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## DEMOCRATIC EDITORS

### Progressive Democrats of Alliance Land District Endorse Candidate for Register.

## KIND WORDS PRIZED

No editor appreciates the esteem and good will of his fellow editors more than does the editor of The Alliance Herald, and no one feels more like reciprocating the kindness of brother editors when there is opportunity to do so. There are nine democratic newspapers in the territory comprising the district of the United States land office at Alliance. One editor publishes and has editorial control of two papers, so that there are eight democratic editors, seven besides The Herald editor.

editor of The Herald and he has always been found to be loyal to his party, a worthy man and one well qualified to fill the position he asks for and his appointment would meet with the approval of every democratic editor of this district, while it might not meet with the approval of a few of the "Pussy Foot" fellows who put themselves up as the self styled leader of the democratic party in Northwest Nebraska, who have done more to help defeat the cause of democracy in the northwest than they have done good. We are informed that \_\_\_\_\_, recently from Texas, is on the ground asking for the appointment, but as we can see it \_\_\_\_\_ is entitled to nothing as against such a man as Mr. Thomas, for such milk and water democrats as he should not be recognized. Let us have good and worthy men in these offices who are loyal to the principles of the party at all seasons of the year and you know where they stand on all public and political questions and not those who attempt to carry water on both shoulders. The Chronicle is in favor of Mr. Thomas for this position when the time comes for making the appointment and we will be satisfied that no mistake will be made in his selection.

(Note.—In reprinting the above I have left the name of the other candidate blank, as I do not wish to appear to be "throwing mud" at a competitor, even when reprinting what another editor has properly published. J. W. T.)

THE RUSHVILLE STANDARD  
C. L. Mayes, Editor

Letter  
Rushville, Nebr., Feb. 4, 1913.

Dear Sir:

I have information that John W. Thomas, editor of the Alliance Herald, is an applicant for the Register-ship of the U. S. Land Office at Alliance. Being in a position so as to be familiar as to the qualifications of Mr. Thomas, and knowing him to be a democrat who has labored under difficulties for the success of Democracy, it gives me pleasure to endorse his candidacy and I sincerely trust that he will be successful in receiving the appointment to the position for which he aspires. I believe it will be to the best interests of harmony within our ranks in Western Nebraska and meet with the approval of a large majority of the citizens in the Alliance Land Office District, therefore I pray that you will use all the influence within your power to have Mr. Thomas appointed to the Register-ship of Alliance Land Office.

Respectfully,  
C. L. MAYES.

Editorial

John W. Thomas, editor of the Alliance Herald, made his first trip to Rushville on Tuesday of this week. Mr. Thomas is a candidate for Register of the U. S. Land Office at Alliance and has the endorsement of nearly every good democrat in the Alliance district, as he is well qualified for the position and has evermore stood out for those principles, so famous these days as to be termed progressive, and has been a staunch follower of W. J. Bryan and all that he stood for. Here's hoping Mr. Thomas will land the plum.

THE NORTHPORT HERALD  
C. D. Casper, Editor

Letter  
Northport, Nebr., Nov. 30, 1912.

Dear Sir: I write this letter on behalf of Mr. John W. Thomas, who aspires to the office of Register of the U. S. Land Office at Alliance, Nebr. I know Mr. Thomas to be a clean, honorable man, and can heartily recommend him for the position and as there will be, I presume, many applicants, would ask that he receive fair consideration.

Very respectfully yours,  
C. D. Casper.

(Note.—The Northport Herald will be moved to Bridgeport, March 1, 1913, and become The Bridgeport Herald. J. W. T.)

THE CURLY SENTINEL  
Peter M. Ramsing, Editor

John W. Thomas for Register of The Alliance Land Office. When Woodrow Wilson becomes president of these United States and sees fit to make a change in the office of Register of the Land office at Alliance, he can make no mistake in appointing John W. Thomas, Editor of the Alliance Herald, to that position. Mr. Thomas has all the qualification necessary besides being a Christian gentleman and an educator of ability. Since

taking charge of the Alliance Herald some three or four years ago, has brought that publication to be recognized as the leading democratic newspaper of Western Nebraska. Mr. Thomas is a staunch Bryan democrat and gave his best efforts during the recent election for the success of progressive democracy.

THE HAY SPRINGS ENTERPRISE  
F. W. Johansen, Editor

Editorial  
The Enterprise would be especially pleased to have John W. Thomas, editor of the Alliance Herald, appointed Register of the U. S. Land Office at Alliance, Nebraska. Editor Thomas is not only qualified and very efficient, but also deserving and a clean capable honest man. We believe we voice the sentiment of the entire Bryan-Wilson press of this district when we recommend Thomas for Register.

THE CRAWFORD TRIBUNE  
Con. Lindeman, Editor

Letter  
Crawford, Nebr., Feb. 12, 1913.  
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:  
John W. Thomas, editor and pub-

lisher of the Alliance Herald, one of the best newspapers in Northwest Nebraska, has fought gallantly in the front ranks of progressive democracy during his newspaper career, and now that he is a candidate for Register of the Alliance U. S. Land Office, and being well qualified for the position, I cheerfully recommend his appointment to said office.  
CON. LINDEMAN,  
Publisher Crawford Tribune.

Editorial

Editor Thomas of the Alliance Herald is a candidate for the register-ship of the U. S. Land Office at Alliance, and here's hoping that he will land the job. He has served nobly in the ranks of progressive democracy and has manfully withstood the jeers of the reactionary wing of the democratic party for the past four years, never allowing the Bryan banner to trail in the dust. He is well qualified for the position and is more deserving of it than any other candidate in the field. Success to JOHN W. THOMAS.

Vic Covatt, of Cleman, was in the city for a couple of days the first of the week, placing his name on The Herald sub. list while here.

## HAVE BIRTHDAY PARTY

### Twenty-Fifth Birthday of Alliance Will be Celebrated on Tuesday, February 25th.

## COMMITTEES ARE BUSY

On Monday evening an enthusiastic crowd of Alliance business and professional men met together at the court house to consider plans for closing the court house campaign and to plan for the big Alliance Birthday Banquet. A. D. Rodgers occupied the chair, with Dick Waters as secretary. Some who had not voted for the court house bonds at the subject of a banquet to be held on the 25th birthday of the town, which would be on Tuesday, the 25th. There was some discussion at first as to the exact date, it being thought by some as by The Herald at first, that the 28th was the proper day. Lloyd told of the proposition being suggested first by Mr. Johnston, of the postoffice, and how it had met with the approval of all business men. F. M. Broome, E. H. Floyd, W. D. Hamer, R. M. Hampton and a number of others endorsed the proposition. On motion, it was voted that the chair select three commit-

tees, of three members each. One committee to handle the finances and sale of tickets, another committee to arrange program and a third committee to arrange for the banquet.

Mr. Guthrie told of the members of the Nebraska State Fire Prevention bureau who would be in Alliance next Tuesday, and urged that a banquet be given them. This met with instant approval. Guthrie and Hamer were appointed as a committee to sell tickets for and handle the arrangements.

Fire Chief Romig and other members of the department spoke of the coming tournament and other matters of interest.

Tuesday evening another meeting was held at the same place. President Rodgers appointed a committee, consisting of E. G. Laing, Geo. Mollring and Bruce Mallory to act with the committee from the fire department on advertising the tournament, etc. The committees appointed to arrange for the birthday banquet were: Committee on banquet, Edgar Martin, J. N. Johnston and Guy Lockwood. Committee on Entertainment and Program, Lloyd C. Thomas, F. M. Broome and E. H. Boyd. Committee on Finances, W. D. Rummer and L. H. Highland.

Committees appointed to work in precincts on election day (next Tuesday) were: Lake precinct, Mollring, Zeidler and Hughes; first ward, Vaughan, Rodgers and McCorkle; second ward, Spacht, Thomas and McFarland.

## ENDORSE Y. M. C. A.

### Leading Alliance Citizens Meet at City Hall and Decide to Erect Fine Building.

## CAMPAIGN IS COMING

As announced in the last issue of The Herald, J. P. Bailey, of Omaha, state secretary of the Y. M. C. A., accompanied by A. G. Knebel, international secretary of the railroad department, arrived in Alliance Tuesday morning. Both are energetic and likeable gentlemen. They made many friends while in the city. At two o'clock Tuesday afternoon a number of leading business men of the city met with them at the residence of Superintendent Young and discussed the proposition fully with Mrs. Young, who is the prime mover in the proposition and who is giving a large part of her time and attention to it.

At eight-thirty Tuesday evening, after the close of the mass meeting at the court house, a large crowd of people gathered in the council chamber at the city hall. Mr. Hampton, in calling the meeting to order, told of the urgent need of a Y.M.C.A. for Alliance, how Mrs. Young had nobly taken the work of starting the present movement on her own shoulders, and introduced Mr. Knebel.

Mr. Knebel is a forceful speaker and held the attention of the crowd for three-quarters of an hour while he told of the great good being done by this institution in other cities like Alliance. He told of the immense convention at Chicago last October at which seventeen hundred railroad men were present from all over the United States, Canada and Mexico. He told of railroad men who had been saved from wrecking their lives by the help of the Y.M.C.A., of how that many people had the idea that a Y.M.C.A. was a place only for soldiers and young men, but that it is run by and for red blooded, common men, and how a secretary of experience and ability is placed in charge. He told of the immense amount of money, aggregating many millions of dollars, invested in buildings in this country. And of the encouragement being given by the railroads and their officials. He drew a word picture of the average railroad Y.M.C.A., showing the usefulness of it to the railroad and other men, describing the arrangement of a building of this kind. He told of the instruction given railroad men. He stated that he had been twenty-one years in the work and hoped to be in that much longer.

Mr. Hampton then introduced Mr. Bailey. Mr. Bailey came to Nebraska eleven years ago and has been in the Y. M. C. A. work for twenty-five years. He told how that he had been in every city and town in Nebraska with a population of over 1,000 many times. He told about Holdrege, Omaha, Lincoln, Fremont, Beatrice, Hastings, Columbus, York, Chadron, Central City, Seward, Grand Island and North Platte—Told how these cities had raised funds and the buildings they had built and are constructing. He told how three Seward boys made it possible for that city to have a Y. M. C. A. He then asked, "Will Alliance put forth the effort? Will Alliance maintain a Y. M. C. A.?" He told how a Y. M. C. A. would help the city by bringing in people. Mr. Bailey then stated that the only way to get a building here is to "just simply do it". He stated that when we are ready for the campaign here a man would be sent to direct and organize the force to do the work. He stated that committees should be appointed to make plans and arrange the details of the campaign, that a building should be erected here to cost not less than \$25,000 above the cost of the site, in size not less than 45x115 feet. Mr. Bailey has been here six times but said that until this time Alliance "didn't have the Y. M. C. A. bug" but that it now seemed to have taken hold. His speech was well liked and made a deep impression.

Hon. W. W. Wood then spoke, stating that all were convinced that Alliance should have a building. W. D. Rummer stated that it would be a good thing and that he would be glad to see it. F. W. Harris endorsed the proposition and spoke of the amount necessary to raise. Fred Mollring said the Y. M. C. A. would be a good thing and offered to start the ball rolling by subscribing fifty dollars. A. D. Rodgers emphasized the need and said he would help and that he could be counted on to do his part. James Hunter gave his endorsement and said he would give \$300 or \$400 toward the building. F. M. Broome stated that this was a matter that had come up for a number of years but because of lack of interest had failed so far, but now it seemed time to go ahead; that an institution of this kind that is not always grabbing for the dollar is a good thing and that the plan proposed is practical. He stated that the proposition of asking the business men alone to handle a proposition of this kind is hardly fair and that every property holder in the city should be asked to do his

share; that he believed \$30,000 could be raised in one week. Supt. E. E. Young stated that the Burlington had offered to at least put in the heating plant, that Vice President Byram would be here this week and that the matter would then be brought to his attention. Mr. Bailey told how Grand Island raised \$65,000, and said Alliance could do just as well in proportion to size. Councilman Sterns told how he had engaged in railroad work at Hastings sixteen years ago and of the benefits derived from a Y. M. C. A., and that he believed the time had come to go through with the proposition this summer. W. W. Norton said Alliance should have a Y. M. C. A. by all means and gave it his endorsement, stating that he would help when it came to raising the money. Postmaster Tash stated that it was simply a matter of ways and means, that he had thought of the matter and realized its need for years, that 4,000 people, by donating an average of only \$8 each could raise \$32,000. He stated that he believed he could pay this for each member of his family and for the building without having to sell his auto, which was greeted with laughter, and when he stated that he believed he could multiply this donation by three he was loudly applauded. Mr. Tash stated that the subscription and plan of paying in installments would make it easy for all to donate. Mr. Bailey said the only thing to do with the knoekers was to come down on them hard, if any were found. Mr. Bowman of the Drake, made a motion that the meeting give the proposition of a Y. M. C. A. its hearty endorsement. Motion was unanimously carried. Motion of Bruce Mallory that an organization meeting be held in the council chamber on the evening of the 20th and that Mr. Hampton be elected chairman and F. W. Harris secretary, was unanimously carried. The organization meeting will be held in accordance with this motion, next Thursday evening. It is expected that a large crowd will be present. A general invitation has been extended to every Alliance citizen to be there.

### FURNISHES STATEMENT

Mrs. Dowling, wife of Francis Dowling, who presented "We Are King" for the benefit of St. Joseph's Hospital, has asked The Herald to publish a list of the receipts and expenditures of the funds received. She states that Mr. Dowling is in error only by neglecting to render an itemized account of the funds and that instead of leaving town Saturday, as has been stated, he did not leave until Tuesday noon. Mr. Dowling went to Heringford Wednesday of last week and returned on Thursday. Mrs. Dowling is still in the city with her three small children.

She states that the agreement in regard to the receipts from the entertainment was that the expenses were to be deducted from the total receipts; that the balance was to be divided and that Mr. Dowling's personal expenses were to be deducted from the hospital's share.

The itemized statement rendered is as follows:

Receipts  
Box office at Opera House ... \$22.00  
Tickets sold at Academy ... 28.50  
Total ... \$50.50

Expenditures  
Times, adv. and job work ... \$ 3.50  
Herald, adv. and job work ... 4.00  
Opera House ... 15.00  
Frayage ... 75  
Crush and whitening ... 50  
Costumes and express ... 6.95  
Total ... \$35.50

Deducting the expenditures from the receipts leaves a balance of \$45.00. Mr. Dowling's expenses (board and room) as shown by receipted bill from landlady, for the three and one-half weeks in which he was engaged in the work, were \$28.00, inasmuch as the hospital's share of the proceeds was only \$22.50 this did not make up enough to pay this expense.

The programs were gotten up by Mr. Dowling. Mrs. Dowling states that it is always the custom for them to have for themselves whatever the profit amounts to on the programs. The Times received in addition to the above amount, \$10 for printing the programs.

Those in charge of the hospital are naturally disappointed that nothing was received for its benefit from the entertainment. It is deeply regretted that publication was made by the Times of a charge against Mr. Dowling without sufficient investigation.

### SPECIAL EXAMINATION

On Saturday, February 15th, there will be given, for one day only, special State Teachers' Examinations at the Court House.

DELLA REED, Co. Supt.

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