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ANDERSON TRUCK COUNCIL'S CHOICE

City Dads Keep Promises to Fire Department by Purchasing New, Tip-to-date Fire Truck

At a special meeting of the city council at the city hall Tuesday evening, the council voted to purchase an "Anderson" Motor Fire Car from the Anderson Company, 1115 Farwell St., Omaha. C. J. Anderson represented the firm at the meeting.

There were a total of sixteen bids offered, some of the makes having in more than one bid, covering different models of cars at different prices. The first bid opened was for the White car, by Mr. Gillespie, of Denver, western agent for the car. Mr. Gillespie was not present but was represented by J. Cornelius, of the service department. Three bids were offered by the White people, one for \$4,812.50 with starter or \$4,550 without starter; one for \$4,375 with starter and \$4,112.50 without starter; and one for \$3,893.75 with starter and \$3,675 without starter, all f. o. b. Kenosha, Wisconsin.

Julius Pearce, of 304-305 Jacobson Building, Denver, represented the American-LaFrance car. His bid on the type 20 car was \$4,500.

John A. Savage, 315 Ideal Building, Denver, represented the Robinson Fire Apparatus Mfg. Co. His bid on the Whale truck, f. o. b. Alliance, was \$5,500, and on the Vulcan truck, f. o. b. Alliance, was \$5,000.

The Willys Utility one and one-half ton truck was represented by the Keeler-Coursey Company, of Alliance, local agents for this car. Their bid on the Willys was \$4,350, f. o. b. Alliance.

The bid on the Wisconsin combination fire truck was \$3,750 for the four, and \$4,150 for the six, f. o. b. factory, less \$200 without starter.

The Seagrave Company was represented by Warren C. Bogue, of Denver. The bid on their largest car was \$5,100 f. o. b. Alliance, and on the smaller car was \$4,800 f. o. b. Alliance.

The George C. Hale Company, of Kansas City, presented a bid for \$5,000 f. o. b. Alliance for Hale No. 2, and \$4,000 f. o. b. Alliance for Hale No. 3.

The Andersen Company of Omaha presented two bids on the Andersen car. Their bid on the four cylinder car, f. o. b. Alliance, was \$3,821 without starter and on the six cylinder car, f. o. b. Alliance, was \$5,300 without starter.

The bid of the Ahrens-Fox Company on the Ahrens-Fox car was \$5,750 f. o. b. Alliance.

The bid of the Knox Motor Company on the Knox model M3 was \$5,600 with starter and \$5,495 without starter, f. o. b. Springfield.

After the bids were opened and read by the clerk, the car representatives present retired to another room. As each car was discussed the salesman for that car was called in and explained the bids and specifications. After all the bids had been gone over different members of the council talked on the matter, giving their opinions. The general opinion seemed to be that one of the lower priced cars should be purchased. An informal ballot was taken, the choice lying between the Anderson and the Willys cars.

Councilman Romig, who returned Monday morning from a trip made for the purpose of investigating the different makes of motor fire trucks, made his report. He told of visiting the different cities and of seeing the different trucks in operation. He told of the performance of the different makes of trucks on which bids had been received.

After Mr. Romig's report had been received, a formal ballot was taken for the purpose of deciding on the truck wanted. The vote resulted in a tie, two for the Willys and two for the Anderson. Mayor Rodgers then cast the deciding vote in favor of the Anderson car. This truck is in use in North Platte, Grand Island, Nebr., Sterling, Colo., and other western towns, and is well liked. The car purchased is the four-cylinder, at a cost of \$3,821. A cut of this car will be shown in The Herald next week. Although delivery was not promised before ninety days in the contract, it is believed that the car will be here before sixty days. An expert will arrive with the car and stay a week or as long as is necessary to instruct the driver in its operation and care.

A BIG RANCH BARN

Henry Hier Furnishes Herald Photo of His New Cement Barn

Henry Hier was in Alliance yesterday and furnished The Herald a photograph of his new cement barn on his ranch near Antioch, eighteen miles east of Alliance. The barn, which is built on the hillside so that the picture of it does not fully show its dimensions.

The barn is said to be the largest ranch barn in northwestern Nebraska. It is 80 feet long by 44 feet wide, and has 14 feet cement walls. It will house two hundred head of cattle and sixteen or eighteen horses, besides buggies and machinery on the ground floor, a part of which is of cement.

A cut of this barn will be made and printed in a future issue of The Herald.

OPENING MINES AT LOST SPRINGS

Wyoming Capitalists Visit Alliance Wednesday Morning—to Soon Get Coal from New Mines

P. E. McKillop, president, and D. B. McMahan, secretary, of the Wyoming Northern Railway Company and the Rosin Coal Company, of Lost Springs, Wyo., stopped in Alliance, Wednesday morning, looking over the local coal market and taking a trip into the country surrounding Alliance while here.

From Alliance the gentlemen went to the North Platte valley to look over the coal markets. The Rosin coal mine at Lost Springs is said to be the nearest mine to Alliance. A standard gauge railway has just been completed by the railway company, connecting the mine with the North Western at Lost Springs. The gentlemen stated that they expected to be shipping a high grade of coal into Alliance and surrounding territory within the next few months.

MRS. COPELAND EXTENDED TRIP

Wife of Herald Sporting Editor Visits Friends and Relatives in Chicago and East

Mrs. Bates Copeland, wife of The Herald's sporting editor, left Sunday night for an extended trip in the east. She goes first to Chicago, where she will visit for a few days with Mrs. Roy Beckwith of Alliance, who is visiting there during the summer. From Chicago she will go to Muncie, Indiana, where a family reunion will be held at the home of her sister, Mrs. R. E. Murray, formerly of Alliance.

At Muncie she will meet her brother, Willard Brown, on his way from Los Angeles to New York, where he will start on a trip for Australia. Mrs. Copeland will accompany him to Newark, N. J., where she will visit for some time.

PROGRESSIVE CONVENTION

Chairman Sweeney Issues Call for Meeting Saturday Afternoon at County Court House

A county convention of the Progressive party of Box Butte county is called to meet in the Court House in Alliance, Nebraska, on the 25th day of July, 1914, at 2 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of electing a Progressive County Central Committee, a Chairman and Secretary of same, and electing delegates to the Progressive State Convention to be held at Lincoln, Nebraska, on Tuesday, July 28, 1914, and for such other business as may properly come before the convention.

The several precincts are entitled to representatives as follows: Alliance, First ward, 5 delegates. Alliance, Second ward, 3 delegates. Boyd precinct, 2 delegates. Lake precinct, 2 delegates. Box Butte precinct, 2 delegates. Runningwater prec., 2 delegates. Dorsey precinct, 3 delegates. Nonpareil precinct, 2 delegates. Wright precinct, 2 delegates. Snake precinct, 2 delegates. Liberty precinct, 2 delegates. Lawn precinct, 2 delegates.

The precinct committeemen of the several precincts are requested to arrange for and hold the precinct caucus at the usual voting place in each precinct, on July 25, at 2 p. m. E. P. SWEENEY, Chairman County Central Committee.

Picnic Party This Evening

Mrs. J. W. Thomas will be hostess this evening to a company of young people, Junior Normal students and others, at a picnic party at the fair grounds. Sapper will be served and the company entertained with games and other amusements—if it doesn't rain. The invited guests are the Misses Reed, Opal and Grace Burkholder, Harkins, Cooley, Weibling, Renswold, and Marian and Marjory Grebe; Messrs. Clements, Carl and Paul Thomas, Steggs, Graham, Duhan, Laude, Anson Thomas; Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Grebe, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Thomas, and Mrs. Montgomery.

C. A. Starr of Strasburger, Sheridan county, came up from Lakeside today on 45 and will remain in Alliance a few days on real estate business. Having made final proof on his own claim he has undertaken to sell the land for some of the "weak kneed fellows," as he calls them, and says he has some land that he can sell for much less than what he would be willing to take for his own.

RANCHES IN SHERIDAN COUNTY—For sale cheap. 2,340 acres, 640 acres and others. Near post office and school. C. A. STARR, Burlington Hotel, Alliance, Nebr.

PULLMAN MAN DIED THURSDAY

Well Known Western Nebraska Man Who Settled in Cherry County in 1888, Died at His Home

George R. Lackey, of Pullman, Nebr., died Thursday evening, July 16, at 7:30 o'clock, at his home on his ranch north of Whitman, in Cherry county. He was stricken with paralysis two weeks before, which was the cause of his death.

The funeral was held at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon at the home. Interment was in Survey Valley cemetery. The funeral sermon was preached by Rev. Young of Alliance. Mr. Lackey was born April 15, 1851, being 53 years of age at his death. He was born in Morgan county, Ohio, spending most of his boyhood in that state. He moved to Nebraska in 1885 and located in the sandhills of Cherry county in 1888. He leaves a wife and five sisters.

Sells Out Farm—Leaving for South F. M. Allen, who settled in Sheridan county, northeast of Alliance, about six years ago, on Wednesday closed a deal by which he sold his ranch of 400 acres to Krause Brothers, the ranchmen. Mr. Allen's property adjoined the Krause holdings. His lands are all fenced and fairly well improved.

Mr. Allen expects to leave the last of the week for Eagle Pass, Texas, his former home, where he will stay until conditions in old Mexico settle, when he expects to go into that country and locate. He spent several years there and believes that there are great opportunities.

South Omaha Commission Man Here Allen Dudley, Jr., of Allen Dudley & Company, South Omaha commission merchants, spent the first part of the week in Alliance and surrounding territory in the interest of his firm. Mr. Dudley has many friends in this part of the state.

SHOWER FOR ETHEL NOLAN

Party at Home of May Newberry on Tuesday Evening Was Elaborate—Luncheon Was Served

A silk stocking shower was given at the home of May Newberry on Laramie Avenue, Tuesday evening, for Miss Ethel Nolan. Luncheon was served at 7 o'clock, after which a basket was given to Miss Nolan containing a card from each girl, the cards stating where to find the packages. After the packages were found the young ladies joined in singing songs, following which Miss Leone Mallery entertained with three readings.

The color scheme of the decorations was lavender and white. A flashlight picture was taken of the banquet table.

Those present were Misses Ethel and Frances Nolan, Mabel and Marie Carey, Josephine, Katie and Nellie O'Donnell, Nell and Alice Acheson, Ruth Morris, Pay, Hubble, Mabel Duncan, Kate Hagerly, Annie O'Connor, Marie Riordan, Ruth Moore, Agnes Kniest, Virginia Broome, Alice Carlson, Leone Mallery, Etta Keane; Mesdames Rumer, Michael Nolan, Riordan and Newberry. Misses Kate and Hannah Kniest and Teresa O'Donnell assisted Miss Newberry in serving luncheon.

Come from Ontario, Canada

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Brown, of Sarnia, Ontario, Canada, arrived Tuesday morning for a visit with his brother, W. C. Brown, of Alliance. Mr. and Mrs. Brown are located at the foot of Lake Huron, above Detroit, on the St. Clair river. He is chief engineer of the car ferry at that place.

They expect to visit in Alliance till next Monday, when they will continue on to San Francisco, where they will visit relatives for some time. They will stop enroute at Denver and other points.

SCHAFFER TO HAVE RACING AUTO

Alliance Man Re-constructing Six-Cylinder Stevens-Duryea Auto into Racing Machine

Alliance is to have a genuine racing automobile. Charley Schaffer recently purchased the six-cylinder, 60 horse power Stevens-Duryea automobile formerly owned by Chase Feagins and is re-constructing it into a racing car. The machine is being entirely re-constructed and when it is turned out from the paint shop it will be as classy as the finest, with plenty of power and speed.

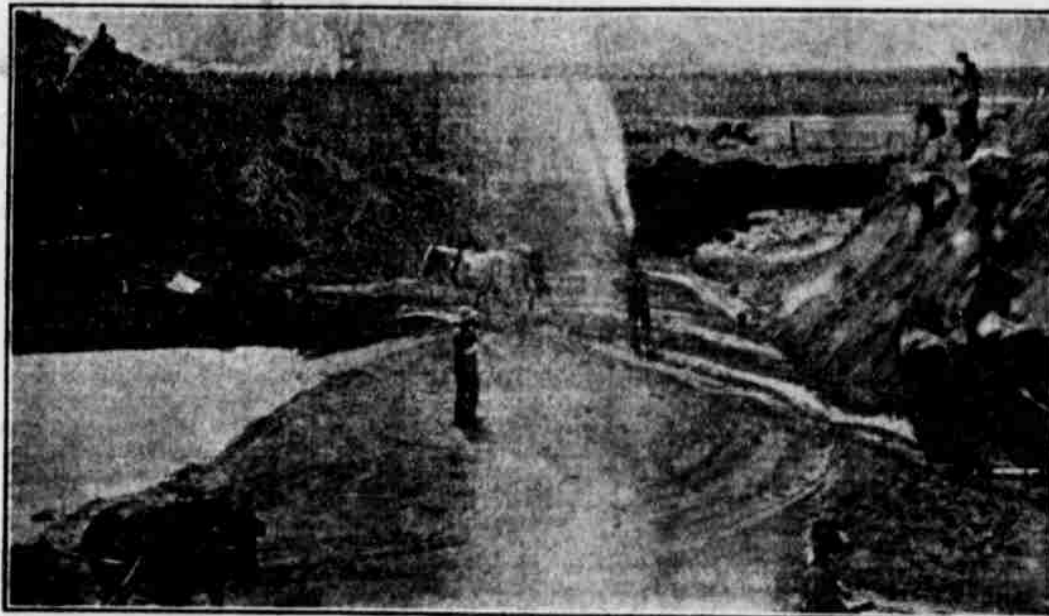
A forty-five gallon gasoline tank has been mounted on the chassis, the seat for the driver and mechanic placed near the center, the steering gear lengthened, and new parts of machinery added where needed. When finished the car will be capable of a speed of 75 miles per hour. Chase had it named the "Bear Ketcher" but Schaffer is planning to christen it the "Schaffer Limited".

Walters Will Speak

The Men's Brotherhood will meet at the Baptist church at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon, July 26. This promises to be an unusually interesting and profitable meeting to which all men, and especially church members, are invited. The Bible study and address by H. F. Walters, who is to leave Alliance soon, will be something that should not be missed. As this is the last opportunity to hear Mr. Walters the committee requests that all make a special effort to be there.

Making Extended Visit Here

Alexander Fortner, of Maquoketa, in the northwestern part of Iowa, who arrived two weeks ago to visit his son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Fortner, of Alliance, is making an extended visit. He expects to stay a month longer, after which he will go to Merriman to visit a brother.



Big Canal Breaks Near Mitchell--\$10,000 Damage

Two Hundred Teams Working Day and Night to Repair Immense Break Caused by Gopher Hole, in Bank of Canal Carrying 1,500 Second Feet of Water, for 200,000 Acres of Land

With a mighty roar and so fast that the men working on the bank were forced to run to escape the flood, the immense Tri-State irrigation canal broke its banks early Saturday morning at a point seven miles northwest of Scottsbluff and near the town of Mitchell. The canal has a carrying capacity of 1,500 cubic feet of water per second, carrying as much of the precious fluid as a small river.

At the point where the break occurred the bank was sandy soil and weak, water seeping through the bank at several points nearby. Because of the weak nature of the bank it was patrolled at this point every few hours by the ditch riders, both day and night. A gopher hole near the top of the bank started a leak which was seen by the ditch rider who quickly filled sacks carried on his saddle with sand and threw them into the rapidly widening break. He temporarily stopped the break and phoned to the nearest camp for help. Other canal employees arrived and were engaged in strengthening the "plug" in the break, when the pressure grew too strong and the bank went out with a roar.

The break is many miles from the headgate at Henry, Nebr., and although the inflow of water into the

canal was shut off within a few minutes by the keeper at the gate, it took fifteen hours for the water to run out of the canal and allow the work of repairing the break to begin. The water which flowed out through the break ran towards the river, breaking a smaller ditch, the Enterprise, in five places, and nearly washing out a railroad bridge on the Guernsey branch of the Burlington railroad. The damage to the bridge was quickly repaired and trains are running on schedule time.

C. M. Wright, manager of the Tri-State canal, with headquarters at Scottsbluff, who passed through Alliance on Wednesday on his way to Omaha, estimated that it will take 35,000 cubic yards of dirt to fill the gap in the lower bank of the canal, at a cost to the company of \$10,000 to repair the damage. The damage to growing crops will be slight, caused by lack of water for only a week. Mr. Wright stated that they expected to turn the water back into the canal the last of this week. 200 teams are working day and night. A commissary and complete camp has been established at the break, which is near Sandowner canyon.

After the water is turned back into the canal it is estimated that it will require two full days for it to

reach the lower end of the main canal, which is thirty miles in length. The Tri-State also has approximately 500 miles of laterals.

The picture shown herewith was taken at a break in the immense Inter-State government irrigation canal, which starts near Guernsey, Wyoming, and runs down into Nebraska near Bridgeport, a distance of probably 125 miles. This break was caused by a gopher and happened in the spring of 1912.

Ditch riders on the main canals find many leaks every year while the water is in the canals. They are caused by different things, the main cause being gophers which like to bore into the soft banks. The wily gopher digs through the soft dirt until suddenly his nose pokes through into the water, he turns tail and out he comes, followed by a stream of water, which in an incredibly short time becomes a torrent. Mr. Gopher usually escapes but the damage is done and unless the ditch rider happens along within a few minutes and succeeds in stopping the leak, nothing can prevent serious damage to canal crops, from lands across which the water may flow, railroads and other smaller ditches which may be in the path of the water on its way back to the river.

REASONS FOR CLUB BUILDING

Secretary of Alliance Commercial Club Tells Why City Should Have Club Building

The Herald's job department is this week printing a folder for the Commercial Club giving the following reasons why Alliance should have a Commercial Club building, by W. D. Fisher, secretary:

It will create a better friendship among our own people.

It will put the Commercial Club on a permanent basis.

We will be the smallest city in the West having such a building.

It will increase the value of every piece of property in the city.

It will be a saving in salaries each year of not less than \$2,000.

It will give us a place to hold the conventions which come to our city.

It will be a home for the boys, a place where they can develop physically as well as mentally.

The ladies' rest room will be a feature that will be worth hundreds of dollars to our city.

It will be a home where you will be proud to take your wife, your friends and your children.

The gymnasium feature for the ladies can be secured for one-fifth less than under any other plan.

It will be an advertising feature that will be worth \$2,000 each year to our city.

We don't ask you to give us \$25, \$500 or \$1000 and then say you have nothing to say about conducting affairs.

When you put your money into this building, stock is issued and you have a vote in the management of same.

It will create more civic pride than can be created with three times the amount of money spent in other channels.

It will be the headquarters for our farmers and their wives, and the use of the Auditorium it at their service free.

You won't have to go out of Alliance to spend your money for swimming purposes after this building is erected.

It will be the only building of its kind where everyone can feel free to visit. You don't need a pass to get inside the building.

We have no creed, nor will it be run by any political crowd. All you have to do is to conduct yourself as a respectable American citizen, and obey the rules as posted.

The weekly Commercial Club luncheons will fill a long felt want. Here you will meet your friends, your neighbors, have a good meal and go away better fitted for your day's work.

Your stock will always be valuable for we are erecting a building that will be a credit to the city. It will be a permanent fixture, just like our city—Alliance—She is not going to be moved away.

If such a building is erected, the citizens and business men will not be solicited for the up-keep of the building. This cannot be said of a Y. M. C. A. building, for in a city of our size, they are now soliciting funds each year to the amount of \$2,000 or more.

Don't expect any dividends. We may be able to pay them, but we are not promising this now. When you build a home, do you expect to get all your money back, or do you figure that the pleasure of having such a home is worth hundreds of dollars each year to you?

We will pay dividends, though, in the development of our boys and girls, in making better citizens of them, in getting our men together and in the upbuilding of our city. The dividends will be big and the money you invest in such a building will bring big returns to your city and home.

We never get anything worth while unless we pay for it. A home cannot be built without money; our churches cost money; our schools are expensive; but who would do without them? Who wants to be a cannibal and live under the trees?

Therefore, get in the boat with some of your money, your muscle, your influence, and don't rest easy when you get in, but take hold of an oar and pull to beat the band.

The water is fine. Now is the time to get in.

Young Ladies Entertain

On last Friday evening twenty young men and women were entertained at a "run-sheep-run" party, at the home of Miss Alta Young, the young women acting as hostesses. Many out-door games were indulged in during the evening, the chief of which was "run-sheep-run," a game familiar to both old and young. Refreshments consisting of canteloupe sandwiches, cakes and lemonade were served at the close of the evening's entertainment.

Those present were: Misses Alta Young, Hattie Renswold, Mabel Worley, May Nation, Eva Duncan, Ruth Rice, Adah Hawkins, Nell Shrewsbury, Anna Senter, May Graham; Messrs Charles Spaeth, Martin Laude, Carl Thomas, Louis Powell, Norman McCorkle, William LaMon, Merritt Chaffee, Clements, Chambers and Linn.

When things get dull in Germany Count Zeppelin takes out his airship and breaks it up some more.