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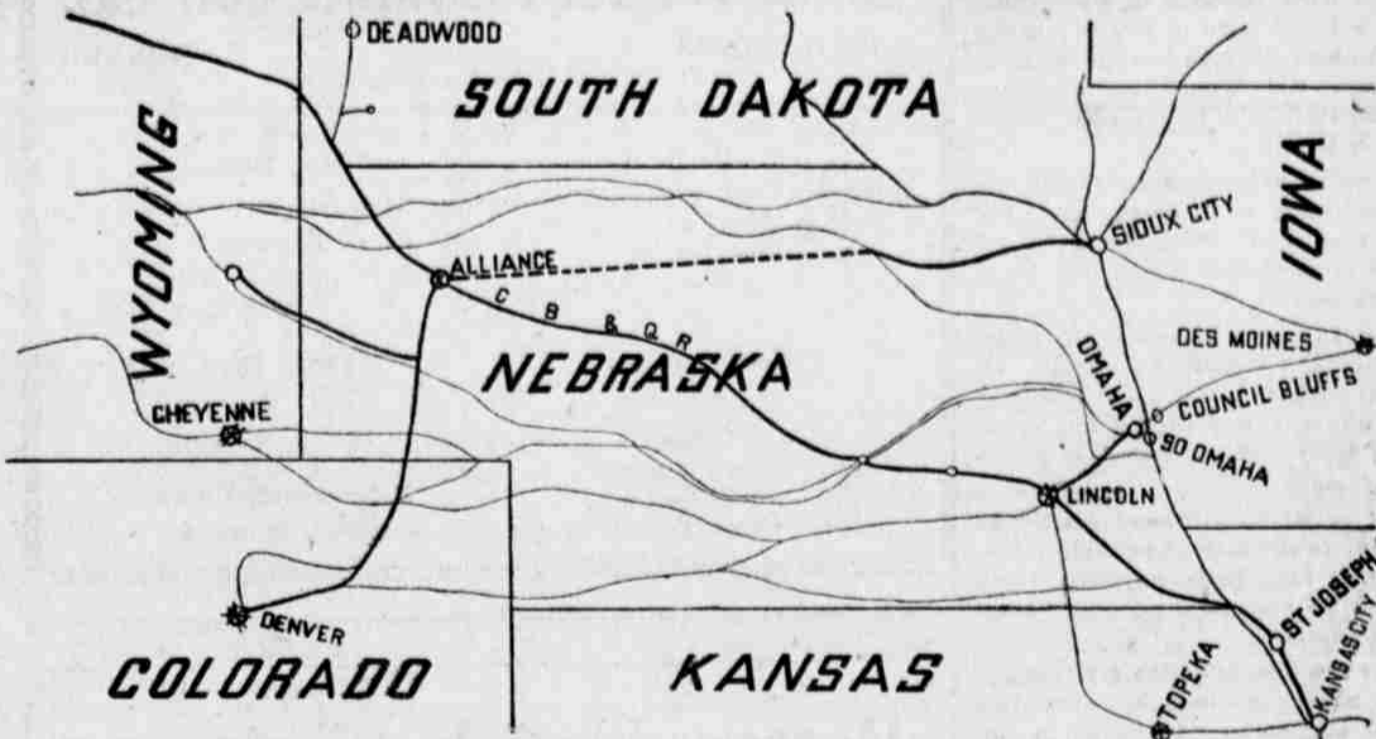
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Coming to the Big Convention Some Things You Will See Besides People



Alliance and the Big Convention

We can't tell you all about it here—only a small part—you'll have to come and see for yourself: and when you come to Alliance to attend the nineteenth annual convention of the Nebraska Stock Growers Association and the Great Cheyenne Frontier Days Show, June 18, '19 and 20, you will see people, according to present indications—more people than were ever before in this city in three consecutive days.

But you will see something besides people. The Herald is happy to say you will see one of the finest little cities in Nebraska, the state noted for its wide-awake towns and famous for progressive ranchmen and enterprising farmers. It makes one glad to say complimentary things about Nebraska, the biggest state of its size and population in the Union, because they are deserved.

The Nebraska Stock Growers Association helped to put Alliance on the map; we don't say it put Alliance there, but helped to make it good and plain after it was already there. Everybody who knows about the N. S. G. A. has at least heard about Alliance, "The Metropolis of the Nebraska Panhandle."

By the same token, this city has done a whole lot to further the good work of the Nebraska Stock Grow-

ers Association. By furnishing a three days' entertainment each year on the occasion of the association's annual convention, attention has been called to it, and much greater publicity given, than it would have otherwise received.

This year's convention is bound to be a hummer. More interest has been manifested in the N. S. G. A. than for a long while past, that is a larger number of persons have shown interest. It is evident that there will be a substantial increase in the number of members for the coming year; and as to the entertainment feature of the convention, there is no question that it will be by far the biggest thing of the kind ever pulled off.

Read carefully all of the three sections of this issue of The Herald and you will have some idea what to expect. Take it from us, too, that it is the intention of all connected with the affair to deliver the goods.

Look on the Map
Where is Alliance? Well, to begin with, it is in Nebraska, and we have already told you that this is the best state in the Union. Then it is the hub of the "Nebraska panhandle," in many respects the best part of the state. Yes, we know we are making these statements pretty strong, but for all that we might take a handful of superlative adjectives and throw them in here any place and they would fit wherever they fell.

How do you get here? Most any way. Saddle up the bronco or crank up your auto; if you haven't any better way of coming, you might take the railroad train. Alliance is on the great C. B. & Q. system. All Burlington trains pass thru Alliance—or connect with others that do. When you arrive at the station shown in the cut on this page, you are here. Get off the train, please. If you don't, they'll carry you past the town and you'll miss the time of your life.

If the hotels are all full—everything here is liable to be full except the people—call on Mr. Fisher, the accommodating secretary of the Alliance Commercial Club, and he will inform you where you can get a good room at a reasonable price. If you don't know where to find Mr. Fisher, call at The Herald office, in the first block north of the station on east side of the street, and we will tell you where to find him or give you any other information we can, free of charge. Call at this office anyway. Mr. Fisher will charge you nothing for his service. Nobody in Alliance will be permitted to charge anything during the convention for telling what he knows, except the doctors and lawyers.

Normal is now in session in the High school building.

Many other things we might tell you about if space permitted: the Alliance Creamery, turning out a half million pounds of butter per year, besides manufacturing ice and ice cream in wholesale quantities, running a cold storage plant, etc.; the Newberry sheet iron works and wholesale hardware; stores, banks, hotels, public library, churches, etc.; and last, but not least on occasions like the stockmen's annual convention, the fine grounds, including race track, of the Box Butte County Fair Association, so that it is not necessary to have the races on the main street with beer barrels and two-inch planks for a grand stand, as in former years.

THE COW

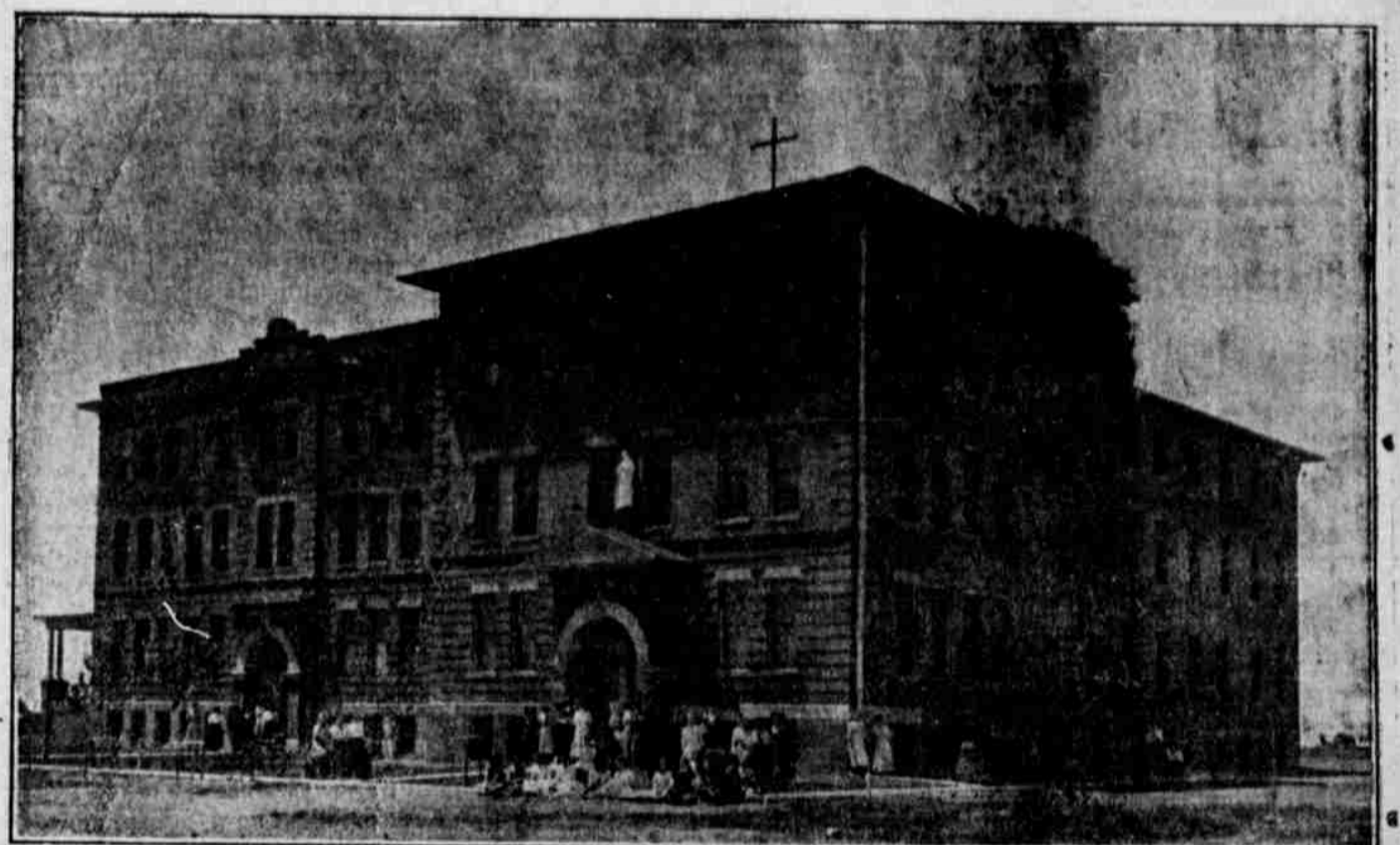
When summer comes the poor old cow finds sledding hard and comforts few; deep lines of trouble crease her brow, for grief is hers, the season through. Ten million flies light on her back, ten million more are on her legs, and every place the hide is slack, they build their nests and lay their eggs. All day she wields her weary tail, and swears in husky bovine tones; what wonder if she kicks the pail, or tries to break the milk-er's bones? Alas, the milker ponders not upon the woes that gave her bats; he reaches for a wet elm knot and plays a solo on her slats. We should be patient with the cows when fly-time drives the beasts insane, for every minute, while they browse, they suffer many kinds of

pain. If Bossy kicks you on the chin, or puts her tribby in the pail, or tries to drive your whiskers in by blows repeated with her tail, don't let your angry passions rise, or for a large apked bludgeon reach, but gently brush away the flies, and tell the critter she's a peach. Then put your mangled face in splints, and write a serene, serene and wise, insisting that the public prints should call on folks to swat the flies.

WALT MASON.

ABE MARTIN

Hon. Wesley Pugh, long mourned as dead, has announced himself as unequivocally in favor of tolls exemption. There's gittin' t' be too many folks who sing all winter an' dance fer liver in th' summer.



St. Agnes Academy, Alliance, Nebr.

R. L. METCALFE CANDIDATE NOW

Four Candidates for Democratic Nominations for Governor and Talk of More to Follow

From World-Herald, June 8:

After having pondered over the proposition for a week, when the petitions were filed, Richard L. Metcalfe has finally decided to be a candidate for the democratic nomination for governor of Nebraska. The following statement, signed by himself, explains his attitude and outlines his platform.

I have forwarded to the secretary of state at Lincoln my acceptance of the petitions filed in my behalf and shall become a candidate for the democratic nomination for governor of Nebraska. If nominated I shall go upon the stump and uphold the administration of Woodrow Wilson. If elected I shall strive to give to the people good state government on economical lines. I shall not be the candidate of any faction, but shall try through my administration to win for the democratic party the respect and confidence of men of all parties.

The office of governor is the most important office within the gift of the people of the state. Its opportunity for service is not to be measured by the powers conferred by law. A larger service is possible in the broader opportunity for leadership in the efforts to establish better relations between rural Nebraska and the cities of Omaha, Lincoln and other trade centers, and in the endeavor to advance the name and resources of Nebraska to a more and more commanding position in the attention of the world.

Broader Fields of Endeavor
Efforts toward improved state government have generally related to reforms with respect to the method of voting, and while this has been important, there are broader fields of endeavor which have been neglected. There are many details of state government where general improvement may be made. The cost of administrations should be reduced through businesslike economy. Some of the relief required by the over-burdened taxpayer may be

obtained through retrenchment in the expense of conducting public business. Real relief is to be brought about through official efforts and influence on the governor's part for the prevention of needless and extravagant appropriations. If elected I shall not hesitate to use the veto power for the purpose of frustrating personal or "pork barrel" legislation. Improvement may be instituted in various state departments where the governor has a controlling voice or the privilege of recommendation. Men whose character and capacity will command the respect of good citizens generally may be appointed to office.

I should say, however, that the opportunities in the broader field would relate particularly to improved taxation laws, to the solution of the irrigation problem in the sections which while now non-productive await only insurance from drouth to become the garden spots of the state, and in the development of Nebraska's exceptional water power and the control of that power for the general welfare. These three great problems provide opportunities for genuine service and the administration that even lays the foundation for their solution would win for itself and its party a high place in the history of the state.

As Sacred Responsibility
No one man can tell just what ought to be done in the way of bringing about these or other essential improvements; but all that any man may reasonably promise, I promise, and that is that if this honor should come to me I would accept it as a sacred responsibility.

Although I would rather be governor of Nebraska than hold any other office, I have hesitated to submit my name to the primaries. I know that Nebraska is not normally a democratic state and that the greatest care must be exercised by the rank and file in selecting the candidate who will serve as the leader in the coming campaign. However attractive the office may be to me personally, the task which the successful candidate must assume is not an inviting one. The campaign to follow will demand the hardest sort of work. It is important, however, that Nebraska shall register its approval of Woodrow Wilson next November. I do not mean to say that I would measure up to the requirements for leadership in this cam-

paign. Some members of my party think I would and I have decided to submit the question to the primaries. This is the time when, more than at any other time, the leader should be chosen by the rank and file of the party. He should be chosen after the most careful consideration, first, in point of capacity for the discharge of the duties of the office and next with consideration for his ability to win votes from other political parties at the general election.

No Quarrel During Primaries
I shall not press my candidacy upon the party, but I shall gratefully accept the support of those who have grown weary of factional strife and who believe that I mean what I say when I promise that if this honor shall come to me I will do what I can to devote the party leadership in Nebraska to constructive efforts along the lines of the public welfare rather than to the cultivation of personal hatred.

So far as I am concerned there will be no quarrel during the primaries. We have had enough harsh words and bitterness. I shall respect the laudable ambition of my opponents and shall strive to so conduct myself that I shall, in the event of my nomination, be in a position to claim support in the general election which it is my purpose to give to another should the rank and file of the party decide that I am not the most available man.

The primary contest will not be a long one, and the question should be considered and decided without heat or anger, and with the sole view of doing the best for our state and our party. I shall ask my friends to do nothing during the primary that will leave a scar upon the heart of any man, or that will prevent, during the ensuing campaign, a united effort in support of a national administration of whose record our party may well be proud.

RICHARD L. METCALFE.

Interesting and Useful Booklet
The Alliance Auto Supply Company and the Empress and Crystal theatres have had printed, in The Herald's job department, an eight-page booklet giving the new automobile ordinance. This is given, free of charge, to auto owners. It proves very useful to those who operate automobiles in Alliance.



C. B. & Q. Station, at Alliance

To Be Seen in Alliance
You will find Alliance an interesting little city, if you take the time to look around. The Burlington railroad has a large round house and shops here, residences and offices of general superintendent and a large fare of train and shop men. We do not know where you can find a more accommodating or more friendly bunch of railroad men than right here in Alliance, and they always have a glad hand for the stockmen.

Going up the street thru the business section four blocks, you come to the courthouse square, where you will see Box Butte county's new \$65,000 court house nearing completion, no doubt the best court house for the money in the west. It is a credit to the county and city in which located and an honor to the county commissioners, by whose careful handling of the public business the magnificent structure has been secured at a comparatively small cost. If you care to go over the city a

little you will see the buildings that accommodate the schools which have already given Alliance an excellent reputation as an educational center. A cut of St. Agnes Academy is given on this page. This is the largest and best known Catholic school in the west end of the state. Besides the resident students, a large number attend from other Nebraska points and neighboring states. The public schools are housed in three commodious, up-to-date school buildings. The Alliance State Junior