. Wesdestroy sweep across lands with guiding convoys. War-weary souls are longing for life unmixed with strife and brooding clouds of war to pass forever

There is no force in the world strong enough to stop the march of communsm. If need be, the Soviet union will demonstrate its might and the righteousness of our cause.-Russia's V. M. Mol-

Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, praise and extol the King of heaven, all Whose works are truth, and His ways judgment; and those that walk in pride He is able to abase.—Daniel.

Every town in the nation, including O'Neill, can improve its appearance without spending much

Editorial

Sun's Energy Tapped

From the Bell Telephone laboratories in New York comes word that a new solar battery has been developed which utilizes the sun's light to produce electricity. The developers of the new battery were G. O. Pearson, G. S. Fuller and D. M. Chapin.

The new-type battery utilizes strips of silycon, which are described as being about razorblade size. Since these metal strips are sensitive to light, they can be linked together to form an electrical generator which, reportedly, produces 50 watts per square yard of surface area.

This is an important step in that it may herald the arrival of the long-sought permanent type battery. Present-day batteries are not actually storage batteries, as so many people believe, but they manufacture their electrical current by a chemical process, and when the chemical elements are dissipated in the battery it is no longer productive.

The new battery developed in the Bell laboratories would be an almost permanent type battery, since the metal strips which receive the sun's rays would last almost indefinitely if properly cared for. Such a battery seems on the way, although its arrival may be years away as yet.

Lively Election Looms

Petitions have been making the rounds this week, insuring multiple candidates for the mayor's post and each of the city council seats. All of which is a healthy sign because elections always should be competitive.

Tuesday, April 5, promises to be a lively dayone of the most interesting elections in a number of years.

would blow itself out in short order. The time:

State Sen. Frank Nelson says the special interest groups are at work, harder than ever, trying te fashion legislation to suit their requirements.

Most people take themselves quite seriously.

This Older Generation

It seems as though a favorite pastime of older people down through the years has been to comment (usually with some misgivings) on "this younger generation." There are times when we'd like to know what makes the mental wheels turn for some of the older ones.

You have undoubtedly read about the \$7,000 lawsuit a Minnesota couple brought against a teacher for spanking their son. Things like that

really should make one wonder. You could wonder, for example, where they expect the teacher to get the \$7,000. In this world's

oftimes underpaid profession, that will not be easy. You could also wonder if the teacher didn't make a mistake in spanking the child. Apparently he or she could have put those spanking talents to better use by trying it out on the parents.

There could, of course, be cause for a spanking, although the outraged parents would probably never admit it. Our idea of due cause, as an example, could arise from a situation where the teacher asked one young pupil where the Declaration of Independence was signed. The kid replied: "At the bottom, I suppose." That's cause.

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When You and I Were Young ... Milligan, Maher Meet President

Rep. Kinkaid Makes Presentation

50 Years Ago C. J. Milligan and Col. John G. Maher, who attended the inaugural at Washington, D.C., were introgressman Kinkaid. . . Scoundrels pulled down a building at the F. C. Gatz slaughter yards. They scattered bales of hay far and wide and stole a six dollar implement for cutting ice. . . Two hundred and twenty-five farmers accepted Atkinson's invitation to eat dinner there last week. Mr. McNichols' new bakery provided the good things set before the crowd. . . The freezing weather has given Street Commissioner Martin many headaches. Many water pipes have broken since the below zero weather set in.

20 Years Ago The O'Neill high basketball team was victorious in the first game of the regional tournament in Norfolk, defeating Meadow Grove, 24-20. . . State Sen. F. J. Brady and State Rep. L. G. Gillespie were up from Lincoln for matters and visiting with their constituents. . . Mrs. Corilla Grace Snell, 82, died at her home near Page. Mrs. Snell was one of the pioneers of the Page community. She and her husband came to Holt county in 1883. . . The senior class of O'Neill high presented a 5 'Chute Jumpsthree-act comedy entitled, "Fifty-Fifty," at the K.C. hall. . . The postoffice reports that about \$1,-000 worth of baby bonds have uated from the infantry school's been sold to patrons of O'Neill airborne course at Ft. Benning, during the past week.

10 Years Ago The Misses Ruth M. Pribil, Geneva M. Pribil and Constance A. Biglin received their diplomas and graduated as nurses from St. Vincent's college of nursing in Sioux City. . . 1/Lt. Madeline Ullom arrived in O'Neill after spending three years in a Japanese internment camp in Manila. She was taken prisoner by the Japanese in 1942. . . Donald A. Hynes, Bryan J. Dempsey, Frank F. Peter, jr., and Daniel E. Murphy were inducted into the armed forces during the month of March from O'Neill. Fourteen other men from Holt county also went during March. . . During the past year, the Tri-State Hatchery in O'Neill paid over \$2,000,000 to local producers of poultry and eggs.

One Year Ago The Associated Press circulated a story concerning a 100-thousand-dollar windfall awaiting a certain Navy BM William Cabeca, whose father, William Cabeca, sr.,

was said to be living at O'Neill. . . M. J. Golden was reelected president of the O'Neill Country club. . . The American Legion auxiliary, Simonson unit 93, sponsored an Americanism essay contest titled, "My U.S. Citizenship and What It Means to Me." The contest was won by Miss Mary Ellen Froelich, first prize; Nina Prouty, second prize; Mary Katherine Turner, third prize; Mary ley Smith of Seneca, Mo., a missionary in China for 44 years, who lived under four different types of rule while there, visited several days in O'Neill.

Return to Oregon After Compassionate Stay-

PAGE-A farewell dinner was held at the home of Mrs. Fanny Stewart honoring Mr. and Mrs. William Smith, who left last week for their home at Walton, Ore. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Edd Stewart and Mickey, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Stewart and Dick, Mrs. Carrie Sterner, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer

Juracek and children, Mrs. Paul Krugman and two children and Mrs. Gene Mudloff and sons. Becanuse of illness, Paul Krugman and son and Gene Mudloff were unable to be present. The Smiths have been here

since mid-November. They attended the illness and death of both of Mr. Smith's parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Smith.

Guests at Contois Home-

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Milliton and Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Workman, all of Clearwater, were Sunday dinner and afternoon guests at the home of her brother and sisterin-law, 'Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Contois.

Mr. and Mrs. James Earley visited Sunday in Columbus with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Earley and

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O'Neill News

D. D. DeBolt attended a Minneapolis - Moline meeting held Monday, February 28, through Friday in Omaha. Mrs. DeBolt joined him there last Thursday to attend the banquet held that

Mrs. F. N. Cronin and Mrs. P. B. Harty visited Wednesday, Miss Genevieve Biglin in Sioux Miss Beverly McCarthy of Om-

aha visited from Friday until Monday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Mc-Carthy and family.

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This was also the golden jubilee observance for the school of in Atkinson. nursing. Sister M. Julianna was ing in Creighton at the Carl ed as superintendent from 1910

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Kendall of Pierce visited over the weekend

DR. H. D. GILDERSLEEVE OPTOMETRIST Northeast Corner of 4th & Douglas O'NEILL, NEBR.

make five jumps. Nielsen, a 1952 graduate of Inman high school, entered the army in February, 1954, and received basic training at Ft. Riley, Kan.

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(above), daughter of Mr. and

Mrs. Walter Christon of Ewing,

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class of 52 in the capping cere-

mony at the Sacred Heart hos-

pital school of nursing, Yankton,

S.D., on Friday, February 25.

the honored guest. The oldest

member of the school, she serv-

to 1948 and is still a familiar

figure there. Miss Christon was

graduated from St. Mary's acad-

emy at O'Neill with the class of

INMAN-Army Pvt. Harold H.

Nielsen, 21, son of Herbert Niel-

sen of Inman, recently was grad-

The course trains volunteer of-

ficers and enlisted men of the

army to be qualified para-

chutists. Students are required to

Nielsen Completes

Miss Catherine Christon

alds. March 2, and last Thursday with drove Mrs. Keith Anspach, Steve

until Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gaskill and Renee of Neligh visited Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Gaskill and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gunn.

Weatherstripping completely in-

visited Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Laible, Mr. and Mrs. Elden Butterfield and daughters spent Sunday visit-

Grosse home.



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Mr. and Mrs. Donald Clyde. at Briarcliffe college, Sioux City, visited from Friday until Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harden Anspach and Kelly to Lincoln Sunday, February 27, where Mrs. Keith Anspach and the children joined Keith, who is a student at the University of Nebraska. Mr. and Mrs. Harden Anspach visited with their son and daughter-in-law

with their niece and her husband, | Alva and Gary Gettert visited last Thursday and Friday with Miss Diane DeBacker, student their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Laible, in Atkinson.

Mrs. Charles Marsten and Debra of Dorsey visited Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harden

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Notice to Taxpayers

The job of assessing property in Holt Co. will get started Thursday, March 10th. The Nebraska Laws place full responsibility on the taxpayer for seeing that his property is listed for taxation. The Law provides a penalty of 50% of valuation for failure to list, refusal to list, to list falsely or to transfer property for the purpose of evading taxes.

Every individual who has property or is over twenty-one years of age shall make a return.

Household goods will be listed in less detail than last year.

These articles will be on the schedule: Air Conditioners, Deep Freezes, Dishwashers, Pianos and Musical Instruments. Refrigerators, Radios and Record Players, Sewing Machines. Television Sets. Washers, Dryers and Ironers. Know the age and the new costs of these articles so they can be valued according to the depreciation scale.

The rest of the household goods will be valued in a lump sum, carpets and carpeting must be included in this. Please have in mind what this portion of your household goods is worth as the assessor will not have time to value it.

Please cooperate with us and have you assessing done early to avoid the last minute rush.

The assistant assessors are:

Antelope and Iowa-Glen Stewart.

Atkinson Pre. and Atkinson Vil.-Wes Kirkland, at Fire Chambers Vil., Chambers and Conley Pre.-W. E. Richard,

at Chambers State Bank. Stuart Pre. and Vil.-A. Max Karo, at Stuart Lightplant.

Cleveland and Dustin-Chas. Mulford. Coleman-Art O'Neill. Deloit-Albert Latzel.

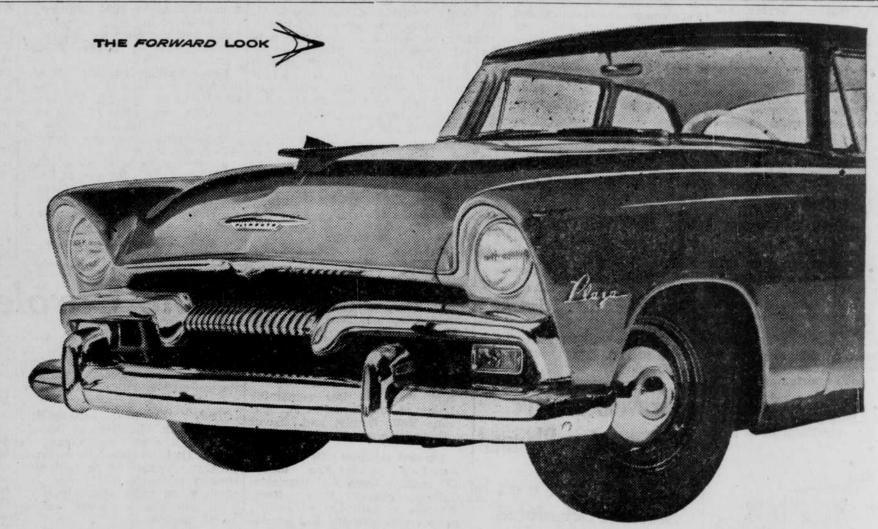
Emmet Pre. and Vil.-Mrs. Roy Richards, at Depot. Ewing Vil., Ewing and Golden Pre. - Eben Grafft, at Rockey Implement. Fairview-Harold Gilman.

Francis-Ernie Gotschall. Grattan-Marvin Clouse.

O'Neill-W. P. Dailey, at the assembly room of the court-Holt Creek-Harold Shaw. Green Valley-Robert LeMunyan. Inman Pre. and Vil.-Vernon Davis, at Barber Shop. Josie, Swan and Wyoming-R. E. Bly. Lake and McClure-O. McClenahan. Paddock—Elmer Devall

Pleasantview-Joe Wagman. Rock Falls and Belle-Levi Hull. Sand Creek-Alex Forsythe. Saratoga-R. S. Coburn. Scott-Howard Wells. Shamrock-Robert Strong. Sheridan-Chas. Kubart. Shields-Clarence Gokie.

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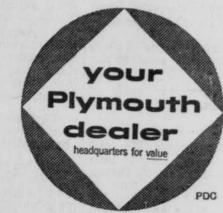
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