

NEWSPAPER MEN MEET

The eight annual session of the Elkhorn Valley Editorial association was held in this city last Saturday, and, while not as largely attended as some of the former meetings, it was one of the most interesting and business like ever held since the birth of the association. Some people might be uncharitable enough to say that the attendance was light because the town had "gone dry" by mandamus and the boys were afraid to undertake to pass a day without enjoying a little of the stuff that made Milwaukee famous, but as nearly all editors are abstainers the untruthfulness of that statement is at once apparent. But the members present made up in enthusiasm and earnestness what was lacking in numbers.

The train from the west being a half hour late the meeting, which was intended to be called to order at 10:30, was adjourned until 1 o'clock.

At 1:30 President A. M. Church, of the Atkinson Graphic, called the meeting to order, and introduced Rev. A. Fetzer who delivered an invocation.

Mayor Harrington was then introduced and delivered an eloquent and appropriate address of welcome which was responded to by the versatile and able American-German publisher, of Atkinson, President Church.

L. A. Wilson, of the Springview Herald, then read a paper entitled: "Can Editors Succeed As Politicians." This was an excellent paper and the thought, and language used to express it, clearly demonstrated that the committee acted wisely when Mr. Wilson was selected for so important a topic. This paper was quite thoroughly discussed by Lauren Jones, of the Gordon Journal. Mr. Jones was of the opinion that being a politician, in the sense of seeking political preferment, necessarily made an editor too subservient to the party leaders for the good of his newspaper or the community; they should be politicians but independent, at all times ready to "hew to the line, let the chips fall where they may."

A. F. Mullen, formerly of the Page New Era, but recently editorial writer on the O'Neill Independent, delivered an address on "How to Run a Newspaper." Mr. Mullen did not confine himself very closely to the subject. He related, in an amusing manner, the history of the Page New Era deal several years ago, during the heat of a political campaign when they secured control by replevin proceedings and ran it during the campaign. He deplored the fact that the newspapers of Holt county were so virulent and vituperative in dealing with opposition candidates and measures during political campaigns, saying they should not be thus. He touched upon legal publication fees and said a county had no right to exact a part of the publication fee upon any notice published for it. If the law allows 10 cents per description for delinquent tax notices upon town lots, that amount should be paid and not endanger invalidating the entire tax sale, by paying a less amount, in order to add a dollar or two to the county treasury. He maintained that if the legal rate was excessive the legislature should reduce it. His remarks were loudly applauded.

President Church was on for a paper entitled: "Can an Editor be a Christian." He said he had labored long and arduously upon this propos-

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tion but could arrive at no definite understanding. He thought, though, a slim, elegantly proportioned gentleman, like himself, might have an opportunity to enter the pearly gates, while the more corpulent members of the craft would be unable to pass through the gates and of necessity fall below.

The Misses Rose and Nelle O'Fallon favored the meeting with a couple of choice vocal selections and by their matchless voices captured the audience.

John Sullivan rendered a baritone solo that captured the hearts of at least three of the "angel typos" and if admiring glances and loving looks could have won him, he would have capitulated at once.

At the business session the following officers were elected:

President, G. A. Miles, O'Neill Independent.

Vice president, L. A. Wilson, Springview Herald.

Secretary-treasurer, G. M. C. Cooper, Rushville Recorder.

The next meeting was voted to Rushville, where it will be held on the first Saturday in June, 1905. After the officers were selected for the ensuing year the boys took up a discussion of the ready print question and it was 6:30 before they adjourned.

The visiting editors next visited Brennan's park and were loud in their praise of its beauty. It is indeed a beautiful place, in fact one of the finest private parks in the state.

At 7 o'clock the visiting editors, their wives and about seventy-five of the citizens of O'Neill attended a banquet, served by the ladies of the Presbyterian church, in the rink. The spread was one of the finest ever served in the city on like occasions and was thoroughly appreciated by our citizens and guests.

E. S. Eves assumed the duties of toastmaster and called on D. Clem Deaver to respond to the toast "The Press." Congressman Kinkaid was to have responded to this toast, but was unavoidably absent from the city. Mr. Deaver, who is an old newspaper

man, made a very fitting response to the toast and by his amusing song captured the banqueters.

R. R. Dickson was called on to respond to the toast: "An Ideal Newspaper." This he did in his usual inimitable style. He summed upon his ideas upon an "ideal newspaper" in the following terse, pithy and lofty sentiment: "A paper edited by one whose armor is his honest thought, and simple truth his utmost skill."

The Misses Nellie and Rose O'Fallon then rendered a beautiful song which was heartily applauded.

S. J. Weekes responded to the sweetest toast of the evening, "The Ladies." John has never been recognized as an after dinner speaker but he established a reputation upon this occasion as one of the brightest, most original and amusing speakers who has ever responded to a toast at a banquet board in this city.

Messrs. William and Walter Laviollette then furnished some splendid instrumental music, and being heartily encored responded by singing one

of the most popular ballads of the day: "Under the Anheiser Busch." It is a very catchy song and was heartily applauded.

M. F. Harrington was called upon to respond to the toast: "Our Guests," and his allusion to the sacrifices the citizens of O'Neill made in order to properly entertain the editors—the closing of the saloons—was amusing to all except those—if any there were who had an unquenchable thirst that aqua pura or the lighter drinks refused to satiate. During his remarks he made "Our Guests" certainly feel that the citizens of O'Neill were glad to have them present.

Before the adjournment from the banquet board, the committee on resolutions, consisting of M. L. Mead of the Bassett Leader, G. M. C. Cooper of the Rushville Recorder and L. A. Wilson of the Springview Herald, asked leave to report, which they did as follows:

"We, your committee on resolutions, take this opportunity of expressing our unbounded thanks and admira-

tion for the splendid entertainment provided by the citizens and brother editors of O'Neill upon this the eight annual meeting of the Elkhorn Valley Editorial association.

"This meeting has been one of the most profitable in the history of the association, and much of this is due to the magnificent welcome and unstinted hospitality provided by the citizens of O'Neill, for which it is justly celebrated.

"Whereas, The Elkhorn Valley Editorial association has been so pleasantly and profitably entertained by the citizens of O'Neill, be it therefore,

"Resolved, That the association hereby returns its thanks to the Misses O'Fallon and Mr. John Sullivan for their delightful songs, to the Messrs. Golden and Hogkin for the use of their hall for the meetings, to Laviollette brothers for the music and to the citizens for the elegant banquet served the association by the Presbyterian ladies; to the press of O'Neill for their efforts in entertaining the association, and the members present shall ever have a warm regard for O'Neill."

At the conclusion of the banquet an adjournment was taken to Golden's hall where those who desired tripped the light fantastic until midnight.

Those present were:
Lauren Jones and son, Journal, Gordon.

M. L. Mead and son, Bassett Leader.
A. H. Bachus, Pierce Leader.

Fred W. Shively, Oakdale Sentinel.
Miss Marie Anderson, Oakdale Sentinel.

A. M. Church, Atkinson Graphic.
Otto Mutz and son, Ainsworth Western Rancher.

L. A. Wilson, Springview Herald.
Mrs. L. A. Wilson, Springview Herald.

W. W. Huse, Norfolk Daily News.
E. S. Howell, Clearwater Record.
H. Benson, Ewing Advocate.
D. L. Pond, Inman News.
C. C. Liedy, Inman News.

Attends Stockmen Meeting

Alliance Times: Hon. M. P. Kinkaid arrived in the city Wednesday, coming from O'Neill by way of Crawford, and remaining here until this morning to meet as many of his stockman friends as possible and address the meeting in accordance with the urgent invitation sent to him by the officers. The judge is looking well and apparently has remembrance of every citizen just as readily as when on the bench for this district. He accepts compliments over his remarkable record in having secured the passage of the 640 acre homestead bill with the disclaimer that he can pose as the author of much of the present bill, saying that as unanimous consent was necessary to secure its passage, he was obliged to allow much incorporated therein entirely apart from his original intentions. He says people have no conception of the opposition which any measure looking to the modification of the public land laws is met on every hand among both eastern people and the members in congress from that section.

The judge returned home feeling good over the hearty reception and warm congratulations he met with at the meeting of stockmen and others where he stopped. He feels assured of a heavy vote for reelection among the voters representing the stock interests of the district as well as all others.

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