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ACTIVE WORK TO HELP CITY

Business Men's Club Names Committees for all Purposes.

WILL GO AFTER VARIOUS NEW ENTERPRISES

Active Campaign Inaugurated that Means Greater Rapid City—May Get Woolen Mills.

The Business Men's club is entering upon an aggressive campaign for the benefit of the city and during the year will endeavor to secure the location of institutions which will afford employment to labor and utilize home products. The board of directors met on Monday afternoon and listened to figures furnished by L. A. Richards of the South Dakota Power company regarding their ability to furnish power for factories and other enterprises. As New England woolen manufacturers are now looking westward for locations, efforts will be put forth to secure a mill for this vicinity, believing it one of the most favorable places in the west. Already a Massachusetts corporation has decided to locate a \$16,000,000 mill in Colorado, Wyoming or Idaho. In order to be in a position to promptly take care of all questions as they arise committees were selected as follows:

Membership—D. B. Ingram, F. N. Emrick, Levi McGee, C. M. Fallon, George Schneider, H. W. Jones, Ethan Allen.

Freight transportation—W. H. Thompson, H. E. Swander, T. Sweeney, L. T. Crittenden, F. H. Rugg.

Finance—G. E. LeMar, A. Duhamel, C. Morse, G. H. Randall, E. S. Johnson, James Halley, C. J. Buell.

Advertising—Newspapers—H. W. Jones, J. G. Gossage, J. Z. Reed, J. Morris, F. L. Ackerman.

Real Estate—Ethan Allen, I. H. Chase, C. W. Brown, George Flavin, Ed McNamara.

Newspapers and printing—Wayne Woodward, Harry Wentzy, I. M. Humphrey.

Manufacturers—Dr. H. F. Ratte, George P. Bennett, L. T. Crittenden, J. D. Patton, J. C. Haines.

Auditing—F. E. Wilkin, Arthur Lange, Fred McCain.

Building—G. H. Randall, C. Morse, M. J. Nicholson.

Advertising Booklets—Ed S. Allen, G. B. Mansfield, F. G. Gilbert.

Creamery—A. H. Wheaton, H. E. Swander, J. D. Patton.

Credits—K. B. Scribner, J. H. Mathias, C. B. Baldwin.

City Council—J. B. Henry, A. K. Thomas, W. E. Moore.

Cold Storage—Chas. Schuster, I. M. Humphrey, I. U. Pickett.

Conventions—Harry Wentzy, W. F. Pascoe, F. N. Emrick.

Commercial Reports—C. J. Buell, C. W. Brown, George Flavin.

Cattle—Corbin Morse, I. M. Humphrey, D. B. Ingram.

Documents—K. A. Whitmer, A. J. McCain, H. H. Marks.

Dry Farming—A. J. McCain, W. H. Thompson, J. J. McNamara.

Advertising Display—J. Morris, F. L. Ackerman, E. Lynch.

Entertainment—C. M. Dilger, I. U. Pickett, J. H. Radcliff.

Excursion—Arthur Lange, W. E. Moore, V. T. Price.

Forest Reserve—L. H. Chase, W. F. Pascoe, J. C. Haines.

Game Protection—F. G. Gilbert, F. E. Wilkin, W. F. Pascoe.

Health Resorts—F. L. Ackerman, Dr. Ratte, F. G. Gilbert, Geo. Flavin, A. K. Thomas.

Hospital—T. Sweeney, A. Duhamel, Eugene Bangs.

Insurance and Fire Protection—M. J. Nicholson, C. M. Fallon, E. Lynch.

Irrigation—Geo. P. Bennett, Corbin Morse, A. J. McCain.

Lumber—L. T. Crittenden, J. D. Patton, H. H. Marks.

Legislation—J. D. Patton, Dr. H. F. Ratte, C. W. Brown.

Library—F. H. Rugg, C. J. Buell, J. L. Reed.

Lodges—Geo. E. Flavin, F. H. Rugg, H. E. Swander.

Land Office—J. H. Mathias, I. H. Chase, James Halley.

Meteorology—J. H. Gray, G. B. Mansfield, J. K. Hull.

Machine Shops—C. W. Brown, J. C. Haines, Ethan Allen.

Market Day—L. B. Bangs, W. H. Thompson, I. U. Pickett.

Plenics—C. B. Baldwin, E. McNamara, G. P. Bennett.

Power Plants—Levi McGee, Geo. P. Bennett, V. T. Price.

Parks and Parkways—H. E. Swander, I. H. Chase, J. C. Haines.

Passenger Transportation—W. E. Moore, F. L. Ackerman, L. T. Crittenden.

Poultry—J. K. Hull, J. D. Patton, W. F. Pascoe.

Postoffice—Jas. Halley, V. T. Price, A. Duhamel, Geo. F. Schneider, F. H. Rugg.

Reading Room—Ed McNamara, F. H. Rugg, A. J. McCain.

Retail Stores—C. M. Fallon, J. C. Haines, J. B. Henry.

WILL EXTEND THEIR TIME

Movement to Assist Home- steaders Proves Very Successful.

THE MOVEMENT WAS STARTED IN RAPID CITY

Bills to Increase Period of Going on to Lands have Passed Both Houses of Congress.

Advices from Washington are that the bill extending the time for entrymen to go upon their land and granting leave of absence to new homesteaders in the dead of winter, has been passed by both houses of congress and will become a law as soon as signed by the president. The bill passed both houses last week, but the leave of absence clause was dropped. Congressmen Martin and Burke have succeeded in having it included and both measures become effective when signed.

The extension of time and leave of absence legislation is due to a movement started in this city. Several prominent people took the matter in hand and sent letters to both congressmen and to other men in positions of influence, with the result that influence was brought to bear sufficient to bring it about. When effective it will be of great benefit to homesteaders, especially those who are short of funds and who make entry late in the summer, compelling them under the old regulation to go upon the land during the cold months, poorly provided to stand the rigors of the season. The condition was made more acute from the fact that land convenient to town has been taken and new settlers had to go far into the country to find homes.

New Wire is Received.

The Rapid City Electric Light company received a carload of wire early this week and work of extending the service is now being taken up. It is desired to extend the service to all parts of the city this spring. The shipment includes ten miles of conduit wire with smaller wire to make necessary connections wherever desired. It is expected a large amount of building will be done in the residence districts and the company is getting in position to supply the demand without delay. The new lights ordered by the city will be put in as soon as possible this spring.

A correspondent of the Camp Crook Gazette tells this one and it is a good one: A very large wolf came down from the wilderness the other day and looked through our hospital bunch for a fat mutton, but did no damage. He was very big and fierce-looking; his dimensions would compare favorably with an adult horse. Possibly he is the same monster that Mr. Frizzell ran into a snowdrift and killed three years ago, after chase of thirty-seven miles.

Elm Springs.

Miss Hester Schafer of Plainview, Neb., is here visiting relatives.

Miss Clara Deering spent several days last week visiting her parents in Wasta.

Rev. Everett Graham has moved here from Viewfield.

Miss Jewel Griffin visited relatives in Wrightsboro Friday and Saturday.

Dr. Mathias was at his ranch on Belle river several days this week.

Tim Meader and family have moved back from their ranch on the river, where they have been spending the winter taking care of their stock.

R. E. Huddleston was injured in a runaway Tuesday, quite seriously.

Farmingdale.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Hannifin were out to their ranch Sunday and took dinner with the C. A. Bates family.

Jack Phillips and Fred Bowers this week moved the Dahlgren house to the Bollman ranch.

G. C. Rollins of Westfield, Iowa, is spending some time in this place. He is visiting at the Vandebreak home.

Clem Covertson, who had been here for some time, left Sunday for a visit with friends in Rapid City, and from there will go to visit L. V. Melvin on Elk Creek.

F. A. Bartlett was in Rapid City Saturday transacting business.

R. J. Quass was an arrival here Saturday.

Miss Sadie Jennings made commutation proof on her homestead Friday at Rapid City. A. Careck and E. E. Jennings were witnesses before the department.

The Farmingdale bank building is being painted by O. J. Raben.

Val Weyh was in from his ranch on Friday and purchased two lots in town.

Earl Hammerquist is busy hauling sawdust for the new ice house.

August Bollman, B. E. Jennings, Hope Jennings, A. B. Streeter, Clem Covertson, Sadie Jennings, Erma and Fred Hammerquist and Roy Younglove were passengers to Rapid City Friday and Monday.

THE CAMERA.

Some of the Wonderful Things of Which it is Capable.

The camera, which divides time into thousands of a second and records the impressions of each, makes permanent pictures of events which pass too quickly for the dull human retina to recognize. It is only through the camera that the motions of the wings of flying birds and of the legs of swift running animals have been analyzed. To the camera the fuzzy drivers of the swiftly speeding locomotives stand out clear cut and stationary, while each flying drop of rain in the driven storm is distinct and seems frozen in its place. The tarpon fisherman, familiar with the first wild leap of the frenzied fish as it casts hook and bait fifty feet in the air, sees first in the finished picture the outstretched gills, the convulsive opening and closing of which had escaped his eye, however closely he may have looked for it.

Often the eye of the camera will decipher documents of which the writing had been substantially obliterated by age, and I have successfully copied with the camera the utterly faded photograph of a classmate of forty years previous and thereby been enabled to present to a grizzled veteran a likeness of his curly haired youth, undimmed by the pigment of the skin, undistorted by the eye appear with distinctness on the sensitive plate, and it is said that ample warning of approaching disease has been thereby given.

By means of the invisible rays lying beyond the violet of the spectrum objects may be photographed in the darkness, and with the aid of the so called X rays, through substances otherwise opaque. When from the darkness of night and storm the forked lightning flashes, the camera makes a vivid and permanent picture of each fiery trail. Creatures that travel by night can be "caught" in the brief blaze of a magnesium charged pistol, the flash of which is of too short duration for the creature to move or the dull human eye to recognize the subject—A. W. Dimock in Van Norden's.

JAPAN A LAND OF COLOR.

Farms of Two or Three Acres Divided Into Many Tiny Fields.

Land is so scarce in Japan and the people so numerous that a farm rarely consists of more than an acre or two. These little farms are divided up into tiny fields. During the season of the year in which we made our journey one of these fields was filled with sprouting barley, light green in color; another field, perhaps the next, with vetch, a lavender colored, cloverlike fodder; a neighboring field with a dark green grass from the seed of which a lamp oil is manufactured; another with the pale yellow flowers of the mustard, and scattered here and there fields filled with what looked like a variety of lily, some white, some red, some yellow, but all equally brilliant.

Then to get the complete picture you must imagine patches of flowering azaleas dotting the roadside; towering, round topped camellia trees breaking the sky line with frequent splashes of bright green; usually in the shade of these trees houses with white plastered walls and red tiled roofs; about the more pretentious of these houses white plastered walls, above which appeared a profusion of palms, roses and strange native flowers, and in the doorways of the garden walls kimono clad Japanese girls, the kimonos as many and as gayly colored as the garden that framed them.

I have traveled in but one other country that is so gayly colored, and that was some few years ago, when, in the company of a number of other youngsters and an evil smelling magic lantern, I used to make frequent visits to the Land of Primary Colors—George MacAdam in Outing Magazine.

Good Kitchen Company.

One housewife in this town doesn't know anything about the servant problem, at least so much of it as has to do with the keeping of a maid of all work, the quality of such service not being counted. This is because her servant always beets always devoted to her because of her brightness and her unselfish treatment of them. Having only the one servant of doubtful skill and accomplishments, this housewife has to spend a good deal of time in her own kitchen. The other day Julia expressed her appreciation this way: "Miss Fanny, you're certainly a good kitchen company."—Louisville Times.

Two Hamlets.

Sir Beerbohm Tree and Wilson Barrett gave London their production of "Hamlet" almost contemporaneously. A well known wit who was asked his opinion of the dual Hamlets nonchalantly made answer: "Tree's Hamlet is funny without being vulgar, but Barrett's is vulgar without being funny."

Her Doings.

"His wife made a fool of him." "What reason have you for saying that?"

"I have his own word for it." "Get out!"

"I have. He says that all he is he owes to his wife."—Houston Post.

"De man dat answers a gold brick circular," said Uncle Eben, "makes de old mistake. Instead o' tellin' Satan to get behind 'im, he thinks he kin git ahead o' Satan."—Washington Star.

On Oath.

The Court—You will swear that the prisoner stole your umbrella? The Plaintiff—Your honor, I will swear that he stole the umbrella I was carrying.—Cleveland Leader.

FORGER GETS FIVE YEARS

Tom Johnson Gets Stiff Sentence for Passing Worthless Paper.

BURNETT AND WILSON ARE SENTENCED

Richard Goetz Draws Nine Months in Pen for Obtaining Money under False Pretenses.

In circuit court last week Tom W. Johnson was found guilty of uttering a forged instrument and on Wednesday sentenced to a term of five years in the state penitentiary, by Judge McGee. Johnson's case was due to his going into the Sweeney saloon several weeks ago and presenting a check for \$33 drawn to the order of Henry Williams and signed by Charles Schuster. Joe Langley, the bartender, cashed the check which proved to be a forgery.

Ora Lee Burnett and Wm. Wilson were sentenced to two and a half years each for grand larceny. About a month ago they saw James Anderson while at the Northwestern depot display a roll of bills. When he went into another building near by Ora followed and relieved him of the money. Then the couple took the train for Chadron, Neb., where they were arrested and returned to this city by Sheriff Hewett, Wilson having most of the money in his possession.

Richard Goetz was given 9 months for obtaining money under false pretenses. The crime charged was passing checks fraudulently drawn on a Hot Springs bank. When arraigned he pleaded guilty and threw himself on the leniency of the court.

Were Wedded Wednesday.

Miss Mary Pivny of Wasta and Paul C. Murphy of Owanka were married Wednesday morning at St. Mary's Catholic church by Rev. Fr. Straeton. The marriage was celebrated at 7:00 a. m., witnessed by Miss Kate Murphy and Joseph Pivny. The groom is a son of John F. Murphy and has spent most of his life in this section. For several years he has been making his home on his ranch near Owanka and has prospered. He is favorably known to a large circle of friends. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mathias Pivny and is much loved for her pleasing ways by numerous friends here and in the vicinity of Wasta, where she has lived many years. They left shortly after the ceremony for Chicago where they will spend some time visiting. Later they will make their home on the ranch.

PHONE RATES ARE REDUCED

People Living West of the Missouri River are Favored by Great Western System.

A dispatch under a Pierre date of the 25th inst. says: "The people living west of the Missouri river, while making a fight on the freight and express rates charged them, are pleased at a voluntary reduction of telephone rates on the Great Western system, which supplies the telephone service to most of the country between the Missouri and the Black Hills. The company, with headquarters at Philip, has made an air-line distance rate and this has cut many of the rates practically to half what they have been in the past, especially so where the service is over branch lines. The company has also reduced local exchange rates where it operates exchanges. These reductions, as a voluntary move on the part of the company, have given the people of that part of the state a kindly feeling toward at least one public service corporation, regardless of what they may think and say about the others."

The Band Reorganized.

The Rapid City concert band is being reorganized with intention of being able to furnish music for all occasions during the year. The membership now numbers eighteen with prospects of being increased as soon as other musicians learn of the reorganization. Mr. Cook is in charge as director and is meeting with good success. Rehearsals are being held each Monday and Thursday evening in Firemen's hall.

Miss Carrie Long Comander and Wilson Kneel of Manderson were united in marriage Tuesday by Justice Worth. Both parties to the compact are Sioux Indians. The groom is a thrifty redskin who owns a good ranch and farms it.

I. H. Chase returned Wednesday evening from a several weeks trip to points in Mexico, during which he visited his son-in-law, Freeman Steel, who had been ill but was improving when Mr. Chase left.

At a meeting of the Gate City Hose company Wednesday evening officers were elected as follows: Foreman, C. P. Agard; first assistant, Claude Garlick; second assistant, Charles Jolly; secretary, Edward Dodge; treasurer, Chas. P. Tittle; trustees, F. C. Foster, John P. McElroy, Jr., V. C. Anderson.

ALEXANDER'S SNAKE.

A Story of Magic and Credulity in the Olden Days.

No snake that ever lived won greater fame for the time than Alexander's. Lucian tells the story. Apollonius, a master of the magic arts, had many disciples, among whom was a practicing physician who lived in Abonotichus, a small town on the shore of the Black sea. There Alexander was born of humble parentage and imbibed from the old doctor all that he had learned from Apollonius of medicine and magic. He was a lad of striking appearance, tall, handsome, with a fine head of hair, lustrous brown eyes and a voice sweet and limpid. "God grant," wrote Lucian, who knew him, "that I may never meet with such another. His coming was wonderful, his dexterity matchless. His eagerness for knowledge, his capacity for learning and power of memory were equally extraordinary."

Such was the well favored young peasant who sailed forth from his native town in search of fame and fortune. Soon he fell in with one Cocconas, a shrewd tipster for the races and somewhat of a juggler. The two rogues joined forces and meandered about telling fortunes. Arriving at Pella, they found a great number of huge, harmless snakes which lived in the houses, played and slept with the children and destroyed poisonous rats. Alexander promptly purchased one of the largest, a veritable monster, so tame that it would coil about his body and remain in any desired position. Then he made a human face for it out of linen, painted it ingeniously and shaped it so that the mouth would open and shut by an arrangement of horsehair, letting the forked tongue shoot in and out at the will of the master. Having no further use for Cocconas, he either administered poison to him or let him die from some infection and returned with his snake to his native town. There he declared himself a prophet and announced that the god Aesculapius was about to appear. The people were credulous, excitable and eager for a new divinity.

When the great day arrived Alexander pretended to discover in a puddle of water a goose egg which he had placed there after removing the contents, substituting a small embryo snake just born and carefully sealing the shell with wax. When the multitude had gathered he broke the shell and produced the tiny creature, which in a few moments grew to be the monster from Pella by the simple process of substitution. Thereafter he was believed to be Aesculapius, led a busy life. He gave seances, told fortunes in writing and even spoke freely, with the aid of the prophet's ventriloquial powers. Alexander grew rich and powerful, kept a small army of retainers and spies, wielded no little influence over the government even at Rome and died at a ripe old age in the fullness of his renown. What became of the snake nobody knows. Probably at the last the prophet dispatched the faithful creature to prevent the discovery of his deception after his death.—George Harvey in North American Review.

The Kind Cat.

A neighbor of old Mrs. Harrington killed a fine pig one day. He cut it up and hung the pieces in his woodshed. Mrs. Harrington's cat climbed into the shed that night, stole a large pork chop and carried it home to her mistress. The minister happened to call on the old lady the next day. She was just frying the chop. She told the minister how miraculously it had been brought to her by the cat.

"And, oh, sir," she said proudly, "it was almost beautiful to see the way the sweet animal brought me the pork chop. It quite recalled to my mind what we read in Holy Writ about Elijah and the ravens."—Exchange.

The Courthouse Gate.

We have been shown a design for an upholstered front gate which seems destined to become very popular. The footboard is cushioned, and there is a warm soapstone on each side, the inside step being adjustable, so that a short girl can bring her lips to the line of any given mustache without trouble. If the gate is occupied at 10:30 p. m., an iron hand extends from one gate post, takes the young man by the left ear, turns him around, and he is at once started toward home by a steel foot. The girl can, if she likes, set this part at a later hour than 10:30.—Jones County (Ga.) News.

Gibraltar's Searchlight Battery.

For ships to pass around Gibraltar, England's and the world's greatest fortress, without being observed even at night is a practical impossibility, owing to the great battery of searchlights arranged along the bottom of the rock. A ship running either in or out runs into one of the fixed beams of light and is revealed. A moving beam of light then follows her until the lookout officers are satisfied as to her intentions.—Popular Mechanics.

Clothes.

"Clothes don't make the man," quoted a sage.

"They made 'me!'" said a retired tailor.

"And where should I be if it wasn't for suits?" chimed in a lawyer's clerk.

Something From Nothing.

"It is impossible to take something from nothing," quoted the wise guy.

"Well, you come pretty close to it when you take the conceit out of some people," added the simple mug.—Philadelphia Record.

A wise man thinks before he speaks, but a fool speaks and then thinks of what he has been saying.

TO INSTITUTE ELKS' LODGE

A New Lodge to be Born In Rapid City on Friday, February 4.

WILL START WITH ONE HUNDRED MEMBERS

About a Year's Effort necessary to Bring about Organization—Banquet to be Held.

Rapid City lodge No. 1187, B. P. O. Elks, will be instituted in this city on February 4th with attendant ceremonies at Derthick's opera house. Considerable effort has been put forth the past year to organize and many obstacles had to be overcome before the desires of those interested could be brought about. The dispensation has now been received and everything in readiness for the new lodge.

Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler C. H. Dillon of Yankton will be here and with the assistance of Lead, Deadwood and Mitchell Elks will place antlers on the first herd in Rapid City.

A banquet will follow the more formal ceremonies and it is probable a large number of Elks will be here from throughout the Black Hills. The new lodge will have sixty-eight new members in addition to those located here who belong to other lodges, making the membership of the new lodge number close to 100 at its inception. As soon as the lodge is installed efforts will be put forth for more members and predictions are freely made that 100 more will join before many months.

Plans are being made for lodge quarters and a social club permissible to the lodge. Among those now members of the order are George E. Flavin, Tom Sweeney, I. M. Humphrey, Chas. H. Phillips, Geo. P. Bennett, W. E. Moore, E. F. Roberts, H. W. Derthick, Dr. P. J. Waldron, C. W. Brown, Jas. Boyd, Charles Mattoon, Dr. B. C. Brown, J. Beranek, Pete Sweeney, Dr. G. C. Redfield.

Church Announcements.

First Baptist Church, Seventh and Columbus Sts.

Morning service—10:45 a. m. Sunday school—12:00 m.

Young People's Meeting—8:30 p. m. Evening service—7:30.

Prayer service—Thursday, 7:30 p. m. Subject Sunday morning, "Christ's Mission and Our Mission."

Subject Sunday evening, "Christ Your Lord by Right of Service."

J. F. Blodgett, Pastor. Residence, 917 9th St. Phone, L 135.

Remember the union evangelistic meetings. Remember the place—Library hall. Remember the time—Sunday evening, Feb. 6, and after that until further notice. Five hundred new hymn books have been ordered especially for these services.

Rev. Theo. Kissling will conduct Lutheran services in the city hall at 2:00 p. m. Sunday, Jan. 30. Speaking will be in German.

Situation is Improved.

The people of the towns along the Milwaukee road between here and Chamberlain are breathing easier, especially as there has been relief in the coal situation. Several towns were short on coal and fears were entertained that the supply would be exhausted before coal could be shipped. During the past few days coal has been received and with ordinary climatic conditions is believed to be sufficient for all demands.

THEY LOOK FOR BIG MEETING

Executive Committee of Stockmen's Association Held Session Tuesday at Harney Hotel.

The executive committee of the Stockmen's association held a meeting at the Harney hotel Tuesday afternoon. Plans for the meeting here early in April were discussed to some length and prospects for a big affair are considered flattering. There were present James Craig of Belle Fourche, vice president; Frank Stewart of Buffalo Gap, secretary; J. D. Hale of Sturgis, and I. M. Humphrey. Several disputes over stray cattle, which had been referred to the committee, were taken under consideration and settled. Bills against the association were audited. Several letters from commission merchants in Omaha, Sioux City, Chicago, Kansas City and other shipping points were read, in which the writers expressed their intention of being represented at the April meeting.

Mrs. S. M. Booth of Custer and her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Mark Booth of Hermosa, were in the city Tuesday. This was the second visit in twenty-two years the aged lady has paid to Rapid City, although before the death of her husband her visits were frequent. This visit was made at the instance of her children who were determined she should come and have her picture taken. The ladies returned to Hermosa in the evening.