

Prairieland Talk

Ag College Will Continue

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LINCOLN — The Dr. C. Clyde Mitchell case has caused an unfavorable ripple in state university agricultural circles. Mitchell charges he was removed as director of ag economics out of spite.



Romaine Saunders

Maybe so, maybe not. Doubtless the ag college will continue to function at public expense though it means little or nothing to Nebraska farmers and stockmen as a whole.

Some years ago a grizzled old rancher down in Swan precinct, John Bower, was down to the ag college to protest interference in his cow business and punched the face of one of the faculty.

Mrs. Saunders once wrote the college for information touching a tree disease that had begun on our apple trees. She received a polite and scholarly reply that said nothing.

June 10, a group of Nebraskans gathered at Joselyn Memorial down at Omaha to start a movement in memory of the sod house period on prairieland, if the call of Charles S. Reed, a lawyer in our state metropolis, for such a gathering bore the desired fruit.

A retired army officer, Col. Geoffrey Galwey of Washington, D.C., is gathering material for a literary work that centers about the Fenian invasion of Canada in 1866 promoted by General John O'Neill. The general ran into snags that forced him to abandon the "invasion," so he turned his restless talents to colonization of Nebraska prairies.

Rather enlightening are the pay figures for office staff for Nebraskans in the house of representatives in Washington. Rep. R. D. Harrison of Norfolk, draws on the federal treasury to pay his top aide \$887 per month; Rep. A. L. Miller of Mitchell pays his assistant \$760; Rep. Jackson B. Chase of Omaha, \$862; Rep. Phil Weaver of Nebraska City, \$627.

Documents have been discovered that disclose 200 tons of gold are buried somewhere in old Palestine, Mike Sheen, a native of that region, who at one time operated a store in O'Neill, thought he knew about that hidden treasure and may have returned to his native land on a gold hunt.

Meanwhile, Florida's primary kept the Stevenson democratic candidacy alive; California's has given it real vigor. But this does not assure his nomination at Chicago.

Then there's the poor fellow who said 252 rain drops fell on his farm, adding: "They came so slowly, I could count them all!"

Sometimes when a girl has everything a man has to marry her to get it back.

When You and I Were Young . . .

Viola V. Viertel Is Valedictorian

Leads SMA Grads; Cottage Going Up

Miss Viola V. Viertel was valedictorian of St. Mary's academy's graduating class. . . . Al Miller of Atkinson has purchased the old rink, which has been used as an opera house. . . . Mrs. Stockwell with her son and daughter came over from Butte and remained with her mother, Mrs. Damero of Phoenix, for a few days.

20 Years Ago An attempt was made to rob the Emmet State bank. The robber or robbers got away with only \$30.80. . . . Earl and Evelyn Resel of Chambers had their tonsils removed. . . . Little Tom Harty fell from a trapeze in his yard and cracked a bone in his left arm.

10 Years Ago The Commercial club was officially changed to the Chamber of Commerce. . . . Mrs. H. L. Lindberg was installed as district president of the Rebekah lodge. . . . The family of the late L. C. ("Posy") McKim held a reunion in Clearwater. . . . Bernard H. Dollarhide, 30, a native Holt countyman, died in a hotel fire in Dubuque, Ia.

One Year Ago Joseph Macku of Spencer suffered fractures of both legs when his horses bolted while he was haying. . . . Vaclav Jelen, 77, and friends of Albert Otto, 67, both died. . . . Mrs. Phyllis June Chisholm, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Seger, received her nursing certificate and diploma at the University of Nebraska school of medicine.

Weichman Heads Stuart Legion—STUART — Frank Weichman last Thursday evening was elected commander of Norton-Carlisle American Legion post 115 here. Other officers elected were: William Parr, vice-commander; Kenneth Milnar, chaplain; Don Jaurnig, treasurer (re-elected); George Shald, historian; Norris Coats, service officer; Bert Kunz, entertainment officer; Kenneth Durr, adjutant, and Kenneth Cadwallader, sergeant-at-arms.

Chambers News

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Strong and family drove to Miltonvale, Kans., Saturday, June 2, where they attended Lincalaurette services on Sunday and commencement exercises Monday evening for the graduating class of the high school division of the Miltonvale academy. Their daughter Lois Strong was one of the graduating class.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Young recently received a telephone call from their son, F. P. Harold Young, now at Norfolk, Va. Harold has just arrived in the US after several months with his fleet in the Mediterranean area, having left early in January.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Crawford attended a funeral in Atkinson Saturday, June 9. On Sunday they drove to Atkinson to enjoy a picnic with the Dean Stevens family.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hoerle and two daughters and Mrs. Jake Hoerle left Monday for Winslow, Ariz., where the latter will remain for a visit with her son and daughters-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hoerle. The others will go on to Los Angeles, Calif., to visit their son and daughter-in-law, Erwin Hoerle, of the navy and Mrs. Hoerle and two children.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Medcalf and children of Sioux City, came Friday to visit over the weekend with their parents, Mr. and Mrs.

E. H. Medcalf and Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Carpenter. The group ate Sunday dinner at the E. H. Medcalf home. Bobby and Kathy remained for a week's visit.

Miss Eula Wintermote of Ft. Collins, Colo., came Friday, June 8, to visit her mother, Mrs. John Wintermote, and other relatives. She was accompanied by Mrs. Wintermote's sister-in-law, Mrs. Joe Dorothy, of Mitchell.

Jennie Halsey and Elsie Doolittle, who are attending Wayne State Teachers college, spent the weekend at home.

Mrs. Charles Hart and son, Roland, of Bismark, N. D., were recent visitors of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Moss. They went from here to Chadron to enroll for the summer session at the college there.

Recent visitors in the Glen Taylor home were Rev. and Mrs. Clayton of Ottawa, Kans., and Mr. and Mrs. John Kroger of Little Rock, Ark.

Mrs. Fred Ermer of Chambers and friend, Mrs. Ben Martin, of O'Neill left Monday, June 11, for Washington, D.C., to visit the formers daughter, Miss Lela Ermer. Enroute they visited relatives in Minnesota.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Whitaker visited in the Neven Ickes home at Page Sunday, June 10. Present were relatives and friends from Kearney. Mrs. Ickes and Mrs. Whitaker are cousins.

Cleone Beed is attending business college in Lincoln. She left for Lincoln about June 1 for a six-month course.

Official Canvass

Figures Announced

The state canvassing board announced these official figures on the 28th legislative district non-political race:

Frank Nelson, O'Neill . . . 1,628 Hugo C. Sieler, Butte . . . 883 John A. Tenborg, Atkinson 700 Fred J. Jungman, Atkinson 617

The two high-vote getters — Nelson and Sieler — in the recent primary will vie in the November general election.

The board also declared Dwight Burney of Hartington as the republican nominee for lieutenant-governor — the only closely-contested race on the state ticket. Burney won in a field of four.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Schaffer, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Schaffer, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Cole, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cole of Emmet, and Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Cole of Emmet left Wednesday for North Platte to attend the Stock Growers convention.

Alice's Beauty Shop (In Former Apparel Shop Location) Phone 263 — O'Neill



Dr. Edw. J. Norwood, O.D. Optometrist, from Crawford, Nebraska, will be in O'Neill on SATURDAY, JUNE 23 At the Hotel Golden 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Eyes Scientifically Examined Glasses Properly Fitted

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Editorial

Milton's Buildup Has Begun

STATE COLLEGE, Pa.—Milton Eisenhower, brother of Dwight Eisenhower, offered his resignation as president of Pennsylvania State college, effective not later than December 31, 1956. He announced no plans.

The cryptic dispatch, appearing in the press across the land during the past weekend was loaded with significant political overtones, as we see it. Brother Milton's abandonment of his educational position (which might well have been a life tenure situation) speaks clearly to us that Milton will get into politics with both feet. Best guess: He will be the ace-in-the-hole for the republican strategists, who are going on the assumption the Eisenhower name is magic and it's the only name in the GOP circles that can win the November election.

It has been apparent to us that Sherman Adams, Herbert Brownell, et al have been running the administration anyway and that Ike has been sheltered in the inner circle and knows little that goes on. Brother Milton has been one of the president's closest advisers, so we're told.

We'll miss our guess if a terrific buildup for Milton doesn't begin. (More correctly, it has already begun.) If the reaction isn't too bad, Brother Milton will be republican candidate for president in 1956.

The irony of it all is that Richard Nixon, the able young vice-president, will be passed over for the presidency but will be expected to string along to help keep the right wing republicans in line.

This is speculative but we will watch the buildup for Milton with genuine interest.

That Ike's health is bad is no secret. In fact, in this column prior to the 1952 convention, we passed the word that neutrals in the republican hierarchy wanted both Ike and Robert Taft to go before an impartial medical board to help determine physical fitness of the two. This examination idea was advanced on the theory it would be a republican victory no matter who was running and precautions should be taken to insure the nominee could finish the term. Ike has had a heart attack and major surgery (both perhaps more serious than the public knows) and Taft is now six feet under.

The white house circle that patted itself on the back for being so honest and forthright in telling the people about the heart attack was remiss in telling us about the intestinal difficulties. This latest illness has been told to us in easy doses.

So now Adams, Brownell & Co., who thrive on elevating politicians who have been repudiated at home (Val Peterson and Fred Seaton were snubbed when they tried for the senate from Nebraska) may now be passing over young Dick Nixon, a star in our book, in favor of Milt Eisenhower, who will string along with the GOP left wing.

Meanwhile, thousands of Americans are earnestly praying for Ike's full and complete recovery.

Swimming Hints

The state health department reports nearly twice as many persons drowned in 1955 as a year

earlier. There has been one drowning (Mrs. Perry Saiser of Ewing) already this season in the O'Neill region.

Fifty Nebraskans drowned in 1955 compared to 29 in 1954.

Only two persons drowned in their lives in lakes, streams, farm ponds and sand pits.

Discouraging was the increase in the number of children who lost their lives in farm stock tanks or ponds. Six one-year-olds died.

Swimming is a particularly popular sport in Nebraska. It is a wonderful escape from the heat and it's good exercise. It's relaxing and it's fun.

But here are a few hints to remember:

- 1. Never swim alone.
2. River currents are dangerous and river depths unpredictable. Swim in properly supervised places.
3. Wait one hour after meals before entering the water.
4. Don't swim after vigorous exercise or tiring work.
5. Swim reasonably close to the shore. Don't venture into deep water trusting to the support of water wings, an inflated tube, or another swimmer.
6. Muscle cramps are warning signs. They mean get back on dry land.
7. Night bathing is for expert swimmers only, in familiar water, and when accompanied by other bathers.
8. Swimming from anchored or unanchored boats in deep water is unsafe . . . even for accomplished swimmers.
9. Come out of the water BEFORE you feel tired or chilly. Staying in the water after you feel tired and cold not only endangers your safety but lowers your resistance to various infectious diseases.
10. Always watch children as they play in and around water.
11. Make your swimming holiday a happy one by keeping it safe.



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