

# Clipped From Our Exchanges

## DAY SENTENCE FOR FAILURE TO REGISTER

David C. Outson, of Lincoln, who was taken to Omaha last week for failure to register last June, was sentenced to one day in jail by Federal Judge Woodrough Monday. Along with the sentence he may also be required to enlist immediately in the service, but nothing to that effect has reached us.

"It was only my ignorance that kept me from registering," said the young man. "I tried to get to town, but it was so muddy I could not make it, and I thought I could not register after June 5."

"I am perfectly ready to go into the army, but I hope they will let me go back to my farm and arrange things. I will have to try to get a man to run it if I can. I have about 125 acres under cultivation and have thirty head of cattle at present."—Ogkosh Register.

## SCHOOL CHILDREN SELL MANY WAR SAVINGS STAMPS

The war savings stamps campaign by the high school and grammar grades was a success. Miss Marie Forsythe sold the most stamps and received the first prize, a war savings certificate and stamp, presented by E. M. Searle, Jr., and Mary E. McCarthy was awarded second prize, a thrift card and twelve thrift stamps, awarded by Clarence Worlton. Following is the list of the people entering the contest, together with the amount sold:

- Marie Forsythe ..... \$1,576.20
- Mary E. McCarthy ..... 1,318.40
- Walter Treasler ..... 683.92
- John Leonard ..... 399.65
- Frances Arrowsmith ..... 383.16
- Henry Geisert ..... 366.68
- Laura Cooney ..... 53.56
- Floyd Heiser ..... 8.24
- Kenneth Gaston ..... 412

From Ogallala Tribune:

## COUNTY AGENT AT SIDNEY

Last Saturday afternoon in the Court House the body of determined and earnest Farm Bureau Board consisting of C. J. Osborn, S. H. Babb, F. L. Cunningham, E. W. Wise, Otto Perso and Jim Nelson, met to make selection of a County Agent to carry out the work of the Bureau. They selected upon high recommendations, H. E. Gould of Harlan County and a contract was accordingly drawn up to conform with the ideas of both the parties to it.—Sidney Telegraph.

According to the Alliance papers the lid has been clamped on places of business in that city right, by the laying down of rules and regulations as to closing hours that must be obeyed. We have heard of men running on to lucky strikes, but Harry DuBouque has them all backed off the map. Without any design on his part, things all come his way in a manner that would completely face Alladin and his wonderful lamp. Hereafter people up there will either go to the picture show or go to roost with the chickens and chickens being included in the shut out order, they must go to the picture show for entertainment.—Antioch News.

## COURT DECISIONS AT BRIDGEPORT

The long term of the district court has not yet reached to within sight of the end. The latter part of the last week was taken up with the case of J. C. Peterson of Gering against M. Hannawald of this place. The jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff in the sum of \$280.

On Monday the case of the state against Robert Morgan was tried to the jury. It will be remembered that this is the case where Morgan stabbed Otto Hansen at Bayard, and from which Hansen died. The charge was made of murder in the first degree, but was not expected that a conviction would be made for so grave an offense as Hansen seemed to be the trouble maker in the quarrel. The jury was out about twenty minutes and returned a verdict of not guilty. Tuesday morning the case of Har-

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vey W. Majors against Claire V. Gilbert was tried. Majors was suing Gilbert for damages, the claim being that the latter sold the former some hogs that were infected with cholera. The jury deliberated a verdict for Majors in the sum of \$495.83 as damages.

Tuesday afternoon the case of the Red Willow Drainage district against T. C. Osborne et al., came up for trial. This case had been tried in county court and had been appealed to the district court. The jury gave Osborne a verdict for \$409.40. This case extended into Wednesday.

Court Reporter Hall was taken sick Wednesday evening and was obliged to return to his home at Gering yesterday morning. This left the court without a reporter and unable to proceed with the jury cases for the time, but Judge Hobart, after some very strenuous efforts, succeeded in locating a reporter at Alliance by telephone, and the trial of cases was resumed yesterday afternoon.

The case of Wilson Six against the Bridgeport Irrigation district was taken up yesterday afternoon, and promises to be a long and hard fought one. It is for damages which Six claims because of the failure of the district to furnish him the water necessary to properly irrigate his crops. It looks like it will take most, if not all, of next week to finish the term.—Bridgeport News-Blade

## ANNUAL FIREMEN'S CONVENTION

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rupted by outbursts of applause. The afternoon's session was opened by a concert by the Ord band a program of patriotic airs being rendered. The crowd joined in singing the "Star Spangled Banner."

## Memorial Services.

Memorial services for the late John Wilson of Kearney, one of the oldest members of the organization, whose funeral was held at Kearney at 2 p. m., was observed at the convention at the same hour. H. A. Webbert of Kearney, a lifelong friend of Mr. Wilson, made a short talk in which he eulogized the veteran fireman, who is so well known to members of the association. From his personal knowledge Mr. Webbert said he knew Mr. Wilson as a man of high character and sterling worth. He was at all times a most earnest worker in the interest of firemen.

The Rev. Walter J. Rundin of Mitchell, state chaplain in the memorial address paid a fitting tribute to the memory of Mr. Wilson, "one of the fathers of the department."

Mr. Rundin closed his address by urging all firemen to become members of the Mutual Insurance association conducted in connection with the association.

During the short business session that followed Mr. Corey's address, the convention discussed plans for increasing the membership in the insurance association. During the day 180 new members signed up.

With no business session to claim their attention in the evening the visiting firemen enjoyed the program of entertainment provided by the local committee and the Commercial club. At the Wall theater a special vaudeville program for men only, delighted hundreds of the visitors and local firemen and friends who crowded the playhouse to the doors. The entertainment lasted for over two hours.

A minstrel troupe composed of eight persons was the feature number on the program. Take-offs on the officers and prominent firemen during the evening kept the crowd in an uproar. Special features were provided at the Empress theater.

The grand convention ball at Masonic hall was logely attended, dancing continued till the midnight hour.

## Thursday, January 17th

State Fire Commissioner W. S. Ridgell gave his annual report which is reprinted complete in this issue of The Herald.

Secretary E. A. Miller reported that a handsome wreath had been sent Wednesday to the home of Past President Wilson at Kearney.

Mr. Hammond drew conclusions regarding the outcome of the mighty struggle that met with the hearty approval of his hearers, who demonstrated their interest by frequent applause.

Mr. McFadden, manager of the Pathfinder Hotel, in behalf of the Fremont Commercial Club, invited the association to be the guests of Fremont at the 1919 convention. His invitation was accepted with a whoop and a rising vote.

The following officers were elected: President John W. Guthrie, Alliance; First vice president, William P. McCune, Norfolk; Second vice president, Robert Lewis, Humphrey; Secretary, E. A. Miller, Kearney; Treasurer, F. P. Tobin, Sidney.

President Guthrie appointed J. R. Manners of Wahoo on the Board of Control, succeeding Clyde Beckwith. The other members are Jacob Goehrin, chairman, Seward; C. H. Masters, Auburn; C. R. Frazier, Gothenburg; H. H. Bartling, Nebraska City.

The new committees are: Auditing—H. A. Webbert, Kearney; E. G. Laing, Alliance; M. J. Sanders, Norfolk. Constitution and Rules—George Howe, Fremont; J. A. Albin, Osceola; H. N. Howe, Auburn; H. L. Boyce, Hebron; Frank Dickey, Howells.

Legislation—J. C. Cleland, Fremont; W. S. Ridgell, Lincoln; L. W. Hague, Minden. Officers' Reports—J. R. Baskens, North Platte; August Ostrand, Cedar Bluffs; C. R. Frazier, Gothenburg. Preag—Lloyd C. Thomas, Alliance; John Martin, Fremont; P. W. Hart, University Place.

Memorial—W. D. Fisher, York; A. J. Shirley, Ord; M. W. Piercy, Fullerton.

Governor Keith Neville, who was the principal speaker at the banquet at night made a strong appeal for pure, undiluted Americanism. The very existence of the nation is at stake as perhaps it has never been before, he said, and American manhood is called upon to face the task with unwavering loyalty and fidelity to the cause of freedom and liberty.

The governor pointed out that one of the most serious mistakes this country is making is the attitude taken toward persons of foreign birth or descent who fail to measure up to the standard of loyalty required of every citizen. "We can not permit little Germans to grow up in our midst," he said, "while we stand by and encourage by our silent and lack of interest the growth of a movement that has for its object the overthrow of the government and the putting in control of this country the Prussian war lords and their cohorts."

"Our children must be permitted to grow up and become educated under conditions that will make them pure and loyal Americans. We can not afford to countenance anything that tends to prevent the future men and women of this country becoming what was intended by the writers of the constitution—loyal and patriotic Americans."

The elimination of the German language from the schools of the state and more rigid laws for the governing of alien enemies were advocated by the state's chief executive. He was opposed to foreigners who have made application for naturalization being given the right of suffrage. The danger of alien enemies gaining control of the government while the soldiers of the country are away fighting its battles was pointed out.

Governor Neville said that in the event it becomes necessary to pass a law amending the constitution of the state so that soldiers in the service of the state could rest assured that the session would be called.

The State Council of Defense yesterday started a movement for the purpose of amending the constitution of the state to prevent unaturalized citizens from voting, the governor said. He was heartily in accord with the movement and would give it special attention.

In all crises the American soldier has "made good" and in this great struggle he can be expected to measure up to the high standard of the soldiers of other wars, the speaker declared.

Nebraska firemen were paid a tribute for their loyalty and patriotism by the governor. Members of the association, a more than ever called upon to demonstrate their fidelity and loyalty to their country and their homes.

Commissioner W. S. Ridgell, Lincoln, Chaplain Walter C. Rundin, Mitchell, and George F. Wolz, Fremont. The Norfolk and Ord bands livened proceedings with selections at intervals and the firemen's quartet sang several selections.

Ten girls dressed in Red Cross costumes served the banquet. On suggestion of President Guthrie, the \$100 donated by the association to the Red Cross fund at the opening session Wednesday morning was presented to the Fremont chapter in recognition of the services of the young ladies.

Retiring President Harry J. Hauser was presented with a gold watch, appropriately engraved, and John C. Cleland was given a Knights of Pythias emblem by the association. Toastmaster Cleland was so overcome with emotion that he was unable to dismiss the meeting.

The program was in the form of a Red Cross and its attractiveness called forth much comment. It contained eleven printed sheets of twenty-two pages, being full of interesting information concerning the association and the banquet. The picture of Toastmaster Cleland, who is known as "the father of Nebraska firemen," occupied one page.

## FIRE COMMISSIONERS REPORT

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Fire Prevention Societies. If we could organize a fire prevention society in every town in the state, have the property owners become members, induce the commercial clubs, and woman's clubs of the town to become interested, have the mayors and village clerks set aside a day at least twice a year (every Spring and Fall) as a "clean-up" day, when every citizen would be requested to clean up his premises and make them free from fire dangers, we would have accomplished much along fire prevention lines. Rubbish, oily rags, excelsior, etc., breed fire. Old dilapidated buildings are a menace, and carelessly handled gasoline and coal oil is a constant danger. Bonfires and fire works claim their amount of toll in human lives every year.

Local fire prevention societies could look into the elimination of these dangers and interest their community in reducing fire losses. We wish we could have these societies organized generally throughout the state.

Statistics prove that 75 per cent of the enormous fire waste of this country is directly due to carelessness and ignorance. We are living at a time in the history of our nation when the question of the preservation of resources, natural and created, is receiving a great deal of attention. The preservation of any kind of property from any kind of waste should receive the outmost consideration from the public. One of our most vital problems, and one which is calling for rapid solution is the problem of our enormous, unnecessary and avoidable fires. Two hundred and fifty million dollars of constructed property annually destroyed by fire is a direct reproach upon our civil government and upon the people. Two-thirds of the \$2,000,000 annual fire loss in Nebraska is due to carelessness, and is an absolute waste and drain upon our resources. It is depleting the wealth of our state. We are burning down almost as fast as we are building up. No state or nation can long endure this absolute waste and drain without feeling the effects in a most unfavorable way.

The mayors of every city and village in the state should issue local proclamation asking their citizens to co-operate in cleaning up and removing all fire dangers. The city or village should furnish men and teams free of charge to haul away all waste and rubbish.

All Fire Chiefs should make a special inspection of their territory and compel the change of any conditions which would tend to eliminate the possibility of a fire.

Every Commercial Club in the state should have a Fire Prevention Committee. The committee should send out a call asking all citizens to co-operate in making Fire Day a real Clean up Day.

Women's Clubs should take an interest in the Day and ask every member to look into their home conditions with a view of abolishing every possible fire danger.

The normal hazard ought to be looked into as well as the physical hazard when writing insurance. Insurance agents will stand out side and look at a building, figure the rate and risk according to the exposures, construction etc., they never think to inquire if the owner is honest, careful and trustworthy. This should be considered when writing a policy, for a bad moral hazard is much more dangerous and certain to "burn" than even poor physical hazards.

The average layman has no idea how many dishonest losses Fire Insurance Companies have to pay every year. The criminal plans and perpetrates his crime so well that if the fire burns according to his plans every trace and evidence of arson is burned with the fire and it is almost impossible to secure a conviction upon circumstantial evidence no matter how incriminating it may appear.

Heating apparatus, electric wiring and chimneys should be carefully gone over and placed in proper condition for winter use.

Public and private institutions, stores, factories, garages, and all business houses should be inspected

further protect the premises from fire. The public press can be a powerful factor in the movement of Fire Prevention. By instructive and timely publications they can interest the public as no other factor can.

We teach and preach conservation of our natural resources, our forests, our waterways, minerals, etc., and it certainly must appeal to every intelligent, alert progressive individual that our constructive resources should be preserved and a decided reduction made in our nations annual fire waste of \$250,000,000.00. Insurance is only a distributor of this loss collecting from many policy holders the amount sufficient to indemnify the policy holders having a fire. We all contribute our share to this ash heap of \$250,000,000.00. The insurance companies distribute our contributions; the property and material destroyed by fire is absolutely and irrevocably lost.

In closing we want to ask the hearty co-operation of the volunteer firemen in trying to reduce the fire loss in the state of Nebraska. It is a time now when every patriotic citizen should look after the interest of his community and especially into the fire loss during the period of the war. We want the firemen to watch the elevators and mills and the big storage buildings and in fact keep an eye out especially for incendiary in the next year.

## POPULATION OF SCOTTSBLUFF

### LITTLE OVER ALLIANCE

Geo. E. Kiefer of Scottsbluff in compiling the names for a directory, estimates the population of that city at 6,448 residents. The directory is for the county and city, the population of Gering is estimated at 2,893. This estimate does not make Scottsbluff so much larger than Alliance, reports in the past have put Scottsbluff as twice the size of Alliance. The county report shows the population of the towns in the county as follows:

- Scottsbluffs ..... 6,448
- Gering ..... 2,893
- Mitchell ..... 1,128
- Morrill ..... 623
- Minstare ..... 520
- McGrew ..... 150

## A HINT TO THE AGED

If people past sixty years of age could be persuaded to go to bed as soon as they take cold and remain in bed for one or two days, they would recover much more quickly, especially if they take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. There would also be less danger of the cold being followed by any of the more serious diseases.

## THE SEMI-CENTENNIAL AND PREPAREDNESS

The Slogan of the Committee is "Keep Business at Normal."

Feeling that the greatest service they can give to the State and Nation is to maintain that confidence of the future which is essential to the greatest efficiency, the Semi-Centennial Celebration Committee is going ahead with every detail of the elaborate program, which is to commemorate the Golden Anniversary of the entrance of our State into the Union, at Lincoln, June 12, 13, and 14.

In spite of the war, business must be kept at normal. To destroy the even trend of business is to paralyze our retail industries, throw thousands out of regular employment and cut off the profits with which the war must be financed. The best preparation for eventualities is to go ahead with whatever projects you have contemplated; to make an extra effort rather than a timid, diminished one.

In the celebration of our past, however, the committee is not unmindful of the future, and of the immediate services that are going to be required of our commonwealth in the great struggle of democracy into which we have entered.

Nebraskans are to come together by the common bond of a common heritage, to solidify public opinion, fortify ourselves for the immediate service and pay tribute to those who have made our present sacrifices to humanity and civilization possible.

## DELICIOUS CORN MUFFINS.



Here's an old fashioned recipe for corn muffins that has recently been revived and used with unusual success in several of the larger New York hotels: To make three and a half dozen muffins take one quart milk, six ounces butter substitute, twelve ounces of light syrup or honey, four eggs, pinch of salt, two ounces baking powder, one and a half pounds cornmeal and one and a half pounds rye flour. The butter and syrup should be thoroughly mixed; then add the eggs gradually. Pour in the milk and add the rye flour mixed with cornmeal and baking powder.

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