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"Gordon Day" One of the Greatest Events in the History of the Alliance Lodge.

BIG BANQUET A FEATURE

Numerous Visitors From Out of the City Present for Ceremonies—Last of Candidates.

Seventy-two candidates were initiated into the mysteries of Elkdom Tuesday evening at the home of Alliance lodge No. 961, marking what officials of the lodge are agreed was the biggest event in the history of the local organization.

The occasion had been denominated "Gordon Day," in honor of the fact that most of the candidates for initiation reside in Alliance's neighboring town. The real events of the day began with a banquet at the Alliance hotel at 6 p. m. The initiatory work began in the lodge rooms shortly after 8 o'clock and proceeded without a hitch in spite of the large number of candidates to be handled. An unusually large number of Alliance Elks were present to witness the ceremonial, which was declared afterward to have been one of the most impressive within their recollection. A number of visiting Elks from other towns in the state were also present.

Following the initiation the lodge was at ease for an hour while a number of the newly made Elks were heard in short talks, followed by several local members of the order. Then came a three-round pugilistic exhibition, a no-holds-barred affair between L. Pilkington and Charles Weaver. Ray Trabert and "Dutch" Maunier contributed an interesting feature in the way of a wrestling match in which honors seemed about equally divided. After this the crowd fled down into the basement where an appetizing luncheon had been laid out on several tables, to which thorough justice was done.

It was after midnight when the crowd dispersed. The visitors were loud and sincere in their universal praise of Alliance and her body of Elks, and the Alliance members of the lodge were as unanimous in viewing the occasion as one of the most auspicious in the history of No. 961.

Following are the names of the candidates who were initiated at the Tuesday evening session:

Michael D. Nolan, Alliance.
Jesse Payne, Bridgeport.
Clarence Potts, Gordon.
Walter M. Pike, Gordon.
Charles E. Potts, Gordon.
Aubrey C. Young, Alliance.
Harlan D. Wells, Hemingford.
W. F. Walker, Hemingford.
Carl Williams, Gordon.
Eugene Williams, Gordon.
James Wilson, Hemingford.
M. M. Wynn, Crawford.
Jesse Trublood, Gordon.
Raymond H. Thurston, Alliance.
Leo J. Toohy, Hemingford.
Allen A. Strong, Gordon.
Oakley M. Stephenson, Hemingford.

M. R. Swanson, Hemingford.
J. R. Snyder, Gordon.
Lewis Reynolds, Gordon.
Clyde D. Ray, Hemingford.
Earl S. Rockey, Hemingford.
P. A. Rumer, Alliance.
B. R. Brittain, Alliance.
M. E. Burke, Gordon.
Fred W. Cloud, Gordon.
John C. Dicks, Gordon.
Charles A. Duncanson, Gordon.
George M. Duerfeldt, Gordon.
Jasper Grove, Gordon.
H. W. Hagan, Alliance.
C. J. Hubbell, Alliance.
Harry Lyons, Alliance.
W. P. Loomis, Alliance.
Arthur McNeess, Mullen.
Miles Porter, Alliance.
James J. Shanley, Jr., Brownlee.
E. C. Anderson, Gordon.
George R. Brownfield, Gordon.
J. G. Bottorf, Gordon.
Ralph A. Baker, Gordon.
R. O. Bard, Gordon.
J. H. Cone, Gordon.
T. A. Coffey, Jr., Gordon.
Robert L. Childs, Gordon.
Joseph J. Dixon, Alliance.
Ray A. Graham, Hemingford.
Fred C. Duerfeldt, Gordon.
M. G. Howard, Gordon.
Capt. F. M. Gettys, Gordon.
J. W. Scott, Gordon.
George Fyke, Bridgeport.
Ray Sallor, Gordon.
R. H. Lewis, Gordon.
Bayo Liedam, Gordon.
M. H. Scott, Mullen.
Eugene Steinhaus, Gordon.

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WHEELER WINS OUT IN WRESTLING BOUT

Awarded Decision Over Steve Cannon After Forty-five Minutes When Latter Gets Cracked Rib

At the close of forty-five minutes of fast wrestling, at the Imperial theater last Monday night, Steve Cannon acquired a cracked rib and Referee Green awarded the bout to A. B. Wheeler. No thousands were on hand for the match, and the wrestling was excellent until the accident. Jack Reynolds claims the world's welterweight belt for the world, had previously announced that he would meet the winner of the match for a finish bout, with side purse of \$250, with the gate receipts to go to the winner, and Wheeler has said that he is agreeable, but he thinks Reynolds ought to put up his money first. This will probably be done without delay, and then arrangements will be made for a regular championship bout.

As is always the case where a big man meets a smaller one on the mat, the sympathy of the major portion of the crowd was with Cannon, and there were signs of disapproval when the referee announced his decision. Cannon was back on the job at the barber shop Tuesday morning, and his injuries, while rather painful, are said not to be serious.

PLAN LASTING MEMORIAL

Admirers of Theodore Roosevelt Will Help Perpetuate His Life and Works.

Announcement is made of the appointment of the Hon. Lloyd C. Thomas, of Alliance, as district chairman for the Roosevelt Memorial Association in connection with a national movement to provide an appropriate memorial for America's distinguished former citizen and president, Col. Theodore Roosevelt.

Mr. Thomas will have general charge in Box Butte County and is now perfecting an organization for receiving subscriptions from Roosevelt admirers who want to assist in perpetuating his memory and influence.

One of the pleasing features in connection with the campaign is the fact that the movement is non-partisan.

In the long list of names of the various State committees now interested in the work of establishing such funds, as well as in the list of the National Executive Committee, appear the names of many of the most prominent Democrats in the United States, as well as the names of Republicans and men prominent in other walks of life aside from politics.

Leading men throughout the country, regardless of political or personal views, were as one man to respond to the call for leaders when first the plan was mentioned, and the movement since has grown to such an extent there remains but the one thought—that of making certain the success of the plan. A glance down the list of Roosevelt Memorial Association members discloses the following men now prominent in Democratic circles:

Thomas F. Smith, who is a member of the National Committee; Tammany secretary and Congressman; Alton B. Parker, formerly chief justice of the Court of Appeals, who was the Democratic presidential candidate against Colonel Roosevelt in 1904; Robert Adamson, former secretary to Mayor Baynor of New York City and former fire commissioner of the City of New York; George Harvey, editor of the North American Review and Harvey's weekly; Congressman James A. Callahan, of Massachusetts, who is representing a Boston district; Theodore Frances Green of Providence, R. I.; Thomas Taggart, chairman of the Democratic national campaign in 1904 who has accepted the honorary chairmanship for Indiana; the Hon. George Turner of Spokane, Wash., formerly a United States Senator; Senator Geo. E. Chamberlain, of Oregon, who is a member of the National committee; Luke E. Wright, former Governor-general of the Philippines; former Governor Luke Lea, of Nashville, Tenn., who was a colonel in the American Expeditionary Forces; John Mitchell, the noted labor leader and now a member of the New York State Industrial Commission; Hon. John M. Parker of Louisiana, a member of the National Committee.

A committee has been selected by the fire boys to have charge of the weekly dances at the armory. The first dance is scheduled for Saturday evening. Music will be furnished by the firemen's orchestra.

SALVATION ARMY DRIVE FOR FUNDS GOES OVER TOP

Box Butte County One of the Few in Nebraska Which Raised The Full Quota.

MUCH CREDIT DUE ELKS

Committee From Latter Organization Put in Some Hard Licks on Last Day—Women Lend Help.

The Salvation Army drive can now be listed among the things that have been "put across" in Box Butte county. While complete returns are not available, there is not doubt that the county's quota of \$4,000 has been exceeded. It was not an easy matter to make it go—there have been a good many drives in the past few years—but with the Elks behind it and plenty of publicity, the drive was on. Unlike a good many drives, the time allotted was short, and it was necessary to work well and work fast.

The managers of the drive laid down on the T. P. A. bunch at the eleventh hour, and their confidence was not misplaced. A committee from that organization proceeded to thoroughly canvass the business houses of the town, with the result that over \$1,000 was added to the total, more than enough to make the drive an assured success.

During the week of the drive, several women from the city volunteered for service and were put to work in booths in the banks, post-office and other public places. A number of school girls put in some good licks Saturday afternoon.

A complete tabulated statement of the contributions has been promised for publication in a later issue.

AMERICAN LEGION DROPS GAME TO ELKS

B. P. O. E. Ball Tossers Shut Out the Soldiers, 7 to 0, in Sunday Afternoon Performance.

The baseball team of Alliance post No. 7 of the American Legion was shut out by a team from the local Elks lodge, 7 to 0, at the fair grounds last Sunday afternoon. The game was arranged by the committee in charge of raising funds for the Salvation Army, and while the attendance was not so large as at the preceding Sunday game, when the \$1.00 ball game was staged, a substantial sum was added to the fund. The arrangements were completed at so late a date that it was impossible to adequately announce the contest, which chopped the attendance considerably.

The victory of the Elks was largely due to the pitching of Jack Gleason. The battery for the Legion, composed of Fenning and King, worked hard, but luck was against them. Parker and Johnson surprised the fans with grandstand catches in the outfield.

The lineup:
B. P. O. E.—Brew 3b, Healy, 1b, Stamey 2b, McNulty c, Gleason p, Fricke ss, Harris cf, Parker lf, Johnson rf.

American Legion—Butler 1b, Nation 1b, Ellis 2b-ss, Butler, 2b, King ss, Fenning c, Rockey, c-3b, Edwards rf, Brock cf, Weaver lf, Fenning p, King p.

—The old Morrissy ranch, consisting of 5,160 acres and located twenty miles south of Chadron, was sold to Bert Benda of Columbus, prominent Hereford breeder for \$116,100, the erst of the week. Ray Tierney and Harry B. Coffey were the owners. Possession will be given next spring.

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Joe Haller, Gordon.
J. J. Hodgkinson, Alliance.
B. F. Holsten, Alliance.
Fay C. Hill, Gordon.
Vern W. Jenkins, Hemingford.
V. I. Jeep, Hoffland.
Morris Jones, Gordon.
C. E. Loessner, Alliance.
P. J. Michael, Hemingford.
H. C. Morris, Gordon.
Paul C. McDonald, Alliance.
E. L. Myers, Alliance.
Ira McGowan, Gordon.
Morris A. Nelson, Alliance.

EXCELLENT PRICE FOR POTATOES IN BOX BUTTE

Although Yield This Year Is Short The High Price Will Make Growers Money.

FROM 60 TO 80 BUSHELS

Northern States Suffer From Hot and Dry Weather During the Growing Season—Total Crop Is Shorter

Although the average yield of Box Butte county potatoes this year will be small, as compared with former years, the price is so much higher than a year ago that the ordinary grower will receive much more money for his crop than last year. The average yield for the county is estimated this year at from 60 to 80 bushels. However, there are many fields which will run much higher.

Clyde Campbell, living on section 14-26-51, west of Beres, has 20 acres of Triumph potatoes which will yield not less than 150 bushels per acre. He can sell them as soon as they are dug for \$150 per bushel and they are dug for \$150 per bushel and probably will get \$2.00 for them. Other farmers who are not digging are getting yields fully as large, while some, who either planted too late or who failed to have good seed, or give proper attention to their crops, are getting very small yields.

According to reports reaching The Alliance Herald from over the potato growing sections of the United States, the yield this year will not be more than seventy-five per cent of normal. Reports reaching The Kansas City Packer during the past few days were as follows:

Kansas City Market Firm.
Kansas City—There was a good demand for potatoes in carlots last week and the market ruled firm after a slight advance. Shipments included cars from Minnesota, Colorado, Nebraska and Idaho. The Northern Red River Ohio are the best sellers on this market and a very large per cent of receipts were this variety. Minnesota Red River Ohio sold Tuesday in a carlot way at \$2.80 @ 2.85 per cwt. Nebraska Sandlands were not in such active demand in competition with the Northern stock and sales ranged from \$2.55 @ 2.60. The best price which Western whites brought on the market was \$2.45 @ 2.50. Receipts for the first three days of this week amounted to 37 cars.

Homegrown stock continues steady (Continued on Page 8)

COLEMAN RECEIVES ANCIENT HEIRLOOM

Box Butte County Farmer Receives Piece of Furniture Made in the Year 1792.

Edward Pierce Coleman, Box Butte county farmer, has just received from his old home in Oregon an ancient family heirloom, made for his great-grandfather and great-grandmother in the year 1792. It is a genuine cherry wood secretary. The secretary was somewhat damaged in shipment and is being carefully repaired by T. J. Threlkeld of Alliance. After Mr. Threlkeld completes his work the family heirloom will be placed in Mr. Coleman's home. The description of the secretary is as follows:

The secretary was made for Achsah Lyman Coleman when she was married to Dr. William Coleman at Chester, Hamden county, Mass., July 19, 1792. Dr. and Mrs. Coleman removed to Pittsfield, Mass., in 1821, where Dr. Coleman died in 1858. About that year 1867 Mrs. Coleman, then ninety-four years of age, went to Oberlin, Ohio, to live, and gave the secretary to Mrs. Della Buell Lamberson of Pittsfield. Mrs. Lamberson moved to Portland, Ore., in 1885, bringing the secretary with her. She died in 1903 and the secretary passed to her two daughters, Mary and Cornelia, who in 1910, generously gave it to Edward Pierce Coleman of Seattle, a great-grandson of Achsah Lyman Coleman. The secretary thereby, after an absence of forty years, came back into the Coleman family, where it is now cherished as an heirloom. Dated June 28, 1914.

—After a successful season of five weeks in Alliance, J. L. Montrose of the Union Knitting Mills of Logan, Utah, left today for his home in Logan. He plans a return trip the first of the year.

MUCH TALK OF OIL IN BOX BUTTE COUNTY

Rumor That Strangers in the City Are Planning to Secure Leases and Begin Their Drilling.

As The Herald goes to press there is on the streets of Alliance a rumor that certain out-of-town individuals, now in the city, are obsessed with the idea that there is oil underneath the soil of Box Butte county. The rumor, indeed, goes so far as to have it that efforts are being made to secure advantageous leases on certain bodies of Box Butte county land, and that if these efforts are successful drilling operations will indubitably be begun in the immediate future.

The Herald has thus far been unable to put its finger on anything definite with reference to the report. It is admittedly vague and inconclusive, and is here stated merely for what it may be worth; but, at that, it may be within the range of probability that Box Butte county and Alliance are on the verge of still greater days ahead.

W. S. RIDGELL WAS BURIED WEDNESDAY

Prominent Former Alliance Citizen and Politician Died in Lincoln Hospital Monday Afternoon

W. S. Ridgell died at St. Elizabeth's hospital in Lincoln Monday afternoon, after suffering for several days from heart trouble. It was known that he was seriously ill and death was not entirely unexpected. Mr. Ridgell made his home in Alliance for a number of years before going to Lincoln seven years ago to accept the appointment as state fire commissioner by Governor Morehead, a position he held for six years.

While at Alliance Mr. Ridgell was active in politics. He served one term as police judge of the city of Alliance. The title of "Judge" followed him thereafter. During his term as state fire commissioner he became one of the most widely known men in the state, and was always popular with the volunteer firemen. He served as president of the Nebraska State Volunteer Firemen's association for one year.

Judge Ridgell leaves a host of friends, not only at Alliance, his former home, but throughout Nebraska. Since the expiration of his term as state fire commissioner he has made his home at Lincoln, traveling for a fire insurance company. He is survived by his wife and two children. The body was taken from Lincoln to Richmond, Mo., his old home, where the funeral was held Wednesday afternoon.

Judge Ridgell was a past president of F. O. E. Lodge No. 136, Alliance, as well as a member of I. O. O. F. Lodge No. 168 of Alliance.

FOOTBALL TEAM LOSES FIRST GAME OF SEASON

Bayard Wins By a Score of 27 to 0 in Gridiron Battle at the Fair Grounds Friday Afternoon

The Alliance high school football team lost its first game of the season at the fair grounds last Friday afternoon when it went up against the heavier and more experienced Bayard high school team. The boys made a fine showing in spite of the defeat and hard luck was chiefly responsible for the one-sided score. The teamwork was excellent, and all through their playing they showed the effect of thorough training.

Coach Prince has been putting the team through some tough practice sessions since school opened, and is not at all disheartened by the result. The team does not weigh in as heavy as some of them, but every man is quick on his feet and some surprising runs were made in the Monday game. Prospects are bright for a successful season as soon as the team gets its proper stride.

—FOR SALE—One kitchen cabinet; one base burner; one Round Oak heater; one linoleum, 16 by 13 feet. Phone 462.

—George Miltzer this week purchased the tire vulcanizing and repair shop formerly owned by Tom Murry, and will be found from now on in the Times building, in the place occupied by C. A. Dow. Mr. Miltzer is an experienced workman who knows his business thoroughly and is a hustler as well.

MANY INJURED IN RACE RIOT AT OMAHA

Negro Who Attacked Girl Taken From Court House and Lynched—Dragged Through Street.

TRY TO LYNCH MAYOR

Million Dollar Damage to Court House Record a Result of Destructive Mob Sunday.

OMAHA, October 2.—(Omaha is today under strict military control, following the assault of Mrs. H. D. Wisener at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon by an unidentified negro, who escaped after binding and gagging Mrs. Wisener with a heavy towel. She was discovered shortly afterwards unconscious in the woodshed back of her home by her twelve-year-old son. Following the assault more than 600 soldiers and volunteers from the American Legion were placed on guard in the "black belt." No one is allowed to enter or leave. The assault on Mrs. Wisener is the thirty-eighth of this nature since June 1. The Omaha newspapers, at the request of General Leonard Wood, are not printing details of the assault.

Resulting from an assault on Miss Agnes Loebeck by a colored man near her home at 3228 South Second street, Omaha, last Friday night, a mob of several hundred men and boys from Gibson, Neb., stormed the Douglas county jail and after several hours of effort, during which the court house was set on fire, Sheriff Clark surrendered William Brown, identified by Miss Loebeck as her assailant, but not until the flames had reached the fourth floor of the building and were endangering the lives of 100 prisoners on the floor above. A crowd of ten thousand people, many of whom were Ak-Sar-Ben visitors from out in the state, looked on.

Miss Loebeck, accompanied by Mildard Hoffman, a crippled youth, were on the way to the girl's home when the colored man made the attack, holding the cripple at bay with a revolver while he assaulted the girl. At 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon the mob met at the Bancroft school, and marched to the court house in a body. It was led by Hoffman. For several hours it stormed the building, while the chief of police, the sheriff and others tried to reason with the mob and get them to disperse and let the law take its course.

Mayor Smith, who drove up in his car and attempted to address the crowd, was dragged out of the automobile and was twice lifted clear of the ground by a rope around his neck. He was badly cut and bruised and was taken immediately to a hospital. Late reports are to the effect that he will recover.

The police kept their heads and resorted to every means to protect their prisoners without firing into the mob. A fire hose turned on the mob was effective for a few minutes, but it was soon re-formed after the hose had been chopped to pieces. Showers of stones were fired at the building, and the mob finally forced its way inside. A fire bomb thrown by one of the mob started a blaze, and the firemen were unable to fight it effectively because of the crowd. The mob cut the hose in pieces every time an attempt was made to turn water on the blaze.

At 11 p. m., when further resistance was hopeless, the prisoner was surrendered and was quickly strung up to the nearest trolley pole, the body being riddled with bullets as soon as it was raised above the heads of the mob. Later it was dragged through the streets, and for hours Omaha was under mob rule.

The commanding officer at Fort Crook was requested to aid in restoring order, but declined to move without orders. The matter was taken up with the authorities at Washington, and Major Leonard Wood arrived in the city Tuesday morning. Troops from Camp Grant, Camp Dodge and Fort Omaha assisted in restoring order. A military belt has been established, the "black belt" is under close surveillance and order has been restored.

The damage to the court house and the priceless records it contained is estimated to be in excess of a million dollars. Practically all the county offices were ransacked by the members of the mob, which, infuriated at not securing immediate possession of the negro, proceeded to destroy everything at hand.