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## BURGLAR GETS NABBED AFTER THIRD ATTEMPT

### FIRST TRIES HARPER'S AND THE GOLDEN RULE STORES

#### Succeeds in Waking Occupants Over Bogue's Store Which Results in Arrest

After two unsuccessful attempts to break and enter the W. R. Harper and Golden Rule department stores, an elderly gentleman of the road, who maintains absolute silence regarding himself, succeeded in rousing the family of Otto Zamow, who turned in the alarm that brought Officer Eugene Stillwell to the scene and effected his arrest. No charge has as yet been placed against him, but he is held in connection with suspicious actions and belongings which seem to link him with the mail coach robbery Wednesday, May 18, in Cheyenne, Wyo., where \$100 in stamps was stolen along with other articles.

The unfortunate man who it seems so persistently attempted to break into some store in our city, it mattered not to him, is a great deal older than the average. He is quite gray and claims to be but forty-five years old, although he appears not younger than fifty-five. Among his effects were key No. 46, Merchants' hotel, Palmyra, Mo.; a ticket, purchased May 18, from Sidney, Neb. to Cheyenne; a small bottle, containing colorless liquid, wrapped very carefully in handkerchiefs; a bar of soap; a spoon; \$35.43 in stamps, different denominations, contained in a Union Pacific envelope; pocketbook containing \$2.59 in cash; key ring, well filled with keys apparently calculated to fit many emergencies; a piece of string; a knife and many handkerchiefs.

About 12:30 a. m., G. C. Madsen states that he saw this man, whom he identified Friday morning, apparently checking over the front door of the Harper Department store. Madsen says he was acting queerly, but not sufficiently to cause him more than passing concern. The north front door and back door of the Harper Department store showed evidences of attempts to force them open. Also the Golden Rule store was persistently tried, as both front doors, the back door and the three back windows all testify.

Between 3 and 3:30 a. m. the Zamow family was startled by a crash coming from the rear door on the first floor. When they became aware of what was taking place, they turned in the call for the police. Evidently the marauder heard the telephone conversation, because he at once desisted and, leaving a four foot "jimmie," withdrew.

Officer Stillwell arrived shortly afterward and arrested the man just behind the Herald office as the man emerged on Laramie avenue. He was at first lodged in the city jail, but was later taken to the county bastille.

Officials believe there will be further developments in connection with the robbery of the mail coach near Cheyenne, Wyo., Wednesday, May 18, although the prisoner says it will be "all right when the clothes are washed." He seems to be just an ordinary old man, although he is not disposed to say much about himself.

A telegram from the hotel in Palmyra, Mo., says that Key No. 46 was taken from the hotel about April 25, and the man had left without paying his board bill.

## St. Agnes Seniors in Music and Expression Render Fine Recital

The senior music and expression pupils of St. Agnes Academy gave a very enjoyable recital Thursday evening in the academy gymnasium. The work was an evidence of thorough training as well as application and talent. Great praise is due these young ladies as all present enjoyed the evening. Among the guests were: Rev. P. J. Manning; Rev. Father James, O. M. C. of Broken Bow, Neb.; and Rev. Father Constant of St. Joseph Hospital. The program was as follows:

- Piano, Impromptu; Lillian Krejci.
- Reading, "Hummel's Caller"; Ruth Huff.
- Piano, The Angelus; Helen McDermott.
- Reading, "The Kentucky Philosopher"; Margaret Vinton.
- Piano, Convent Fire; Alice Hamilton.
- Reading, "The Swan Song"; Helen McDermott.
- Piano, Love's Dream; Carla Marie Werner.
- Reading, "The Rosary"; Lillian Berzina.
- Piano, Storm at Sea; Ruth Huff.
- Chorus, Glee club.
- Piano, Tarantella; Margaret Vinton.
- Reading, "The Soldier of The Empire"; Carla Marie Werner.
- Chorus, "How We Love Thee, S. A. A." Seniors.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnstone arrived Wednesday from their home-stead in Wyoming, having made the trip from Edgemont by auto.

## THE WEATHER

Forecast for Alliance and vicinity: Mostly fair tonight and Saturday with moderate temperature.

## Record-Breaking Calf From Patterson Ranch Dresses 539 Pounds

The man who says that fat stock cannot be produced in Box Butte county has a shipping trolley. The Sanitary Market a day or so ago purchased of the Patterson ranch a fourteen-month-old calf that dressed an even five hundred and thirty-nine pounds. The calf was fed a special, weight-producing diet and in order to make the weight was given very little room to walk.

## Police Report Progress in Their Campaign to Close the Auto Cutouts

The city and county police authorities report progress in their campaign to encourage motorists to close the cutouts on their machines while rolling along the city's streets. The song of the open cutout is almost a thing of the past. Of course, the cops cannot be everywhere in the city at the same time, and it is probable that a few culprits escape. Two or three have been arrested and fined.

Mrs. Homer White and children leave tonight for Broken Bow, where they will join Mr. White, who is connected with the paving construction company there.

## COMMISSIONERS WILL GRADE TO BRONCHO LAKE

### AND DESIGNATE OTHER ROADS FOR IMPROVEMENT

#### May Change Route of State Aid Highway to Connect With Hay Springs Road

The county commissioners, who have been in session since Monday, have devoted a large share of their labors to the laying out of new roads. Monday Commissioners Duncan and Hashman met a delegation of fifty men from Hay Springs and vicinity, who went with them over the proposed federal aid road to connect with the Hay Springs road at the county line.

The commissioners had planned to run the road seventeen miles straight north from Alliance on the Chadron road, and then diagonally across to the county line. The delegation desired the road to run seventeen miles north, thence six miles east and four miles north along the county line. The delegation promised that the Sheridan county commissioners would split the expense of this four miles fifty-five with Box Butte county. No decision has been reached as yet, but it is possible that the route will be changed to conform to the delegation's ideas, provided the protests from the northwestern part of the county does not assume too large a proportion.

The commissioners have decided to grade the Tenth street road for two miles west, and have issued an order opening up the road from that point straight south to Broncho lake. The first two miles of the route is already open, but the mile south is said to have a gate or two to obstruct free and easy passage. This is considered the best route to the lake, and a number of business men have asked that it be opened and put in shape for traffic.

Another long stretch of road that will be graded begins at the northwest corner of section 14-27-50, and extends fifteen miles south, to the southwest corner of section 26.

W. H. Osborne of Lincoln, state tax commissioner, has notified County Assessor Pilkington that he will be in Alliance Monday or Tuesday of next week, at which time he will take up certain assessment problems with the board and the assessor. It is probable that the commissioners will remain in session until the middle of next week.

W. H. Wood is giving the Boy Scouts of Troop 1 instruction in swinging Indian clubs and other physical culture.

## WOMAN'S CLUB ENTERTAINS ITS STATE OFFICERS

### PRESIDENT OF FEDERATION IN ALLIANCE WEDNESDAY

#### One Hundred Club Women of City and Hemingford Banquet at the Alliance Hotel

Wednesday of this week the Alliance Woman's club was honored by having as its guests Mrs. John Slaker of Hastings, and Mrs. George Frater of North Platte, the former president of the Nebraska state federation of Women's clubs and the latter president of the Sixth district, of which the Alliance club is a part. Early residents of Alliance will remember Mrs. Slaker as the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Painter, formerly of this city.

At 1:30 o'clock a luncheon was given in the Palm room of the Alliance Hotel in honor of the visitors at which, in addition to guests from Hemingford, fifty club women of Alliance were served. Floral decorations and music marked the luncheon hour.

Immediately following the luncheon the club convened at its rooms in the city library. President Mrs. S. W. Thompson, presiding. Seated with her were the guests of honor, Mrs. Slaker and Mrs. Frater, and also the president of the Woman's club of Hemingford, Mrs. Hughes. About one hundred women gathered to hear the messages of the state and district presidents, and both addresses were accorded generous applause.

Mrs. Frater's message dealt with the history of Nebraska, likening it to the weaving of a beautiful fabric, the pioneers being the first weavers. She spoke of the Indian wars as broken threads in the historical fabric, and the protection afforded by national soldiers as the weaving in of the red, white and blue threads. Among other things she urged very strongly the purchase of the William F. Cody ranch near North Platte, which she said had been assured could be done, as a state park and community camping grounds, and suggested that it be beautified as a memorial to the Nebraska pioneers by the people of the state.

Mrs. Slaker spoke very forcefully and with much feeling along the lines always interesting to club women, tracing the Woman's club from its beginning in New York to the present day. She is a gifted and able speaker, and her address of one hour made a great impression on all present. She spoke of some of the wonderful things that women's clubs are doing today and asked that the Woman's clubs of Nebraska be open to all women who care to avail themselves of their help. She argued that all the women now have the franchise and that clubs can best serve the state and nation by enlightening its women. She thinks that the big word in clubdom should be service.

A solo by Mrs. J. S. Rhein, duet by Mrs. Beal and Mrs. Hershman and readings by Mrs. Ford of Hemingford, added a pleasing touch to the occasion. At the close of the program beautiful bouquets of carnations were presented to the four presidents, the efficient president of the Alliance Woman's club not being forgotten. Those were presented by Mrs. Cole, who made touching little speeches as each was given. Refreshments were then served by the committee in charge and were followed by a social half hour.

## Ford Badly Smashed In Collision Occurring at Third and Laramie

A Ford touring car, driven by J. B. Nenner, was badly smashed when it collided with a Chandler driven by Gail Price at Third and Laramie about 8 o'clock Thursday morning. Mr. Price was driving south on Laramie and Mr. Nenner west on Third. It was raining at the time of the accident and neither driver saw the car approaching until it was too late to avoid an accident.

There was some discussion as to the degree of blame that should attach to either driver, and it was finally agreed to leave this matter to a board of arbitrators composed of eye-witnesses to the accident. The board of arbitrators decided that each man should stand his own loss. According to the mechanic, this will amount to about \$75 for the Ford driver. The Chandler was not damaged to any greater extent than a smashed hub cap.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McCorkle left last week for a visit with relatives in Iowa, making the trip by automobile. They will stop at Des Moines, Knoxville and other points, returning the forepart of next week.

The eighth grade of Emerson school held their annual party Wednesday evening at the school house.

Rev. M. C. Smith left on a business trip to Lincoln Sunday evening, returning Thursday.

## COMMENCEMENT WEEK PROGRAM IS A BUSY ONE

### ALL EXERCISES IN HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

#### Public Invited to Attend—Prominent Speakers Will Give Addresses

The last week of school in Alliance will be a busy one for the graduates. High school students have numerous programs where they are expected and the public invited. Alliance should not overlook the coming of Hon. C. F. Reavis, congressman of the First district of Nebraska.

Commencement week programs will begin with the baccalaureate service which will be held at the high school auditorium Sunday evening, May 22. Following that, the Recognition day program—a short program in which the seniors are formally recognized as such—will be held at the high school auditorium Tuesday morning, May 24. Wednesday night the class program will be given.

Thursday night the combined county and city eighth grade graduating exercises will be held at which time the address will be given by Rev. E. C. Newlin of Crawford. On Friday evening the high school graduation exercises will be held and the address will be given by Hon. C. F. Reavis, congressman from the First Nebraska district.

All programs will be given at the high school auditorium.

**Baccalaureate Service.**  
To be held at the high school auditorium, Sunday, May 22 at 8 p. m.:  
Music, vocal solo, Mrs. Beal.  
Scripture reading, Rev. M. C. Smith.  
Music, violin solo, Mr. Bass.  
Prayer, Rev. A. J. Kearns.  
Music, Mrs. J. S. Rhein.  
Sermon, Rev. B. J. Minort.  
Music, vocal solo, Mrs. Hershman.  
Benediction, Rev. S. J. Epler.

**Commencement Program.**  
High school auditorium, Friday May 27, 8 p. m.:  
March, piano, Maude Spacht.  
Music, Leon Alter.  
Invocation, Rev. M. C. Smith.  
Music, violin solo, Mr. J. F. Mann.  
Address, Hon. C. F. Reavis, M. C. First District of Nebraska.  
Music, vocal, Miss Janet Grassman.  
Presentation of diplomas and announcement scholarship honors.  
Music, vocal, Mrs. Frank Buchenstein.  
Benediction, Rev. A. J. Kearns.

## Hardware Retailers Hold Convention in Alliance Thursday

The Alliance group of the Nebraska Retail Hardware association assembled for a short but important business session Thursday evening at 6:30 in the Fern Garden of the Alliance hotel. There were present representatives from surrounding towns in northwestern Nebraska, together with officers from the state organization. Much important business was brought before the meeting in spite of the limited time at the disposal of the hardware men. The continued rains of the fore part of the week tended to lessen the number in attendance, but a very representative body was gathered together in spite of the interference of the elements.

Short addresses of welcome were given the visiting delegates by Mayor R. M. Hampton and Glenn Miller, president of the Alliance chamber of commerce. Mrs. J. S. Rhein, accompanied by Mrs. B. Ponath, gave two beautiful vocal solos, which were very much appreciated.

A. L. LaBr of Lincoln, president of the state association, gave a short introductory address. The principal address of the convention was given by S. R. Miles, of Argos, Ind., field service manager of the national association headquarters. He spoke on "The Retail Hardware Store." The keynote of his message to local merchants was: By proper retail organization, and being thoroughly conversant with community needs, carry sufficient stock of necessary articles to render the most efficient service possible. The speaker emphasized the super-importance of service. The local dealer is the buyer for the community. It is up to him to study needs and then fit himself to satisfy those needs.

After the regular business session a question box and open discussion was carried on in which the retail representatives had an opportunity to air their views, and gather information from the ideas of others.

The group meeting at Alliance is part of a program to visit seven districts in Nebraska. Fremont and Norfolk have already had their meetings, and the itinerary for the other four cities is: Scottsbluff, May 23; Grand Island, May 24 and Holdrege, May 25. In the state association party is Frank Bennett of Fremont, state secretary, whose duty it is to see that these conventions are 100 per cent smooth sailing; and George H. Dietz, of Lincoln, Nebr.

## Pete Sauer Takes a Couple of Falls From Zikmand of Brainard

Joe Zikmand of Brainard, who tips the beam at 210 pounds, some eighteen pounds more than Pete Sauer, put up considerable opposition, but didn't get much farther than first base in his match with the Alliance heavyweight grappler at the roof garden Tuesday evening. A good crowd was present to see the bout, and a number of ladies were among the mat fans, although the feminine attendance was noticeably smaller than in the days when no admission fee was charged those of the fair sex.

There were the usual preliminaries, the two midgets giving a three-round boxing exhibition, followed by a fifteen-minute match between Joe Brecht and Adam Wickman, which resulted in a draw. Green refereed during the evening.

Sauer took the Brainard man to two straight falls, winning the first in forty-seven minutes and the second in seventeen. Both falls were gained through the use of Sauer's famous toe hold. The Alliance wrestler was somewhat handicapped because his opponent had an advantage in weight, but after the first two or three minutes on the mat Sauer was the aggressor until Zikmand's shoulders touched the mat the second time. The match was not as fast as some that have preceded it, but was a lively affair all the way through. Zikmand broke a number of good holds and there was a time or two when Sauer had to do a little of that sort of work.

The entire match was characterized by an exhibition of good sportsmanship on the part of the wrestlers, who, while not exactly polite to each other, took no advantage that wouldn't conform to the rules in such cases made and provided. Following the match, Zikmand addressed the crowd. He conceded that Sauer was a mighty good man and intimated that he wondered if Alliance appreciated the caliber of its chief grappler. He said that he had been able to squeeze in only three days' training before the contest, and announced that he was going to return to Ravenna, where he is training with Pesek, practice up a bit on making and breaking toe holds, and then ask for a return engagement, when he thought he would be able to take a fall or two from Sauer.

## OFFICERS TELL GIPSY BAND TO LEAVE THE CITY

### FOUR CARLOADS TOLD TO HIT THE DUSTY TRAIL

#### Rumors of Holdup of Traveling Man Near Angora Responsible for the Order

Alliance people who yearn to peer into the future and discern what is in store for them will have to bow their necks and accept the inevitable, or else consult an ouiji board. The gipsy palmists will not visit the business and residence districts this week. For years a band of them has been making a visit at the beginning of the spring and spilling all sorts of secrets to those who crossed their palms with silver. But not this year.

Four auto loads of gipsies rolled into the city Wednesday evening. Early Thursday afternoon, before they had much of an opportunity to travel about the city and mingle with the citizenry the same automobiles were on their way. Special Agent T. J. Smith of the Burlington heard a rumor from Angora way and he told the story to Sheriff Miller. The sheriff had already heard it from an Angora resident and his wife. So, also, had Chief of Police Jeffers. The gipsies were asked to move on.

According to the rumors a traveling man was on his way from Bridgeport to Angora Wednesday morning. He had a little trouble with his car and stopped to see what was wrong. While tinkering with the engine, four automobile loads of gipsies hove on the scene. They stopped. Four gipsies headed in his direction. Two of them were women, and they offered to tell his fortune. Being busy with the car, and not at all interested in events very far in the future, he refused. The gipsies crowded close to him, and when he looked up, one of the women was in the act of lifting his pocket-book. In a most unchivalrous manner his fist shot out, taking the palmist on one side of her head. The four other gipsies crowded close and for a second or two it looked like a medicine-bottles-by-the-bedside case. The knight of the grip had a trusty automatic in his pocket, however, and in three minutes by the watch the gipsy cars were leaving a trail of dust toward Alliance.

The name of the traveling man could not be learned, but the Angora people said that the story he told on arriving in that town was just as related. The evidence was sufficient to satisfy the county cops, and the gipsy camp is no longer in South Alliance.

## NINETY-FIVE 8TH GRADERS TO GRADUATE

### EXERCISES WILL BE HELD AT HIGH SCHOOL, MAY 26

#### Hemingford and St. Agnes Academy to Hold Special Exercises for Students

Ninety-four eighth grade students will receive diplomas in Box Butte county this month. Of these, fifty-three are from the various country districts, twenty-five from St. Agnes Academy, and seventeen from Hemingford. There will also be a number from the Alliance schools, probably in excess of the outside total but the names have not yet been made public.

Eighth grade graduation exercises will be held at the high school May 26 for both town and country pupils. The graduation address will be given by Rev. Mr. Newlin of Crawford.

St. Agnes academy will hold its graduation exercises Sunday, May 23. Bishop Duffy of Grand Island will give the address.

The graduation exercises at Hemingford will be held Friday, May 20. There are two twelfth grade graduates and seventeen eighth graders. The high school graduates are the Misses Ruth Muirhead and M. Wiltsey.

Following are the names of eighth grade graduates outside of Alliance:

- Hemingford Schools**
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|------------------|-----------------|
| Francis Billicks | Floyd Mackler   |
| Faye Clarke      | Margaret Meilik |
| George Cory      | Kenneth Pruden  |
| Thelma Dumm      | Ethel Reiman    |
| Fern Grimes      | Clifford Roland |
| Frank Grimes     | Charles Roth    |
| Newton Haynes    | May Stiles      |
| Willette Johnson | Frances Stiles  |
| Florence Miller  |                 |

- St. Agnes Academy**
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|----------------|-------------------|
| Lawrence Barry | Helen Kenny       |
| Cecil Barlow   | Irene LaRiviers   |
| Helen Borkey   | May Lovell        |
| Rose Borkey    | Margaret Lovell   |
| LaVerne Blain  | Clara Macken      |
| Elna Bishop    | Cecelia Marsh     |
| Helen Carroll  | Fae Middlekauff   |
| Leo Dougherty  | Mary Morris       |
| Mary Dougherty | Christina Neppes  |
| Leona Ellis    | Lucille Reinkeber |
| Orrin Finch    | Lulu Sutton       |
| Illa Gorey     | Evelyn Wemmer     |
| Helen Hugh     |                   |

**County Schools**

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| Lacy Boyer, district No. 22.       |
| Bessie Bergfield, district No. 30. |
| Hazel Benjamin, district No. 6.    |
| Noah Calmer, district No. 81.      |
| Ina Lois Cornish, district No. 51. |
| Eva Clayton, district No. 13.      |
| Oscar Dillon, district No. 11.     |
| Elizabeth Duhon, district No. 76.  |
| Josephine Duhon, district No. 76.  |
| Velma Dyer, district No. 31.       |
| Leona Glass, district No. 49.      |
| Adrien Hann, district No. 55.      |
| Arthur Hann, district No. 55.      |
| Bessie Hawkins, district No. 13.   |
| Donald Hawkins, district No. 13.   |
| Ruth Hutchinson, district No. 16.  |
| Blanch Hookham, district No. 31.   |
| Esther Jaspersen, district No. 19. |
| Elvin Jaspersen, district No. 19.  |
| Paul Koester, district No. 2.      |
| Charles Kennedy, district No. 31.  |
| Ilna Klenke, district No. 28.      |
| Elna Lance, district No. 28.       |
| Margaret Leavitt, district No. 14. |
| Ernest Mall, district No. 13.      |
| Willie Mabin, district No. 13.     |
| Blanch Moravak, district No. 31.   |
| Francis McDonald, district No. 19. |
| Esther Neilson, district No. 12.   |
| Chris. Neilson, district No. 12.   |
| Ora Ogden, district No. 11.        |
| Dora Ogden, district No. 11.       |
| Chris. Panwita, district No. 45.   |
| Rudolph Panwita, district No. 45.  |
| Frank Prochazka, district No. 60.  |
| John Prochazka, district No. 60.   |
| Nellie Playmate, district No. 31.  |
| Clara Playmate, district No. 31.   |
| Omer Roland, district No. 56.      |
| John Ruzicka, district No. 56.     |
| Blanch Ringer, district No. 81.    |
| Bernard Reher, district No. 38.    |
| Pat. Shurlock, district No. 9.     |
| Albert Schwaderer, district No. 9. |
| Glen Smothers, district No. 46.    |
| Bertha Sheldon, district No. 15.   |
| Raymond Sheldon, district No. 15.  |
| Adrien Tyre, district No. 6.       |
| George Underwood, district No. 9.  |
| Leonard Wright, district No. 3.    |
| Elna Wait, district No. 16.        |
| Dorothy Watson, district No. 46.   |
| Glen Worley, district No. 16.      |

## Wife of a Former Alliance Physician Dies at Long Beach

Word reached Alliance Wednesday morning of the death at Long Beach, Cal., of Mrs. H. H. Bellwood, formerly of this city. Death occurred from pneumonia at 5 o'clock May 18, at a Long Beach hospital. Her mother and sister, Mrs. Cadwallader and Mrs. Brockett, were with her during her last illness, as was also her daughter, Ina. Dr. and Mrs. Bellwood made Alliance their home for many years, and have many friends who will be grieved to learn of her death.