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ALLIANCE, BOX BUTTE COUNTY, NEBRASKA, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1914

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\$30,000 FIRE LOSS

Fire, Starting from Unknown Cause at Four O'clock Sunday Morning, Burns Three Business Buildings and Does Damage Estimated at \$30,000 in Hemingford. Nine Autos Destroyed.

On Sunday morning at about 3:30 a blaze was discovered in the Mabin garage, on the corner south of the Commercial Hotel, and in less than ten minutes all three buildings in that part of the block were in flames. The three buildings burned were the garage, the Cory Confectionery store and The Journal Printing Plant.

The entire loss is estimated at between 25,000 and \$30,000.

The Mabin Garage was probably the heaviest loss of the three. Ed Mabin, the owner, lost four autos, worth about \$6,000, on which he had no insurance. The building and equipment were insured for about one-half their actual value. In addition to Mabin's four cars, five other cars were destroyed in the flames. The owners are Best Langford, of Canton, Ford car, not insured; Wm. Billing, Studebaker car, not insured; John Snyder, of Alliance, dray truck; K. L. Pierce, Ford runabout, insured; D. Radford, an insurance writer, Ford roadster, insured. Besides the nine cars lost, was a Bull Gas Tractor, jointly owned by Mabin and K. L. Pierce. This engine was new, and was being kept at the garage for sale.

The second building was the confectionery store of Wm. Cory. This store was partially insured, but the loss was heavy. This is the second time within five years that Mr. Cory has been burned out on the same lot.

The third building was that occupied by the Journal, and the loss was heavy, the property being less than two-thirds covered by insurance. It will probably be some time before as good a printing plant will again be installed in Hemingford.

Browne Church, editor of the Journal, arrived on the scene of the fire in time to save the books and papers from the safe, but nothing whatever was removed from the other buildings.

The origin of the fire is unknown, and will no doubt remain an unsolved mystery. The conflagration was first discovered by a horse buyer, Tim Anspaw, who was staying at the Commercial Hotel. He arose at about 3:15 a. m., intending to depart westward on No. 36, at 3:50 a. m. He discovered smoke coming from

the front of the garage, and gave the alarm to the inmates of the hotel, and the alarm was turned in immediately.

Mabin and one or two others forced an entrance to the garage, but were driven back by the smoke and flames, which burst out all over the building as soon as the doors were opened. In less than ten minutes all three buildings were burning. The volunteer fire department arrived promptly, but there was little water pressure, owing to the fact that the settling tank at the pump house had been emptied and cleaned on the previous day, and had not been refilled. The pump was started and this pressure tank was soon filled, and the fire boys did their best, but to no avail.

However, in the opinion of all who witnessed the fire, nothing could have been saved either of the buildings or contents, for the flames spread so rapidly that a dozen streams of water could not have checked them.

The heat of the fire was intense, and buildings across the street were saved only by the hard work of the fire boys. The windows in the front of the Burlington hotel were all broken by the heat, and the front was almost in flames several times in spite of a stream of water that was played on it constantly. The Commercial hotel across the street north was also kept from burning by the same method.

Not only is this fire a heavy blow to the men directly concerned, but it is a loss to the town that will be felt for many a day. These buildings were all practically new. The Mabin Garage was built a year ago, and the other two were built during the summer of 1910, following the big fire in February of that year, in which an entire block was destroyed.

Cory's safe was opened the day following the fire, and the contents were found intact. Up to this time, Mabin's safe has not been opened, and it is feared that the contents did not withstand the heat, as the combination lock seems to be burned and refuses to work.

It has not yet been determined whether either of the buildings will be rebuilt.

delicious five-course luncheon was served, the menu including wild duck.

Following the luncheon the guests were entertained at five hundred. Mrs. Tillett won first prize, a beautiful crocheted yoke. The free-for-all prize was won by Mrs. Kridelbaugh, a wicker basket.

The guests were Mesdames Holsten, Hreshman, Gantz, Armour, Tillett, A. E. Nelson, Rowan, Mitchell, Kridelbaugh, Wilcox, Thomas, Drake, Peckenpaugh of Sterling, John Kilgore of Kenton, Ohio, and Miss O'Mally of Omaha.

Kensington Friday Afternoon
Aloyah Chapter No. 185, O. E. S., will entertain its members at a Kensington at the Masonic Hall Friday at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

STUDENT AT CONSERVATORY

Paul W. Thomas left Monday night for Lincoln, to enter Nebraska Wesleyan Conservatory of Music as a student in the violin department. He will work his way thru by giving lessons to beginners on the violin.

Paul began taking lessons on the violin in Omaha, when a small boy. After removing from that city to Alliance, some years ago, he continued the study of music, while attending High school, from which he graduated last June. Besides keeping up his school work and pursuing his own musical studies, he gave lessons to violin students, acted as conductor of the High school orchestra, leader of the Alliance band and organist at the First M. E. church.

His interest in music was so great as to attract general attention. His many friends in Alliance will watch his progress with much interest, and will rejoice at the success which they feel sure will crown his efforts in his chosen profession as a musician.

STEERS TOP THE MARKET

Cattle Raised by Hall & Graham of Alliance and Sold Thru Tagg Bros. in South Omaha

Cattle shipped by Hall & Graham of Alliance to the South Omaha market have been reaching the top. On Monday they sold 88 head of feeders that averaged 1354 pounds and sold at \$8.30. On Tuesday they sold 36 head of feeders that averaged 1467 pounds and brought \$8.35; 20 head of steers that averaged 1366 pounds and brought \$8.25; and 31 head of feeders that averaged 1278 pounds at \$8.25. The cattle were sold by Tagg Brothers, live stock commission agents.

TOWNLY IN BANKRUPTCY

Former Alliance Boy Takes up Voluntary Bankruptcy at Grand Island—Men Lose Here

Harry Frederick Townly, a former Alliance young man, who was married a short time ago and moved to Ravenna, has gone into voluntary bankruptcy before Bayard H. Paine, referee in bankruptcy, at Grand Island. First meeting of his creditors will be held at the office of the referee, First National Bank at Grand Island, September 25.

A number of Alliance business men stand to lose on accounts due them from Townly. He is being severely criticized in Alliance because of his action. Some of his creditors, who have good authority for their statements, say that Townly drew a large pay check from the railroad company only a day or two before he filed his petition and that they are not receiving square treatment by his action.

OPENING FOR SATURDAY

Gaston Music Company Announces Opening of New Branch Store in Imperial Building

Elsewhere in The Herald will be found an announcement of the opening of the Gaston Music Company branch store in Alliance and the flower store of E. W. Ray in the new Imperial Theatre building on Saturday. The Gaston Music Company, "The firm that makes piano buying easy," are wholesale and retail dealers, having stores at Hastings, Kearney and Grand Island, Nebr.

Frank W. Pitts, representative for the territory from Broken Bow to Billings, Mont., is in charge of the new branch, which is at 408 Box Butte Avenue, the street number of the new building. This firm handles the following makes of pianos: A. B. Chase, Willard, McPhail, Price & Teepie, Packard, Smith & Barnes, Kimball, Holland, Brinkerhoff, R. S. Howard, Wilson, Schaeffer, Crown, Gaston, H. P. Nelson, Raddison, Marshall & Wendell. In player pianos they handle the Apollo, A. B. Chase Artistino, Price & Teepie, Schaeffer Harmonola, Crown Combino and Hoffman.

Readers of The Herald should visit the new store and inspect the different makes of high grade pianos.

ENTERTAIN FOR MISS O'MALLY

Alliance Ladies Meet Miss O'Mally, of Omaha, Guest of Mrs. C. E. Hershman, Tuesday

Mrs. C. E. Hershman entertained Tuesday afternoon at her home in honor of her friend, Miss O'Mally of Omaha, who has been visiting here. Cards furnished the amusement for the afternoon. An excellent three-course luncheon was served at 5 o'clock.

The guests were Mesdames Helpbringer, Broome, Mitchell, Gantz, Wilcox, Thomas, and Misses Spacht and Burnmoed.

SCHOOL NOTICE

By regulation of the Board of Education, beginners—five year old children—will be admitted only during the first six weeks of school. Children who will become five years of age during this time should be started now.

Signed, W. R. PATE, Supt. City Schools.

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At the Bogue Store

Mr. and Mrs. Owen T. Mulkey arrived the first of the week and entered the employ of the Horace Bogue store. They come from Springfield, Ill., and are experienced salespeople. Both are highly recommended.

ENJOYED THEIR VACATION TRIP

Postmaster Tash and Family Made Trip to Douglas, Wyo., and Back in Ford Auto

Postmaster I. E. Tash, accompanied by Mrs. Tash and daughter, Nell, left on Wednesday, September 2, for Douglas, Wyo., where their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Axel Johnson, are living. Mr. Johnson is manager of the creamery at that point.

On the trip going over a stop was made at Agate, Nebr., where Capt. Cook, who has a fine exhibit of fossils and Indian relics, was visited. The famous Agate fossil beds are near the postoffice. They reached Lusk the first night and stayed there going on to Douglas the next noon, where they spent nearly a week. The 181 miles on the trip was made in twelve hours running time, an average of 15 miles per hour.

The return trip was made via Crawford and Belmont, arriving in Alliance last Thursday.

PICNIC SUPPER WEST OF TOWN

Twenty Members of Y. M. B. C. Take "Hike" West of Alliance and Have Good "Feed"

About twenty young men met at the McCorkle building Monday evening, and started from there on a "hike" to the old grade west of Alliance. The commissary was sent ahead to prepare food for the others before their arrival at camp. Rev. Torrence of the United Presbyterian church, in whose honor the affair was given, was accompanied by several of the members, who informed him on the way to camp of the surprise they had prepared. A fine camp fire was built, and coffee, potatoes, beans, venies, etc., were cooked, which were served with sandwiches and cookies. The "feed" was in the nature of a farewell for Rev. Torrence, who has worked very faithfully with the Young Men's Bible Club for several months, and who leaves this week for a new home.

The young men are having some interesting sessions in the club room in the McCorkle building. The regular weekly study will be held this evening, after which some form of athletic entertainment has been provided. During the last week a new wrestling mat has been installed and will be made use of by the club members. Other pieces of apparatus will be installed soon.

H. S. ORCHESTRA ELECTS OFFICERS

High School Orchestra Meets Last Monday Evening to Organize for Coming Year

The Alliance evening school orchestra met Monday evening at the High school building for organization and practice. About fifteen people were present with instruments, and more are expected to join later. After practice of about an hour the election of officers took place. Prof. S. L. Clements acting as chairman, Miss Hattie Renswood was elected president of the organization; Chas. Spacht, secretary; George Vandervoort, librarian; Charles La Mon, business manager. Mr. Clements will act as orchestra director.

The orchestra has already planned to give a concert, about Christmas time. The concert given by the High school orchestra last year made a great hit, and the one planned for this year promises to be equally as good.

Joe Smith Moved Monday

Joe Smith, who has been conducting a soda fountain and chili parlor at the Diamond Front on Box Butte Avenue, has moved to a new location several doors north, in the building in which is located Vaughan & Son's office and which was formerly occupied by the Bieknell Grocery Company stock. Joe plans to install a steam table and other improvements.

APPOINTED COMMITTEES

Commercial Club Committees Appointed for Auto Trips to be to Crawford and Hyannis

The following committees have been appointed by the Commercial Club for the trips to be made by auto to Crawford and Hyannis.

Crawford Trip, Sept. 25
E. G. Laing, chairman, F. M. Broome, W. O. Barnes, E. M. Martin, C. E. Marks, Percy Cogswell, A. D. Rodgers, E. C. Drake.

Hyannis Trip, Oct. 2
H. J. Young, chairman, P. E. Romig, A. T. Lunn, H. A. DuBuque, Bruce Mallory, J. E. Hughes, W. J. Hamilton, A. A. Ralls.

CRAWFORD VISITS

Twenty-Two Automobiles Filled With Enthusiastic Crawfordites Arrived in Alliance Tuesday Evening, Stayed Over-Night, and Continued Trip to Chadron Wednesday Morning.

They came. They stayed. They have gone, leaving Alliance only memories of the liveliest 'flying wedge' that ever struck the town. Crawford's "Boosting Roosters" pulled off the best advertising stunt that Alliance has seen in a long time. Twenty-two auto loads of live wires arrived in Alliance at 6 o'clock Tuesday evening, accompanied by an escort of nearly fifty Alliance auto-loads which met them just south of Berea.

Arab L. Hungerford, president of the Crawford Tri-State Fair and Race Meet, to be held on September 24, 25 and 26, was captain of the party. The Crawford Fire Department, with a special decorated car, boosted all along the way for Crawford for the 1916 State Volunteer Firemen's Convention.

Friday, September 25, has been selected as Alliance Day at the Crawford fair. Allianceites are planning to attend in large numbers. After eating supper Tuesday evening and taking a little rest, the visit-

gerford, real estate; Geo. Swanson, ranchman; J. R. Seaton, plumber; Lewis Anderson; R. E. Stitzer, druggist; Pat Pometti, barber; C. F. Hoerlik, jeweler; H. T. Boetger; E. E. Foerster, city meat market; Chas. A. Minnick, Jr.; G. H. E. Estler, Gate City hotel; Robt. Moshle, tailor; Otto Lange, farmer; F. H. Merritt, lumber; N. E. Jones, W. U. Telegraph Co.; W. F. Schmidt, clothing; A. P. Howe, fur; Lee Spencer, greaser; Ferd Wendt, Belmont; C. E. Hale, ranchman; W. L. Purdy, Patton-Gallagher; R. H. Moss, assistant postmaster; Geo. J. Scott, jeweler; A. C. McLain, mayor; Geo. Uhl, mill-oon; R. G. Smith, county clerk; Wm. Abrahamson, Chas. Donovan Cigar Co.; Dwight Beckwith, fire chief; G. W. Wright, C. & N. W. at Ft. Robinson; Chas. E. Price, real estate; W. E. Barnum, grain and fuel; Christensen Jansen, farmer; Wm. Stone, electrician; Ben Mercer, automobile; J. W. Ball, brakeman; Doc Sprague, veterinary; Peter Gugen, International Harvester Co.; L. L. Lease,



Arab L. Hungerford, president of Crawford Tri-State Fair and Race Meet, captain of the "Crawford Boosting Roosters" and a 3,000 volt live wire.

ors were taken in hand by the Commercial Club and first taken to the new Imperial theatre for the first performance of the evening. Following this a band concert was given on the street by the Crawford band and then all wended their way to the city hall and packed the council chamber to overflowing with the visitors and home people. A smoker was then held in which speakers from Alliance and Crawford both participated.

Speakers for Alliance were Messrs. Hampton, Rodgers, Tash, Broome, Fisher and Guthrie. Speakers for Crawford were Messrs. Porter, Hungerford, McLain, Minnick, Leese, Runden, Moss, Habbeger, Adams and Cooper. A feeling of fellowship and good spirit was very evident. At the close of the speechmaking the visitors were taken to the fire department club rooms where they witnessed a spirited wrestling match between two local athletes.

At 8 o'clock Wednesday morning the visiting autos were lined up on Box Butte avenue and pictures taken. A list of visitors taken by The Herald showing the following:

Rev. W. C. Runding, pastor Congregational church; George Thomas, hardware; A. E. Abrahamson, cigar; C. J. Abrahamson, lumber; B. K. Weiling, shoes; (Laird Hall, bank; Wm. Bauer, saloon; C. A. Minnick, First National bank; Frank Tullos, Hay Springs; W. B. Morrison, lumber; John Bauer, saloon; S. A. Oliver, capitalist; J. A. Habbeger, Forest Robinson; Edmond Habbeger; J. W. Pipher, tailor; E. D. Kennedy, butcher; J. T. Mann, land leader; Geo. Adams, real estate; Burt Thompson, electrician; J. P. Irvin, restaurant; J. A. Macomber; A. L. Hun-

manager I. H. C.; H. W. Corrin, advertising manager I. H. C.; S. M. Moxham, shipping dept. I. H. C.; W. T. Gregg, Marsland; Lloyd Bennett, Marsland; Dayton Sullenberger, Marsland; W. M. Shumway, manager Foster Lumber Co.; J. E. Porter, attorney; John Milne, ranchman; J. O. Bergman, tailor; Percy Schack, pool hall; F. A. Diehl, Crawford Supply Co.; Andrew Diehl; D. Whipple, dray; R. S. Q. Hamaker, Evergreen stock farm, Belmont; Frank G. Thorp, G. L. Thorp & Son.

The buttons which were distributed in Alliance each have numbers. Ten of these have duplicates. If the persons who have duplicates locate each other and go to the secretary in Crawford, when attending the fair, they will receive free tickets.

Ode to Crawford

I believe in western Nebraska. It's the country that I love best. I've seen lots of other places, But they're not like our happy nest. Our interests are in common, We like each other well— Alliance on the plains And Crawford in the dell. Let's boost and work together, men, And everybody give a hand To get more people out to see Our lovely, prosperous land. We're for you always, Crawford. We'll help you all we can. We'll all be at your fair, Every child, woman and man.

Ridge. They made the trip in Mr. Miller's Peare-Aro automobile and everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Mr. Miller states that on account of the high clearance of the car they encountered no trouble with high centers on the roads in the hills. They camped at the head of Chadron creek.

NOTICE TO PARENTS

The law requires all children between the ages of seven and sixteen years to attend the full time school in session in the district. Parents of children between seven and sixteen years of age who are not now in school should make arrangements for them to enter at once.

Signed, W. R. PATE, Supt. City Schools.



MRS. BECKWITH ENTERTAINED

Hostess at 1 o'clock Luncheon Last Thursday—Delicious Five Course Luncheon

Mrs. Roy Beckwith entertained at her home last Thursday afternoon at a 1 o'clock luncheon. After the guests arrived they were seated at tables by hand painted wild duck place cards. The house and tables were decorated with sweet peas and cut flowers.

Mrs. Beckwith holds the high esteem as a hostess and her husband does as a sportsman and hunter. A