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## ANNOUNCEMENTS



J. B. KNIEST

Democratic and People's Independent candidate for County Clerk, Box Butte county, Nebr.

Investigation of my qualifications solicited, and your vote will be appreciated.

J. P. JENSEN

Democratic and People's Independent nominee for County Commissioner invites investigation of his record as a citizen and public official, and on that record solicits the support of Box Butte county voters.

Wait for the Box Butte county fair, 1912. It's going to be a hummer.

A few fellows bet on Hackenschmidt in the world's recent championship wrestling bout, but the other fellows Gotch the money. (N. B.—We don't claim the foregoing to be original.)

The Dawes county fair is in full blast this week at Chadron; likewise the Custer county fair at Broken Bow; ditto the Thomas county fair at Thedford. The Garden county fair comes off Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of next week at Lewellen.

We believe in commencing to advertise in time. That's the reason we are already boosting for the Box Butte county fair for 1912. It is bound to be the biggest and best ever in western Nebraska. Get ready for it, wait for it, and don't forget to boost. It's all in the boost—or at least mostly.

In speaking of republican candidates for United States senator from Nebraska next year the average citizen will need to be a little careful about names or he will get them mixed. Each bears the name of Norris. With one it is the given name, the surname of the other, Congressman George W. Norris is the progressive republican candidate, and Senator Norris Brown the standpat candidate for re-election.

Talk with almost any voter in regard to voting for the best men, regardless of party name, and you will find a splendid spirit of independence from party domination. This augurs well for the welfare of the common people. As long as machine politicians can whip the mass of the voters into line with a party lash, so long will the few who profit by favors shown to special interests hold sway; but when voters generally rise above party dictation and vote according to their own judgment there will be hope of securing the enactment and enforcement of laws that will give the commonwealth their rights. Not much hope of it till then.

Because so many voters neglect to attend the primary election, the Columbus Telegram says: "In theory the state-wide primary is right. In practice it is a farce." But Judge Howard should not be too hasty in passing judgment on the primary or expect the best results too soon. When voters go to the primary as

they do to the general election, most of the fault that can be reasonably found with the primary will have been removed. Let us all resolve now to attend the next primary and urge others to do the same.

H. L. Merriman, writing for the Scottsbluff Star, exonerates the editor of that paper, Mr. Barron, from the blame of writing the items referred to in The Herald two weeks ago in regard to taking a slam at union labor, giving Mr. Bryan a standpat thrust and exclaiming, "Hurrah for Taft for vetoing the Arizona and New Mexico statehood bill." Mr. Merriman wrote the item and others under the caption, "Starretorials", the same being printed on the editorial page of the Star but not read by the editor before publication.

At a banquet given in San Francisco on the 4th inst., by the Direct Legislation League, Senator Clapp of Minnesota, who by the way is a republican, denounced the action of President Taft on the Arizona statehood bill eliminating judiciary recall. He said: "What shall we say of a policy to force an electorate to forewear its convictions at the price of admission to the Union? It savors of the dark ages; it is an attempt at bribery of the people. The fight against the recall is the last stand of the special interests."

A republican exchange expresses surprise that Governor Harmon of Ohio should take exception to some of the acts of President Taft, and sarcastically asks, "Is he trying to get on The Commoner's 'available' list?" The Herald has not heretofore expressed an opinion in regard to Governor Harmon's candidacy for the democratic nomination for president of the United States, but frankly if there is so little difference between him and standpat republicans that one is expected to not criticize the other we think progressive democrats—and the rank and file as well as many leaders may be classed as "progressive"—will do well to nominate some one else for president.

The progressive newspapers of Nebraska hail with delight Governor Aldrich's declaration in favor of LaFollette, but some of them are beginning to ask whether he will stick. The Herald believes he will. The Custer County Beacon voices the sentiment of a good many democrats and progressive republicans in the following: "Wonder if Governor Aldrich is a real LaFollette insurgent republican, and, if he is, whether or not he will stay that way up to the next primary election. If he is in earnest about it he will have tough sledding within his own party but his hands will be upheld by thousands of the good democrats of Nebraska who voted for him last fall."

### BRYAN ON TAFTISM

For a good many years the special interests of the country and their representatives and lackeys have made flings at the reforms that W. J. Bryan has stood for, and been foremost in advocating, by calling them "Bryanism", until they have been forced to back down by the popular demand for those reforms, and some times even pretending to accept them. Recently President Taft has, by an aggressiveness unusual for him, brought some things before the public that might be labeled "Taftism". It is interesting to read what Mr. Bryan has to say about some of those things. Following is from a recent number of The Commoner:

The trouble with President Taft is that he is constitutionally distrustful of the people. He has no fear of the Tyranny of a minority—but he becomes hysterical at the thought of the majority making a mistake. He is willing to retire to the secrecy of the White House and, without giving the public any information as to recommendations relied upon, appoint judges to nullify acts of congress, but he cannot think of allowing the voters to sit in judgement upon the acts of a judge.

President Taft has made grave mistakes in appointments, and other grave mistakes in vetoing the bills reducing the tariff, but these may be attributed to errors of judgment. When, however, he refuses to allow Arizona to frame her constitution to suit herself—subject to the restrictions of the federal constitution—he shows leanings toward a centralized government, and when he becomes frightened at the recall he discloses a lack of faith in the capacity of the people for self-government a lack of faith in their intelligence and patriotism.

The president's error is an honest one—his environment has biased him against the people. He is as suspicious of them as a king's courtier is of democracy. It does not alarm him to have a president force a nomination upon a party by the unscrupulous use of patronage. It does not arouse fears for his country to see

the predatory interests coerce voters into supporting their presidential candidate—he can even bring himself to threaten a panic if not elected, but his nerves are unstrung at the thought of the people using the recall to rid themselves of a judge who prostitutes his office to the service of some corporate boss. It is hard to understand how as intelligent a man as the president can say so much about a judge being intimidated by the fear of the recall and nothing about a judge being warped by years of employment by a trust or life-term judges being weaned away from the people by constant social associations with the beneficiaries of privilege.

### NOT FOR JUDGE HAMER

The Gering Courier, of which A. B. Wood is the well known and popular editor, is one of the "Dyed in the Wool" republican papers of the state, and one of the last that we would expect to bolt a G. O. P. nomination, but in the nomination of Judge Hamer at the primaries last month, he got one that was too strong even for the Courier. We take the following from an editorial in last Friday's issue of the Courier: "For the first time in the history of the Courier, covering more than a score of years in Nebraska politics, its editor is opposed to the election of a nominee of the party on the state ticket. Prior to the primaries this paper stated it was not for Judge Francis G. Hamer—now, with that gentleman upon the party ticket, it retains the same position. Of the democratic list at least one or two are preferable to Judge Hamer."

### WILL RUN ANYHOW

Harry W. Kirby of Thomas county, Nebraska, was a candidate for the republican nomination for county judge, but lacked a few votes in the primaries of getting enough to give him that nomination. However, he received the populist nomination, and announces through the Thomas County Herald that he will be a candidate on that ticket. He says: "Truth crushed to earth, will rise again," and the false reports circulated before the primaries will be refuted." Go to it, Mr. Kirby, and let the best man win.

### ANOTHER USEFUL INVENTION

Geo. A. Hills Applies for Patent on Second Invention

A few weeks ago The Herald mentioned an invention for which Geo. A. Hills had made application for patent, namely Hills' Breaching-Tug Buckle. Since then Mr. Hills has applied for a patent on another invention that cannot fail to be a success, and without doubt will be a money-maker for him. It is a buggy and wagon tongue cap, so-called, the object of which being to prevent the tongue of the buggy or wagon coming down in case the tugs become unhitched or other accidents happen. It prevents the neck yoke from slipping off the end of the tongue. Who has not heard of serious accidents occurring on account of a buggy or wagon tongue coming down while the team was hitched to the vehicle? This will prevent accidents of this kind, and we congratulate Mr. Hills on his success in perfecting this invention as well as the other.

### THE BOY SCOUTS

The Scouts met as usual last Friday night. Nearly every scout was present. After roll call and address by the Scoutmaster, a committee was appointed to arrange for a Scout social in the near future. One of the features of this meeting was the emergency drill. Several kinds of accidents were acted out and the Scouts instructed in the proper measures to take in each. Next Friday night we expect to organize a Scout basket ball team.

### TRADE EXCURSION

The business men of North Platte will run a trade excursion September 27th and 28th from that city over the Union Pacific railroad up the South Platte and North Platte rivers. This reminds us that Alliance ought to have a trade excursion covering the Burlington lines of northwestern Nebraska and eastern Wyoming, and although it may be a little late to get up something of this kind this year, we hope that arrangements will be made for it next year.

### CARD OF THANKS

The officers and stockholders of the Co-Operative Store wish to thank their many customers for the patronage given them in the past quarter. We shall endeavor to merit a continuance and increase of the same.

THE CO-OPERATIVE STORE,  
J. C. BERRY, Manager.

Dr. Boland, phone 65.

## BIG I. C. S. FEAST

International Schools Select Alliance for Big Anniversary Banquet, October 16th

### ABLE SPEAKERS PROCURED

Wm. A. Bartlett, a Wyoming and Nebraska representative of the International Correspondence Schools, of Scranton, Pa., was in this city this week making preliminary preparations for a big banquet, which this well known company will give in Alliance on the evening of October 16. The banquet, which promises to be a very elaborate and sumptuous affair, will be given to commemorate the Twentieth Anniversary of the International Correspondence Schools, which have for twenty years been doing a most valuable service in instructing thousands of men and women along practical lines and giving them a college, commercial, architectural, mechanical, or general education by correspondence at their own homes; and at a cost which the average workman can afford.

Mr. Bartlett has a large number of busy towns in his district, but he has selected Alliance as the most feasible place for holding this celebration on account of this city's growth, prosperity and convenient location. There are over a hundred people in Alliance who have at some time or another been interested in I. C. S. courses of instruction, and many of these will come under the company's requirements for attendance at the big I. C. S. feast. Then there will be other students from points along the Platte Valley and up as far as Sheridan, Wyoming, who will come to Alliance to attend this celebration.

"While final arrangements for this banquet have not yet been made," said Mr. Bartlett, "we are already assured of a good attendance; and I believe it will be a big success both from a social and intellectual standpoint. We expect to have a feast of wit and wisdom, as well as a mighty good feed. We hope to have some of the head officials of the big Scranton school out here to deliver speeches. There will be talks along the line of practical education and training from men who have become prominent in these lines, which will be valuable to those who wish to improve themselves, and some who have risen to high positions under adverse circumstances will tell how it was accomplished through I. C. S. courses. We also hope to have speeches from prominent Alliance men.

"We will try to make it interesting for all who attend, and may spring some surprises before the evening is over. I would be glad to explain more about this celebration or the work the I. C. S. is carrying on to anyone who is interested. A letter addressed to me at Alliance will be given prompt attention."

## LOCAL PARAGRAPHS

Miss Frances Nolan will leave Saturday for Lincoln to resume her studies at the State University.

Louis Allen, formerly of Alliance, is visiting with friends in this city for a few days. His parents now reside in Lincoln.

Bruce Mallery and Howard Reddish expect to leave in a few days for Lincoln where they will attend school the coming year.

R. E. Murray, having disposed of his interest in the Barnes Jewelry Co. to W. O. Barnes, expects to leave in a few days for the east, where he will open up business for himself.

Miss Josephine Hampton departed on No. 44 Tuesday for Lincoln where she will enter the State University. She expected to go from here direct to Omaha for a few days, and then return to Lincoln.

Misses Annie Kennedy and Ethel Johnston, both of whom graduated from the Alliance High school when Prof. D. W. Hayes was superintendent, left on 44 Monday for Peru, Nebr., where they will attend the State Normal school, of which Mr. Hayes is president.

J. C. Ridgell of Anadarko, Okla., arrived in Alliance last Sunday morning for a visit until Friday with his brother, W. S. Ridgell, which he had very pleasantly a part of the time, but the visit was interfered with by the judge being called to Chadron as a juror in the federal court in session there this week.

Following is the standing of contestants for the Alliance roller rink's diamond ring contest, up to and including Wednesday night:

Emma Coleman . . . . . 1790

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| Nellie Keeler . . . . .   | 1690 |
| Emma Fraker . . . . .     | 570  |
| Thelma Carey . . . . .    | 440  |
| Katie O'Donnell . . . . . | 129  |
| Marie Dismer . . . . .    | 10   |

In her memorable debate with Mayor Dahlman at Bellevue, near Omaha, Mrs. Mary Harris Armour had the distinction of addressing more saloon keepers, bartenders and others opposed to prohibition than were ever addressed at one time by a temperance speaker in Nebraska. And we never heard of one that regretted hearing her. She will interest you whether you agree with her arguments or not.

Mrs. Cotton Mather, representing the Woman's Home Missionary Society of the M. E. church, attended the annual conference at Crawford, and came to Alliance to remain over Sunday. She spoke at the M. E. church morning and evening. As there had been no arrangements made for these services until Friday afternoon, the attendance was much smaller than it would have been had it been announced the preceding Sunday. However, Mrs. Mather delighted her audience with her interesting talk on the subject of home missionary work, and at the close of the evening service she organized a local W. H. M. S., with the following officers: Mrs. J. J. Vance, president; Mrs. J. W. Thomas, rec. secretary; Mrs. W. H. Lunn, cor. secretary; Mrs. Charles Bracken, treasurer.

Among the Sheridan county people visiting Alliance last Saturday were S. D. Blair and W. A. Spain of Reno, otherwise known as Antloch, as that is the name of the post office. Mr. Blair is an old timer in this country, and has many friends in his end of the county who wished him to be a candidate on the republican ticket for sheriff, but as he did not file for the nomination and his name was not printed on the primary ballot, he did not receive the nomination. Had he filed as a candidate, there is no doubt but that he would have given our friend, Sheriff New, a merry chase at the election. As it is, Mr. New has no opposition, having received nomination from all parties. Mr. Spain has not been in this country so long. He came from South Dakota to western Nebraska last spring, having gone from Iowa to South Dakota a year before. He seems to be well pleased with this country already.

J. P. Barger, the nurseryman, has returned from his Iowa trip.

W. O. Barnes has quit the road and is back at his former occupation as manager of the Barnes Jewelry Co.

The Nat Reiss Carnival Company, that showed in Alliance last month, has been having hard luck in Denver the past week. The high dive man had his neck broken by making a dive while a strong wind was blowing, being blown onto the side of the water tank. The man who looped the loop on a bicycle was injured, although probably not fatally. The last we heard Mamie was still alive and hearty.

J. W. Guthrie had the misfortune to lose a gold watch on the road between Alliance and Reno. Meeting a man on the road after having discovered his loss he told him about it and soon the watch was returned to him at his office in Alliance, but somewhat the worse for having been run over by a buggy wheel.

The Herald learns that Mr. and Mrs. Walfrid Johnson and family, who left Alliance recently for Lincoln, where Mr. Johnson has work in the Burlington shops, are now comfortably located at 622 South 21st street.

G. L. Taylor and Charley Hucke of Hemingford came in from Omaha on 41 today and remained in Alliance until 43 arrived. They had been shipping cattle to the South Omaha market, which they happened to strike while it was a little off.

W. S. Parks has sold his 160 acre farm one and one-half miles east of Berea to Dr. Churchill; consideration \$3,200. Mr. and Mrs. Parks and family will remain in Alliance till next spring, on account of the schools here, when they may locate elsewhere.

Rev. J. L. B. Jones, who was appointed conference evangelist at the M. E. conference at Crawford, rented a house of Banker Keith Pierce at Hemingford and he and family moved there this week. Many will join The Herald in regretting to see them leave Alliance, but we are sure they will receive a cordial welcome from the good people of our sister town. Dr. Jones has already been engaged for four revival meetings. The first will be at Lakeside commencing October 1st.

## More School Room Needed

Steps Must Be Taken Soon to Give the Alliance City Schools More Room

### INCREASE IN SCHOOL CENSUS

The crowded condition at the Emerson school has necessitated the transfer of the sixth grade from that building to the Central school. At the opening of school the fourth grade was transferred to Central and it was thought this would relieve the congestion, but the very large enrollment in the first grade and the fifth and sixth grade departments, where forty-nine and forty-six, respectively, were enrolled, necessitated further transfers to relieve the situation. A portion of the first grade was transferred to the second grade department at Emerson, and the sixth grade, sixteen in number, was transferred to the Central school and combined with the sixth grade divisions of that building. This leaves at the Emerson building the first, second, third and fifth grades, with a total enrollment at the present time of 131. A few more pupils in the grades now there can be taken care of at Emerson but no other grade can be placed there without overcrowding some department.

It is becoming a serious problem to take care of the school children in the school room we now have. Central school, with its thirteen teachers, excluding music and manual training supervisors, resembles a bee hive at dismissal time and with the number of children to be cared for, rooms are being used for school purposes that, from a sanitary standpoint, should not be used. The Emerson building can accommodate no more rooms than are now there—five, of which four are used for ordinary purposes, and the fifth, a basement room, as the shop for the manual training department. Every available foot of space in the High School building is now in use, and in order to obtain room for the Domestic Science department, a portion of what was originally the garage was utilized. Notwithstanding the fact that the government census does not seem to indicate it, Alliance is growing. The school census report for 1911 shows a school census of 1110, one hundred more than the census of any previous year. The Board of Education desired to install indoor toilets in the Central and Emerson schools this year, but the fact that every available foot of floor space must be used to house the school children made such a needed improvement as this impossible. Alliance is very much in need of more school rooms.

Charles W. Nation sold his interest in the barber shop to W. C. Mounts, who is now sole proprietor, and on Saturday left to find another location. Charley, like a good many other people, has his faults, but he has a host of friends in Alliance who wish him well wherever he locates. He has also had his ups-and-downs, like a good many of the rest of us, but before leaving made satisfactory settlement with those with whom he had business relations. Mrs. Nation and the four children are visiting at Waterloo, Iowa. As soon as Charley decides upon a location he will send for them and they will go to the place he decides upon.

Mabel P. Allen, a magazine writer of Los Angeles, is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Lillian D. Hobbs, at the Hobbs ranch.

Lots of doings in police court this week. The Herald has been requested to not mention some things until particulars are brought out in the final trial. We respect the wishes of persons interested in the case referred to, hence defer giving further particulars until later.

Mrs. P. P. Herbert and two children returned yesterday morning from their Denver visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Frankle will return the last of the week from a very pleasant two weeks' outing in Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Rowan have as their guest Mrs. Hoenbeck, of Craig, Nebraska, who will visit some time in this city.

### CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION

Civil service examination will be held in the court house at Alliance, Thursday, Sept. 28. J. M. Shoemaker, secretary of the 8th Civil Service district, will be present and conduct the examination. Further information may be obtained by applying to J. N. Johnston, local secretary, at the post office.