

SPECIAL SESSION I. O. O. F. GRAND LODGE

Big Gathering of Odd Fellows Next Tuesday Evening with Banquet in Gadsby Hall

DELEGATES FROM OTHER TOWNS

A special session of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska of the I. O. O. F. will be held in Alliance next Tuesday. There will be delegates from other western Nebraska towns.

Program

The following program has been prepared for the day: 3:00 p. m. Special session grand lodge at the hall.

Committees

An informal meeting was held at the hall Monday evening at which the members of the committees were present. The following special committees were appointed to make arrangements for the banquet:

Committee on hall, banquet hall and lights: T. M. Lawler.

Committee on tables: Brandt and Coursey. Chairs and silverware: Kewer and C. C. Rodgers.

Committee on printing of menu: Lloyd C. Thomas.

Committees on menu: Cake, salads, napkins—Rebekahs. Ice cream—Kewer, Coursey, Harper. Roast chicken and dressing—Lester and Martin. Pickles, celery, cheese and toothpicks—Coursey. Potatoes, butter, salt and pepper—C. C. Rodgers. Ice and hiring of cook and assistant—Roy Lester. Cigars—Jeffers and Harper. Flowers and decorations—Kewer, Rodgers, Harper and Lawler. Decorations of store windows—Brandt, Jeffers and Rodgers. Dishes—Kewer.

Committee on finance: Harper, Coursey, Martin and Jeffers.

From the program which has been outlined, this will be one of the biggest meetings of its kind ever held in Alliance.

The Times' Originality

From the George, Iowa, News, July 31:

One of the old fashioned editors who likes to see his subscribers bringing in the "first mess" of roasting ears and sich truck lives right in your "midst".

From Alliance Times, August 8:

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FAIR ASSOCIATION RECEIVES \$193.60

The Box Butte County Fair Association received the sum of \$193.60 as its share of the receipts from the Capital City Amusement Company's carnival in Alliance last week.

As this was ten per cent of the total receipts, the carnival company received a total of \$1,936 during the week, or an average of \$322.66 per day.

As the receipts Tuesday evening, the night of the heavy rain, were only \$79, the average for the other five days was \$371.40 per day, which was evidently a very paying proposition for the company.

They paid the regular city license of \$15 per day, or a total of \$90 to the city.

NEW GIRL AT STRASBURGER

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Forney of Strasburger are the happy parents of a bouncing, seven-pound baby girl that arrived at their home Saturday morning, August 9th.

All parties concerned are doing fine.

WILL HAVE A TRUCK FARM

Dick O'Bannon has bought the Hopkins place, consisting of eleven acres of ground south of the railroad tracks, adjoining Oscar O'Bannon's place on the south.

He is fixing up the house and will make his home there. He expects to make a truck farm out of the place next year and is planning to irrigate it by means of a well and centrifugal pump.

DR. KNIGHT FEELING WELL

Dr. F. M. Knight, who has been spending part of the summer at Sylvan Lake, So. Dak., trying to find relief from hay fever with which he has been afflicted for some years, writes Alliance friends that he is feeling well. He will return to this city some time in September.

WANTED SOME FRESH AIR

O. F. O'Bannon of Seward arrived last Saturday morning for a visit with his sons, Dick and Oscar, and to enjoy the delightful Box Butte county climate a while.

He says he could stand hot weather no longer and then took the train for Alliance to get a breath of fresh air.

CONTRIBUTION APPRECIATED

A well written article on the union service held at the First Presbyterian church last Sunday night, making special mention of Rev. Brown's excellent sermon, was received at The Herald office after the account written in this office had been put into type. We appreciate the communication and would have given it preference had it been received before the other had gone through the hands of the linotype operator.

Warm Weather Weddings

MOFFITT-SMITH

At the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Eldred in Alliance, at 1 o'clock p. m., Monday, August 11, 1913, Miss Maria Moffitt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Moffitt, and Mr. Samuel Smith were united in the holy bonds of matrimony. Elder Frank Allan Woten, pastor of the Christian church, officiating. The bride is a well known and highly respected young lady of Morrill county, her father being postmaster at Moffitt. The groom is a prosperous ranchman of that neighborhood. Both bride and groom have recently made final proof on claims to a portion of Uncle Sam's domain, and start out in wedded life well fixed financially and with the congratulations and best wishes of a large number of friends. After the wedding ceremony had been performed and the congratulations of friends had been bestowed upon the newly married couple, they drove out to Mr. Smith's ranch, where they will make their home.

HALE-BOWMAN

At the Methodist parsonage in Alliance, Friday evening, August 8, 1913, Miss Pearl Hale, daughter of Mrs. Julia Hale, and Mr. Guy Bowman, Rev. O. S. Baker, pastor of the M. E. church, officiating. It affords us pleasure to record the union for life of these two highly respected Alliance young people. The bride had been a resident of this city from childhood and has recently been employed as bookkeeper at the Bicknell Grocery Co. store. The groom came to Alliance from Michigan about a year ago. He is an industrious young man and is employed by the C. B. & Q., working at the freight house. In behalf of their many friends as well as itself, The Herald extends congratulations and wishes for a prosperous and happy voyage across the sea of married life.

CONFETTI CASES ARE CONTINUED

Cases Continued Until August 30th on Account of Absence of Witnesses for Prosecution

INTERESTING CASE BROUGHT UP

When the Capital City Amusement Company made their contract to show in Alliance last week, they placed \$100 cash with the city clerk as a bond that they would leave the city streets in as clean shape as when they arrived. Part of the agreement was that they would not sell confetti, the city officials agreeing to use their influence to prevent the selling and throwing of confetti, as the carnival company claimed that it made the work of cleaning up much harder.

The proposition as to whether or not the city authorities have the right to prevent the throwing of confetti and whether the throwing can be classed as disorderly conduct, under the city ordinances, will be decided on August 30th, when the cases of two Alliance young men, Myrtle Holdrege and Frank Fox, against whom complaints were filed Saturday evening, after they had thrown confetti, will be tried before Police Judge Gregory Zurn.

The hearing was to have been held at one o'clock Monday afternoon but on account of the absence of witnesses the cases were continued. This case is in the nature of a test of ordinances, as the fines would probably have been remitted had the boys decided to plead guilty to the charge. They are represented by Attorney Boyd and believe that the case should be decided in their favor. They admit throwing the confetti but claim that it cannot be classed as disorderly conduct. The city authorities had asked the merchants not to sell confetti during the carnival and notified them that anyone caught throwing it would be arrested.

EMPLOY LADY CLERK

Increasing business at O'Bannon Brothers Co.'s store, northwest corner Third street and Laramie avenue, has made additional help necessary, accordingly they have employed Miss Della Watson to assist in that capacity. Besides doing a large business, wholesale and retail, in produce and fruits, they have put in a line of groceries on which they already have a good trade.

BOX BUTTE AT THE FAIR

This is the Year to Make a Good Showing in Opinion of Eastern Nebraska People

LETTER FROM SEC'Y MELLOR

This is the year of all years for Box Butte and neighboring counties to make a good showing at the state fair. We have the stuff to do it with, and with the south half of the state burnt out and crops short in other places an exhibit such as can be secured here by proper effort will show up splendidly. Instead of slighting the exhibits from this part of the state this year special efforts should be made to specimens of agricultural products that will do the country justice.

George E. Douglas who has heretofore taken such an active part in securing state and county fair exhibits from Box Butte county stopped off in Alliance a day or two within the last week on his return from a trip to Montana and Wyoming, working as assistant to Mr. Deaver, immigration agent of the Burlington railroad. He is familiar with crop conditions south and east of here and is of the opinion that a good exhibit this year will help very much to attract attention to this country. He recently received the following letter from W. R. Mellor, secretary of the State Board of Agriculture:

Letter from Secretary Mellor

Lincoln, Nebr., July 21st, 1913.

George Douglas, Alliance, Nebr.

Dear Sir:—Our new Agricultural Horticultural Hall is promising sufficient advancement in construction that we are now strongly hopeful of occupying same this year. You have been one of Nebraska's best exhibitors in the past and we want you to have the honor of having one of your usual commendable exhibits in Agricultural Hall the first year it is occupied. Such an honor will be a monument to the memory of each exhibitor this year.

We realize that conditions are not (strictly speaking) of the best, but a county that can show a creditable exhibit under adverse circumstances is worthy of special attention and builds confidence in the general public as to the merits of such a community as a desirable place in which to reside. The prospects are good now for a record breaking fair, and we want Box Butte county to participate in its benefits.

Hoping to receive word from you that your county will be with us, I remain,

Yours truly,

W. R. MELLOR, Secretary.

Walter Williams went to St. Joseph this noon.

VIEW POTATO FIELDS

D. Clem Deaver and Prof. A. T. Erwin of Iowa Agricultural College Pleased With Box Butte County Crops

WELCOME VISITORS

D. Clem Deaver, well known immigration agent of the C. B. & Q. Railway Co., and Prof. A. T. Erwin, of the Iowa Agricultural College at Ames, Iowa, arrived in Alliance last Saturday morning on a trip of investigation through Nebraska and Wyoming. After showing them through the Alliance creamery plant, W. E. Spencer, the accommodating manager, took them, C. A. Newberry and The Herald editor in his big Imperial automobile for a trip through the surrounding country.

Prof. Erwin, who is an expert on plant diseases, inspected the potatoes in several fields north and east of the city, and found none of the diseases that have ruined the potato growing industry in Weld county, Colorado, and other places. Nothing worse than a little scab was found, and that, as the professor says and as is well known here, can be cured by treating the seed potatoes before planting in the spring. The following potato fields were visited and many others passed in the trip: L. M. Beal on the Newberry place north of town, C. L. Powell, Link Davis, R. L. Harris and Erbert Brothers. The last named gentlemen have in about a hundred and twenty-five or thirty acres of spuds and if they don't net them a fine sum of money. The Herald misses its guess. Potatoes are sure to be a good price the coming fall. "The best field of potatoes I have seen anywhere this year," is what Prof. Erwin said about R. L. Harris' forty-acre patch.

Mr. Deaver believes he can do this country and the railroad he represents a better service by helping to promote agricultural development than by merely persuading

HORSE THIEF CAPTURED

Than Simpson, Old Time Horse Thief, Caught at Hay Springs Tuesday Night

WAS BROUGHT TO ALLIANCE

Than Simpson, who is charged with stealing sixteen head of horses from Riley and O'Shea, sixteen miles northeast of Alliance, was captured in a hotel at Hay Springs, Tuesday evening by Sheriff New of Sheridan county.

Simpson is said to be an old time horse thief, having been driven out of the county twenty-five years ago for the same offence. The horses were stolen August 4th and driven to "Daddy" Olson's place in Sheridan county. Olson was out looking for his own horses and Simpson, thinking that he was discovered, ran his horse, escaping. In the chase by Olson, Simpson's horse jumped a wire fence.

Sheriff Cox, of Box Butte county, sent out the following notices on August 7th, to all officers in western Nebraska and adjoining territory:

Horse Thief Wanted

Than Simpson, alias Charles Simpson, Sam Nichols or Cockeyed Simpson. Age, 45 years.

As described: Height about 6 ft.; sandy complexion, rather dark; blind in left eye, wears glasses; dark suit on when last seen; rides tricky horse; claims to be a veterinarian; claims to have a homestead near Gordon, Neb.; rides gray saddle horse; last seen near the Joy ranch. Horses recovered. Last seen with stolen horses Aug. 4th. Warrant issued. Goes by name of Emery. Wire at my expense.

Reward of \$250 for capture and conviction. Conviction sure.

Aug. 7, 1913.

C. M. COX, Sheriff, Alliance, Box Butte County, Nebr.

Sheriff Cox and Marshall Curtis of Alliance spent Monday and part of Tuesday endeavoring to quell Simpson but returned without success. A phone message to Sheriff Cox yesterday morning informed him that the man was caught. The sheriff went after him in an auto yesterday morning and he is now lodged in the county jail.

Depart for New Field

After a residence of three years in Alliance, Rev. and Mrs. James B. Brown left on Monday of this week for their new home at Gordon, Mr. Brown having accepted a call to the pastorate of the Presbyterian church at that place. The Herald expresses the sentiment of the people of the community generally in saying that Rev. Brown is "one of God's noblemen" and his excellent wife a most worthy helpmeet. Their

DELIGHTFUL UNION SERVICE

As announced in this paper last week, the last Sunday evening service at the First Presbyterian church was a union service, the pastors of the Methodist, United Presbyterian, Baptist and Christian churches withdrawing their evening services in honor of Rev. Brown, who preached his final sermon as pastor here. The church auditorium was filled to overflowing by an interested audience.

Following the organ voluntary by Miss Nettie Nation, the familiar hymn, "Rock of Ages", was sung by choir and congregation. Rev. W. L. Torrence led the invocation. "God Bless My Boy" was sung by Revs. Barrett, Brown, Woten and Baker as a male quartet, and a fine quartet they proved to be in this song as well as in the following two which they sang, altho not accustomed to singing together. Rev. O. S. Baker, of the First M. E. church, read the Scripture lesson, and Elder Frank A. Woten, pastor of the Christian church, offered prayer. "I Am the Shepherd True" by the male quartet was followed by the announcements and the evening offering. The duet, "Blessed Savior, Thee I Love," was beautifully rendered by Miss Nell Arneson and Miss Bertie Vernon, accompanied by Miss Beulah Smith on the piano. The rapt attention of the large audience was given to Mr. Brown's sermon. His subject was, "God's Grace". The beautiful floral decorations which the committee on decorating had arranged included these words back of the pulpit. The sermon was concluded with a short but fervent prayer, the male quartet sang "Coming Home", the doxology was sung by the congregation and the benediction pronounced by Dr. Barrett, thus closing a service that will long be remembered by all who attended.

CAPTURE BIG TARANTULA

When a case of Sicily leonous was opened Monday morning at the A. D. Rodgers grocery store, a large tarantula was discovered. These huge spiders are venomous and dangerous. This one was captured and "pickled" in alcohol.

TREE MOVED SUCCESSFULLY

A large tree, which stood on the site of the new court house, was moved successfully on Tuesday, under the efficient and expert direction of County Clerk Monte Hargrave. A large amount of soil was left around the roots of the tree and it was pulled on skids from its old location to the new one, near the front of the block, by a four horse team.

YOUNG MAN GOES BACK TO WIFE

His Mother Arrives and Returns Home with Him. Woman in Case Ordered to Leave Town

PARTIES NOT PROSECUTED

C. E. Caldwell and Lena Thompson, of Galesburg, Illinois, who were arrested Monday morning by Sheriff Cox and Marshal Curtis, were confined in the county jail at the request of the young man's mother, who arrived in Alliance on Wednesday morning and returned with him to his wife and child on 44 that noon.

According to Caldwell's mother, the woman in the case is a notorious character and furnished the money for their flight from Galesburg to Alliance, three weeks ago. The woman is blamed and charged with being responsible for enticing Caldwell away from his wife and child. Caldwell is 24 years of age and was married at the age of 17, seven years ago. He was in a very repentant frame of mind Wednesday morning and willingly accompanied his mother back to Galesburg.

Since coming to Alliance the young man has been working at his trade, that of a painter. When arrested the couple were taken by surprise, as they thought that they had thoroughly covered their tracks. The woman was turned loose yesterday afternoon with orders to leave town within twenty-four hours. Her story of the affair was decidedly different from that told by the young man's mother, she throwing the blame upon him. The couple lived as man and wife while here, attending church and made friends.

After being released from the county jail yesterday afternoon the woman was taken quite sick and taken to St. Joseph's hospital. She was better this morning and will soon be well. The action of the man in the case in leaving the woman with only a little money and without any means for caring for herself is meeting with criticism. There is some talk of bringing the matter to the attention of the federal authorities as it is believed that this is a violation of the Mann white slave federal act, the penalty for violation being a long term in the federal penitentiary. Kind hearted people of Alliance are taking steps to see that the woman is given help.

CONSTRUCTION OF NEW COURT HOUSE BEGUN

Commissioner Reck Turns First Spade of Earth. Postmaster Tash Plows First Furrow

WORK WILL BE RUSHED

"Wal, what's happenin' here" said an old Box Butte county resident Saturday afternoon as he paused on the walk in front of the court house block and observed Commissioner Reck with a spade, vigorously shoveling earth, and Postmaster Tash holding a plow, drawn by a husky team of horses. "Pears like old time again," observed the old resident, "to see them thar boys workin'."

The incident was the starting of work on the new \$65,000 court house, on which Contractor Matthews expects to finish construction and have it ready for occupancy not later than June of next year. He states that he expects to have it under roof by January 1st, barring inclement weather.

Excavating is progressing rapidly. The building site is very close to the alley, so that in case the east half of the block is purchased it will be nearly in the center of the block.

To Commissioner Reck and Postmaster Tash belongs the honor of turning the first earth. When the time comes to lay the cornerstone, it will be done with appropriate ceremonies and such relics or records as desired will be placed inside the stone.

INVESTIGATE IN KANSAS

County Commissioners in Session Tuesday, Wednesday, and Today

STATE AND COUNTY LEVY MADE

The petitions signed by Box Butte county electors, asking the county commissioners to investigate irrigation by pumping, were acted upon by the commissioners in session this morning. It was decided to make a trip to Garden City, Kansas, which is east of Denver on the Santa Fe in central western Kansas in Finney county. The soil and water conditions there are very similar to that of Box Butte county. Irrigation by pumping is reported to be very successful there. Chairman Reck, of the board, has asked A. S. Enyeart, of Hemingford, to go in his place. Mr. Enyeart is a farmer and owns a large amount of land north and west of Hemingford. In the northwest part of the county. The party will consist of Commissioners Hashman and Wanek, and Mr. Enyeart and Lloyd C. Thomas, who will accompany the gentlemen and give a complete and thorough report of the investigation. The party will leave the night of Saturday, August 30th, going via Denver.

The state and county tax levy will be twenty-five mills. Hemingford has asked for a thirty mill levy, divided as follows: general fund, 10 mills; water bond and sinking fund, 10 mills; city hall fund, 5 mills; street fund, 3 mills; and to pay off indebtedness, 2 mills. It is stated that the only way the levy could be made for the last three items listed above would be by a bond election. In Alliance the total levy will be 103 mills, divided, state and county, 25; school district, 45; city, 33.

The commissioners have decided to carry the Burlington tax case to the state supreme court. This is the case which was decided by District Judge Westover at the last special term of court.

The general contract for the construction of the court house was signed with General Contractor Matthews. Arrangements were completed for the sale of the court house bonds to the state of Nebraska.

A. S. Enyeart, Fred Molring and Wm. Rust have been selected to go with Box Butte county's exhibit to the state fair at Lincoln.

NEW CATHOLIC CHURCH AT BROWNLEE

Father Donnelly left yesterday for Brownlee, in Cherry county, where he is arranging to build a new Catholic church.

MAKING TRIP TO NEW YORK

Horace Bogue left Sunday night for New York City where he will order a stock of autumn and winter goods. He expects to make several stops enroute, including Chicago to take in the "garment show", and will probably be gone several weeks.

NEW GARAGE STARTED

The new Kientop-Hubbell garage on Box Butte avenue will be one of the finest in the west end of the state when completed. Ground was broken and work started Tuesday morning. The building will cost approximately \$10,000 and will cover two city lots, 50x140 feet. It will be fireproof throughout and of the most modern construction.