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## C. OF C. ASK FOR A REDUCTION IN FREIGHT RATES

SUBSTANTIAL DECREASE ASKED ON SPUDS AND LIVE STOCK

Mileage Basis Will be Asked for Coal Rates from Mines Instead of Omaha and Lincoln Rates

Officials of the Alliance chamber of commerce, working in conjunction with the Colorado traffic commission, are asking that the freight rate on potatoes from Alliance be reduced 35 per cent in time to handle this year's crop, according to George M. Carey, secretary of the chamber.

The Colorado traffic commission is organized in that state in accordance with a law passed by the last legislature and its purpose is to secure fair and equitable freight rates for shippers in the western territory. The Alliance chamber is finding it advantageous to co-operate with the Colorado body in presenting matters to the Interstate Commerce commission.

A strong protest is to be lodged against the recent decision of the railroads, as announced in the newspapers, to grant a reduction in the trans-continental rates without a corresponding reduction in freight rates to the middle west. The ship freight competition through the Panama canal is of course responsible for the decision to lower transcontinental rates. However, the middle west will not secure fair treatment unless it secures a corresponding reduction. Congressman Kincaid has been written regarding the effect it will have in discriminating against western Nebraska, according to Secretary Carey.

Another matter that is being taken up at this time with the railroads which serve this territory is the proposition of overhauling and repairing railroad freight cars which have been standing on sidings for many months, many of which need repair work which should be done at this time in order to avoid a car shortage when the heavy shipping season comes. The shipper who can load direct from the field to the cars, thereby securing the early crop prices, saving in handling expense, in spoilage, and securing the best price ordinarily. It is essential that these shippers have the cars when they want them and special attention will be given by the chamber to this matter. The action of the Burlington in placing twenty-five car repairs at work beginning July 5th at Alliance will have its effect.

A determined effort is being made to secure a mileage basis for freight rates on coal shipped here from Sheridan and its contributory coal producing territory. As stated in The Herald recently the present freight rate on coal is \$4.00 per ton from Sheridan to Alliance. The freight rate to Lincoln and Omaha is also \$4.00 per ton. The distance from Sheridan to Alliance by rail is 333 miles; from Sheridan to Lincoln 699 miles; and from Sheridan to Omaha 754 miles. It is seen from these figures that Alliance, less than half the distance from the coal mines to Lincoln and Omaha, pays the same freight rates.

## Hot Cinders Get Tony Sanders

Tony Sanders, Burlington employee at the Alliance roundhouse, was injured Wednesday afternoon when cleaning out the front end of engine No. 2956. Hot cinders were blown in his face, seriously injuring one eye. It is not known whether or not his sight will be saved.

## THE WEATHER

Generally fair today and tomorrow except thunder showers in west tonight or Saturday; cooler in west and north portions Saturday.

## Mrs. Charles Naylor of Chadron is to be Buried Saturday

Mrs. Iona Naylor of Chadron, former past Grand Matron of the Rebekah grand lodge of Nebraska, died at San Diego, California, on Sunday, June 26. The funeral services will be held Saturday afternoon at Chadron. Her husband, Hon. Charles Naylor, with her father, their son and daughter-in-law, accompanied the body from San Diego to Chadron. They arrived in Alliance on the incoming Denver train Thursday noon and left with the body on No. 43, going via Crawford. Mr. Naylor is at the present time grand master of the I. O. O. F. grand lodge of Nebraska. He was called to California two weeks ago by the serious illness of Mrs. Naylor. Alliance Rebekahs will learn with sadness of her death, for she was very popular here and visited lodge sessions a number of times.

## Celebration All Day on July Fourth at Home of Alliance Country Club

Members of the Alliance Country Club and their families will celebrate all day July fourth, Monday, at the club grounds at Broncho lake. The golf tournament will begin on Sunday, the day before with an elimination contest. The cafe will open for service Sunday night.

The golf features include a free-for-all on the fourth in charge of Roy Beckwith and Bernard Holsten. A ladies' approach and putting contest will be a feature and a drive contest will be staged for both women and men. All golfers should look over the bulletin board at the club not later than Saturday night, in order to be posted on events.

Walter Metz will be in charge of the sack and potato races. Bill Barnett and John Guthrie will have charge of the fireworks which will probably be shown in the lake, out from the pier. Ben Sallows will have charge of the water sports which will include swimming, diving and tub races. Prizes will be given for all events. The tennis courts are being rapidly rushed to completion and will probably be ready by Saturday night. There will be a dance Monday night at the club house.

## William Howard Taft is Made Chief Justice by President Harding

Washington, D. C.—Former President William Howard Taft was nominated late Monday by President Harding to be chief justice of the United States and his nomination was confirmed by the senate in executive session.

The senate's doors were closed for discussion of the nomination after suggestions that Mr. Taft be confirmed in "open executive" session, because he is a former president, had been rejected by his opponents.

Senators Borah and Johnson led the fight on the floor in opposition to Mr. Taft, while he was defended by about a dozen senators, including Knox of Pennsylvania, Kellogg of Minnesota and Willis of Ohio, republicans, and Underwood of Alabama, minority leader; Smith of South Carolina, Overman of North Carolina and Broussard of Louisiana, democrats.

Glen Joder and Ray Edwards left Wednesday night for Omaha.

## INDIAN TRIBES CLAIM LAND IN SOUTH DAKOTA

SEVEN MILLION ACRES ARE INVOLVED IN SUIT

Charles Evans Hughes, Jr., Son of Secretary of State, One of Council for Red Men

Since the meeting in Omaha last week of representatives of ten different Indian agencies, where a conference was held on their claim against the federal government, speculation has been rife as to what damages might eventually be allowed in case the suit is won by the red men, who are represented by Charles E. Hughes, Jr., son of the secretary of state, and three other members of his father's law firm of New York.

It is estimated that the claim of the Indians may eventually reach a quarter of a billion dollars. The delegates who met at Omaha with their counsel were one Cheyenne, one Arapahoe and eight of the Sioux nation. They are claiming damages for the alleged seizure of lands including the Black Hills and their gold mines, which lands they claim were never properly ceded to the government.

The Hughes law firm proposes to bring the litigation before the Court of Claims at Washington, and in the ordinary procedure the department of justice is then instructed to go into the field and estimate the alleged damage sustained by the Indians when the Great White Father, as they aver, wrongfully deprived them of their hunting grounds.

If it is decided to make the damage claim only on the land lying between the forks of the Cheyenne river and the 103 and 104 degrees of longitude west, only 7,000,000 acres will be involved. The original treaty between the government gave the Indians the privilege of hunting over the territory west of the Missouri river as far as the east range of the Rockies, south to the north branch of the Platte and north to the Canadian boundary. This tract includes more than 30,000,000 acres.

Pleadings in the case indicate that it does not involve a mere trifle. The lands of which the Indians claim to have been unlawfully and wrongfully deprived in violation of a treaty of 1868 constitute a tract about a hundred miles square, or approximately 10,000 square miles, or between six and seven million acres. At that time this land could probably have been held at \$1.25 an acre. That part of the tract lying in the Black Hills includes the Homestake mine, which, it is claimed, has been producing at the rate of \$10,000,000 a year. It is owned by the Hearst estate. It is estimated by the claimants that this mine alone entitles them to recover around \$400,000,000. If other lands were held at current values it would swell the total to a quarter of a billion more. Counsel for the Indians declared while in Omaha that they would seek a money consideration rather than recovery of the lands. The fact that the Indians were able to induce congress to permit them to sue the government is regarded as evidence that potential influences are enlisted in behalf of the Indians.

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## Lions Club Gets Behind Municipal Pier Project at Broncho Lake Beach

The Lions club, at its regular weekly meeting on Thursday, voted to get behind the project for the municipal bathing pier at Broncho lake, two miles west of Alliance, and will take an active part in the work of raising funds and erecting the building and pier at the east or south side of the lake.

County Attorney Lee Basye was appointed as chairman of a committee of three, which includes George M. Carey and True Miller, to take charge of the project. It was reported this morning that enthusiastic citizens had already subscribed sufficient funds to start operations. The plan of the boosters is to erect a building for a bath house and shelter, from which will extend the bathing pier. The use of the bath house and pier is to be free to citizens of Alliance and visitors. A visitor to the lake Wednesday evening reported that he counted fifty cars there with parties of bathers and picnickers. The plan of Alliance boosters for a number of years, to make Broncho lake a popular western Nebraska summer resort, is finally taking definite form. The lake is a body of water covering half to three-quarters of a section of land and has sandy shores, with a depth of water up to eight and ten feet.

W. K. Turner of the Bayard sugar factory visited the Alliance den of Lions Thursday on his way home from a visit of three weeks in the east. He reports an attendance averaging 92 per cent at the Bayard den, with much interest manifested by the entire community.

Thomas Katen, who has been very sick, is much improved.

## MAY ESTABLISH GOAT FARM FOR LOCAL PATRONS

WELL KNOWN ALLIANCE MAN CONSIDERING PROPOSITION

Roberts Now Has Two High Priced Pure Bred Goats on Back Lot—Three Quarts of Milk Daily

P. D. Roberts, the well known Alliance pure bred animal fancier, is seriously considering the establishment of a goat dairy business near this city. Mr. Roberts is known as the owner and breeder of registered dogs and other animals and for some time past has been the owner of two pure bred goats, a male and female, which he has cared for on his property in the eastern part of the city, and which have been the recipients of much attention from people interested in milk goats.

Mr. Roberts is now on a trip to California and will visit different goat farms in that state before returning for the purpose of investigating the proposition fully before starting operations here.

In the last few years the goat dairy business has been growing by leaps and bounds. Not only in the cities is the industry forging to the front, but in the country districts farmers are learning the economical and health advantages of goat milk. E. Ralph Smith of Denver, who has a goat milk dairy at 5201 Tennyson street, delivers sixty quarts of milk daily and has the following to say regarding goat milk:

"Goat milk is the most nutritious and most easily digested food known. A healthy stomach will digest goat milk in twenty minutes.

"It contains ten times as much iron as cow milk, hence it is a tonic, as well as a food, and builds up the red blood corpuscles.

"It carries a much greater percentage of butter fat than cow's milk and in a much more digestible form. The curd of goat milk is soft and flaky while that of cow's milk is tough and heavy.

"Its lactic acid shows more than twice the affinity for the stomach that cow's milk does.

"It contains a greater per cent of vitamins than any other human food known, has a greater content of proteins than cow's milk, and is absolutely free of tubercular and other infectious germs."

As to the economical advantages, C. I. Bray of the Colorado agricultural college, Fort Collins, says:

"The yearly feed requirement for a doe is about 300 pounds of hay and 450 pounds of grain. The total cost per year will be about \$10 to \$15. The annual production of a good doe is 400 to 500 quarts, although many will give more than this and poorer ones less. They may be kept in a house and yard no larger than an ordinary town chicken house and yard."

The retail price of goat's milk is 50 cents a quart. The animals are docile and friendly and make excellent pets for children.

Mr. Bray tells of a visit to a Fort Collins woman who has five thoroughbred Toggenburgs. One was giving a gallon of milk a day and the others were doing almost as well. He was particularly interested in the diet of the goats.

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## Another Gusher for Alliance Oil Company Blows In on Sunday

The Carroll Oil company, owned and officered by Alliance men, is the proud owner of another Osage oil gusher which drilled itself in Sunday at a depth of 1,200 feet, got away from its drillers, and spouted 283 barrels of the high grade Osage oil in 24 hours.

This makes the tenth well drilled successfully on Carroll Oil company land, all of which are producing oil in paying quantities, and proves up a new block of territory, being east of the first gusher which was brought in during March, 1920. Owners of units in the Alliance-Osage Oil trust, which is owned largely by another group of Alliance men, are encouraged and pleased by the new gusher, as it helps prove up holdings in an adjoining section in which they are interested. The new well is on the northeast quarter of section 19 and was brought in by the Sinclair Oil company, who have 480 acres in that section leased from the Carroll Oil company.

Officers of the Carroll Oil company are J. O. Walker, president; Delos Barber, vice president; Charles Brittan, secretary and treasurer. Others interested in the company at Alliance are: William King, Dick O'Bannon, and Dr. H. A. Copsy.

Active drilling, which is to start soon by a number of different companies, has been delayed by the tight money situation, on the holdings of the Alliance-Osage oil trust, adjoining the holdings of the Carroll company on the north. Among the local owners of the Alliance-Osage company are J. D. Emerick, H. E. Reddish, R. M. Baker, C. M. Looney, F. A. Bald, Frank Abegg, Lloyd C. Thomas, and a large number of traveling men in this territory.

## Body of Snedeker Was Found in Bushes on Bank of Platte River

A dispatch from Fort Morgan, Colo., states that the body of Elmer C. Snedeker of Sterling, fireman on Burlington passenger train No. 303, from Billings, Mont., to Denver, who was drowned two weeks ago when the locomotive on which he was working plunged through a steel bridge into the flooded Platte river, was found Tuesday afternoon in a clump of bushes a mile and a half down stream from the scene of the accident. The body was so badly decomposed that identification was made only through Burlington switch keys found in one of the pockets of the fireman's coveralls Snedeker wore. The body was found by Robert Bomberg, one of the paid searchers who was engaged by the Burlington for that purpose.

The clump of bushes in which the body was found is located some distance from the river.

The ill-fated locomotive has already sunk forty feet below the bed of the river and is still slowly sinking in the river quicksands. It is understood that the Burlington officials have abandoned all efforts to recover the locomotive.

## Child Wonder Drives Three Teams Horses and Calls It Play

Miss Meyrl Roland, a nine-year-old farmer's daughter, living thirteen miles west of Berea, handles six horses as easily as the ordinary farm hand handles two, and plows sod, handles a hay sweep, and thinks it play. John Bayne, The Herald's traveler, in stopping at the farm of L. A. Roland, found the young lady working in the field, handling a hay sweep.

On interviewing Miss Roland, Mr. Bayne found that she had been driving horses for the past two years and, although rather small for her age, she drove six horses this summer, with two in the lead, handling a breaking plow, breaking the tough "nigger wool" Box Butte county sod.

Miss Roland told Mr. Bayne that she likes field work better than house work and her father stated that she can harness and hitch a team as well as any of the hired men.

## Selden W. Ives Died Wednesday Night at His Home in Alliance

Selden W. Ives, aged thirty-nine years and ten months, died at his home in Alliance at 7:30 o'clock on Wednesday evening, June 29. Death was caused by erysipelas, from which he had been suffering for some time.

Mr. Ives is survived by his wife and nine children, the eldest being fourteen years of age. The funeral will be held at ten o'clock Saturday morning from the Baptist church. Mr. Ives is a former C. B. & Q. boilermaker and took an active part in politics, having been a candidate for the nomination for state representative at the last election. A number of relatives will be present from out of town for the funeral.

F. M. Russel and daughter Opal drove over to Chadron Wednesday and returned that same evening.

## LOCAL MEN SAW HUGE CARAVAN OF IOWA BOY SCOUTS

SIXTY CARS VISITED THE BLACK HILLS ON WAY WEST.

Two Alliance men, Norman McCorkle and Donald Maloney, while on a trip to the Black Hills last week, viewed the enormous caravan conveying nearly three hundred Clinton, Ia., boy scouts and escorts on a trip of 3,000 miles.

The caravan, which includes sixty autos and trucks, left Clinton on the morning of June 20. Its itinerary covers more than 3,000 miles with Yellowstone Park as the western objective. Never before has a project of this nature been handled in the United States and it is being watched with much interest all over the country. It is having the effect of also calling attention to the Boy Scout movement, over the country. An Alliance booster, A. V. Gavin, who is secretary of the Rotary Club, has always taken much interest in the boy scout movement and is watching this trip with much interest.

The trip is sponsored by the Clinton Boy Scout Council and will cost \$10,000, with \$25 contributed by each scout and the remainder assumed by Clinton citizens. It is estimated that the wear, tear and upkeep of the sixty cars and trucks will amount to \$20,000, all of which were donated for use by Clinton citizens and business firms.

Every member of the party is in uniform and the personnel includes doctors, nurses, chauffeurs, mechanics, and commanders. Military rules are followed and the thing goes like clockwork.

Going out the procession wended its way across Iowa, Minnesota, South Dakota and Wyoming. Returning from the park it will traverse Wyoming, Nebraska and into Iowa. Alliance would have the opportunity of being host to the scouts had it been possible to get out east by auto road—perhaps when the Potash Highway is completed it will be "on the map" to undertakings of this nature. Cities along the route traversed meet them with bands and guides are usually furnished to scout the roads ahead, marking bad roads and turns.

The interest manifested in the Alliance Council of the boy scouts is growing daily. Work was commenced last week on the week-end camp at Broncho lake, under the supervision of Scoutmaster K. R. Hamilton. The plans call for a building 40-20 feet, with an 8-foot porch extending along one side. The boys are showing great interest in their new home, which will certainly fill a need in the lives of the city's young folks. Every citizen is urged to get behind the project and see it through to completion.

B. Aufdengarten, prominent Wyoming ranchman from near Sunrise, is in the city today on business. He was formerly the owner of a large ranch in Arthur county but moved to Wyoming a year ago, where he had purchased the famous 4-J ranch in Platte county.

## Resolution by Lions Club

WHEREAS, we believe that the present tendency among nations to appropriate large sums of money for the purpose of building up armies and navies is a menace to the future peace of the world, and

WHEREAS, we believe that no just and secure foundation for permanent peace can be established until and unless the great powers agree upon a program of reasonable disarmament; and

WHEREAS, we believe that the United States of America, because of its high position and influence among nations, is best fitted to assume the leadership in a program of world disarmament, and that without such leadership by the United States little can be accomplished toward a lasting peace among nations, and

WHEREAS, we believe that not only the interest of a just and righteous peace, but also the economic and financial stability of nations depend upon their attitude toward a reasonable limitation of armaments, and

WHEREAS, we believe that the success or failure of a disarmament program rests in large measure upon the undelayed action of the congress of the United States of America, and that unless such a movement is sponsored by the Congress another great war is likely to ensue, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Lions Club of Alliance, Nebraska, that its members unanimously and respectfully urge upon the members of the Nebraska delegation in Congress that they use their great influence toward securing a reasonable limitation of armaments by the United States, thereby setting an example to the other great powers, to the end that a righteous and permanent peace may be assured throughout the world.

(Signed) EARL G. JONES,  
EDWIN M. BURN,  
KENNETH R. HAMILTON,  
Committee.

## PROCLAMATION

The glorious Fourth of July is approaching, and I wish to appeal to the good citizens of the state through the columns of your most valuable paper, in protecting the sacrifice of life and limb together with the great destruction by fire of properties in this great domain, through the careless handling of fireworks.

All possible care and caution should be used for fire prevention as well as public safety. Fireworks indicate a desire for excitement rather than patriotism. However, if fireworks must be used in the celebration of that great day, the Fourth of July, which we all revere, I want to impress upon the minds of the public that small children should not be allowed to handle fireworks as they are too young to realize the danger.

A safe and sane fourth was celebrated throughout the state during 1920, and as a result, our records show no casualties and but a very meagre fire loss from that cause.

I wish to appeal to the public to give us your assistance in making the Fourth of July for 1921, as safe from accident and free from fire as in years when the danger has been less.

Very truly yours,  
C. E. HARTFORD,  
State Fire Marshal.

Lincoln, Nebraska, June 29, 1921.