

INSURANCE MEN CONCLUDE MEET

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 lie, but they can do no more than the medical associations in time of epidemic—lay out the proper course and recommend remedies.

There was one question, Mr. Josephs said, that he had usually asked of such conventions, but the response had been so disheartening that he refused to ask it again. The question was: "How many members of the association have fire prevention apparatus in their own homes? He had been fortunate, he said, when he found as many as two in any gathering.

Of the fires tabulated, by far the larger proportion are in dwellings. The 1917 figures—the latest compilation—show that the percentage of dwelling fires to all others is 65—out of every three fires, two are dwellings or apartment houses. He advised the local agents to start work on saving homes. There are few houses where a careful examination will not show the presence of something that is a fire hazard.

After dwellings, hospitals need attention. Seven thousand hospitals burned last year—places where we put our friends and relatives who are no longer able to help themselves. One out of every eleven hospitals burned, while but one out of every two hundred mercantile establishments were destroyed. "Isn't it an elegant picture?" he asked. "Isn't the record disgraceful?"

Another command was: "Get the schoolhouses cleaned up." He told of the loss of 172 lives in a school fire at Collingwood, O., where the doors opened inward instead of outward; where the janitor oiled the floors; where the rear exit was found to be locked and barred. He advised each delegate to go home and look after the schools in his town. "No one had the time or the money in Collingwood to attend to these things before the fire. After it was done—too late."

Mr. Josephs then proceeded to read the riot act to the agents themselves. They were the ones who should naturally lead in fire prevention measures, he said, yet in cities where public demonstrations were held, the totals showed that but 6 out of 521 had been interested enough to put in an appearance.

The speaker argued against excessive taxes for insurance companies. The state should aim, he said, to make the tax cover the expense of running the insurance department. When it ran over that amount, it simply meant that the burden must be passed on to the taxpayers. Nebraska, for instance, collected \$165,000 from the insurance companies, when the expenses of the department were but \$19,000—a small total of 747 per cent profit, but at that less than the average for the United States.

The rest of the session was spent in listening to reports and greetings from special agents, among whom was John F. Edwards who told of adjusting a loss in Alliance away back in 1892.

Omaha was selected as the next convention city, although a sharp fight was made by North Platte, lost by just three votes.

At the election of officers for the ensuing year, the following were chosen: President, R. C. Alexander of Omaha; secretary, Fred E. Wait of Lincoln. Three vice presidents were also selected.

Wednesday evening the guests were tendered a banquet by the Alliance chamber of commerce, the dinner being served by the ladies of the Baptist church at the church. Following a program of short speeches, most of them in a complimentary vein, President Guthrie presented to Frank T. B. Martin, retiring secretary, a gift from the members of the association.

—For Sale Furniture—Davenport, just new; chiffonier, sideboard, kitchen cabinet, dining room table, center table, oil stoves, Quick Meal and Alcazar with oven, 3 rockers and some chairs. The above will be sold at 3d and Box Butte Saturday. 34

Austria's peasants are said to be feeding their milk to pigs and greasing their cart axles with butter rather than send those food commodities to the Yennese whom they hate. This is carrying resentment even further than the allies would do, and proves the saying that the worst foes of a man are those of his own household. In the meantime, if there is any government in Austria, it ought to be able to reach these destructive peasants.

Some of the greatest of the many great captains of industry in this country got their start on the farm, and we have never heard that any one of them felt that fate dealt harshly with him in his start, says the Syracuse Post-Standard. Some of the most prosperous people in this and other communities have never got away from the farm, nor have they found farm work and life unbearable.

To sell their goods abroad the Teutons are taking off the former proud trademark "Made in Germany." But with characteristic German thrift they are ready to sacrifice the prestige if they can only get the money.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The ladies' guild of St. Matthews' Episcopal church will hold a bazaar on Thursday afternoon, April 8, at the parish house. Lunch will be served.

HOLY ROSARY CHURCH
 Palm Sunday, March 28—The blessing and distribution of the palms before mass, 8 to 10 o'clock.
 Wednesday evening 7:30—Rosary, reading of the Passion, Matthew 26-27, benediction.
 Holy Thursday morning, 8 o'clock—High mass, procession to the altar of repose, stripping of the altars.
 Good Friday morning 8 o'clock—Unveiling of the cross and adoration, procession from the altar of repose, mass of the presanctified.
 Good Friday evening 7:30 o'clock—Stations of the cross, sermon on the "Passion of Christ," adoration of the cross.
 Holy Saturday morning—The blessing of the fire, incense and Paschal candle, reading of the prophecies and the blessing of the font, litany and high mass.
 Easter Sunday morning 8 o'clock—High mass; 10 a. m., low mass.

ST. MATTHEWS EPISCOPAL
 Corner Seventh street and Cheyenne avenue.
 Services: Holy communion 8 a. m., church school 10 a. m., choral eucharist 11 a. m. (service with music from the "Messe Solennelle"). S. Cecilia by Chas. Gounod.

METHODIST CHURCH
 This is the season of the year when churches all over the country and in all countries where Christ is known are making their plans for a large ingathering on Easter Sunday, which comes April 4. All the churches represented in the inter-church world movement are making an intensive simultaneous effort to enroll many new members. It is predicted that this Easter will witness the largest number of converts of any year since Christ rose from the dead. From neighboring towns these comes the news that many are deciding for Christ. A visitor from our church to the church in Scottsbluff on a recent Sunday reported that some seventy-five decisions were made on a single Sunday. A good number have already signified their intention to unite with our church on Easter, and there are many more who will make the decision before then.

Next Sunday being Palm Sunday, the sermon topic will be "The Triumphant Christ." Palm Sunday is the celebration of the triumphant entry of Christ into Jerusalem the last Sunday of his life. It is the only time he ever was hailed as king by the multitude. A few days later the same multitude shouted: "Crucify Him." Sunday evening the topic will be: "Why Join the Church?" There will be appropriate music at every service.

MEARL C. SMITH,
 Pastor.

INTERCHURCH NOTES
 Team chairman and lantern lecture men for the county conferences in the state of Nebraska are all called in to a special conference at Lincoln Friday of this week for detailed instructions regarding the county conferences of the inter-church world movement which are to be held in every county of the state during the week of April 5 to 9, at which time the objectives of the inter-church world movement will be set forth in connection with the surveys. This call takes the Rev. A. J. Kearns of Alliance and the Rev. A. J. May of Hemingford to Lincoln this week as members of team No. 13 which will present the inter-church world movement to five counties of Northwest Nebraska. The Box Butte conference will be held in Alliance April 5. Opening session at 10 a. m. at the Christian church.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
 Sunday school at 10 a. m. The purpose of the Sunday school is Bible study. "Take all of this book upon reason that you can and the balance by faith, and you will live and die a better man."—Abraham Lincoln.
 Next Sunday is Palm Sunday. Morning worship 11 a. m., "Palms of Victory."
 Evening service, 7:30 p. m. "The Council of Life."
 Christian Endeavor, 6:30 p. m. Missionary meeting. "Our Country's Need of Christ." Mrs. Kearns, leader.
 All are cordially invited to these services at the First Presbyterian church, corner Box Butte avenue and Seventh street. A. J. KEARNS,
 Pastor.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
 The meetings are in progress each evening. The minister is preaching some soul-stirring sermons. If you are present each service, you will see that the sermons are closely related as the chapters in a continued story. A ten-minute chart study is given each evening. Subjects are announced as follows:
 Friday, "To Whom Shall We Go?"
 Saturday, "Is the Moral Man Happy?"
 "Nearer My God to Thee."
 Sunday, "The Two Covenants."
 (Chart sermon.)
 The young people's missionary society of the Christian church will

meet Monday evening, March 29th at the J. E. Rice home, 902 Laramie, with Misses Ethel Churchill, Sylvia DeMoss and Blanche Hunt as hostesses. Miss Sylvia DeMoss, leader.

Tuesday, lecture by James T. Nichols, "A Warless World."

Wednesday, "Sabbath or Lord's—Which?"

Thursday, "The Home Over There."

Mr. Nichols, who lectures on Tuesday evening, was at the peace conference at the time President Wilson signed the treaty. Mr. Nichols is a fluent speaker and will bring a great message. Admission 50c and 25c.

With the exceptions as mentioned above, the meetings will continue until Sunday, April 4th. Do you best to make them a success.

Come to the church with a message and a welcome.

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Owing to the stoppage of emigration during the war, Italy finds itself with 2,000,000 surplus population and no work for them. One case where the theory of war as a reducer of over-production didn't work.

In Japan, it is reported, one can get a bath, a shave and a haircut for 4½ cents, but it is a long way to travel for them, even if one can't confine his tonsorial and renovatory processes to one operation a week.

It is not at all likely that the export of all that hard stuff will interfere with the bootleggers' business. They can make it out of anything if they can get a little undisturbed time in the kitchen.

A woman has been arrested for attempting to smuggle liquor in her skirt pocket. It must have been a modern skirt. No man alive could have found the pocket of the oldtime skirt.

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Customer has potash stock in operating company to exchange as part payment on western Nebraska land. Will purchase stock ranch or farm land and pay difference in cash. What have you?

Customer has good paying apartment house in live western Nebraska city to exchange for stock ranch. Apartment house brings in income of \$7,000 annually. He is unable to give it his attention and wants a ranch. What have you?

We have a customer for an improved farm near Alliance. Will make good cash payment on farm that is priced right. What have you?

Customer desires cheap, raw land in or near Box Butte county. Will buy in large or small tracts. What have you?

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