

## Kansas History as Published in the Press

"Pioneers Paused at Alcove Springs [Marshall County]," was one of three articles making up a page of history in the *Salina Journal*, June 26, 1966. The other stories were: "Central, Northwest Kansas Offers Many Attractions," by Ralph Gage; and "Pony Express Once Galloped Across the Plains," by Larry Mathews. The September 11 issue of the *Journal* contained a discussion by John Schmiedeler of the Battle of Indian Rock, a phase of Salina's history about which there is disagreement.

"Old Fort Hays Most Active During First Six Years," an article by Raymond Welty, was published in the *Hays Daily News*, June 26, 1966. Other historical articles in recent issues of the *News* included: "The Legend of Indian Bead Springs," by Kittie Dale, July 10; "History of the Smoky Hill Trail," by Raymond Welty, July 17 and 24; "Fort Fletcher Becomes Fort Hays," by Raymond Welty, and "First Forestry on Prairie Set Up in Barn," by Kittie Dale, September 4; and "Fort Hays State's Museums Offer Glimpse of the Past," September 8.

"Blazes 60 Years Ago Recalled—Old Fire Bell Brings Memories of Exciting Thrilling Events," by Elfriede Fischer Rowe, appeared in the *Lawrence Journal-World*, June 27, 1966. In its July 21 issue the *Journal-World* included a brief biographical sketch of 100-year-old Mrs. Zella Beckner. She was brought to the Lawrence area by her parents, the Mark Ozbuns, when less than a year old.

Included in the Summer, 1966, issue of the *Mountain-Plains Library Quarterly*, Wichita, was "A New Look at Quantrill," a paper presented by Devin A. Garrity before the Kansas Library Association meeting in Kansas City, Kan., May 6, 1966. The "new look" is a more friendly appraisal than is usually accorded Quantrill in Kansas, the author presenting a sympathetic view toward the man he calls "the greatest guerrilla fighter in our history."

D. Alexander Brown is the author of an article on the Civil War battle of Westport, published in the *Civil War Times Illustrated*, Gettysburg, Pa., July, 1966. This was the battle that stopped the threatened invasion of Kansas by Sterling Price's Confederate army.

"Alfred M. Landon, Western Governor," by Donald R. McCoy, published in the *Pacific Northwest Quarterly*, Seattle, July, 1966,

is a discussion of some of the problems that beset Kansas in the 1930's and Landon's efforts, as governor, to meet them.

Reminiscences by Mrs. Sadie Hanson, 90, concerning her life in Barton county, were published in the *Hoisington Dispatch*, July 7, 1966. Her father, Frederick Bott, homesteaded near Hoisington in 1877. Also in the July 7 issue was the autobiography of the late Roy Cornelius, who had edited the *Dispatch* for almost 50 years.

Elizabeth Barnes' regular column, "Historic Johnson County," in the *Johnson County Herald*, Overland Park, included a three-part autobiography of the *Herald's* editor, Loyd Neff, in the issues of July 18, 25, and 28, 1966. Mrs. Barnes' own reminiscences began appearing in the *Herald* with the August 22 issue.

Mrs. Rudolph Wallace's story of early day life in Seward county was published in four parts in the *Southwest Daily Times*, Liberal, July 22, 23, 25, and 26, 1966. The A. D. Lambersons, parents of Mrs. Wallace, homesteaded in the county in 1886.

Historical articles in recent issues of the *Wichita Eagle and Beacon* included the following: "Kansan [George Jelinek] Preserves Yesterday's Doodles [Indian Rock Carvings]," by Bernie Ward, *Eagle and Beacon Sunday Magazine*, July 24, 1966; Alf Landon's political career was reviewed by Clayton Koppes in the *Sunday Eagle and Beacon*, July 3; and the reminiscences of Harold K. Wright of his boyhood in New Salem, Cowley county, *Sunday Eagle and Beacon*, September 4.

A special traveler's section was published by the Dodge City *Daily Globe*, July 27, 1966. It is dated January 1, 1878, and includes stories on Edward Masterson's murder, the Dodge City bullfight, the Cheyenne Indian raid in September, 1878, the Santa Fe trail, and others.

Netawaka's history was the subject of an article in the Horton *Headlight*, July 28, 1966. The town had its beginning in 1866 but was not incorporated until 1884.

Articles in the *Minneapolis Messenger*, August 4, 1966, reviewed the organization of Ottawa county in 1866, gave some background of the names of Ottawa county towns, and included a brief history of the county's schools by Ruth Austin. An eye-witness account of Indian raids in Ottawa county by Ed Hardy, appeared in the August 11 *Messenger*, and in the issues of August 11 and 18, a history of railroads in the county, by William Parks, was published.