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MANY CITIZENS CONTRIBUTE TO MUNICIPAL PIER

OVER \$600 ALREADY PLEDGED FOR PROJECT.

Pier Completed and Cement Floor in the Bath House—Big Crowds Use Facilities.

The municipal pier, built just south of the Boy scout club house on the east side of Broncho lake, is already completed, and Thursday the workmen began laying the foundation for the bath house. Work on the pier began Monday morning, and by the first of the week it is expected that the bath house will be available for the use of the public. Judging from the crowds that go to the public beach, the accommodations will be taxed to the utmost from the start.

The committee which has solicited funds for the public bathing beach, consisting of Chief of Police C. W. Jeffers, Sheriff J. W. Miller and Penrose Romig, is not only pushing along the building program, but is continuing the solicitation for funds. The amount subscribed has now passed the \$600 mark, and not a great deal more is needed to pay the entire expense. Chief C. W. Jeffers or Sheriff Miller will accept contributions, however, and they do not care, no matter how small they may be. The intention is to have the bathing beach, pier and bath house for the use of the public, without charge, and the public is responding.

A glimpse at the following list of contributors, which includes all who had signed the paper up to Thursday evening, shows that the public is indeed interested in the plan:

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GROWING—NOT CROWING

Unlike the sturdy Plymouth Rock hen, which cackles loudly every time she lays an egg, The Herald isn't given much to crowing. Those who know us realize this is due to a disinclination to boast. A few will say that we have nothing to brag about. Let's see about it.

The Herald Traveler, John O. Bayne, is a quiet sort of a fellow, who has been making hay while the sun is shining. Were we given to whooping it up on every possible occasion, for the past two months we would have been able to print, in every issue, a record of almost unbroken success. Old John has brought home the bacon.

In his two and one-half months on the road for The Herald, over 90 per cent of the people he has met were Herald subscribers when he moved on. A lot of them were already on the list. So far as he has covered the territory, we now have over 95 per cent of the farms. And he's covered a lot of ground. During the past three weeks, his record will run close to 99 per cent.

As an example, The Herald goes to every house in Berea and to every farm within a radius of several miles in every direction. With this trip, John brings in subscriber No. 300 for Hemingford, which makes this newspaper the unquestioned leader in that territory. He's getting them, all right, all right. This issue 2,100 Heralds are printed, just thirty more than last Tuesday, and from thirty to fifty less than we expect to print next Tuesday.

Mr. Merchant, do you want the farm business? You are invited to look over The Herald's circulation books.

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| Dan Ryan | C. H. Hurst |
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Half Gallon of Precious Hair Tonic Among Loot Taken at Barber Shop

The C. W. Nation barber shop was entered some time Thursday night and a quantity of tonsorial supplies, including a precious half gallon of hair tonic, was taken. There are no marks upon any of the windows or doors, to show that entrance to the building was gained by force, and suspicion had fallen upon Reuben Prawl, porter in the barber shop, who failed to show up for work this morning. Prawl carried a key to the building.

Among the things that were stolen were razors, shears, clippers, hair tonic and two shirts which were taken from a locker, the doors to which had been forced. In addition, \$5 in cash was taken from the register. The chief loser is C. W. Nation, proprietor of the shop, practically everything that was stolen being taken from his stock and working tools.

Prawl left the barber shop about 2 o'clock Thursday, and has not been seen since. He is white, about twenty years old, and his parents live in Missouri.

The police were busy this morning in an attempt to locate Prawl and a chum.

The total value of the stuff taken is estimated at between \$35 and \$40.

Kittleman Children Sent to State Home Now in Good Hands

Miss Amy V. Stevens, superintendent of the state home for dependent children, visited at the court house Wednesday afternoon on official business, investigating the standing and reputation of several Box Butte county residents who have made application for adoption of children from the state home.

In company with County Attorney Basye, Miss Stevens made a trip to the Kittleman home. Just a year ago today, County Judge Tash decreed that seven Kittleman children were neglected and dependent, and sent them to the state home. The oldest of these children has since attained the age of eighteen and was permitted to return to her mother. One of the boys was committed to the state home for feeble-minded. The other five children, Miss Stevens reported, have been placed with various families over the state, and good reports are being heard from them.

Young Son of Rancher Suffers Broken Leg When Team Runs Away

Robert Bird, son of Robert Bird, sr., living ten miles west of Alliance suffered a crushed ankle and the small bone of one of his legs was broken in injuries received when a team ran away yesterday afternoon. Mr. Bird was driving a hay rake, the horses became frightened, and he was thrown off the rake when they started to run, the wheel passing over his ankle.

BANKER'S GROUP WILL HOLD 1922 MEETING HERE

R. M. HAMPTON NEW PRESIDENT OF GROUP NO. 7.

Charles Brittan Chosen for Secretary —Eighty Bankers Met at Sidney Wednesday.

Group No. 7 of the Nebraska state bankers' association, which met at Sidney Wednesday, voted to hold their 1922 meeting in Alliance. R. M. Hampton of this city was elected president of the group and Charles Brittan secretary.

About eighty bankers were present at the meeting at Sidney, the majority of them coming from cities and towns in this district, which comprises the territory along the Burlington and Union Pacific in western Nebraska. There were also in attendance a number of representatives of banks in Omaha and Lincoln.

The bankers talked shop very little at the session, the business meeting lasting only a couple of hours. W. P. Miles of Sidney made the address of welcome, which was responded to by R. M. Hampton of Alliance, who took up in some details the problems that confront the banks in western Nebraska. There was but one other address, during the session, which closed with the election of officers.

Mr. Hampton was the only Alliance banker present at the meeting. He returned Thursday and commented with some enthusiasm on the growth and changes in Sidney since his last visit there. He says that there has been an era of building during the past year or two, and that there are now very few frame buildings in the business district, the majority of them having been replaced with modern structures. The citizens of the town are alert and wide-awake, Mr. Hampton said, and commented on the fact that at the dinner given in honor of the visiting bankers Wednesday evening in the Methodist church there, over two hundred were present.

Finishing Touches Put on the Alliance- Hemingford Road

Finishing touches are being put on the Alliance-Hemingford state aid road this week. The big caterpillar tractor is pulling on the last lap and will probably arrive in Hemingford before the week ends. The road is said to be one of the best in this part of the state and is a credit, not only to the county, but the state.

The commissioners are planning, if possible, to tackle next a road that will connect a road to one of the cities in the Platte valley.

The cost of the completed Hemingford-Alliance road, it is announced, including maintenance, grading with culverts, etc., will not exceed \$140 per mile, for the year 1921.

Lloyd Thomas Returns From Wyoming Trip to Inspect Homestead Land

Lloyd Thomas returned Wednesday evening from an auto trip of three weeks in Wyoming, during which time he traveled over a large portion of the eastern and central portions of the state, spending considerable time at and near Lander. His trip was made for the purpose of inspecting government lands which are open for homesteads.

While on the trip he inspected many thousands of acres of government lands which are open to entry. He expects, in company with Wyoming and Nebraska men, to take up the colonization of large tracts of this land during coming months. Associated with him in this work will be Herbert J. States of Lander, a graduate of the University of Nebraska who has been living there for many years and who is said to be one of the best posted men in the state of Wyoming on government lands, having formerly been a government forest ranger and having been in ranching business for many years. Mr. States is now operating several farms and ranches near Lander. He will handle the locating of homesteaders.

Lloyd reports that the tourist travel is getting to be very heavy through Central Wyoming, along the line of the Yellowstone highway. On Tuesday of this week over two hundred cars of tourists passed along that highway through the little town of Glendo, near Goernsey. He is of the opinion that much of this tourist travel, with its accompanying profitable business, can be diverted through Alliance upon the completion of the Potash Highway from Grand Island westward, as a majority of the cars are from the eastern states.

BIRTHS

July 21—Mr. and Mrs. Floyd S. Antrim, a daughter.

CITY MANAGER TALKS FURTHER ON FIRE DEPT.

TAKES A RAP AT THE INSURANCE COMPANIES

Says It Costs Ten Times as Much to Maintain Department as it Did Ten Years Ago

City Manager N. A. Kempish has issued the following statement concerning the proposed changes in the Alliance fire department:

It is unfortunate that even a few people should place sentiment ahead of business in our fire department. It is strictly a business proposition in which the insurance companies and the city are in partnership in protecting our citizens against loss by fire. It is a sort of one sided partnership however in that the city has no way of telling whether or not it is receiving insurance rate reductions for our citizens in a sufficient amount to offset the interest, depreciation, maintenance and upkeep of our fire department. There is a point some place where the total cost of all fire insurance premiums within the city plus the cost of maintaining the fire department will be at a minimum. This is the goal we are striving for. The only way we can arrive at such a figure intelligently would be for the insurance companies to give us the total amount they have received in premiums, and average risks carried within the city for each year during the past ten years also the amount they have paid out in fire losses during these same periods.

We are now paying out more than ten times as much to maintain our fire department as we did ten years ago. It makes no difference however to our citizens whether they spend this money on insurance premiums or on fire apparatus providing the total cost of both combined is at a minimum. We are sure the insurance companies want to do the right thing. We don't blame them for wanting us to maintain a good fire department so as to reduce their risks. There is a limiting point however in the amount we should spend as stated above. Naturally we would like to spend more money on our fire department providing we get returns for it. By reducing the cost of our paid department we can spend more money on our volunteer department. By the cooperation of these men we propose to purge this department of the dromes and those who do not want to do anything but talk and make it an honest to goodness fire department composed of clean, young men full of pep.

Our fire department is also a part of our public safety division and we want this department to be in readiness to assist our police department in case of necessity. We also have other plans in mind which we hope to put through that will give our volunteer fire men a broader field of activity.

Unfortunately there are always a few people who get excited quickly and imagine the town will go up in smoke if we should make any change from the present system in our fire apparatus. They do not need to be alarmed. We have taken up the matter of our contemplated changes with the Nebraska Inspection Bureau and naturally they do not want us to make any change. Why should they as long as the city pays the bill? We believe that Alliance is one of the best equipped towns in the state in fire equipment. We have strictly modern apparatus and we have in addition to the water in the standpipe, the only amount that other towns usually have, more than five times as much water in our reservoir which can be put into the mains on a moments notice at the rate of nearly one thousand gallons per minute. This would more than cope with any fire which we could possibly have in our city.

Presbyterians Still Hold the Lead in the Sunday School League

The Presbyterians still hold the lead in the Alliance Sunday school league, with a record of two games won and none lost. They defeated the Methodists, for the first time in actual play, Thursday evening, 4 to 3. The Methodists are down on the books as losing three games, but the first two defeats were forfeits. The Wesleyans reorganized last week, and when they appeared the Presbyterians managed to put up a stiff opposition. Wayne Ralls, for the Methodists, hit the first ball pitched for a home run. In the third, Bob Laing, for the Presbyterians, knocked out one that was good for the entire circuit, bringing in Thompson at the same time. This hit won the game.

Following is the standing of the teams in the league:

Team	Won	Lost	Pct.
Presbyterians	2	0	1000
Christians	2	1	.666
Baptists	1	1	.500
Methodists	0	1	.000

Dr. M. J. Baskin has gone to Denver to take a post graduate course in x-ray work.

RESULTS? Y'BETCHA!

Clarence Ormsby is one man who just naturally thinks of The Herald when he thinks of a newspaper. Mr. Ormsby found a pocketbook, the other day, and although another newspaper office was nearer, he came out of his way to leave it with The Herald. The pocketbook contained over twenty dollars in coin of the realm, exchangeable for eating tobacco, soap or any other commodity, and there wasn't a single mark inside to identify it. Mr. Ormsby could have put it in his jeans and left the owner whistle—but Herald subscribers aren't built that way.

It wasn't long before Charles Cross, the kid that watches the popcorn wagon and puts on lots of butter when the boss is away, showed up at The Herald office. He came prepared to pay for a want-ad, but he got the pocketbook instead.

Do you notice the amount of news from the farming communities The Herald prints these days? Our new subscribers are sending it in. When anything happens, our subscribers give us first hand information. They want it printed where their farmer friends will be sure to see it. Those are the kind of friends we like to have—the sort who take an interest in their home paper. Money can't buy this sort of news service.

The next time you have anything to buy, exchange, rent, sell or give away, try The Herald's want-ad columns. For over a year our prices were twice what others charged—now it doesn't cost you a cent more to reach the fellows who want to buy.

You fellows who buy advertising will be surprised at the number of 100 per cent neighborhoods that are to be found on The Herald's subscription books.

Alliance Country Club Members and Families Invited to Scottsbluff

At the meeting of directors of the Alliance Country club, held Wednesday evening at the club house, the directors voted to accept an invitation from the Scottsbluff Country club, which has invited members of the Alliance club and their wives for Sunday, July 31. The invitation is for the entire day. Both the men and women will be given an opportunity to try out the Scottsbluff golf course. It is expected that a large delegation from the Alliance club will accept the invitation.

Dr. Blak Pays Fine For Violating Traffic Rules But Enters a Protest

Dr. Einar V. Blak, physician and surgeon of Alliance, appeared in police court Tuesday afternoon and was fined \$5.00 and costs for violation of traffic rules, following his arrest by Officer Stilwell last Friday night.

"I paid my fine," the doctor said, "but only under protest. I was at the time on my way to a six-year-old boy who was dying of convulsions. I was summoned to come at once and I had no time to lose. If the city of Alliance does not make an exception in cases of such an emergency, it is the only city on the face of the earth that does not. Saving a human life is more to me than obeying a traffic rule, such as I violated, and should similar circumstances arise again, in all probability my conscience will not forbid me to do the same thing over, if a human life is at stake."

Dr. Blak's violation of the traffic rules consisted in turning his car in the middle of the block. He was at first only cautioned by Officer Stilwell, but a few minutes later repeated the offense and his arrest followed.

Alliance Rotary Club To Suspend Meetings During Month of August

At the Wednesday dinner of the Alliance Rotary club, the members voted to take a vacation during the month of August and the regular weekly meetings will be dispensed with unless President Charles E. Slagle decides to call the members together. Dr. and Mrs. Slagle sailed last Saturday from England, and are expected to arrive in Alliance by Tuesday of next week.

Secretary A. V. Gavin presided during the meeting, and read two letters from Dr. Slagle, one written at Ostend, Belgium, and the other from another Belgian city. Dr. Slagle had just been over the battlefields, and described conditions as he found them, as well as giving the story of interviews with several of the inhabitants. The members of the club are awaiting his arrival with interest, expecting a good account of his trip to the international Rotary convention, at Edinburgh, Scotland.

Miss Florence Hutton of Hastings, Neb., is the guest of Miss Matilda Franke.

BAYARD LIONS ENTERTAIN CUBS FROM ALLIANCE

CHARTER NIGHT OCCASION FOR MANY STUNTS.

Fourteen Lions From This City Royal- ly Entertained Tuesday Evening.

Fourteen members of the Alliance Lions club drove over to Bayard Tuesday evening, and for five or six hours were the guests of the rampant cubs of that city, who were celebrating charter day. The Alliance men made the trip by automobile, starting at 5 p. m. Due to the bad condition of the roads, they arrived in Bayard about half an hour after the festivities had started, but events moved rapidly enough to make up for lost time.

The occasion of the joint session was the receiving of their charter by the Bayard club. William Morrow of Scottsbluff, a member of the Lions club of that city, delivered the principal address of the evening when he made the charter presentation. The speaker emphasized the need of the nation today for true patriotism and the helpfulness of such organizations of the Lions club in bringing men together on a plane of common understanding and high idealism. C. B. Turner, president of the Bayard club, who presided during the banquet, accepted the charter on behalf of that organization. The Bayard club was the fourth to be formed in western Nebraska, the others being Alliance, Kimball and Scottsbluff.

"That Bayard club is a lively bunch. I tell you," said one of the Alliance Lions on his return. "They're just filled with pep, and they are royal entertainers." No sooner were the formalities concluded than the stunts began, and kept up until after midnight. The automobiles full of visitors were met by a "German band" of four pieces, headed by Mayor Harry Pearson, and the band afterward doubled as a quartet.

The meeting was held in the Masonic hall, and the supper—a chicken dinner—was served by the Presbyterian ladies. Following the dinner a number of five minute talks were made by the Bayard cubs and the visitors. Then came the fun. A kangaroo court was organized, each of the Bayard cubs being compelled to perform some sort of a stunt. Those who failed paid such penalties as eating half a head of cabbage, rolling a large ball bearing the length of the ball with the nose, going through the "fanning mill," or drinking a bottle of mock "Bud" and eating a slab of bologna, holding both in the left hand.

The stunts performed by the Bayard cubs to escape the penalties of the court consisted of singing songs, telling stories, serious and comedy wrestling matches, mock baseball and the like. A feature of the evening was a boxing match, which Mayor Pearson prohibited at first and later allowed to proceed, provided the boxers were blindfolded, wore one glove and held a large tin spoon in the hand. The spoons were rapped on the floor now and then, to give the opponent an opportunity to locate each other, but they got mixed up with the crowd and everyone within reaching distance got a rap now and then. Another feature was a Bayard cub disguised as a lady Hawaiian dancer, who was a tremendous hit until the deception was discovered.

The following Lions from Alliance attended: Charles Brittan, Dick O'Bannon, M. Nolan, J. W. Guthrie, Frank Abegg, John Henneberry, John Kane, C. E. Adams, J. S. Rhein, Otto Zanzow, True Miller, Frank Brennan, Clay Harry and E. M. Burr. All of these returned the same evening, save Clay Harry, who went on to Bridgeport; True Miller and Ed Burr, who returned Wednesday afternoon.

Tuesday Night Rain Plays Hob With Bridges on the Chadron Road

According to Link Lowry, who is authority on matters concerning roads in and out of the city, the traveler to Chadron is in for a merry time the next few days. Every little bridge between Alliance and the metropolis of Dawes county went out in the rain that started about 6 p. m. Tuesday. All of the larger bridges, it seems, were already out, the Dawes county authorities being at present, engaged in replacing them. The smaller bridges were most of them in bad condition before the storm, which may indicate that the rain wasn't so heavy as one must suspect when he first heard the news. The traveler headed for Chadron will have little difficulty, however, in reaching the city, for the worst places have been bridged by temporary structures and the others are fordable by this time.

THE WEATHER

Forecast for Alliance and vicinity: Generally fair tonight and Saturday; somewhat warmer west and north portions Saturday.