

## SMITH BOUND OVER TO DISTRICT COURT

Bond of \$5,000 for Man Charged With Relieving Jack Riordan of His Diamonds

County Judge Tash at a hearing held Tuesday morning bound one Richard Smith over to district court on a charge of highway robbery and fixed bail at \$5,000, which was not furnished. Trial will take place during the November term of court.

The prisoner conducted his own defense, and showed an extensive knowledge of court procedure. He was adept in cross-questioning and knew all his rights under the law, though he stated that he had never been admitted to the bar. He did not take the stand in his own defense, where he could be cross-questioned, but he made use of every means to discredit the evidence against him and build up a case.

The offense with which Smith was charged took place early Monday morning, when Jack Riordan was proceeding home. He was within a few doors of his home on Box Butte avenue about 1 o'clock, when, from behind the fence near the Grassman residence, a masked man jumped up, thrust an automatic pistol in his face, and commanded him to throw up his hands. Riordan started to run, but his legs refused to carry him, and he fell to the street. When he got on his feet again, an argument ensued with the stickup man, who, finally lifted a two-carat stud from his shirt, stripped a three-carat ring from his finger and then proceeded methodically to go through his pockets. He didn't overlook a single bet. Riordan pleaded with him to let him keep his watch, which was a gift from his mother, but the holdup man said he couldn't afford to do that—there wasn't enough money on him. With a parting injunction to go straight home and not look behind him on the way, the highwayman departed.

Riordan telephoned the police immediately, and got hold of Night Watch Taylor, who left Special Agent T. J. Smith to call Chief Reed and Sheriff Miller. He went immediately to the passenger station, where he had hopes of locating the culprit, whom he suspected would be likely to hurry out of town. A search of the station yielded no result, and he rode the Denver train out to the "Y" and picked up a couple of negro lads, whom he proceeded to take to the station. On his way, he saw Smith climbing through a train of boxcars and the latter called to him by name and asked whether the Denver train had come in yet. Upon being informed that it had gone, he turned back, and Taylor and his two prisoners followed to the Carroll blacksmith corner, where Smith turned west and was for a few moments out of sight. When they caught sight of him, he was in the gutter, bending over, and he was at once placed under arrest and marched to the police station with the two colored boys, searched and lodged in the city jail, where he spent the night, or what remained of it.

At daylight, Chief Reed, Officer Taylor, Sheriff Miller and Deputy Laing took up the trail. In a patch of thistles to the rear of the Carroll blacksmith shop, a woman's black stocking was found containing Riordan's watch and pocketbook, together with a quantity of other jewelry. The two large diamonds were found some distance away.

Smith, who is a man about fifty years of age, with dark hair, somewhat gray, denied the robbery even after he had been identified by Riordan. When searched, a gun was found on him.

At the hearing, he tried every means to impeach Taylor's testimony, and said that the two colored boys who were present at the arrest would bear him out. Judge Tash ordered them brought into court, and at the prisoner's request, requested the sheriff to bring them over. The prisoner then requested that one of them be excluded from court while the other testified, but all these precautions were of no avail, for the boys told stories that corroborated Taylor's in every detail.

Jack Riordan identified the prisoner at the hearing in a way which left no doubt in the minds of the court or the spectators that Jack believed him to be the man.

It was rumored Tuesday evening that the prisoner had signified a willingness to plead guilty, but this could not be corroborated by The Herald.

Another rumor that is said to have caused some consternation in certain circles was to the effect that the prisoner had "squawked" concerning certain poker games. This, too, was unfounded.

Smith came to Alliance a week ago from Grand Island, and worked a short time in the Burlington eating house.

## ALLIANCE DEFEATED BY BAYARD TEAM

Loses by Score of 7 to 0 in Friday's Game—Say Bayard Player Ineligible.

In the first six minutes of play, Bayard received the only score recorded and defeated Alliance, 7 to 0, in a football game last Friday at Bayard. At one time thereafter did the Bayard men have a chance to score, and they failed to make the raffle.

The score should have been recorded as a tie, for Alliance made a touchdown in the second half which the referee refused to allow on the ground that he had inadvertently blown his whistle.

A claim will be filed with the state board of control of the high school athletic association that one man on the Bayard team, Simmons, who played guard, is ineligible. Simmons came to Bayard this year from Fort Collins, and it is said that he is not up in academic work and therefore not eligible. In all probability, the game will be forfeited to Alliance.

George Purdy, who was injured at the beginning of the game with Bayard, will be out of it for at least two weeks, it is said.

## ORGANIZE DRIVE FOR ROOSEVELT MEMORIAL

Prominent Box Butte County Citizens Taking Part in Campaign for Members and Funds

At a luncheon at the Alliance Cafe Tuesday evening the county organization of the Roosevelt Memorial association was completed and plans made for making a quick and short campaign, to end next Monday evening, October 27. The luncheon was attended by representatives of the Alliance newspapers and by prominent Alliance and Hemingford citizens, who pledged their services to aid in making a success of the campaign in Box Butte county to raise the quota of \$445 for the county.

Earl D. Mallory of Alliance is a member of the state committee and is taking an active part in directing the work in Box Butte county. Lloyd C. Thomas is county chairman of the association. E. L. Meyer is chairman for Alliance and G. M. Jenkins is chairman for Hemingford. Judge I. E. Tash is chairman of school work and speakers in Alliance and is taking an active part in making a success of the campaign. Supt. E. R. Wright of Hemingford is in charge of the school campaign there.

Mrs. A. J. Mallory of Alliance is in charge of the work among the women's organizations. Charles Brittan is county treasurer and all contributions of funds are to be turned in to him at the First State bank. The publicity committee consists of B. J. Sallows of the Alliance Times, George L. Burr, Jr., of The Herald and A. M. Vance of The Hemingford Ledger. Others appointed on the county committee who are taking an active part in the campaign are W. R. Harper, Supt. W. R. Pate, Marcus Frankie and Glen Miller.

The quota for Box Butte county is not large. Every person subscribing to the memorial fund, no matter how small the contribution, will be sent a certificate of membership in the Roosevelt Memorial association. The association is strictly non-partisan in character and those who believe in true Americanism are asked to join. Contributions of a dime from school children are just as welcome as larger contributions from the business or professional man or woman.

Those who are not called upon by the committee may make their contributions direct by mail or in person to any member of the committee, mentioned above, at any newspaper office or bank in the county, or at Miller's news stand.

### NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to all drivers of automobiles that the ordinance governing the use of muffler cutout, and ordinance regulating the speed of motor-driven vehicles will be strictly enforced.

O. W. REED, Chief of Police.

J. W. Reinmuth of Sidney has filed a complaint against Stormey and Arthur Vizina, brothers, which charges them with disposing of a mortgaged tractor to W. W. Norton. One of the brothers is in the hospital and the other is being held.

At an adjourned meeting of the city council, held Friday evening the bid of Smith & Chambers of Scottsbluff for sanitary sewer water extensions in the city was accepted. The total bid was \$30,000 which was the exact amount of the engineer's estimate.

## Housing Committee Appointed

At the Community Club's big mass meeting in the court house on the evening of October 15, a resolution was passed directing the chairman of the meeting—President Glen Miller of the Community Club—to appoint a committee which would draw up articles of incorporation for a \$100,000 company, the purpose of which will be to build new homes in Alliance. This steering committee will also have general charge of the campaign to raise the necessary funds and get under way.

President Miller called a special meeting of the Community Club directors the following evening in order to confer with them as to the personnel of the committee, and he has now announced its members to be as follows:

G. L. Griggs, F. A. Bald, H. A. Copey, J. W. Guthrie, M. S. Hargraves, B. J. Sallows, A. D. Rogers and F. W. Harris. By request President Miller will also serve on the committee.

The more The Herald sees of the workings of the Community Club the more thankful we are that we are located in a town which possesses such an organization. The mass meeting referred to is a typical instance. It was distinctly a Community Club affair, the call for the gathering having been issued by the officers and directors of the club. Practically every man present was a member of the commercial organization—and those who were not ought to be. It was a matter of general knowledge that the housing problem in Alliance is a serious one, and growing daily more serious, but it was not until the Community Club itself took the matter in hand in a thoroughly businesslike manner that we began to solve the problem.

Without a doubt the Community Club is Alliance's most tremendous asset. The Herald, for one, appreciates it and the work it is doing, and we are glad—mighty glad—to be numbered among its members.

## CHANCE TO VOTE ON SOLDIER MEMORIAL

But Special Legislation Probably Will Be Needed to Finance the Project

The question of voting bonds to build a memorial hall in honor of the country's soldiers will be placed on the ballot for the constitutional convention election November 4, but in all probability nothing will be determined thereby save the wishes of the voters.

County Attorney Lee Bayse, who has taken the matter up with the attorney general, a recent letter from whom reads in part as follows:

"The act fails to provide for the voting of bonds, and without such a provision that course cannot be pursued.

"The legislature in passing senate file No. 18, evidently assumed that the counties and townships, who desired to appropriate money for the purpose of erecting a memorial hall, would have plenty of funds from which the appropriation could be made. They failed to take into account the constitutional provision which limits the levies of taxes by counties to fifteen mills on the dollar.

"We know of no way by which the county can make this appropriation, except that they set apart a portion of the levy for that purpose, and if the levy made for the current year is the amount limited by the constitution, and is apportioned among the funds for carrying on the ordinary county business no appropriation for building a memorial hall can be made out of the taxes for the current year."

It is hoped that some way out of the tangle may be devised, and it is possible that a satisfactory solution may be arrived at. At any rate, the question will be voted on, those in charge of the plan state.

## GOOD WRESTLING BOUT IN PROSPECT

It is announced that a wrestling bout between Joe Stakes of Scottsbluff (160) and Green, who won one fall off A. B. Wheeler a few weeks ago, will take place in the city armory about the first of the month. A regular program, with some good prelims, is being arranged.

Another prospective bout, scheduled to take place around Thanksgiving, will be between A. B. Wheeler and Lee Scott, a husky young farmer who has been training the past few months with Pease at Ravenna.

City Manager Smith reports the purchase of a number of lighting arresters, which will be installed as soon as they arrive. They will serve to protect the plant and transformers from possible damage by an electrical bolt. Transformers are expensive these days and difficult to obtain, and the city manager believes that precautionary measures are advisable.

## GET SET TO JOIN THE TRIP TO BROADWATER

Passenger Space Will Be Reserved for Any Member Who Wants to Make Trip

From present indications the automobile trip to Broadwater and Oshkosh, which is to be made next Tuesday, October 28, under the auspices of the Alliance Community Club, will be a successful affair. It is as yet more or less uncertain how many members of the club expect to attend. When notices of the proposed event were mailed out to the members there was enclosed in each letter a postal card for reply, but a great many of these cards have not yet been returned to the office of the secretary.

Up till Thursday at noon, however, the owners of twelve automobiles have signified their intention of driving their machines, and, as all of them will have room for additional passengers, it would appear evident that a least a fair sized crowd will be in attendance. No doubt other favorable replies will be received before the 28th.

Passenger space will be provided for any member of the Community Club who would like to make the trip, but who has no car of his own, if he will make this fact known in time to the secretary at club headquarters.

## ANOTHER CASE WHERE CO-OPERATION PAID

It seems to be a fact that some of the members of the Alliance Community club take their membership quite seriously, and that the feelings they entertain toward business men of the town who refuse to affiliate with the organization are not the kindest.

On Saturday there came to Alliance an out-of-town man who wanted a minor operation performed. He confided to an Alliance friend, a member of the Community Club, that Dr. X was the man he had in mind to do the work. "What do you think of him?" inquired the out-of-town man.

"Dr. X is all right," replied the local citizen, "but I don't like him because he is one of the few men in this town who refuses to help a supporting our commercial organization. There are several capable doctors here, just as capable as he is, who belong to the organization. You will do me a favor and bring me one of them. I'll let you know their names for you."

And he did. And one of them was the job. And Dr. X lost it. He lost a fee which would have paid dues to the Community Club for a couple of years. Now and then there arises an instance which serves to prove that, even from a self-interest standpoint, it pays to be a member of the Alliance Community club.

## "OH DADDY" IS SOME MUSICAL COMEDY

Imperial Theater Secures a Tuneful Attraction for Next Monday Evening, October 27.

Kilroy-Britton's tuneful musical comedy, "Oh Daddy" will be seen at the Imperial theater on Monday evening, October 27. There can be no doubt "Oh Daddy" will prove one of the biggest musical plays to put in at this port this season. It has been praised in the most complimentary language by the New York and Chicago dramatic critics where it had a long and successful run.

The book and lyrics are by Richard C. Maddox and the music by T. H. Willhite, a pair that knows all the ins and outs of building musical comedy. Grace Manlove and Clarence Backous are at the head of the cast. "Oh Daddy" was produced originally in Atlantic City, N. J., and then taken to New York city, where it played for more than eight months after which engagements in Philadelphia, Boston and Chicago followed.

The singing and dancing features call for the services of a large chorus which has been selected with the idea that they had to sing, to dance and always look attractive.

## ALLIANCE HIGH MEETS SIDNEY TEAM FRIDAY

Business Houses Will Close During Game—The Remainder of the Schedule.

The Alliance high school football team will meet the fast Sidney aggregation at the fair grounds Friday afternoon, and a big attendance is expected. Ninety-nine per cent of the business houses of the city cheerfully signed a petition to that effect which was circulated Wednesday, and the boys will be disappointed if an enthusiastic gang of rooters does not fill the stands.

Unless all signs fail, the contest will be an exciting one from start to finish. The Sidney aggregation walloped the Sterling, Colo., eleven last Friday, which is evidence that they are not to be sniffed at. Sterling, by the way, is the hereditary enemy of Alliance high, and though they are not on the local schedule this year, much the same joy will be felt if the Sidney bunch is defeated as though Sterling itself had passed under the rod. Alliance won over Sidney last year, but the honors have been about even on the average.

According to Coach Prince, the Alliance team is fit and ready and eager for the fray. With the exception of Fullback George Purdy, who received injuries last Friday in the game with Bayard that will put him out of the running for a couple of weeks, the lineup is unimpaired. Purdy's place is being taken by Lee Strong, who is showing up well in practice. He has shown himself to be a good line plunger, and the coach is not a bit downhearted over the prospects.

Following is the lineup for the Friday game: Frank Bailey, lb; Ivan Acheson, lt; Robert Laurence and Harold Gavin, lg; Lester Beal, c; James Fowler, rg; John Donovan, rt; Clinton Brennon, re; Ray Edwards, qb; Captain Robert Lotspeltz, lb; Lee Strong, fb; Glen Joder, rb; Seth Joder and Fred Purdy, subs.

This is the third game on the season's schedule and there are five more to come. The big game of the season, and the one which the team most hopes to win, is that with North Platte on November 7. They will play Chadron Normal as a Homecoming day attraction, and the Thanksgiving day game will be with Scottsbluff at the latter city. The remaining games are:

- October 31—Hot Springs, S. D. at Springs.
- November 7—North Platte at Alliance.
- November 11—Chadron Normal at Alliance.
- November 21—Sidney at Sidney.
- November 27—Scottsbluff at Scottsbluff.

At a special meeting of the city council Friday evening a representative of the Nebraska Telephone company was present to urge the passage of an ordinance granting the company the right to use its streets and alleys for its wires and conduits for a period of twenty years. The council virtually granting a franchise to the company. For this privilege the company is to receive two telephones free of charge and the permission to use the company's poles for certain purposes. The company's old franchise expires July 26, and the company has been getting along without one since that time. The council took action under advisement.

## COMMUNITY CLUB DIRECTORS MEET

Racing Circuit Assured—Duffy Sure to Come—Booster Trip Set for October 28.

The board of directors of the Alliance Community club held their regular meeting at the club rooms on Monday evening, with the usual fried chicken dinner preceding the business meeting. There was much less new business than ordinary, the majority of the questions discussed being holdovers. Progress was reported in a number of things, however, chief among which may be listed the plan of organizing a racing circuit.

Secretary Jones, in accordance with instructions from the board, wrote letters to several neighboring cities and towns, and the replies have been sifting in the past few weeks. Every letter brought a reply, save the one addressed to Torrington, Wyo., and it is not too late for the Wyoming town to come in. Within a short time a meeting of representatives from the various towns interested will be called, which will probably take the form of a luncheon.

Another matter brought up concerned Mr. Philip Duffy, who has been reported as intending to establish a wholesale poultry house in Alliance. The club directors got in touch with him some time ago, and he decided to make the move. Later, he was reported to have changed his mind, and still later he was said to have come back to his original intention of establishing himself here. Two of the directors told of personal conversations with Mr. Duffy, who has just returned from a trip through Illinois and Iowa, and were assured that he intends to locate here, although it may be a week or two before he gets down to the actual work of getting established.

President Glen Miller announced the appointment of his committee to formulate articles of incorporation for the new housing corporation, the names of which are announced in another column on this page. It was stated that McCook and Beatrice are planning to build new hotels on a plan similar to the one that the housing corporation will adopt. Beatrice has taken no definite steps as yet, but in McCook, where a \$200,000 hotel is planned, the plan is to ask for one per cent of the subscription on demand, 9 per cent when actual construction begins and the other 90 per cent during various stages of construction. The committee to draw up the articles was slated to hold a meeting Wednesday evening, although it was not certain that all the members would be in the city.

Tuesday, October 28, was the date set for the booster trip to Oshkosh and Broadwater. Secretary Jones said that cards had been mailed out and that replies to that time had been very satisfactory. The mayors of the two towns have forwarded assurances that they will be delighted to entertain the Alliance visitors. The mayor of Oshkosh will meet the party at Broadwater on the trip and will pilot them into his city, where a meeting will be held at 2 p. m. Broadwater will be visited on the return journey and an evening meeting will be held. It is hoped that at least fifty men will arrange to make the trip. Plans are to make a start from the Community Club corner promptly at 8 a. m.

The house of representatives at Lincoln on Saturday passed a resolution introduced by Matthewson of Fillmore county opposing the league of nations as now pending in the United States senate, and calling upon Senators Hitchcock and Norris to use their efforts to defeat it. Representative Tom Briggs of Antioch, representing Box Butte and Sheridan counties, voted in favor of the resolution opposing the league. Representatives Snow of Chadron, Harbour of Scottsbluff and Purcell of Broken Bow were among those voting against the resolution.

On Saturday, October 25, one of the greatest football games ever played in the state will be played in Omaha. After considerable effort on the part of the alumni association of the University of Nebraska, arrangements were made to play one game in Omaha, and Saturday next Nebraska will meet the University of Oklahoma on the gridiron. Creighton university will play Marquette university as a preliminary, or postlude. Nebraska enthusiasts are not quite so anxious to risk real money in the Saturday game as they would have been a week or two ago, but the score will be awaited with considerable interest, nevertheless.

Louis Schwabe of Schwabe brothers, local agents for the Chandler and Hupmobile lines of autos, was in the city the last of the week on business.