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NATIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

Salt Lake June, 23—Leading musical artists of Utah will take part in the concerts that are to be among the dominant features of the fifty-first annual convention of the National Education Association in this city, July 5 to 11. There will be music at every important meeting of the N E A and on the evening of July 7 in the great Mormon Tabernacle, the thousands of visitors will be treated to grand concerts for the success of which the foremost musicians of the state are working.

As many persons know Utah is distinctly musical. The people love music and every household has its musicians. Musical education of the young goes hand in hand with the inculcation of the "three R's" into the craniums of the budding citizenry of the state. Salt Lake City is said to have more pianos, per capita, than any other city in the nation. Music stores and music teachers abound.

Some of Utah's musicians are famous. There is professor John J. McClellan, the Tabernacle organist. Thousands upon thousands of tourists have heard him wring wonderful human-like notes from the great Tabernacle pipe organ. Professor McClellan will be at the organ at the concert and will take part in the other music festivals of the convention week.

The Mormon Tabernacle choir of 400 voices will sing at the N E A. concert, under direction of the conductor Prof. Evan Stephen, a musician and composer of note. Musical numbers of the various sessions will include numbers by choruses from the different grades of Salt Lake, Springville and Provo public schools.

The music by the Salt Lake grade pupils will be under the direction of the supervisor, Prof. William A. Wetzel, while Clair W. Reed will direct the Provo youngsters.

Prominent individual artists who will take part in the musical features are: Mrs. Margaret Toot Browning, Mrs. Emma Ramsey Morris, Miss Margaret Summerhays, Mrs. Charles, Daily, Miss Mary O'Neil, Mrs. W. A. Wetzel, Miss. Clarinda Holman, George Pyper, G. Whitney H. S. Ensign, J. D. Spencer, Fred C. Graham, Willard Squires, Thomas Ashworth, J. R. Johnson.

Salt Lake City—Cutting of cakes of solid salt as ice companies in cold winter get their harvest from frozen lakes and from salt beds as smooth and white as a frosty mill pond, will be a spectacle that visitors to Salt Lake City at the National Education Association convention, July 5 to 11, will see.

For miles west of Salt Lake City are salt prairies. Seasoning sufficient for the world's dinner for many years to come is deposited in these plains. Extraction or mining of the salt for commercial purposes is going on in several localities. N E A visitors may see some of these operations from the cars as they ride to Saltair Beach, the bathing and amusement resort on Great Salt Lake.

The beach is a thirty minute ride from the center of the city. The convention will pass one day at the beach, Tuesday, July 8, but the resort is so handy and train service so frequent that convention visitors may go for a dip in the exhilarating 22 per cent salt waters of the inland-sea any time they choose.

Sea bathing in the mountains is the novel experience to be had only at Salt Lake City. City and lake are situated in a broad valley in the Wasatch mountains, 4200 feet above sea level. The mountains are as accessible to the city as the salt sea. Canyons reach right into the heart of the city and sheer peaks rise on three sides.

With a few minutes stroll from

SOUTH FORK NEWS

Miss Florence Williams, who has been very ill with pneumonia is now convalescent, it gives us pleasure to state.

We have a baseball nine here now, it was organized recently. This region has been favored with several heavy showers of rain of late that did the crop a world of good.

Mr. and Mrs. John Carter departed for San Francisco a few days since. Mr. Carter has been in delicate health for some time and expects to undergo surgical treatment for serious stomach disease. We hope he will soon return to his home a well man.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Sunino, and family and Miss Ella Chick visited Grandma Clayton Sunday last.

A very enjoyable entertainment took place last Saturday evening at Hylton and Clayton Bros home. It was a dance given by Chas Clayton in their new 3000 sack granary just completed by Chas R. McConnell. Those who attended were from this and Mound valleys.

In the rush of other farm work, don't forget to give the fruit trees and berry bushes plenty of water. On some Nevada farms this is sadly neglected and these good friends nearly perish all summer for water. The result is small juiceless almost tasteless fruit. Think a moment and you will remember that at your old eastern home where the fruit is large, deliciously fine flavored and juicy, frequent showers of rain occur keeping soil at the roots of the fruit trees and berry bushes constantly moist; this teaches a lesson, namely that in order to have good fruit, we must irrigate the orchard often and well.

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TUSCARORA TIPS

Everything is lovely since the rain. The range is good the dandelions are smiling, the new potatoes are opening their eyes and the school ma'ams are very cheerful.

The entertainment at Plunkett's ball Friday night was well attended and highly appreciated by the audience. The talent displayed by the youngsters on the stage was excellent and the teachers should be commended for their ability to train pupils for such work.

We regret to report that Mr. C. P. Sherman, a resident of this place for several years passed away at an early hour Sunday morning after an illness of short duration.

Mrs. Hasting and Miss Thornton who have been teaching at Mountain City, and Edgemont left for Elko the 15th enroute to California.

Mr. Wm Jewett and Bill Dunstan are visiting friends in Elko.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Woodward were in from the ranch Sunday.

The Baldo Debaters failed to meet last week on account of the water and mosquitoes.

"Tale Holt."

Free grand opera in the park is condemned by Mayor Gaynor, but there are a good many people who would like the bands to play something besides Tom-tit polka.

Temple square, in the down town district, in a northerly direction a pedestrian may find himself sealing the tufted sides of a mountain or deep in the crevasse of City Creek canyon.

Before him are altitudinous solitudes, behind him a modern city, its church spires, representing all denominations, public buildings, lofty sky-scrapers and pretty homes shimmering in the sunlight.

The sun shines every day during July and August. It seldom rains but the dry heat is never suffocating. Humid "dog days" are never known. Mountain currents keep the nights cool and refreshing. None of the entertainments and activities of the N. E. A. convention will need to postpone on account of the weather.

ORANGE BLOSSOMS

Valedictorian of the Class of 1913
Elko Co. High School

This morning at 6 a m at the residence of the bride's parents, Miss Harriet Van Drielan and Mr. Ira Sisco were joined in the holy bonds of matrimony, Rev. Price officiating.

Miss Zelma Carroll acted as bridesmaid and Miss Dorothy Patterson and Miss Mae Clinton as maids of honor.

Mr. Frank Hale acted as best man and Mr. Joe McNamara and Mr. W. A. Seldon as escorts.

The bride wore a beautiful gown of white satin veiled in crystal net trimmed with pearls, while the groom wore conventional black.

The bridesmaid wore a blue silk messaline with net lace over dress while Miss Dorothy wore a yellow broadened mull and Miss Mae wore a blue broadened mull. Little Erwin McGinty acted as ring bearer. Those present were:

Mr. and Mrs. Van Drielan, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hale Mr. and Mrs. H. U. Castle, Mrs. Clara Carroll, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smiley, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wolford, Mrs. A. L. McGinty, Mrs. J. B. Gheen Mrs. Kate Terry, Miss Ruth Van Dreil, Miss Edith Hale.

After the ceremony congratulations were received and then all passed to the dining room where a sumptuous wedding breakfast was served. The young couple left on No. 4 for Salt Lake City where they expect to spend a couple of weeks, then to return to Elko where they will make their home.

The bride is well known in Elko as she was born and reared here, having graduated from both Public school and Elko County High. She graduated from the latter on June 12th with flying colors, valedictorian of the class.

The groom is from Alliance, Nebraska, and is now employed by the Verdi Lumber Co. While he has been in our midst but a little over a year he has won the respect and esteem of all who know him.

May their journey thro' life be unclouded, success and prosperity be theirs.

The Independent extends congratulations and best wishes of the community.

R. H. Billingsley and Irene Ryan both of Carlin were united in marriage at noon today by Rev. Chas. McHarness of the Elko Baptist Church. Mr. and Mrs. Billingsley will spend a few days at Salt Lake City after which they will return to Carlin where they expect to make their home.

Children's Sunday and Mother's day have been observed, and if Dad can be persuaded to go to church, a Father's Sunday will undoubtedly be arranged.

From the confident tone of the graduation essays, it seems likely that all of the country's problems will be settled by about Sept. 1.

They say beef will be high until every farmer keeps some cattle. Perhaps the trouble is that it isn't much fun going to rodeo evenings or Sunday afternoon after a pair of oxen.

As 700 epitaph cutters on Long Island have struck, it looks as if it might be cheaper to keep on paying the meat bill a while longer.

The railroad magnates had engaged rooms at the poorhouse before the Minnesota rates decision, and now they are calling up to see if the accommodations are all ready.

If the college presidents will listen attentively they should learn a lot from the graduation essays.

Probably the most effective lobbying is to suggest to a Congressman that his town could get that badly needed public building if he would ally himself with good people at Washington.

The high graduating classes do not usually contain many boys. The others quit at the sophomore year, as they had learned all there was to know.

Julian Hawthorne it is said has become very nervous in his efforts. Strange that the courts did not foresee this before they put him in.

NEWS FROM HILLTOP

Hilltop is still on the map and growing bigger and better every day. Every foot of development work now shows larger ore shutes and bigger values. As depth is attained veins widen and values increase. The future of Hilltop is now assured beyond any shadow of a doubt. Leasers are consolidating and work progressing in such a manner and with such results as to assure permanency of the coming camp in Nevada. Another lease changed hands last week. Mr. Liba bought out his partner and Andrews is now \$1000 richer and Mr. Liba is the proud and happy owner of one of the best leases in the camp. The firm of Liba and Andrews has been dissolved and the lease will be known as the Liba lease in the future. This lease is down only thirty eight feet and the vein is eighteen inches which runs from \$50 to \$100 in value and increases as depth is attained.

General Manager J. D. Smith returned from a months stay at the head office of the Kimberly Consolidated in Philadelphia. He is highly elated over such bright prospects for the camp as development work during his absence has brought to light. The man from Milwaukee, Mr. Koenig, has reached the point where development work is no longer necessary. He is taking out the ore as rapidly as it can be handled and taking it to the mill on the ground where it is converted into bullion every week. Keep your eye on Hilltop, it's the coming camp of Nevada and it is coming fast.

TUSCARORA ITEMS

A Wild Chase For Range Horses

For some time the ranges around Tuscarora have been undisturbed. But again horses seem to be in great demand, and as eastern buyers will soon be coming a few of Tuscarora's noted riders are giving the horses a mad race for their freedom. The Wilkersons with the intention of staying several weeks have made camp on Cow Creek. They are no doubt capturing many for their stay has been long.

On Friday afternoon the wife of Judge Miller was taken seriously ill with a stroke. There is still little improvement in her condition. Both Mr. and Mrs. Miller are old timers of Tuscarora and well known by all.

The Women's Sewing Circle of Tuscarora or better known as the "Double T Club" will be entertained by Mrs. E. L. Bachman Tuesday. This will be the last meeting for several weeks, as it is necessary and customary for a vacation during the warm weather. It is hoped all will be ready to renew their work at a later date.

CARD OF THANKS

To the many friends, neighbors and associates who so greatly aided us during the recent great affliction in the loss of our husband and father we desire to extend our sincere and heartfelt thanks. It is in such times that one appreciates all the kindnesses and words of comfort that are tendered.

Mrs. Wes. Johnson and family.

BRUTAL ASSAULT

It is reported that Bill Mahoney was murderously assaulted by a bunch of Italians at Wells last night. Rumor says he is now lying in a precarious condition at his home at Deeth where he was brought on the midnight train last night. Mr. Mahoney is one of the firm of Mahoney Bros. at Deeth.

The college graduates are all planting ivy but they might not welcome a suggestion that they put a few beans in the back yard.

Pittsburg is removing its "keep off the grass" signs but perhaps the grass will have just as good a chance as it did before.

LOST FLOWERS

Flowers That Were Never Lost
Some Were Never Found

Under the heading "Find Few of Lost Flowers" is a recent press dispatch stating that Dr. P. B. Kennedy, "leading botanist of the state of Nevada" and Mrs. Brandegee, of Berkeley, "a scientist of national reputation," had returned to Reno after an eventful trip in the search for rare and lost specimens of flowers, which was "only partially successful."

The writer doesn't know what flowers have been lost—in fact he only knows a few by name that have been found—but he does know that if any one is looking for wild flowers of any kind and doesn't come to the Jarbidge mountains, he is overlooking the "one best bet," as G. G. R. would say. His (the writers not G. G. R's) ignorance of botany is so profound that he wouldn't know a "lost-flower" from one that had been roped and properly branded, but Dr. Alvin Nelson, of the University of Wyoming, and another Government botanist were here for a few days last year and in a short time discovered a number of flowers which were previously unclassified, in addition to scores of the known varieties. The local forest rangers have sent a number of plants and flowers from here to the department and received word that ten of them were unclassified.

But one doesn't need the word of an authority to be convinced that this is a most fruitful field for the botanist. He has but to open his eye as he follows the trail along a creek bottom, or glances up the steep mountain sides which are carpeted with beautiful flowers. Out of curiosity the writer made a test and found twelve different varieties of wild flowers in walking fifteen feet in a straight line.

As the spring is late in Jarbidge—the snow is still deep in some places in the higher mountains—it is to be presumed that the quantity and variety of the flowers will be greater as summer advances—in fact older residents say there are few now compared to what will come later.

To the tenderfoot especially it is interesting to note the advance of the season in the different altitudes Jarbidge is 6200 feet in elevation and flowers that had blossomed and gone to seed here a week ago are just coming to bloom a few hundred feet higher up, in the mountains. At a still higher altitude it will be a couple of weeks yet before the same flower will blossom.

Until the finding of gold here, four years ago, the Jarbidge district was almost inaccessible. There was no road over which a wagon could come nor could one be made without great expense. Only a few sheep trails led over the precipitous mountains to the narrow valleys.

Otherwise it is impossible that such a natural scenic and health resort should have been so long neglected. There are few places to which the summer tourists flock that possess so many genuine attractions as Jarbidge.

Unlike other parts of Nevada, which are dry and barren, this section has numerous springs, the mountains have plenty of trees and vegetation is luxuriant. The sportsman can get good trout fishing, and sage chicken and deer hunting in season. The mountain climber can climb to his heart's content—and believe me he will have to climb if he goes afoot up any of the mountains in this vicinity. The health-seeker will find a tonic in the invigorating mountain air and pure water that has put new life into hundreds.

And, as before intimated, the botanist will find himself transported to the seventh heaven of delight. James F. O'Brien.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT

The suit for \$4,880 for alleged breach of contract brought by O'Neil & Capell, of Wells, against Wines & Flynn, of Halleck, was resumed in District Court this morning before Judge B. W. Coleman of Ely.

W. T. O'Neil, James P. O'Neil, R. C. O'Neil, Charles O'Neil, Alice Capell and W. R. Capell compose the firm of O'Neil & Capell while S. L. Wines and W. R. Capell are the members of the firm of Wines & Flynn, the defendants in this action.

The plaintiffs, O'Neil & Capell alleged that on October 30, 1912, they made a contract for 500 tons of hay at \$6 a ton and also that the hay was to be taken from two fields called the Thoroughbreds and Sheridan Fields and the pasturage was to be in the Murphy field, all in Elko County.

O'Neil & Capell alleged they paid \$500 on account but the next day Wines & Flynn refused to abide by the agreement and returned the \$500. The plaintiffs further allege that they had to buy hay of Hunter & Banks in Elko at an advance of \$1000. They claim they had 308 cattle which have went without feed for 10 days and the shrinkage alone will be \$3080. They also charge that they had to pasture 1200 cattle on their own property because they had no access to Murphy Field which they claim to have rented, and the delay in feeding has caused serious damage and loss. A judgment for \$4880 is asked.

This morning Judge Coleman said he had considered the case carefully and did not think the plaintiff had made out a cause of action because the plaintiffs had not set up an allegation that a written contract had been entered into.

To all the charges made, Wines & Flynn made denial in detail.

Court adjourned at 10 o'clock until this afternoon in order to permit the plaintiffs to amend their complaint or drop the action. This afternoon counsel for O'Neil & Capell decided to amend their complaint so as to charge that a contract of sale had been entered into. They decided to go ahead with the case. Court adjourned until 7:30 tonight.

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The following telegram is in reply to a communication from C. A. Stout of Reno. I am in receipt of your letter of eighteenth inst, enclosing editorial clipped from the Reno Gazette of June eighteenth criticizing my testimony before the lobby investigating committee. I appreciate the motive that prompted you in requesting the Reno Commercial Club to defer action with regard to my testimony until you could hear from me, But I have no desire to prevent any expression or criticism on the part of the Commercial Club or any other body or any individual. It is the right of every citizen to comment upon or criticize the expression or acts of his representatives in Congress. After a careful review of my evidence I am satisfied that my statements are based upon facts which facts I intend to submit to congress. While I deny that four thousand people are employed in the sheep and wool industry or any thing like that number which fact I also intend to prove, still if such fact were true it would be no justification for taxing of the ninety thousand people in the state of Nevada who are compelled to use woolen goods for the purpose of supporting the rough hot house methods four thousand people a majority of whom are admittedly sheep herders of a foreign nationality of the lowest type receiving wages far below that which I believe a working man in the State of Nevada should deserve.

Key Pittman

PIRATES VS DEETH

AND STARR VALLEY

Deeth and Starr Valley came down several score strong Sunday and locked horns with the Pirates on the Diamond out at the Ball Park. They did not wipe the Pirates off the face of the earth, neither did they win the game but they did remarkable well considering the experience and practice of the splendid aggregation from the country. They were a fine lot of manly fellows and with practice ought to give any club in Elko County a run for their money before the summer is over. Editor Gray was along in all glory and while the club was here he acted as if the U. S. Marshallship and the Commonwealth could both go to Halifax or some other seaport if his team could only put the kibosh on the Pirates. Gray's enthusiasm is unbounded and his loyalty to his home town is all wool and a yard wide—Free wool and free sugar are minor considerations. The score was Pirates 13, Deeth and Starr Valley 8.

Another evidence that Elko is leading the other towns in Nevada in growth and property is shown by the financial report of postmaster J. C. Doughty of Elko. The receipts now exceed \$10,000 a year and are rapidly increasing. Elko is not experiencing any spasmodic boom, but on every hand business is good and the merchants and business men in all walks of life are rushed.

Under the Federal ruling any postoffice whose receipts reach \$10,000 a year may apply for free delivery within the city limits. On July 1 Postmaster Doughty will send in an application to Washington for the appointment of two mail carriers for Elko. If his request is granted a civil service examination will be held and the two highest candidates appointed at a salary of \$800 a year each. It is expected that the Washington authorities will consent to the granting of free delivery of mail in Elko. If such is the case, the Government requires all houses within the city limits to be numbered.

NEWS OF THE DAY

Salt Lake City, June 25—Policeman Thomas H. Griffith was shot and killed this morning by a foreign laborer in the wholesale district. Griffith attempted to take him to the police station after he had placed him under arrest. Then the foreigner shot him. A large crowd is in pursuit of the murderer, but shortly before noon he had not been captured.

Later

Salt Lake, Utah, June 25—Policeman Griffith's murderer managed to elude his pursuers. Two shots pierced Policeman Griffith's breast and a third his head, killing him instantly. Griffith is survived by a wife and seven children. One man was arrested as a suspect.

Douglas, Ariz., June 25—A telegram from Hermosillo today stated the Federals under General Ojeda had broken through the rebel lines and were retreating rapidly, toward Guaymas. No details were given save that Sonora state troops were in full possession of Santa Rosa and Oritiz.

Ely is all agog over the big airplane flight which is scheduled to be pulled off there July 4th. The big smelter town is up about 6000 feet now and she will certainly be up in the air if the aviator fails to make good. If the aviator goes up above the ground he will be up some too. If flights in high altitudes are difficult the New York aviator has the job of his life ahead of him at Ely.