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## 4,000 ACRES ARE RESTORED TO ENTRY

Patents to Portion of Eldred Ranch Cancelled By Court Decree—Many Inquiries

Following a decision rendered by the federal court at St. Louis in April, 1919, the United States government has restored to entry under the Kincaid act over 4,000 acres of land in Garden county, a portion of the Everett Eldred ranch, the largest in the state. Another section of land in Morrill county, which has also been the subject of federal litigation, will be thrown open to entry.

Ever since the decision of the court, there have been a flood of inquiries pouring into the local land office, and the prospects are that when the drawing takes place, there will be several thousand entries. Under the Kincaid act, entry may be made on 640 acres. Returned soldiers will have the preference. Conflicting applications will be disposed of by lot. The deposit with the application amounts to but \$14, and this amount will be refunded to the unsuccessful.

The Eldred case was a hard fought one. The government brought suit against the ranchman to cancel the patents on about 4,000 acres of land in Deuel county (now Garden county) on the ground that they had been secured by unlawful means. Mr. Allen prosecuted the action in the federal court at Omaha and Judge Woodruff held for the government. Eldred then appealed to the higher court and it has been pending there for some time.

Evidence submitted by the government showed that the ranchman had induced certain old soldiers of eastern Nebraska to take Kincaid homesteads in Deuel county on the promise to pay all of their expenses and to give each one \$500 when they had proved up on their claims, on condition that they deed them to him. The veterans had served three years and a half in the civil war, and under the United States land laws the time of their service period would be deducted from the period of five years on which they must remain on the land to secure the patent or title. It was further shown that this agreement was carried out and Eldred received patents to the homesteads and was in possession of the land when the government brought its suit against him. Eldred alleged that the transactions were legitimate and that he had carried out his agreement with the old soldiers in every respect. The case was stubbornly fought, the ranchman employing well known lawyers to represent him.

The following lands in the Eldred ranch in Garden county will be subject to entry:

No. 1—Of Samuel Richards for the NE $\frac{1}{4}$  and the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 2, and the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  and N $\frac{1}{2}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$  and N $\frac{1}{2}$  NE $\frac{1}{4}$  and SE $\frac{1}{4}$  NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 8, and the W $\frac{1}{2}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 9, all of T. 20 N., R. 44 W., containing 640 acres.

No. 2—Of Anson H. Bowdish for the N $\frac{1}{2}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$  and the SE $\frac{1}{4}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 2, and the N $\frac{1}{2}$  NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 10, and the N $\frac{1}{2}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$  and the N $\frac{1}{2}$  NE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 11, and the N $\frac{1}{2}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$  and the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 12, all in T. 20 N., R. 40 W., containing 680 acres.

No. 3—Of William F. Clark for the S $\frac{1}{2}$  NE $\frac{1}{4}$  and the S $\frac{1}{2}$  NW $\frac{1}{4}$  and the N $\frac{1}{2}$  SW $\frac{1}{4}$  and NE $\frac{1}{4}$  SE $\frac{1}{4}$  and lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, all in Sec. 3. (Continued on page four.)

## B. R. C. OF A. TEAM DEFEATS SENECA

The Seneca Sluggers went to glorious defeat at the hands of the Alliance B. R. C. of A. team Sunday afternoon. The margin was narrow, the score being 6 to 5, the game running eleven innings.

McLaren and Jolliff composed the Alliance battery, and Misclevits and Thorpe were the Seneca lineup. Harding umpired.

Following are the statistics for the game:

	B. R. C.	Seneca	of A.
Earned runs	6	5	
Two-base hits	2	2	
Three-base hits	1	1	
Home runs	0	1	
Passed balls	3	1	
Wild pitches	1	1	
Bases on balls	4	2	
Bases on hit by pitched balls	1	2	
Struck out	3	5	
Left on bases	6	9	
Double plays	2	2	
Stolen bases	3	5	

## THE WEATHER

Alliance and vicinity: Fair warmer extreme west portion Tuesday unsettled.

## COLORADO MAN GETS 1 JAIL SENTENCE

Mrs. Floyd McCone, colored, of Denver, received a sentence of thirty days' imprisonment in the county jail in county court Friday evening. She was brought back from Bridgeport Friday afternoon on a telegram sent by Chief of Police Reed. She was charged in the complaint with adultery, the state's witness being a young farm hand, Earle Varley, who exhibited a bandaged nose and told a tale of having been knocked out and robbed of \$35.

## REYNOLDS WINS FROM BUZUKOS

Greek Wrestler No Match for Cedar Rapids Man—Two Falls in Twenty Minutes

Pete Buzukos failed to exhibit any signs of being in the Reynolds championship class at the roof garden Friday evening, the Cedar Rapids man pinning him to the mat twice within twenty minutes. Both falls were accompanied by scissors holds, the first by the body and the second by a neck scissors. The match was one-sided all the way. Buzukos apparently not having a chance in the world. He was on the defensive during the twenty minutes of wrestling.

Ray Trabert and "Dutch" Manner put on a fifteen-minute preliminary exhibition, which was well received. The two men showed good form and got a good hand as a reward for their efforts. Ed Green and Steve Cannon, who wrestled twenty minutes as the second prelim, were also applauded. The men were fairly evenly matched and put on a good exhibition. There were no falls in the preliminaries.

Following the two falls in the main event, Buzukos offered to put up \$250 as a side bet that he could throw Reynolds within thirty days. The Greek claimed that his neck had been injured, and offered this as the reason for his failure to make a better showing. Reynolds came back with an offer to put up \$1,000 right then and there, declaring that he would proceed to throw Buzukos three times within an hour. The offer was not accepted.

A fair-sized crowd witnessed the events.

## NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION BULLETINS

The Herald's bulletins from the democratic national convention at San Francisco started coming yesterday. The convention has not yet got down to work. Homer S. Cummings, who made the keynote speech, took a strong stand for ratification of the treaty. Prospects are that there will be a wet and dry fight. McAdoo seems to be the favorite among presidential candidates.

From now on, the bulletins will gain in interest. Read them at The Herald.

Word has recently been received that Prof. Orlin J. Venner was found dead in his room at Hastings. The doctor said he had been dead at least twenty-four hours when he was found. It will be remembered that Prof. Venner conducted an institute of religious education in Alliance the last of January and first of February this year. He had a great program of community cooperation, and it is a great loss to the young people of the state, that his labors have ceased. He leaves a wife and two children who live at University Place, Neb.

Word has been received by Rev. Gould, president of the local chautauqua association, that J. C. Williams, the superintendent for Alliance, will be here Friday to make final arrangements for Chautauqua week, July 5 to 10 inclusive. The tent has already been received and the sale of tickets is now on in full blast. It is hoped that every body in the community will attend every one of these meetings. Rev. S. J. Epler is in charge of ticket sales.

Girl or woman wanted to work in tailor shop. Apply at once, 164 Cleaners.

Mrs. Wolverton and baby of Hemingford, who have been visiting Mrs. D. R. Bells, returned to their home Monday.

## ANGORA YOUTH DROWNED SUNDAY

Lawrence Wade Meets Death At Powell Lake When He Attempted to Swim Too Far

Lawrence Wade, a young man who has been employed by Leslie Boodry near Angora, was drowned at the Powell lake about 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon. In company with five or six companions, he had gone to the lake to swim. They were on a raft, which floated out into deep water. The boys became frightened, jumped into the water and made for the shore.

Young Wade could not swim as well as some of the others, and realizing that he was almost exhausted, called for help. The boys tried in vain to rescue him. Charlie Sherlock rode a horse into the water and grasped the drowning lad by the hair, but they were both pulled to the bottom of the lake and the Sherlock boy barely escaped with his life.

In a short time there were nearly one hundred people on the banks of the lake and about a dozen men in the water diving, fishing and swimming in an effort to find the body, which was not recovered for almost three hours after he went down. Every effort was made by a physician and dozens of men to bring life back.

The parents of the drowned boy, who live in the eastern part of the state, have been notified and will arrive today. The Wades moved from Angora early last fall.

## ALLIANCE BRIEFS

Sergeant R. W. Frey, who has been in charge of the Alliance army recruiting office for the past few months, left for Omaha Saturday evening, where he will be discharged from the service next Wednesday. He will not re-enlist, having accepted a position with the E. & E. Check Protector company of Omaha and will go on the road with their products. The sergeant has made an admirable record in the recruiting office here, having captured the district championship banner last month. Sergeant Thornburg will be sent here from the Omaha office to take his place.

A church of the Nazarene was organized June the 27th at the Old Presbyterian church, Fifth and Laramie, where the revival has been conducted for the past five weeks under the direction of Revs. Theodore and Minnie E. Ludwig of Lincoln, Neb. A good audience greeted the workers Sunday night. The interest and power of the meeting is increasing. Services continue every night during this the closing week, which will be one of victory and good results for the cause of God. You are cordially invited.

J. F. Rom of Antioch, Neb., is minus a Ford touring car which he left standing outside the carnival grounds Wednesday evening about 8 o'clock. He was absent from the car about twenty minutes during which time he was looking for a friend who was to accompany him home and when he returned the car was gone. The alarm has been spread by the sheriff's office.

The representatives of Alliance Chamber of Commerce were here on a booster trip Thursday boosting the race meet which is on this week. When it comes to boosting we will have to give the chromo to Alliance. There seems to be something doing there most of the time and the citizens of Alliance never miss an opportunity to let the people know when the prominent events occur. The Alliance band of several pieces came up with the boosters and gave us a entertainment on main street.

J. F. McGill fell off a hay stack at the Keegan ranch Thursday and fractured a rib and bruised himself badly.

Two field clerks will be at the local recruiting office about July 1st to receive applications for victory medals. Either mail or bring in your discharges. This applies to all discharged soldiers who have been in service more than ninety days, not in draft, but regular army.

Next Sunday evening the union services of the churches of the city will be held on the roof garden of the Lowrey & Henry garage. It is expected that a large choir will sing at these evening meetings led by Charles Spacht. Rev. Mr. Epler, pastor of the Christian church will be the speaker of the evening.

## LAST DAY DRAWS CROWD TO RACES

Record Attendance Two Days of Meet, But Chamber of Commerce Faces Deficit

The last days of the races, as did the second day, brought a record attendance, and some of the best races were pulled off. The chief attraction was the free-for-all, which brought out some of the best horses and aroused the most interest among the spectators. Harry R., owned by J. P. Larimore of Benkelman, was the winner, Queen Arion, a Mollring horse, winning second place. White Foot, the Shreves horse, was a favorite in the betting, but met with hard luck in all three heats.

## THIRD DAY

2:30 Pace—Purse \$350  
Race Direct, b. e., William Williams, Kearney 4 1 1 1  
Billy Darkaway, br. e., J. P. Larimore, Benkelman 3 2 2 3  
Empire Express, s. g., Geo. Mollring, Alliance 1 3 3 4  
E. Z. Allerton, b. g., Pete Eggers, Denison, Ia. 2 6 4 2  
Best time—2:18.

Free-for-all—Purse \$1,000  
Harry R., s. g., J. P. Larimore, Benkelman 3 1 1 1  
Queen Arion, b. m., Mrs. Edith Mollring, Alliance 2 2 3 2  
Miss Rexetta, O. M. Smith, Omaha 4 3 2 3  
White Foot, b. g., Frank Shreves, Alliance 5 6 d  
Best time—2:14 3-4.

Half-Mile Dash—Purse \$150  
First—Beatrice Lucelle, ch. m., C. B. Irwin.  
Second—Jennie Wood, b. m., A. J. Monahan.  
Third—Kimberly, br. g., E. Stillman.  
Fourth—Toby Grey, g. g., Jack Hitt.  
Time—51 seconds.

Five-Eighths Mile—Purse \$300  
First—Little Spider, b. m., A. Ricka.  
Second—Valley Park Maid, br. m., Luke Womach.  
Third—Frosty Morning, ch. g., C. B. Irwin.  
Time—59 1-4 seconds.

Mile Novelties Race  
Purse \$300—\$75 Each Quarter.  
First Quarter—Lady Mack, b. m., C. B. Irwin.  
Second, third and last quarters—Myrtle A., b. m., C. B. Irwin.  
Time—0:25; 0:50; 1:15; 1:46.

Despite the record crowds, the chamber of commerce, which sponsored the meet, is faced with a deficit of over nine hundred dollars. The following is the financial statement of J. W. Guthrie, secretary:

Receipts	
Rice & Dorman Shows	\$1,000.00
Anderson, Strader Shows	425.23
General admission	4,113.30
Grand stand	1,629.75
Auto stalls	314.00
Quarter stretch	125.00
Boxes	640.00
Programs	60.65
Concessions at track and in town	864.00
Entries	1,055.00
Total	\$10,125.93

Disbursements	
Purses	\$7,599.50
Band	1,100.00
Labor on grounds	351.45
Dues to national and state associations	80.00
Starter and assistant	105.00
Booster trip	90.10
Advertising	186.00
Drayage	100.00
War tax	662.49
Rent of lumber and labor for temporary stalls	162.00
Electric light and power	288.60
Rent of carnival grounds	50.00
Boy Scouts	10 00
Horse Review and Bill Board	68.00
Rent of barn and tents	50.00
Rent of chairs	25.00
Bill posting trips	49 03
Total	\$11,067.17

Deficit	941.24
Permanent Improvements on Grounds	
Lumber for stalls	\$1,229.10
Labor	536.24
Hardware	135.00
Total	\$1,910.34

Some steps will be taken to make up this deficit, as well as pay for permanent improvements on grounds and buildings, but plans are not complete.

Mrs. Ira E. Taah will leave tonight for Mason City, Ia., to visit her daughter, Mrs. J. A. Johnson. She will later go to Afton, Ia., to attend a family reunion.

## THE FAMOUS MAKES SPECIAL REDUCTIONS

On the last page of this issue will be found an announcement by the Famous clothing establishment of some startling price reductions on merchandise of the highest grade. This is the first event of the kind in five years, and coming at a time when prices are high, should meet with instant favor in Alliance and this trading territory. The Famous handles only the best standard lines and the prices made should prove a great inducement to discriminating buyers.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hanser of Mumper, Neb., and Mr. Avery of Orlando were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Rumer during the races.

## LOCAL OIL COMPANY NOW SELLING STOCK

Wyoming-Northeastern Oil Company Received Permit Last of Week From State Bureau of Securities

The Wyoming-Northeastern Oil company, organized by Alliance and Hemingford men, who have associated with them a number of prominent Nebraskans in their development enterprise, were granted a formal permit on June 24th by the Bureau of Securities at Lincoln for the sale of stock of the company in the state of Nebraska.

The permit was granted only after the state bureau had made a thorough investigation of the affairs of the company and after a representative of the bureau had made a personal inspection of the company holdings in eastern Wyoming. The bureau is very strict in its investigations and regulations and the local men who are back of this company feel that the granting of the permit is evidence of the value of their holdings and the strength of their organization.

The Wyoming-Northeastern Oil company was incorporated under the laws of the state of Nebraska in September, 1919, with a capital of \$1,000,000.00, divided into 100,000 shares of the par value of \$10.00 each. The officers of the company are: F. A. Bald, Alliance, president; C. M. Looney, Alliance, vice-president and field superintendent; Lloyd C. Thomas, Alliance, secretary; A. M. Miller, Hemingford, treasurer; who with F. W. Melick, Hemingford; R. M. Baker, Alliance; P. J. Michael, Hemingford, and C. F. Gruening and F. T. Morrison of Omaha, compose the board of directors.

The company holds under lease, option and assignment approximately 16,000 acres of oil lands in Wyoming. They are drilling at the present time in the Mule Creek field, 24 miles west of Edgemont. Their plans are for development of their holdings by drilling themselves and by leasing to others for drilling. They now have five rigs under contract in addition to their own.

## ONE MORE WAY TO LOSE ON THE RACES

Complaint has been made to various county officers by a Box Butte citizen who has been playing the races in a new style. Some time before the race meet, he was approached by a horseman who said that he had some good steppers to enter, but that he lacked the necessary wherewithal to furnish them hay during the training season. He was certain that his plugs would leave the rest of them tied to the post.

The Box Butte county man exhibited interest to the extent of buying a half-interest in one of the horses for \$200, with the understanding that at the close of the races, the owner would buy it back at a price considerably higher. But this particular horse failed to win. The owner has left, promising to return after borrowing the money from his brother in a nearby town. And the investor isn't sure whether everything will turn out right or whether he's been skinned. It's an unpleasant feeling.

## BIRTHS

Wednesday, June 23—To Mr. and Mrs. George Larson, 305 West Third, a son, born at St. Joseph's hospital.

Wednesday, June 23—To Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Ormsby, 524 Box Butte, a daughter.

Friday, June 25—To Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Donovan, a daughter.  
Friday, June 25—To Mr. and Mrs. Ralph W. Beal, 603 Cheyenne avenue, a son.

## WANTED TO BE A SNAKE CHARMER

But Rhobey Missed the Train and the Police Nabbed Her and Her Companions

Rhobey Matthews, a pretty young miss from Gering or Scottsbluff, the location being as uncertain as the name she gave the Alliance police, is telling a tale of thwarted ambition. She has been waiting tables and doing chambermaid work in Antioch, Kearney and other cities in Nebraska for the past few years, and during the race meet she came to Alliance, in company with a friend, Mary Pullman, and opened negotiations with the Rice & Dorman shows.

Rhobey was offered a job. So, likewise, was Mary. Rhobey's job was much the nicer, but Mary's paid the same money, \$25 a week and transportation. There were a few deductions and expenses to come from this, but take it all in all, it looked much better than the \$9 a week the Antioch job paid, to say nothing of the glory of being carnival queens.

Rhobey was to be a snake-charmer. Into her charge and keeping, during show hours and at other times, was to be committed the monster snake, Sampson by name, an enormous python that in good health measured eight inches through and heaven only knows how many yards long. In fact, he is the largest snake in captivity. "Of course," Rhobey told the Herald man, "Sampson isn't in good health now. He hasn't eaten a thing for seven months, and he's beginning to show it. And he had his first drink of water four days ago, but it didn't revive him much.

"I was to have the spiffiest dress," she went on. "It was a red suit trimmed with yellow beads—and I was to wear half hose with it. It was a dandy job. I didn't mind the snake at all. He was ugly, but they say that when you get to know him he is real affectionate. And if he didn't eat it wouldn't be any trouble to take care of him. He is blind as a bat, but gee, he knows where everybody is that's near him. And his bite isn't poisonous. He's the kind that doesn't bite—just squashes you to death. Mary had a good job too—she was to be a cushion girl—you know, sell numbers for one of those wheels."

The girls had it all framed up with one of the show's bosses to join up. Rhobey had tried on the red suit with the yellow beads and the half hose, and the boss liked her style. He told her to show up at the station when the train pulled out and he'd get a ticket for her and her chum. But alas, they got there ten minutes too late. L. E. Perkins, who has been diswashing and working at other places in Alliance for the past six months, met them at the station. It wasn't the first time. In fact, he had joined the carnival himself at the beginning of the week, and had received the Royal Order of the Tin Can. In the meantime he had met Rhobey, and he didn't want her to go with the carnival. He was glad she had missed the train.

Just at this juncture Chief of Police Taylor stepped in and hauled the three to the station. They were kept there over Sunday night, and Monday afternoon they were released, the girls being sent to Scottsbluff and the boy being left to roam. The chief's interference not only thwarted Rhobey's ambition, but seriously delayed a budding romance. It wasn't a pleasant charge that the chief placed against the trio, but fortunately for them there wasn't any evidence to substantiate it.

## RAISE A \$212 PURSE FOR INJURED JOCKEY

A purse of \$212 was raised for Alsa ("Ducky") Carroll, jockey, at the race meet Thursday afternoon. C. B. Irwin and J. W. Guthrie making the appeal and assisting in passing the hat. Carroll was seriously injured Wednesday afternoon when the horse he was riding crossed its legs and fell, throwing him to the ground, and then rolling over his body. Carroll will be confined to the hospital for several weeks, according to present prospects. His home is in New York, and as Irwin told the crowd, "that's a long way to walk."

Chas. Weaver was down from Osage for the races and the Elks' convention. He reports they are all doing fine with their trucks although there are heavy rains in Osage. He returned Sunday afternoon.