Prairieland Talk

"Used to Give Them Away"

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Making "big money" these modern days. And

the house they call a "basement apartment" \$50 a month rent. My seven room house in O'Neill some 65 years ago could not get a renter to pay me \$5 a month for it. The clerk at the store today asked me for 16 cents for one tomato. Told her to keep it. Twenty years ago down there in Swan precinct I got 50 cents for a half bushel

Romaine of red ripe beauties. And just Saunders a year or two ago daughter and her husband and two girls from California and I visited Tom and Ruth Baker a few miles west of Amelia. Tom stepped out to his back yard garden, then came in with a peck of choice Nebraska tomatos which he gave to those California visitors, free for nothing. They have nice looking ones in that Pacific coast state but good only to look at. At one time we dropped a 5 cent coin in the collection plate at church. Now they expect a dollar.

Hot and rainless summer days in Montana, Wyoming, aand parts of the Dakotas is the story we hear. It takes us back in memory to those terrible day in 1894 when hot winds fanned the prairies of Holt county and growing crops withered and died. Most of our state this summer enjoys good growing weather, rain as needed. Some of our city all on prairieland looks well.

to say recently our nation's chief executive thinks a recount would install the other gent in the White House and hopes he will come and take over. Is Mr. Kennedy sick of the job already?

A man and wife conducting each a separate business in the same building on south 48th Street four blocks from where I am parked, he a barber, she a magazine peddler.

which ma, dad and daughter ride.

Here are the names of a few notable citizens "big money" goes to meet the living demands of of the O'Neill community some 70 years ago, hardly the day in which we now live. A block up the street their equal to be found anywhere: W. D. Matthews, from where my typewriter is parked a hole under M. P. Kinkaid, M. F. Harrington, R. R. Dickson, B. S. Gillespie, A. F. Mullen. Lawyers, politicians and Matthews the editor. Oddly enough hardly one of them would speak or have anything to do with others of the group. They worked their heads. But there was Jim Davidson and Jim Triggs who worked with their hands and were always at it. Gone today, the intellectual giants and the humble worker with his hands. And time moves on as we of the genus homo come and go. Do your best today, tomorrow you may be laid away.

> I sit idle in the shade this warm summer day, E. J. Mack. C. W. Moss, S. E. and think of Bly and Berry and Baker out there in Kelly and William Bokhof were the hot sun putting up hay.

State Senator Orme tells me that she was one [of a small group of Lincoln notables that recently made a trip out in the state to visit a community that promotes an irrigation project, the group from Lincoln being sponsored by one of the city banks. Mrs. Orme said she greatly enjoyed the trip and her visit to that beautiful spot on prairieland that is adorned in summer green kept fresh and growing by the waters of the Platt river flowing to irrigate.

And now an air force captain trys it on a trip out into the vast expanse of space. There are others, humble citizens of this troubled old world, men, women, children, who hope to go some day out into space to return no more until the world is spoken farmers have been out to count the ears of corn bringing forth "a new heaven and a new earth." and tell us we are to harvest a full crib of corn. And A trip out into space today is scarcely a step toward the nearest shining star. But when this mortal becomes immortal, a Heavenly Being by your side, According to what one news man on the air had the distance to that better world mean nothing.

Prairieland is robed in summer green, the golden rod and prairie rose their beauty shed and add a touch of bright color to the scene. I go again in memory along the velvet green beneath and the bright blue above, the meadow lark pouring forth its song of joy and a jack rabbit bounds away from the one it considers its mortal foe. And then I come upon it-a "blow out" with its drifting sand where no beautiful flowers bloom. A spot along the Arabian horses are now it among horseback way to remind us of times of sorrow and tear stained riders. High headed beauties they are. But is there days somewhere awaiting along life's highway bea nag today that equals the little native brones had fore the journey is dnoe. We pause a moment with on prairieland until recent times. Here in the city the sand filled blow out before us; then turn away we rarely see a horse but I know one family who and move on amid the charming scenes nature's has taken over a spot on the outskirts of the city Artist has painted. So along life's highway we go where they have not just one but two or three horses with smiles and joy among our fellow travelersand now and then to shed a tear.

Editorial

What Does It Really Cost?

Kan:, to bring air service to north-central Nebraska has apparently met with approval of many towns ways would probably offer top service, their airalong the proposed route. C. E. Walts, president of craft is modern and should it be necessary to make the airline, made a tour of these cities a week ago a trip by air would undoubtedly be a pleasant plane and judging from stories and pictures appearing in to fly in. papers published in these towns, made quite an impression on both the editors and city officials who offers us something for nothing. Hi-Plains has ofviewed the plane.

However, we can not say that we were either impressed or enlightened by Mr. Walts' stop in O'Neill. Moreover we were surprised that O'Neill merchants should be so impressed with the commuter service offering two round trips daily to the community of your choice. We were particularly surprised that they should be so much in favor of "being able to board a plane in O'Neill in the return home in the evening.

However, the chamber of commerce is apparently in favor of this service according to a letter sent to the Civil Aeronautics Board asking service for O'Neill from Hi-Plains.

We notice also one last sentence in a paragraph of Hi-Plains' pamphlet asking for support. A line which says, "Air mail and air express will also be

A proposal by Hi-Plains Airways of Hill City, serving O'Neill but we'll bet it will be substantial. In all frankness we must say that Hi-Plains air-

However, we are always skeptical when someone fered us air service. We know what the passenger ticket is going to cost. When we find out what the real cost of the service is going to be in lost business and government subsidies, then perhaps we'll be better able to judge just how badly we want "two round trips daily to Omaha."

COATESVILLE, PA., RECORD: "Washington ever is willing to take on another job, no matter morning, spend the day SHOPPING in Omaha, and how full its hand may be with the problems it already has failed to solve. An appropriation of \$10 million is asked for fighting juvenile delinquency Meanwhile, in Washington, D. C., which depends entirely upon the Federal Government's knowhow to keep crime down, the local papers are full of news of a crime wave and juvenile delinquency."

SHELBY, MONT., PROMOTER: "An old and very wise Frenchman remarked after the collapse of his country in World War II: 'My country fell Although it appears to be only an after thought, because we had come to consider France as a cow we feel quite sure that this is the main reason for to be milked rather than watchdog to be fed.' This serving O'Neill. Mr. Walts has not told us just what was after France had been burdened with all man-



Frontiers

The Republican County convention met in the Oddfellows hall Wednesday and was called to order by R. R. Dickson. . . This county was visited with a splendid rain last Saturday night. Gene Sullivan went down to Ewing last Friday where he had boxing contest with a youngster of that section whom he put down in the third round. . . Annual visit of the Rt. Rev. George F. Beecher will be made to St. Paul's Episcopal church here Sunday. . . Dell Akin, Editor York, among the Atkinson delegates attending the Republican conven-

25 YEARS AGO Quite a large number of inquiries have been received at the Agricultural Agent's office regarding blister beetles. . . Chicken thieves visited at the home of Joseph Schollmeyer in the Scotville neighborhood July 4 and stole 200 of his chickens. O'Neill resident, Gertrude Bauman, passed away in Thermopolis, Wyo., July 3 where she was visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bauman. . . Bids will be received for the building of a tile schoolhouse in District 196.

10 YEARS AGO

The third annual American Legion sponsored two-day celebration will begin with a parade, followed by ball games, dancing and a presentation of the National Air Shows. . . Atkinson farm woman, Mrs. Stanley Rzeszotarski, 74, dies at home of her son. . Twin children of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Moore, are able to leave incubator; Kathy now weighs '9 pounds, 13 ounces, and Kevin weighs 10 pounds, 7 ounces. . . Rains plague farmers in area. . . Charley Ermer, lifelong Holt resident, dies July 7.

5 YEARS AGO

Verne Reynoldson as commander American Legion Simonson Post 93. . . Former O'Neill resident, Mrs. Clarence Hicks, 55, dies at Lexington. . Services held July 11 for Mrs. Otto Smith, 72, Atkinson resident. . . Doris Henderson, Orchard, and Carroll D. Marcellus, Stuart, wed June 30 at Ewing ceremony.

The Long Ago At Chambers

50 YEARS AGO

Dr. H. D. Gildersleeve succeeds The famous Rainbow Dance, por-

The Fourth in Chambers passed off very smooth and it was a day free from accidents, no fights or drunks. . . Mrs. McBride and Mrs. Risor have been visiting their sister. Mrs. George Major, and have now returned to their home in Fremont. . . The young people are giving to Clyde Putnam a warm welcome this week, he having come up from Sioux City to celebrate here. . Smith Brothers advertise the choicest stock of candy at 15 cents a pound. . .

traying all the rainbows gorgeous colors by the use of a dress containing nearly 200 yards of material, will be given here Satur-

25 YEARS AGO

Funeral services held July 6 for Mrs. Jim Gibson and infant son. . .Three accidents here in past week with one fatality, Gravel Inspector Harold C. Johnson of Yuma, Colo. . . Calvin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Crandall, receives painful burns when fireworks catch on fire in his pants pocket. . . High temperatures and strong winds fail to keep attendance down at July 4 celebration.

.Seymore Harkins have moved into their new home purchased near Bliss. . . Weather for past week has been very hot and dry and corn will soon need moisture.

Remter Serving on New Missle Cruiser

The Navy's sleek new guided missile light cruiser USS Topeka is practically a tourist attraction in the Western Pacific-it has received more than 24,000 visitors since March.

Serving aboard the Topeka,

which recently left Manila after making a goodwill stopover at the Phillippine city, is Robert R. Remter, hospital corpsman third class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs.

R. Remter, Spencer. The cruiser has traveled more than 40,000 miles since it was commissioned in March 1960 at the Brooklyn Naval Shipyard. Steaming through the Panama Canal the following July, the ship

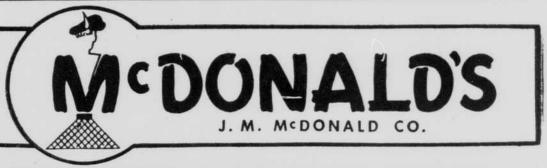
joined the U.S. Pacific Fleet. Since it reported for duty in the Western Pacfic last March, the Topeka, armed with the Terrier guided missile system, has visited such ports as Chinhae, Korea; Nagasaki, Sasebo, Shimoda, Yokosuka and Beppu, Japan, and Naha, Okinawa.

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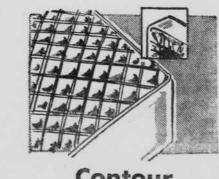
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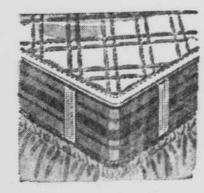
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