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CROPS TAKE FIRST PRIZES

Box Butte County Potatoes and Alfalfa Win the Blue Ribbons in Competition With Irrigated Crops at the State Fair.

KIBBLE BRINGS HOME PRIZES

Visitors to State Fair at Lincoln Evincenced Much Interest in Pro-

EXHIBITS TO GO TO DENVER

Councilman E. T. Kibble, of Alliance, who was sent to Lincoln last week in charge of the agricultural exhibit at the state fair, brought home the "bacon" when he received three first prizes for the district comprising twenty-one counties in western Nebraska. Alfalfa, potatoes and table beets won the blue ribbons. Rye received second. Had there been more time to prepare the exhibit it is very probable that more firsts would have been awarded the county.

County Commissioners Hashman and Wanek also attended the fair and assisted in caring for the exhibit. They were enthusiastic over the proposition and promised their hearty support for next year. Mr. Kibble will start at once to prepare the 1916 exhibit and will go down to Lincoln then with the best exhibit ever taken from the county.

Box Butte county received some very good advertising from the exhibit and interest in this section of the state, which takes firsts in competition with the irrigated districts of the North Platte valley, is rapidly growing.

A part of the exhibit sent to the state fair will probably be sent to Denver to the International Dry Farming Congress, to be held there September 27 to October 9. Secretary Fisher of the Alliance Commercial Club will be there and look after the exhibit.

AUTO RAN OFF NARROW BRIDGE

Philip Nohe and Little Daughter and Mrs. J. A. Waldron All Hurt in an Accident

ACCIDENT WAS NEAR KIMBALL.

When fifteen miles out of Kimball, Neb., Saturday morning, enroute to Alliance, the Nohe automobile driven by Philip Nohe and occupied by his little daughter, Lucile, and sister-in-law, Mrs. J. A. Waldron, went off of a narrow bridge, turned turtle and pinned the three occupants underneath. The outcries of the little girl were heard by a passing laborer who secured help and succeeded in removing the machine nearly in the proverbial nick of time.

The party were on their way to Alliance from Colorado, where Mr. Nohe and daughter had gone in the car for a visit with relatives and friends. On their return they were accompanied by Mrs. J. A. Waldron, who decided to come here and visit her sister, Mrs. Nohe. It seems that the party were traveling early in the morning, before sunrise. The bridge appeared rather narrow for passage, according to Mr. Nohe, who is able to talk of the affair, and he says he used great care in making the crossing. But when about half way across one front wheel went over the side, the machine following and turning completely over, pinning the three occupants down. There they

remained for four hours, until a passing farm laborer rendered assistance.

A doctor was called from Kimball and the injured were taken to that town where they were safely encoosed in a hotel and a trained nurse secured. Mrs. Nohe was secured by long distance Saturday and left the same night for Kimball. The four returned home on the train Tuesday noon. Mr. Nohe has a sprained ankle and many bruises over his body; the daughter has one broken arm and a sprained ankle, and Mrs. Waldron has a broken arm and her face is badly burned from the effects of gasoline. Her clothing was nearly all burned.

A curious coincidence is that in two places the upholstering of the car is burned, yet there was no blaze so far as anyone knows. Mr. Nohe said upon his return that he believed he would have "been a goner" had not help arrived when it did, as he was nearly unconscious when rescued. The machine rested on his chest and for four hours he had to content himself with "half-breaths", which were only secured with much difficulty on account of the terrific outside pressure on his lungs.

All members of the party are resting nicely and are recovering rapidly from their bruises, and will be able to be about shortly.

CALVERT RECOVERING

Chief Engineer of Burlington Railroad, Injured in Railroad Accident, Taken to Lincoln

T. E. Calvert, chief engineer of the Burlington railroad system, was taken through Alliance Sunday evening on a special train, on the way to his home at Lincoln. He was accompanied by his wife, Dr. A. B. Mitchell of Lincoln and Dr. O'Donnell of Casper.

Mr. Calvert was thrown from a track speeder when the machine struck a stone on the rails near Douglas, Wyoming, last Friday. The speeder went into the ditch. Mr. Calvert suffered two broken ribs and was badly cut and bruised. Roadmaster Conroy, who was driving the machine, was also cut and bruised.

Mr. Calvert was "game". After recovering consciousness, he dictated a telegram to his wife at Lincoln, stating that he had a sprained ankle and would not be home until Sunday. Mrs. Calvert was notified by the railroad officials of the accident, and left immediately for Douglas. Superintendent Young of Alliance gave the use of his private car to her from Alliance to Douglas. It was also used on the return trip with Mr. Calvert, who was taken back to Lincoln on account of the danger of pneumonia in the high altitude.

Mr. Calvert has one of the finest homes in Lincoln. It is one of the snow places of the city. He has been connected with the Burlington system ever since he was graduated from Yale, in 1870. He joined the engineering department and made such rapid progress in his profession that within four years he was promoted to be superintendent of the company's lines west of the Missouri river. At that time the Burlington system was just beginning to expand and in the development which followed, including the construction of the main line into Denver, the extension into Billings, Mont., and latterly the building of the Big Horn basin branch, with its recently completed link thru central Wyoming, Calvert was one of the most prominent factors.

Only five blocks from the Court House, four blocks to the City Hall, and five blocks to the Bank corner—you can't ask for a more convenient location and, where can you find a more sightly and pleasant one.



Box Butte county potatoes, winners of first prize at Nebraska state fair, held in Lincoln last week.

INVESTIGATING HEATING

Leading Citizens Recommend Installation of Municipal Heating Plant—to Investigate

LOTS PRICED AT CEMETERY

When Mayor Romig called the council to order Tuesday evening, prospects were for a busy session and a long one—both were true, for the hands of the clock were near the midnight hour when the session closed. Councilmen Snyder, Davidson, Welch, Fleming, Kibble, Rowan and Davis were present.

Reports of Officers and Departments
The report of the city treasurer showed receipts in the general fund of \$538.07, and disbursements of \$47.95, with registered warrants unpaid amounting to \$7841.30. Water fund receipts were \$793.19, with disbursements of \$1948.92. The light fund showed receipts of \$1860.96, disbursements of \$4401.30, leaving a balance on hand of \$5357.58.

The report of the police magistrate showed receipts for the month from fines of \$48; from judge's fees, \$20.20; from marshal fees, \$16.40; a total of \$84.60.

The electric light and power department, for the month ending August 15, made a showing as follows: Gross earnings, \$2553.43; discount allowed, \$156.68; operating expenses, \$1211.97; construction expense, \$104.91; with net earnings of \$1,079.87. The net earnings for last month were \$718.53 and for the same month last year were \$1284.31. The showing for this month compares very favorably with a year ago, in spite of the fact that the rates were reduced one-third. There are now 588 consumers of current, an increase of 6 over last month.

The water department collected \$1440.81, with a balance uncollected for the quarter of \$748.45. There are now 686 consumers of city water.

Mayor Romig stated to the council that at the next regular meeting he would render a full report for the first one-half of the municipal year, giving a detailed statement by each officer and department and showing improvements made, etc. Recommendations will also be made as to future improvements.

Bills and claims were allowed. The claim of Sam Sheldon for \$30 for street cleaning was rejected, the council not believing that he had lived up to his contract. The bill of John Wallace for \$63.25 paid for labor at the cemetery prior to its being taken over by the city was referred back to Mr. Wallace to be approved by a member of the former board.

The application of Frank Frazer for a plumber's license was granted. C. L. Drake giving bond for him.

The application of Mrs. James Graham, asking that her property northeast of the city park be taken into the city limits, providing that city water was extended thereto, was rejected, as the cost of extending the city mains to this point would be approximately \$400.

A petition from residents on Mississippi avenue, asking that the city water mains be extended from 2nd to 7th streets, was referred to the water and light committee. The application of residents on Platt avenue for the extension of the water mains for a distance of two blocks was granted and the city attorney instructed to draw up an ordinance

creating a new water district for this territory.

C. L. Drake, proprietor of the Drake hotel, stated that the city had been using his land east of town for about five years as a right-of-way for electric light poles and asked that he be paid a reasonable sum for the use of the land. His request was referred to the committee on city property.

A committee of W. C. T. U. ladies, accompanied by the police matron, were present and asked that the proposition of a curfew ordinance or the enforcement of the present ordinance be enforced. The sentiment of a majority of the council was against the enforcement of the present ordinance, which provides jail penalties and fines, or the passing of a new ordinance.

Secretary W. D. Fisher of the Commercial Club stated that the Commercial Club would furnish the material and install a large electric light on top of the Newberry tank tower if the city would furnish the electric current. His proposition was accepted. The Newberry tank tower is the highest structure in the business part of town and a large light can be seen for many miles from this point.

Mr. Fisher stated that he had a petition signed by the owners of 270 feet of property abutting on the alley back of the First National Bank building, asking that the alley be paved. A total of 690 feet of property abuts this alley. The city attorney was instructed to draw up an ordinance and present the same for consideration at the next regular meeting.

Municipal Heating Plant

A. D. Rodgers, J. W. Guthrie, F. E. Reddish, W. D. Rumer and R. M. Hampton were present to present the proposition of the installation of a municipal heating plant, the waste steam from the city light plant to be used for heating the business portion of the city. Mr. Rodgers explained the purpose of the visit. Mr. Guthrie told of other towns which have successful heating plants. Mr. Reddish told of visits to Cheyenne and Lincoln and of the results of his investigation of the subject, finding no failures at any place. Mr. Reddish stated that he would be glad to use the heat for his property. Mr. Rumer told of his visit to aCasper, where the plant pays a profit of 33 1-3 per cent, and of his visit to Thermopolis. He was strongly in favor and stated he would use the heat in his building. Mr. Rodgers told of the plant at Brookings, S. D., and at Sidney, Nebr. He estimated the cost at approximately \$10,000. Mr. Hampton stated that he believed the proposition a good one to thoroughly investigate.

Mayor Romig stated that the proposition looked good to him and that he was in favor of it if the cost of installation was not too high. Superintendent Hughes of the electric light department expressed himself as strongly in favor. Mayor Romig appointed a committee to investigate the proposition, consisting of Rodgers, Hampton, Reddish, Kibble, Welch and Davidson.

Report of Cemetery Committee

The report of the cemetery committee was received. It recommended that the following prices be charged for lots, these prices to include perpetual care by the city:

Lots	Block	Section	Amt.
1-2-5-26	1	1	\$75
1-21	1	2	75
1-2-3-4	1	3	75
17-18	2	3	70
1	2	4	70
1	2	5	70
2-3-4	2	6	70
1	3	1	70
1-19	3	2	70
1-17-22-23	3	3	60

3-13-17-18-19-20-	3	4	35
21-22	3	4	35
2-10	3	4	35
All lots in	10	8	50
"	10	7	50
"	10	6	40
"	10	5	30
"	10	1	70
"	10	3	50
"	10	4	40
"	11	1	70
"	11	2	50
"	11	3	40
"	11	4	30
"	12	1	15
"	12	2	10
"	12	3	10
"	12	4	10
All unsold lots, 13	4	5	70
16	5	5	75
8	7	1	100
1-2-3-5	7	8	80
All lots in	8	1 to 6	75
"	9	1 to 6	65
"	10	3-4-5-6-7-8	50
"	10	1	60

Next spring the bodies in the potter's field will be removed to the northeast corner of the cemetery. The lots at present occupied by the potter's field will be made the same size as in block 4 and sold at \$75 each. There are now 31 bodies in the potter's field. People who at present have lots will be asked to contribute towards the care of the cemetery.

The prices charged for digging graves will be \$2 for an adult, \$5 for an adult and \$10 for a vault. Chief of Police Jeffers asked that corrugated iron coverings be placed over the jail windows, in order to prevent the handing in of liquors and weapons to prisoners. This was ordered done.

Superintendent Hughes recommended that a flat rate of four cents per kilowatt be made to electrical contractors for power to be used for demonstrating electrical devices, as all devices of this nature sold increase the consumption of current.

GUTTERING IS WANTED

Petitions Are Being Circulated by Property Owners Along Box Butte Avenue

Many of the property owners along Box Butte want guttering along the street, and petitions to this effect are now being circulated. Thus far the proposition has met with much encouragement, and it appears that the guttering will be a reality. Those who have already signed are the First National Bank, W. W. Norton, W. H. Swan, Syndicate Block, W. D. Rumer, I. W. Herman, E. A. Hall, J. B. Denton, C. A. Newberry, Everett Cook, Wm. King, F. E. Reddish, A. D. Rodgers, and the Burlington, and many more will be added to the list this week.

The present plan is for the guttering to extend from First to Fifth street, and to be thirty inches wide on both sides of the street. The present drainage plan is entirely inadequate for the needs, and will be more so in cold weather. It is claimed that the thirty inch gutter on both sides of the street will fill the bill at all times of the year and be much more convenient and less troublesome and expensive than the present system.

246 Hunting Licenses

County Clerk Hargraves has issued 246 hunting and fishing licenses to date. Naturally the greater part of this amount has been issued to residents of Box Butte county, but Mr. Hargraves says that many non-residents have taken advantage of the abundance of game in this section and have procured licenses here. Both hunting and fishing have been unusually good thus far, and the hunters are getting the worth of their license money.

ARE HARVESTING OVER COUNTY

Farmers Well Pleased with Immense Yields of Crops This Year—Threshing Going On

Recent visitors to Box Butte county during the last few weeks have been astounded at the immense crops being harvested by the farmers. Threshing of small grain is now going on rapidly and figures show that the yields are much higher on our low priced land than on the high priced farms of the east.

J. C. McCorkle, Alliance real estate man, who has several farms throughout the county, has a quarter-section adjoining Alliance on the northeast, all of which was farmed this year. Pictures are shown on this page of scenes on this quarter. Eighty acres of wheat, threshed last week, went thirty-five bushels per acre. Forty acres of rye went thirty-two bushels per acre. Twenty-six acres of potatoes, not yet harvested, are estimated by potato experts to yield not less than two hundred bushels per acre.

E. T. Kibble, another Alliance real estate man, has a farm ten miles northeast of town. He has seventy-five acres of corn which will make not less than thirty bushels per acre. His potatoes will go around two hundred bushels. He also has fine crops of rye, oats, millet and alfalfa. Mr. Kibble attended the state fair this year for the sixth consecutive time.

An auto ride, taken any direction from Alliance, will convince the most skeptical that Box Butte county is a land of plenty. An ideal climate, combined with plenty of rainfall and good soil, makes the combination that pays the farmer and landowner.

J. F. Dineen, a wealthy Columbus, Neb., farmer, is in the city. He has land in Box Butte county and is seriously considering moving here, instead of staying in the muddy and overflooded region of eastern Nebraska.

A SPECIAL SILO TRAIN

Burlington Railroad and International Harvester Co. Will Have Lecture Train Visit Alliance

In order to encourage interest in more silos, forage crops and live stock, the agricultural department of the Burlington railroad company, in connection with the agricultural extension division of the International Harvester Company, will operate a special train throughout western Nebraska. Long stops are planned on, so that the people of each community will have time to see all the exhibits and ask questions of the lecturers.

The train will probably run during the first two weeks of October. It will consist of a lecture coach for lectures, an exhibit car containing good types of cows of leading dairy breeds and hogs, and an exhibit of silos, silage machinery and appliances pertaining to the dairy business, including educational charts, bulletins and other matters of interest to the farmer.

President Guthrie of the Alliance Commercial Club has appointed W. E. Spencer as chairman of the committee for Alliance, to arrange for the stop here. The train will probably stop here for an entire day in order that the farmers may have an opportunity to spend the afternoon with the exhibits.



Up to the armpits in wheat. Photo taken just before cutting last week on the McCorkle farm adjoining Alliance on the northeast. This field yielded 35 bushels per acre.—Photo by Paul Moore.



After the grain was shocked, rye field adjoining Alliance. This rye went 32 bushels per acre and was in perfect condition.—Photo by Paul Moore.