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A CAMPAIGN TO KEEP THE SALVATION ARMY FROM LEAVING CITY

BUSINESS MEN DISCUSS MATTER OF FINANCIAL AID

Misunderstanding as to the Portion of Funds Collected to Remain in City—May Resume Drive

The announcement made last week that the Salvation Army post, recently established in this city, was having a hard time making both ends meet, and that those in charge contemplated withdrawing from the city, has done more to arouse public sentiment than dozens of speeches would have accomplished. The matter of coming to the support of the post was discussed Monday noon at a meeting of business men, and it was decided to make a thorough investigation, and if the results warranted, the county advisory board for the Salvation Army will be assured of the support of the individual merchants.

Robert Graham, chairman of the advisory board; J. S. Rhein, a member, Rev. B. J. Minor and others took part in the discussion and explained the situation. It was brought out that the Salvation Army drive, which was supposed to have been staged two or three months ago, had never been completed. Incidentally, there is a general misapprehension on the part of many contributors and prospective contributors as to what was done with the money collected in the drive. It has been believed by many that all of this money was sent to district headquarters at Des Moines, and that the three girls in charge of the local post have been unable to get any of these funds returned and have been compelled to subsist on free will offerings at their street meetings and occasional donations.

Mr. Rhein explained that at the time the Salvation Army was induced to establish a post in the city, it was done under the assurance of the advisory board that the city wanted a central charitable agency, that it believed the Salvation Army the best charity workers, and the promise substitute for a salaried corps of \$1,500 would not only be subscribed, but that it would probably be doubled. An arrangement was made with the district officers that funds collected in Alliance should remain here, and be devoted to relief work in this territory.

The agreement made with the Des Moines headquarters has been strictly adhered to, and every cent collected in the drive has been expended here, the larger proportion of it going for rent and running expenses. The difficulty was that the drive was never completed. Out of fifteen or twenty men who intended to canvass a portion of the business district, only about a half dozen found time to do it. Instead of collecting \$1,500 or more, the total was less than \$400, and two men, County Judge Tash and W. R. Harper, collected the major portion of this amount. The local post has really received only a trifle over \$500, including a donation of \$100 from the Elks, \$25 from the T. P. A. and other voluntary contributions. All of this money has been expended but some \$20, the money going to pay the rent and buy needed furniture. The living expenses and salaries of the three workers, the most highly paid of whom receives but \$12 a week, has been met by contributions at religious meetings, 10 per cent is sent in to district headquarters, but the remainder stays and is used in Alliance.

Unless all signs fail, it is probable that an effort will be made in the near future to complete the drive for funds, a number of business men having volunteered their assistance to the county advisory board should it desire to complete the drive. The belief was expressed that it would be a comparatively easy matter to collect the money, provided the proper effort were made. Those who have had experience in collecting funds for the army declared that they met with a surprisingly ready response from practically every person approached, and were inclined to believe that the quota could be oversubscribed without difficulty. Practically every man present indicated that he thought the post was needed in the city, and expressed a willingness to help the work as individuals although there was a belief that the commercial organization should not underwrite the proposition, that matter being up to the county advisory board.

THREE ARRESTED ON INTOXICATION CHARGE

Chief of Police Jeffers Tuesday morning arrested Ed. Brennan, C. S. Mooney and H. P. Coursey in a room in the rear of the Mooney bakery, and a charge of intoxication was placed against them in police court. The three men denied the charge and asked for a continuance. Judge Roberts continued the case to Wednesday, March 3.

C. W. Gregory and wife of Casper, Wyo., came down to Alliance Sunday morning and drove out a new six-cylinder Reo roadster and a Reo Speed-war, the next day.

PLAY THE GAME

"We're not doing much right now. Conditions aren't good." That's only a euphemistic way of saying that you play hard only when the team is winning. Anyone can do that, but it takes a real live man to play equally hard—or even harder—when the game is going against him.

Conditions? Who makes them? Get right down to brass tacks and answer that question. We are responsible for the way this big globe of ours runs its affairs—you and I and a great many millions more like us. If we make up our minds that conditions are bad, they will be, just as inevitably as night follows day.

You are influencing conditions. What you do today will be reflected in tomorrow's business. What you think and say will react upon others. If business comes a cropper during the coming months, you and I can blame ourselves, not the other fellow.

THIRTY-SEVEN SENIORS EXPECT TO GRADUATE FROM THE HIGH SCHOOL

WILL BE LARGEST CLASS TO FINISH AT ONE TIME

Twenty-four Girls and Thirteen Boys Candidates for Honors at June Commencement

The last number of the Spud, the paper published by Alliance high school students, was the Senior number, published by and largely of the class of 1921. There are thirty-seven in the class, the largest number yet to be graduated at one time from the school. The names of the candidates are:

- Acheson, Evangeline.
- Adams, Wanda
- Brown, Helen
- Boon, Alice
- Donovan, Ruth
- Ellis, Irma
- Grassman, Frances
- Harris, Alice
- Hilton, Lennie
- Howe, Marie
- Hoeffner, Hilda
- Hutchinson, Sybil
- Lawrence, Glenna
- Reynolds, Dorothy
- Rockey, Mabel
- Shanklin, Bernice
- Stanton, Ruth
- Simpson, Lillie
- Simpson, Elsie
- Woolis, Mary
- Wilson, Elizabeth
- Walker, Violette
- Young, Helen
- Zobel, Thelma
- Buechsenstein, Carl
- Beal, Lester
- Harris, Sterling
- Irwin, Royal
- McCoey, Paul
- Miller, Thomas
- Pate, Leonard
- Robbins, Walter
- Schreiner, John
- Wong, Ivan
- Williams, William

Declamatory Contest

Indications are that declamatory contest honors will be hotly contested this year, a number of entrants having already been made. Mrs. Inice Dunning, is the instructor. Following are those who have entered:

- Oratorical—"Lincoln, the Mystery of Democracy," Robert Lawrence.
- "Liberty or Death," Sterling Harris.
- Dramatic—"Madam X," Ruth Stanton.
- "The Colors," Edna Hiles.
- "Joan de Costa," Elyse Harris.
- "The Little Red," Evangeline Acheson.
- "Snakes, the Soldier," Helen Young.
- "A Few Bars in the Key of G," Lois Bover.
- "His Christmas Gift," Mildred Pate.
- "Mistress Penelope," Violette Walker.
- "The Swan Song," Mary Becker.
- Humorous—"Naughty Zell," Miriam Harris.
- "The Bear Story," Frances Fletcher.
- "Who's Afraid," Margaret Schill.
- "The Mustard Plaster," Eva Beal.
- "Hunting an Apartment," Loree Edson.
- "In a Street Car," Vera Scott.
- "Rejuvenation of Aunt Mary," Eula Barringer.

V. E. BYRNS IS CHOSEN TO DRIVE FIRE TRUCK

V. E. Byrns, a member of the Alliance volunteer fire department for sixteen years, has been appointed as driver of the city's fire truck, and will assume the duties of his new position Tuesday, March 1. He has had considerable experience with motors and is well qualified for the position.

Elmo Lander Monday received a telegram stating that his father, living in Nashville, Tenn., had passed away. He left Monday evening for the funeral. A. D. Lander, a brother, left Saturday night to visit his father. The father spent some time last summer in Alliance visiting his sons.

Miss Mabel Gilbert spent the week end at her home in Lead, S. D.

ANNUAL MEETING OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO BE HELD MARCH 8

O. S. SPILLMAN OF PIERCE TO BE CHIEF SPEAKER

Special Program to be Given For Entertainment of Members and Their Wives

The annual meeting of the Alliance chamber of commerce will be held at the army at 6:30 o'clock on Tuesday evening, March 8, at which time a board of directors for the coming year will be selected. A committee of five members, consisting of James P. Burlington, Jr., A. G. Isaacson, Ed. Bishop, Floyd Lucas, Dr. B. G. Bauman and E. G. Laing, has been selected to dispose of tickets for the event, and will canvass the business men some time before the date set for the dinner. The wives of the members, as well as all business men, have been invited to attend.

There will be, as entertainment, a special program, some special stunts for which are now being arranged. The stunts committee consists of W. R. Harper, B. J. Sallows and George Burr.

As is usual, there will be an address by an outside man as a feature of the occasion, and the speaker chosen is O. S. Spillman of Pierce, Neb. Mr. Spillman is a lawyer and was at one time a candidate for congress in his district. His talk will be general on "Tendencies of the Times," or some such title. It is not in any sense a set speech, but will touch upon some of the hopeful signs of the times, as well as some of the things which need prompt attention and correction. "It is not my purpose to pull all the tail feathers out of the American eagle," Mr. Spillman writes, "but I may draw a spark or two during my talk. I never try to tell a community too much about how to run its business, I may drop a few suggestions, but they will be such as will be applicable to our town as well as yours."

Americanization Week Sponsored by Legion Starts March the First

"It's time to quit hurrahing about countries across the ocean and start a little hurrahing about our own country," said Dr. E. C. Henry, chairman of the Nebraska legion Americanization committee at a meeting in the Omaha chamber of commerce. "There's entirely too much interest manifested by Americans to what is going on in Europe and not enough on what is happening in this country. What we need is a propaganda campaign to get American minds on America. We have little use here for those whose minds are continually on what is going on in Europe."

The American Legion, through its national officers, has designated the first week in March as "Americanization week." During the week patriotic services will be held in every school in Nebraska, and civic, commercial, industrial and social organizations will be asked to have patriotic programs.

Cities Are Built by Men of Faith

By GEORGE M. CAREY, Secretary of the Alliance Chamber of Commerce.

Did you ever stop to think why Chicago became the metropolis instead of any of a half dozen other cities that were its rivals a generation or so ago? Your first thought will be, "Great Lakes transportation," but there were other cities on the Great Lakes which were far outstripped by Chicago. The reason is not found in transportation, but in citizenship.

Men build cities, men of vision; men of foresight; men of nerve; men of faith. The reason Chicago outgrew its neighbors is because it had a group of citizens who had big ideas and were willing to stake their money, their time and their faith on the future of this city.

There are other examples of this nearer to you, you who are able to look back on thirty years of town building can recall how cities have outstripped their neighbors—not because the air was pure, the rains more plentiful or seasons more bountiful or the railroads and kinder—simply because these successful communities were blessed with men and women of faith and courage and big ideas. Suppose that every man approached for financial assistance and help to provide a war chest and carry out the plans of our government during the war would have said, "This is for the big business men alone," how far could "big business" alone carry our country to victory.

Suppose that every man who tried to do his duty during the war should take this attitude as a peace time citizen, do you think your city would have

ALLIANCE SCOUTS WRITE AND PRINT THEIR OWN ANNUAL

FIFTY-FIVE PAGE BOOK OFF THE PRESS THIS WEEK

Four Boys Learn Elements of Printing, Tackle and Put Over Prodigious Task

Some day this week a number of Alliance people are going to be privileged to gaze upon a fifty-five page book, which is, in every sense, the product of the hands and minds of four boy scouts, Rowland and Wayne Threlkeld, Paul Thompson and Verne Laing. The volume is called a year-book, and contains an account of the personnel and activities of the four scout troops in Alliance, the Bob White, Crow, Eagle and Wolf patrols.

It's no slight task for the average small print shop to tackle a job of this size, especially when every line of type in it must be set by hand. Figure it out for yourself, please, how much more monumental the task must appear to four boys, ranging in age from twelve to fifteen years, only two of whom had been in a printing establishment more than an hour. One of these having been a printer's devil for only six months and knew nothing of type or their habits save what he had gleaned from washing presses and remelting linotype metal, neither of which can be classed as either pleasant or educational occupations.

One of these boys, Paul Thompson, came upon an ancient printing press in the basement of The Herald office. It was a press that had been discarded years ago, but was saved just as everyone saves things that have outgrown their usefulness, with the thought that some day it would prove to be of value. Near this press were several cases of type, which had also been consigned to the basement when it should have been thrown in the hell box. There wasn't much of a type assortment, a few fonts of typewriter type, a head letter series that was used in the days before the typesetting machine did the work, a couple of job-fights that had outgrown their usefulness, and some advertising type that had been thrown out of employment by the intertype.

The sight of all this equipment roused the ambition of the scouts, and one day, upon descending to the lower floor, half a dozen boys were discovered about the old press. They had cleaned it until it fairly shone, had patched it where it needed patching, and last, but certainly not least, had discovered a substitute for some missing ink rollers in the shape of a couple of lengths of rubber hose. Having borrowed paper and ink, they promptly made up a dummy of a forty-page book, and started out to solicit advertising.

The merchants fortunately responded cheerfully. Out of the number that were approached by the advertising salesman, only two failed to come across for a half-page ad at 80 cents, or a whole page at a dollar and a half. The advertising committee got too industrious, for when they counted up at the end of two days' soliciting, they discovered that the forty-page book would have to be stretched fit-or-finish.

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IN TODAY'S HERALD

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Efforts probably will be made to complete the Salvation Army drive. This year's senior class is the largest in the history of Alliance high school. O. S. Spillman of Pierce will be the speaker at the annual meeting of the chamber of commerce, March 8. Four Boy Scouts complete work of writing and printing a fifty-five page book. Alliance fire department entertains members of American Legion and T. P. A. at a smoker.

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LIONS COMPLETE ORGANIZATION AT LUNCHEON TODAY

W. R. HARPER ELECTED TEMPORARY PRESIDENT

Twenty-eight Members Already Secured—Expect to Reach Forty Mark Today

Twenty-eight Lion cubs, in turn playful and roaring, met at the Fern Garden of the Alliance hotel for luncheon this noon for the eating of raw meat, imbibing the principles of Lionism, organization, the election of temporary officers and an address by District Governor Harry E. Niven of Longmont, Col. There were present also several guests and prospective cubs, all of whom enjoyed the hospitality of the roaring Lions immensely.

Following the reading of several congratulatory telegrams of greeting from various Lions clubs and officers of the international society by Organizer Orland Jones, Mr. Niven was introduced, and for half an hour talked co-operation and explained the principles of the organization.

The election of temporary officers resulted in the choice of the following, all by acclamation:

- President—W. R. Harper.
 - Secretary—K. R. Hamilton.
 - Treasurer—Charles Brittan.
 - Lion Tamer—Harry Highland.
 - Tail-Twister—W. L. O'Keefe.
 - J. W. Guthrie, B. G. Bauman and Edwin Burr were selected as the entertainment committee for the coming month. J. S. Rhein was made chairman of the membership committee, and the organizer expect to complete the membership roll today if possible.
- Following are the names of the first twenty-six members of the organization:
- Charles E. Adams, George M. Carey, Lee Basye, Dr. B. G. Bauman, Frank J. Brennan, Charles Brittan, Edwin M. Burr, John W. Guthrie, K. R. Hamilton, F. W. Hargarten, W. R. Harper, L. H. Highland, True Miller, George E. Minter, A. S. Motz, M. D. Nolan, W. L. O'Keefe, Robert O. Reddish, C. L. Reynolds, J. S. Rhein, Clarence J. Schafer, Harry L. Sims, Dr. A. L. V. Smith, John R. Snyder, Dr. J. P. Weyrens, Otto Zamzow.

May Lease Five Acres For Boy Scout Camp Near Belmont, Neb.

W. R. Harper and Kenneth R. Hamilton went to Belmont Sunday morning, returning shortly after noon, and while there discussed plans with F. L. Tollman for a permanent site for a Boy Scout camp. A five year lease may be taken on five acres, the charge to be \$10 per acre per year. Mr. Harper and Mr. Hamilton were both pleased with the location secured.

Mr. Tollman, it is understood, will give the Scouts the use of the pond for swimming, and will permit them to build a pond closer to their camp. Plans are being made for improving the camp, among the things to be built being a mess hall, 30x25 feet. The Scouts will do the work themselves.

The Scouts also plan to build on the south side of Broncho lake a camp for general purposes. It is nearer Alliance and will be available for every-day use during a large part of the year. A shack will be built for their use. As soon as Dr. Slagle returns, the advisory board will meet and get ready for a drive for funds.

BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Lindell Lewis, an eight and a half pound baby girl, Monday morning, February 23. Named Betty Loraine Lewis.

Mrs. Walter Lyons, of Bayard, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Lawrence of this city last week. She returned to her home Sunday.

LEGION AND T. P. A. ENTERTAINED FRIDAY AT FIREMAN SMOKER

BOXING AND WRESTLING BOUTS CHIEF ATTRACTIONS

Alliance Men Have Opportunity to See Fast Pete Sauer in Action With Mortensen and Barnes.

More than a hundred firemen and their guests, members of the American Legion and the T. P. A., were present at the smoker given at the armory last Friday evening. It was a general "get together" meeting, in which the three organizations found that they had much in common. The firemen, who were the hosts on the occasion, upheld their reputation as entertainers, to all of which some fifteen or twenty men who made short after-dinner talks testified.

The first feature of the evening was a "dutch" lunch, consisting of sandwiches, high-beer and other things to eat, in which all of the guests joined, including several small boys who were self-invited and made welcome. Charles Hill acted as toastmaster and called upon several members from each organization for remarks. Among those who responded were several candidates for the city council, D. C. Bradbury, W. L. O'Keefe, Fred Hayes and S. W. Thompson. There was no attempt to talk politics by any of the candidates, those speaking confining themselves to a general discussion of what should be expected of a councilman. One or two told what might be expected of them should they be honored by the voters. Every one of the political aspirants steered clear of making any play for votes, although some of their friends did some pretty good recommending.

The second half of the entertainment consisted of exhibition boxing and wrestling events. The feature of the athletic program was thirty minutes of wrestling by Pete Sauer, the brother of George Barnes, and a number of Alliance men had their first opportunity to see the big boy in action. He first took on Fred Mortensen for fifteen minutes, and handled the big Dane about as he pleased. Brother George was the next victim, and at the end of the second fifteen minute stretch Sauer seemed about as fresh as when he started. Dr. G. E. Hand, who refereed, told the crowd something of Sauer's record during the course of the evening, and explained that efforts were making to match him with Earl Caddock. If this match is arranged, it will be a head-liner.

Sauer is probably the best wrestler that Alliance has ever entertained, but the next few years should show him improving rapidly. His friends think he has an opportunity for the world championship, and those who watched his clever footwork and realized his knowledge of the tactics of the game are ready to agree with them. Mortensen said that he claimed to know a little something about the mat game, but acknowledged that he was practically helpless against Sauer, who threw both Mortensen, and his brother in three minutes during a practice hour.

Two small boys, seven or eight years old, put on a fast and furious three-round exhibition, living up to their titles of "Wildcat" and "Whirlwind." At the close of their battle, they were kept busy for ten minutes picking up small change that was thrown on the mat by the delighted spectators.

Lloyd Dotson and George Weaver followed with a three-round exhibition, in which both the fighters furnished some pretty good entertainment, although neither of them had been given warning that they were expected to box before they showed up and were wholly unprepared. They found it pretty hard work, but put on some pretty hits.

Alliance Packing Co. Affairs Soon to Be Closed by the Court

J. W. Guthrie, former secretary of the Alliance Packing company, has been besieged by stockholders of the defunct concern, asking how soon a court order formally dissolving the corporation has been expected. H. E. Gantz, attorney for the new board of directors, has taken the matter up with Judge W. H. Westover, who has sent word that he expects to come to Alliance some day this week. The funds held in trust under order of the state securities commission cannot be handed back to the stockholders until a court order is issued, which goes far to explain the intense interest on the part of the stockholders, who have already made up their minds to accept their loss, and desire only to get hold of their money.

THE WEATHER

Forecast for Alliance and vicinity: Generally fair tonight and Wednesday. Continued mild temperature.

Mrs. T. W. Bracken left Sunday for her home in Torrington, Wyo., after a few days' visit with Mrs. Forest Lape of this city.