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Boost for Alliance Community Building--January 11th to 14th Are the Days

CAMPAIGN FOR CLUB BUILDING

Teams Are Lining up for Campaign for Funds for Alliance's "Community" Building

The campaign for Alliance's Commercial Club "Community" building will be on in earnest from January 11 to 14. A big clock, six feet square, has been placed in the large window in the store adjoining the First National Bank. This clock shows the amount of subscriptions received. The hands will advance as fast as new subscriptions are received.

A general meeting of the campaign teams will be held Friday evening at the city hall for final instructions. A big mass meeting will be held for the citizens on Sunday afternoon at the opera house, starting at 2:30 o'clock. Free band concert will be given by the Alliance band. Speakers will be Judge England of Lincoln; Supt. E. Bignell of the Burlington; Hon. W. P. Miles of Sidney.

Monday noon a luncheon will be held at the Silver Grill. Speakers will be Fred Alexander of Scottsbluff and Rev. H. J. Young of Alliance.

Tuesday noon a luncheon will be held at the Alliance Cafe. Speakers will be J. A. Haveger of Crawford and Hon. Fred Wright of Scottsbluff.

Wednesday noon a luncheon will be held at the Nohe Cafe. Speakers will be A. B. Stevenson of Billings, Montana, and Prof. W. R. Pate of Alliance.

The teams lined up at this time are as follows:

- No. 1
E. T. Kibble, Captain
C. E. Marks
Fred Molling
Wm. Davidson
E. G. Laing
H. P. Coursey
Bruce Mallory
- No. 2
H. J. Young, Captain
A. T. Lunn
J. G. Dole
H. Bogue
A. D. Rodgers
Lou Griffin
J. D. Emerick
E. C. Drake
D. Ray Stansbury
Archie Gregory
C. A. Laing
A. L. Snedeker

- No. 3
W. E. Spencer, Captain
F. H. Hicks
W. Acheson
Geo. Duncan
E. M. Martin
D. D. Norton
G. H. Woods
B. V. Reeves

- No. 4
George Darling, Captain
Fred Carlson
L. E. Tash
R. M. Hampton
L. Reddish
H. H. Highland
H. DuBouque
Dr. Willis

- No. 5
A. A. Ralls, Captain
Dick O'Bannon
W. B. Young
W. W. Woods
C. A. Dow
W. H. Whaley
C. W. Jeffers

- No. 6
Lloyd C. Thomas, Captain
P. E. Romig
C. L. Emerson
F. W. Harris
Chas. Hill
Ben. J. Sallows
E. B. Miller
F. J. Was
Prof. W. R. Pate
R. C. Strong
C. T. Pigman

- No. 7
Prof. S. L. Clements, Captain
15 High school students

Taking Course in "Stenotypy"

Miss Lenna Basye left Alliance on Saturday night for Lincoln, where she is attending the Lincoln Business

College, taking a course in "Stenotypy" the new stenographic profession. The "Stenotypy" is a recent invention, resembling a typewriter, which writes shorthand (or modified longhand) much faster and easier than the old system of writing shorthand with pen or pencil. Another advantage of "Stenotypy" is that the notes can be read by any Stenotype operator.

DROPPED DEAD; HEART FAILURE

Widow Woman from Van Tassel, Wyoming, Died Wednesday Morning in Alliance

Mrs. Carrie F. Swan, a widow woman from Van Tassel, Wyoming, who has been selling neckties in Alliance for three weeks, died almost instantly from an attack of heart failure, at the home of Tim Maloney in Alliance Wednesday morning. Mrs. Swan had a homestead at Van Tassel and has been making her living by selling neckties. While staying in Alliance she boarded at the Maloney home.

On Tuesday Mrs. Swan made a trip to Hemingford in the morning on a freight, returning on a freight in the afternoon. Wednesday morning she complained of not feeling well and decided to go to Sidney, starting for the depot with her suitcase, to take the one o'clock Denver train. She felt worse on the way to the depot and left her suitcase at the Central Cafe, returning to the Maloney home. She almost fainted as she entered the Maloney home, and said to Mrs. Maloney, "I am going to die." Mrs. Maloney called Dr. Bowman but before the doctor could reach the house Mrs. Swan had died. She is id nothing further before dying. The doctor pronounced her death the result of heart failure.

Dr. C. E. Slagle, county coroner, was called east Tuesday by the death of his mother. In his absence, the body and effects were taken charge of by Sheriff Cox and County Attorney Basye. Telegrams were sent to a niece in Omaha, Lorraine Hauer, at "The Virginia", and to a sister, Mrs. Maggie Justice, 6830 Sheridan Rd., Chicago. The body was taken to Darling's Undertaking Parlors, awaiting word from relatives as to its disposition.

Mrs. Swan was the widow of a Wyoming miner, who died several years ago. There were no children. She had \$17 in money at the time of her death.

Called to Mother's Funeral
Dr. C. E. Slagle received a telegram Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock stating that his mother had died at Oregon, Illinois, at 2 o'clock that morning. He left on Forty-four at noon for Oregon to attend the funeral, which was held at 10 o'clock this morning.

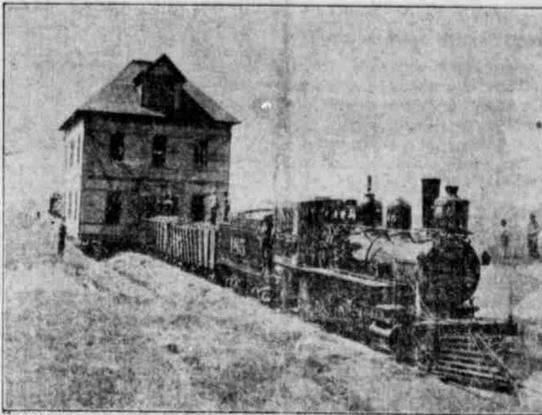
Mrs. Slagle was very old and had been failing in health for some time. Her death was unexpected, however. Dr. Slagle is expected to return during next week.

Fine Weather Again
After the recent cold spell, Alliance is enjoying some more regular western Nebraska weather—in other words, weather similar to that which southern California is famed for—without the sultry "dead" atmosphere that the lower altitudes have. Practically every day so far this week has been a repetition of Sunday.

Making Active Campaign
The contest for the Ford automobile, to be given away by The Right Clothing store, Roy Beckwith, proprietor which closes March 20, promises to be exciting. Several of the candidates are getting busy, among them "Doc" Copeland, who has a notice in this issue of The Herald.

Physical Culture Class Starts
The ladies' physical culture class, under the direction of Miss Theresa Hight, of the faculty of the Alliance School of Music, started the winter term this morning at 9:30 o'clock. There is already a good enrollment and more ladies are joining the class.

SOLD OLD COURT HOUSE



The old court house building, a Box Butte county landmark, has been sold to S. O. Carr for \$300. It will be partly torn down and moved to a new location by Mr. Carr, rebuilt into a dwelling and rented.

Many old time Box Butte citizens remember the scene of which we show a picture—the old court house being moved from Hemingford to Alliance.

This feat of engineering was successfully accomplished in 1901. After an attempt was made to move the large building overland, a distance of 20 miles, the railroad company, through its efficient employees, succeeded in hauling it to this city without damage and in a short time. The "house of justice" is 40x50 feet

in size, two full stories, with a heavy truss roof, constructed with a heavy pine frame, weighing ten tons. On the road there were two cuts to pass through, and an effort was made to get the building high enough on four 50,000 capacity trucks to clear the banks. The building was thus "in the clear," and with several loaded flat cars to balance the engine, No. 185, with W. A. Meyers at the throttle, moved slowly to its destination, 20 miles away. Once the court house reached Alliance, the building soon rested on its present site and today the story of its strange adventure can only be verified in the minds of the astounded hearers by a photographic representation of the real facts.

REPORT OF FIRE CHIEF ROMIG

Annual Report of Alliance Fire Department Chief Made to City Council Tuesday Evening

P. E. Romig, chief of the Alliance Volunteer Fire Department, made his annual report to the city council Tuesday evening. The report of the fire department showing the election of Chas. Hill to succeed Mr. Romig as chief was also received by the council and accepted.

Chief Romig's report follows: To the Honorable Mayor and City Council.

Gentlemen: I herewith submit the following report of the Alliance Volunteer Fire Department for the past year.

Number of active members, 62. Number of men uniformed, none. Number of men injured while on duty, none.

Apparatus: Number of hook and ladder trucks fully equipped, 1. Number of hose carts, 1. Number of hose wagons, none. Number of feet of hose owned by city, 1900. Kind of hose used, rubber and cotton. Number of threads to the inch on hose couplings, 7. Number of automobile combination hose and chemical trucks, 1. Number of gasoline engines, none. Actual value of property belonging to the department, \$700. Actual value of property used for fighting fires, belonging to city, \$5,000.

Fire Alarm: System of alarm used, bell, whistle and telephone. Cost of system, \$400. Approximate annual cost to keep in repairs, \$20.

Water Works: Kind of plant, steam. Direct pressure for fires, 90 pounds. Water works are owned by city. Approximate cost to maintain plant, \$2100. Cost of installing plant, \$40,000.

Stand Pipe: 110 feet high, 12 feet in diameter and holds 93,053 gallons of water. Stand pipe pressure, 50 pounds.

Mains and Hydrants: Miles of mains, 1 1/2. Size of mains, 4 to 10 inches. Number of hydrants, 102.

Fires and Loss: Number of fires during the past year, 22. Value of buildings, \$46,000. Amount of damage to buildings by reason of fire, \$2087. Amount of insurance carried on buildings burned, \$31,000. Amount of insurance received, \$1,900. Value of personal property before the fires, \$18,000. Amount of damage to personal property, \$3384. Amount of insurance carried on personal property, \$12,000. Amount of insurance received, \$3100.

Amount of Insurance Tax collected the past year: \$410. Cost of maintaining the fire department for the year ending December 31, 1914, \$400.

(Signed) P. E. ROMIG, Chief.

Morrill Editor Visits Missouri

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Alvis of Morrill were in Alliance yesterday forenoon on their way home from a two weeks' visit with relatives and old friends in Missouri. Mr. Alvis is editor and publisher of the Morrill Mail, and of course favored The Herald office with a call while in this city.

Entertained on Thursday

Mrs. F. W. Lester entertained last Thursday afternoon at her home at 518 Box Butte avenue at a Kensington, at a theatre party in the evening and at five hundred until the New Year was ushered in. The home was decorated with beautiful lilies. Each guest was presented with a 1915 memorandum calendar with greetings. At cards Mrs. Chase Feagins received high honors, being pre-

sented with an art calendar. Mrs. Grace Kennedy won first prize, a New Year greeting book. Mrs. Richard Watkins won second prize, a flower basket.

The guests were Mesdames J. A. Mallory, L. P. Smith, I. E. Tash, Axel Johnson, Charlotte Watkins, James Feagins, Chase Feagins, M. E. Johnson, F. E. Holsten, Grace Kennedy and D. W. Butler.

CASES BEFORE COUNTY COURT

Two Cases to be Tried in County Court—Important Case, Nebraska Supreme Court

Two criminal cases are on the county court docket to be tried within a few days, before County Judge L. A. Berry and County Attorney Lee Basye.

W. H. Baldon, charged with having stolen property in his possession, will be tried at 10 o'clock Friday morning. Baldon is charged with having railroad ties and other railroad property in his possession.

The trial of Frank Shimek and four others, living northwest of Hemingford, charged with assault and battery on Joe Duhon at the Duhon school house on the night of December 23rd, will be held on Tuesday of next week. Duhon filed the complaint against the five men. He alleges that he was pulled from his wagon while trying to get away from Shimek and that he was attacked by all five men while trying to get away to the school house, in which Christmas services were being held. He alleges that he was confined to his bed for several days and was in a serious condition. He also alleges that the parties charged with attacking him have been "on his trail" for some time but that he avoided a mixup until this time. He shows the marks of a serious encounter.

Another case of interest to the people of Box Butte county is the case of Box Butte county vs the Burlington railroad, which will be tried before the supreme court of the state at the September term of this year. Several thousand dollars in taxes depends upon the outcome of this case, as other cases are involved. The board of county commissioners, sitting as the board of equalization, taxed the stock yards and other property adjacent thereto. The railroad company contends that this property should be included in "depot, grounds and terminals". The state law allows the "depot, grounds and terminals" to be taxed by the state board of equalization. The question involved is what is covered by the word "terminal". The retiring county attorney, Mr. Burton, has done much work on this case. Mr. Basye is now taking up the case as Mr. Burton's successor and will continue to push it.

Donated Catholic Encyclopedia

The Alliance Council of the Knights of Columbus have donated to the public library a set of the Catholic Encyclopedia, consisting of fifteen volumes and an analytical index. This is an international work on the constitution, discipline and history of the Catholic church, the doctrine and practices of the Catholic religion, its bearing on every great problem of human interest, its dominant influence in history, its transcendent achievements in art, law, science, education and literature. Treating on religion in its different phases, the work is impartial, giving credit to all history makers, a fact that has been attested to by non-Catholics who have carefully studied its contents.

In presenting the encyclopedia to the public library, the Knights of Columbus take pleasure in commending its value as an authoritative reference to those who desire to learn the position of the Catholic church on vital questions.

Entertained Friends Friday Night

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Holsten entertained, New Year's night, at their home on Box Butte avenue, at a 6 o'clock dinner. The dinner was served in five courses and was delicious. The guests were George Burke, Ben Anderson, Mrs. F. W. and Clifford Lester, Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Tash.

Auto Supply Man Ill

Chas. Tash, manager of the Alliance Auto Supply Co., is about as husky a man as can be found in the town, but that did not prevent an attack of sickness that laid him off from business several days last week. He has not yet fully recovered but is able to be in his office again.

Called to Scottsbluff

Dr. H. H. Bellwood was called to Scottsbluff Wednesday of last week for consultation in the case of L. L. Raymond, who is afflicted with erysipelas. Mr. Raymond is now being attended by Mrs. Grace Trefney of Alliance, a graduate nurse.

Visited in Scotts Bluff County

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Drake and daughter visited relatives in Scotts Bluff county, south of Minatare, the latter part of last week. They went by automobile on Thursday, returning Sunday morning.

FOR ANOTHER CURB DISTRICT

City Council Accepts Petition to Install Improvement District Number Two

To R. E. Knight, city engineer, belongs much of the credit for the improvements petitioned for in the different city curb districts, in accordance with the ordinances passed last fall. A petition for curbing in district number two, on Cheyenne avenue from Sixth avenue to the academy, was presented to the council Tuesday evening and accepted. The resolution ordering this work done is published in this issue of The Herald.

In the spring there will be approximately \$6,000 worth of contract work in placing these curbings. Petitions have been accepted for and work ordered on the territory covered as follows: On Laramie avenue, from Sixth avenue to the county road. On Cheyenne avenue from Sixth avenue to the academy. On Big Horn avenue from Fourth avenue to Ninth avenue. The territory on Box Butte avenue, from the court house to the county road, is in another district, and petitions are now being circulated asking that curbing be installed there.

TEN YEARS AGO

From the Files of The Alliance Herald of January 6, 1905

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Fletcher celebrated their golden wedding on Monday evening. The celebration was immensely successful and attended by a host of guests. The guests were received by Mesdames C. H. Connett, W. A. Hampton, W. D. Rumer and B. F. Gilman. The punch bowl was presided over by Misses Mid Regan and Louise Krabcek. Mrs. J. N. Andrews, Mrs. Hoyt, Miss Ina Bellwood and Miss Mary Regan served cake and ice cream in the dining room. Archdeacon Cope of Kearney made a very appropriate and happy address. R. M. Hampton made a touching and sympathetic address in behalf of the old-time friends, and presented a set of eighteen golden spoons.

Mrs. Henry Broich, who lived for many years near Hemingford, died Tuesday morning.

James Collins died at the home of his brother, thirteen miles north of Alliance, Friday evening of last week.

Hardstruggle Lodge No. 642 of the B. of R. T. gave their third annual ball last Friday evening in the Zbinden hall. Music was furnished by the Spacht orchestra.

The two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Pat King died Friday morning on their ranch near Anzora.

Mr. and Mrs. John G. Wallace returned Wednesday from a holiday trip of two weeks in eastern Nebraska.

Harry Thiele returned the first of the week from a visit to Omaha and Nebraska City.

Work has begun on the remodeling of the Rumer corner and will be pushed to completion.

County Clerk Smyser has been confined to his home several days with the grippe.

Dr. Bellwood was unable to be out for a few days this week, owing to an attack of the grippe.

Miss Inez Beck returned to University Place Monday morning to resume her studies at Wesleyan.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Fee and daughter Frances arrived Wednesday morning to visit their relatives Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Hills and Mrs. J. C. Sloan.

L. N. Worley, the well known stockman, is a new Herald subscriber.

A large crowd gathered in front of the Famous on January 2nd to watch the annual drawing for gold prizes. Ticket No. C-633, held by B. H. Fernald, working in the machine shop, won the \$50 prize. Ticket No. 346, held by E. E. Anderson, who works for F. J. Brennan, the druggist, won the second prize, \$25.

STUBBED ITS TOE

The Alliance Times, in announcing the "Dollar Days" for Alliance, styled itself "The Official Dollar Day Organ". This attempt to slur the other Alliance newspapers is considered ill advised by Alliance business men. Inquiry by The Herald from the Commercial Club and Retail Merchants' Association showed that no authority had been given the Times for so styling itself. In other words, "The Times stubbed its toe and its gun went off half-cocked." Alliance merchants and business men are believers in fair play in business and do not approve of such methods. "It's the bird with the broken wing that flutters."

"DOLLAR DAY"

In order that the merchants of Alliance may have plenty of time to prepare for best "Dollar Day" ever held in Alliance, the

Retail Merchants' Federation

has designated

Saturday, January 23rd

for this sale. The people of Alliance and its trade territory should watch carefully for announcements of the bargains to be offered by the Alliance merchants.