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TEDDY'S SON TO COME TO ALLIANCE

Raymond Robins to Accompany Republican Special—Campaign Opening Up.

The first big gun of the presidential election campaign to be fired in Alliance will be touched off next Friday morning, September 17, when a special train carrying Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., son of T. R., and Raymond Robins as speakers will arrive in this city at 10:55 a. m. The special will not remain long enough for the orators to get fully warmed up, but quite a bit can be said in twenty-five minutes if too much time is not devoted to handshaking.

The speakers were secured through W. R. Harper, chairman of the republican county central committee and a member of the state committee. Mr. Harper informed the state chairman that Alliance wanted the biggest guns possible, and the state committee took the hint and scheduled two of the best for this city. They will come here direct from Wyoming.

Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., is interesting, aside from the fact that he is his father's son. He made the rank of major in the late world war, and has figured extensively in politics in his home state and elsewhere since receiving his discharge. He has the reputation of being a forceful speaker.

Raymond Robins, while perhaps not possessing so familiar a name, is big time timber. He is listed as a social economist, and for the past twenty years has had an enviable place in social service circles. In 1908 he was head worker in the settlement work for Northwestern university. He was a member of the Chicago board of education from 1906 to 1909, and in 1911-12 was social service expert for the men and religion forward movement. In 1903 he made a world tour in the interest of social service.

Robins was a member of the progressive party, which may explain why he travels with T. R.'s son. He was the progressive party candidate for the Illinois senate in 1914, and was defeated by an uncomfortably close margin. In 1916 he was the chairman of the national convention of the progressive party.

Of late years, Robins has been engaged in work of national importance. He was a member of the Red Cross commission to Russia in 1917, and was placed in full charge of the Red Cross work in that country the same year. He has just returned from a year's trip to Russia for the present administration, where he made a special investigation of bolshevism. He is perhaps the best American authority on bolshevism. Among the things that he favors are labor unions and land value taxation.

It is regrettable that the stay in Alliance is so short that Robins will not have a chance to go deep into his subject, but it will be a big occasion for our friends the republicans, as well as the rest of us.

FINDS THREE-YEAR-OLD IN RAILROAD YARDS

George L. Henderson, who calls the trains down at the Burlington passenger station, about 9 o'clock Thursday morning came upon the three-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Con Wickman. The youngster was climbing up those iron steps on a freight car, and if it hadn't been for his extreme youth, George would have believed that the kid wanted to beat a ride to parts unknown. He objected strenuously to being taken down, but finally consented to accompany his guide. He refused to give his name, wouldn't tell where he lived and appeared to enjoy the experience hugely.

Henderson led him up Laramie avenue until they came in sight of a big white house, and the kid called out: "That's where I live." The woman who answered the doorbell said she had never seen the youngster before. She agreed to hold him until the police could be notified to see if a boy of his age had been missed.

This arrangement didn't suit him a little bit. He didn't want to stay. George offered him a penny—and it didn't interest him a bit. The woman talked of cake and pie, but such subject found him unresponsive. When George left to go back to his duties the young man was howling at the top of a pair of lousy lungs. Later Police Judge Roberts was called on the phone by the anxious parents, and the incident was soon closed.

KITTLEMAN CHILDREN IN CHARGE OF STATE

Reed returned this morning from Lincoln, where he accompanied the children of Mrs. Lizzie Kittleman and her daughter, Emma, to the detention home, where, by order of the Box Butte county juvenile court, they are to remain. Testimony at the hearing was to the effect that the children were both dependent and neglected and that it was for the best interest of the children and the community that they be sent away. A woman deputy accompanied the sheriff on the trip.

Deputy Sheriff Miskimmin went to the Kittleman ranch last Tuesday afternoon to bring the children to Alliance. He met with no resistance, although it was the belief that Mrs. Kittleman might take it into her head to defy the court order. The children were not at home, but scattered about the place, and the mother helped collect them and came to town with them. Here she made a last appeal to Judge Tash, who told her that the action had been taken after due advisement and that he was satisfied it was the best course to pursue. She told him that the "old man" had advised her not to let them go. The old man is now in the penitentiary, where he was sent on a charge of improper relations with his eldest daughter, and the judge explained patiently that the father had no say in the matter.

Several Alliance women, who had pity on the barefoot, dirty, ragged children, provided them with new clothes and personally superintended giving them baths. The county commissioners bought them new shoes. Later, two of these women discovered that they were shy rings and money that had been left in the room with the children.

ENDORSEMENT OF COMMISSION FORM

Chamber of Commerce Directors Favor Change in Style of City Government.

At the meeting of the directors of the chamber of commerce, held Tuesday evening, a committee from the Rotary club was present, which requested the directors to endorse the club's stand for the five-commission form of city government, with city manager. The directors, after some discussion, voted to co-operate with the Rotary club.

Petitions will be prepared and circulated, asking that the question of a change in the form of city government be submitted to the voters at the November election. There are two forms of commission government named in the state law, under one of which three commissioners would be selected, at salaries not exceeding \$1,500 each, and under the other five commissioners would be selected with maximum salaries of \$300 each. Under the latter form, a city manager is chosen. Under the first form, a city manager may be selected, but the salaries named are high enough so that the commissioners would be expected to devote a good share of their time to city affairs.

The Rotary club and the chamber of commerce directors favor the five-commissioner plan, with city manager, and it is this plan that will be named in the petitions.

GOOD ROADS MEETING COMES IN OCTOBER

The good roads booster meeting and banquet will be held in the Lowry & Henry roof garden early in October, according to a decision arrived at by the directors of the chamber of commerce at their Tuesday evening meeting. The meeting will be called especially for the purpose of getting the Potash highway completed, and a letter from the president of the highway association has been received which states that he will do everything in his power to secure a complete representation from the towns along the route.

At the same time, it is possible that a new highway association will be formed among representatives from towns on a Black Hills highway. The chamber of commerce desires to have a highway completed between Sidney and Hot Springs. A portion of this road has already been built. The route proposed runs through Alliance, and will connect this city with the Lincoln highway, and furnish a connecting link for that highway through the Black Hills to Deadwood and through the Big Horn mountains to Yellowstone park.

THREE INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Mrs. Ella Block and Three-Year-Old Daughter Pinned Under Car When It Turned Over.

Mrs. Ella Block, 101 Cheyenne avenue, and three-year-old daughter, Anna May, are confined to their home with serious injuries, Norris Fielding suffered severe bruises and a broken collar bone, and Ted Fielding was badly bruised about the head when the automobile in which they were riding skidded and turned over twice while going up a hill three miles southwest of Hay Springs about 12:15 p. m. Tuesday. A. J. Fox, the other occupant of the car, was not seriously hurt, a bruised shoulder being the extent of his injuries.

The car turned completely over twice, Norris Fielding being thrown out of the car the first time it went over. Mrs. Block was thrown through the windshield, and when the car finally came to a standstill, was held face down in the road, the left front door of the car resting heavily on her back. Fox, who was riding in the tonneau and holding the baby on his lap, was pinned under the car above the child. Ted Fielding was also under the wreckage, but managed to escape through a hole in the top. He helped Fox, who was unable to move for fear of hurting the child, and the two of them rescued the baby, whose head was underneath the framework of the car.

Mrs. Block was pinned down, with the framework of the car resting across her back. The two men were unable to raise it, and relieved her suffering as much as possible by holding up one side of the car until assistance arrived. It was twenty minutes before another car came along, and the occupants of this together with Fox and Ted Fielding, succeeded in extricating Mrs. Block from the wreckage. The injured were taken to Hay Springs, where they received medical attention. Wednesday morning the Darling ambulance went over to Hay Springs and brought back the injured. They were taken to their home here.

The party left Alliance about 10 o'clock in the morning for Gordon, where they planned to spend the day at the fair. The accident came shortly after noon. Mrs. Block was driving, and had speeded downhill in an effort to make the hill more easily. The car was going at a speed of thirty-five to forty miles an hour. The wheels were in deep ruts, and Mrs. Block evidently was trying to get them out. She succeeded in getting the front wheels clear of the rut, but the hind wheels remained, and in the effort by the driver to right the car, a sudden twist was given to the wheel. The car plunged to the side of the road and turned completely over two times.

For a time it was feared that neither Mrs. Block nor her daughter had any chance for recovery, but two medical examinations have disclosed that no bones were broken. Mrs. Block's corset undoubtedly saved her back from being crushed. The steel stays were broken where the car frame struck them. The baby remained unconscious for nearly twenty-four hours, but showed signs of regaining consciousness Thursday afternoon. The physician in attendance states that both of them have an even chance for recovery.

ALLIANCE NOW HAS AN OFFICIAL DOG-CATCHER

Owners of pet canines had better wander, quietly and unostentatiously, down to the city hall and dig up the necessary cash for a dog license. Otherwise, they may wait in vain for a hound to howl when they are ready to go to sleep. Beginning bright and early Tuesday morning, Alliance's new official dog-catcher was on the job, and the first day he had corralled eighteen dogs. These dogs were all redeemed by paying the regular license fee, the official dog-catcher getting half of the money so collected.

The new dog-catcher is a gentleman of color, Frank Curtis by name, who has a way with dogs. It's useless to delay, hoping your dog will fight shy of strangers. If he gets in Curtis' neighborhood he's lost. After capturing him, the dog-catcher will inquire as to the ownership. If the owner pays the license fee, well and good—the dog-catcher gets half. If he refuses, the animal is put to death. Under the terms of Curtis' employment, he receives a fee of a dollar for every dog so disposed of. If Fido fails to come home for supper, look up the dog-catcher and come across. Otherwise Fido will shortly be sleeping the long sleep.

STOLEN AUTOS ARE RECOVERED

A. H. Jones Co. Reo Located at Custer, S. D.—Rust Car Found Through Luck.

Two automobiles stolen from Alliance were recovered this week, a new Reo Six taken from the A. H. Jones Company garage last Thursday night, and the Studebaker six stolen from the garage of H. A. Rust some time ago. The Reo left in a garage at Custer, S. D., and the Studebaker had been captured by the Denver police with a couple of bootleggers, who arranged with their attorney to sell it in order to secure his fee.

"You can tell the world for me," said Calvin Walker, manager of the A. H. Jones garage, "that it was advertising—and advertising alone—that recovered the Reo." The recovery of this car was due entirely to the publicity sent out by Mr. Walker. The car was stolen September 2, Mr. Walker immediately had printed a minute description of the automobile, and these he mailed to every garage within a radius of 250 miles of Alliance. Mr. Walker went to considerable trouble some months ago to compile such a list. He also notified the chiefs of police in the larger cities in this and neighboring states. The circulars were mailed from Alliance on September 5. On September 9 he received a telephone call from the proprietor of the Custer garage at Custer, S. D., saying that a car answering to the description had been left with him that morning.

Unfortunately the notice arrived too late to enable him to have the thief apprehended. A young man had driven the car into the garage, and taken the next train out of town. Should he return, which is probable, he will be placed under arrest, and if convicted, the Custer garage will receive the \$1,000 reward offered by the Alliance garages for the arrest and conviction of any party or parties stealing any automobile or truck belonging to any garage in this city.

Seven Alliance auto dealers got together following the theft of the Reo car, and arranged to make up such a reward among them. The usual reward in cases like this is \$500 or \$100, and the Alliance men had an idea that a reward of the size they offered would make not only the police, but the garagemen in the various cities and towns, more diligent in the search.

The recovery of the Rust Studebaker was an instance of the rarest kind of luck. Sunday morning a telegram was received by Lowry & Henry which read as follows: "Wire motor and serial number big six being held." It came from the Auto Sales company of Denver, Colorado distributors for the Studebaker, and the Alliance firm interpreted it to mean that the Denver company was holding a stray Studebaker. Lincoln Lowry promptly wired back a description of the missing Rust car. No answer was received.

On Monday came word from the Denver company that a car they had ordered was on the floor. Mr. Lowry made arrangements to go down and drive it up. During the morning he ran across Sheriff Miller, who said he would go along and see whether the first telegram received related to the Rust car.

On arriving in Denver, they went to the Studebaker agency and inquired concerning the car that they supposed had been recovered. Then they learned the truth. The Denver people had not recovered a car—one had been stolen from them, and their message was intended to notify all dealers to send descriptions of any cars they might be holding. They recalled, however, that there was a Studebaker six being held at the police station.

At the police station, Mr. Lowry easily identified the car as the one that had been stolen from Rust. The engine number had been changed, a new license tag had been put on and the car was otherwise disguised, but the "earmarks" of the car furnished a positive identification. Link pointed out half a dozen peculiarities of the car and the police called in a lawyer, in whose charge it was, and when the latter relinquished his claim, they were permitted to take it away.

The car, they learned, had been driven by two young fellows whom the Denver police arrested on a bootlegging charge. They had money enough to pay their fines, but not their attorney fees, and the lawyer held the car until his fee of \$100 was paid. They gave him permission to sell it for \$500, and he had closed a deal and received a down payment of \$100. Later he realized that the car was worth two or three times

that amount and, suspecting that it had been stolen, returned it to the police station and refunded the \$100 to the would-be purchaser.

Frank Garrett and Henry Rust went to Denver Wednesday morning to get the car. Merritt Chaffee left his morning for Custer, S. D., to bring back the stolen Reo.

HEMINGFORD BOOSTERS STOP AT ALLIANCE

Twenty-five autoloads of Hemingford boosters arrived in Alliance in the midst of the rain Tuesday evening. They brought with them a band and a few speechmakers, as well as a quantity of literature advertising their Spud day, which will be observed on September 15 with a great sports program. The rain, however, was a factor they hadn't expected, and as a result they spent most of their time here enjoying a big feed at the Palm Room.

SCOTCH SINGER IS AN ALL-ROUND ATHLETE

Few people know that Glen Ellison, who is to give a concert Friday afternoon, September 24, at the Imperial theater, is an accomplished athlete. He was known as a rugby player in England. He is an excellent swimmer, a huntsman and an enthusiastic horseman. He delights in strenuous exercise. Perhaps it is his enthusiastic indulgence in athletics which gives such a store of happy energy—the joyfulness which bubbles over into his songs and makes him one of the best loved singers in the world.

Mrs. Ed Campbell of Kansas City, Mo., is visiting in Alliance at the home of her daughter, Mrs. George Eastburn.

ALLIANCE DAY AT CRAWFORD FAIR

Chamber of Commerce Will Organize an Excursion for September 16.

The directors of the Alliance chamber of commerce, at their meeting at the club rooms Tuesday evening, voted to organize an excursion party to attend the Tri-State fair at Crawford next Thursday, September 16. This day was selected because of the fact that it is "aeroplane day" at the fair, and those who attend will have a chance to see the finish of the first aeroplane race in Nebraska.

As planned at present, the trip will be made in two special coaches, which will be attached to trains No. 35 and 36. The train leaves at 4:15 a. m., and starts on the return trip at 11:30 p. m. The hour of departure is not the most favorable, being a trifle early in the morning but it is the best that can be done unless enough can be secured for the trip to make a special train possible. Secretary J. W. Guthrie and other will canvass the business men, and it enough signify their intention of going, a special train will be secured. It will take at least 150, and this number should not be difficult to secure for so good a program.

During the Alliance race meet, a delegation of Crawford citizens came to Alliance on June 24. There were some fifty-three cars in the Crawford delegation, and they averaged about five people to the car. The chamber of commerce is expecting to return the favor with interest, if possible. A number of Alliance people plan to go by auto, and it is hoped that a big representation will go in the special cars to be procured.

At the meeting of the directors, a letter from Arah L. Hungerford, president of the Crawford fair association, was read. It thanked the club for their efforts, and had the following to say about the show to be provided:

"We are going to try and put on a good show. Our airplane race from Omaha to Crawford occurs on the 16th. We are getting in new applicants every day. Less than an hour ago, I received a telegram from the Nebraska Aircraft company at Lincoln stating that they wanted to enter a machine. This makes some ten or eleven actual entries at this time and more coming all the time.

"We ought to have a few machines on the field at least. I believe that this is going to be a really interesting feature of our program. All machines will arrive here sometime during the afternoon of the first day. The landing occurs right up back of the amphitheatre in our park. However, the machines are to stay here during the fair and will probably be flying in squadrons instead of single or in pairs."

HEMINGFORD NOT AT ALL ABUSED

County Commissioners Convince Irrate Delegation That There Is Nothing to Kick About.

A delegation of some twenty-five very irate citizens, from Dorsey and Lawn precincts, accompanied by their attorney, waited on the county commissioners Thursday afternoon to complain that these precincts had not received the proper share of attention in disbursing the county road funds, and that Alliance had been getting the lion's share. The chief complaint seemed to be that the Alliance-Hemingford road had been put in shape from Bersa to Alliance, and not from Bersa to Hemingford. The commissioners quieted this complaint by pointing out that last year the road had been graded from Bersa to Hemingford, and that the Alliance half was not touched.

Investigation of the records disclosed that Dorsey precinct, within which Hemingford is located, is entitled to the sum of \$507.55 for road improvement, providing the 1920 taxes are paid in full, which isn't likely. Up to the present time, warrants amounting to \$881.87 have already been paid for road work in this precinct, and additional bills have been filed to the amount of \$147.50, making a total of over \$521 that they have already drawn over their fair apportionment. Further investigation showed that not only this year, but in years past, this district has always had its fair share of the road money.

The precinct of Lawn was also overdrawn, having had warrants paid to the amount of \$455, against \$327.14, their apportionment. Also, \$400 bills remain unpaid from that precinct.

There was a lot of argument, and the majority seemed to feel much better satisfied. The opposition departed in groups of two and three, and before any definite conclusion was reached there was none of the Hemingford people there to hear it.

Among other things the commissioners did during their session this week was to turn down \$1,600 of claims from the following: R. C. Wright, \$450; Carl Forstrom \$150; John F. Foley, \$450; D. J. Foley, \$11; Mae M. Newbloom, \$150; Myron Bunce, \$150; Elmer S. Schneider \$150. These claims arose from a road established by petition, and the commissioners say that most of the people who have put in claims had signed the petition asking for the road. The road was about three miles in length, and was badly needed. The commissioners decided the claims were excessive in view of the benefits derived.

GOLDEN RULE OPENING COMES NEXT MONDAY

A real event of interest to the shopping public of Alliance and western Nebraska will occur Monday, Sept. 13, when W. B. Barnett & Co. will throw open the doors to their new Golden Rule Store, next door to the Imperial theatre on Box Butte Avenue. Every detail of the construction has been carefully planned and matched with the one idea of comfort and convenience to the patrons. The large spacious aisles, electric lighted show cases and mahogany finished counters and display tables suggest completeness.

The entire space back of the main office will be handsomely completed and used as the ladies' ready-to-wear department, with light airy rest room adjoining, where decks and writing material will be furnished. The shoe department and men's clothing cases are immediately in front, men's furnishings and notions occupying the center of the store. We were impressed with the arrangement, and are sure you will agree with us, that it is the most modern store room in the west.

Talking with Mr. Barnett, who has just returned from a buying trip to the eastern markets, where he purchased entire new lines for all departments, he wished us at this time to express his thanks to the people of Alliance and surrounding country for their loyalty to the store the past five years, which has made possible the beautiful new store home. The policy of the Golden Rule store to have "everything for everybody at a less price", will be the prevailing motto at the new store.

In a short time the basement, which is thoroughly ventilated and lighted, will be opened as a bargain basement. Toys for the children and necessities for the house will be carried here.