

LABOR DAY PROGRAM WITH LIST OF PRIZES

Alliance Business Firms and Commercial Club Offers Large and Varied List of Prizes

Next Monday, September 4, will be Labor Day. Alliance will celebrate in grand style at the Box Butte county fair grounds. Everything will be free in the program line and a general invitation is extended to all to participate in the "doings". The Alliance Commercial Club has charge of the program for the day.

All of the stores and business houses will close at 1 o'clock. On the program will be a lively ball game between Alliance and Hemingford, with a purse of \$25 for the winner; a wrestling match and boxing match between athletic members of the Alliance fire department; a picnic at the fair grounds to which everybody is invited; a free check stand in the grand stand; plenty of free ice water on the grounds; a tug of war; band concert by the Alliance brass band; and in the evening the firemen's ball at the opera house, for which a reasonable admission will be charged. The program starts at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

All winners of prizes are requested to call at the Commercial Club office on September 6 and receive an order calling for the prize won. The program and list of prizes is as follows:

- Program and Prizes**
- Boys' sack race, 50 yds., age 12 to 16. 1st prize, \$1.50 foot ball—F. E. Holsten; 2nd prize, boy's bathing suit—E. G. Lains.
 - Boys' sack race, 25 yds., age 6 to 12. 1st prize, pair tennis shoes—E. G. Lains; 2nd prize, pocket knife—C. A. Newberry.
 - Girls' foot race, 50 yds., age 12 to 16. 1st prize, set embroidery scissors—Rhein-Rousey; 2nd prize, 1-lb. candy—Sugar Bowl.
 - Girls' foot race, 25 yds., 8 to 12. 1st prize, pair children's shoes—Horace Bogue; 2nd prize, 1-lb. box candy—F. E. Holsten.
 - Girls' potato race, 25 yds., 12 to 16. 1st prize, fine picture—Geo. Darling; 2nd prize, box stationery—Alliance Grocery.
 - Boys' foot race, 50 yds., age 12 to 16. 1st prize, baseball glove—H. F. Thiele; 2nd prize, candy—Mallery Grocery Co.
 - Boys' foot race, 25 yds., age 6 to 9. 1st prize, \$3 theatre tickets—Imperial Theatre; 2nd prize, \$1 on school supplies—J. F. Tiller.
 - Boys' foot race, 25 yds., age 9 to 12. 1st prize, 1 box gum—Hamilton Grocery; 2nd prize, baseball bat—H. F. Thiele.
 - Boys' shoe race, 25 yds. 1st prize, \$2.50 cash—First State Bank; 2nd prize, Necktie—E. Essay; 3rd prize, box candy—Duncan's.
 - 100-yd. dash. 1st prize, suit case—Beckwith Clothing store; 2nd prize, Suit cleaned and pressed—

- Fielding; 3rd prize, One gallon ice cream—Creamery.
- Single wheelbarrow race, 100 yds. 1st prize, Gordon hat—Harper's; 2nd prize, year's subscription—Alliance News.
 - Double wheelbarrow race, 100 yds. 1st prize, box cigars—Everett Cook; 2nd prize, \$1 in trade—Tom Stalos.
 - Married ladies' nail-driving contest. 1st prize, sack Puritan flour—A. D. Rodgers; 2nd prize, \$1.50 in trade—Miller Bros.; 3rd prize, 1 lb. Essay's best coffee.
 - Single ladies' nail driving contest. 1st prize, \$5 Gage hat—Harper's; 2nd prize, 1 lb candy—Sugar Bowl; 3rd prize, box stationery—F. E. Holsten.
 - Married men wheelbarrow race. 1st prize, 1 box 10c cigars—King & Riordan; 2nd prize, 1 gal. best varnish—Dierk's Lumber Co.
 - Married ladies' wheelbarrow race. 1st prize, pair shoes—Famous Clothing Store; 2nd prize, \$1 coffee—Moore & Blood; 3rd prize, pair scissors—Newberry Hdw. Co.
 - Fat men's race, 50 yds. 1st prize, 1 box cigars—Stockmen's Exchange; 2nd prize, year's subscription—Alliance Herald.
 - Farmers' 100-yd. dash. 1st prize, \$2.50 trade—Forest Lumber Co.; 2nd prize, year's subscription—Alliance Times.
 - Married ladies' race, 50 yds. 1st prize, sack Morning Glory flour—Mallery's; 2nd, coffee pot—C. A. Newberry; 3rd prize, \$1 trade—Duncan's.
 - Single ladies' race, 50 yds. 1st prize, Phoenix silk hose—H. Bogue; 2nd prize, picture—Geo. Darling.
 - Ladies' baseball throwing contest. 1st prize, \$2 trade—Hamilton Grocery; 2nd prize, \$1.50 trade—Miller Bros.; 3rd prize, box candy—Alliance Grocery.
 - Boys' bicycle race, 1 mile. 1st prize, pair tires or equal in cash—Tash & Son; 2nd prize, tie clasps—L. Moxon; 3rd prize, Spaulding ball—Brennan Drug Store.
 - Greasy pig chase. Prize, the pig, valued at \$5—Commercial Club.
 - Greasy pole contest. Prize, \$1—Commercial Club.
 - Wrestling match. Finished match, 1st fall. \$7.50 purse—Alliance National Bank, First National Bank, Alliance Commercial Club.
 - Baby contest. Prettiest baby under 18 months. 1st prize, \$5 in trade—Geo. Mollring; 2nd prize, \$2.50 in trade—Geo. Mollring.
 - Tug of War. 1st prize, 2 box cigars—F. Rehder, H. Wilson; 2nd prize, 1 box cigars—King & Wilson.
 - Boxing match, 5 rounds, point match. 1st prize, \$5 pair shoes—Golden Rule; 2nd prize, box 25 10c cigars—King & Wilson.
- The following committees have been appointed to have charge of the celebration:
- Athletics—W. O. Barnes, chairman; Leonard Pilkington, Ray Stansberry, Lloyd C. Thomas, Dr. Geo. J. Hand, Mayor P. E. Romig, Charley Hill.
- Baseball—P. D. Gleason.
- Grounds—Sheriff Calvin Cox,

chairman; W. R. Harper.

VACANT GOV'T LANDS

Uncle Sam Has Quarter-Billion Acres of Lands to Be Given as Homesteads

Uncle Sam still has considerable land to give to the enterprising citizen, man or woman, who wishes to establish a home. Secretary of the Interior Lane announces that more than a quarter of a billion acres of land remain in the public domain, according to official figures just compiled by the general land office. These acres are located in twenty-five different states, extending from California to Michigan, from Florida to Washington. All but 2,290,000 acres of it is in the far west, with Nevada containing the highest acreage, 55,375,077. An even dozen of the extreme western states alone hold more than 250,000,000 acres. The exact amount of land that is unreserved and unappropriated, according to the official figures, is 254,945,589 acres. Of this amount, approximately 92,000,000 acres are unsurveyed.

Missouri reports the least area of vacant land, having but 952 acres, which are scattered over 16 counties. Alabama has 42,680 acres in 51 counties; Florida 135,237 acres in 45 counties; Mississippi 30,374 acres in 58 counties; and Louisiana 44,894 acres in 57 counties. In 52 counties of Michigan may be found 90,540 acres, while 30 counties in Wisconsin report 5,872 acres. Of the Pacific states, California has 20,025,999 acres of vacant land; Oregon 15,337,809, and Washington, 1,132,571.

Large areas of vacant land are reported in the southwestern states, as follows: Arizona, 23,597,219; Nevada, 55,375,077; New Mexico, 26,338,379; Utah, 32,968,837. The land in the Dakotas is rapidly passing into private ownership, only 2,382,588 acres of vacant land being reported in South Dakota, and 381,199 acres in North Dakota.

Of the northwestern states, Idaho contains 15,510,561 acres of vacant land, of which 6,679,071 acres are unsurveyed; Montana, 16,649,725 acres with 7,420,571 unsurveyed; and Wyoming 28,528,492 acres with 1,960,752 acres unsurveyed.

Kansas' vacant area is reported as 56,018 acres, while Nebraska contains 146,256 acres.

In Colorado, over two and a quarter million acres were appropriated during the last fiscal year, leaving 14,908,127 acres now vacant. Of this area, over 2,000,000 acres are unsurveyed.

The total area of unappropriated land, surveyed and unsurveyed, in the twenty-five public-land states, is reported as follows:

Alabama	42,680
Arizona	23,597,219
Arkansas	402,219
California	20,025,999



School Days

Are Close at Hand

Now -- now is the time to dress the boys in good, durable, comfortable and stylish clothes.

We have just received a large shipment of "Steel Fibre" suits for boys —prices ranging from \$3.75 to \$7. These suits all have two pairs of trousers —doubly prolonging the wear of the suit. Good all-wool fabrics in Serges, Homespuns and Tweeds.

Red Goose school shoes known the world over for their good wearing qualities—prices ranging from \$1.98 to \$2.98. Red Goose means supreme quality in shoes.

A large supply of Hats and Caps in all colors, sizes and shapes.—Prices from 35c to \$2.50.

Shirts and Blouses in guaranteed fast colors for 65c.

Union Suits in any size or weight.—Prices ranging from 65c to \$1.25.

The Boys like to trade at Harper's because they are given as much attention, and are fitted in the same perfect manner in which we fit their fathers.

W. R. Harper Dep't Store

Prohibition in Topeka

In a recent ad, the Nebraska Prosperity League called the public's attention to the City of Topeka, into which 160,169 quarts of liquor were shipped in 1915.

A large number of quarts—to be sure.

Topeka, according to the 1910 census, has 43,684 inhabitants.

Topeka, according to the Nebraska Prosperity League, consumed 40,042 gallons of liquor in 1915.

THIS IS LESS THAN ONE GALLON PER CAPITA FOR THE YEAR.

In 1915, the average consumption of liquor for the entire United States was 19.8 gallons.

Does Prohibition prohibit?

The Prosperity League says it is 95 per cent efficient in Topeka.

Kansas authorities say that nearly all their bootleggers are along the Nebraska and Missouri state lines.

Kansas is bounded on the south and west by dry states.

Are these facts not significant?

Nebraska, today, is bordered by three dry states;

South Dakota will no doubt abolish the saloon this fall.

Shall Nebraska remain wet and become a rendezvous for bootleggers to defy the laws of our neighboring states, and have our cities filled with thugs, pimps, criminals, and other undesirables from the states which have adopted prohibition, to corrupt our elections, lower our standard of morals, and fill our jails and penitentiaries, or shall we clean up, wipe out the liquor traffic, and make Nebraska an unprofitable state for this class of citizens?

The old argument of the defenders of the saloon was, "What is the use of going dry when liquor can be procured in the next town?"

We ask these quizzers, "Why stay wet when the states on nearly all sides of us have gone dry?"

As a matter of self-protection to ourselves and our children, it is of vital importance this fall, that we

Vote Nebraska Dry

Vote Yes to the Amendment

Box Butte County Dry Federation

Colorado	14,908,127
Florida	135,237
Idaho	15,510,561
Kansas	56,018
Louisiana	44,804
Michigan	90,540
Minnesota	798,804
Mississippi	30,374
Missouri	952
Montana	16,649,725
Nebraska	146,256
Nevada	55,375,077
New Mexico	26,338,379
North Dakota	381,199
Oklahoma	55,250
Oregon	15,337,809
South Dakota	2,382,588
Utah	32,968,837
Washington	1,132,571
Wisconsin	5,872
Wyoming	28,528,492
Total	254,945,589

CHALLENGES KINKAID TO POLITICAL DEBATE

Edward B. McDermott, Democratic Congressional Candidate, Would Debate with Representative

Bridgeport, Nebr.—A challenge to Congressman Moses P. Kinkaid to debate the issues of the campaign, and the records which the republican and democratic parties have made in their control of national affairs, has been issued by Chairman William Ritchie, Jr., of the democratic congressional committee on behalf of Edward B. McDermott, democratic candidate for congress.

In the letter to Congressman Kinkaid, the local man says: "The democratic national administration, under the unselfish and patriotic leadership of President Woodrow Wilson has made a splendid record. It has served well the agricultural and live stock interests of Nebraska and it has kept the nation out of both external trouble and international disaffection.

"This record appeals with striking force to the Sixth district congressional committee and we, as your constituents, believe that a series of joint discussions of democratic and republican control of national affairs and the results achieved under each, should be indulged in, during the present campaign by the congressional candidates from this district.

"Therefore, on behalf of our candidate, Edward B. McDermott of Kearney, we ask you to co-operate to the extent that you appear at several towns in the district with Mr. McDermott and that you defend the record of the party to which you belong and to show cause, if you are so disposed, why the democratic party should not be continued in charge of the affairs of our nation.

"We trust you will favor us with an early reply so that details of the joint itinerary may be arranged

without delay." Kearney, Nebr.—Edward B. McDermott, democratic congressional candidate, said:

"I will gladly go before the voters of the Sixth district and tell them of the advanced steps democracy has taken during the past three and a half years. I am proud of the record my party has made. I am willing to do anything and everything that I can to further that record and to continue in power the party has labored so industriously and conscientiously and intelligently for the agricultural and live stock interests.

"If Mr. Kinkaid will name towns where he wishes to speak on behalf of his party I will be glad to appear and tell the voters a portion of the

many good things which democracy has accomplished."

Obliging Grandmother.

Employer—"I let Miss Smith off three days to see the last of her grandmother. What's happened to her?" Cashier—"She wrote this morning to say she expects to be back tomorrow, as her grandmother is dying as fast as she can."—Passing Show.

Not Likely to Be Done.

To remove the water of the Pacific ocean it would require the filling of a tank a mile wide, a mile deep and a mile long every day for 440 years.



VIOLA DANA, THE TINIEST STAR ON THE SCREEN, WHO WILL BE SEEN IN FUTURE EXCLUSIVELY IN DISTINCTIVE PHOTOPLAYS ON THE METRO PROGRAM

Viola Dana, the winsome and gifted young star, has joined the Metro force, and will be seen on that program shortly in a series of five part underplays which are now being written especially for her. The addition of Miss Dana to the Metro family completes a strong combination of stars, talented in widely different directions.

Miss Dana has only been in the silent drama for about eighteen months, but during that time she has won an enviable place in the hearts of motion picture patrons. Anyone who saw her remarkable performance as the star in "The Poor Little Rich Girl," will never forget it. She is even more delightful on the screen where she is given unlimited opportunity to display her marvelous talents.