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ELKS CONVENTION OPENS TOMORROW

Grand Exalted Ruler Will Arrive Wednesday—Special Meeting Tonight

The state convention of Elks will convene tomorrow morning at 9:15 o'clock, when hundreds of visiting delegates and members of Alliance lodge will gather for a business session. H. E. Gants of Alliance, deputy grand exalted ruler, will make the address of welcome, and the response will be made by Frank Green of Lincoln.

Grand Exalted Ruler Frank L. Rain, who originally planned to be present on the second day of the session, will arrive on No. 41 Wednesday morning, and his address will be the feature of the first session. Earl D. Mallery will make the presentation speech. Mr. Rain will leave Wednesday evening on No. 42.

Arrangements have been made to have a big reception committee meet all trains. The grand exalted ruler will arrive on No. 41 Wednesday morning, and in addition to the reception committee, a band will greet the chief officer of the order. Distinguishing hats have been provided for members of the reception committee, but every member of the Alliance lodge is an ex-officio reception committee all by himself.

Special Meeting Tonight

All Elks interested in the success of the convention—and this includes every member of Alliance lodge—are asked to meet at the lodge home this evening for a special session, at which the final details for the reception and entertainment of the visitors will be perfected.

Everything is now in readiness for the arrival of the delegates. The city has been decorated, the program and entertainment features planned, and there will not be more than ten minutes' lost time during the two-day session. The Elks home will be open day and night during the convention and race meet, but admittance will be by paid-up membership card only, all visitors' permits having been revoked temporarily.

Program of Convention

The visitors will begin arriving this evening. The first event on the two-day program is a parade of all Elks, headed by a thirty-piece band, which will start from the Elks lodge at 8:30 a. m. The business session will follow the parade. The grand exalted ruler will make an address following the address of welcome and response, after which the Grand Island lodge will put on the initiation ceremony. In the afternoon the delegates will attend the races. In the evening, there will be a banquet at the armory, followed by a grand ball at the Elks club.

Thursday morning, there will be a second business session. Officers will be elected and the next convention city selected. A round-table discussion, "Good of the Order," will follow. The afternoon will be spent at the races. At 7:30 p. m. there will be a concert by the Omaha saxophone orchestra. At 8:30 comes the big boxing program, and at 10 p. m. a smoker and vaudeville at the club rooms.

TRIP TO ALLIANCE BY THE AIR ROUTE

Aviator Bob Copey, brother of Dr. H. A. Copey of this city, arrived in Alliance shortly after noon today in his big aeroplane, with Jay Walker accompanying him as passenger. The start was made yesterday afternoon, but the weather being poor, the pilot decided to remain overnight at his brother's ranch, near Broken Bow.

The machine averaged a mile a minute in traveling time. The air currents bothered considerably, a descent at Bingham being necessary. This was the biggest difficulty of the trip, as the machine made a forced landing and the spot was too small to permit a ready ascent.

Mr. Copey will remain in Alliance during the week, and it is possible that some exhibition flights may be made. Another air machine arrived about 10:30 from Julesburg, Col. A third machine will be here some time today or tomorrow from Grand Island.

Miss Avis Joder, deputy county clerk, is taking a two weeks' vacation. The first week will be spent at home, and next week she will go to North Platte to visit a brother.

K. L. Pierce and wife of Hemingford spent Sunday in Alliance.

WELCOME, B. P. O. ELKS

THE WEATHER

For Alliance and vicinity: Partly cloudy tonight and Wednesday; probably showers southwest portion; warmer west portion tonight.

TRAINS DELAYED WHEN ENGINE TURNS OVER

The engine drawing passenger train No. 141 turned over Monday afternoon six miles from Deadwood. The baggage and mail cars were derailed. No one was injured and the cars were not particularly damaged. The traffic was interrupted only a short time.

WAS THERE BOOZE CAR ON SHRINERS' SPECIAL

The Shriners' special train that passed through Alliance last Friday on its way to the convention at Portland was the cause of several hours' anxiety on the part of Omaha police who are said to have a nose for booze and who rather pride themselves on beating Gus Hyers to it. The report is out that one car on this special was loaded with alcoholic beverages, but no Alliance Shriner came forth smacking his lips. Here's the story of the search, as told by the Bee:

The police Thursday conducted an unsuccessful search for a carload of liquor which is said to have been a part of the special train which left Omaha Thursday night conveying 250 Omaha Shriners to Portland, Ore., it was revealed last night.

Tips that the Shriners would be well equipped with a sufficient quantity of the forbidden beverage to moisten their throats on the long journey were received by Police Commissioner Ringer Thursday forenoon.

The train was not scheduled to leave until Thursday night, but Police Officer Hans Boegh was detailed to the station at 1 p. m. by Police Inspector Pattullo and ordered to remain until the train left, it is said.

During the afternoon the car which is said to have contained the liquor was switched about in the railroad yards and was not found by Boegh, according to the police. About the time that the train was scheduled to leave the station, no liquor having been found, Police Officers C. A. Jensen, F. S. Aughe and S. E. Brown were sent to the station to conduct a more thorough search. The train left promptly at 10:05 and the officers did not arrive at the station until the train was well on its way to Portland.

WRESTLING MATCH A BIG ATTRACTION

One of the biggest attractions scheduled for race meet week in Alliance is the wrestling match for the welterweight championship of the world. Jack Reynolds of Cedar Rapids, Ia., will meet Pete Busukos of San Francisco, in a finish match that will be a delight to lovers of the mat game. These men have met twice before and each has a victory to his credit, so it will be a hard fought match. In addition to the purses, a thousand dollar championship belt goes to the winner. There will be two good preliminaries.

The match will be pulled off at the roof garden on the evening of Friday, June 25. The seats have been reduced in price to \$3, \$2 and \$1. A special invitation has been issued to ladies to attend.

W. R. HARPER ATTENDS COMMITTEE SESSION

W. R. Harper returned from Lincoln Tuesday morning where he had been in attendance at a meeting of the republican state central committee. C. A. McCloud of York, was elected state chairman and the members of the committee have arranged to have a member of the executive committee appointed from each congressional district. Mr. Harper will probably receive the honor from this district.

The Alliance race meet and the Elks convention have attracted a good deal of favorable attention in the eastern part of the state. Mr. Harper discovered, and he predicts a record crowd for the next 3 days.

GIRLS FIND STOCK OF BOTTLED BOOZE

Eight Sacks of Contraband Liquor Discovered Hidden Under Wild Rose Bushes

Unless all indications fail, there'll be no drouth in Alliance this week. With the big crowds in the city for the race meet, there will be a harvest for the fellows who wisely purchased big stocks before the Great Dry Spell and have buried them out in the sandhills in places of which the coyotes alone wot. These hot days, with dust from the race track in the throat, will give many a man who has been on the water wagon for years a thirst that water, pop and Bevo will not satisfy.

Last Friday afternoon, four young girls were walking along a road a couple of miles south of Alliance, picking wild flowers. The wild rose bushes are plentiful along that road. Anybody can see them. These girls had picked an armful or two, when their eyes discerned no less than eight gunnysacks concealed behind a long row of wild rose bushes. Girls, like men, are curious. They kicked the sacks, and heard the sound of glass. One of them, more curious than the rest, opened a sack—and there were bottles and bottles of booze, with the virgin clay still clinging to the bottles. Eight gunnysacks—a small fortune.

The girls, not fully realizing the value of their find, waved their arms wildly to some men in a nearby field. The men, fearing that a wild garter snake was attacking them, rushed toward them. The girls were several hundred rods away. Had the men been nearer, this tale might have been different.

Far, rushing down the road, come two large automobiles. The side curtains were up. The automobiles came straight to the rose bushes and the girls. Two men alighted from the cars, claimed the sacks, and without awaiting permission—they killed no time, for they could see the men from the field nearby coming toward the spot—loaded those sacks into the automobiles, which drove away, merrily tooting their horns just as the three men from the field arrived at the spot. Their tongues were hanging out from their exertions, but there was no reward. Gone were the automobiles, the men and the evidence. Only the wild rose bushes and the girls remained. It was a long walk back to the field.

EQUALIZATION BOARD ADJOURNS TO JULY 6

The Box Butte county board of equalization, which met at the court house from Tuesday to Friday of last week, after hearing a number of complaints and requests for changes in the assessment rolls, adjourned to July 6, when a final session will be held. So far, the complaints which have come in are of small importance. No large reductions have been asked for.

It has been suggested that complainants who wish changes made on the books should apply first to their precinct or county assessor. The board of equalization stands as a sort of a higher court. In a number of instances the complaints which have come up could have been adjusted without bringing them before the board. No changes will be made until the precinct or county assessor has been consulted, therefore taxpayers can save their own time and that of the board by governing themselves as suggested.

According to County Assessor Keegan, indications are that the real estate valuation this year will be about 25 per cent higher than the last assessment. Personal property will doubtless show a loss from last year. There is less ready money for taxation, and livestock of all kinds is worth less money. A good share of the money has been invested in land.

Frank Reed, who has been with the Forest Lumber Company of this city for some time, has been made manager of the company's yards at Berea, and will leave shortly to take up the duties of his new position. The former manager at Berea has accepted a position in Colorado.

CAPTURED AFTER A LENGTHY CHASE

Ed Mitchell, After Being Released Twice, Finally Nabbed at Harrison.

Ed Mitchell of Hemingford received a fine of \$50 and costs in county court by Judge Ira E. Tash late Monday afternoon, following a plea of guilty to a charge of intoxication. The costs in this case ran considerably higher than the fine, the amount being \$65.90. As to the excessive costs, thereby hangs a tale.

Thursday evening, according to the deputy sheriff, Mitchell entered the Drury pool hall at Hemingford. He was lit up, and carried a large shotgun. After an argument in which the shotgun figured prominently, although it was not used, the pool hall proprietors jumped into their automobile and came to Alliance, where a warrant for Mitchell's arrest was issued. Sheriff Miller proceeded to Hemingford.

The sheriff searched Mitchell's house Friday morning. During the search, Mitchell escaped out of the rear entrance and proceeded to make a getaway by the automobile route. The alarm was spread by telephone. The officers at Crawford placed Mitchell under arrest, but were convinced that they had the wrong man and let him go. Again, at Harrison, the officers thought he answered the description, but released him after some questioning. Later, however, they saw his car headed for the Wyoming border and caught up with him exactly forty rods this side of the state line.

Sheriff Miller brought Mitchell to Alliance Saturday night, and he was allowed to remain in the county bastille until Monday evening, when the trial was held. Mitchell pleaded guilty, and the fine and costs were paid by his friends. A number of Hemingford citizens were present during the proceedings.

ROOF GARDEN OPENING DRAWS LARGE CROWDS

The public opening of the Lowry & Henry roof garden, held last Saturday evening, drew immense crowds. Practically everybody in Alliance, as well as hundreds of people from the surrounding country, went through the big garage and ended up their inspection tour on the roof, where the Wiker orchestra furnished music for hundreds to dance. From two to three hundred couples were on the floor most of the time from 9 to 12. A light rain early in the evening didn't keep many away.

The twenty-two numbers on the dance program were given titles appropriate to the occasion, some of them being as follows: "Self Starter—See 'Em Go," "If It Rains, Put the Top Up," "With a Flat Tire," "Big crowd now—is your steering gear working?" "When windy we furnish windshields to dancers," "Spark plugs work fine in moonlight," "Cut-out that Shimmy" and "Throw her in high." There was one dance—No. 13,—which was ladies' choice.

The Cole-McElroy jazz band has been secured for this week, and dances will be given nightly when the roof garden is not engaged for the boxing and wrestling match. Beginning Sunday, open air union church services will be held Sunday evenings at the garden.

DELEGATES TO STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL MEET

The following were the delegates to the Nebraska state Sunday school convention, which met at Scottsbluff Thursday, Friday and Saturday of last week:

Baptist church: Mr. and Mrs. Allen Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wright, Mrs. H. U. Carpenter and Mr. F. D. Mitchell.

Methodist church: Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Drake, Mrs. A. T. Lunn and Mrs. A. P. Brown.

Christian church: Rev. and Mrs. Epler and daughter Irene, Mrs. Jennie Reed and Mrs. Tom Miskiman.

Jacob Gompert, one of the substantial citizens of Mitchell, Neb., is in St. Joseph hospital where he was operated on last Saturday for appendicitis. Nine years ago Mr. Gompert was injured while driving a mowing machine. The team became frightened and ran away, throwing him in front of the sickle and severed both legs completely below the knees. He was forced to crawl more than a mile and it was three hours before any aid came to him. He was taken to a hospital and operated on and came out alright. Dr. Slagle states that his present operation is very successful and he is making a good recovery.

WILMER T. ANDERSON DRAWS A \$50 FINE

Wilmer T. Anderson was fined \$50 and costs in county court last Friday afternoon on a charge of assault and battery, the complaining witness being Mrs. Lottie Crow, 128 Missouri avenue. Anderson pleaded guilty, but the court permitted both the defendant and the complaining witness to tell their story, so that he could arrive at a fair idea of how stiff a fine should be imposed.

The story ran something like this: Anderson's wife has taken her baby and left some two or three times. Each time Anderson has been able to persuade her to return. On the last occasion, however, he has been unsuccessful. Mrs. Anderson has returned to the home of her brother, Mr. Crow. Anderson somehow conceived the idea that Mrs. Crow has been keeping them apart, although the latter denies that there is anything to this theory, and Anderson's wife says she came to the conclusion not to return without any assistance.

A few days ago, the defendant attended the revival meetings and became converted. He conceived the plan of taking the revivalist and his wife up to the Crow home to plead his case for him. They were unsuccessful. Mrs. Crow explained then that Mrs. Anderson had made up her mind not to return and intimated that Anderson's visits were becoming not only too frequent, but too pestiferous. Anderson remarked that if she didn't keep her nose out of his affairs, he'd bust her over the head.

"Tyler," Mrs. Crow said sweetly, "that isn't very elegant language for a man who has recently been sayed to use."

"Lottie," Tyler came back, "it's none of your business how I talk."

And with those words, Mr. Anderson let her have it. His blow landed on Mrs. Anderson's left eye, which was sufficiently discolored to become Exhibit A in the case. Mr. Anderson followed up this blow with one that took her on the side of the head, cutting the scalp. Mrs. Crow then ran out the back door, and neighbors, hearing the news, called the police. Mr. Anderson fled, but was overhauled.

LEWIS P. JOHNSON ESTATE PROBATED

County Judge Ira E. Tash had rather a difficult problem put up to him in probating the estate of Lewis P. Johnson Saturday afternoon. One claim presented was that of F. P. Garvin for \$612. Mr. Garvin had been a partner with Mr. Johnson in the Silver Grill, later purchasing his interests from the estate. The claim arose from the fact that at a time shortly before his death, Mr. Johnson had drawn \$408 from the funds of the partnership to make a payment on some land purchased of T. J. O'Keefe. The check was introduced in evidence and identified by Mr. O'Keefe.

Some doubt was expressed by the court, and the attorneys for both the estate and Mr. Garvin as to how this \$408 could have grown into \$612. It developed into a regular facer. Mr. Garvin explained that after his partner had drawn the \$408, half of which was his, the bank had notified him that the account was overdrawn and he had deposited over \$400 to even things up.

Later it was shown that Mr. Johnson had drawn a personal check to cover the amount borrowed, but had told Mr. Garvin nothing of it. The claim was withdrawn.

ALL SET FOR THE BIG BOXING BOUT

Fight Bugs Are Due for a Treat Thursday Evening at Roof Garden

The boxing bugs of Alliance will get their first glimpse of Johnny Griffiths Wednesday. The battlers will pack their grips this afternoon for the big fistic show Thursday. Tonight's rattlers are carrying Johnny Griffiths and Navy Rostan towards the scene of battle. Both men will loosen up at the Elks gymnasium Wednesday with local boys. Thursday is the day of rest as the boxers will save all their energy that day for the stiff program of the evening.

The original program carried four bouts as it was necessary to shorten the time in every way possible. In the curtain raiser we now have an eight-round exhibition between Texas Tommy in this corner and Cyclone Johnson of Denver. This bout has aroused considerable local interest and all the followers of the mighty Texan have staked the family jewels, the Henyards, callopers, 'n everything on the local boy. Texas has shown much class in his recent workouts and the latest rumor we have is that nets will be stretched over Box Beauty avenue to catch the fleeing Cyclone.

Johnny Kinney, the chairman of the Denver Elks entertainment committee, reports his boy, George Manley, in the old proverbial pink. George Manley has everything a champion should have. His left hand is the fastest that the writer has ever seen a big fellow carry. There are lots of little fellows with a sweet left-but when this boy Manley steps out in the old top ring class there will be a lot of the good middleweights much surprised at his effort—and he can sock with it too. There are many flashy fellows who can't break a pane of glass, but this Manley has some punch.

Jimmy Hayes of Kansas City, invaded Denver last winter and upset all the dope dolls when he stepped out and copped the Denver Athletic club championship in the middleweight class. Hayes and Manley both claim the middleweight championship of Colorado and they are going to fight it out right here in Nebraska.

Very many things may be said about Griffiths but they seem so unnecessary when we say that Johnny Tillman wanted three thousand snacks to enter into difficulty with him we say nearly enough. The Jersey City club has offered Britton a lousy ten thousand to tangle with Griffiths during July. If you could hear the silent one, Tommy Walsh, explode about Griffiths, you would be convinced that Griffiths could lick a ring full of Brittons, Tillmans, Dempseys and Carpenters. Moasie Deschamps has come through with the modest offer of eighty million francs for Griffiths to fight three famous European boxers. Griffiths found plenty of soft pickings on his last trip, stopping six opponents in eight rounds. Walsh thinks Navy Rostan the toughest bird in the welter class today and moaned loudly and long when the local club wanted to stretch the argument two notches.

Rostan who comes here with less international prestige is by no means a slouch. Three weeks ago he handed K. O. Laughlin, the tough middleweight, a lacing Ten days, later the same Laughlin boxed Griffiths even. Rostan stopped Art Magirl before Magirl could get under way. Rostan has been a stumbling block for many ambitious boxers the past year. We are going to stick with "Navy." He was a good citizen during the late war and the navy made a great fighter out of him in return. Ritchie Mitchell, the crack Milwaukee lightweight recommends Rostan most highly and Ritchie knows his stuff about boxers.

Those who turn out Thursday will see a fight they can never forget and we advise you to get there for the first bell. Action is going to be the word and Abe Pollack is going to keep the boys hustling every second. In order that the crowd may be seated properly a large and competent staff of ushers have been appointed. The doors of the roof garden will be open at 7, the first bout is on at 7:45.

BIRTHS

Antioch, June 12—Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Lowe, a son.

Monday, June 21—Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Jones, a son.

Sunday, June 20—So Mr. and Mrs. David Purinton, a son.

Lakeside, June 4—To Mr. and Mrs. Dan Thompson, a son.