

Prairie Land Talk

"Six Weeks Til Frost"

By ROMAINE SAUNDERS, 4110 South 51st St., Lincoln 6, Nebr.

We shook hands and had a few minutes together this morning, two old timers that knew Holt county in earlier times. My friend, Dr. Johnson, now a practicing physician of many years experience, as a young man lived in the Inman community...



Romaine Saunders

Another summer month now past. September is here again as we march along the road that leads to winter and then days to come leading to the winter of life. Warm and frequent rains, good growing weather, conditions unusually favorable for starting another winter wheat crop...

A Nebraska youth shot and killed by the owner of a few ripening watermelons who should be dealt with on a charge of murder. A melon worth more than a human life! Had I caught that prairie wolf fifty years ago as it was going after one of the best melons in my garden there may have been a dead coyote...

Editorial

Is it Impossible?

County and state fairs are in progress all over the mid-west. The last big family event of the summer will now be followed by gathering in the crops and then, for most farm families, comes winter, with chores and the job of getting the kids to and from school.

As For Lobbying

The words "lobbying" and "lobbyist" have always carried a somewhat sinister meaning in the mind of the average individual. Why this is so has never been clearly or satisfactorily explained. As a matter of fact, every person who exercises any thinking for or against legislative proposals in Congress or in the state legislatures is a lobbyist...

The first Katiedid told us the evening of August 30 that it will be six weeks until frost. Sweat a while yet.

The great and the small that once were part of the O'Neill picture are here no more. M. P. Kinkaid was one of the greatest, Dave Sulkerk one of the nobodies. The building where Kinkaid holed up still stands at Fourth and Douglas streets. I no not what has become of the Sulkerk house that stood 70 years ago on Fremont street between First and Second streets...

The song of prairie birds the human ear delights to hear. Brings a smile to grouchy lips, checks the flow of sorrowing tears. The far flung open landscape robed in summer green, its lovely beauty the choicest of nature's scene. The green beneath, the blue above arouses in us an admiring love.

Our Governor Brooks is a sick man, much under the watchful eye of nurse and doctor. The two candidates for president of our country, one a crippled leg, the other an affected throat. Yes, the great among us are as U and I, made of flesh and bones that at times grunts and groans.

It is known as a State Fair. Fair or unfair it draws the crowds. Something to go to, things to be seen, amusement and the races. It was reported that on the second day of the 1960 State Fair, 97,000 citizens attended the fair. Races, not the horse races that we had in Al Heilemans and Ed Tierney's day at the O'Neill county fair but race mad guys at the steering wheel of an automobile whirling like mad around the track.

Hot?—Sit in the shade. Cold?—Turn on the heat.

purposefully or inadvertently would deny the right of citizens to express their opinion. Granted that this is a strong accusation and would be disputed by IRS it cannot be denied that the regulation originated from a small group in government which has consistently advocated public ownership of power facilities and has just as consistently be-rated advertising as being an economic impediment.

If the regulation was intended to add revenue to the coffers of the U. S. Treasury it might serve some justifiable end even though the means employed is questionable in implying that citizens who lobby for or against legislation affecting their business are in the category of charlatans. Or if the lawmakers at state and national levels clamped a gag on lobbying by bureaucrats within the government because of its costly burden on taxpayers, the smell of the regulation would be less malodorous.

What the IRS regulation does is to say to citizens, be they individuals or corporations: "While the law permits you to deduct for income tax purposes all ordinary and necessary business expenses, if those expenses involve expressing your opinion on legislation that might ruin your business, it will cost you through the prohibition against deducting such expenses." What the regulation does not say is: "You would be foolish to spend money on advertising to express your opinions on legislation, even though proposed law might put you out of business and you consider it necessary business expense for your survival, because you cannot deduct the expense of the advertising. You should realize that you cannot cope with the lobbying by those in official positions, so why try?"

Regardless of the impression which some folks have of lobbying it represents a form of freedom that should not be imperiled by the exercise of queer philosophies such as appear to be the basis for the IRS regulation that is a deterrent to lobbying. The best way to clean up lobbying of the corrupt type, whether in or out of government circles, is for every citizen to become a lobbyist.



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Frontiers Ago

50 YEARS AGO

J. B. Mellor has been selected a member of the jury at the next term of the United States Circuit court which will be held at Norfolk on September 19. P. J. Fritchhoff of Celia was an O'Neill visitor last Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Fritchhoff returned two weeks ago from Sweden where they had spent the past eight months visiting relatives and friends in the land of their birth.

25 YEARS AGO

Everything is in readiness for the great O'Neill Free Day, which is next Wednesday, and if you want to spend a delightful day and witness some splendid entertainment, do not fail to come here that day and be the guest of the business and professional men of O'Neill. Mrs. C. C. Marr of Walthill, Nebr., is the winner of the state speaking contest sponsored by the Nebraska Farm Bureau Federation during the state fair. Mrs. Marr was formerly Helen Sausser of O'Neill.

10 YEARS AGO

In a scene that was reminiscent of 1891 and 1900, Holt county draftees boarded a bus here at 3:45 p.m. Tuesday and headed off to a new war. Members of the group were: Ernest H. Durre, jr. of Ewing; Emil Junior Adamson of O'Neill; Maynard G. Morrow of O'Neill; Francis Lavette Moore of Atkinson; Richard M. Schmit of Atkinson; Oran W. Long of O'Neill; Edwin J. Nachtman of Amelia and Bruce Van Ostrand of Ewing. Joel Birmingham of Atkinson was to join the group at Fort Crook. Two Amelia youths, Donald Withers and Donald Fullerton, captured a purple ribbon award and were judged the best demonstration team at the Nebraska state fair in Lincoln last week.

5 YEARS AGO

Mrs. Earl Eppenbaugh of O'Neill has been announced the winner of a freer in Admiral's "count the circles" contest. Charles E. Chace, Atkinson attorney, Monday was elevated from vice-commander to commander of District II (Holt) of the Nebraska department of the American Legion. An enthusiastic group of member-workers of the O'Neill Community Concert association attended a banquet at the Knights of Columbus hall, Sunday, September 11, to launch the 1955-56 membership drive for this area.

Bus Schedule

Table with bus routes and times for Sioux City, Winner, Omaha, and Valentine.

The Long Ago At Chambers

50 YEARS AGO

F. H. Leonara left Monday for a trip through Kansas and Missouri. The Chambers Band is playing at Sheridan today at the Kinkaid picnic. Purley is banching cattle, getting ready to make another shipment. Mrs. Rose McGowen, wife of C. L. McGowen, passed away last Tuesday.

25 YEARS AGO

Miss Flora Grimes who is a nurse in the Queen's Hospital in Honolulu and her sister, Mrs. Paul Gaiser of Lincoln have been visiting relatives and friends in Chambers since Sept. 7th. Mrs. Ed Porter called on Mrs. Arnie Mace Wednesday afternoon. At a beautiful ceremony Sunday evening at 7 o'clock Miss Beata Dan, S.D., the carpenters are building some new buildings at the Fair grounds.

Smoke from "Brandin' Iron" Crick

By J. C. Fudd

Things is pretty jumpy along the Crick this week. Folks has took to locking their doors and staying inside after the sun goes down. As much as they reasonably can.

There's a varmit loose in the neighborhood. Nobody knows what it rightly is. Nobody has seen it close enough to actually swear to, but there are them that have heard it, seen it's tracks and got their own opinions. One thing everyone agrees on, it's big, it's savage and it's a killer. Newt Bundy discovered it first. Went up to the steer pasture to take up some mineral after the last electric storm and found one of the steers (The little brindle one he bought off of Orley Hinch) deader than a melt and half eat up. Claims he went up close to see if it was lightning struck (on account of the insurance claim) and by Gravy, there was tracks big enough to make a grizzly bear jealous. Newt's theory is, the critter was killed by lightning, then this big cougar, he thinks it was, came in to fill up. Don't know if the insurance company will pay off yet or not.

The next night, Tuesday, after Newt saw the tracks, Alex George's was coming home from the cattle sale kinda late. They stopped to open the gate. Mrs. Alex was sitting in the idiot's seat but wouldn't budge so Alex had to do the honors while the Mrs. slid over and drove through. They claim it was a good thing he did. He'd just got the gate laid flat when he saw something moving out of the corner of his eye. Looked as big as a box car and kinda striped or spotted. It gave off with the awfulest snarl and yowl, scared Mrs. Alex out of seven years growth. She tromped down on the gas and would have left Alex in a cloud of dust if he hadn't caught hold of the stock rack and swung up as she over and drove through. The thing clawed at him as they sailed past. (Probably just scared.)

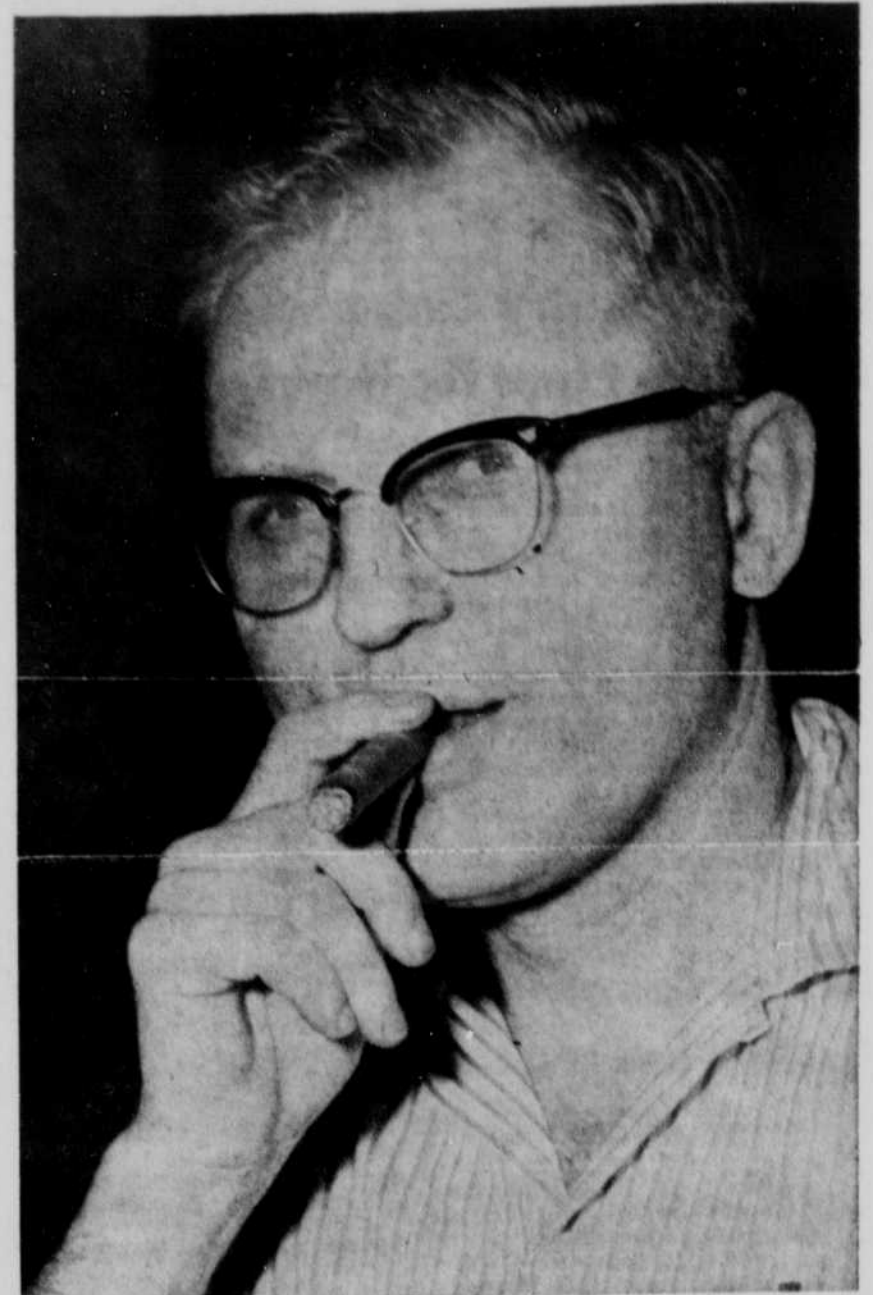
Otty Camber claims he saw it Wednesday night over south of Widow Barker's. It was moving along a fence row, he says all sort of scooted over. He claims it was either a timber wolf or Little Joe Hinch. Little Joe just grins real irritating and says it was probably a wolf driving a red compact job looking at his own shadow. Old Man Chinn is busy setting traps. If he don't catch it within the next few days a hunt will be organized along the Crick. See you next week.

"The EDITOR"

Sam Levenson says that aptitude tests to find out just what a child is best fitted for are being used widely in today's schools. For instance a class of eighth graders were so tested only to find that they were best fitted for the seventh grade. We've been reading some old "quotes" lately. One, "Whip your child every day, you may not know why but the child does." Imagine charging in on the boy with a strap and yelling "now see here you, we have had just enough of this!" He would probably shrug it off and decide that pa had been overcome with the heat. We might come out of it feeling pretty poorly. —BJR—

Do You Know Your Neighbor?

"Know Your Neighbor" is not a contest. There are no prizes given for correctly identifying the person pictured. The only reward is the satisfaction of knowing your neighbor.



Didn't you recognize Cal Stewart and his cigar.



Here's an easy one to guess this week.

AUCTION

To be held at the place located 2 Miles west and 1 and 1/2 north of Chambers on—

Tuesday, Sept. 20

Sale starts at 1 p.m. Lunch on grounds by Bethany Ladies

112 HEAD OF CATTLE 112

- 18 Milk Cows - Holstein, Brown Swiss, Guernsey. Some milking now others fresh in December. All good young cows
11 Hereford Cows, registered, pedigree will be furnished. 2 to 7 years old. Seven with calves at side, eligible to register
3 Guernsey Heifers, 2 years old to freshen soon
8 Yearling Registered Hereford heifers
13 Mixed stock cows, 10 with calves at side
5 Yearling Hereford heifers
3 Registered yearling Hereford bulls
21 Hand fed spring calves

21 HEAD HOGS 21

21 Feeder Pigs

MACHINERY

- 1 Auto guide cable rack on rubber, heavy duty
1 Tractor wench, fits H or M
1 A hay stacker mounted on wheels
1 Manure loader
1 DeLaval milking machine 73.4 unit capacity, used 3 months
1 IHC Self washing cream separator, good. Some milk pails

Approximately 300 tons hay 20 stacks Prairie hay Alfalfa, 1, 2 and 3 cuttings

TERMS: Cash. No property to be removed until settled for.

Mr. & Mrs. Howard Beed

Col. Ed. Thorin, O'Neill — Roy Kirwan, Butte, auctioneers. Chambers State Bank, clerk