

Prairie Land Talk

Outdistances Them All

By ROMAIN SAUNDERS, Retired, Former Editor The Frontier

LINCOLN—A friend now living in a neighboring state treasures memories of his youthful days in Holt county and keeps in touch with present trends in the community by reading Holt county's oldest newspaper. He writes to me of his interest in Prairie Land Talk, and continues as a subscriber to "that wonderful paper—The Frontier—which is really and truly a fine weekly newspaper."

Since it was established in the year 1880 by the versatile Doc Mathews, whose glowing word pictures of "God's county" had much to do with bringing in settlers, and hasn't missed an issue since the first copy came off the Washington handpress. The Frontier has been an inspiration of other publishers throughout North Nebraska to "go and do likewise."



Romaine Saunders

It was the first to publish a day earlier, the first to enlarge to an eight-column page, the first to print stories illustrated with pictures of those mentioned in the news, and the first to go on the air. And it is one of the very few that still has the courage of editorial expression, and sometimes the editorial slants carry plenty of punch.

Ten years ago it ranked far behind three or four other papers in the area in terms of circulation. Today, it has outdistanced them all with something like a 1,200 percent increase, while all other papers have remained constant. Such a record requires tremendous work and effort and The Frontier staffers know what it's all about.

Escapee—a guy who makes his getaway when in the clutches of the law. Were none such in Noah Webster's day. . . A farm plan bill—a plan concocted in congress by our representatives who don't know a stalk of corn from a beanpole. . . The sheriff of Phelps county may have grabbed the wrong guy; he now faces a \$30,000 false arrest suit. . . Father and son each driving a truck, collided; the son, Richard Hinken, the father of five, was dead when received at a Norfolk hospital. . . The first customer of the morning at a cafe in Yutan, village in Saunders county, ordered coffee, slugged the owner and walked out with a bag of money. . . Ice jams on the North Loup have taken out our bridges in Garfield and Loup counties. . . Bartley, a little central Nebraska town, on a Burlington line, is one of the latest to be bypassed by "Q" trains. . . Automobile insurance rates join the march of increased costs of living. Representatives of laundry establishments in that city have induced the Lincoln city administrative body to frame an ordinance requiring all laundries to close up shop on Sunday. Haven't heard what the council has done with the city official who is reported to have been lifted out of his car and laid away to sober up.

Editorial

No Vote for Kids!

LINCOLN—Teen-aged supporters of a move to lower the voting age in Nebraska crowded into the old senate chamber in the statehouse Friday. The legislature's government committee heard testimony on a bill calling for a public vote on a constitutional amendment to lower the voting age to 18. The committee took no action.

The country's founding fathers, who did a masterful job of framing our constitution and organizing the original 13 colonies into states, did not provide the voting franchise for 18-year-olds. The wisdom and truths embodied in the constitution and the early state government laws have withstood the test of time.

In this century the Eighteenth amendment was enacted, providing the voting franchise for women. This has been the only major change in the voting setup.

The Frontier believes that 18-year-olds are not qualified to vote, primarily because of limited background. With few exceptions, all they could possibly know of national issues would be current history book oftines are not recognized by people until later in life. Teenagers would be prone, in a broad sense, to go along with the status quo, or the drift, because of no personal experience of a policy opposed to a current administration.

Secondly, there is the danger of a "creep" like Elvis drawing patronage at the polls far out of proportion to his ability.

Thirdly, teenagers, as a class, do not demonstrate good judgement at all times as reflected in automobile insurance rates, for example. The Nebraska insurance commission recently came up with the figures that a boy, 16 to 25 years of age, has become the most dangerous auto operator on the highway today. A public liability and property damage policy for a car owned or driven by a boy 16-25 will be raised 41 percent.

Proponents for the 18-year-old vote (and there are many, including service organizations) hold that these youngsters are old enough to be drafted; hence, they are old enough to vote.

There is no logic in that approach inasmuch as the kids don't begin to make any of the major decisions on the battlefield. The decisions are made by older, more mature minds. True, the younger men in uniform demonstrate tremendous courage, but the principal decisions rest with older men.

The baby bulge of World War II soon will be in the 18- to 20-year-old, inclusive, age bracket, and what a sweet voting plumb that could be for the party in power!

There are many of voting age who know nothing about government except new deal, fair deal and new republicanism. And, frankly, they're all just about alike.

If any can distinguish between the liberal policies and spending of the present "new republicanism" (72-billion-dollar budget) and the Roosevelt-Truman giveaway era they have more perspective than this venerable old family journal, traditionally a conservative republican newspaper.

All we need to skid this country over the hill and into rapid descent down the other side is federal aid to education (brainwashing deluxe), one world government (it's being substituted now for our own constitution), and the 18-year-old voting privilege.

"Hey, cool cats. There's going to be the jazziest bipartisan solidarity session ever . . . heaps of doughnuts . . . a pair of tonsils will tell all. See you later, alligator!"

Initial and Eternal Confusion!

There has been a move a-foot to redesignate the O'Neill streets.

We think it ill-advised and would be greatly

In memory of his 16th birthday anniversary, I took my grandson, Royal Saunders, or a visit to governor and others, looked in on the unicam but the state capitol building, introduced him to the found its members were meeting in committees elsewhere in the building. Sen. Frank Nelson's committee was busy behind closed doors and a "no admittance" sign hung up in the capital tower. Governor Anderson was meeting with a committee having under consideration what I took to be the building budget. The governor explained, plans and needs for armories for the companies of state guards.

I was reminded of the "armory" provided us o company F, Second Nebraska regiment in the early 1890's when Capt. Joe Meredith and Col. Neil Brennan took us to an abandoned packing house down by the railroad and lined us up for a salute and go through the performance of "right shoulder arms" and other army mankilling maneuvers. We were in training to go fight Sitting Bull's warriors up on Pine Ridge, but we were spared that horror.

Governor Anderson was taking off soon after the meeting with the committee for Albin for a hearing in the North Western railroad proposal to abandon their Scribner-Oakdale branch line. Before leaving, Governor Anderson requested the gracious lady at the reception desk to show grandson and I through the chief executive's office. With a Mayflower and republican background when grandson reaches voting age, he hopes Governor Anderson's name will appear on the ballot.

He was voted the one most likely to succeed of his high school group of students. The last heard of him he lay on a hospital cot with bullet holes in his body acquired when resisting an officer. Found with the goods and a robbery victim. Most likely to succeed. Succeeded at what? His schoolmates looking down the highway of time saw his name, not among the achievers. "Enter on the scroll of worthwhile achievement." "Enter in at the straight gate," advised a strange paragon of Galilee nearly two thousand years ago, "because wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction and many there be that go in through that gate; for straight is the gate and narrow is the way that leads to life, and few there be that find it." A young man whom his schoolmates exalted; just another that took the broad road to destruction.

Sen. Terry Carpenter's defeated measure to put the unicam on a party basis should have not been voted down, in the estimate of many citizens. Partisan lines fix responsibility, which is not always possible as it is.

A bride has one of those new pink toasters. Such a nice color combination with the charcoal of the toast.

When You & I Were Young . . . Duffy, Wilcox Take Part in Wolf Hunt

First Suit Heard in New Courthouse

50 Years Ago
Bennet Martin, who had gone to Omaha for medical treatment, died there. The young friends of Miss Lillian Pierce of Dry Creek surprised her for her birthday by bringing baskets of food. . . Peter Duffy, Absalom Wilcox, Hans Abrahamson, B. H. Jerrard and Miss Hazel Tanner enjoyed a wolf hunt. They saw three wolves escape without a scratch. . . Lucy West is helping Mrs. Hammerburg in Celia at present. . . Drs. Gilligan and Briggs were called to Ewing by the serious illness of one of Art Snyder's twin children.

20 Years Ago
The first law suit was held in the new courthouse before county Judge C. J. Malone and a jury. John Daley of Winner, S. D., who has recovered from a severe case of the flu, visited his sister, Mrs. P. J. Biglin and other relatives before departing for Virginia to visit his sons. Deaths: Mrs. James O'Conner, 81; Mrs. Susie Horiskey, 69; Emil Kripner, 26, of Dorsey, appendicitis. . . Jerry Matula and family of Meadow Grove, have opened a meat market where Medlin and son have operated a market for several years.

10 Years Ago
Mrs. William Menish, a homemaker of Shields township, celebrated her 98th birthday anniversary. . . Mrs. Emil O. Jindra, 62, of Emmet died at her farm home. . . Thirty-nine clergy attended the golden jubilee of Rt. Rev. J. G. McNamara at St. Patrick's church. . . Gary Holly celebrated his seventh birthday at a theatre party. . . Miss Betty Lyons and Ralph Rector were married.

One Year Ago
Deaths: James F. ("Jim") O'Conner, 81; Miss Ann McManus, 55; Mrs. Helen N. Knudsen, 73, of Page; Miss Mary Gokie, 70, of Ewing; Harry Hiscoks, 84, of Oregon, formerly of Holt county; Mrs. Barbara Peklo, 85, of Lynch. . . The Pleasant Day club presented St. Anthony's hospital with a porto-lift and a croup tent. . . Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Palmer of Norfolk, formerly of Page, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mott of Spencer celebrated their 50th wedding anniversaries.

Mrs. Clarence Wrede Feted at Party
Mrs. Clarence Wrede was guest-of-honor Friday evening at a party at the Vern Wrede home in honor of her birthday anniversary.

Among the guests attending were her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. John Hipke and Julius of Springfield, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bartos and two children, Mrs. Henry Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Wrede and Leo. Cards were played and lunch was served.

Visit Columbus
Mr. and Mrs. George Janousek and children went to Columbus Sunday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hille on Monday, Mr. and Mrs. Janousek and Christine went to Omaha on business and the other children stayed in Columbus.

Larsons Entertain
Sunday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. Larson and family were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Foster of Plainview.

ROYAL THEATER

Thurs. Mar. 14. Family Night
THE MOLE PEOPLE
Starring F. A. Farnia, Cynthia Patrick with Hugh Beaumont and Alan Napier.

Fri.-Sat. Mar. 15-16
Big Double Bill
GUN THE MAN DOWN
Starring James Arness, the great star of TV's "Gunsmoke". "Gun The Man Down"—the word went out! \$5,000.00 Reward—but only if he's dead!

Also—
Walt Disney's **MUSIC LAND**
The big parade of mirth and melody color by technicolor! Presenting the talents of Fred Waring and his Pennsylvanians; Benny Goodman and his orchestra; Frances Langford, Roy Rogers and Trigger; The Andrews Sisters; Freddy Martin and his orchestra; Sons of the Pioneers; Jerry Colona, Ethel Smith. Offering hits re-released from "Make Mine Music" and "Melody Time".

Sun.-Mon.-Tues. Mar. 17-18-19
THE BIG LAND
Alan Ladd, Virginia Mayo and Edmond O'Brien Warner Bros. Western drama.
Story of the desperate struggle of cattle men and railroad builders to establish trade channels in the lawless reconstruction period after the Civil War.

Wed.-Thurs. Mar. 20-21
Family Night
ISTANBUL
Where the passions of the East meet the sins of the west in this cinemascopic and technicolor starring Errol Flynn, Miss Cornelia Borchers with John Bentley, Terin Thatcher, Leif Ericson, Peggy Knudsen, Martin Benson and Nat King Cole singing "Was A Little Too Lonely" and "When I Fell In Love".

Matinee Saturday & Sunday 2:30
Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Friday and Saturday admission—Adults 50c; Children under 12, 15c. Free if accompanied by parent. Wedn. and Thurs. Family Night, family admitted for two adult tickets.

CB&Q Fills In Abandoned Well

A large water well near the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad roundhouse this week was filled in with dirt by workmen. The well, which for many years furnished water for steam locomotives, has been out of use for the past six years. Its period of usefulness was over when the Burlington converted from steam to diesel locomotives. Roy Johnson, roundhouse foreman, said the well measured 20 feet in diameter and showed 15 feet of water. Approximately one thousand cubic yards of fill was needed to close the well. For years a water tower nearby was an O'Neill landmark.

Held Purchases Woodworth Farm

PAGE—M. H. Held has purchased the 260-acre Erwin and Shirley Woodworth farm east of here—140 acres in Holt county, 120 in Knox. Purchase price was \$1,860, according to Col. Ed Thorin of O'Neill, auctioneer-real estate broker, who handled the sale. Mr. Held and his wife returned Friday from Florida where they had spent several months.

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NOTICE
TO ALL PERSONS WHOMSOEVER:
Robert L. Prill and Donald J. Prill have formed a partnership under the trade name of "Western Agriculture and Livestock Supply", with their principal place of business at Page, Nebraska and that the business will be carried on under the trade name.

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NOTICE
The Orchard Rural Fire Protection District will hold their annual meeting and election of officers at the Orchard Town Hall Saturday, March 23 at 8:00 P. M.
WILLIE E. SHRADEI, Secretary 46p

O'NEILL LOCALS

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Vorce and Mr. and Mrs. Harold McNally of Ainsworth attended the Ice Capades. Mr. and Mrs. Billy Marcellus were at the Ice Capades Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Parks and Pamela Jean were guests Saturday evening at the home of her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Orsborn. Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Moses were in Lincoln for the weekend with their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Moses.

Frank Fetrow, a student at the University of Nebraska, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Fetrow, over the weekend. Mr. and Mrs. Francis Belzer and Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Bivalat attended the Ice Capades. Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rentschler of Atkinson were Friday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Marcellus. Little Jerry Crumley of Page was a Monday supper guest of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Preston Jones.

International Harvester Magle Mau Jess Blodgett will be on hand to entertain young and old at Shelhauer Equipment Co., during our open house this weekend. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Waring visited their son, Maurice Waring, his wife and family in Des Moines, Ia., Saturday and Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Vidricksen and family of Salina, Kans., are visiting his brother, Ben, also Mr. Vidricksen and their family here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Suter spent Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Suter and Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Graves in Norfolk. They also called on Mr. and Mrs. Donald Haas in Pierce. Mr. and Mrs. James Storms spent Sunday in Winner, S.D., visiting relatives. Mr. and Mrs. John Simon and family spent the weekend in Omaha visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Simon. Miss Donna Shellhase, daughter

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of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Shellhase, Edward Sevcik and H. Engdahl, soil scientists with the U.S. bureau of reclamation, attended a soils meeting in Denver, Colo., last week, returning home Saturday.

PUBLIC AUCTION

To be sold at public auction on—
Saturday, March 16—2 P. M.
At School District 212
Located 14 miles south of O'Neill and 1/2-mile west

ONE SCHOOLHOUSE—18 ft. by 24 ft., stucco building with 10 ft. by 12 ft. entryway.

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.. DANCE ..

American Legion Ball Room
— O'Neill —
Sunday, March 17
Music by DIXIE FIVE
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No Minors admitted to this dance unless accompanied by parents

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All you have to do to be eligible for the drawing is give us your name and address.

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Osborne Shoe Store will give away a pair of Glov-etts or Glov-ett skippers each of the next three Saturday nights—March 16-23-30 at 8:45 p.m. You need not be present to win. All adults are eligible.

Mrs. Ed Prouty, Spencer, was the winner last week.

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