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FIND "WHITE MULE" HIDDEN IN BUREAU AT RADIANT PARLOR

OFFICERS MAKE A LUCKY RAID THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Fred Reynolds Assumes All Blame And Is Handed Fine of \$200 on Two Counts

Fred Reynolds, employed in the Brown barber shop, was fined \$100 each on two counts in county court by Judge Tash Thursday afternoon, following a raid on the Radiant Beauty Parlor, by city and county police officers early Thursday afternoon. The beauty parlor and manicure shop has been conducted by Mrs. Louise Reynolds. In the original complaint, both Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds were included, but the husband assured the court and county attorney that he alone was guilty and that his wife knew nothing of the presence of several pint bottles of "white mule" hidden behind a bureau drawer, and the complaint was changed.

Chief of Police Jeffers and Deputy Sheriff Miskimen did the raiding on a search warrant. This is the second time the place has been searched, the first occasion being singularly unproductive. It came very nearly being another flivver yesterday afternoon, the officers being about ready to give up the trail, when a newspaper reporter suggested one or two places that might be more closely investigated.

When the officers entered the room, Mrs. Reynolds was manhandling a customer, James H. McNew of Texas, a guest in the hotel. Mr. McNew was possessed of an exceedingly happy jag, and after inquiring of Chief Jeffers: "What door did you come in?" proceeded to get friendly with everybody. He jested with the county attorney and others, and continued cutting up to the very bar of justice, where he put on a dance for the entertainment of Judge Tash. The judge gave him one hard-boiled look, and Mr. McNew became strangely doleful.

A complaint charging the two with illegal possession of intoxicating liquor in a place other than their dwelling house was read, and Mr. Reynolds promptly absolved his wife of all blame. "I bought that liquor," he said, "I bought it for a purpose, and my wife knew nothing of it. She did not know where I hid it." County Attorney Bayse immediately dismissed the charge against Mrs. Reynolds, but amended the complaint so as to place two counts against the husband, the second one being the purchase of intoxicating liquor. After some discussion, as to what constituted a dwelling house, and whether it is a crime to purchase liquor, Mr. Reynolds entered a plea of guilty to both counts, and was assessed fines amounting to \$200.

The defendant was unable to pay the fine himself, and Thursday afternoon was attempting to secure a security, so that he might escape incarceration. Judge Tash has authority, under certain circumstances, to suspend fines, but he refused the plea for this sort of leniency. "I cannot compromise with crime," the judge said. "You've broken the law, and you'll have to take your medicine."

Late Thursday Mr. Reynolds resigned himself to the inevitable, after a prospective bondsman had declined to come across, and at present is occupying a cell in the county jail.

Two girls, weighing four and one-half pounds each, were born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Davis, Eighth and Mississippi, Sunday, February 20. One of them died Monday night. Burial was made at Fairview cemetery, twelve miles northeast of Alliance. Services were conducted by Rev. S. J. Epler.

Chamber of Commerce Withdraws Objections to Hemingford Road

C. L. Hashman, Box Butte county commissioner, Wednesday received a letter from E. H. Morey, chief of the state bureau of roads, which brought the information that Secretary George M. Carey of the Alliance chamber of commerce had called at the offices of the board and formally withdrawn the objections of the organization to the resolutions passed by the board designating as a federal aid road project a route to Hemingford which did not go straight west of the city, but two miles north before it turned west.

A delegation of business men called upon the commissioners last week, and after suitable apologies were made to the board for taking their objections up directly with the state bureau, explanations were made on both sides and harmony prevailed. The business men were told by Mr. Hashman that the resolution designating the route was not final, and that the engineers for the state and government would change the route if, upon inspection, another appeared more desirable.

Mr. Hashman's position was shown to be the correct one by Mr. Morey's letter, which said: "When the survey is made this spring for this road, the department of public works will make complete surveys and determine the better locations."

JUST ASK PHILLIPS

If there is any doubt in your mind as to whether Herald advertising will deliver the goods, put one question to W. L. Phillips, who has had a striking illustration of the way Herald readers watch the columns of their favorite newspaper and read it from kiver to kiver, including the advertisements.

Mr. Phillips inserted a small display advertisement of a Cherry county farm for rent. It was without signature, and those interested were requested to write or call this office.

These were the results: Fifteen people answered within three days after the advertisement appeared. Mr. Phillips had ordered two insertions. Thirty people more responded following the second insertion. And the end is not yet. The advertiser will have ample opportunity to rent the farm to the best possible advantage, and the whole thing cost him but a couple of dollars an issue.

Take it from us, all that is necessary, even in hard times, to get results is to offer something good, at a reasonable price, and use space enough to describe it right, and you'll get what you go after.

Not Enough Evidence to Sustain Charges of Booze Law Violation

George Stafford, John Bayer and Wayne Reddington, all well known in Alliance, escaped from county court Wednesday morning without a fine—the first case in months where a man charged with a violation of liquor laws got off scot free. The reason for this was that there wasn't quite sufficient evidence to convict them. A complaint against L. L. Cook was later dismissed, largely for the same reason.

The chief witness for the prosecution was Charles F. Johnson, who, with his mother, conducts the R. R. Cafe. According to the story he told on the witness stand, he first met the three men Monday evening in his restaurant. They left and went to the home of Cook, and later he followed. There the four men played cards. Later Cook came in, and from some mysterious source a couple of bottles of whiskey appeared. Just where the hooch came from was not discovered, the supposition being that all of the men helped pay for it, the money being taken out of the card game. Johnson was the only one who got intoxicated.

Stafford, Bayer, Reddington and Cook were all charged with giving away intoxicating liquor. Harry E. Gantz defended them. Johnson testified, and Schaefer, a writer in the cafe, also testified. The latter didn't add much to the sum total of evidence. Some men came in, he said, but he could not identify any of the accused as being the men; Johnson went out about 8 o'clock and returned at 11 o'clock. Mr. Gantz won a prompt victory when he moved that the case be dismissed on the ground of insufficient evidence. He pointed out that Johnson was a co-conspirator, and that his evidence was therefore worthless; and declared that Schaefer's testimony was not at all damaging. Judge Tash upheld his contention, and dismissed the cases.

L. L. Cook the fourth man against whom a complaint was filed, did not show up in court, but the case being no stronger against him than against the others, the complaint was dismissed.

Elizabeth Walters, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Walters of Hemingford, had her tonsils removed at Dr. Hand's office Thursday afternoon.

Harper Will Push Campaign to Secure Camp For Boy Scouts

W. R. Harper, who was last week elected scoutmaster for the Alliance troops, taking the place of J. B. Miller, who left the city some weeks ago, has decided to take the lead in pushing the plans of the Scouts for a permanent camp. Several business men, who are interested in the matter, requested Mr. Harper to get behind the project, and sometime this spring the opening drive will be made.

At present, two camps are contemplated for the boys, one at Belmont and the other on Broncho lake. It is desired to equip the Belmont camp with a swimming hole. The Belmont camp will be available for longer camping trips, and the cabin at Broncho lake will be convenient for use during the entire summer. Mr. Harper, Dr. C. E. Slagle and K. H. Hamilton plan to leave Sunday for Belmont to see F. L. Tollman regarding a site for the camp.

There are now eight vacancies in the second scout troop, and boys from 12 years of age up who are interested in the opportunity to ally themselves with a live boys' organization are asked to take the matter up with J. J. Vance.

Mrs. J. J. Dixon is enjoying a visit from her sister, Mrs. Thomas C. McLean of Hibbing, Minn.

BUSINESS WOMEN DECIDE TO FORM AN ORGANIZATION

WILL BE AUXILIARY TO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Membership to Be Limited to Women in Employment, But Lunches Open to All

The business women's club bids fair to become a reality in Alliance, as twenty-five or more women so voted at the luncheon held yesterday noon at the chamber of commerce. This is the third luncheon held in the interest of this project, and a committee of five has been appointed to meet at an early date and draft the constitution and bylaws of the new organization. Mrs. J. S. Rhein, who represented the Woman's club, presided.

The constitution of the Business Women's club of Broken Bow, Neb., was read, and with some changes, will probably be adopted by the Alliance club. It was voted to hold the luncheon and meeting once a month, on Thursday, in the chamber of commerce rooms, and the dues for membership are to be three dollars a year, or twenty-five cents a month. This will give the club two memberships in the chamber of commerce. Secretary Carey will take charge of the program.

The question of whether the organization should be composed of only the business women, or should also include the members of the Woman's club was discussed and it was decided that to confine membership to business women would be the best plan. Some reasons for this were that the Woman's club has already a membership in the chamber of commerce, and are sufficient unto themselves, and that the majority of business girls would probably feel more at home without them.

As for the study and discussion of civic problems, on which the Woman's club are much better informed, Mrs. Rhein stated that they would be glad, at any time, to assist the new club. It was also decided to permit any woman who so desired to attend the luncheons.

The committee appointed consists of Mrs. Anna Chaffee, Misses Ethel Graham, Marie Buchensteln, Mable Sward, and Edna Benedict. If any of these are unable to serve, they will appoint a substitute.

It was decided that a formal meeting for passing on the constitution and electing officers would be held at the chamber of commerce on March 14, at 7:30 p. m.

McNew Had Happy Jag and Danced for Judge; Fined Fifty Simoleons

James H. McNew, the merriest jag that has been in county court for many months, secured a brand of liquor that made him fearfully happy Thursday afternoon, and unfortunately managed to be in the Radiant beauty parlor at the Alliance hotel at the time the officers made their raid. He kidded the officers and the county attorney, and put on a special dance for the entertainment of Judge Tash, but he drew the maximum fine of \$50 and costs despite his efforts to please.

Mr. McNew, who told the cops he had some experience, conducted his own defense, and with the utmost consideration and politeness. He pleaded not guilty in a firm voice, and betrayed a most remarkable interest in the testimony which was plenty strong enough to convict him. Immediately following the sentence, he took up the matter of an appeal, and discovered that if he could find a man to go on his bond, he might secure his liberty. This was done. Mr. McNew figures that he has until the June 6 term of district court to raise money to pay the fine under this procedure, and was immensely satisfied with himself for putting it across.

Jamie made one sad error during the afternoon. A friend had put him to bed, but he didn't stay there. When the officers interrupted his manuring he reproached them for "spoiling his party." He was game to the last, and despite the chance of having his fine remitted, refused to divulge the source of supply. He got gay with the county attorney at the time of his arrest, but as soon as he discovered the identity of the man who was to prosecute him, adopted an air of exaggerated politeness.

William Coffman, who rooms on Box Butte avenue, reported to the police Friday morning that his overcoat had been stolen from a Dodge automobile the evening before, when it was parked near the court house. The cops were furnished a full description of the coat and the man who borrowed it had better lay it away in dothanalls for a couple of years if he doesn't want to be picked up.

George Donnelly of Lincoln is in Alliance on a business trip. Mrs. A. G. Smart is spending a few days in Denver.

BOX BUTTE COUNTY FARMERS DISCUSS HOLDING A FAIR

SENTIMENT STRONGLY FAVORABLE TO SUCH AN EVENT

Committees Appointed to Make Preliminary Arrangements—Meet Again March 9

A mass meeting of farmers, ranchers and stockmen was held at the county court room in Alliance at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, at which a preliminary organization was formed for the purpose of holding a county fair in Alliance this fall. The sentiment of the thirty or more men who turned out for the meeting was unanimously in favor of the undertaking, not only for this year, but as an annual event.

The men who have been actively engaged in fostering a sentiment for a county fair are Alex Lee, L. E. Bliss and D. E. Purington. Mr. Lee was made presiding officer for the mass meeting, and George W. Nation was selected as secretary. Any of these men are prepared to furnish information concerning the plan to those interested.

William Newman, A. R. Acheson and J. A. Keegan were selected as a committee to plow through the statutes and unearth any laws relative to county fairs, to report at the next meeting.

L. E. Bliss, G. W. Nation and Frank Rowley of Berea were chosen as a special committee to ascertain the sentiment of agriculturists in regard to holding a fair. They will make as much of a canvass as possible, visiting the ranchers and getting their ideas on what should be done.

D. E. Purington, Charles Reeves and William Munitz of Berea were the members of a third committee, to act as county canvassers. They will hold meetings in various parts of the county, the first of which is scheduled for March 5 at Hemingford.

The meeting voted to adjourn until March 9, when the second meeting will be held. At this time an organization will be perfected, officers elected, plans discussed and arrangements made for giving Box Butte county a fair. The name of the organization has already been decided upon, the Box Butte county agricultural and live stock association. For the first year, at least, the attractions will be largely confined to exhibits, but after the organization gets on its feet, and secures state assistance, it is quite probable that the scope of the undertaking will be broadened.

The active organizers have met with nothing but encouragement so far, and there is no question but that the business men of Alliance, as well as the progressive farmers and ranchers, will be strongly behind the fair association.

If Thy Neighbor's Dog Offend Thee, Look for Collar

If you have a grudge against any particular dog in your block, it may be possible to wreak your vengeance upon that canine, and do it legally. If thy neighbor's dog offend thee, all that is necessary is to look for a collar, inscribed with the owner's name and a license tag thereon from the city. If the dog to which you have taken an aversion does not wear a collar, you may legally kill him.

This important point was brought out in a suit in justice court in Lincoln this week, and the court, who was exceptionally well informed, read section 175 of the Revised Statutes for 1913, which is quite plain upon the subject. If faithful Fido doesn't wear a collar, properly inscribed, his life may be forfeit without any comeback on the part of his owner.

Of course, there is a catch in it, and that is that, under city ordinances, the discharging of firearms within the city limits is prohibited. The most they can do is to fine you for that, however, and if you can show that there was no license tag for the dog, maybe it'll be remitted. At any rate, there's no great gain without some small loss. Another thing that may happen is that the owner might beat the tar out of you, but the probability of such an eventuality can be carefully weighed before you take down the old shotgun.

There are a number of dogs running wild in the city, without license tags or collars. Under the state law any person may kill such dogs on sight. The city clerk recently received a supply of brass dog tags, but the manufacturer, in his haste to execute the contract, failed to properly inspect his handiwork, and the licenses read "1912" instead of "1921."

Forecast for Alliance and vicinity: Fair tonight and Saturday. Somewhat colder northwest portion tonight.

Miss Mildred Griggs, who is attending the university at Lincoln, arrived on 41 this morning to spend a few days with her parents.

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Women Determined That All the Laws Shall Be Obeyed

An instance of the great interest which the women of Alliance are taking in their new political duties and responsibilities came to light this week, when County Attorney Bayse was waited upon by a small delegation of the new voters. They handed him a sheet of paper, with names of tobacco dealers written on either side, and informed him that "there were the names" of dealers who had not paid the license required by law for those who sold the noxious weed in any form. They asked him what he proposed to do about it.

Mr. Bayse suggested that he write the offenders, calling attention to the fact that they had failed to comply with the provisions of the state law. The women seemed to be perfectly willing that this course be followed, and a number of letters were written. Just before they were taken to the postoffice, however, a telephone call came and an excited voice informed him that the names on one side of the sheet of paper were those who had paid the license, and that he should send letters to less than half of the names on the list.

The letters were sent, and within twenty-four hours all the license fees had been paid to the city clerk. Mr. Bayse regarded it as a good morning's work. The next afternoon, however, he was confronted by a stern gentleman who said, deliberately and with infinite scorn in his voice: "I understand that you have refused to enforce the law providing for a tobacco license."

"How come?" the county attorney demanded.

"Well," the aggressive gentleman continued, "those women brought the names of law violators to you, and you didn't prosecute them."
Mr. Bayse might have been pardoned if he had lost his temper, but he didn't. He patiently explained to the belligerent man that it was not usual, even for a county attorney, to file complaints against people unless there was evidence against them sufficient to warrant the belief that a conviction could be secured. He also explained that it was altogether possible that the dealers might have overlooked the matter. He mentioned the fact that the delinquent ones had paid promptly as evidence that their hearts were in the right place, but the stern gentleman went away unconvinced.

Passion Play Pictures Shown at the Academy Washington's Birthday

The pupils of St. Agnes' academy were granted a half holiday on Washington's birthday. After the usual patriotic exercises the pupils enjoyed the rare privilege of seeing pictures of the far-famed Passion play which is presented every decade in the little village of Oberammergau. The pictures shown were those of the 1910 play. A very instructive set of slides on agriculture have been added to the school collection.

Firemen to Entertain The Legion and T. P. A. at Smoker Friday Eve

The Alliance volunteer fire department has issued invitations to the members of Alliance post of the American Legion and Post M. T. P. A., to an open house, smoker and feed at their club rooms in the city hall Friday evening. The festivities will start at 7:30 and the guests are cautioned to remember to forget to eat before they arrive, as the corks will be pulled and the sandwiches unpacked shortly after the meeting is called to order. A large crowd will be present.

LIONS CLUB TO HOLD ITS FIRST MEETING TUESDAY EVENING

TWENTY-FIVE CHARTER MEMBERS ALREADY SECURED

Expect to Have Full Membership of Forty—District Governor to Install New Club

The Lions club, a new social-business-civic organization for Alliance, will hold its first meeting in the Fern Garden of the Alliance hotel, at noon, Tuesday, March 1. Harry E. Niven of Longmont, Colo., district governor of Colorado for Lions International, and president of the Colorado county fairs association, will welcome the new club into the international association.

Twenty-five of the leading business and professional men of Alliance have already become members of the new club. A charter membership of forty is required, but the membership committee, which has been quite active the past week, anticipates that this number will be reached by next Tuesday when the charter will be closed. Membership is by invitation only, usually composed of the younger men, who have earned for Lions clubs the title of "The Tribe of Pep, Purpose, Push and Progress," and caused a very rapid growth for Lionism.

Lions International was formed in Chicago, June 7, 1917, the original association being composed of twenty-one various independent organizations. Many of these, like the Business Men's circle of Chicago, were at that time ten to fifteen years old. From its earliest inception, Lionism has kept itself free from difficulties arising through political or sectarian activities.

Growth was retarded during the war, the individual clubs devoting all of their energies to war activities. Early in 1919, in response to many petitions from various cities, a policy of expansion was adopted. By the end of 1920 the total number of clubs in the United States and Canada was over 200 with 16,000 members.

New clubs are only established upon request and then only after a thorough investigation of a city, its citizens, and its progressiveness by neighboring clubs and a field director of Lions International. Even with these restrictions, and while establishing from ten to fifteen clubs a month, the international association has been unable to meet the large number of requests for clubs from all over the United States, Canada and foreign countries.

The first Lions club in Nebraska was formed in Omaha one year ago. It immediately commenced to boost other Nebraska cities and petitions for clubs for them. The international association was unable to meet their demands. Kimball could not wait but organized a club and asked for a charter. At the beginning of February the international directors were able to answer the Omaha den's urgent roar, and a club was established in Lincoln. The Alliance club will be the fourth one in the state.

The name Lions is taken from their slogan, "Liberty, Intelligence, Our Nation's Safety."

The principals of each local club and the international association demand full and hearty co-operation with all other clubs, the chamber of commerce and other civic and commercial organizations, in all movements in the community which seek to promote any betterment, civic, industrial or educational, and any plans looking towards the elimination of class distinction; the uniting of its members in the bonds of friendship, good fellowship and mutual understanding; the strict adherence to the highest code of ethics in business and social relations; and absolute and unswerving loyalty to the community, state and nation.

Scottsbluff Hotel Has Changed Managers as a Result of Guyton Case

As one of the immediate sequels to the disgraceful episode alluded to have taken place at the Lincoln Hotel in Scottsbluff January 15th, a change has been made in the management, which will be appreciated by public sentiment at this place, says the Scottsbluff Republican.

It is announced that J. W. Waddell resigns as manager, and will be transferred to the Lincoln hotel at Franklin, and that he will be succeeded here by Curtis Young, who comes from Beatrice.

The change, it is apparent, was necessitated by the publicity which accompanied the disclosures made by Miss Marie Dawkins, who is now the complaining witness in a case in the district court, in which she charges that while a waitress in the Lincoln Cafe, a hotel guest, John Guyton, lured her to his room, and held her there against her will, assaulting her twice, and threatening her life, if she divulged anything about it.

A strong community sentiment quickly arose and Guyton was arrested and held in jail for two weeks before he could get bonds in the sum of \$5,000, which he did Wednesday of this week and was released, pending the trial, which is scheduled to be called at 2:00 o'clock on the afternoon of February 21st.