

NO FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR RECLAMATION

Secretary Rufus Jones of the Alliance Community Club has received a communication from Congressman Moses P. Kincaid in reply to his letter requesting the latter's assistance in securing federal aid for the Niobrara river irrigation project, which would reclaim some twenty thousand acres of arid Box Butte county lands. The congressman says that no funds are available for such projects at present, but indicates that his support can be counted on whenever the situation improves. The letter follows:

Washington, D. C., December 8, 1919. Rufus Jones, Secretary, Alliance Community Club, Alliance, Nebraska, My Dear Mr. Jones: I am in receipt of your esteemed favor of the 2nd inst. in re the reclamation of 20,000 acres of land in Box Butte County by means of water taken from the Niobrara river. It need hardly assure you it would gratify me to see this proposal realized, and I shall be glad to do what I can for it when I may be seasonably to present the matter. I think it has heretofore been presented to the proper officials,

but I shall ascertain how that may be and have it listed for consideration if that has not been done, when funds may be available for projects of this character. As you are doubtless aware, no money is now available for projects which have been slated for several years for development, and even projects which have been in course of development for several years cannot be completed half as fast as is desirable for the want of sufficient funds. The committee on irrigation of arid lands, of which I am chairman, and members from irrigation states in general, have been striving to secure an increase of funds for reclamation purposes, and we shall succeed sooner or later. The oil leasing bill which will likely become a law early in the new year will afford an increased income, but it is not of itself adequate for the demands.

I enclose herewith copy of bill I have prepared to authorize an appropriation of \$250,000,000 for the purpose. A like bill is pending in the Senate.

Thanking you for the pains taken in behalf of the Box Butte County-Niobrara River project, and hoping for its ultimate success, I remain, Very cordially yours,
M. P. KINCAID.

PRESIDENT ISSUES A CENSUS PROCLAMATION

Whereas, by the act of congress approved March 3, 1919, the fourteenth decennial census of the United States is to be taken beginning on the second day of January, 1920; and

Whereas, a correct enumeration of the population every ten years is required by the constitution of the United States for the purpose of determining the representation of the several states in the house of representatives; and

Whereas, it is of the utmost importance to all the people of the United States that this census should be a complete and accurate report of the population and resources of the nation;

Now, therefore, I, Woodrow Wilson, president of the United States of America, do hereby declare and make known that, under the law aforesaid, it is the duty of every person to answer all questions on the census schedules applying to him and the family to which he belongs, and to the farm occupied by him or his family, and that any person refusing to do so is subject to penalty.

The sole purpose of the census is to secure general statistical information regarding the population and resources of the country and replies are required from individuals only to permit the compilation of such general statistics. No person can be harmed in any way by furnishing the information required. The census has nothing to do with taxation, with military or jury service, with the compulsion of school attendance, with the regulation of immigration or with the enforcement of any national, state or local law or ordinance. There need be no fear that any disclosure will be made regarding any individual person or his affairs. For the due protection of the rights and interests of the persons furnishing information every employee of the census bureau is prohibited, under heavy penalty, from disclosing any information which may thus come to his knowledge.

I therefore earnestly urge upon all persons to answer promptly, completely and accurately all inquiries addressed to them by the enumerators or other employees of the census bureau and thereby to contribute their share toward making this great and necessary public undertaking a success.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done in the District of Columbia this tenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and forty-fourth.

WOODROW WILSON.
By the President:
William Phillips,
Acting Secretary of State.

LEGION COMMITTEE HOLDS A MEETING

The executive committee of post No. 7, American Legion, met Wednesday evening, the following members being present: Chairman, E. L. Meyer, Secretary W. E. Edwards, Treasurer Claude Renneau, Trustees Jay Nance and F. E. Brown.

Twenty-five new members were admitted to membership by the committee, three of these giving their residence as Bayard. These men had the choice of joining the Alliance post or affiliating with the Scottsbluff bunch, and chose to cast their lot with Alliance. The total membership of the post is now around 170, and as soon as the holidays are over, another drive for members will be begun. There are a number of ex-soldiers and sailors who should join the legion who haven't got around to it as yet. These folks will find that it's a comparatively easy thing to do if they'll look up any of the officers.

The new constitution for the state legion, which will be voted upon at the next meeting, was discussed. This meeting will be called some time the next week and the members of the post given an opportunity to vote upon the constitution section by section.

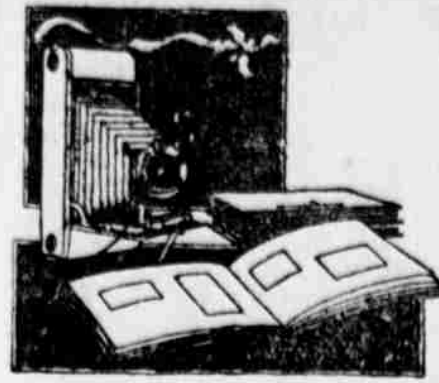
Resolutions
Whereas, Almighty God, in His infinite wisdom, has seen fit to remove from this earth the mothers of Comrades Max and George Moscrip, and Comrade Ed Reardon; and

Whereas, The members of post No. 7, American Legion, deeply realizing the sorrow of our comrades, wish to extend to them our most sincere sympathy; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the executive committee, in special session assembled, speak for the entire membership of the post when they say that our hearts were with our comrades in the saddest moment of their lives. Nothing can take the place of the most blessed and holy of affections, a mother's love, and the kindest words can do little toward lightening their grief. Be it further,

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes at the next meeting of the post; that a copy be given to the Alliance newspapers for publication, and that a copy be forwarded to our bereaved comrades.

F. E. BROWN,
GEORGE L. BURR, JR.,
Committee.



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