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FUNDS GIVEN TO DISTRICTS

County Superintendent Receives Share of the Regular Semi-Annual Reportment

MONEY FROM TWO SOURCES

Average Daily Attendance Basis for Major Part of Distribution in County

County Superintendent of Schools Opal Russell has received the first semi-annual apportionment of school funds for the year 1917, a total of \$2,280.51, which in turn she apportions to the different school districts in the county.

Money from Fines, Also A total of \$2,134.84 was received from the state sources and \$154.67 received from the county, being money collected by the county on fines assessed either by the county judge or justices of the peace.

How Divided One-fourth of the money is divided equally between each of the districts in the county, each district getting \$12.38. The other three-fourths of the appropriation is divided between forty-eight districts according to the average daily attendance of students at each school. Naturally those schools with the largest daily attendance have the most need for money and so get the largest apportionment.

BASED ON FISCAL YEAR

The average daily attendance of the respective schools is figured from July, 1915, to July, 1916, the fiscal year. Below appears the amount received under this apportionment, the average daily attendance for each school together with a statement giving the number of months school held in each district, school census for 1914 showing the number of children of school age in each district, total assessed valuation, and the school tax levy.

District No. 1 Average daily attendance, 6; amount received, \$21.61. Director, Joe Carey, Alliance. Moderator, C. G. Reeves, Alliance. Treasurer, Peter Workman, Alliance. Teacher, Beulah Reeves, Alliance. Number months school, 8. Children of school age, 29. Total assessed valuation, \$35,235. School levy, 14 mills.

District No. 2 Average daily attendance, 8; amount received, \$24.70. Director, S. L. Himes, Alliance. Moderator, E. Boyer, Alliance. Treasurer, F. A. Trabert, Alliance. Teacher, Glenn Mounts, Alliance. Months school, 8. Children school age, 23. Total assessed valuation, \$60,355. School levy, 8 mills.

District No. 3 Average daily attendance, 9. Amount received, \$26.24. Director, E. S. Curry, Alliance. Moderator, Frank Trinkle, Treasurer, H. W. Nason, Alliance. Teacher, Izetta Renswood, Alliance. Months school, 7. Children school age, 20. Total assessed valuation, \$18,255. School levy, 33 mills.

District No. 4 Average daily attendance, 7. Amount received, \$23.16. Director, F. J. Moeller, Hemingford. Moderator, Leo Frohnappel, Hemingford. Treasurer, Lizzie Frohnappel, Hemingford. Teacher, Rosa Annen, Dunlap. Months school, 7. Children school age, 12. Total assessed valuation, \$11,700. School levy, 35 mills.

District No. 5 Average daily attendance, 10. Amount received, \$27.78. Director, T. J. Lawrence, Alliance. Moderator, John Parker, Alliance. Treasurer, Wm. Rust, Jr., Alliance. Teacher, Temmy Woods, Alliance. Months school, 7. Children school age, 19. Total assessed valuation, \$11,685. School levy, 35 mills.

District No. 6—Alliance City Schools Average daily attendance, 736. Amount received, \$1,148.90. Board of education: F. H. Mollring, president; E. M. Martin, vice president; P. W. Harris, secretary; Mrs. J. E. Mallory; K. J. Sterns; Mrs. L. E. Tash. Teachers: W. R. Pate, superintendent; T. R. Crawford, principal of high school; A. F. Stockdale, R. E. Helch; Mary Wilson; Georgia Canfield; Rex Truman; Bertha Wilson; G. M. Burns, principal of Central school; Gladys Sheridan; Mary Anderson; Anna Chambers; Della Abbott; Anna Hogarth; Mabel Lucado; Eva Crocker; Hazel Johnson; Elizabeth Conroy; Pauline Scott; Esther Terry; Antha Taylor, principal of Emerson school; Mabel Walters; Mae Engle; Lydia Cutosky; Elizabeth Hledik; Mary A. Robertson; Glea Soper; Isola Worley. Months school, 9. Children school age, 1,423. Total assessed valuation, \$660,960. School levy, 45 mills.

District No. 9 Average daily attendance, 8. Amount received, \$24.70. Director, William Vogel, Alliance. Moderator, Fred Schwaderer, Alliance. Treas-

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ALLIANCE VICTORIOUS OVER MITCHELL FIVE

A. A. A. Team Beats Strong Mitchell Team Wednesday Night at High School Gym.

There was a good turnout for the first basketball game of the season played at the high school gymnasium last evening between the town teams of Alliance and Mitchell. Alliance called off the honors by defeating the visitors by a score of 35 to 17.

Alliance made eight baskets during the first half, and ten the second half, one being on a free throw. Mitchell made four baskets the first half one being on a free throw, and six during the last half, two of these being from the foul line.

The teams put up a stiff battle, one well worth witnessing. Most of the players are experienced men, having played either on high school or college teams.

The Alliance team will play at Sidney Wednesday night of next week.

Following is the lineup of last night's game: MITCHELL: Gleason, Blandin, Perkins, Darnell, Black, If Adney, Dedmore, Darnell, c, Riley, Thomas, Vance, rg, Loybel, Coryell, Johnson, lg, Loybel. Goals: Alliance—Black, 7; Darnell, 6; Coryell, 3; Johnson, 1. Mitchell—Adney, 4; Perkins, 1; Riley, 2. Fouls: Alliance—Darnell, 1. Mitchell—Riley, 3. Referee, Crawford.

BERNEICE ARMSTRONG DIED HERE WEDNESDAY

Death Comes as Great Surprise and Shock to Relatives and the Many Friends

Friends were shocked yesterday when they learned of the death of Miss Bernice Armstrong at the home of Mrs. D. De Loss Barber, 705 Laramie avenue, at 6 o'clock yesterday morning. While Miss Armstrong had been somewhat ill for some two months past, it was not considered serious enough to be an occasion for worry. Death was caused from a complication of Bright's disease and heart trouble.

Miss Armstrong was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. Armstrong, living some thirty-eight miles north and east of Alliance. She was twenty-two years old. The young lady had come to Alliance some two months ago to visit her sister, Miss Gladys Armstrong, who is employed at the Horace Bogue store. Miss Gladys has been rooming at the Barber home and it was here that Miss Bernice was visiting.

The parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Armstrong, arrived in the city Tuesday for a visit with their daughters. They were aware that she was ill, but nothing in particular was thought of it at that time because the young lady had come to Alliance more particularly for medical treatment and also to visit her sister.

Besides her parents and her sister, Miss Gladys, the young woman, is survived by another sister, Miss Margaret, seven years old. Miss Bernice Armstrong was well known in this city and had many close friends. She had attended both the Alliance high school and St. Agnes academy, and was well known among the young people.

The funeral will be held from the Barber home tomorrow, February 2.

AUTO-DELIVERY CAR GOES OVER WALL

Driver Pinned between Car and Door—Fell Inside when Door Was Opened

The fact that there was a doorway opening into the brick wall was all that saved Richard Young from death Monday morning. He was driving an auto delivery wagon for Alliance creamery and was making a delivery at the rear of the Drake hotel when his car skidded over the wall at the south side of the hotel and dropped into the runway some ten feet below.

Mr. Young had completed his delivery and was backing around to get to the street. The car skidded. He put on the brakes but they did not hold. Young tried to jump from the seat, but could not make it in the short time before the car went over the wall. The machine turned on its side, the driver being pinned underneath, but he was unharmed except for some minor bruises. He was wedged into the door so tightly that when the door was opened by the clerk, he fell back into the room. The frame of the car was jammed against the wall, and had it not been for the door, the accident would probably have had a different ending.

The machine was removed from the runway by the use of a block and tackle, being but little damaged. The windshield and fenders were smashed.

DRY BILL ABOUT READY FOR HOUSE

Sub-committee of Six Men from Senate and House Worked Saturday, Sunday and Monday

NEWSPAPER MAN & 5 LAWYERS

Provisions for Law Enforcement will be Drastic... Prohibition Commissioner to Enforce Law

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 30.—Nebraska's dry law, upon which the eyes of the people of the state have been focused for several days, is almost ready, as far as the work of the special committees from the House and Senate is concerned. In order to rush the work of the committees in preparing the bill for introduction, a special sub-committee, was appointed, consisting of Senator Beal, Chappell and Sandall and Representatives Norton, Flansburg and Thomas. The first five are lawyers and the last a newspaper man. This committee worked Saturday, Sunday and Monday on the bill.

The proposed bill is taken from four other proposed bills, known as the Dry Federation Bill, the Wolfenbarger Bill, the Stoeker Bill and the bill approved by Governor Neville. The committee took the best features from the other bills and have incorporated them all in one.

The most important features of the bill are the restrictions placed on the amount of liquor allowed to be imported; the "red tape" necessary in getting liquor from outside the state; the office of a prohibition commissioner to assist in enforcing the law; the prohibition of advertising either by signs or newspaper advertisements; and the prohibiting of clubs or other means of purchasing liquor in combination; and the restrictions to prevent bootlegging.

The committee was a "bone dry" aggregation, but a careful poll of the House and Senate showed that there was no possibility of passing a "bone dry" bill, therefore their efforts were confined to making a restrictive bill as drastic as possible. The poll of the House showed 25 "bone dry," 60 "plain dries" and 15 wets. The poll of the Senate showed 14 "bone dries," 3 "plain dries" and 16 wets.

Nebraska will have a double election board at future elections if House Roll No. 107, fathered by 17 enthusiastic members, passes the Senate. It passed the House with not much opposition on Friday.

The bill provides for two election boards in all precincts in the state where sixty or more votes are cast. One board is to receive the ballots and the other is to count them. Returns must be made immediately to the county clerk. It is believed this will mean that election boards will be thru by midnight of election day. The expense will be no greater for officials, as under the present law the board gets two days' pay.

The boards are to be appointed as at present by the district clerk from lists furnished by the party chairman, and must be divided in proportion to the vote cast at the previous election.

The principal debate occurred over the number of votes to the precinct where the law should apply. Some members want the minimum fixed at 100 and others at 150. Both amendments were voted down after half of the members had voted opinions. It was urged that to make the bill apply only to precincts where more than 150 votes were cast would practically kill the bill.

As originally drawn the bill provided that the counting should begin after ten ballots had been cast and whenever ten more had accumulated Mr. Peterson succeeded in getting the number raised to twenty-five. He said that making it every ten ballots would permit check being kept on how men from the railroads and other factories voted, since they usually vote in groups, and might lead to intimidation and other evils.

Tuesday and Wednesday are the last days for the introduction of bills. The legislature adjourned from Friday afternoon until Tuesday afternoon.

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WOMAN COUNTY AGENT NOW

Extension Department to Send Expert in Field Work to Work with Farm Women

MAY BE MISS MARY ROHKAR

Three Counties—Box Butte, Sheridan and Dawes—to Be Served by One Agent

Now that the board of county commissioners has made an appropriation, co-operating with the state and federal governments, appropriating funds to aid in the maintenance of county agent work in Box Butte county, another great forward step is scheduled for the benefit of Box Butte county, together with Sheridan and Dawes counties. This is a woman county agent to work with the women in the farm homes of these three counties.

Provide Summer Work The extension department of the Nebraska State University has in its employ a certain number of workers who are busy during the winter months demonstrating at short courses and institutes. These employees are employed by the year. They have time during the summer to do additional field work, whenever the opportunity is afforded them.

Work in Three Counties The extension department proposes to send a woman here during the summer months. She will hold meetings in each of the three counties mentioned—Box Butte, Sheridan and Dawes. She will remain in one county one week at a time, holding community meetings probably five days a week. Thus she will be enabled to spend one week out of every three in each of the three counties. The extension department will pay her salary. A very small charge will be made to those enrolling, which charge will be used in paying her expenses.

IS WELL KNOWN

It is very probable that Miss Mary Rohkar, known in this county through her work here at institutes during the past two years, will be assigned to Box Butte, Sheridan and Dawes counties, with probable headquarters in Alliance.

Law Provides Funds The Smith-Lever Co-operative Agricultural Extension Act passed by congress provides for co-operative extension work in agriculture and home economics. The letterheads of the county agent must read, "Co-operative Extension Work in Agriculture and Home Economics," in order for the work to receive federal aid.

First Woman Agent So far the only work along home economics that had been done in these three counties had been institute work. There is not, at the present time, and never has been, a woman county agent in these counties. It is now proposed to have a woman county agent to aid the women of the county, the same as the county agent works with the men. While the woman county agent will be stationed here but a few months each year for the present, it is believed by the extension department that she will make herself as useful in her way as the regular county agent.

SEWARD HAS ONE

Co-operation has in fact invaded a new field. In Seward county the Seward County Home-Makers' association was organized last November. Miss Esther Warner was employed as the woman county agent. The work of the woman county agent is as varied as that of the men. The first work taken up in Seward county pertained to the poultry yard. Eggs and dressed poultry produced by members of the Home-Makers' association were marketed co-operatively by parcels post for the Christmas trade. Miss Warner, the woman county agent, secured the names of prospective purchasers and completed arrangements for the transactions so that producers were able to realize an increase of thirty per cent over regular market prices when produce was distributed through other channels. Consumers bought the

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FINANCE NEW HOTEL PROPOSITION HERE

All But \$10,000 of Total Amount Needed Has Been Subscribed by Alliance People

Present indications are that the new hotel to be built in Alliance will be built this coming summer and by local capital. J. M. Miller of the Alliance hotel has been going ahead and now has everything about ready to begin the work preparatory to the letting of contracts and making the final decisions on the many little problems that always come up.

Last evening Mr. Miller was host to some fifteen local men interested in the new hotel proposition at a banquet held at the Hotel Alliance. The proposition was gone over carefully, after which some twelve thousand dollars was subscribed by those in attendance as an aid to financing the proposition. Mr. Miller has made arrangements for the financing of the new hotel building with the exception of some nine or ten thousand dollars. This money will be raised in the next few days.

Committee Appointed A committee has been appointed to aid Mr. Miller in the securing of the additional funds necessary for the proposition and this committee started this afternoon making a canvass for the necessary funds. So far, there has been a ready response and everything is going smoothly.

Alliance needs a new hotel and needs it very much, but the operations preliminary to the building of this new addition to Alliance's progress are being conducted without sentiment, in a businesslike way, with an eye to the security of the investment both now and in the future.

The money raised so far has been mostly of large denominations. Whether the balance will be raised in the same way or by smaller subscriptions remains to be seen. It is believed that there are many in and about Alliance who have money they can invest in a safe and sane business venture, and that no difficulty will be experienced in raising the amount needed. The new hotel will represent an investment of probably between \$85,000 and \$100,000 and all that remains to be raised is something like \$10,000.

NEED FOR NEW HOTEL

Right now the hotels of the city are taxed to capacity. This does not happen one night a week, but every night. Yesterday every room and bed in the Alliance hotel was engaged before 5 o'clock. All those who desired accommodations after that time were compelled to seek a bed elsewhere. This is a condition that ought to be remedied and will be remedied by the erection of the new hotel. There are many who neglect to register on arrival, thinking they can get a room at any time, only to be disappointed when they make the effort in the evening. The night trains bring in many.

It is not an uncommon thing for persons who arrive in Alliance on the night trains and early morning trains to be compelled to sit up until 7 or 8 o'clock in the morning, waiting for a room to be empty so that they can get their rest. By that time, they must be up and going about their business, and lack of rest after a long trip is a real hardship to them. This trouble is not confined alone to commercial men. There are many women and children who are inconvenienced in this manner. The need for more and better accommodations is apparent. The remedy is at hand. The money has all been raised with the exception of a few thousand dollars and this will be raised within a week, at the most, it is believed.

AGED RANCHER BURIED MONDAY

F. M. Thompson Died at Home of Daughter at Age of Eighty-Six Years—Funeral Monday

The funeral of F. M. Thompson occurred Monday afternoon at the Presbyterian church here, with Rev. Lewis McIntyre in charge. Mr. Thompson died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Elbery Peterson, at the ranch some thirty miles south of Alliance Saturday. He was eighty-six years old.

Deceased is survived by four sons and two daughters, being Eugene E. and Charles E. of Lakeside; R. C. of Ord; T. J. of Danneburg; Mrs. C. A. Dye of Ord, and Mrs. Peterson. Two sisters, Mrs. Bell and Mrs. Boyd, live in Chicago, while a brother, Robert Thompson, lives in Texas.

Thomas Mitchell Thompson was born in Belmont county, Ohio, May 13, 1830. With his family he moved to Dwight, Ill., in 1858. He was married to Mary Lauretta Murphy on October 18, 1862. They moved to Valley county, this state, in 1884, and came to this county in 1887. Mrs. Thompson died August 9, 1911. Mr. Thompson was the oldest of ten children.

CLUB PLANS TO SELL LISTS OF NAMES

The Commercial Club plans to prepare mailing lists which the club will sell to members for a certain price. The idea is to secure lists of names of tax payers, ranchmen, farmers, railroad men, voters, married men, single men, etc.

WHOOOP-ER-UP IN JUNE

Fair Board Votes to Accept Proposition of Commercial Club for a Big Show

TO BE BIG OLD-TIME ROUND-UP

Stockmen's Reunion and Fair to Be Combined into Rip Roaring Old West Celebration

Every indication points to the fact that the Stockmen's Reunion to be held in Alliance, probably on June 27, 28 and 29, will be absolutely the biggest thing of its kind ever staged here. That opinion is justified by the fact that the directors of the Box Butte Fair Association, at a meeting held Friday night, assented to the proposition by the Alliance Commercial Club at a joint meeting of the directors of the Commercial Club and the board of the fair association held here January 11, 1917. The Alliance Commercial Club will advance \$1,000 in cash to be designated as receipts and thereafter any profits or losses incurred will be shared on a 50-50 basis between the Commercial Club and the fair association. It is planned to make the Stockmen's Reunion a combination of everything a fair could be and in addition a bigger and better show than has ever been staged at any previous Stockmen's Convention. With races, Bucking-horse contests, wild west exhibitions, probably a carnival with all its side shows and attractions, maybe a "49" dance hall, and in fact all the trimmings there should be crowds in attendance the like of which Alliance has never seen before. The Reunion will be in fact a reunion. The old boys and the young boys will renew acquaintances of the past, make new friends and enjoy a time such as was only seen in the West of old.

THE ANNUAL MEETING

The Commercial Club had made its proposition which only needed to be accepted at the annual meeting of the fair association held Friday night. The meeting was held in the Commercial Club rooms. Following are the minutes of the annual meeting of the Box Butte County Fair Association as recorded Friday evening by the assistant secretary, H. M. Bushnell, Jr.

Fifteen stockholders present. Meeting called to order by President A. D. Rodgers.

The report of Secretary W. E. Spencer was read, approved, and ordered filed. That report shows the following receipts since the last report: April 1, 1916, bal. in bank \$47.87; June 27, from R. M. Hampton collections on lot contracts 185.00; June 27, from baseball team 17.65; July 28, auto races 68.90; Sept. 8, concessions, Labor day 17.00 \$316.41

The report of H. M. Bushnell, Jr., which was accepted at a previous meeting of the directors, shows a recapitulation on the County Fair proper as follows: Total receipts 1916 fair plus money in bank Sept. 1, 1916 \$2759.06 Total expenditures 1916 fair, including improvements on grounds subsequent to Sept. 1, 1916 3053.38 Book deficit 1916 fair (this was not all paid out as several premium winners kindly waived claims) 294.32 Paid out by the Alliance Commercial Club for permanent improvements and fair premiums for 1916 439.63 All current and past bills of the Box Butte County Fair Association have been paid except the individual notes outstanding.

Supplemental report of secretary: Collections on lot contracts 302.20 DEBITS To R. M. Hampton paid 1915 taxes 54.95 To R. M. Hampton, paid T. H. Barnes note and costs 148.57 To R. M. Hampton, property mortgage and interest 353.00 Due on outstanding notes and interest 1210.00 Total debits 4948.52 Estimated value of fair prop. 7,000. It was moved and seconded that they proceed with the election of officers.

Motion made, duly seconded and carried, that the rules be suspended and the secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for the directors of last year.

Mr. Norton, a director of last year, resigned in favor of A. H. Groves. That substitution was assented to by the maker of the motion and the second.

The following directors were therefore elected for the year 1917: John O'Keefe, F. E. Reddish, A. D. Rodgers, A. H. Groves, C. A. Newberry, W. E. Spencer, E. I. Gregg, F. H. Mollring, E. T. Kibble, W. O. Barnes, J. A. Hunter, J. A. Keegan, Wm. Rust, Sr., L. H. Highland, L. J. Schill.

Whereupon the stock holders having the business completed, motion was duly carried to adjourn.

Meeting of the newly elected directors of the Box Butte County Fair Association at the Alliance Commercial Club.

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Here is a Chance for a Widow— If She Meets the Requirements

HERE IS CHANCE Dan Cupid, that little god of love, is working this week in co-operation with the Alliance Herald. You have but to turn to the Classified Columns of this week's Herald and you will discover that there is an opportunity for a widow between the ages of eighteen and thirty-five to secure for herself a companion. The classified advertisement is signed "Lonely," and anyone desiring to communicate with him may find his address in his advertisement in the Classified Columns.

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