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We believe in the rule of the people, whether their rule suits us or not. There ought to be some changes in the laws relating to suffrage, but until those changes have been made let those who have a legal right to decide matters of government do so in as simple and direct manner as possible.

There should be no opposition in the legislature to the bill for regulating the distribution of habit-forming drugs and intended to stop their sale to dope fiends. The indiscriminate use of the drugs at which this measure is aimed is a demoralizing and destructive evil, producing conditions far worse than those from excessive indulgence in intoxicating liquors. The drug fiend is a menace to society. The habit destroys mind and body. There ought to be no doubt about the passage of the proposed law.—Sidney Telegraph.

The Herald's subscription list is doing very well, thank you, very well, indeed. Taking new subscriptions for the paper now is a good deal like rolling off a log—it does not require much effort to do it. We expect people to believe what we say in regard to subscriptions, as well as other matters; but if there are any who doubt it, they are invited to call at the Herald office, where they can secure evidence enough in regard to the prosperous condition of the subscription list to convince the most skeptical.

The Herald believes it should make a brief mention here of one of the two candidates for city clerk, having previously given the other candidate a complimentary mention. Leonard E. Pilkington is an industrious young man of good habits, and is well qualified by education and business experience for the office of city clerk. He received his education in the Alliance city schools, having nearly completed the High School course when he quit school to work in his father's feed store. He is a good penman and has the other qualifications necessary to properly discharge the duties of city clerk in the event of his election.

It is not necessary for The Herald to say much in regard to the three candidates for mayor, as they are all well known in this city. We will say this, however, that we believe that either of them will, if elected, discharge the duties of the office to the best of his ability. As to which of them is the best qualified for the people to say, which they will proceed to do next Tuesday. The question is being frequently asked, Who will be elected mayor? It's a difficult question to answer, of course, in the present unsettled state of city politics. The friends of both Rodgers and Snyder are claiming victory, while McCormick believes he will hold the vote of last year and add many more to it, in which case he will be in the running strong with a good chance of winning out.

## SOCIETY

Mrs. J. T. Wiker and Mrs. N. F. Williams gave a theatre party Saturday night at the Phelan Opera house. The guests were Mesdames Nelson, Westover, Feagins, Berry, Brazleton, Thomas, and Misses Minele, Highland and Ethel Nolan. After the theatre luncheon was served at Brennan's. Everyone had a jolly time.

Mrs. Bruce Wilcox was hostess on Thursday afternoon to twenty-eight of her lady friends, at the beautiful Wilcox home in Alliance. The afternoon was spent in playing five hundred, after which a delicious five-course luncheon was served by Misses Dorothy Hoag and Emily Skiles. First prize was a beautiful cut-glass bon bon dish. It was won by Mrs. Mitchell. The free-for-all prize was a set of cut glass salt and pepper shakers. Mrs. Peckenpaugh was the winner. The guests were Mesdames Wilson, Ryan, Peckenpaugh, Claude Lester, F. W. Lester, Butler, Mitchell, Fuly, Gay, Clough, Holzbringer, Lloyd Thomas, Marvin, Cogswell, Gilman, Wood, Weidenhamer, Bellwood, Armour, Bennett, Frankie, Hamilton, Grebe, and Misses Clough, Skiles and Hoag.

A large number of guests were entertained Saturday by Mrs. Dr. Bellwood at their home on Laramie avenue. Luncheon was served at six o'clock and the evening was spent playing 500. A beautiful color scheme of pink and white in cut flowers and plants was the decoration. At cards Mrs. W. D. Rumer won first prize, a bracelet. Mrs. Richard Watkins won the free-for-all prize, a bouquet. Miss Blanche McDonald won the consolation prize, an Easter rabbit. The guests were Mesdames Young, Phelps, Zediker, Holzbringer, Marvin, Wilcox, Johnson, Weidenhamer, Lester (Claude), Lester (F. W.), Kuhn, Gaddis, Vaughan, Watkins, Kennedy, Mitchell, Gantz, Gilman, Rumer, Schlupp, An-

## POLITICAL ADVERTISING

### So the People May Know

In order that the people of Alliance shall not be double-crossed, bamboozled or deceived, concerning the coming Municipal Election to be held Tuesday April 1st, 1913. The writer being a candidate for the Chief Executive office of our city, I feel that it is my duty towards the citizens of Alliance, at this time to make known the policies I mean to pursue if elected to said office.

It has been customary in the past, for one or more groups of business men to meet privately, make up and foist upon the citizens of Alliance, tickets composed of candidates, who in their opinion the voters of Alliance would support without asking any questions concerning the policies to be pursued by said candidates. It is my opinion that the task of running the business of a city like Alliance is more important to the collective citizenship of Alliance than to one or more groups of business men, or so-called political machines or rings, such as have been the dominant political forces in Alliance for a number of years, much to the disadvantage in my opinion, not only to the business interests, but to the taxpayers and workers as well.

It seems as though it has always been the ambition of some men to secure political offices, solely to promote their own private or affiliated enterprises or ambitions, using the power vested in them by the people to accomplish their purpose. When such unpatriotic acts are resorted to, the result is always the same dissatisfaction and cries of graft are heard throughout the community. It is my opinion that a mutual feeling and understanding should exist between the business people and the workers of a community in order that the best result may be obtained. When I consented to enter the race for this office, I did so knowing and believing that the citizens of Alliance knew that I was not affiliated with, interested in, or under any obligations whatever to any corporation or private business interests, but simply interested in the welfare of Alliance and its citizens and also knowing that I could conscientiously minister to the wants of Alliance and her citizens in an honest and impartial manner.

Mr. Vaughan in speaking of his withdrawal from the race, stated that he had a nice little business and that he could look after it better than he could if he were mayor. Mr. A. D. Rodgers, who has been drafted by a number of business men, as reported in the Alliance Semi-weekly Times, consisting of Messrs. R. M. Hampton, W. W. Norton, C. A. Newberry, F. E. Holsten, W. D. Rumer and E. H. Boyd, stated on March 20th, 1913, that he also had a business to attend to and that he did not want the office and would not work for it, but if he were elected Mr. W. D. Rumer would attend to most of the business. Such being the case it is a source of wonderment to me that Mr. Rumer did not run for this office.

Mr. W. O. Barnes the present incumbent accosted the writer upon the street a few days ago to ask whether or not I had circulated the report that in the event of Mr. Snyder being elected, that he was to be given the superintendency of the electric light plant, to which I replied in the negative. He then stated that such was not the case, but he had intended to make application for the position regardless of who might be elected and that he had only asked the endorsement of the First National Bank for the position. From this it seems as though the contention between the two factions, with the citizens of Alliance standing in the background, as interested spectators, only, and had heard it said that the electric light plant should be taken out of politics but have not heard what disposition was to be made of the plant if such an event should be brought about.

I can see but two ways of disposing of this proposition. First, is the taking of the light plant out of politics and placing it in the hands of a private citizen or corporation. Second is the appointing of a competent electrician and business man to look after the plant and run it under the same degree of efficiency as would be expected of him in the event of his being employed by a private corporation. The first mentioned disposition of our electric light plant the citizens of Alliance should use the utmost care to avoid. The second I would be in favor of, as it seems the only way by which the citizens of Alliance can receive the best results from their investment, and forever put down the cries of graft.

Another thing which it seems will again be brought before the newly elected officials is the purchasing of a power driven, combination chemical and hose wagon which the Alliance fire department and quite a number of large insurance investors Alliance believe our city is in need of. In this matter I heartily agree with them. As I believe a city covering the territory Alliance covers with its hills and grades and the absence of teams driving the night, it seems as though it would be a very good investment, as it would not only be an additional insurance against fire, and damage by water, but it would insure the fire boys getting there in a physical condition that would enable them to put all their energies into the work of fighting the fire. As against dragging the fire apparatus for a number of blocks and reaching the fire in an exhausted condition and thereby exposing themselves to the weather and other conditions that are bound to arise at fires, I know this to be a matter that should be of interest to the taxpayers of Alliance, as well as the fire boys, for I have been one of the latter for about six years and can realize the hardships to which they are exposed, and also the important part they play in the preservation of life and property in Alliance. This matter of purchasing a fire wagon has been before the mayor and council of Alliance several times in the past two years, but it seems there has been a hitch in the proceedings every

time, despite the fact that outwardly all seems favorable toward making the purchase. This being the case there are but two reasons I can conceive that would block the proceedings, one is the inability to decide on what make of wagon to purchase, and the other is the disposition of the commission to be derived from such a transaction. Considering the fact that one insurance agent stated that if Alliance had a fire wagon, he would write insurance at a reduction of 10 or 15 per cent and others would do likewise no doubt. It seems from making a rough calculation, that the money saved the taxpayers in one year would cover the cost of the investment.

Since starting to write this article and during an interruption last evening I was told in a positive statement by one of the constituents of Mr. W. O. Barnes, that Hon. W. O. Barnes was back of the Snyder ticket and did want the superintendency of the electric light plant. All this I believe the citizens of Alliance should know in order that they may choose at the coming election, candidates whom they believe will give Alliance an administration free from the influence of machine politics and wherein corruption and graft will be unknown factors, but will give Alliance an administration where justice and equal opportunity for all shall prevail.

In short, a government of the people, by the people and for the people.

F. D. MCCORMICK.

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## LOCAL PARAGRAPHS

Mrs. Hazel Beck Connors and little son returned to their home at Lexington, Neb., on the early train Wednesday, after having had a delightful visit with home folks and other friends.

Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Walbridge have a son, born Sunday.

## DAYTON FLOOD DISTRESS

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Shields, 212 Sweetwater avenue, are in great distress over relatives who may have been caught in the flood at Dayton, Ohio, their old home. His mother and two sisters and three of her brothers reside there. He has been trying unsuccessfully to get a wire to them. An explosion in a drug store after the water works had been put out of commission started a fire which is burning the city. His cousin, J. D. Shields, and a Mr. Kissinger, both of whom are railroad officials, have been trying to help him get word through. He received the following telegram this morning: "Your message received. Mr. Kissinger and myself have given this matter personal attention and decided that it is impossible at the present time to get any kind of wire to Dayton. J. D. SHIELDS."

## Alliance Will Help Omaha Sufferers

A car load of Box Butte county potatoes will be shipped from Alliance to Omaha for the relief of the tornado victims. J. C. McCormick started out today with a subscription paper to raise the money, and is meeting with a generous response. It will take about \$150.00 for the load of potatoes, and all money raised above the amount needed for that purpose will be sent to the World-Herald to be distributed by the proper committee.

All donations to this fund will be published next week in The Herald. Persons who wish to contribute should do so IMMEDIATELY. Call up The Herald office, phone 340, and we will see that your subscription is placed on the list.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our heartfelt appreciation of the sympathy extended us during the illness and death of our dear little Frances.

## HORSES TO GARDEN COUNTY

Harvey Myers will take a bunch of about 25 horses which he has been keeping on the Freeman place, twenty miles north of Alliance to Garden county. He has leased his brother's place about sixteen miles this side of Oakkosh for three years. He and his brother, Irvin Myers, and Clifford Guthrie go out to the Freeman place today, and will start from there with the horses within a day or two.

## ODD JEWELRY

Holsten's have just received a novelty in jewelry that is making a bit in the large cities and will certainly be liked in Alliance. The novelty is in the form of Cloissonne Enamel bar pins in Bulgarian colors. They are on display at the Holsten store.

## BLIZZARD DID NOT STOP SALE

The furious blizzard which tied up western Nebraska a few days ago did not stop the Orkin Brothers Club piano sale, for it is going on as merrily as ever and gaining momentum as it progresses. The extensive advertising in the newspapers, coupled with letters sent out to prospects, is producing a harvest of orders.

The club plan has made a great bit with western Nebraska piano purchasers. Seldom is an opportunity offered to purchase such high grade pianos and player pianos at the prices made in this sale. Piano purchasers have been reading the advertising and realize the values given the outlook for the coming season in all lines of trade and business is very good and helps increase the sale of pianos. The Herald advises its readers who have no piano and those who need a new one to investigate the Orkin Brothers proposition without delay.

# DISTRICT COURT

## Judge Westover's Legal Mill Grinding Out Semi-Annual Grist of Cases for Box Butte County

### WORK OF GRAND JURY

The first of the two terms of district court in and for Box Butte county, for the year 1913, convened in the court house in Alliance, Monday, March 24th. Following are the officers of the court and members of the bar:

W. H. Westover, judge.  
J. D. Scott, reporter.  
Eugene Burton, county attorney.  
M. S. Hargraves, clerk.  
Laura E. Mounts, deputy clerk.  
Calvin M. Cox, sheriff.  
J. W. Miller, deputy sheriff.  
Ed. Eldred, balliff.

Attorneys: William Mitchell, Eugene Burton, Smith P. Tuttle, Joe L. Westover, H. M. Bullock, Robert O. Reddish, B. F. Gilman, C. C. Barker, D. W. Butler, W. M. Iodence, Bruce Wilcox, L. A. Berry, E. H. Boyd, W. R. Metz.

**Petit Jury**  
Following is a list of the petit jurors impaneled for this term of court: E. E. Trabert, S. L. Himes, C. A. Brazleton, Walter Buechsenstein, A. J. Rock, J. A. Keegan, Wm. Corbett, E. E. Wilson, Ralph Worley, R. L. Showalter, Clyde Johnston, L. H. Highland, George Snyder, all of Alliance; Fred Melick, C. A. Root, H. O. Strong, W. N. Thompson, Karl Forstrom, C. Klemke, Ralph Hopkins, Ed. Mabin, Harry Pierce, Leo Frohnappel, C. T. Huss, Hemingford. The following jurors were excused: Melick, Thompson, Forstrom, Brazleton, Buechsenstein, Hopkins, Worley, Frohnappel, Showalter, Highland, Snyder.

**Grand Jury**  
The following named sixteen men constitute the grand jury: W. D. Zediker, Ed. Henry, G. H. Hageman, E. Vaughn, L. E. Cox, John Lenzen, Sam. Trinkle, R. E. Evans, Oscar Braman, D. Hedges, James Hunter, E. R. Sly, Ed. Bishop, J. L. Nielsen, Ed. Brennan, all of Alliance; and Walt Langford, Hemingford. The following were impaneled but excused from serving: E. M. Gregg, C. A. Sanders, J. M. Liedtke, B. C. Anderson, Ed. Curry, Alliance; Fred Hucce, Hemingford.

The grand jury has been as busy as a hive of bees for the past few days, but there is no report yet.

## Cases Tried

The first jury trial was that of George H. Stanton vs. City of Alliance. This is a case wherein the plaintiff sued for damages caused to his residence at 718 Big Horn avenue Alliance, by water backing up from Cheyenne avenue, after the heavy rains last 4th of July. A verdict of \$700 damages was awarded the plaintiff.

The next jury trial was that of Henry Hier, appellee, vs. Lorrando D. Blair, appellant. This was a case growing out of a dispute over the ownership of a calf in 1909. Verdict was for the defendant.

Other cases disposed of up to Wednesday evening:

Naturalization granted to August Drews, Joseph Prochaska, John Havranek, March 24, 1913.

State of Nebraska vs. George T. Wheeler, adultery; dismissed.

Wm. Wilkie vs. Teckea Wilkie, divorce; dismissed.

Chas. Herbert, appellee, vs. C. Herbert, appellant, jury waived. Trial to court. Court finds for plaintiff. Judgment on finding.

William H. Stevenson vs. Sarah A. Stevenson, divorce. Dismissed by plaintiff at plaintiff's cost.

John Wallis vs. C. A. Anderson, appeal. Continued by agreement.

Wm. Mitchell, appellee, vs. Frank Wilson, appellant. Continued.

Lizzie Scott vs. Charles Posvar, Mary Posvar, his wife, The Durland Trust Company, a Corporation. Continued.

Myra S. Morrison vs. Frank Morrison, divorce. Dismissed by plaintiff at her cost.

Irwin W. Hagar, Lena Hagar, vs. Helen Ridgell, equity. In hands of referee.

Walter O. Barnes vs. Sand Hill Nest of Owls, et al., injunction. Trial to court. Courts finds for plaintiff. Injunction made perpetual.

The Alliance Building and Loan Association, a corporation, vs. Julia C. Hale, et al., foreclosure. Defendant defaulted. Decree for plaintiff \$1,651.40 foreclosure. Decree for cross petitioners: Alliance Grocery Co. for \$61, second lien; decree for Forest Lumber Co. for \$31.50, third lien.

Hattie E. Sherwood vs. Benjamin H. Craig, et al., quiet title. Defendant defaulted. Trial to court. Court finds for plaintiff. Decree as prayed for in petition, plaintiff to pay costs.

Gertrude U. Gardner, divorce. Dismissed by plaintiff at her cost.

Pearl I. Wheeler vs. George T. Wheeler, divorce. Dismissed at plaintiff's cost.

Sarah Campbell vs. Claude L. Campbell, divorce. Defendant defaulted. Trial to court. Court finds for plaintiff. Decree of absolute divorce as prayed, together with alimony in the sum of \$1,000, payable \$15 per month on the first day of each and every month until total amount is fully paid; defendant to pay all costs.

Virgil J. Fogle vs. Ina E. Fogle, divorce. Trial to court. Court finds for plaintiff. Decree of absolute divorce as prayed. Plaintiff to pay costs.

Henry Gake vs. Frank Reed, et al., quiet title. Defendants defaulted. Trial to court. Court finds for plaintiff. Decree as prayed for in petition, plaintiff to pay costs.

Frank H. Hoagland vs. Louise C. Hoagland and Erna Collet, injunction. Dismissed at plaintiff's cost.

A. M. Miller vs. Hemingford Opera House Company, action at law. Defendant defaulted. Decree for plaintiff for \$3,479.35. Foreclosure.

**Auto Suit Settled**  
The lawsuit of T. J. O'Keefe vs. Mike Nolan, which was won by O'Keefe in county court and appealed to the district court, and which was to have been tried in the district court this week, was settled out of court last night. The price which Nolan was to have originally paid for the automobile in question was \$500. In the settlement Nolan pays O'Keefe \$300 and Nolan pays all court costs.

J. G. Beck spent a few days visiting friends over in the Platte River Valley.

Mrs. Charles McCormick and children of Columbia, Iowa, who are on their way to Idaho, where they expect to make their home, stopped off at Alliance to visit with relatives, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McCormick.

Eugene E. Ford went to his home in Chicago Friday night.

Get more comfort by Getmor Hosiery. A lucky strike shoe. Six pairs guaranteed six months, for \$1.00. SI'S SHOE STORE. Adv 2012-16-11

## POLICE COURT NOTES

Wm. Edwards was fined \$50 and costs Wednesday for being drunk and disorderly conduct. He was said to be a dope fiend. The fine was suspended on condition that he leave town.

E. Davis was fined \$50 and costs Wednesday for being drunk, and disorderly conduct. He was said to be a dope fiend. The fine was suspended on condition that he leave town.

R. Walters was fined \$50 and costs Wednesday for being drunk, and disorderly conduct. His fine was suspended on condition that he leave town.

Jim Rowe was fined one dollar and costs Wednesday for being drunk.

E. T. Garde was arrested on a train Sunday for being drunk. He was fined one dollar and costs.

A. E. Clark of Hemingford was arrested Friday, charged with being drunk. He was fined one dollar and costs.

Michael Archer, who stated that he was a survivor of the Titanic disaster and who asked The Herald for the privilege of writing a report thereon, and who stated that he was at one time managing editor of the St. Louis Post, was fined \$50 and costs for being drunk and disorderly conduct. His fine was suspended and he left town.

W. J. Holmes was arrested in Aurora on Tuesday by Burlington detectives and brought back to Alliance on Wednesday. He is charged with breaking into a freight car in the yards and stealing a case of "Virginia Dare" wine, which he was selling to the Greek section men for forty cents per bottle. His case will be tried this morning.

## Will Have a Church

The members of the African M. E. church, who formerly held services in Marks' Hall and recently at a private residence on Platte avenue, expect to soon have a church building in which to worship. A dwelling house on Platte avenue, south of the railroad tracks, can be secured at a bargain, and they have decided to purchase it. The house has five rooms. It will be remodeled so as to make a combined church and parsonage, the front room to be used as a church and the rear rooms to be occupied as a residence by the pastor.

Mrs. P. M. Maxfield, the pastor, is circulating a subscription list to raise funds to pay for the building and is meeting with fair success. It is desired to make the first payment within a few days.

## CALLED MEETING W. S. A.

A called meeting of the Alliance Woman's Suffrage Association will be held at the residence of the president, 603 Laramie Ave., at 8 p. m., Friday, March 28, 1913. Important business will be transacted. A full attendance is desired.  
MRS. GEO. FERNALD, Pres.

## DEATH OF LITTLE BABY GIRL

The following beautiful lines were written for The Herald by John and Mary Shimek, on the death of their little niece:

The little girl of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wanek, Jr., who was born on Thursday, March 3rd, 1913, died Saturday, March 22nd, 1913, at about 3:30 in the afternoon. She was buried at the Lawn Catholic cemetery, Monday, March 24th, at 2:50 p. m., and she is resting in Jesus' arms. Her life was short but the love of her parents could not be measured. We all wish to offer to our kind sister and brother-in-law, the parents of this babe, a word of sympathy.

Furniture at Private Sale. 723 Toluca avenue. 2011-16-15

GIRL WANTED for general housework. MRS. W. W. NORTON. 1672910