

Prairieland Talk—

Sun Shines 22 Hours in Fairbanks

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LINCOLN—Ira Vorhies, who operates a cleaning establishment where I take my mended up coats and trousers when daughter thinks it necessary, with Mrs. Vorhies, is back from a six-weeks 10,000-mile vacation trip that took them to Fairbanks, Alaska. Most vacationers think themselves lucky to get away from the job for two weeks, but being in the profitable business of keeping half of Lincoln clean, Vorhies' could stay away most of the summer. They found the sun shines 22 hours a day on Fairbanks and Nebraskans don't know when to go to bed. Ira fished in Alaskan waters, the largest of his catch being a 3 1/2-pound trout.



Saunders

Why go all that distance to catch a mere minnow? Hank Mills and Prairieland Talker snagged 10-pounders in a little lake down toward the South Fork.

A letter from Homer Campbell of Seattle, Wash., expresses a doubt that he would be recognized by anyone in O'Neill or Atkinson. After the passing of three score years, maybe not. But the green robed prairieland stretches across the landscape just as it did in your day, Homer. And here is at least one of the prairieland dwellers who would look into aging eyes, grip his hand and say welcome, old boy—do you remember the day we drove out to Dry Creek hoping to hook a pickerel and came back empty?

Editor Cal takes as his English text book the Chicago Tribune. Why reach an arm across nearly three states when we have better papers in Lincoln and Omaha in the shadow of classic universities? Maybe Editor Cal would have us address it the frontier, o'Neill, nebr., in view of his abundance of the ABC's. Out of Stuart in the long ago came literary gems from the fertile brain of John Wertz, from the inspired pen of Rosa Hudspeh, from a Milton-inspired Editor McArthur in Atkinson, from the master of prairieland word pictures Doc Mathews and the simple beauty of a few lines from the hand of Clyde King. And there was Edgar Howard down at Columbus, John Sprecker of the Schuyler Quill, Ross Hammond of Fremont Tribune, Bixby, Mason, others that might be named—all gifted newspaper writers that clothed the news stories of the day in beautiful language, capital letters and all. But Ed. Cal will agree that the real gems are those columns of "Legal Notices."

Senator Hruska's Washington report tells of 13 teenagers passing through Washington recently headed for their homeland after a year in Nebraska, Norway, Sweden, Great Britain, Spain, France, Germany and Austria were among the countries represented in the group. They had lived for a year with families in Omaha, Lincoln, Beatrice, York, Hastings and Scottsbluff, attending public schools and became quite thoroughly Americanized, including teenage slang, the senator says.

Floyd Kaasa of the Lynch neighborhood, maybe more properly of the Redbird bridge locality, was in Lincoln a few days recently attending something that is hardly a memory these days among church going groups—a "camp meeting" for Nebraska members of the church organization to which Prairieland Talker's friend from Redbird belongs.

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And that's the way it worked. Hordes of conservative republicans stayed at home and didn't vote because there wasn't much choice; others voted for Proxmire as a vote against huge Eisenhower foreign handouts, federal aid to schools, etc.

In other words, Wisconsin conservative republicans refused to compromise their republicanism by voting for a phony article. The GOP hierarchy should take heed. Nebraska's governor and congressional delegation might do well to analyze Wisconsin's special senatorial election. Sixteen months hence—at the next regular general election—we predict Wisconsin will restore a conservative republican to the senate.

Mrs. Roger McGinnis of Cody, Wyo., spent the last week of August in 1956 with friends in O'Neill. R. R. Dickson, S. J. Weeks, C. C. Snyder and Ray Saberson went to Atkinson and returned in one of the 1956 style autos. Mrs. S. J. Harrington and children were back from a protracted visit in Colorado. Del Atkin, editor of Atkinson Graphic, was in O'Neill between trains. Dr. Gilligan was called to Long Pine to do a surgical job on an injured citizen of Rock county. O'Neill was just entering the concrete sidewalk era. C. E. Hall was renominated for sheriff and C. J. Malone for county judge by Republican county convention delegates. Prof. J. V. Dwyer and Publisher D. H. Cronin were among the O'Neill citizens to take in the fun at the first Old Settlers' gathering near Meek in late August, 1905.

Prairieland patriots calling themselves a Better Nebraska association have bombarded citizens with appeals to know how you stand relative to tax on the gasoline you buy. That tax money is supposed to maintain the highways over which the autos roll. But many who contribute their bit to the fund live in sections of the state where little or no "highway maintenance" is in evidence. We seem to have outlived the township road overseer and turned the road work over to a guy down at the state house. But tomatoes are red, peaches are ripe and corn on the cob is piled in a pyramid on a platter in front of you at the dinner table.

A baby girl born in the home on what today is known as O'Neill's South First street, now a woman in government service nearing "retirement age", writes from Washington, D. C., and expresses an ambition to some day soon leave the crowded human haunts and see again the open country. A radio speller said the other day he was in New York City and the best part of it would be the first train out. I felt a little that way as I stepped on a bus to head west from our nation's great capital city.

The speaker was telling of experiences when serving as an army chaplain. A soldier in the front of battle fell to earth when struck by a bullet. A clergyman of the Catholic faith serving as a chaplain stepped forward, went to the wounded soldier, knelt by him to minister comfort. A deadly thing hit the kneeling chaplain and he fell lifeless. The fighting men not alone perish on battlefields.

Governor Anderson thinks the job of chief executive is worth another try. He has made a good governor and doubtless can be elected again. So far that self-pitying patriot ousted from the reformatory and a petition candidate for governor at the last election has not been heard from. The few hundred votes he received may have convinced him that politics is an uncertain venture.

Fifty thousand capital city patriots gathered at the air base a recent Sunday. Angels were to float on celestial wings above the base. A visit of heavenly beings to this troubled world of ours invites the human imagination to spiritual flights. But one there at the airplane lively barns we saw only earthbound men floating aloft on their factory built Lockheed wings.

Lives of the great just remind us that we travel the highway of time among the nobody's to gather along the way the joy of fellowship sublime.

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News, Views and Gossip

By THE EDITOR

Bunyan Beckons

Early Saturday an O'Neill four-some pushed off for Oetter Tail lake, or suppliance, in Minnesota on a fishing excursion.

The lakers have beckoned O'Neill enthusiasts for years, but the composition of the crowd has changed. For a long time it was P. C. Donohoe, Ira Moss, Herbert Hammond, Mike Horiskey and Bill Martin, the official cook, making up the expedition. Only Donohoe and Moss survive.

Leo Carney and Frank Clements are filling in this year for the departed fishing companions. Hugh Coyne has made quite a few snackets up there, also Dr. O. W. French and Ira Watson. Often the haven has been near Park Rapids.

Our information is that Carney's chief interest is Minnesota highway construction (he's an engineer in Nebraska and a partner of roads and irrigation). Clements wants to study signboard techniques in the Paul Bunyan wooded country (he runs an outdoor sign agency). Donohoe uses the Minnesota retreats as an escape from the "cooking of the corn" seige in Holt in late August.

Moss, apparently, is the only guy that goes up there to fish.

Miscellany

When Evelyn Stannard and her sister, Laura Burks, visited Utah for 11 days last month, it was the first time in 48 years there wasn't a Stannard in town. Their parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. David Stannard, and the two sisters, present proprietors of Stannard's store, have been paying taxes on the place 72 years. Time was when the room was a monument works, a cigar factory and a pool room. Charley Shaw, a World War I vet, recalls: It was in 1916. There was a celebration in progress. Inman and the Dry Creek baseballers were playing. Inman, in the sixth, Charley got a homerun, upping the score to 3-2 for the Dry Creekers, and that's how the game ended. The county agent in Garfield county, Lawrence, recently relieved of his job—an unusual situation. The extension service, like any other bureaucratic setup, needs a housecleaning once in a while.

Hungry Field Mouse

Donnie Clyde, 8, son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Clyde, won't be fondling a field mouse again. The family was at Long Pine several weeks ago for an outing, which included swimming in Long Pine creek, lots of food and fun. Then it happened.

A small field mouse came upon the scene. The mouse was not so elusive but what Donnie captured it. The mouse took a chomp into Donnie's finger.

The bite was barely enough, but not as bad as the 14 anti-rabies shots which ensued when the youngster got home. Parents feared the mouse might have been diseased and ordered the shots as a safety precaution. Rat, but not in our newspapering experience have we chronicled a bite from a timid little field mouse. —CAL STEWART

Letter to Editor

Atkinson, Nebr. The first thing I read when The Frontier arrives on Thursday mornings is your editorials, which I think are "the most". Congratulations on the one today. Mrs. Smith (Sen. Margaret Chase Smith) is also a big, damaging help in turning the Japanese people against us by her remarks. —MRS ALFRED W. MARTENS

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—O'NEILL—

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When You & I Were Young... Duffy, McBride Feted by Firemen

Former Inman Editor Makes Visit

50 Years Ago A banquet was given at the firemen's hall in honor of two members, Arthur Duffy and J. G. McBride, who will attend school in Omaha. James McAllister of Aree was a passenger on the North Western for Lincoln where he will attend the state fair. H. G. Cross and daughter, Evelyn, of Petersburg visited The Frontier office. Mr. Cross, a former publisher at Inman, moved away 30 years ago.

30 Years Ago Robert E. Gallagher was appointed driver's license examiner in Holt county. Edward Young, 14, had a narrow escape when he was struck by lightning. He was found by Anton Jirak and Joe Soukup, who were on their way home from mass. Unconscious, the boy was brought to O'Neill. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Young, who live northwest of town. The will of Mrs. Bridget Corrigan left 10-thousand-dollars for a home for the aged poor. The money is directed to be given to the Roman Catholic bishop of Omaha for administration.

10 Years Ago John F. Schmit, 23, a Consumers Public Power employee, was electrocuted while working on a 2,300-volt power line in West O'Neill. Deaths: Mrs. Julia E. Parker, 91, one of the last two remaining original members of the O'Neill colony; Gerald F. Harrington, 55, of Oakland, Calif.; Mrs. Phoebe Page Adams, daughter of the man for whom the town of Page was named; Mrs. Mary A. Knapp, 85, a resident of Inman for more than a half-century; Harry Campbell, 59, died in Los Angeles, Calif., following an operation; Casper P. Uhl, 69, from a stroke; Michael M. Min-ton, 55, of Albuquerque, N.M.

One Year Ago A circus visited O'Neill. Deaths: Mrs. David Stannard, 88; J. F. Melena, 73, of Amelia; James M. Whidden, 84, of Chambers; Art Schumann, 61, a farmer near Butte, who was pinned under his tractor; Julia Schneider, 71, of Atkinson. A truck went berserk at the east edge of town and landed on the parking terrace of the Edward Verzal and D. D. DeBolt residences.

Page WCTU Meets and Elects—

PAGE—Members of the WCTU met at the home of Mrs. Dora Townsend Friday, August 23, and the following officers were elected. Mrs. Dora Townsend, president; Mrs. Floyd Wertz, vice-president; Mrs. Edgar Stauffer, secretary and treasurer. Mrs. Mary Mewmaw was chosen department director of child welfare; Mrs. Edgar Stauffer, Christian citizenship; Mrs. Hattie Carson, parliamentary; Mrs. Rollie Snell, flower mission and relief; Mrs. Dora Townsend, scientific temperance instruction; Mrs. Louise Heiss, spiritual life; Mrs. Morwyn French, sr., temperance education.

The county organization presented the group with the book, "Cup of Fury" by Upton Sinclair. The Page unit was organized in 1909. Two of the charter members, Mrs. Ethel Coover Park and Mrs. Louie Downey, are still residents of Page. The hostess served refreshments.

Graduates from Normal School — LYNCH—Sp. 2/c James Lueken, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin A. Lueken, recently was graduated from the Seventh army non-commissioned officer academy in Germany.

A squad leader in company A of the 14th armored cavalry regiment in Fulda, he successfully completed a four-week course in leadership, map reading and other military subjects. Specialist Lueken, a 1955 graduate of Lynch high school, entered the army last January and completed basic training at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo. He was a school teacher for district C-5 in Santee before entering the army.

Danny Holsclaw celebrated his seventh birthday anniversary at a theatre party for his little friends Saturday, August 24. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Holsclaw.

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