

Prairieland Talk

Real Heroes Were Pioneers

By ROMAIN SAUNDERS, Retired, Former Editor The Frontier

LINCOLN—Scrutinizing Nebraskans in search of heroes, one gent who had undertaken the job finds one to adorn with the robe of heroism—the late General John J. Pershing, who commanded American troops in the war that was fought to end war.

Nebraskans saluted the general with respect upon his return home after the rumble and grumble and roar of battle that changed the map of Europe had ceased, some hoping to place him on high with the great of us who had unsheathed the sword. With a little hesitancy at this late hour the general becomes our only historic figure crowned with the laurels of the heroic.



Romaine Saunders

Mr. Bryan and another compatriot, the late George Norris, have also been mentioned. Mr. Bryan met defeat at the Scopes trial at the hands of an agnostic and responded to the roll call at life's end soon after Mr. Norris retired from public life feeling defeated.

What is it that leads into the realm of heroism? The real heroes and heroines of prairieland were the men and women who in the long ago endured privation, the hardships, the loneliness, the dangers of the pioneer; who subdued a wilderness, built homes, established law abiding and God fearing communities and from whose toil-worn hands we now enjoy the splendid heritage of abundant living in cities, towns and villages and farm and ranch communities where prairieland stretches to the distant horizon—where from one pink glow of early dawn to the next human life is at its best.

November elections in a few states this year. Where democrats were in control, republicans were the winners. Where republicans were holding the offices, democrats were successful at the polls. Voters are in the political mood to "turn the rascals out."

Turning on the radio to get what the churchmen have to offer this Sunday afternoon, I discover I am tuned in on a Jewish rabbi, one with a gift for oratory that invites you to lend a listening ear as the music of words flows from talented lips and you fancy you hear the stately steppings of ancient Hebrew prophets. With a torrent of captivating eloquence, the speaker pleads for racial equality, brotherhood and unity of mankind everywhere. There in the great city of New York from whence flows today the oratorical mass of conglomeration thought, an edifice is being planned dedicated to Jew and Gentile and Christian groups where these can gather to fellowship one with the other. The plea of the gifted rabbi is understandable. Since the pronouncement of those fated forgotten words by a lone figure as he stood on Mt. Olivet looking over the city of Jerusalem, the Jewish people have taken the world's buffeting alone. And what other group could have met it so bravely? Now are they to reach a hand to Christian and Gentile, to the black and yellow of mankind. Maybe in the end as a United Nations every fellow wants it his way. And that doleful word sounds afresh from Mt. Olivet, "Behold, your house is left unto you desolate."

"Spencer, Holt county village," is the way an unenlightened compatriot of the press starts his story about a delegation from the Boyd county town coming to Lincoln over the matter of a bond issue. Boyd county could well fit into the Holt county picture, Spencer especially, having been started by O'Neillites like Sam Sample, John McCafferty, Charley Manville and several others. But that was long ago; by now Spencer is a fine little city of native sons and daughters.

Editorial

Why Have Fake Traffic Laws?

The curse of American highways today is the unenforced traffic law, the bogus speed limit. From coast-to-coast, motorists are confronted with traffic regulations so unrealistic that police don't even try to enforce them.

Writing in the December Reader's Digest, Don Wharton says "Highway studies have proved again and again that unreasonable and unenforced regulations cause motorists to lose respect for all traffic laws."

In New York state, where highway laws have not been overhauled since 1929, the speed limit is 50. It applies equally to four-lane divided highways and two-lane curving roads. Motorists therefore pay little attention to any speed signs. Checks taken last year at 41 sites showed that on four-lane highways 65 of 100 drivers exceeded the speed limit. However, tests indicate that motorists who usually exceed ridiculously low speed limits will obey those which they believe justifiable.

That the average American driver is more careful is attested by the declining traffic-death rate, despite the great number of fatalities. The death rate might be lowered further by instituting reasonable and enforceable laws. In the state of Washington, where the speed limit was raised from 50 to 60 on 225 miles of primary highway, fatal accidents decreased 33 percent. Other localities report similar declines in accident rates after raising speed limits to reasonable levels.

Certain other traffic-control regulations are equally unwarranted. Stop lights operating around the clock at sparsely traveled intersections cause rear-end collisions which might well be avoided by blinker lights.

"Highways belong to drivers and not to bureaucrats," Wharton points out. He urges that motorists protest, through newspapers and civic clubs, specific examples of unreasonable laws.

Mr. Truman's Memoirs

Former President Harry Truman, whose memoirs are being published in the New York Times, is setting an example for future presidents. Mr. Truman is soon to release his memoirs, in two volumes, and it will be his own personal story of his 7½ years in the white house.

It is good to get a first-hand report and opinion from the man who was the top administrator in the greatest country in the world for almost eight years. Moreover, there will be much in the Truman memoirs, of historical interest, that will serve as a guide to those who are charged with the responsibility of helping make government decisions in the future.

In his preface, Mr. Truman points out that many presidents die in office, others leave old or embittered, and others refuse to write their memoirs for various reasons. Mr. Truman believes

An Arizona sheep herder with music in his soul plays the fiddle. A sheep herder of the Judean hills in the long ago played a harp. The violin of the sheep herder was out of tune with no other musical instrument in that sheep grazing region to give the fiddler the right key. His home was a covered wagon, his companion a dog, his inspiration the violin. Contacting musical performers in distant Los Angeles, Calif., he asked if they could help him. Yes, listen tonight as it comes to you by radio and tune your instrument. Again the notes from a sheep herder's violin floated out on the air of an Arizona desert. Our lives too often are out of tune. Instead of a song, there is a grunt or a groan; instead of a smile, a frown; instead of a cheering word, a sullen silence; instead of a prayer, a curse. It is then, like the Arizona sheep herder, we need to tune in to the Source of celestial music that brings into our lives anew smiles and sunshine.

Adlai Stevenson will try it again. Tom Dewey did likewise. Mr. Bryan, of crown of thorns and cross of gold renown, made three attempts to move into the white house.

A family of seven Holt county citizens, the Chapmans of Ewing, were all injured in a highway accident near Elgin. . . A 15-year-old Lexington youth, Lamont Schrack, was killed in an automobile crash. A Sioux City man, Donald Boies, died a like fate. . . Several thousand patriots braved stormy winds Sunday, November 13, to witness ceremonies in the Lincoln naval air station when the three-million-dollar structures that have recently been completed were dedicated to the defense of prairieland. . . Grand Island taxpayers pay to their high school students: "Here is your two and a half-million dollar high school building; now make the most of your opportunity." If it turns out as worthwhile citizens as came from the ranch kitchen school room two generations back the country is safe.

According to the findings of the district court of Lancaster county in a case involving the distribution of gas tax funds, Holt county is allotted \$15,667 for main road work and \$23,500 for county highways.

One day's news. A dozen or so pass out from heart attacks, highway deaths, one state to adopt measures to legalize support of private schools with whites in public schools, farm groups where- as and resolving for and against federal supports, colder and windy, the FBI has the man said to have planted the bomb that wrecked an airplane in flight in Colorado, killing all aboard, including the accused's mother, 800 students of a college in Lincoln operated by a church group entered upon a week of prayer and special religious instruction.

The story comes from South Dakota. A self-reliant woman of the community stepped on the brake, stopped her car at the edge of the highway, slid out from behind the steering wheel and began the struggle changing a tire. Cars sped by. Then one came to a halt. A distinguished looking man stepped out of the car and came to that woman's assistance. That distinguished gentleman was the governor of our neighboring state.

Prairieland flocks have flourished the past season and those in the business report that it has been the best for some years. Feed has cost less and as turkeys do well in dry weather, losses were few. The biggest turkey story comes from Halsey down in Thomas county where one rancher had a flock of 28,000 gobblers ready for market.

Occupational Hazard

Mr. Glassford is gone and we are facing a new football future in Nebraska. We have confidence in Athletic Director William Orwig and in Chancellor Clifford Hardin. We do not condone some of the tactics that have been used to bring about his departure from the position of head football coach at our University of Nebraska. Neither have we been pleased with some of his handling of the players. J. William's departure can be blamed upon the occupational hazards of the game.

Demands Are High

The National Farm organization, a group of farmers organized by Jay Loghry of Corning, Ia., wants 100 percent of parity on farm products, an absolute floor of \$20 per hundred on hogs and \$30 on cattle. Why don't they just ask for the world with a fence around it? Living in a farming community, The Frontier is vitally interested in farm prosperity. But is this the way to get it? Or are these people being more than a little bit unreasonable?

Health is a pretty important item when you've lost it.

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When You and I Were Young . . .

Farrier Ships Fancy Chicks to Sioux City

Omaha Palmists Will Appear Here

50 Years Ago
The members of the O'Neill public school senior class gave a birthday anniversary surprise party honoring Miss Bessie Roberts. E. Farrier drove up from Chambers in time to catch a train, on which he expressed two crates of fancy Plymouth Rock chickens to Sioux City. . . Lyle Smith, who had been with a party of electrical engineers, returning signals on the Union Pacific railroad, returned home recently. . . J. L. Fluckey, former proprietor of the Dewey hotel here and now a farmer near Stuart, was in the city on business. . . Frederick Patton of Hammond and Miss Mary Coyne of O'Neill were married in St. Patrick's Catholic church. The Guild ladies have secured Madame Zamzi and Rosella, celebrated palmists from Omaha, to preside at the Nov go Rod meeting. . . Rev. L. A. Grotheer, the Lutheran minister of Chambers, will again deliver a German sermon in the Union church.

20 Years Ago
Rev. J. G. McNamara went to Wisper to attend the funeral of his father, James McNamara. . . Donald Gallagher, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Gallagher, has been appointed attorney for the federal power commission and will move to Washington, D.C., to enter upon the duties of his office. . . Mrs. Agnes Sullivan, widow of the late palmist, Mrs. R. Sullivan, was named as acting postmaster. . . Rodell Root of Chambers has sold his ranch to Mr. French from Ewing. . . Mrs. Elizabeth McMillan died at her home in O'Neill. . . Miss Rose Mary Biglin was operated on for an acute attack of appendicitis. . . W. D. Mathews, founder of The Frontier, died at his home in Memphis, Tenn., of a cerebral hemorrhage. Much credit goes to Mr. Mathews for the building up of this part of the state. He published many papers, wrote many papers, and scattered them all over the United States. Many home-seekers were drawn to this area as a result of his efforts.

10 Years Ago
The junior class of the Chambers high school presented the comedy play, "Mail Order Bride." . . A number of young people from the First Presbyterian church went to Atkinson to help in the youth rally. . . Maj. and Mrs. Gilbert R. Butts of Washington, D.C., arrived to spend a few days visiting his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Cronin. . . William Joseph Grady, seaman first-class, has been assigned to duty on the USS Princeton. . . The South Side Improvement club met at the home of Mrs. Henry Patterson. The picnic and entertainment held at the Inman school was a grand success. Mr. Edgar of Lincoln had charge of the entertainment. . . Miss Mary Elizabeth Flood and Eugene E. Wolfe were married at St. Patrick's Catholic church. Rev. R. J. Lisco performed the ceremony. . . Injuries sustained in a fall rendered it necessary to take M. F. Kirwan to Omaha for hospital care.

One Year Ago
A Chicago & North Western railroad vice-president promised the company will continue passenger service between Omaha and Chadron on an eight-months trial. . . Eugene Adams was injured in an accident near Orchard. The truck he was driving collided with a car. . . Miss Elizabeth O'Malley was presented a scroll signed by Nebraska Gov. Robert Crosby and Clair L. Chism, director of the bureau of vital statistics, Nebraska department of health. Miss O'Malley ranked among the top 10 recorders of vital statistics in the nation. . . Mrs. Dave Widfeldt reported sighting a five-pointed deer moving into an alley in the northeast section of town. About 60 people participated in the corn husking bee held at the Ed Winkler home north of Emmet.

Club Selects Study Series
CHAMBERS — Valley Center Extension club met Friday at the home of Mrs. Clarence Young with Mrs. Ed Harvey cohostess. There were 18 members present also several visitors and several children. Roll call was answered by "Ideas on Christmas Gifts". Study lessons for the year were selected. The president, Mrs. Harvey, read a letter of thanks from the Children's Memorial hospital at Omaha for gifts and money sent them by the club. It was decided to bring gifts to the next meeting for some shut-ins. Mrs. L. W. Taggart gave a report on the St. Anthony's hospital auxiliary meeting. Mrs. Clyde Kiltz presented an interesting lesson on "Personalize Your Christmas Cards". Mrs. Ray Beed and Mrs. Glen Grimes gave a report of a meeting of reading and music leaders they had attended at Ainsworth.

Other Chambers News
Mr. and Mrs. William Turner spent Sunday, November 20, with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Tomlinson at O'Neill. Mr. and Mrs. William Turner drove to Orchard Thursday, November 17, to attend the funeral of a friend, Leon Newton. The WSCS of the Methodist church held a bake sale Saturday, November 19, at the Shavlik Hardware which netted over \$53. Mrs. Dean V. Stevens, Cheryllyn and Terry were Sunday, November 20, visitors in the E. R. Carpenter home. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Werner and children, Connie and Dennis, moved last week into their new

home which they have built in the south part of town.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Babcock of Volk were Sunday visitors at the V. C. Johnson and M. L. Harmon homes. Kenneth Cornelius of Beemer is spending the week at Kirkpatrick home.

'Second Spring' for Lilac Bush

DELOIT—A lilac bush at the Henry Riemer farm has leafed out for the second time this season. It was so dry the first leaves dropped off in August. Had lovely fall weather over the weekend after a cold week. It got 10 below zero here Wednesday morning, November 16.

Other Deloit News
Mr. and Mrs. John Sehi visited the Miller home in Ewing on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Don Starr, Elizabeth and Roger of West Point and Mrs. Nellie Starr of Chambers, Mr. and Mrs. Don Larson and family at Mr. and Mrs. Henry Reimer and Elyne were Sunday dinner guests at the J. A. Larson home in Ewing. Mrs. Nellie Starr went home with the Don Starr family. Mrs. Zoe Huffman of Elgin spent last week at the Stanley Huffman home while Stanley was in Indiana. Mr. and Mrs. Ewald Spahn and Doris Ann visited at the Gokie home in O'Neill. Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Larson and Don visited Mr. and Mrs. Harold Milnar and daughters at Atkinson on Sunday. Mrs. Stanley Huffman visited the Deloit school on Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Miller and family attended the junior play in Ewing last week.

Mrs. Viola Parks who teaches in Elgin, spent Monday night, November 14, at the Alice Parks home near Deloit, she also called at the Henry Reimer home. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Tomjack plan to spend Thanksgiving day at the homes of their daughters, Mrs. Gene Ray and Mrs. Ralph Beaudin and families in Omaha. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Temple and Twila of Hastings plan to spend Thanksgiving vacation at the Henry Reimer home. Mrs. Jim Seuring attended a party at the Leland Clark home on Friday afternoon.

Lynch News
Mr. and Mrs. Don Kayl and Sharrri are visiting at the Glenn Hull home. Corky and Lawrence Kalkowski accompanied Frank Matejcek to Lincoln Saturday. Peter Mulhair was a business visitor in Sioux City on Monday, November 14. Mr. and Mrs. Dean Oberle of Sioux Falls, S.D., were Lynch visitors last week. Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Mitchell of Fargo, N.D., spent the November 12-13 weekend here visiting the latter's mother, Mrs. Nata Bjornson and other relatives. They also visited Mr. Mitchell's mother in Niobrara. Mr. and Mrs. Dean Soulek of Lake Andes, S.D., spent the weekend at the Ted Crooks home. Sheila Baria spent several days here with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kalkowski, while her parents spent the weekend in Lincoln. Mrs. James Rossmeyer is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Leland Moody, and family.

SOUTH FORK NEWS
Ervin Butterfield called at the John Hawk home on Monday, November 14. James Hawk was a caller at the John Hawk home on Tuesday, November 15. Mrs. Emmet Fleming will sell her house in Tilden at public auction on Saturday afternoon, November 26. Mr. and Mrs. John Slizoskie were Thursday afternoon visitors at the Frank Slizoskie home. Mr. and Mrs. John Hawk called on Mrs. Hawk's mother, Mrs. Sarah Sholes, in Inman on Wednesday, November 16. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Chimel were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Fleming Friday afternoon and also visited school. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schmidt were visitors one day last week at the Cliff Fleming home. Mrs. Schmidt is Mrs. Fleming's aunt.

Fire Victims Are Showered by Pupils

EWING—A shower was given by the seventh and eighth grades for their schoolmate, Leonora Tuttle, whose home was destroyed by fire on Monday morning, November 14. She lost all her clothing and many items which she can never replace. She was presented many articles of clothing and other gifts for her room. Ice cream and chocolate cakes, made by Bertha Harris and Annette Rotherham, were served. Mrs. Beulah Black is the teacher. Following the party Leonora was invited to go to the home economics room where the third and fourth graders, their teacher Mrs. Grace Thomsen, and the fifth and sixth graders and Miss Margaret Catron waited with gifts packages and a sum of money.

The Tuttle family is staying at the home of Leonora's grandmother, Mrs. Vera Anson.

Natalie Ryshna Opens Concert Series

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ciple her for a serious musical career.

By the time she had finished high school, she felt that she was ready to try for a scholarship with the renowned teacher, Mme. Olga Samaroff-Stokowski, who was then connected with both the Philadelphia Conservatory and the Juilliard school.

This she won and went on to New York and a fellowship at the Juilliard graduate school. When Mme. Samaroff died, Miss Ryshna continued her work at the school with the distinguished artist Sascha Gorodnitzki, who has been her musical adviser ever since.

The pianist, who is now well started on the road to musical fame, is a tall, slender, green-eyed blonde who moves with the grace you would expect of a young lady who used to star in her ballet school productions and once considered dancing as a career. As charming off stage as she is on, Miss Ryshna has a dazzling smile, a ready wit and a friendliness that betrays her great interest in people.

Since embarking on a professional career, she has moved to her own apartment in New York City, on the upper East Side with a sweeping view of the East river. In Manhattan, she indulges in

two more of her hobbies: Art and hi-fi recordings. And she is interested in clothes. The one superstition that she admits to is a preference for wearing on stage a gown in which she has already had a great success.

This was somewhat confining at the beginning of her career, but now that she is enjoying continuing seasons of success, her wardrobe is growing along with her reputation. Following this brilliant opening of the concert season, the association will present the Irish Festival Singers on Friday, January 27, 1956. The tenor, John Carter, will appear on Sunday, February 19, and The Angelaires, a harp quintet, on Thursday, March 8. All concerts will begin at 8:15 p.m. The doors will open at 7:30 p.m.

Dr. Edw. J. Norwood, O.D.
Optometrist,
from Crawford, Nebraska,
will be in O'Neill on
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On premises located one block east of Catholic Church in Tilden, Nebr.; five blocks south to end of street; one-half block east; property is situated on south side of street; on —

SATURDAY, NOV. 26

— Starting at 1:30 P.M. —

DESCRIPTION

Cabin measures 12'x24', tile construction. Ready for occupancy. Legal Description: West ½ of Lot 21 and all of Lot 22, Ringer's Outlots, Town of Tilden, Madison County, Nebraska. There are a number of good shade trees on the premises.

TERMS TO BE ANNOUNCED AT SALE

EMMA FLEMING

Owner
COL. ED THORIN, O'Neill
Auctioneer-Broker

REFEREE'S SALE

In Order to settle the estate of the late Fred Karo, Senior, I will sell at Public Auction at the Front Door of the Court House at O'Neill, Holt County, Nebraska, on the 28th day of November, A.D. 1955 at 2 o'clock P.M. the following described Real Estate, to-wit:

The Northwest Quarter of Section 9 in Township 29 North of Range 14, West of the 6th P.M. in Holt County, Nebraska.

This is a square quarter section consisting of Hay or Pasture, some farm land, loading chute and corrals. It is fenced and cross-fenced. There are sheds, barns, grain storage, well windmill and two shelterbelts. It is level and and could be put under pump irrigation.

This property located one mile south of Atkinson on oiled highway No. 11. This is an ideal location for feeding and is close to Sale Pavilion for speculation purposes.

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John R. Gallagher

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