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## GETTING READY FOR RACE MEET

### Rice & Dorman Carnival Will Be An Attraction—Horses Here Now or Training

The committee in charge of the Alliance race meet met at the chamber of commerce Monday evening, when further plans for the event were made and a discussion of the program held. The Rice & Dorman carnival company will supply this feature of the entertainment, and the size of the concern, which travels in twenty-five cars, insures that visitors will not be disappointed.

The carnival will be located on Fifth street. The fact that Box Butte will be closed for paving has made considerable trouble for the committee, as other locations are hard to find. Where the business prospects have been excellent, the street has not been wide enough. One suggestion made was that the company should be placed at the fair grounds, but this was held to be too far away to suit either the merchants or the crowds.

The ticket-selling will be in charge of the Boy Scouts of Alliance, and a number of downtown ticket offices will be arranged for, as well as several at the grounds. There will be no difficulty this year in securing tickets. Prices of admission were set as follows: Adults, 75 cents; grandstand, 50 cents; kids, 35 cents; quarter stretch, 50 cents. An adult is one twelve years of age or over, according to the committee's ruling. A charge of \$1.50 to \$1 will be made for automobiles, and boxes will sell for the three days at \$12.50, \$10.50 and \$9.

Ed Bishop will get out the official program for the meet, which will be sold on the grounds and elsewhere. Harling's band has been engaged for the occasion, as has Andy's Jazz orchestra.

At least seventy head of harness horses will be on hand, according to Ed Bishop, who is in charge of this feature of the meet. Assurances have been received from sixty-six at present, all of them from outside of the state, and in addition there are a number of stables nearer home that will be represented.

At present there are a number of harness horses in training at the fair grounds. John Larimore is on hand with seven, George Mollring has three, George Clark, five, and F. Shreve, two. Two running horses are already on the grounds. Jack Lewis will ship another bunch of six head from Longmont, Col., June 1. Three carloads are on the way here from Cuba, and one carload from Illinois.

Ample facilities for stabling the animals have been decided upon by the committee, who will at once begin the erection of twenty permanent stalls. If more are needed, as in all probability will be, they will be constructed.

The track has been drained so that rain will not stop the racing this year. The horses are working out at the fair grounds every day, and anyone wishing to watch them may line up at the race track.

## SHERIFF MILLER TAKES PRISONERS TO LINCOLN

Sheriff Jim Miller left Sunday for Lincoln, taking with him Charles Brown, colored, sentenced in district court last week, and John Gill, sent from Box Butte county some months ago on a charge of forgery. Gill had been brought back to testify in the Lackey murder trial, and it was a remarkably interesting story that he told, too, but the attorneys for the defense succeeded in keeping it out of the record.

Charles Brown received an indeterminate sentence of from one to five years for assault with intent to do great bodily injury on the person of Miss Willie Foster, a former sweetheart. Charles has been a regular visitor at the county jail for some three years, the length of his residence in Alliance. His name has been down on the county bastille's guest book no less than twelve times in fourteen months. He put up a remarkably ingenious story in district court, but neither the judge nor the jury were visibly impressed, the latter taking only a few short minutes to decide his fate.

Very favorable reports are coming from the different parts of the country concerning the big drive of the churches during the past few weeks. Although the reports are not yet complete, it looks as though the budgets of the different denominations would be fully subscribed.

## THE WEATHER

Forecast for Alliance and vicinity: Generally fair tonight and Wednesday; cooler tonight and in east and central portions Wednesday.

## SENIORS PRESENT THEIR "CLASS NITE" PROGRAM

The senior class of the Alliance high school will present their "Class Nite" program at the high school auditorium this evening, at which time the following program will be given:

Welcome address, Glen Joder.  
Class Poem, Madeline Zediker.  
Class Song, Leah Weaver.  
Violin solo, Helen Woods.  
Class Prophecy, Asenath Schill.  
Class History, Ruth Hawes.  
Class Will, Russell Mann.  
Class Statistics, Eva Simpson.  
Duet, LaRhea Lunn and Marjorie Stephens.

Farewell address, Ray Edwards.  
The committee in charge of the "Class Nite" festivities consists of Wray Rominger, LaRhea Lunn, Mildred Abegg and Eva Simpson.

## HARVEY TO OPEN NEW RESTAURANT

### Former Owner of Silver Grill Purchases Vaughn Building—Opens Next Month.

J. C. Harvey, formerly owner of the Silver Grill, has purchased the building now occupied by Vaughn & Son and the Nebraska Land company and will open a new restaurant about the fifteenth of June. Mr. Harvey will spend some \$20,000 in fixing up the place, and when completed will have one of the finest eating houses in this section of the state. The building will be remodeled and redecorated, and new furniture and fixtures will be installed. Among other improvements planned is a new front. A conveyor for dishes will also be installed.

The older Alliance settlers will remember Mr. Harvey and his reputation for dishing out high class food, and will welcome his return to the city. The building, service and food will be the best possible. Mr. Harvey has promised, and those who know him are confident that he will deliver the goods. The new restaurant will seat only eighty people, but it will "seat 'em right," and is assured of a good patronage from the start.

## MANY CASES SETTLED IN DISTRICT COURT

A number of cases were disposed of in court last week, Judge Westover relieving Judge Bayard H. Paine of Grand Island, who left for Theford Saturday night to open court in that place. On account of the washouts along the line, Judge Westover was unable to reach here so decided to continue the term of court.

Among other decisions were the following of interest to local people:

In the case of John Haggerty vs. M. H. Haggerty wherein the plaintiff made a claim of \$34,400 against the estate of his father, the sum of \$1.00 was awarded in place of the original amount. Mary L. Riordan was allowed a claim of \$3,000 against the estate.

The case of John Fought (for forgery) was continued over, as was also the case of the late vs. Zediker, the latter furnishing \$1,000 bond.

Charles Brown, colored, was sentenced to from one to five years.

In the case of Amos Meeker vs. Lincoln Lowry, the verdict was in favor of the former.

A divorce was granted to Henry Fritchell and Lillian Fritchell. Also to Jesse W. Lynn and Nela Lynn, and Fred E. Chase and Fannie N. Chase.

Judge L. A. Berry secured judgment against the county for \$121.45, the balance owed him at the time of his leaving office.

In the case of Ruth Parker vs. Ami Parker, absolute divorce was granted and custody of the minor children awarded to plaintiff.

The case of Powell vs. Lena Bradley was settled out of court.

Willa M. Mullane and Benjamin Mullane were granted absolute divorce and the custody of the three oldest children was given to the latter.

Charles L. McFall (familiarily known as Lee McFall) was granted a divorce from Vergie I. McFall and given custody of the minor children.

## PAVING WORK TO START NEXT WEEK

### Machinery to Be Shipped Friday and Grading Will Begin on Its Arrival.

Contractor Sprague & Nicely, of Beatrice, who have the contract for the Alliance paving, was in the city Tuesday and announced that machinery for the work here would be shipped Friday of this week. This means, barring undue delay, that it will be on hand some time next week, and the men will be on the ground ready to begin grading as soon as the streets get into condition.

Mr. Sprague blames the weather for the slowness in making a start. He says that the company has had men ready for the Alliance contract since early in March, but that the snows and the rains made it impossible. Alliance is not the only city that has met with this kind of disappointment this spring. This is not the only place where there has been an undue amount of moisture.

"We couldn't work if we had the men and machinery here now," Mr. Sprague declared, "but before another week we hope to have the dirt drying. I've lived in Nebraska for a good many years, and this is the wettest spring I ever saw in this part of the state."

Mr. Sprague also gave the pleasing news that there will be plenty of brick available for the Alliance paving. A week or so ago the alarm was spread that brick concerns were not accepting orders for delivery before September, which, if true, would mean that we would have our streets torn up for a couple of years. It seems, however, either that the report was false or that Alliance got in under the wire.

W. R. Harper's unional contest is arousing a good deal of interest this week. One window of his store is piled high with unionals, and anyone is at liberty to register a guess on the number of suits in the pile. Women as well as men should be interested in a contest of this kind, for, if our memory doesn't fail us, unionalls are the official uniform for spring gardening. We remember distinctly of seeing large droves of female farmerettes so garbed, and the effect wasn't in the least displeasing. At any rate, here's a chance to pick up a most serviceable garment if your judgment is good. There is no admission fee, as the churches say.

## WOMEN VOTERS TO ATTEND SCHOOL

### Three Sessions to Be Held at Baptist Church Thursday—Mass Meeting in Evening.

On Thursday, May 20, at the Baptist church, a citizenship school for women, consisting of three sessions, will be held, beginning at 10 a. m. Miss Margaret Schaffner of Chicago will be the principal speaker. The complete program follows:

Morning Session.  
Song service ..... 10 a. m.  
Devotionals ..... Mrs. S. J. Epler  
Introduction of Speaker .....  
..... Mrs. G. L. Fernald  
Address ..... Miss Schaffner  
Adjournment for noon luncheon.

Afternoon Session.  
Song service ..... 2 p. m.  
Devotionals ..... Mrs. J. W. Reed  
Instruction, Miss Margaret Schaffner

Evening Session.  
Community Sing ..... 7:30 to 8 p. m.  
Prayer ..... Rev. Mearle C. Smith  
Review and discussion of possible changes of the constitutional amendments ..... Miss Schaffner  
Benediction ..... Rev. A. J. Kearns  
Miss Schaffner will instruct the women on "Growth of the Woman Movement in the United States", "Our Government, the Home of the State", "The State Legislature and Its Work", and other interesting topics during the day.

The evening session will be a mass meeting for both men and women, with Judge I. E. Tash as chairman. These meetings are reported to be a great success over the state and it is hoped the people of Alliance will avail themselves of the opportunity to receive help and instruction on these important topics. Come prepared to take part by asking questions.

Those who can arrange to be present during the noon hour phone Mrs. Charles Henry or Mrs. W. E. Cutts, chairmen of the luncheon committee, for particulars concerning lunch.

## DEMOCRATS HOLD A CONVENTION

### Condemn Action of Republican Majority in Senate—Strong Endorsement of Hitchcock.

The democratic county convention was held at the court house in Alliance last Saturday afternoon. The session was a brief one, the delegates electing J. C. Morrow, H. E. Gantz and William Mitchell as delegates to the state convention, which met in Omaha this morning. It is probable that not all of these will attend, but Box Butte county will be represented at the meeting by at least one delegate.

The convention adopted resolutions pointing with pride to the administration of President Wilson, strongly condemning the action of the republican majority in the senate in delaying ratification of the peace treaty, and approving the course of Senator Hitchcock in the senate and endorsing his candidacy for president. The resolution read as follows:

"The democracy of Box Butte county, in convention assembled, again renews its allegiance to the party of Jefferson, Jackson and Wilson.

"We point with pride to the achievements of our party during the administration of that matchless statesman, Woodrow Wilson.

"The stupendous tasks undertaken and efficiently accomplished during the worst war in the history of the world stand out as the marvel of history. In striking contrast is this record with the gross negligence, graft and incompetency of the republican administration during the war with Spain.

"We condemn in unmeasured terms the opposition of the republican majority in the senate to opposing the peace treaty. Never in all history was a more brutal and uncalled for assault made upon a president and the representatives of a country at a peace conference. Woodrow Wilson, the seer and constructive statesman at that conference, won for the world the greatest step yet taken for the peace and happiness of the world. But the small-bore leaders and politicians of the republican majority in the senate, jealous of his achievement, resentful of his leadership and clamoring for political advantage through appeals to the prejudice of certain classes, prevented the accomplishment of this great work and leave us disgraced as a nation before the eyes of the world, unable to end the war.

"We call upon all good citizens who place patriotism above party and the peace of the world above political advantage, to rebuke with their votes the leadership of the republican senate and stand for honesty in government, purity in national affairs and for the progressive principles guaranteeing the peace of the world.

"We approve of the course of Senator Hitchcock in the United States senate. His fight for the treaty and in the support of the president was magnificent. We believe he is the logical candidate for the office of president of the United States and we hereby instruct our delegates to the state convention at Omaha May 18 to support a resolution demanding that the Nebraska delegation use every honorable means to secure his nomination.

Former Governor Ashton C. Shallenberger of Alma will act as temporary chairman of the state democratic convention at Omaha and will deliver the keynote address.

Mr. Shallenberger, who was elected April 20 as one of the democratic delegates-at-large to the party's national convention at San Francisco, was selected for the temporary chairmanship of the state convention at a meeting of the state executive committee recently held.

Whether any efforts will be made to put into the state platform a plank favoring beer and light wines is a question that may be decided at the convention, according to reports that have been current for some time. Charles W. Bryan of Lincoln, brother of William Jennings Bryan, will attend the convention as chairman of the Lancaster county delegation, and has indicated that any action favoring a modification of the state or federal prohibition law would be opposed by Mr. Bryan's political supporters.

Selection of a new state central committee, the naming of the party's presidential electors, and the adoption of a platform, are matters to be disposed of by the delegates.

Electors, under Nebraska law, are first chosen in this way. Afterward

the governor designates as members of the state's electoral college, the men selected by which every party is successful in carrying the state for its presidential candidate in the general election.

## PENMANSHIP AWARDS AT CENTRAL AND EMERSON

The following is a report of all penmanship awards earned by the pupils of Central and Emerson schools during the school year 1919-1920:

Silver Star buttons.....141  
Gold Star buttons.....139  
Palmer Method buttons.....126  
Progress Pins.....128  
Improvement certificates.....83  
Students' final certificates.....13

Total.....630

Those who earned the students' final certificates this year are: Alice Jesse, Geraldine Brenaman, Ollie Slaughter, Lilla Graham, Mildred Pate, Esther Vanderlas, John A. Weaver, Valentine Lawrence, Anna Keiser, Leota Whisman, Phyllis Thompson, Margaret Bradley, Caroline Drewel.

## RAILROADS RETURN TO A WAR BASIS

### Shipments to Be on a Priority Basis In Order to Relieve Congestion

War-time regulations, governing the operation of all the railroads of the country, are to be put into effect before the end of the week, according to late press dispatches.

At a meeting to be held Wednesday between the railway executives and the interstate commerce commission, the best means of placing the transportation systems under temporary government control are to be discussed. Immediately thereafter the commission will make public its plan, to which the railway executives already have pledged their co-operation.

These facts were learned from a high official of the interstate commerce commission.

Under the new railway law, the interstate commerce commission will this week put into effect the following extreme control measures made necessary by the car shortage and requested by the railroads themselves in a petition received by the commission Saturday.

- 1—Priorities on shipments of necessities.
- 2—Export embargoes to conserve food and fuel.
- 3—Diversion of traffic wherever necessary.
- 4—Joint use of terminals and interchange of equipment.

## DATES ANNOUNCED FOR CHAUTAUQUA

July 5 to 10 are the dates set for the Alliance chautauqua, and the programs for the event have been received. The Standard system has framed an attractive program for the six days, and there is a headliner practically every day of the session.

The program includes the Lindsay-Frost company, clever entertainers who give sketches, trtos, solos and readings; Ned Woodman, cartoonist, entertainer and humorist; the Spanish Girls' orchestra; Mrs. A. C. Zehner, noted southern orator; Cheney Concert company; Arthur K. Peck in travelogue; the famous Czech-Slovak band; the Lyric male quartet; Dr. Paul W. Ivey, business specialist and community expert; John Temple Graves; and the Wales Chautauqua players in a three-act comedy, "Rejuvenation."

## CITIZENS ASKED TO CONSERVE CURRENT

Alliance citizens are requested by the city authorities to conserve electric current as much as possible until the railway situation is normal. The washouts on the Crawford-Edgemont lines have tied up freight traffic and the city's supply of coal for its power and light plant is not so large as it ought to be. During the emergency the Burlington authorities have been lending coal to the city, and with a little conservation, it will be possible to get through the emergency without adopting any restrictions.

The street lighting has been cut down materially during the past few days, and were it not for the muddy condition of the crossings, would have been dispensed with temporarily.

## MRS. DAVIS HEADS EASTERN STAR

### Receives Overwhelming Majority on First Ballot Taken at Grand Chapter at Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. George Davis, Mrs. A. S. Mote, Mrs. B. Ponath and Mrs. Jay Walker attended the grand chapter of the Eastern Star held at Lincoln May 11, 12 and 13. They report a most interesting meeting. Mrs. George Davis was honored by being elected to the office of grand matron of Nebraska on the first ballot by an overwhelming majority.

Governor McKelvie was present at the Tuesday evening session and addressed the assembly. Later in the evening Governor and Mrs. McKelvie attended the reception. Bess Gearhart Morrison gave several readings. The reception and the sessions were both held in the Scottish Rite cathedral. Six hundred delegates attended the chapter, besides many guests, which brought the attendance up to between 1,300 and 1,400.

James E. Bednar of South Omaha was elected grand patron. The next grand chapter will be held at North Platte.

One bad feature of the tie-up was the effect on stock in transit. Since Monday morning, sixty-nine head of cattle have died in the local yards, which are still deep with mud. The heavy rains made it impossible for the cattle to lie down, and some of the weaker one have been dying. At the stockyards it was reported that the number will probably be considerably increased before the stock trains are moving again.

## MAKING PROGRESS IN TRACK REPAIR

### Repair Crew Expects to Get Through to Edgemont Some Time Today

Repair crews for the Burlington expect some time today to restore communication to Edgemont following a washout which has tied up traffic on the Crawford-Edgemont line for the better part of a week. The crew reported this morning that they had reached Ardmore, S. D., and the news of getting through to Edgemont is expected to come in at almost any time. Practically eleven miles of track were washed out in spots between Edgemont and Crawford.

A large number of passengers have been stalled in Alliance awaiting the time when trains would again be running.

## WRESTLING PICTURES AT THE IMPERIAL MONDAY

A rare treat is promised the wrestling fans next Monday evening, when the moving pictures of the match for the world's championship between Stecher and Caddock, held at the Madison Square Garden, New York, last January, will be shown at the Imperial. These pictures come direct from the first showing at the George M. Cohan theater, New York city, where the sport lovers fairly went wild over them.

A good-sized fortune was spent upon the taking of these pictures. Ernie Holmes was put to an expense of \$25,000 to secure them. The Stecher-Caddock bout is considered to have been the most spectacular as well as the most scientific wrestling battle that has been fought since the sport was young. There will undoubtedly be a big crowd of fans present at the showing of these films which will be here but one day.

The ladies have been issued a special invitation to be present. A special two-reel comedy will complete a record bill.

Joe Smith has just received the best billiard table in use this side of Grand Island. It is an \$800 piece of furniture, and is the best that can be purchased. The new table is made full size, five by ten feet, and possesses two more legs than the ordinary table. The table top is made of a slab of slate one and one-eighths thick. Ninety-nine out of a hundred billiard tables in this territory are not full size, but this is the regulation article, and those who pride themselves on their ability to hit the ball with the proper amount of English will have an opportunity to see what they can do on a table that is made for playing championship games. Those who are still in the amateur class will welcome the opportunity to practice up.