

Beach Chamber of Commerce is Now A Solid Organization

Organization Meeting Largely Attended, and Splendid Feeling of Harmony Prevailed. -- Deputation from Miles City Chamber Were Present and Gave Talks.

The monster mass meeting held last evening at the Beach Opera House for the purpose of perfecting some kind of a commercial organization for this city was one of the most enthusiastic and most harmonious meetings ever held in this city. The large hall was practically packed to the limit with people and the spirit of harmony and cooperation seemed to pervade the entire assembly.

J. P. Reeve acted as chairman of the meeting and briefly explained the purpose of the gathering and discussed the objects and benefits of a commercial organization. R. E. Fuller acted as secretary.

A large delegation of live wire boosters from Miles City came down to tell something of the work of their "Chamber of Commerce" and help start the ball a-rolling. The first Miles City man called on by the chairman was Mr. DeCarl, who spoke on "Why we established the Budget System at Miles City." He told briefly of the history of the budget system, which was first tried out in Davenport, Iowa, a little later at Aberdeen, S. D. and soon spread very rapidly to other cities. He states that the business men of Miles City saved a large amount of money annually by handling charities and donations on the budget plan and the expenditures are more wisely and economically directed.

Rev. Keniston of this city, who assisted the Miles City people in organizing and financing their chamber, was next called on. He spoke on the establishment of the "Red Trail" and on the benefits and advantages of a great system of national highways. He reported that there is a probability that a bridge will be built across the Missouri River at Bismarck and that if it is built the people along the route of the Red Trail will not be asked to furnish the funds for it but that the two counties adjoining will stand the expense.

Mr. Otis, Secretary of the Miles City Chamber next spoke at some length on the work of their organization and the details of its organization and management. He warned a chamber against permitting politics and factionalism and stated that it should be run solely as a business institution.

Mr. Jeleneck, Pres. of the Miles City Saddlery Co., in speaking on "Getting New Members" said it is important to continually get new members as the vim and energy of old members naturally diminishes with long service.

Chairman Reeve then reported that the committee here had secured pledges to the amount of \$2751.00 and that there were still a few business men who the committee had been unable to see.

The last talk was given by Mr. Calvin, President of the Calvin Investment Co., of Miles City. He spoke on "What a Good Chamber of Commerce Can do for the Farmers." He suggested numerous ways in which the chamber may be able to assist the farmers of the community to develop their farms and improve their farm homes. And, he said, "Do not forget that the farmers will make good members of your chamber of commerce."

Mr. Reeve then read the constitution and by-laws as proposed by the committee. They were adopted

and are as follows:

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I

The name of this organization shall be the Beach Chamber of Commerce.

ARTICLE II

Officers

Section 1.

The officers of this organization shall be a president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer, elected from an executive committee consisting of fifteen members.

Section 2.

The president, vice president, treasurer and executive committee shall be nominated and elected at the annual meeting of the organization; they shall hold office for one year or until their successors are elected; the secretary shall hold office for such term and at such salary as the executive committee shall determine.

Section 3.

The president shall preside at all meetings of the association and of the executive committee, and shall be charged with the duties of a general officer.

Section 4.

The vice-president shall assume the duties of the president in the event of the absence of that official.

Section 5.

The secretary shall be charged with such duties as may be imposed upon him by the executive committee.

ARTICLE III

Executive Committee.

Section 1.

The duties of the executive committee shall be such as are indicated by its title, subject only to the instructions and requirements of the organization itself. It shall, with the officers, conduct and control the affairs of the organization, direct its policy and be answerable to the members therefor. It shall have power to fill by election any vacancy that may occur in its membership.

Section 2.

The executive committee shall have full charge of the financial affairs of the chamber of commerce.

Section 3.

It shall be the duty of the executive committee to meet on the first Tuesday of each month and at such other times as may be necessary. The executive committee shall raise such funds as are required by the Beach Chamber of Commerce to successfully carry on its affairs. A minimum guaranty fund shall be fixed each year to be raised by subscription, payable quarterly, and assessments or levies on subscriptions may be made from time to time within the limits prescribed, but in no event shall the levy exceed the limit of ten (10) per cent per month, except the first levy, which shall be twenty-five (25) per cent. No additional levies may be made without the vote of three-fourths (3/4) of the full membership of the chamber of commerce, except as hereinafter provided in Section 6 of this article.

Section 4.

The executive committee, may, on any project requiring immediate action, which in its judgment is for the best interest of the city or its trade territory at a regular or special meeting, contract or assume liability or obligation in a sum not to exceed two hundred (\$200) dollars.

Section 5.

Where the proposition requires

more than the sum of two hundred (\$200) dollars and is approved by the executive committee, the secretary shall send written notices to all members stating the object of the proposed appropriation and giving at least five (5) days' notice of a special meeting of the members to act upon the same.

Section 6

Not less than fifteen members shall constitute a quorum at this meeting and when the appropriation in question is voted upon, all the absent members shall be counted as voting "aye". No votes shall be recorded as voting "no" unless the member so desiring to vote is present, and in the event of more than one-fourth (1/4) of the total membership voting "no" the appropriation shall not be made.

Section 7.

All moneys collected shall be regularly accounted for to the proper officers thru the treasurer.

ARTICLE IV

Membership

Section 1.

The broad scope of the new financial plan is to properly finance the regular business of the Beach Chamber of Commerce and to centralize support for all such propositions as naturally should come within the province of this organization and prevent promiscuous, unauthorized and unapproved public and semi-public enterprises from independently soliciting among members.

Section 2.

In order that this work may be effective, the secretary shall provide all members with a printed placard, conveying this information in a brief manner, which shall serve as due notice to all solicitors for propositions coming within the scope of this organization. Each member is required to display this placard at his business headquarters during the life of his membership. In assuming membership in this organization each person pledges himself or his firm to refuse support to such propositions as properly come within the responsibility of this organization, and in the event of the violation of this rule, the executive committee may, at its option, impose a fine of ten (\$10) dollars for each offense, payable into the treasury of this association.

Section 3.

Any person, firm or corporation interested in the welfare of Beach and the Golden Valley shall be eligible to membership in this organization upon making a subscription on the regular form prescribed by the committee in any amount deemed acceptable by the committee as a just and equitable subscription, and such person, firm or corporation shall have but one vote. No subscriber, whose subscription is less than ten (\$10) dollars will be accounted an actual member and given the privilege of voting.

Section 4.

Obligations under a subscription shall cease at the end of the year for which the subscription is made, provided that the assessments levied by the executive committee for that respective year have been paid by the subscriber.

Section 5.

A member three (3) months in arrears shall not have the right to vote and any member thus in arrears may be dropped from the roll and shall surrender his card to

the executive committee at its discretion.

ARTICLE V

Meetings

Section 1.

The annual meeting of this association shall be held of each year, at such hour and place as may be selected by the executive committee. Five (5) days' notice of such meeting shall be given in writing to all members.

Section 2.

The president shall have authority to call special meetings of the association or of the executive committee at his discretion and shall call a meeting of the association at the written request of nine (9) members in good standing.

Section 3.

The place of meeting of the executive committee shall be named when the president makes his call.

Section 4.

Special meetings of the executive committee may be called at any time by the chairman or two members of the committee, provided that such notice shall be given in writing at least twenty-four (24) hours before the time of meeting.

ARTICLE VI

Section 1.

QUORUM

Twenty-five (25) members of the association shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Section 2.

Nine (9) members of the executive committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

TREASURER

The treasurer shall give a bond to the association to be accepted by the executive committee in the sum of at least one thousand (\$1,000) dollars for the faithful performance of his duties and the accounting for all funds which shall come into his hands. He shall receive and disburse the funds of the association as directed. He shall keep all moneys belonging to the association deposited in the name of the association, shall make quarterly reports, or oftener, if required, and report to each annual meeting financial transactions for the previous year, and transmit to his successor in office, his official effects and perform such other duties as may be required. He shall not pay out any money of the association except on the order of the secretary countersigned by the president.

The following officers were then elected:

J. P. Reeve, President.
E. E. Dickinson, Vice President.
Thos. E. Hayward, Secretary.
Adam Paris, Treasurer.

The following were elected as members of the executive committee: T. E. Hudson, John M. Baer, M. C. McCarthy, H. L. Rice, S. R. Morris, E. Lloyd, O. C. Attlewood, Hugh Egan, Dr. H. B. Muesens, L. B. Wesley and John Keohane.

REV. GUY L. WILSON

Evangelist Wilson came to Beach yesterday, and is a man of pleasing personality, free and easy in his delivery, and of convincing address, as was shown last night. A rare opportunity is open to the public while this gifted man occupies the pulpit. Gus and Ed Fritze and Stener Ekre arrived the last of the week from a few months' visit with relatives in Litchfield, Minn. The gentlemen have conducted farming operations in the Valley for several years, and are preparing for a large acreage this season.

M. E. CHURCH REVIVAL

The local M. E. church began a series of revival meetings last night, to continue three weeks. Rev. Guy L. Wilson, of California, is a preacher of national reputation in the evangelistic field, and only by a break in his dates, unlooked for, was Rev. Ira Hammer enabled to secure him.

Sunday At Beach Churches

United Brethren, Congregational and Methodist Denominations Hold Splendid Services.

Three of Beach's churches held splendid services Sunday evening last, and all were attended by large congregations. The Rev. W. T. Kessinger, the regular pastor, preached a truly inspiring sermon at the United Brethren; G. B. Newcomb former chaplain of the state penitentiary, and superintendent of the Society of the Friendless, occupied the pulpit at the Congregational church and gave an instructive and interesting address. Rev. Southwick officiated at the services at the M. E. church. The Chronicle regrets that we have been unable to secure a synopsis of Rev. Southwick's sermon. The others follow:

Matt. 16:26, 27. "For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works."

"This text gives a problem that deserves the study of the longest life; and it is probable that no man has ever solved it. This text was given by the great Master mind, to induce his hearers to embrace christianity. In embracing christianity in those days a man frequently lost his character, property, liberty and even life itself. If a man would be a Christian, he must be one at some expense. I believe that we are even surrounded by the three-fold glory of the Father, Son and Holy Angels; and that even now the light of the great judgement day is beginning to dawn for some of us;—that day when He shall reward every man according to his works."

"I see that we have in our possession a jewel called a soul, a jewel of incalculable value. The soul is divine in its origin.—When God wanted to make a man, he said—'let there be light'; and it was so. But when he wanted to make a soul, he said—'let us make man in our own image.' The soul is astonishing in its properties. Even in its present state, it is 'great in ruins.' There are three prominent properties of this priceless jewel, which are Vitality, Rationality, and Immortality. The soul has motive, power, and can make progress; it has the power to understand; survey the past, look around upon the present, and glance prospectively into the future; the power to judge, to select, and to refuse. Therefore it is accountable. We are not from everlasting—but we are to everlasting. The soul has fallen from its glory.—The whole plan of redeeming love evidently shows the depth and ruin of man as a fallen being."

"The enemy of a man's soul must consider it of great value because he keeps pursuing it even to the very last hour of earth life. The angels of God must consider it of great value because there is rejoicing in heaven when a sinner repents and cries 'God be merciful to me a sinner.' Our Lord does not think a mansion in heaven—an unfading crown—an everlasting kingdom, too rich or too valuable for it. I see the folly of the man who barter away this immortal principle for the few paltry moments of sensual delight. Suppose you do have the world, and you enjoy it for seventy or eighty years; finally the end comes—you must leave the world, and whither shall you turn? Even though you have gained the honors of the world and the wealth of all the nations—these are but material—but the immortal principle is entirely destitute and not only destitute, but lost, irrevocably lost. I see the wisdom of the man who is determined to

have his soul saved at any cost. 'I will arise and go to my Father'; that is wisdom."

Superintendent Geo. B. Newcomb of the North Dakota Society of the Friendless spoke to capacity house at the Congregational church Sunday night and at the Beach Opera House Monday night. At the Opera house school children were admitted free, and the house was packed to the gallery with the youth of Beach. Using moving picture and lantern slides Supt. Newcomb brought before his audience graphic pictures of the petty beginnings of crime and of youth traps set by the unscrupulous to decoy boys and girls from the paths of sobriety and virtue. He emphasized the laxity of parents in allowing young boys and girls to roam the streets, meet clandestinely, keep company indiscriminately with youth and men of questionable if not unwholesome character.

Sex knowledge should first be communicated by the father to his boy and by the mother to her daughter, and that in no uncertain manner as to its perils as well as to its nobler possibilities. A growing disregard for the defence of virtue is one of the alarming conditions of the day leading to lives of shame, the penitentiary and insincere marital relations. Boys and girls should be kept off the streets, should be given the benefit of agreeable home surroundings, and should be mothered and fathered. Habits of dissoluteness and impurity are the threatening menace of the purity of our women, and the nobility of our men!

He insisted that it is not to the credit of any young woman to have a coterie of men flocking after her nor does it speak well for the young man to be a member of such a coterie.

The latter part of his address was a potential arraignment of the cigarette showing its subtle but certain assault upon the physical and moral health of its victim. He called attention to the fact that North Dakota has a rigorous anticigarette law designed to protect the victims of that habit from being victimized under authority of law.

He also related some touching incidents of the rescue of discharged prisoners, and urged upon his audience the kindly offices of employment and secrecy in their defense.

At the Congregational service twenty dollars was donated to this noble philanthropy. The adult admissions at the Opera House lacked seventy-five cents of paying the rent. Supt. Newcomb approached some of the merchants for aid, but upon being advised of the fact that the merchants have established a Budget system of taking care of worthy charities, left with some of the members a request for a donation from the Club, and commending the plan adopted, left the City for his home in Bismarck.

CORLISS-KNUTSON

The news reached Sentinel Butte this week of the wedding on the 18th of February, at Christ church in Minneapolis, of Newell Corliss and Meda Knutson, both well known young people of the south country. The ceremony was performed at five o'clock p. m. on above date, by Rev. Walter Howard. Henry Johnson of Minneapolis, a brother-in-law of the bride, acted as best man, and Mrs. Carrie Knutson, the bride's mother, acted as bridesmaid.

Newell Corliss, the bridegroom, is a prominent young farmer south of Sentinel Butte, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Corliss and a brother of I. J. Corliss, and is a young man of high repute who has many friends who will congratulate him upon his happy marriage to so charming a lady.

Miss Meda Knutson, the bride, is a daughter of Mrs. Carrie Knutson and is a charming and accomplished young lady and one who will well grace the home of her husband.

Trainload of Autos for Russia

Special Train of 57 Cars of Armored Automobile Portable Machine Shops Pass Through Beach on Wednesday.

A mammoth shipment of fifty-seven cars of armored automobiles passed through Beach over the Northern Pacific lines Wednesday a special thru train conveying the shipment from St. Paul to Seattle, Wash.

"Considerable speculation as to the exact nature of the shipment is rife local railroad men disclaiming any knowledge of the cargo. The shipment, according to stenciled legends on the cases, contained seventy "portable 2-ton machine shops," each mounted on Pierce-Arrow automobile trucks, and purported to contain small lathes, forges and other equipment, which suggests that the machines are to be used in making hurried big-gun and rifle repairs on the battlefield. It has been rumored however, that the machines are in reality armored automobiles, mounted with heavy guns, though this is probably not the case.

The shipment originated at Buffalo, New York, and was being rushed through to Seattle, Wash., with all speed, where steamships are in waiting to take the cargo across the Pacific to its port destination, Vladivostok, Russia. Armed ships will act as convoy. Each machine is uniformly boxed, and packed in a fashion that will facilitate its speedy handling by cranes at the Seattle docks.

Some speculation has been made connecting the mysterious airship flights of Duluth and Superior with Wednesday's shipment, the theory being that the flights were made by spies who were devising drastic means to prevent the consignment from reaching its destination. So far as known, no guards accompanied the train.

TUESDAY LAST DAY TO REGISTER

Tuesday, March 14th, will be the last day of registration for voters of Beach otherwise qualified to vote at the city election March 21. Every citizen of the city owes a duty to himself and the community, and should not fail to qualify himself as a voter. City Auditor Hudson announces that the registration books will be open for all wishing to register at the city hall, all day Tuesday. Be sure and register.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Swan, of Burkey, were guests at the home of their nephew, County Treasurer A. E. Swan and family the last of the week. Mr. Swan left for his home, Mrs. Swan remaining for a more extended visit.

Services will be held at the German Lutheran church Sunday, Mar. 12, at the regular hours by Rev. Trinklein, the pastor.

Mrs. Buehl Richards was hostess to a number of her friends at the Richards home on the north side on Friday evening, March 3. A delicious luncheon was served. A musical programme, consisting of vocal solos by Misses Doris Ball and Vivian Nolan, and a piano number by Miss Frances Cook, contributed to the entertainment.

The invitation dance, given by a number of young men of the city at the opera house Tuesday evening, was a social success in every way, and was attended by a large number of young people.

Robert Wieka, who has bene at the bedside of his wife at Colorado Springs, Colo., where she has been receiving treatment at a sanitarium, returned Wednesday.