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## SOCIALISM AND BOLSHEVISM ON THE SAME ORDER

PETER W. COLLINS OF BOSTON TALKS AT IMPERIAL.

K. of C. Lecturer in Anti-Radicalism Campaign Interests and Pleases a Big Audience.

"Lack of harmony is what is wrong with the world! Bolshevism stands as an enemy to the working people, as an enemy to religion, to justice and to the home. Bolshevism is simply socialism in a made-over garment. The ten commandments will do business long after the grass has grown over the graves of socialism. Divorce is the most dangerous and destructive enemy of society. The home is the cornerstone of civilization."

Such were the stirring statements of P. W. Collins of Boston in his lecture on "What is Wrong With the World," delivered at the Imperial theatre Thursday evening.

Mr. Collins, appearing under the auspices of the Knights of Columbus, was introduced by E. F. Shields, grand knight of the lodge. He stated that Collins was one of the sociological and economical experts employed by the Knights of Columbus on an educational campaign against organized radicalism. That in the year 1917, the U. S. government enlisted Mr. Collins as an industrial expert and a year later, acting as an executive of the Knights of Columbus in reconstruction work as well as the employment system, secured jobs in civilian life for 500,000 ex-service men without a detail of expense to the government, employer or employee.

A good sized crowd took advantage of listening to this famous and efficient lecturer and displayed an enthusiasm which is not always characteristic of an Alliance audience. He delivered his dramatic and interesting address in a clear and logical manner, throwing the light on the puerility of certain classes and the narrow mindedness of others.

**Bolshevism Under False Colors.**

Mr. Collins wasted no time but at once launched into his address with strong blows at Bolshevism and Socialism which he said were synonymous. "Bolshevism is Socialism in a made-over garment and is founded on the doctrines of Karl Marx. Not a single authority of socialism came from the working class." The Russian word, "bolshie," he told his hearers, refers to "the many" who make up a large element of a wing of the socialist movement of Russia. He pointed out that bolshevism was running under false colors and useless to plain people the world over.

"Bolshevism is clothed either in the language of the university or in the language of the soap box. Such terms as the materialistic conception of history, sounds good, but have no meaning to the workers. The materialistic conception of history, implies that denial of the existence of the Supreme Being, of Almighty God Himself. The doctrines of Bolshevism are not of, by or for the working people, because the working people are inherently spiritual.

Mr. Collins called the attention to the audience to the fact that Karl Marx, the founder of Bolshevism and indeed all bolshevik leaders in history, did not come from the working classes and that the word "Bolshevism" was not even used in the constitution nor the government of Russia.

"Socialism, the doctrines which are standing in direct opposition to the teachings of all ten commandments, is bolshevism in its rotten operation," said Collins, and "ninety per cent of the people who style themselves as socialists have no conception of what socialism really is."

"The evil to the world today comes from breaking the ten commandments, but let me tell you, the ten commandments will be doing business long after the grass has grown over the grave of socialism." At this point an enthusiastic wave of applause swept the audience.

**Against the Labor Movement.**

"Socialism, bolshevism, and similar aims, get their following from bitter anarchistic men and are all working directly against the labor movement. "In all my travels I have never found a socialist who knew what socialism really is, who was a good American citizen for the two doctrines fight."

"There are today, in this United States, 247 Bolshevist publications, that are read by about 10,000,000 people. More than a hundred of these are published in other languages than the English and," the speaker paused, then continued slowly, "there is more Bolshevism in the United States than Socialism in Soviet Russia."

Mr. Collins quoted the famous encyclical letter of Pope Leo XIII, of blessed memory, in which is stated that a living wage is one that will preserve the family unit, the cornerstone of civilization. The living wage must retain the unit of the family, but be large enough to provide for the education of the children, for keeping up insurance, to guard against emergencies of death, sickness, accidents, must be large enough to aid in establishing good will

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## Earl D. Mallery Chosen President of Rotary Club

Earl D. Mallery was selected as president of the Alliance Rotary club at a meeting of the new board of directors held at the Imperial theatre last night. Fred Harris was elected president, and Al V. Gavin was secretary. The annual election of officers was held at the Wednesday evening, at which time Marcus Franklin and Charles W. Fuller were elected to the governing board.

The Wednesday session was the regular monthly business meeting. Rotarian W. R. Metz reported for the committee to investigate the new constitution, the committee recommendation being against its adoption. The recommendation was approved by the club.

W. B. Richardson, one of the principal promoters of the Lakeside oil project, was a guest. He was called upon for a few remarks, and discussed the situation in Mexico, where he made his home for a number of years. The reason the United States has denied recognition to that country, he said, was because their new constitution permits of confiscation of lands and property owned by foreigners. Americans have extensive interests in Mexico, especially in oil and farm lands, and the government intends to protect their rights. The talk, while brief, was most illuminating.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Smart and Miss Fannie Street returned Thursday from Denver.

## BASEBALL CLUB FOR ALLIANCE THIS SUMMER

EXPECT TO PUT AMATEUR TEAM IN FIELD

Boosters for the National Game Are Asked to Meet at C. of C. Rooms On Tuesday Evening.

At a meeting of baseball fans held at the chamber of commerce assembly room Tuesday evening, the Alliance baseball club for the coming season was organized, with an amateur team in prospect. Harold Snyder was elected business manager of the organization, with Will Traggessor as presiding officer.

The prospective team is as follows: Ray Butler, Laverne Butler, Charles Griffith, George Madsen, Bert Slatery, Catcher Smith, Ray Edwards, Stub Fenning, Tony Black, George Nation, Gassaway Harper, Harold Gavin, Ralph Gavin, George Purdy, Harry Brew, Frank Dailey.

Another meeting of the Alliance baseball boosters will be held at the chamber of commerce rooms on Tuesday evening, April 18, starting at 8 p. m. A general invitation is extended to enthusiasts and players to attend this meeting.

The organizers of the team wish it understood that there will be no soliciting for funds from the business men for the maintenance of the team this season. Other means are being considered, including the sale of season tickets or a dance.

Frank Dailey and Ralph Garvin, high school pitchers, have shown ability along this line and will probably be very valuable. As this will be an entirely amateur team this sport will in no way effect their amateur standing. There will probably be other high school athletes who will be used and they are all urged to turn out. It is planned to use the grounds north of the high school for the games, and this will probably be better than the fair grounds as it will be much closer in.

## New Movie Will Be Christened Rialto Theatre

Work is now progressing with good speed on the new show, in the building formerly occupied by Darling's furniture store which according to the owner, J. W. Hughes, will be named the Rialto. The equipment is beginning to arrive, the seats and motor generator already having come. The floor has been lowered at the front of the show six feet, and slopes gradually from this to the level of the street at the back of the show.

An orchestra will furnish the music, and this has been engaged, in the Happy Four, which is already well known to Alliance people. This will be a combination of saxophone, violin, piano and drums.

The lobby, rest rooms and waiting rooms will be on the west side of the building, only the floor on the east side being lowered. A number can be seated, however, along the west side, which while not lowered will afford an excellent view of the screen.

Mr. Hughes may later convert the basement of the building into a bowling alley, as this basement is well suited for an amusement place of this kind. This has not been definitely settled as yet, however.

## POTASH HIGHWAY PROSPECTS TAKE TURN FOR BETTER

PLANS FOR WORK ON ROUTE EAST OF LAKESIDE.

Division Engineer States that Orders for Surveying Party Will Soon Be Issued.

Potash highway prospects took a decided turn for the better this week. County Commissioner Otto Smith of Antioch, for south Sheridan county, came to Alliance on Tuesday and spent two days with officials of the chamber of commerce, going into plans for the work on the highway from Lakeside east. Mr. Smith says that funds for county work on the "missing link" are limited, but that the county commissioners of Sheridan county are anxious to get the work pushed as fast as funds are available.

According to Mr. Smith, approximately \$63,000 has already been spent on the federal-aid portion of the Potash highway, from the Box Butte county line east toward Lakeside, and it will probably take a total of \$70,000 to complete the job. Much of this expense seems a needless expenditure of money for non-essential work and Mr. Smith feels that future work of this kind could be handled much cheaper under direction of the county authorities. However, he and the other commissioners are in favor of using the federal and state aid funds for road building and expect to secure as much as possible for use on the Potash highway.

Early in the week Secretary Lloyd Thomas of the Chamber of Commerce, in a long distance telephone talk with A. M. Gaddis of Scottsbluff, district engineer for the state highway department, urged Mr. Gaddis to use his best efforts to get a state highway department surveying party at work on a survey of the "missing link" of the Potash highway, from Lakeside east to Ashby, in southern Sheridan county.

Mr. Gaddis stated that he was going to Lincoln and would endeavor to get the surveying party ordered out at an early date. Chairman J. S. Rhein of the Good Roads committee was in Lincoln on Wednesday and Mr. Thomas wired him, asking him to call personally at the state engineer's office and urge that the work be expedited, which he did.

The following encouraging telegram was received Friday morning by Secretary Thomas from Mr. Gaddis: "Will have survey made within a short time."

A. M. GADDIS.

## Alliance Debaters Defeated at Dix Tuesday Evening

The local high school debating team was defeated Tuesday evening by Dix, the contest taking place in that town. The local team is composed of Rowland Threlkeld, Verne Laing and Harold Clark. The decision of the judges was unanimous, for Dix. The Dix team is composed of three girls, and the fornication ability of the members of the gentler sex was evidently too much for the Alliance orators. From all reports the Dix debaters fully deserve the decision as the girls on this team have been working over an hour and a half a day since September.

This defeat breaks a run of five consecutive years that Alliance high school has taken the district debating championship, and the third time in twelve years of debating that Alliance has not won the championship. In the past eleven years Alliance has taken the banner nine times, and Sidney twice.

## Senior Class Play "Clarence" Will Be Staged Early in May

"Clarence," a four act comedy, by Booth Tarkington, will be put on by the Senior class of the high school, about May 3, according to present plans. The play, a former Broadway success, and played at the Hudson theater in New York, should please an Alliance audience, and it is believed that the play is particularly well cast. The play will, of course, be put on at the Imperial theatre. The cast includes ten people, and is not large enough to be cumbersome. The play hinges, as is evident from the name, around Clarence, who while somewhat mysterious, clears up a number of difficulties, and reconciles all the warring parties in the house which he is employed. There is a great deal of good comedy in the play, and on the whole it would be hard to find a more entertaining or pleasing play than "Clarence." The cast will be in order of their appearance on the stage:

Mrs. Martin, Dorothy Hampton. Mr. Wheeler, Harold Clark. Mrs. Wheeler, Leota Becker. Bobby Wheeler, Edward Morrow. Cora Wheeler, Josephine Wright. Violet Pinney, Mariellen Beagle. Clarence, Rowland Threlkeld. Della, Beiva Tipple. Dinwiddie, Raymond Brown. Hubert Stem, Clement Kneist.

## INCREASING THE MARKET FOR BOX BUTTE POTATOES

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HELPING BUILD UP INDUSTRY

Secretary Thomas Sending Letters All Over the South in Search of New Buyers

Secretary L. C. Thomas of the Alliance chamber of commerce is now engaged in an advertising campaign for Box Butte potatoes, especially the various market points of the south, to chambers of commerce in Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Mississippi, and other states in which seed potatoes from this dry land section have been making a name for themselves during the past year or two. Letters are also being sent to chambers of commerce and consuls in various parts of Mexico.

It is conceded that Box Butte spud growers are facing the opportunity of their lives right now. Potatoes from Wisconsin, Michigan and Minnesota, which have heretofore been used as seed in certain sections of the south, have not been giving the best results during the past two seasons, and many of the southern growers have turned to Nebraska dry land spuds for seed stock. The results have been exceptional, according to the state department of agriculture, with the result that with very little effort, southern growers can be made permanent customers.

State Secretary of Agriculture Leo C. Stuhr, on a recent visit to Alliance, gave an interview in which he pointed out the opportunity, but to date no effort has been made to take advantage of it. Secretary Thomas is taking the preliminary steps to get information concerning the prospective market, and after the results of his circularizing are tabulated, there will probably be some move to provide for getting the business.

A Good Line of Dope.

The following letter, written to the Mexican Chamber of Commerce of the United States at Mexico City, shows what is being done by the Alliance chamber of commerce:

"Gentlemen: Box Butte county, Nebraska, of which Alliance is the county seat and principal city, is the center of a rapidly growing seed potato district. For many years it has been known that this section of the state of Nebraska, at an altitude of about 4,000 feet, with richly mineralized and tillable soil, would grow better and more fertile seed potatoes than any other location in the United States, but only during the last few years have these natural advantages been taken advantage of.

"In 1921 this one county alone raised more than 1,300,000 bushels of excellent potatoes, a large portion of which were of the Triumph variety, known here as the "Reds," and which are used principally for seed in the southern states of Oklahoma, Texas, Mississippi and Louisiana. During the past year several hundred carloads of these seed potatoes were shipped to the growers in those states, many of them going to Brownsville and other points along the Rio Grande. It is quite probable that some of them went into northern Mexico.

"The results from these potatoes, with their marked lack of diseases, have caused much interest and inquiry for future seed shipments. In order to make shipping plans in plenty of time for next fall and winter, we are now at this time taking the matter up with your organization and like organizations in Mexico, with the idea of opening a way by which the potato growers of Mexico may be furnished for planting next season the finest seed procurable, and at the same time furnishing our growers with an extended and ready market for their products.

"We would like very much to have you put us in touch with commission houses, large potato growers, and other interested parties in Mexico who would like to receive full particulars about western Nebraska seed potatoes. The favor will be appreciated and remembered."

## NOVEL DISPLAY AT THE MODEL MARKET

The Model Market has a novel advertising display on exhibit this week. It is a large screen featuring Armour products, and one of the few that have reached this territory. One section shows the packing house, with a section cut out revealing the various departments, their products and methods of preparation. A second section shows the construction and arrangement of refrigerating cars, and the third deals with the wholesale end of the business. The chart was sent out from Chicago, and is attracting considerable comment.

J. S. Rhein was in Lincoln this week attending the Retail Hardware dealers convention. He returned Thursday noon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Yanders will leave the latter part of the week for Omar, Col., to visit an uncle of Mrs. Yanders.

## THE WEATHER

Forecast for Nebraska: Generally fair tonight and Saturday. Warmer west portion tonight. Probably frost southeast portion.

## Scout's Minstrel to be Shown Again Thursday, April 20

The Boy Scout Minstrel show, which made such a hit with an Alliance audience will, according to present plans, be put on again on Thursday, April 20. This will be known as a "two in one" performance, as the regular picture and the minstrel show will be put on at little more than the usual cost of the picture alone. The price of admission will be 40 cents and the tickets will be tax exempt.

The picture for the evening will be Shirley Mason in "Little Miss Smiles," and a comedy with Ben Turpin in "Love and Doughnuts." Either the minstrel show, or the picture, alone, would be worth the price of admission.

The last performance, due to the initial expense, only \$80 was made, but it is believed that this time, as the expense will be much less, that a great deal more can be realized.

This show, when presented a short time ago, made a decided hit, as the songs, jokes, etc., are of the best, and a number of the young people were as much at ease as the veterans. This show should draw the capacity house which it well deserves.

## LEGION POST IS PLANNING FOR CLUB ROOMS

COMMITTEE IS INSTRUCTED TO LOSE NO TIME.

Robert G. Simmons of Scottsbluff, Former State Legion Commander, to Give Memorial Day Talk.

Members of Alliance post No. 7, of the American Legion, decided at their semi-monthly dinner and business meeting at the Alliance Hotel Palm Room Tuesday evening, that the next order of business is to be a set of club rooms. A committee consisting of D. C. Bradbury, T. E. Carney and J. D. Williams was chosen to make all necessary arrangements. The ex-soldiers, having made up their minds on the subject, do not want to lose any time and the instructions to the committee were to have the new club rooms ready to be used for the next meeting on April 25. Several locations are being considered by the committee.

With the new club rooms secured, the boys plan to organize a campaign among the members to get them furnished. It is hoped to provide a number of amusements, and to make the rooms a resting and meeting place for the organization. The club rooms will also be placed at the disposal of the ladies' auxiliary for meetings.

Officers of the post are planning a new style of entertainment for the meetings, beginning with the next. There will be a regular army feed served to the boys, and a boxing and athletic program following the meeting. It is believed that the new style of meetings will bring out the members.

Monday evening of next week, members of the post will meet at the office of Post Commander Dr. Minor Morris in a body, at 7:15, and will attend the meeting at the ladies' auxiliary at the city library basement.

The legion post is in charge of the program for Memorial day observance, together with a committee from the Spanish-American war veterans. The committee announces that it has secured Robert G. Simmons, Scottsbluff attorney, as the speaker for the occasion. Mr. Simmons is the past commander of the state legion, and should be a distinct addition to the program. The Alliance post has made several attempts to secure him for addresses, and this year got in their bid early. The committee has not announced the details of the Memorial day program, but they will include a public program, probably at the Imperial theatre, followed by the decoration of the graves of veterans of three wars.

## Another Load of Speedwagons

The A. H. Jones Company of this city unloaded another carload of those famous Speedwagons this week. Manager Walker of the company says that the new jobs incorporate several new features that place them in the leadership of the medium weight trucks, without question of a doubt. It is the company's ambition to place a Speedwagon on every farm and ranch in Box Butte county within the next twelve months, and a specific drive will be inaugurated soon to attain this end. Every farmer and ranchman living any distance from town surely ought to have a Speedwagon. Advertisement.

## ALLIANCE LIONS HAVE VISIT FROM DISTRICT OFFICER

DISTRICT GOVERNOR TAYLOR HERE THURSDAY.

Weekly Dinner Featured by Several Talks of More Than Usual Interest.

The regular weekly meeting of the Lions club of Alliance was held at the Palm Room of the Alliance Hotel, starting at 6:15 p. m., Thursday. Lion Drake, was the Good Fellowship chairman for the evening. The visitors included: M. C. Taylor of Omaha, deputy district governor for Nebraska of the Lions International; Ira D. Kyle, secretary of the Omaha Lions Den, of Omaha; Peter W. Collins of Boston, nationally known lecturer; Dr. Einar V. Blak and H. B. Alter of Alliance.

The most prominent decoration, on the center of the long table, was the cup to be given as a trophy at the High School track meet in Alliance on May 5. Lions Adams and Harper called attention to the cup and told of the manner in which it is to be awarded. The matter of the inscription was left to Principal Prince of the high school.

Good Fellowship chairman Drake called on Lion Guthrie, who introduced Peter W. Collins. Mr. Collins made one of the most interesting talks ever heard before the club, some of the points of his lecture being as follows:

"The mind is a moving picture film. It never forgets anything. No matter what a man's occupation may be he invariably repeats over and over again in the same company." He told of incidents proving this, recalling a lapse of seven years between stories told him by one young man and told of lecturing to an audience of children at Corvallis, Wash., at which he held their attention by promising them to repeat stories of Charlie Chaplin at the close of his lecture. Other points emphasized were: "The principal thing in an organization of this kind is the value of the things you can accomplish for your community. There is great need for men of your kind in the smallest towns. The same is in all others. Put plain American pep to work." His definition of pep was particularly striking. "Pep is patriotism, enthusiasm, production. The 'e' stand for Energy, work to win through enthusiasm. Encouragement is the human element, in two ways—through the pay envelope and by recognition. The engine of industrial progress is represented by the diamond pep. One wheel of the engine is the employee with personality and efficiency. The other wheel is the employer with protection and efficiency. The two tracks of pep are the workman on 'personal efficiency protects,' and the employer or 'permanent employment pays.' The three results secured from the running engine are: permanent established peace; protection of economic progress; and practical effective plans. The two combinations working together benefit the public and producer, bound by education. We have a cosmopolitan population in America. We are all the sons and daughters of men and women from some foreign land. There is plenty of room in America for all law-abiding liberty-loving men and women. And we say to all the world, 'There is not room in our land for the man or woman who refuses to salute and respect the American flag.'"

Mr. Collins was roundly applauded at the close of his talk and given an unusually resounding roar.

Lion Ira D. Kyle, secretary of the Omaha Den, was the next speaker. He mentioned the meeting at Bayard Wednesday evening, which they had attended. It is a wonderful thing, he

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## More Towns Ask for Continuance of the Local Land Office

The following letter, forwarded by Secretary Thomas of the Alliance chamber of commerce to Congressman Kinkaid, tells of additional petitions for the retention of the Alliance land office:

"In pursuance to our letter of April 8th, with which we sent you petitions protesting against the removal of the United States land office from this city from the towns of Gering, Mitchell, Broadwater, Ainsworth, Crawford, Springview, in this district, we are enclosing herewith additional petitions as follows:

"Henry, Scotts Bluff county, 23 names; Lovell, Garden county, 19 names; Lakeside, Sheridan county, 45 names; Ellsworth, Sheridan county, 26 names; Oshkosh, Garden county, 23 names; Alliance, 39 names.

"These petitions are addressed, as were the others, to Senators Norris, Hitchcock and yourself. You will note, by glancing over the names signed to them, that sentiment is practically unanimous against the removal of this office and that these people know that such action will work a distinct and unjust hardship on the people of western Nebraska."