

PrairieLand Talk

"On Babysitting"

By ROMAINE SAUNDERS, 4129 South 51st St., Lincoln 6, Nebr.

A new money making job is now open for the ladies — and it is called baby sitting. Not often mere babies to sit by and keep an eye on them, but childish figures too young to be left alone if both mother and dad are away for a few hours on business or pleasure bent.



Romaine Saunders

Under the sod and the dew awaiting the judgment day! Under the one the blue, under the other the grey. Now the last who wore the grey during the war between the North and the South has gone to the abode of the dead.

It was a week in February, 1904, P. J. McManus had gone to Chicago to select his spring stock of merchandise. . . C. J. Kelly was in from his farm a day that week to have a crippled arm fixed up by the M.D. . . Mrs. Sam Berge was recovering from a severe illness. . . D. A. Doyle offered for sale full patent flour, every sack guaranteed, for \$2 a hundred pounds.

A friend of PrairieLand Talker down at Columbus closes her cordial greetings to me by writing herself down as my "Scotch-Irish" friend. Mrs. Lawson is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Hagerty, now in the abode of the dead here at O'Neill and former citizen of the city.

Editorial

Women and Fashions

Wahoo Newspaper

It seems that even the leading fashion experts of the female sex are at last becoming concerned with the increasing trend among women to adopt male fashions. In fact, one prominent feminine expert in the fashion field recently reported that the adoption of male styles by women is an indication that hundreds of thousands of women are becoming too tough.

This fashion expert concluded that the current vogue among some of the younger set of wearing scuffly clothes, with cropped hair, hollow eyes, and chest to match, is evidence of an inner revolt which is robbing the average female of her femininity.

One theory, advanced in Great Britain, is that the trend toward masculinity among women, and toughness, has caused a decline in the number of British men who truly like women. Love poems, for example, are said to be dying for want of inspiration.

The Unofficial Tax Guide

Ord Quiz

The New Year, in addition to its usual quota of headaches from over imbibing, this year will bring another when residents here will start being assessed for taxes. Formerly assessments were made from about March 10 to April 20, a date that was awkward from several points of view, say taxing people.

The Guide has been around a long time of course, but this year it will have an official status since this

From a beautiful spot away yonder in the Land of the Pilgrims Pride came a beautiful Christmas card to PrairieLand Talker, the card accompanied by a cordial word from Mrs. Blanche Summers who is a native daughter of the O'Neill community.

Another step along the highway of time brings us to the year 1960. Elections — local, state and national, when the voters have their say just by putting an X here and there on the slip of paper that has the names of candidates — the privilege, the duty, of every citizen that has made America the great country it is.

He steps from one difficulty to encounter another. Gov. Brooks may not have anticipated what whirls about the chief executive's chair down at the State House — but maybe he likes it. One of the latest "mud balls" thrown at Mr. Brooks came from the highway department, the head of that department quiting the job as he tossed a final farewell salute to the governor.

Doc Middleton, Kid Wade, Billy Reed, Belle Shields, Dutcher Brothers — Yes, Holt county had its touch of the "Wild West." And it had those of outstanding ability to promote the better way of life. Father Cassidy, Bartley Blaine, N. S. Lovrie, pioneers in Christian service promoting the spiritual interest, and such as John Bland and Kate Mann in educational work. Ewing had their John Tromerhauser, Imman Lew Shanon with his little stock of hats and caps, boots and shoes, Page that took the name of a pioneer school teacher, Mrs. Page, Atkinson, Stuart, up at Dustin, down at Amelia and Chambers, Dorsey and Scottville — men and women in these communities ever alert to promote the best things in life.

TV—what we see and hear on that little box-like bit of furniture in the corner. And TV, they vanish. Yes, life's pleasures and life's troubles are with us for a day and then vanish. And we travel on, some day at the end of life's trail; and then are we to inherit a never vanishing eternity.

year it has been adopted into the official tax rules by State Tax Commissioner Forrest Johnson.

Mr. Johnson made that move in hopes of providing a fair base on which to tax a refrigerator in Elyria and one of the same make, size and age in Lincoln.

All of which didn't happen last year because Lincoln used the (unofficial) Guide to set values then arbitrarily dropped them some ten or twenty per cent. In essence, that meant you paid more taxes (more to the state, too!) on a six foot, General Electric ice box in Elyria than you did in Lincoln.

Now to deviate from the Guide in affixing a valuation, the assessor must send the facts in the case to the state tax commissioner. He will either deny or affirm the claim.

Taxpayers, of course, still have the right to appeal any valuation to the county board of supervisors who sit each year as a board of evaluation.

Maybe you heard about the father who felt conspicuous in the lingerie department as he searched for his wife's Christmas gift. He noticed people looking at him and thought he had neglected to wash his face properly. When he was approached by a pretty young sales clerk, he asked: "Is my face dirty or is it my imagination?"

"Your face is clean," she replied, "but I don't know about your imagination."

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Frontiers Ago

30 YEARS AGO

Ed Gallagher, Hugh Birmingham and John Mullen, who are attending the state university, are home for the holidays. . . A. J. Shearer, who lives near Chambers, was in the city Monday. Mr. Shearer says the roads in his section are yet in an impassible condition, for either wagon or bob sleds with a load, in fact people are having a hard time to get through with a buggy. . . Bob Cook came down from his Tripp county homestead last Friday to spend a few days at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Cook, northwest of O'Neill. . . Adv: For Christmas you can buy nothing better for your sweet heart or husband than a nice box of Lincoln or Pride of O'Neill Cigars. . . F. M. Wade sold his farm two and a half miles north of this city to F. Boggs of Iowa for \$8,000, or \$40 an acre. Mr. Wade has owned the place only two years and has cleaned up \$2,800 on his investment. Mr. Boggs will move here with his family next spring.

20 YEARS AGO

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Donohoe announce the birth of a daughter on Tuesday, December 26. . . Mr. and Mrs. William Luten received word that their son, Carl, has joined the air service in the U. S. Army in San Francisco. . . Saturday forenoon the first snow of the season started falling and has continued intermittently ever since, with a total fall of four and one-half inches registered on the official weather gauge at the courthouse. . . Mrs. Frank Gaper, of Boulder, Colo., and her sister, Mrs. George Withers, of Amelia were in the city last week. It was the first time since 1909 that Mrs. Gaper had visited the city. . . Marriage licenses: Gerald Phalin, O'Neill and Miss Mary Bell, Grasslands, N. Y.; Theodore Jarvis, of O'Neill and Miss Maryon Cooper, O'Neill. . . Deaths: Elmer Crosser, 66, Imman resident; Mahlon H. Nuttelmann, 33, Holt county resident.

10 YEARS AGO

Mr. and Mrs. Larabee Kelly have been home 2 until 5 o'clock in the afternoon and from 7 to 9 in the evening at their home in Page Tuesday, December 27, in celebration of their golden wedding anniversary. . . Dr. E. J. Bill, 72, Page, took his first airplane ride Wednesday December 21, when he left from Grand Island for Portland, Ore. He plans to visit relatives there before going on to Ladysmith, British Columbia, Canada, to visit his other brother, Oscar E. Bill, who is in "poor" health. . . Pvt. James Uraub telephoned his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Harrington, on Friday evening, from Adak, Alaska. Private Uraub lived with the Harringtons prior to enlisting in the army. . . Miss Audrey Brunkhorst arrived last Thursday, December 22, from Plainview, Tex., where she had been employed. She plans to spend some time here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Brunkhorst. . . Deaths: C. H. Chambers, sr., 77, O'Neill resident; Phillip Sullivan, 77, former Holt county rural school teacher; Mrs. N. G. Miller, 79, Page resident for 38 years.

5 YEARS AGO

A group of ladies gathered in the Louis Nelson home Thursday afternoon, December 23, to help Mrs. Holloway celebrate her 92nd birthday anniversary. They visited informally and enjoyed a lunch of ice cream and a decorated birthday cake, the gift of Mrs. Herman Cook. . . Cpl. Donald Harding, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Harding, returned home last Thursday after spending 16 months in Korea. He entered the army February 5, 1953 and received his discharge Thursday, December 23, at Camp Carson, Colo. . . Guests on Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Sauer were their son and daughters-in-law, Air Force Sgt. and Mrs. Donald Sauer and children of Biloxi, Miss. . . Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Hitchcock left for Hot Springs, Ark., Wednesday with their race horses and trailer house. They will spend the winter there. . . Deaths: Daniel H. Hansen, 65, north-Holt pioneer;

BULL SALE Monday, January 11, 1960 In advent of blizzard conditions or blocked roads, sale will be held one week later Starting at 1:30 p.m. — At the WINNER LIVESTOCK AUCTION WINNER, SOUTH DAKOTA 40 REGISTERED HEREFORD BULLS Coming Two-Year-Olds Pasture-Raised, Not Highly Flitted Ranchers, if you are looking for a good light-colored, curly-coated bull, be sure to attend this sale. Sired by the following MV Shadow 22, Shadow Pioneer, B. H. R. Pioneer 4th, Atomic Mischief and Modest Lamplighter 4th. Tom Laprath, Dallas, S. D. Charles Richey & Son, Wewela, S. D.

Keith Waring, 37, World War II veteran; Harold Stewart, 32, Inman native; Mrs. Susanna Black, 87, resident of the Verdell community.

Stuart News

By Mrs. Herb Skala

Mrs. Johanna Ramm and Mrs. Gene Ramm spent December 19 at Woodlake visiting Mrs. Dewey Belleville and family.

The Sand Creek Improvement club met Thursday, Dec. 17 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Koel for a covered dish dinner and gift exchange. Twelve members and their husbands attended. Mystery sisters were revealed and new ones were drawn for the coming year. A quiz contest given by Mrs. Vincent Olson. A shuin-gift will be sent to Mr. Joe Schmaderer, sr.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. S. E. Timmerman on January 21. A demonstration on baking and frosting an angel food cake will be given.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Stracke of Atkinson were Sunday evening, Dec. 20 callers of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stracke.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Herrn of Norfolk, Va., arrived Friday evening, Dec. 18 to visit Gene's sister, Mrs. Ade Cadwallader and family. They left Monday morning to visit another sister, Mrs. Albert Gurnsey and family at Bassett.

December 20 evening callers of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Cadwallader were Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gurnsey and boys of Bassett and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hoffman and girls.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Burns of Valentine spent Wednesday, Dec. 23 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Ramm and family.

Sunday, Dec. 20 dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Timmerman were Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hansen and family of Amelia.

Gary Addison of Wayne State Teachers college is spending his Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Addison.

Tom Bigelow of Omaha arrived home December 20 evening, Dana Bigelow of Lincoln arrived home Saturday evening to spend their Christmas vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dana Bigelow. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hamik of Lincoln came Tuesday to spend the holiday season with Mr. and Mrs. Dana Bigelow and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hamik, sr. Barbara Bigelow of Omaha arrived Wednesday to spend Christmas visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dana Bigelow.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cadwallader spent Friday, Dec. 18 visiting Mr. and Mrs. Dale Nelson and family at Mankato.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Brayton and family spent the weekend, Dec. 12-13 in Hastings visiting Bob's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dean.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Chaney of Fayetteville, Ark., arrived in Stuart December 21 evening to spend the holidays with Mrs. Earl Chaney and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Shaid, other friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Laursen and family of O'Neill were Sunday, Dec. 20 dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cletus Durr.

Karen Gillispie arrived home Friday evening, Dec. 18 from the University at Lincoln to spend the holiday season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Gillispie.

Alberta Hoffman spent from Monday till Friday, Dec. 14-18 visiting Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hoffman and boys of Napier. While there she attended the school program.

Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Hoffman attended the program where Miss Scholz is the teacher. Grandchildren (the Gene Hoffman children) took part. Mrs. Henry Hamik accompanied Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Hoffman.

GS 2 (SS) Donald Moses, USS Gray Back (SSG 574) c/o FPO., San Francisco, Calif., arrived home December 20 to spend a fortnight with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Moses. He will return to duty January 15.

Those who enjoyed a pre-Christmas 6 o'clock dinner with Mr. and Mrs. George Hitchcock were Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Greenfield and girls of Newport, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Shaid, Mr. and Mrs. Don Shaid and boys and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Chaney of Fayetteville, Ark.

Bill Hovey of Onawa, Ia., has arrived home to spend a two week's vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Hovey.

Mrs. Larry Heyne was honored at a pink and blue shower Thursday evening, Dec. 17 at the home of Mrs. Stan Cobb. She received many lovely gifts. Lunch was served by the hostesses, Mrs. Stan Cobb, Mrs. Wes Cobb and Mrs.

Don Shaid. Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Kaup had a Christmas party Sunday afternoon, Dec. 20. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Weichman and family, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Kaup and family, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Olsberding and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Kaup and family and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Glig and family. Later in the afternoon Romanus Kaup of Windsor, Colo., called to wish them a Merry Christmas as they could not be present. The afternoon was spent opening gifts and taking pictures. A turkey dinner was served.

Those attending the funeral of Herman Lauping at Creighton were Mrs. Anna Kaup, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kaup, sr. and Mrs. Ben Kaup, Mr. and Mrs. Aloys Kaup, sr., Mr. and Mrs. Frank Steinhauer and son, Francis Steinhauer, Mr. and Mrs. Aloys Kaup, jr., Mr. and Mrs. Ferd Kaup, Mr. and Mrs. E. Kramer and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Klup and Mrs. J. P. Murphy.

The Eastern Star met in the chapter room Monday, Dec. 14. Officers elected were: Mrs. Henry Waechter, worthy matron; Ora Yarges, worthy patron; Mrs. James Newman, assistant matron; Robert Brayton, assistant patron; Mrs. Clara Yarges, conductress; Mrs. Clifford McGregor, assistant conductress; Mrs. Len Roberts, treasurer and Mrs. Wilbur Moon, secretary.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Kaiser and family, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kliment and family of Wausa, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Soneck and James Dobias and family of Atkinson, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dobias and family of Atkinson, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Kliment, Jr. and family of Atkinson, Ivan Kliment of Atkinson and Mr. and Mrs. Norbert Dobias and family of Atkinson were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Kliment, sr.

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arrive Thursday. Mike Liddy who is attending Nebraska University, is home to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Liddy. Mr. and Mrs. Elroy Lieb gave a party Friday evening for their bowling team. Those who attended were Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Juracek and Lyle, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Juracek, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Herberg, Bruce and Paul and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Derickson, Gregory and Pamela.

NOTICE TO TAX PAYERS Assessing date has been changed to January 1 to February 29

All property will be assessable as of January 1st. Everyone between the age of 21 and 60 are required by law to file a schedule for head tax and personal property. If you are under 21 and over 60 and own property, you are required to make a personal property schedule. All personal property schedules will be checked against mortgages that are on record and spot checks will be made to determine if personal property is assessed correctly.

If you are administrator or guardian of an estate, you are required by law to make out a schedule for the estate. There is a severe penalty attached to the law. If you are an administrator or guardian and do not understand the law, you had better consult your attorney in regard to the law so you can assess the property correctly. This law also applies to property that is not in estates. If you own real estate that a trailer house is sitting on, you are required by law to notify the assessor about the trailer house.

Precinct assessors will start to work January 4th. The precinct assessor will only work during the month of January except where the assessor has the town and precinct also, then a longer period will be allowed. If weather conditions are good, the precinct assessors will be anxious to get their work done as soon as possible. Please cooperate with them in getting your assessing done as soon as possible. Rules and regulations set forth by the State Tax Commissioner will be followed by all assessors.

Business schedules will be mailed out, personal schedules will be available at the Court House or from any assessor.

THE PRECINCT ASSESSORS ARE: Antelope and Iowa—Roger Bowen Page Atkinson pct. & Atkinson vill.—Walter Pucket Atk. Fire House Belle & Rock Falls—Levi Hull O'Neill Chambers pct. & vill. & Conley—H. R. Farrier Chambers (At Newhouse Sundries) Cleveland & Dustin—Charles Mulford Stuart Coleman—Francis Rohde O'Neill Deloit—Albert Latzel Ewing Emmet pct. & vill.—Paul Newton Emmet Ewing pct. & vill. & Golden—Archie Tuttle Ewing Gamble Store Fairview—Harlan Kubart Amelia Francis—Robert Lemmer Atkinson Green Valley—Robert LeMunyan Atkinson Holt Creek—Earl E. Dickau Atkinson Imman pct. & vill.—Vernon Davis Imman Josie, Swan & Wyoming—Raymond Ely Amelia Lake & McClure—Omar McClenahan Ewing Paddock—Fred Lindberg O'Neill Pleasant View—Joe Wagman Atkinson Sand Creek—Quintin Hiekk Stuart Saratoga—Ralph S. Coburn Atkinson Scott—Howard Wells Redbird Shamrock—Henry Weber Chambers Sheridan—Charles Kubart Atkinson Shields—Francis Sullivan O'Neill Steel Creek—C. L. Brady Lynch Stuart pct. & vill.—Max Karo Stuart Light Plant Verdigris pct. & Page vill.—R. G. Gray Page Coop. Assn. Willowdale—Bob Tomlinson O'Neill Grattan—Marvin Clouse O'Neill O'Neill—Ed Quinn At the Court House WM. WEFSo, County Assessor

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