

Attends Summer School in Lincoln—
Mrs. Henry F. Schluter arrived home Friday after completing an eight-weeks' summer session at the University of Nebraska.

Colorado Vacation—
Mr. and Mrs. Ray Shelhamer and their mothers, Mrs. J. A. Shellhammer and Mrs. A. Washechek, left Sunday for a vacation in Colorado.

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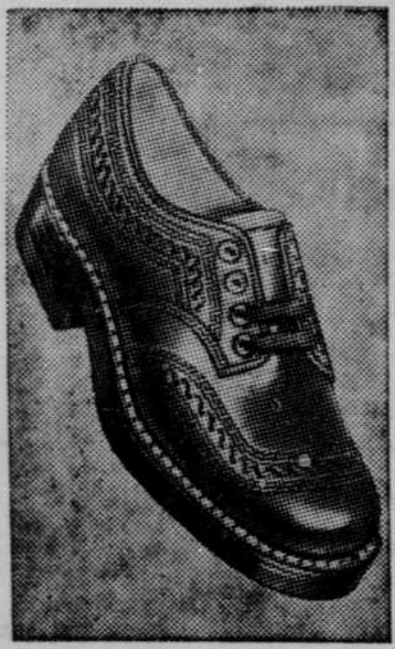
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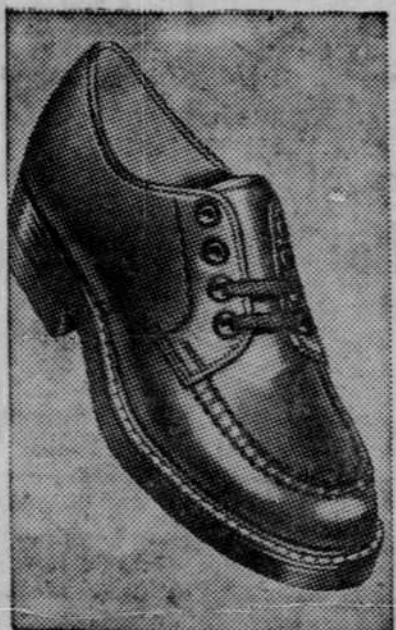
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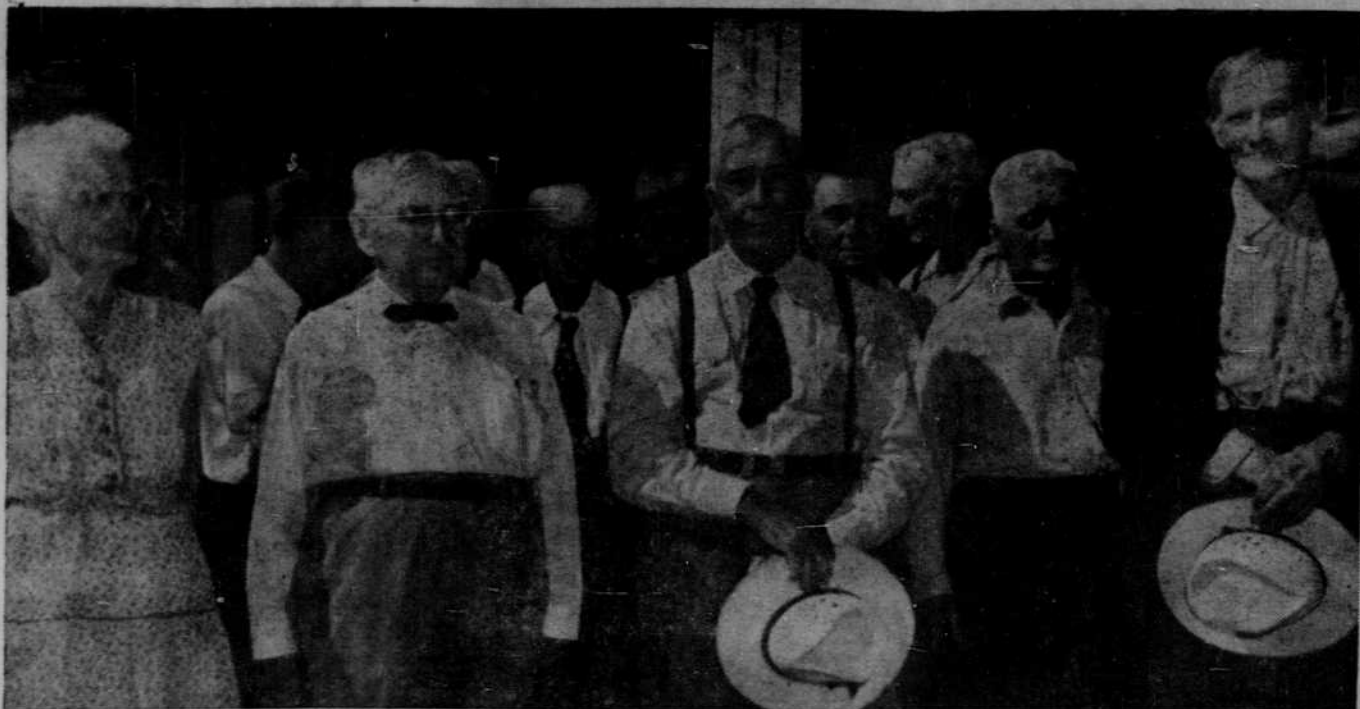
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Pioneers (left-to-right): Mrs. Harmon Towers of Minneapolis, Minn.; Romaine Saunders, 84, of Lincoln; E. G. Price, 80, of O'Neill (wearing glasses, in background); Charles Prussa; Wayne Werner, 85 (behind Mr. Prussa); E. O. Slaymaker (profiled in background); James Beck and Thomas Nightingale, 81.—The Frontier Photo.

Saunders in Tribute to First Pioneers

(Editor's note: Romaine Saunders, 84, retired editor of The Frontier and now a resident of Lincoln, addressed a gathering of longtime Holt county residents Sunday afternoon in the Atkinson city park. The old settlers' reunion launched the three-day hay days celebration. The theme was the 75th anniversary of the founding of the town. Mr. Saunders is author of "Prairie Land Talk," an editorial page feature appearing regularly in The Frontier. In 1949 he edited The Frontier's diamond jubilee edition—a 64-page anniversary issue which still stands as the biggest single issue of a weekly newspaper ever published in Nebraska. Mr. Saunders is self-educated and he is a dean of the state's journalistic circles. Text of his Atkinson talk follows.)

Mr. Chairman, venerable patriots, honored guests, ladies and gentlemen:

I esteem it an honor and a privilege to stand before you on this platform today. We meet here under pleasant skies and inviting surroundings because our fathers and mothers had the vision to perceive, the courage to dare and the determination to establish homes, lay the foundation for a settled community here on prairie land far removed from the crowded haunts of men beyond the Mississippi. Their descendants now enjoy the rich heritage born of toil and sacrifice known to the pioneers.

I am not a precancer and it is traditional that he who writes cannot make a speech, but should I turn to the scriptures for a text as a cornerstone of the few things I may have to say, I know of no more fitting words than those addressed to youth and mature citizens directing that they "rise up before the hoary head and honor the face of the old man."

Perhaps the promoters of this occasion had that in mind. Seventy-five years ago a village called Atkinson had its municipal birth near the crystal waters of the Elkhorn.

Today, we celebrate that event and lay upon memory's altar a tribute to those first pioneers and those who followed after.

I think of the pioneer woman who had the grit and understanding to deal with experiences of frontier life when she defended her camp down here by the river while the men of the family were away seeking provisions. A few Sioux Indian warriors, out on the warpath after the Pawnees, stopped and started to plunder her camp.

It was told that she stood with her two small children, rifle in hand, and told those Indians to get going. They went.

A homestead bride sat in her one-room cabin on the open prairie of Holt county and read a letter from the folks "back home." "Why don't you write?" was asked in closing that letter. "Why don't I write?" And a tear dropped into the folds of that letter. "They don't know, they never shall know that I do not have two pennies to buy a stamp."

Two homestead couples told in after years of their "Thanksgiving here. It consisted of dried cherries. A pioneer father bowed his head as the family sat down to eat and thanked God for the boiled potatoes, all there was on the table.

A pioneer mother and wife shed tears because she had little or nothing to set before three men who had ridden up and asked for something to eat.

There was an abundance of game in the country—deer, antelope and prairie chickens. Guns, powder and shot were necessary to get the game. Guns with ammunition cost money and that was lacking to many in pioneer days.

Of the many things one would come onto on the open prairie, some terrifying to a youth, many interesting and exciting, one vivid picture remains with me after many years. I was on a horse going across the open country. There fluttered out of the grass at my horse's feet a mother prairie hen with a brood of little brown chicks. I dismounted, thinking to catch a recently hatched prairie chicken, but they had all concealed themselves so well in the grass that I found none. That day, too, I had run onto a mother wolf with her pups. Creatures of the wild live in fear of we "lords of creation."

Today we travel the highways in automobiles and see nothing but the dun-grey streak ahead. If you would see the great outdoors, get on a horse and leave the highways. Get out in the open spaces, see the coyote as he trots away to safety or the jack rabbit as he bounds across your path. Catch the song of the meadow lark and get a glimpse of the gold-crowned eagle soaring aloft on stately wings.

The homes of the first settlers on prairie land were sodhouses, a dugout and log abode and one- or two-room frame houses on the open prairie. Some here today have doubtless read the

Thomas T. Baker.

This generation has some automobile thieves to deal with. Our fathers had the horse thieves to contend with, and as in honorable pursuits there were many notable here on prairie land, the outlaws became an heroic legend. Doc Middleton, Kid Wade, the Dutchers and even one young woman, Belle Shields, down in the Swan lake country, who led a band of young horse thieves. The story is told of the horse being shot from under Belle as they were being followed by a posse. She jerked the bridle from the fallen horse, caught up another, mounted and made her get away.

Who were the pioneers of the Atkinson community? Others here are doubtless better informed than I with respect to the community's early history. But some names, some faces rise up out of the past today to share in the tributes offered here. I think of Atkinson's first editor, Harry Mathews. He with his brother, W. D., came from the southern Wisconsin town where I was born in the long ago. W. D. started a paper in O'Neill, The Frontier, which continues to this day, and Harry's paper, the Graphic, became the property successively of George McArthur, A. M. Church, Dell Akin and some others, and continues today under the able direction of Editor Ralph Kelly and his capable wife.

I think, too, of the grandparents of Mrs. Saunders, Grandfather and Grandmother Meals, now for many years lying out here in the cemetery; of Doctor Sturdevant, who laid a healing hand on the sick; of Brantley Sturdevant, who served in the state legislature and also in the U.S. land office located in O'Neill; of Joe Bartley, who became state treasurer; of the Bitneys, the Bradys, the Chappmans, County Judge Morgan, and the present district judge, who formerly lived in Atkinson.

During the past year I have had letters from Mrs. Edna Bitney, who lives in Seattle, Wash. She has memories of those we have met here today to honor.

Another friend of the long ago lives in Seattle. In a recent letter to me that friend says: "At times the thought comes, how nice to happen in on the old haunts where so many friends in the long ago lived and died; to again behold the sun go down on the prairie horizon; to learn if a native would think me crazy if I said, 'Seventy years ago I played in the streets, set type in the printshop and tooted a cornet in the band.' That lad was Homer Campbell, now in his 85th year. He had but little formal education but has written books that have become notable, used as textbooks in universities and translated into other languages and published abroad. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Campbell, were pioneer homesteaders in this section of prairie land.

Ruben Kite, a minister of the gospel, died a few years ago in Lincoln. As a boy, he, too, played on the streets of Atkinson. When I would chance to meet him he would ask how things went with the hometown of his boyhood. Of the many communities contacted in some 38 states, I know of none where loyalty to their community is so manifest as seen among Atkinson citizens. Some 10 years ago I met a man in East Greenwich, R.I., who had lived here as a girl, and girlhood cherished memories still lingered with her.

As we today bring our tribute to the memory of the pioneers, we may too express the wish that when the finish has been written to human history and the drumbeat of eternity calls all to the judgement bar of God, immortal hands will place a glittering crown upon the brow of the pioneer.

And what of the living? The future is in the hands of the young for them to determine what they shall do with the heritage that is theirs. Others carry on the affairs of life today. Still others of the

living know their time is short. My life's companion, the wife of my youth and the sweetheart of my dreams, lies under Holt county sod and the gathering shadows of life's sunset alone—yet not alone, as I have devoted sons and daughters and loyal friends, and with you ever mindful that out in the depths of eternity beyond the dim unknown standeth One keeping watch above His own.

Celia News

Miss Dorothy Scott, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Samms and family and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dobias and sons enjoyed a picnic dinner Sunday in a grove on the Lawrence Pacha farm.

Albert Johnson and son, Jimmie, of Lyons took Layton, Darrel and Carol Schlotfeld to the White Horse ranch Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. LeRoy Hoffman played the organ Sunday morning at the services at the Christ Lutheran church in O'Neill.

Mary Catherine and Patricia Kilmurry stayed with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Kilmurry, and attended hay days.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Samms and family were Friday supper and overnight visitors at the William Malouin home.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton McKathnie and family spent Saturday at the home of Mrs. Blanche Rouse of O'Neill.

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Hoffman and sons were last Thursday evening visitors at the Duane Beck home.

Ed Neville of York was a Friday visitor at the Frank Kilmurry home.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Samms were last Thursday afternoon visitors at the Frank Kilmurry home.

Bobby Knutson went to Fremont Wednesday, August 3, to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Hans Lauridsen and sons went to Hastings over the weekend to visit her brother, Merle Johnson, and family, who had a sale and left for Washington state to live. They visited other relatives while there.

Mrs. Alfred Schaaaf and children were Wednesday evening, August 3, visitors at the Hans Lauridsen home.

Mrs. Mark Hendricks, sons, Leon and Arlen, took Millie Ernst, who has been visiting here, to her home in Miltonvale, Kans., Monday.

Mrs. Omer Poynts and her uncle, John Westfall, and daughter, Mrs. LeRoy Davidson, of Emuduo, N.M., and Mrs. Lorraine McDaniel of Clovis, N.M., who were here for the Jarvis reunion, were Monday visitors at the Mark Hendricks home.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Samms and family were Tuesday, August 2, dinner guests at the Charles Dobias home.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Kilmurry and Mrs. Vincent Allard and

daughters of Rapid City, S.D., were Saturday supper guests at the Frank Kilmurry home. Mrs. Allard and daughters left Sunday for home.

Mrs. LeRoy Hoffman and sons, Mrs. Alice Hill, Mrs. Eldon Marling and Mrs. Amelia Hoffman were Friday Norfolk visitors.

Billy Milner was a Sunday overnight visitor at the Fred Milner home.

Dorothy Scott was a last Thursday dinner guest at the William Malouin home.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Hammerberg and Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Samms and family of Wichita, Kans., were last Thursday dinner and supper guests at the William Malouin home.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Schlotfeld and Nancy were Sunday afternoon visitors at the Ed Bousch home.

Mrs. LeRoy Hoffman and sons visited Mrs. E. W. Samms and family Saturday afternoon at the Malouin home.

Martin Conroy was a Monday afternoon and overnight guest at the Frank Kilmurry home.

Atkinson received 2 1/2-inches of rain Friday evening in a little more than one hour.

O'NEILL LOCAL

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Starkey of Minneapolis, Minn., spent the weekend in the John Thomas home.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clements went to Denver Saturday to visit their son and daughter-in-law,

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Clements, and to help their son celebrate his birthday anniversary. They returned home Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Wichman and family were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mrs. Julia Schaaaf at Atkinson. Mrs. Wichman's brother, Roland Bouska spent the weekend with the Wichmans.

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Saturday, August 13th

Sale will start at 7 P.M., sharp

3 blonde oak chests of drawers, 4 Hollywood style twin beds (complete), 4 sectional chairs (foam rubber), walnut typewriter desk, 2 electric fans, drapes for picture window, 3 shower curtains, dining room table, buffet and 6 chairs, chrome dinette set, davenport and chair set, Philco refrigerator, washing machine, electric range, radio-phonograph, hassock, bathroom scales, 4 complete beds, 9x12 rug and pad, platform rocker, Hot Point refrigerator, floor lamps, coffee table, Fostoria crystal glasses, etc.

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Reminiscing during Atkinson's old settlers' reunion held Sunday in the city park were George Meals and Harry McShane, both of Atkinson, and Robert B. Miller of Youngstown, O., a railroad worker who was reared in Holt county.—The Frontier Photo.