

ARMY MAN TELLS OF THE SERVICE

Corporal Booth, Stationed in Alliance, Tells Herald Reporter of Life in the Army... PERMANENT RECRUITING HERE... Seven Years' Enlistment—May Be Furloughed to Reserves after One Year—Draw Salary

That the city of Alliance is gaining in importance in the eyes of the Federal government is evidenced by the fact that the war department has opened up a permanent recruiting office here. The office is being maintained at the Burlington hotel, where a large room off the lobby has been fitted up for office purposes...

Learn Facts about Army While much has been said in one of the average person knows but little regarding the working of the regular army. It was with the idea of learning something about this branch of the service that a Herald reporter called on Corporal Booth, and if sufficient material could be gathered, to present it to Herald readers that they might have facts and be better informed of army ways and of what a soldier is required to do.

Corporal Booth greeted the Herald reporter at the recruiting station with, "How do you do; were you thinking of joining the army?" When informed that the writer was but a humble reporter seeking after the truth, he said:

"Yes, it will be a pleasure to tell you about the army that you may impart to those who are not familiar with present conditions some facts. Many judge the army from what they hear from persons who do not realize the changes that have taken place in recent years, or from those who, from misadventure, have been put out of the service."

Corporal Booth is a ready talker and it took but few questions to draw from him a story concerning the army that should be read by all. Concluding, the corporal said:

"During the early days the army was very small, and was used almost entirely to open up and develop the western section of the country, and to protect pioneers from depredations committed by hostile Indians. During that time most of the army stations were scattered throughout the west. Soldiers went through many hardships and privations, the methods of communication were slow and crude, and in many instances the soldiers had to erect their own barracks. Their quarters were meager, and conveniences were few. With the settlement of the west, the immense industrial development of the country, the acquisition of the territory beyond the continental limits of the United States and the vast commercial development and increased trade with foreign countries, the necessity for keeping our soldiers at the frontier forts ceased, and the military posts were scattered, so that today our soldiers are stationed from coast to coast, being in almost every state of the Union, the Philippine Islands, Alaska, Hawaiian Islands, China, and the Panama Canal zone. In most cases soldiers are stationed convenient to the railroads and near large towns and cities. The barracks have all modern conveniences for lighting, heating and bathing, practically all the comforts of home, and everything is done to promote the welfare, health and comfort of the soldiers."

Divisions of Army When asked to explain the various divisions of the army, Corporal Booth continued: "Well, the army is divided into the following branches: Cavalry, Field Artillery, Coast Artillery, Infantry and Engineers. There is also a Signal Corps, Hospital Corps, Quartermaster, and Ordnance Department, for which men with special qualifications are required. Each department has its particular function. An applicant, if he fulfills the requirements, may have his choice of the line and also in the other corps I have mentioned." Asked what opportunities the army affords a young man at present, what good he could receive out of a term in the army other than the discipline he receives, Corporal Booth said, "The army at the present time offers a splendid opportunity to learn any desired trade, such as an electrician, civil engineer, auto mechanic..."

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Some Twenty Have Already Made Formal Applications for Loans from Federal Land Bank

Twenty-five men, interested in one way or another in the newly organized Alliance National Farm Loan Association, met in the assembly room of the Box Butte county court house Tuesday afternoon and those desiring to affiliate with the association made formal application. About twenty have now made formal application for loans. The loan appraisals to date were formally filed. A copy of the articles of association for the Alliance National Farm Loan Association along with the certified appraisements and formal applications made will be sent to the Omaha Land Bank on Saturday of this week by the association's secretary, Fred Mollring.

Temporary Officers Hold Office Upon receipt of the association charter a special meeting will be called for the purpose of drawing up a permanent constitution and by-laws and also for the election of officers. Until that time the temporary officers recently elected will hold office. There were about ten men in attendance at the meeting held Tuesday who had never before attended any of the meetings held by the county agent for the purpose of acquainting those desiring to borrow from the Federal Land Bank with facts concerning the new act. County Agent Seidell explained the workings of the law to these men. At every meeting it is necessary to again go over the law because there are always men in attendance who have not attended previous meetings.

Correct Misunderstanding One of the arguments that some who do not understand the law or who do not want to understand the law use to attempt to persuade would-be borrowers from Uncle Sam to stay out of the association is that if one member defaults the other members are personally responsible for the loss. This is absolutely untrue. The facts are, as stated in the articles of association: "In the event of this association becoming insolvent, each stockholder shall be liable for the debts of the association in a sum not exceeding 5 per cent of the amount borrowed, but there shall be no other liability of one member for the debt or obligation of another." There is hardly a possibility that an association will become insolvent any more than that a national bank may become so, because the land bank looks into the loans, appraises the property itself, looks up the borrower's record and makes a thorough investigation of each loan. Should there be a liability it amounts to this: If you borrow \$1,000 you can be held for \$100 and not a cent more and it makes no difference whether you are worth one dollar or one million dollars.

Articles of Association For the benefit of any who might desire to know just what is contained in the articles of association for the Alliance National Farm Loan Association the Herald reproduces the articles herewith: "The undersigned being the owners (or about to become owners) of farm land within the territory hereinafter defined, hereby associate ourselves together as The Alliance National Farm Loan Association. "The purposes of this association are to enable the subscribers and persons who may hereafter be admitted to membership to avail themselves of the provisions of the Federal Farm Loan Act, and to transact all business and exercise all powers which a National Farm Loan Association may legally transact and exercise under the provisions of said act. "The capital stock of this association shall be ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), divided into two thousand shares of the par value of \$5 each, but the association may begin business when stock to the amount of \$1,000 has been subscribed. At any time after 90 per cent of the authorized capital stock of this association shall have been subscribed, the board of directors by a two-thirds vote, which shall be entered on its minutes, may increase the capital stock to such amount as may seem necessary to meet the demands of increasing membership or increasing loans to members. "In the event of this association becoming insolvent, each stockholder shall be liable for the debts of the association in a sum not exceeding 5 per cent of the amount borrowed, but there shall be no other liability of one member for the debt or obligation of another. "The number of the directors of this association shall be six, and the names and addresses of those chosen for the remainder of the current year are as follows: (Here appears the names of the six directors). "Directors of this association shall be elected at an annual meeting of the stockholders to be held on a place second Tuesday in January at a place to be designated by the board of directors at least thirty days before such meeting, of which meeting at least ten days' notice in writing shall be given to each stockholder by the secretary. "The territory within which this association shall transact shall be the following: Box Butte county and..."

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ODD FELLOWS & REBEKAHS HERE

Convention Closes Tonight with Big Banquet and Competitive First Degree Work

CONFERR DEGREE OF CHIVALRY

Grand Lodge Met Wednesday Morning—Open Meeting Held Last Night at Opera House

Tonight will see the closing program in the two days' convention of North Platte Valley District I. O. O. F. Association and of Rebekah district No. 33 being held here. Following a 6 o'clock banquet to the delegates and members of the lodge and their families to be given in the building until recently occupied by the Rumer Motor Company, across the street from the post office, there will be a competitive first degree between Alliance and Mitchell teams at 8 o'clock.

Large Delegations Here There is a large delegation of Odd Fellows and Rebekahs in the city from all over the district, between 200 and 300 being in attendance. A special session of the Grand Lodge was held Wednesday afternoon starting at 2 o'clock, and this was followed by a meeting held last evening at the opera house and scheduled to start at 7:30 o'clock.

Program Last Night The program was somewhat delayed and did not commence until a little after 8 o'clock. The center of the floor was cleared and chairs arranged along the sides of the room in accordance with the usual custom. The meeting was open to the general public and was largely attended. The program opened with the singing of a song, "Throw Out the Lineline," all present joining in the singing. Rev. J. B. Carns offered a prayer. Mayor Romig delivered the address of welcome to the delegates, assuring them that Alliance extended to them a most hearty welcome. Grand Master W. V. Hoagland responded giving a brief history of the order and stated that he believed the lodges had been a genuine factor in the promotion of better government. A response was also made by the president of the Rebekah Assembly, Hattie Hoagland. She gave a brief history of the Rebekahs.

Centennial in 1919 Department Commander C. M. Coffin responded with a very interesting talk pertaining to the days of chivalry and predicted that the Patriots Militant of Nebraska would number one thousand strong by the time the centennial was celebrated, in 1919. There are about 700 members of this degree in Nebraska, which degree is slow to grow because of its nature and the fact that it is a high rank.

Mrs. Talbot gave a very interesting talk which was followed by one from Mrs. Naylor of Chadron. Patten Came 700 Miles Past Master Patten of South Dakota told of several curious and amusing incidents that had happened at various lodge meetings he had attended. Mr. Patten came over 700 miles.

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ALL ABOARD FOR LINCOLN

Big Delegations from Box Butte and Sheridan Counties to Invade Capital Next Week

ORGANIZED AGRICULTURE MEET

Plans Made for Room Reservations in One Hotel—Delegates to Attend in Body

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Hear Ye! People of Nebraska, and eastern Nebraska in particular. Two large delegations of progressive farmers, their wives, and others interested in farm improvement from the great counties of Box Butte and Sheridan are next week going to invade Lincoln, Nebraska. Preparations are made. Time is now the only element that enters into this great demonstration of progress being staged by residents of these two counties.

Thirty Plan to Go The week starting next Monday, January 15, is the week of Organized Agriculture. Some thirty from Box Butte county and some thirty-five from Sheridan county have decided to attend. Both delegations will be made up of representatives of every phase of farm life and activity. There will be horsemen, cattlemen, dairymen, potato growers, those interested in growing alfalfa. All will be there.

Held Meeting Tuesday Tuesday afternoon a meeting was held at the office of County Agent F. M. Seidell in the court house here, attended by many of those who expect to attend the meetings at Lincoln. Plans were made for the reservation of rooms sufficient to accommodate all who will attend from Box Butte county. An effort is being made to secure the rooms all in the same hotel. Other plans were made for attending the meetings in a body, thus to better demonstrate the advantages of Box Butte county.

Those Who Will Go The list of those who have positively made known their intention of attending the annual week of Organized Agriculture includes the following from Alliance: E. G. Englehorn, L. J. Schill, A. H. Grove, W. E. Spencer, C. A. Newberry, A. S. Gerdes, L. D. Blair, E. T. Kibble, Dr. W. J. Mahaffy, R. W. Mahaffy, Oscar O'Bannon, Mrs. Oscar O'Bannon, Alex Lee, Wilbur Patterson, Jr., D. E. Purinton, J. F. Nabb, L. McCarthy, J. C. Morrow and F. M. Seidell. Hemingford will be represented by W. M. Iodence, A. S. Eneyart, Mrs. A. S. Eneyart, John Jelinek and Mrs. John Jelinek. It is very probable, according to the county agent, that others will make the trip but only the names of those who have definitely determined to go have been announced. These with the boys from Box Butte county who are attending the State Agricultural College and others will make up a representative delegation that this county may well be proud of.

Pugsley Writes Letter Elsewhere in this issue of the Herald appears a letter addressed to the people of Box Butte county and written by Pugsley.

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COUNCIL TO MAKE NEW CITY LIMITS

Mayor Appoints Committee of Three to Investigate and Report in Near Future

At the meeting of the city council held at the council chamber Tuesday night a committee was appointed consisting of Councilmen Kibble, Coursey and Davidson, to investigate and recommend to the city council any revisions that may be necessary in the city limits. As the limits are designated at present no one seems to know just what territory is taken in. A revision of the ordinance stating in plain terms, all in one place, the exact boundaries of the city will prove advantageous in many instances.

Plumbing Bid Let The council opened the bids submitted by the plumbers in competition for a year's contract to do plumbing and supply service pipes for city water department. W. H. Voit was the successful bidder. Following a conference between the council and the superintendent of the water department it was recommended that the contract be awarded to Mr. Voit, he being the lowest bidder. Mr. Voit will be required to give a bond for \$1000 to guarantee faithful performance of the contract. The contract will state that 3-4 inch lead pipe with all material furnished and same installed will cost the city 70 cents a foot.

A street light is to be placed at Eleventh and Big Horn between the hospital and academy. A communication from Fire Chief Pilkington was read thanking the council for raising his salary. The claims committee reported and claims were allowed in accordance with the report. The reports of the various city officers were read, accepted and placed on file.

Make Great Showing "The report of the light department shows one of the biggest net earnings in the history of the department," said Mayor Romig, after the report was read. The net earnings for the past month were \$2,353.58 as compared to \$1,953.32 a year ago and \$1,482.84 last month. The report of Judge Roberts showed a total of \$23 in fines for the month of December. Justice fees to the amount of \$60.30, marshal fees amounting to \$44.10, a total of \$128. The treasurer's report shows a balance on hand in the general fund of \$6.48. The water fund has a balance of \$23.01 and the light fund a balance of \$8,225.57.

ALLIANCE TO BE WELL REPRESENTED

Local Delegation Leaves Monday for Auburn to Attend Annual Meeting of the Firemen

Alliance will be well represented at the annual meeting of the State Volunteer Firemen's Association to be held at Auburn, Neb., this coming week, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, January 16, 17 and 18. The Alliance department is enabled to send a representative delegation by reason of the fact that the Christmas and New Year's dances held by the department netted the boys a total of almost \$150. The money received from this source over and above expenses will be used to help send the Alliance delegation to the state meeting.

The local department has elected delegates as follows: Company No. 1, Arch Schieb; Company No. 2, Frank Merritt; Company No. 3, which is the hook and ladder company, Vivian Hall. The three delegates in company with Chief of the Fire Department L. E. Pilkington, Mayor P. E. Romig, John W. Guthrie, E. G. Laing and George Nation, will leave this city Monday morning. On reaching North Platte they will join the delegation from that place in a special car. Lloyd C. Thomas, state representative from the seventy-third district and assistant chief of the Alliance fire department, will join them at Lincoln. Carl Spaeth of Hemingford will also attend, as will others.

The Alliance fire department is without question one of the best volunteer departments of the state and is known all over the state. The Alliance Herald is the official organ of the state association and keeps all departments fully posted on the doings of the others. The local boys anticipate a great meeting this year and judging from the preparations being made by the Auburn department they will not be disappointed.

MULLEN WOMAN DIED HERE Mrs. Lora Alta McNeess, wife of a well-known Mullen druggist, died in Alliance Friday night, age 50 years. The body was shipped to Chadron for interment.

MANY BOOKS LOANED AT PUBLIC LIBRARY According to the report of the secretary for the Alliance Public Library, which was read at the regular meeting of the library board, shows that a total of 1,265 books were loaned during the month of December. Twenty-one borrowers' cards were issued during December, with 23 books donated during the month. Fines to the amount of \$2.45 were collected.

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SOLONS DOWN TO BUSINESS

Lloyd Thomas of Alliance One of Five Representatives to Draft Prohibition Bill

COMMITTEE WAS SELECTED

Seventy-third District Gets Chairmanship of Committee on Constitutional Amendments

Lincoln, Nebr., Jan. 10.—The Nebraska legislature settled down to business this morning after eight days of preliminary work. The organization of the house of representatives was completed Tuesday afternoon with the acceptance of the report of the Democratic caucus committee on committees, naming the standing committees for the house during the session. The senate will complete its organization today and the bills will then begin to go into the hopper and thence to consideration by the committees.

Much interest centers on the special committee of five, three Democrats and two Republicans, named by the house to draft and introduce the bill to enforce the prohibition amendment, passed at the last election and which takes effect May 1. This special committee will have charge of the prohibition legislation, and is composed of dry men entirely, as follows: Norton, Thomas, Waite, Flansburg and Hostetler. Norton, who is chairman, is from Polk county; Thomas is from Box Butte and Sheridan counties; Waite from Lancaster, and Hostetler from Buffalo. That these men have a hard job in prospect is evidenced by the fight already being made between the "bone dries" and the plain "drys".

The committee on committees decided to perpetuate itself through the session in order to take care of the sifting committee and any others that may be needed. In 1915 there was trouble near the end of the session when it was found that no provision had been made for other committees, and this year the committee decided to prepare for any emergency. It was understood that none of its members would be allowed to serve on the sifting committee.

The complete report of the committee on committees as adopted Tuesday afternoon was as follows:

- Accounts and employes—Hoffmeister, chairman; Rieschick, Dau.
Agriculture—Meyenburg, Todd, Hughes, Manser, Ewing, Harris, Knutzen, Burrows, Behrens, Erick Johnson, Stream.
Banks and banking—Murty, Dafee, Nielsen, Jacobsen, Neff, Erick Johnson, Good, Gampert, Stearns.
Cities and towns—Richmond, Keegan, LaBounty, Hunt, Shannon, Sezelke, Bell, Anderson, Stuhr, Reneker, Moseley.
Claims and deficiencies—Fries, Meyenburg, Leidigh, Nielsen, Hughes, Nesbit, Foulon, Fuhs, Ward.
Committee on committees—(For the purpose of naming additional standing committees and the sifting committee.) Taylor, Thomas, Trumble, Andersen, Hoffmeister, Swanson, Norton, Fuller, Dau, Osterman, Radke, Sasse, Shannon, Bulla, Rieschick, Dafee.
Constitutional amendments—Thomas, chairman; Waite, Naylor, Flansburg, Manser, Keegan, Tracewell.
Corporations—Trumble, chairman; Lemar, Dafee, Hopkins, Mills, Radke, Laggett, Conley, Scudder, Dorsey, Burrows.
Education—(Includes university and normal schools, public schools and libraries) Ollis, chairman; Taylor, Fleetwood, Swanson, Osterman, Olson, Shaffer, Aintay, Bates, Miller, Rickard.
Engrossed and enrolled bills—Naylor, chairman; Waite, White.
Fees and salaries—Shannon, chairman; Knutzen, Koch, Craddock, Stream, Fuhs, Conley.
Finance, ways and means—Rieschick, chairman; Hoffmeister, Greenwalt, Ollis, Craddock, Fuller, Reifsnath, Peterson, Cronin, Mears, Gool.
Fish, culture and game—Gromly, chairman; Schneider, Ewing, Koch, Tracewell, Lindberg, Cronin.
Insurance—Swanson, chairman; Murty, Hopkins, Trumble, Lemar, Axtell, Ward, Dalbey, Bates.
Irrigation, drainage and water power—McAllister, chairman; Olson, Repan, Fries, Reynolds, Stearns, Miller.
Judiciary—Norton, chairman; Fleetwood, Thomas, Radke, Lovely, Waite, McAllister, Dorsey, Flansburg, Hostetler, Reiser.
Labor—Howard, chairman; Naylor, Goodall, Schaffer, Johnson, Lindberg, Conley.
Live stock and grazing—Dau, chairman; Bulla, Gormly, Beal, Harris, Parkinson, Behrens.
Manufactures, retail and commerce—Neff, chairman; Schneider, Jacobson, Hostetler, Johnson.
Medical societies—Hoffmeister, chairman; Goodall, Hoffmeister, White, Reneker.
Miscellaneous subjects—Dafee, chairman; Jacobson, Richmond, Taylor, Dau, Reynolds, Parkinson, Hutter.
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Again This Week--The Magazine Section

This week is magazine week again and the Herald takes genuine pleasure in presenting its readers with another copy of the Herald's magazine, better than any that have gone before. It is not often, indeed, that one finds such a combination of literary talent between the pages of one magazine such as this. Robert W. Chambers, Randall Parish, B. Fletcher Robinson, Caro Wise, and Thomas L. Mason are all contributors to this issue of the Herald's magazine. The feature story this week is "The Fire Warden," by Robert W. Chambers, that well known author who has been a regular writer for "The Saturday Evening Post" and other high class well known magazines. He is the author of "The Maids of Paradise," "Cardigan," "The Fighting Chance," "The Maid At Arms," "The King in Yellow," and other well known books, many of which first appeared in serial form. The series of mystery stories by B. Fletcher Robinson, co-author with Sir A. Conan Doyle of "The Hound of the Baskervilles" is making a big hit with Herald readers. The series is entitled, "The Chronicles of Addington Peace." "The Mystery of the Causeway," is completed in this issue and will be followed by "The Tragedy of Thomas Herne." Sir A. Conan Doyle of London is the author of the Sherlock Holmes world famed detective stories. "A Little St. George" by Caro Wise is a children's story. Read to the kiddies about Tom Perkins, "A Little Saint George." "A Discovery in the Clouds," by Thomas L. Mason tells of two of the "Rarest Freaks of the Age." The Herald's magazine comes to you as a section of the Alliance Herald without one cent of extra cost to you. This is just one of the reasons why the Alliance Herald is THE LEADING NEWSPAPER OF WESTERN NEBRASKA. The magazine is well illustrated and the cover is in colors.