

Hemingford Page

REVIVAL SPIRIT CROWING AND RESULTS SEEN

The store meetings are well attended and the business talks by Rev. Charles Gray are practical and helpful.

The three prayer meetings each day at 10 o'clock are really worth while and indicate a deep interest.

The evangelist's sermon next Sunday morning will be on the subject, "Married." Come and hear it.

Men's Meeting Sunday Afternoon

There will be a big men's meeting Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Every man in sight or coming distance should be there. Only one meeting of this nature will be held. Why not two or three carloads from Alliance? You are welcome. Don't forget the day and the hour—3 p. m. Sunday.

There will be services every night next week, 7:30; afternoon, 2:30; store meetings, 10 a. m.; also prayer meeting in the various homes.

There will not be a store meeting or cottage prayer meeting on Monday.

Alliance visitors Thursday were Mr. and Mrs. Wray, Miss Helen Andrews and Miss Frances Potter, Mr. Pruden, Rev. A. J. May and Joe Redmon.

The funeral of Mrs. C. N. Burlew was conducted from the Catholic church Wednesday at 10 a. m. A large attendance indicated the number of friends she had. The family

has the sympathy of the entire community.

On account of a little fire in the primary school building last Friday afternoon, there was no school until Thursday of this week.

Mr. Boil of Omaha arrived in Hemingford Wednesday on No. 41 and is doing the barber stunts at the first chair in the Butler and Grimes shop.

Vern Huckle and Mr. Rohrbaugh are loading spuds this week. The quality is good.

Rev. Charles Gray, who is holding services at the Methodist church, spoke at the high school last Wednesday morning.

GOOD RESPONSE TO EVANGELIST'S CALL

In the two calls Tuesday and Wednesday nights there were five conversions, which is encouraging. Evangelist Gray is a man among men and is a friend to men. His sermons are convincing and although he speaks forcefully the plain unpolished truth his thought is of keen interest for the people who do not realize the danger of delaying.

ANNOUNCEMENT

I hereby announce that I will be a candidate for the democratic nomination for county commissioner from the First district, subject to the will of the voters at the April primary.

I have been a resident of Box Butte county for thirty-four years, and believe I am fitted for the position. If chosen, I will serve the people of the county to the best of my ability.

32— JOSEPH DUHON.

OIL DEVELOPMENT IN MULE CREEK FIELD

Alliance and Hemingford Men Are Interested in Drilling Now Going on—Prospects Good

The development of oil fields in Wyoming, not far from the Nebraska line and Alliance, continues at a rapid pace. Nineteen twenty promises to be the banner year in drilling and production with the probability of drilling in several points in western Nebraska.

One field, close to the northwest corner of Nebraska, which has developed greatly during the past year is the Mule Creek oil field, eighteen miles west of Edgemont. The Wyoming-Northeastern Oil company, organized by Alliance and Hemingford men, is one company active in this field. The following report of operations in the field, taken from the Edgemont Express of February 20, tells of their activities and of prospects for oil development in other locations:

One Year's Oil Development
February 17 one year ago saw the first big trucks arriving in town to open up the oil fields that were located in Mule creek, January 23, 1919. On February 20 the rig left here to put in the test well on section 23-39-61.

A year before this the Norbeck and Nicholson holdings in Old Woman creek had struck oil, then going deeper had encountered water and shut down. Everything in the oil business had fallen flat.

As the crowds began arriving in town in February hope glowed anew, but not one of the optimists had the faintest idea as to what a volume of business the oil excitement would bring into town. Orders for eighteen cabins, eighteen stoves with dishes and cutlery for each, were placed with our merchants. The railroad and the express companies were worked for material as never before and the pessimists had to own that the country was on the verge of a business era unprecedented in the history of Edgemont.

The Allen company for two years had been prospecting on Sage creek and had spent thousands of dollars in the work. A close corporation in more ways than one, they did the work in a most unostentatious manner. No one could find out a thing about what they were doing. To inquiries, Mr. Allen, the manager, would change the subject and everyone was in the dark, but continuous rumors of oil strikes would not down.

The Ohio company and the Midwest, with the Glenrock Oil company, agreed to put down a community well on section 25 of the Mule Creek field, something over a mile from the south end of the Allen holdings, and while this was being done a swarm of men and autos were in the field locating and jumping claims, causing quite a lot of excitement in town.

The field was taken up almost entirely by outside people. In fact a party of Edgemont people visited the field in January and although staking out claims was in full blast with a large amount of land vacant where production is now assured, they returned to town without driving a stake. This was the situation in February when the oil business started in full blast. The well drilled by the Stanley Green company was spoiled, at least it was given out as a water well and for a time the field looked blue; but the Ohio company, whose manager, Mr. Hotelling, was thoroughly convinced that the field was a winner, put in the rig and drilled away unconcernedly, and in a short time it was announced that they had struck oil. A rush to the fields occurred and our people who went there saw for themselves that oil had been encountered and in paying quantities. That made the field. The Ohio was followed in close fashion by the Midwest and drills began to run into the field from Edgemont and from Buck Creek, where these two companies had large stores to draw from. The next order in the workings of the field was the withdrawing of the Buck Creek from their holdings in Antelope flats, a district south of Mule Creek. This put a damper on some of the weaker men and gave the pessimists a chance to say, "I told you so." Their plants were short lived, as the Ohio company brought in another well, also the Midwest.

Then the report came out that the Ohio company had purchased at a fabulous price the holdings of the Allen or Argentine Oil company and the deal was certified to directly after. Then began the race for production by these two companies. Meanwhile several independent companies had rigs in the field, such as the Traders, Sterling, Elk River, DeBolt, Van Dusen, Slocum, and the Mount interests. Some were located close to production and some south of it, but they are all on the right track, and the field is growing in extent. With the drilling of eleven paying wells and the completion of the pipe line to Dakoming other companies started drilling. The Wyoming-Northeastern on section 20-39-60 put in a rig and it is being followed by several others.

The Dewey structure some twelve miles north of Mule Creek was tested and some wells drilled, but the production in Mule Creek delayed their completion, the field being spoken of as a wildcat, not causing much excitement. But this has changed, for the Midwest company is drilling a well on section 36-41-62 and is getting down to what is considered a rich oil deposit. This has caused most people to look over the field and there are now six rigs looking for ground in this field and there will soon be some important news received from Dewey.

The Antelope flats country received a set-back when the Buck Creek company turned back their leases and for a time remained a closed book. Then some enterprising man started the Black Tail Oil (Continued on Page 8.)

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Reasonable Prices

Arrange Your Time
Take in the Movie

Hemingford
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SATURDAY, MARCH 6
Sessue Hayakawa
in
"HASHMURA TOGA"

TUESDAY, MARCH 9
Montague Love
in
"THE ROUGHNECK"

THURSDAY, MARCH 11
J. Stuart Blackton presents
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"MISSING"

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We will soon be in our new building which will give Hemingford depositors all the conveniences of a modern banking house.

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The child with her penny savings

The small boy with his small change

The lady with her pin money savings

The small man with his small roll

The big man with his big roll

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We Invite You to Call on Us for Help

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Hemingford

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It Was a Success

In keeping with our regular business policy of thoroughly cleaning our stock of merchandise every season, so that NO ARTICLE is CARRIED OVER, our clearance sale has been placed before the people of Hemingford and the community. Our sale this year has been a great success.

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We want to clean up our stock COMPLETELY and will sell the few remaining goods at the same SALE PRICE. We will close out a few weaves of California Goods.

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