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LINCOLN MAN SPEAKER FOR COMMENCEMENT

DR. WALTER AITKEN TALKS TO
HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Class of 1922 Told to "Keep Corners
of Their Mouths Turned Up,
Not Down"

"Keep the corners of your mouth turned up, not down," said Dr. Walter Aitken in his commencement address at the high school Friday evening. Dr. Aitken, who is pastor of St. Paul's M. E. church of Lincoln, in his whole address, emphasized the necessity of spreading good cheer rather than being gloomy. His address might have been termed, "The Ability to See Things," for he told of some of the beauties of nature, and then contrasted the viewpoint of the pessimist with that of the optimist.

The speaker's keen sense of humor was in evidence at all times, even though he considered it out of place in himself, as he is Scotch. He told many humorous stories to illustrate his points, and held his audience with the closest concentration throughout his talk. Dr. Aitken quoted from the works of a number of famous thinkers, and was evidently particularly fond of his favorite Scotch poet, Browning, whom he said, must be an optimist, as he wrote poetry for thirty years without gaining the slightest recognition. He told of the great thinkers, Dante, Swift, and others, whose works were essentially pessimistic, and contained no lightening ray of optimism. He then spoke of writers Browning, Wordsworth, Stevenson, and quoted numerous passages from these to show the great optimism of which he spoke.

He told of Stevenson, broken in health, in eternal search of this, going from Scotland to England, to New England, to California, and finally to the South Sea isles where he lived the remainder of his life. Through all this, his optimism never faltered, for he never allowed the weakness of the flesh to dominate his intellect. He then advised the young people of the graduating class that the best way to get through life was to smile, see the bright side of life, and to cultivate the ability to see things.

What Not to Pray For

The speaker next dealt with self reliance, for, as he illustrated his point by that well known bit of philosophy, "God helps those that help themselves." He said that he firmly believed in the value of prayer, but that he had no patience with those who spent all their time praying for something that they could easily obtain by a little effort on their own part. He told of the value of deciding on one thing to be accomplished, and staying by that one thing until it was done. Dr. Aitken told of a little curio that he had picked up in pawnshop in Scotland, and which he has had ever since. He said that this was a small leather

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R. B. Howell Will Be Guest of Lions at Dinner Tonight

R. B. Howell of Omaha, candidate for the republican nomination for United States senator from Nebraska, and a government expert on radio telephony, will be the speaker at the meeting of the Alliance Lions club tonight. The Lions will gather at the gymnasium of the new Methodist church and the attendance is expected to be from seventy-five to one hundred. Each member of the club will bring a guest, and some of them have reserved places for two and three. Mr. Howell is an authority on the subject of radio telephony and the meeting is expected to be one of the most interesting in the history of the club. Frank Abegg is good fellowship chairman for the evening, and is in charge of arrangements for the dinner.

Jimmie Jacobs Bound Over to Federal Court

Jimmie Jacobs was bound over to federal court Friday by Judge L. A. Berry on the charge of selling liquor. Judge Berry is the United States court commissioner for this district. Jacobs is charged with selling liquor to Boyd Parsons, one of the four boys arrested at Kastner's barn dance about two weeks ago. In consideration of a lessening of his fine he agreed to tell where he got his liquor. This, according to the officers, is Jacobs' second offense on this charge, and there is little doubt that the penalty imposed, if he is convicted, will not be light. Jacobs' trial will be sometime early in September. Parsons and his three companions were arrested by Leopold Kastner, proprietor of the place at which the dance was held, and brought to Alliance by Kastner. Three were fined \$50 and costs, while Parsons was fined \$10 and costs. Jacobs' bond was set at \$1,500, which was furnished, Dick O'Bannon, a former employer, and Mrs. Mary Vogel going on the bond.

Rail Labor Board Announces Further Decrease in Wages

More than \$48,000,000 was slashed from the wages of 400,000 railway employees in a decision by the United States railroad labor board at Chicago Sunday night. The decreases, which averaged five cents an hour in the majority of cases, followed cuts of \$400,000 made last July by the board. Sunday's decision, however, affected mostly maintenance-of-way workers, although decisions are pending affecting other classifications.

If the wage cuts made in the last decision are extended to the decisions expected soon, it was pointed out in railway circles that much of the \$600,000,000 increase given by the board in 1920 would be wiped out and wages restored to a level which railway officials had told the board would lead to a new era of development and open the way to the employment of 200,000 men.

The decision was signed by the three railway members of the board and the three members representing the public. A dissenting opinion was filed by the three members representing the labor group.

The majority opinion said that the wage cuts, effective on July 1, were made in accordance with decreases in the cost of living. The minority opinion contended that the wage scale provided in the decision was insufficient to sustain life on the basis of American standards.

FINE OF \$75 FOR MAN WHO USED FISTS ON COP

ERNEST SMITH SO REWARDED
BY JUDGE BERRY

Some Question as to Whether Case
One of Registering Arrest or
Assault—Appeal Taken

Ernest Smith, young Burlington brakeman, was fined \$75 and costs in police court this morning on the charge of assaulting Eugene L. Stillwill, night policeman. The case was appealed to district court and the bond set at \$200, which was furnished. The trouble between Smith and Stillwill first arose when Smith's younger brother, Byrl W., was told to leave town by Stillwill, the young man "bumming" his way into town on a passenger train. Young Smith was on his way to his homestead in Wyoming, and although he had money in his pocket he was saving as much as possible and for this reason did not pay his way. Ernest Smith then met his brother at Douglas, Wyo., and was told that the young man had been treated with uncalled for severity by Stillwill. Ernest returned to Alliance the next day and happened to meet Stillwill in the depot. He maintains that he had no intention of assaulting the officer, but merely meant to remonstrate with him.

According to the story of both, after a few words had been exchanged Stillwill took hold of Smith's coat lapels and attempted to shake him. Smith pushed him off and Stillwill reached for his club, which he carried in his hip pocket. Smith then swung a haymaker to Stillwill's face. The two men clinched, fighting for possession of the club and in this position reeled through the door of the depot, where Chief Jeffers and Special Agent Martin, of the Burlington assisted in overpowering Smith. Stillwill and Jeffers took Smith to jail, where, according to them, he reaffirmed his statement as to his ability and willingness to lick the whole darned police force.

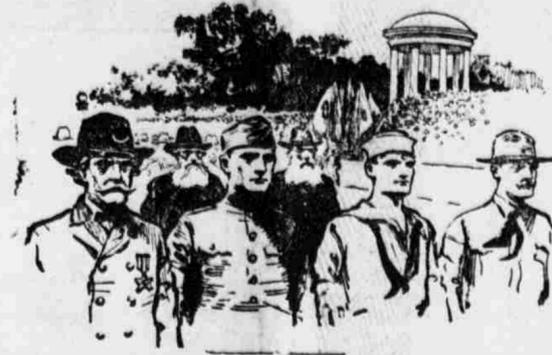
Both the defendant and Stillwill agree that Stillwill at no time during or after the fight, told the young man that he was under arrest, and for this reason the complaint alleged that Smith had merely committed assault and battery on the person of Eugene Stillwill, and had not resisted an officer. For this reason Attorney H. E. Gantz, for the defendant, asked that the action be dismissed, as Stillwill admitted having taken hold of Smith's coat before Smith hit the policeman.

Stillwill claimed that Smith had called him names which entirely justified his taking hold of Smith, while Smith said that he could not remember positively, but was almost certain that he had used no abusive language. The court held that Stillwill was justified in his action, and fined the defendant \$75 and costs. The maximum is \$100 and costs. The case will come up again at the next term of court in September.

HEAVY RAIN AND DROP IN TEMPERATURE LAST NIGHT

Reports from the railroad indicate a heavy rain all through the surrounding territory, although nothing more than this. The sudden and great drop in temperature was considered an indication of a severe storm somewhere in the vicinity, but there is no report of such. According to reports the rain was greatly needed, and was welcomed by the farmers. Beyond the unusual drop in temperature, there was nothing out of the ordinary about the storm.

MEMORIAL DAY---1922



Civil War Veterans buried in Greenwood cemetery:

Akers, W. R., Co. G, 7th Iowa Infantry.
Applegarth, H. W., Co. G, 3d Minnesota Infantry.
Bauer, Frank, 11th Illinois Cavalry.
Benedict, J. H., Co. H, 74th Indiana Infantry.
Blair, D. G., Co. K, 169th Pennsylvania Infantry.
Baumgardner, S. G., Co. B, 165th Pennsylvania Infantry.
Barkhurst, J., Co. M, 2d Nebraska Cavalry.
Crane, Alex., Co. C, 26th Indiana Infantry.
Conklin, Abe., Co. B, 134th N. Y. Infantry.
Dye, Nathan, Co. K, 175th Ohio Infantry.
Louglass, D. G.
Fenner, K., Co. H, 55th Illinois, Infantry.
Froehla, A., 15th Ohio Artillery.
Guttsessel, K. D., Pennsylvania Artillery.
Hoffland, Alex., Co. A, 43d Iowa Infantry.
Hannan, John, Co. B, 15th Iowa Infantry.
Hubble, W. H., Co. B, 9th Illinois Cavalry.
Hill, Able, Co. K, 2d Nebraska Cavalry.
Hagaman, G. P., Co. F, 20th Ohio Infantry.
Jesse, S., Co. D, 10th Iowa, Infantry.
Jennings, Col., California.
Kinney, John, Co. B, 9th Kentucky Cavalry.
Muntz, Peter, Co. F, 12th Illinois Cavalry.
May, J. H., Co. E, 27th Iowa, Infantry.
McCuthen, S., Co. F, 11th Pennsylvania Cavalry.
Mackey, L. J., Co. E, 116th Illinois Infantry.
Martin, John, 39th Illinois Infantry.
Martin, Frank, Co. F, 76th Illinois Infantry.
Miller, H. H. Co. E, 11th Pennsylvania Infantry.
Mumpher, W., Co. K, 55th Pennsylvania Infantry.

Payne, A. F., Co. F, 9th Indiana Infantry.
Ragan, G. W., Co. I, 19th Kentucky Infantry.
Reynolds, J., Co. F, 28th Illinois Infantry.
Richards, H. C., Co. B, 24th Missouri Infantry.
Schofield, C. G., Co. A, 5th Iowa Cavalry.
Stevens, F. P., Co. F, 11th New Hampshire Infantry.
Shanks, A.
Shaw, Sam.
Shiple, R., Co. B, 122d Illinois Infantry.
Smith, S. A.
Tuttle, Myron, Co. D, 2d Colorado Cavalry.
Willard, L., Co. D, 63d Illinois Infantry.
Warner, J. S., Co. H, 12th Pennsylvania Infantry.
White, J. E., Co. K, 86th Illinois Infantry.
Jackson, Tom, (Colored).
Slaughter, Rufus, (colored).
U. S. Navy:
W. V. Kennedy, U. S. S. Bennington.
Tracy, P.

In Catholic cemetery:
Shinn, W., 6th Iowa Cavalry.
Hill, Alex., 30th Wisconsin Infantry.
Hagerty, John 2d Missouri Cavalry.
Confederate Veterans in Greenwood cemetery:
Phillips, John.
Foster, Martin.
Spanish-American Veterans in Greenwood cemetery:
Downing, Geo., Co. E, 2d Nebraska Cavalry.
Hicks, Allen.

Veterans of the world war buried in Greenwood cemetery: Walter Peterson, Arthur J. Schwensen, Mauley Heppes, William Rozelle Johnson, Alva E. Kitchin, Lewis C. Ogden, Jr., Herbert Hughes, Harry Boone, Richard W. Drontley, Aden Austin, Mrs. Ellen Dodge.

TWO BOYS ARE SMOTHERED IN A SAND BANK

PAUL AND HARRY RAGER MEET
A TRAGIC DEATH.

Ten and Twelve-Year-Old Sons of
Charles Rager Buried by
Cave-in Friday

Paul and Harry Rager, ten and twelve-year-old sons of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rager, living in the northeast corner of Box Butte county, met a tragic death some time Friday, when a sand bank on their father's farm caved in, smothering them.

The two boys had gone out in the morning to herd hogs, according to their usual custom, their father going to Alliance. Upon their failure to come in to dinner, their father went out to hunt for them. He found them buried under several hundred pounds of sand, his clue being a bare foot that protruded from the bank. The bodies were still warm when discovered, after their father had with his bare hands scooped away the sand covering them, but efforts to resuscitate them were in vain. Dr. Euen of Hemingford was called, but he was unable to bring them back to life.

It is believed that the two children had dug out a little hole in the bank, making a cool place for them to rest, and that they had fallen asleep before the cave-in. Both of the children lay as though asleep when found, one resting with his head on his hand. There was no sign of any struggle, and both had apparently died without awakening. They were covered by only ten or twelve inches of sand.

Funeral services were held for the two little victims of the tragedy Saturday afternoon at Hemingford. The family in which four other children survive, is said to be in exceedingly straitened circumstances, and a large purse was collected for them by members of the Hemingford chamber of commerce.

EARL MALLERY MAY MAKE RACE FOR CONGRESS

FRIENDS URGING HIM TO TRY
FOR NOMINATION.

Alliance Man Served in Legislature
and Twice Delegate to Republican National Convention.

Earl D. Mallery is being mentioned in the state press as a possible candidate for congress from the Sixth Nebraska district, provided Moses P. Kinkaid decides to stick to the withdrawal of his withdrawal of his withdrawal and remains out of the race. A number of political conferences have been held during the past week or so, and it is understood that from all over western Nebraska, friends have urged him to get into the race and have promised their support if he should decide to toss his hat into the ring.

It has been generally understood that some of these days, after Mr. Kinkaid had decided to withdraw from active participation in politics, Mr. Mallery would be a likely candidate. He has had considerable political experience. He served in the lower house of the Nebraska legislature during the 1913 session, and two years later served a term in the state senate. In 1916 and 1920 he was a delegate to the republican national conventions in Chicago. He has a wide acquaintance over the state, and is recognized as being likely to make a strong candidate.

Mr. Mallery is a graduate of the University of Nebraska and president of the Box Butte alumni association. He is also president of the Rotary club here. He has not yet definitely made up his mind to file for the nomination, but friends believe his chances are good if he will decide to make the race.

Attorney E. L. Meyer will deliver the Memorial day address in Hay Springs today.

Commissioners Take Over Land East of Lake

The Box Butte county commissioners, at their May meeting last week, entered into negotiations with Fred Reeves and made arrangements to start condemnation proceedings against the estate of Paul Renner, in order to secure some forty acres of land lying to the east of Broncho lake. The fence has already been moved east and work on a detour road over the hill around the lake has started.

The road along the east side of the lake has been pronounced dangerous for some time. It was built on sand and from time to time the lake has been encroaching on the land, until the heavy windstorm a couple of weeks ago brought the shore line of the lake within a foot of the road, in some places.

The new road will be on high ground all the way, and will have a much better foundation than the old. The commissioners have taken over sufficient land so that the road will go far enough away from the lake to be perfectly safe.

Incidentally, the purchase of 'his ground will give additional room around the Boy Scout camp and the municipal pier, and the probabilities are that a park will be established between the road and the lake, and that steps will be taken to beautify it.

TWO MEXICANS BATTLE OVER A DARK-EYED GIRL

RESORT TO ANCIENT METHOD TO
WIN DAMSEL'S HEART.

Antonis Martinez Wins Victory With
Butcher Knife, But Both Men
Are in Custody.

Antonis Martinez is in the county jail and Samuel Remmie is too badly injured to be there, as the result of a battle between these two Mexicans over a girl. The affections of the aforesaid Mexican lady were evidently not definitely bestowed, and the two suitors concluded that the best way to settle the matter, would be to resort to the ancient method and battle for the lady's favor. They further agreed that it would be better to postpone hostilities until they were away from the Mexican camp, where they might be unduly interfered with. For this reason they started up the track with Antonis in the lead.

Before they had proceeded far, Sam decided that they had gone far enough, and that the battle might as well begin. He failed to inform Antonis of his decision, however, and naturally, Antonis was taken somewhat unaware when he received two blows on the top of the head from an iron rod which Sam has been carrying up his sleeve. He turned in time to receive another lusty swing on the arm. Antonis then went into action in the manner of the marines, and before long had done sufficient damage to him with a butcher knife which he carried that the battle was over, with Antonis an unquestioned victor.

Special Agent Martin then escorted Antonis to the county jail, and parked Samuel in the Mexican quarters of the Burlington, where he is under the care of Dr. Bowman. He has two deep slashes under his left arm, both of which nearly reached the lung. His condition is reported as serious but it is believed that he will recover. The hearing of Antonis will be held when Sam is able to be about, and to attend court. This will probably not be for some time, for Sam is not what might be described as "full of pep" just at present and probably will not be for some time.

Bill to Continue Land Office Has Passed the Senate

Secretary Lloyd C. Thomas of the Alliance chamber of commerce Saturday received word from Senator G. W. Norris that on that day, the United States senate approved the measure providing for the continuance of the United States land offices at Alliance and Broken Bow.

A few weeks ago, announcement was made by the secretary of the interior that, due to a provision in the appropriation bill, the land offices at Alliance and Broken Bow would be discontinued July 1, and the records transferred to the Lincoln office. The chamber of commerce and other organizations of the city immediately organized a fight for the retention of the office here, as an accommodation to hundreds of homesteaders who have not yet proved up on their holdings. A number of cities and towns in the district forwarded petitions. Bills were introduced in the house and senate, and with the approval of the senate, prospects are bright for keeping these western Nebraska offices.

There will be installation of officers at the Eastern Star this evening. The meeting will as usual be held at the Masonic Temple.

CITY UNITES IN TRIBUTE TO THE HONORED DEAD

PUBLIC MEMORIAL DAY PRO-
GRAM AT IMPERIAL AT 1:30

Veterans of Three Wars and Public
Pay Respects to Those Who Died
That Nation Might Live

The Memorial day program will start this afternoon promptly at 1:30 at the Imperial theatre with a public program. Ex-soldiers, veterans of the civil, Spanish-American and world-war, will meet at the Alliance hotel corner, First and Box Butte, at 1 p. m., and will parade down Box Butte to the theatre, where the following program will be given:

Invocation, Dean A. O. Dodge, chaplain of Alliance post of the American Legion.

Selection, quartet, Messrs. Dingey, Shellenberger, Irwin, Welch.

Reading, "Lincoln's Gettysburg Address," Verne Laing.

Selection, quartet.

Reading, "The Blue and the Gray," Rowland Threlkeld.

Selection, quartet.

Address, Robert G. Simmons of Scottsbluff, past president Nebraska American Legion.

"Star-Spangled Banner," audience.

Benediction, Chaplain Dodge.

The Memorial day observance is in charge of a joint committee of the American Legion and Spanish-American war veterans. Civil war veterans will be guests of honor. There are less than half a dozen of them in Alliance and vicinity.

The public has been invited to attend the program at the Imperial, and the various organizations of the city, fraternal, social and business, including the Boy Scouts and the Volunteer Firemen, have been invited to take their places in the parade. Dr. Minor Morris, commander of the Alliance Legion, will preside at the meeting.

Will Decorate Graves.

Following the Imperial meeting, the parade will be reformed and will march to Tenth and Box Butte, where cars will be waiting to take them to the cemetery. Graves of all ex-soldiers will be decorated.

There are but two veterans of any war who have passed away during the year and have been buried in Alliance, Aden Austin and Mrs. Ellen Dodge, the latter being a Red Cross nurse. Fred J. Stuve, another veteran to pass away during the year, is buried in another part of the state.

City Manager Kemmish has asked the business men of the city to close their stores during the afternoon on Memorial day, and it is believed that practically all of them will comply with the request. Ex-soldiers have been asked to wear their uniforms during the afternoon, and it is hoped that as many as possible will do so, although they are urged to be present whether in uniform or civilian clothes.

In the evening, Alliance post of the American Legion is giving a dinner for the veterans of all three wars and their ladies at the Palm Room of the Alliance hotel. An interesting program has been arranged, and the attempt will be made to get every ex-soldier to attend, whether he is a member of any of the soldier organizations or not.

Booster Trip to Agate Tentatively Set for June 11

The booster trip from Alliance to the Agate Spring fossil quarries, which has been under construction for some weeks, has been tentatively set for Sunday, June 11, according to Secretary Thomas of the chamber of commerce. The organization took the matter up with Harold Cook, and it was learned that this date is satisfactory with him.

The Alliance organization has asked the Hemingford chamber of commerce and the Harrison business men to go with them on the trip, and if this date is satisfactory to the other towns, the trip will be made on that day.

The booster trip is planned in the interests of a highway through Box Butte and Sioux counties to the Agate Spring ranch. The fossil beds are one of two in the United States, and it is believed that if a highway is constructed from Alliance, thousands of tourists and others will be drawn to visit the place where are found remains of prehistoric animals, thousands of years old. The Agate highway is already laid out, and is expected that the booster trip will arouse sufficient interest to insure its completion.

J. R. Dean of Broken Bow, justice of the supreme court, and a candidate for re-election, was in the city Saturday. Judge Dean was in town of County Judge Tash during a portion of the day. He was on his way to deliver a commencement address at Chadron.

Congressman Jeffers of Omaha, a candidate for the United States senate, was in Alliance Saturday. County Attorney Lee Basye assisted him in getting acquainted with the voters.