

Prairieland Talk

"O'Neillites In Lincoln"

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Two that I know of early day citizens of O'Neill came to the end of life's journey in the city of Lincoln on the highway. Charley Hall a politician and had served as sheriff of Holt County and a little later in life he and his wife and son and daughter came to the city of Lincoln to make their home. Charley got into service in the city police department and when on a race after a runaway prisoner he met with it on the highway. And so was laid away among the dead. Den Hunt was the other. Back in the 1890s a young lad in O'Neill and got into the brick laying work. Some sixty years ago he and his wife, who was the sister of Dan and Will Cronin, early pioneers, came to Lincoln to make their home. And then came to his end on the street in front of his home on 51st and O Street in Lincoln. His wife and their son are still making their home in this community.



Romaine Saunders

I have a letter from Mrs. Fred Harvey, a former O'Neill girl who now lives in Shawnee Mission, Kansas. She is the former Doris Kurtz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Kurtz. At Martins Cafe and Bakery where she was employed she says that she met lots of people among whom was the man she married. He was in O'Neill with his father buying Holt County Blue Grass Seed for a seed company in Kansas City. She writes, "Thank you Mr. Saunders for the trip back to O'Neill each week," (not that often now.) "that I make in happy memories—and of the mention of the many familiar names of those who played their part in my memories of happiness since the late twenties."

One of the last notable events at the old skating rink in the west part of town was the funeral of the noted congressman M. P. Kincaid. Many notable events had been held there and now it is no more. There have been funerals and processions to the grave yard to lay away the remains of some of the town's notables besides Kincaid, R. R. Dickson, John Mann, M. F. Harrington, Neal Brennan, Fred Gatz, J. J. McCafferty and others. Their bodies now at rest on the hill in the abode of the dead where you and I are now headed for.

I recently had a telephone visit with Lou Nissen, our one time mail carrier from Atkinson to Amelia and back again to Atkinson. He and his wife have been living quietly and happily together these winter days here in Lincoln. And has had no word during these long winter days from his sister and her husband up by Amelia. And he plans a trip up there when the weather is more favorable.

Each day at the noon hour we get it. The weather story of what's going on in the way of weather at Valentine, Norfolk, Grand Island, Broken Bow and other places, but never anything from O'Neill. What has become of the O'Neill weather man?

Editorial

Judge Your Paper As a Man

(The following editorial was written by famed Editor William Allen White of the Emporia, Kan., Gazette in 1903.)

The attitude of a man toward his family paper reflects pretty accurately the man's attitude toward life, wrote a philosophic observer.

If the man is critical, persnickety, joyous when he finds a small fault, and snuffy when he sees an honest aspiration—that man has a bad heart. He rejoices when others fall because he has kept his legs only by the accident of circumstances.

If, on the other hand, the man sees the palpable errors of a newspaper with a smile of sympathy, if he views the foibles of its editor with kindly tolerance, if he takes comfort in the honest efforts of the editor to speak the faith that is in him, that man is living a good clean life and if he falls—as every human creature may at any day—a thousand helping hands will stretch out to him, and in his trouble he will be annointed by the kindness of his friends, which after all is the sweetest balm in this big world.

Paper Reflects Some Man

A newspaper is like a man—because generally it reflects some man—and it should be judged as a man should be judged, largely and on the whole. No man lives a perfect life; no editor prints a perfect paper. If an editor is honest, he is bound to offend someone, the editor is namby-pamby and flabby. The same thing is true of the average man. A newspaper is bound to make mistakes; in getting news it must necessarily take hearsay.

But, if, in the long run and in the main, day after day and year after year, a paper stands for decency, for honest thinking and clean living, if it

speaks fair for those who are trying to do good, and condemns sneaks and cheats and low persons, that is a good paper.

Every newspaper and every man has to ask for charity from his friends. If a man or a newspaper got its deserts, life would be a series of miseries.

If All Truth Were Known

Every man takes more from life than he gives; he is in the red at the bank of public kindness, for no one can give to mankind all he takes from civilization, which is mankind's gift to him.

The same again is true of a newspaper. It is weak and human in errors; it gets much from the times that now are; it gives less to them than they do to it. The modern newspaper could not have run in other times. So when the reader condemns a newspaper, he should stop and think what would happen if he too were judged on his merits with all the truth about him known to men.

In The Sight Of All Men

The faults of the newspaper are plain—after the paper is out. A man's faults may be hidden. There are deeds done in darkness. But the newspaper cannot do them; what it does for good or ill must be done in the sight of all men.

So when you find something in this paper or any other that displeases you, gentle reader, hold your temper and your tongue; think what would happen if the editor knew everything you did and said. And if the Lord could forgive Mary of Magdalen—judging her in a large way, crediting her many virtues and her good deeds against those that were weak,—may not erring human men overlook an occasional three-line item that they find in their family newspaper?

Frontiers Ago

50 YEARS AGO

John H. Hopkins, O'Neill, student at Creighton and ball idol of the university, will be appointed deputy sheriff to succeed Adam Sloop, who has been named deputy state oil inspector. Tom Donlan suffered between \$400 and \$500 damages by fire at his residence in the north part of town last Saturday night. Whether the groundhog had any thing to do with it or not, our fine climate took a sudden tumble with the close of January and inside of twenty-four hours, the mercury dropped down the tube about seventy degrees. It got down to ten below and kept hovering around zero for several days.

25 YEARS AGO

Daniel J. Cronin and Miss Mary Morrison were united in marriage in this city on February 13, 1888. Next Sunday the Cronins will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. Next Sunday the Cronins will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. Mrs. Ellen Gallagher died at her home southwest of Inman last Thursday evening after an illness of several months at the age of 83 years. County Attorney Brennan of Butte, was looking after legal business in this city last Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Ruzicka returned Tuesday from a few days visit with relatives and friends at Redfield, S. D. Mr. Ruzicka says their is quite a little snow in that section of South Dakota. Judge Dickson and Reporter McElhane were over at Butte last Monday where they had a short term of district court, returning home the same evening. O'Neill friends received word Monday of the marriage of Miss Margaret Nolan formerly of this city to E. Scott Pursley at Denver.

10 YEARS AGO

Henry Loflin has succeeded Burl Munsell as manager of Gambles store here, one of the largest company-owned stores in Nebraska. A petition was being circulated Wednesday and being signed by O'Neill taxpayers and freeholders asking the city council to consider a 40-thousand-dollar bond issue for swimming pool purposes. An estimated three thousand person, exceeding all expectations filed through the doors last Thursday and Friday to view O'Neill's first annual auto show. A fall on the ice on Sunday, Jan. 26 was blamed for the death of Frank Belmar, sr., 70, retired Chicago and Northwest-ern railroad section foreman. On February 1, Miss Muriel Niles, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Niles of Scottsbluff married Ardie Bright, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ramon Bright, O'Neill.

5 YEARS AGO

Army Pvt. Donald F. Wewel, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wewel, Stuart, was killed Saturday, Feb. 1, when the car in which he was riding left the highway and crashed. James (Jim) Tomlinson, son of Richard Tomlinson, O'Neill, was presented a trophy for the best sportsman of the 21st annual golden gloves held in Norfolk. Fernando Lagos of Argentina, S. A., who is a student at the college of agriculture at the University of Nebr. was a guest of Lyle Heiss at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Heiss, Page. Miss Eleanor Hoehne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony J. O'Donnell of O'Neill, was capped at St. Catherine's school of nursing, Sunday in Omaha. Annual pay increases ranging from \$1,000 to \$1,300 for major county officers was authorized Friday at a meeting of the Holt county supervisors.

The Long Ago At Chambers

50 YEARS AGO

Charles Faquier passed through Chambers Saturday on his way home from O'Neill, the board of supervisors having adjourned until the 11th. Jack Keller became a reader of the Bugle with this issue, having subscribed Monday. A good sized crowd was present at Fred Fitches sale Tuesday in spite of the cold weather, and things sold at a good price. The WCTU will meet at the home of Mrs. R. C. Wry on Thursday, Feb. 13 at 2:30 p.m. Ben Wood was very sick the first of the week with Lambago, but is getting along fine at the present writing. Dr. Corbet will be in O'Neill every day beginning Dec. 1. A large crowd was in attendance at the play "Down in Maine" given in the Band Hall last Thursday evening and from all reports it was highly appreciated.

25 YEARS AGO

Paul Wesley Hardy and Peggy Blanche Hartman surprised their many friends and relatives in California Jan. 15 by slipping quietly away to the Wilshire Wedding Chapel in Hollywood where they were married. Leo T. Adams was transacting business in Grand Island, last Thursday. He was accompanied by Mrs. Adams and they called on the Wilber Edwards family at Cushing. Mrs. Letha Cooke has purchased the Lynn Hanna residence as Lynn and family plan to leave for Idaho some time in the near future. Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Brotherton of Eugene, Ore., are the proud parents of a fine 7 1/2 lb. son, born to them on February 1st. Mrs. Malvina Stromquist and children left Friday for their new location at Wheaton, Mo. We understand that Leon Hertel's expect to move on the Stromquist place in the near future.

Pages Past

50 YEARS AGO

Maden Funk loaded a car load of hogs at Stafford Friday for the Omaha market. Raymond Heiss finished husking 130 acres of corn on the Leonard Heiss farm last Friday, the day before it snowed like fury. Some 25 acres of thrown down corn made 50 bushels to the acre, hard to pick. Alva Townsend invites you to hear songs from Cuba over the store radio. A. T. Crumly, a lad of twelve, daily manifests individual progress in the understanding of dairying and enjoys the privilege of milking cows, separates his own milk and delivers 86 a week therefrom. B. H. French was first prize winner with ten ears of white corn at the Annual State Seed Corn show, also first prize on single ear dent.

About 175 attended the annual feed when the Page Farmers Union held their annual meeting. Board re-elected were N. G. Miller, Anton Nissen and Dave Bowen. The Young Married couples Sunday School class met in the church basement January 5 to eat oysters and pie. The raw oyster eating contest ended in a tie between H. L. Delancy and L. G. Bernholtz. Elyda Kennedy was a Sunday visitor in the Henderson home. Buw Wanser, W. I. Gray, J. E. Smith, J. R. Weber and Art McClure hunted south Sunday and bagged 53 rabbits. Mrs. C. A. Townsend drove to Chambers Friday night to install officers in the Rebekah lodge. Mrs. H. R. Dillard visited relatives in Fremont this week. John Soukup and family settled in Lodi, Calif. Mr. and Mrs. George Hunter celebrated their fourth wedding anniversary with a surprise party.

40 YEARS AGO

Harry Clausen was quite ill the first of the week. The Misses Wood, Murphy and Trowbridge went to Wayne Monday to attend the State Normal. A. E. Riggs

wrote us to send his Reporter to Lomax, Ill. News of Mae Daley's and Susie Lamb's death from fighting fire started by an oil stove in their room, both well known in Page. Clifford Frink, the rustling newsboy, sells the Grit as well. D. A. Jones owns a three year old, 500 lb Duroc sow which gave birth to 30 pigs in one litter and saved 13 of them, a record litter. Mr. and Mrs. John Gray were hosts to the parent-teacher meeting Friday evening. An elegant luncheon was served after the entertainment. Professor Doyle, in his speech, made the startling assertion that cigarette smoking was becoming fashionable among the idle rich women and warned the association to stand together to stamp out that evil. Mrs. Charles Greene left for Burr Oak, Kan., to the bedside of her sick mother, who died before her arrival.

Riverside News

By Mrs. Lionel Gunter

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Fry and family, Mrs. Kitty Fry and the Lee Fink family were supper guests Wednesday at the Willie Shrader home. Rev. and Mrs. Paul Andre and family were dinner guests last Sunday at the Dave Pollock home. Mr. and Mrs. Art Buschard and family called in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Ahlers and Mr. and Mrs. Harry VanHorn visited at the Chet Taylor home last Saturday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Hoke and Clayton visited at the Ralph Shrader home Friday evening. The Wayne Shrader children stayed at the Wilbur Bennett home while their mother and Ina Bennett went to Omaha for Wilbur Bennett who had surgery last

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Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Miller went to Omaha Friday morning, returning home Saturday, their children stayed at the Howard Miller home during their absence. Mrs. Bert Fink helped at the Melvin Napier home Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Miller visited at the Napier home Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Fry, Mrs. Kitty Fry and Mr. and Mrs. Willie Shrader visited Mrs. Otto Retke last Tuesday afternoon in the O'Neill hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Z. H. Fry, who have been vacationing in Coolidge, Ariz., left for home Saturday morning, to be with his sister, Mrs. Otto Retke, who is in the Lady of Lourdes hospital in Norfolk. Steve Napier visited at the George Keller home Sunday afternoon.

The Forum group had a waffle and sausage supper at the church annex Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Fry, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Fry, Mr. and Mrs. Robert McDaniel, Mr. and Mrs. William Loquist, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Napier, Mr. and Mrs. Don Larson and Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Switzer were guests Tuesday evening at the Dale Napier home. Mr. and Mrs. Willie Shrader and family and the Ralph Shrader family were supper guests

Thursday at the Archie Johnston home. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Pierson ate dinner Thursday at the Walter Woepffel home. Mr. and Mrs. Amos Switzer visited at the Ora Switzer home last Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Web Napier received word that her sister, Mrs. Maude Lawrence, passed away Thursday afternoon in a hospital at Parson, Kan. She had pneumonia and heart trouble. The funeral was held in the United Presbyterian church, Ewing, Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m. Mrs. Daisy Miller suffered a stroke Thursday morning and was taken to the Tilden hospital in an ambulance. Mrs. Dale Napier and Mrs. Melvin Napier visited her Friday afternoon.

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