

Ak-Sar-Ben Rodeo on; 6,000 Sought

300 Cowboy Hustlers Start This Morning to Lasso Mavericks.

More than 300 business and professional men, among them many leaders in the city's business and civic life, forgot everyday worries and troubles Thursday night and introduced a little of the old wild west into Omaha.

"Powder River. Let 'er buck; 6,000 or bust," was the yell of the evening. It was the gathering of more than 300 cowboy hustlers at the Fontenelle corral (noted for the big feed at which time final instructions were given for the big Ak-Sar-Ben membership roundup.

The opening of the roundup had been set for Monday morning, but because of the eagerness of the cowboys to start lassoing for members, Overseer J. E. Davidson of the Ak-Sar-Ben ranch, chairman of the membership committee, announced that the roundup for members would be started Wednesday morning.

The 300 cowboys hope to lasso 6,000 members before May 14. "It will be done. It must be done for Ak-Sar-Ben never has failed and never will," Mr. Davidson said as he obtained the pledge from each cowboy.

Back to Old Days. Instead of the usual banquet tables, covered with shining white linens and lined with shining silverware, the workers were greeted with long tables made of old rough pine boards. Instead of the usual polished chinaware, there was nothing to be found but tin plates, tin cups and old-fashioned knives, forks and spoons.

It was back to the old days of our grandparents, as brought out in a speech by Mayor Dahlman, Omaha's real cowboy mayor.

Every man wore a red bandana handkerchief around his neck as cowboys did in the good old days, as told in the western story books.

The gathering of the business men to receive their final instructions was the most inspiring held here since the war days, Mr. Davidson told them. "Such spirit makes big cities," he said. "Lack of such spirit is what prevents towns from becoming cities."

Leaders of Omaha civic life sat at the speakers' table. Among them were George Brandeis, Ward Burgess, Charles Black, Jay Foster, Everett Buckingham, John L. Kennedy, J. E. Davidson, John Gambie, Robert Trimble and Nelson E. Uplikie. Mr. Uplikie had as his guest at this table Frank Woods of Milwaukee, one of the owners of the Harley-Davidson Motorcycle company.

Compliments Newspapers. Mr. Davidson opened the meeting with a welcome and told his listeners that he had faith that they would not fall Ak-Sar-Ben in this crisis.

The newspapers of Omaha especially have been wonderful to us in this campaign," said Mr. Davidson.

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Overseer in Charge of Ak-Sar-Ben Roundup



Overseer J. E. Davidson

"They always do their share in the great civic undertakings. With their support and your work, we can't fail."

Mayor Dahlman emphasized the importance of the responsibility of the cowboys in making the roundup a success, advising them that only team work as in the days of the old-fashioned roundup will make this modern roundup a success.

"You men are making history now," said Mayor Dahlman. "Let's carry on. Every man sit in the saddle until the job is completed. Then only do you pass into the ranks of the veteran cowboy. I know, for I spent many years in the saddle and I was a good cowboy, too."

Everett Buckingham, president of the Ak-Sar-Ben, spoke of the wonderful work of the big boosting organization since its birth, 27 years ago. "Omaha owes support to Ak-Sar-Ben," he said.

"Samson," in the person of Secretary Charles Gardner, read the final instructions to the workers.

Kennedy Makes Snappy Talk. The chief address of the evening was made by John L. Kennedy. It was a serious survey of the civic responsibilities of the citizens of Omaha.

"Get out of your mind that 'George is going to do it,' he said. 'That has wrecked many organizations in civic undertakings. Do your share and so will George. Always remember that you are not begging when you ask a man to join Ak-Sar-Ben. You are doing him a favor. You are bestowing upon him a special privilege and he should thank you for tendering him an application card.'

"It is a privilege to live in Omaha and it is a privilege to join the Ak-Sar-Ben. I have been its counsel for 27 years and I know."

"Out of 200,000 persons in Omaha Ak-Sar-Ben should have 10,000 members. It shouldn't be a difficult task to get 4,000 members. A man who won't join the Ak-Sar-Ben is a Rip Van Winkle and should be awakened to his civic responsibilities. Let's wake them up."

"We raised millions during the war

for destruction. Thank God we now have an opportunity to work to construct to make our city a bigger and a better city in which to live; a city of which we will all be proud."

Funny Stunts Puled.
The gathering had its funny side as well as the serious one. There was plenty of "wild west" yelling. Every range or division of workers pulled some stunt or another. The Tom Quinnan's range sprung the first surprise by announcing that every one of its 55 workers had joined the Ak-Sar-Ben. The "Benzine Boys" under John Hansen quickly followed suit.

Could Dietz enter the dining room, carrying a "six shooter" almost as big as himself. Many expected the plaster to come crashing down as he shot toward the ceiling. He used blanks.

Gardner "branded" several with the Ak-Sar-Ben brand "A. S. B." They cringed and yelled as the electric branding iron was placed against their bodies.

Robert Trimble, the newest governor of Ak-Sar-Ben, turned the "baby governor," and O. T. Eastman of the Merchants National bank, who had been extremely ill, received ovations as they entered the hall. It was Mr. Eastman's first appearance in public since his serious illness.

The totals in the drive will be

10-Inch Rain at Steinauer Floods Business District

Special Dispatch to the Omaha Bee. Pawnee City, Neb., May 4.—Ten inches of rain fell at Steinauer, Neb., last night, causing Turkey Creek to overflow so that the business district was flooded for the first time in years. Water stood four feet deep in the railroad station, but receded this morning.

Omaha Wettest Place in State Says Under Sheriff

Omaha is the wettest spot in the state of Nebraska, according to Deputy State Sheriff J. H. Miller, who, with two companions, J. P. Anderson and Lyman L. Cronwell, is making an investigation of conditions here.

They will make a report to Governor Bryan, who has placed himself at the head of the law enforcement machinery of the state.

At Seventh street and the Burlington tracks Thursday, the investigators arrested James C. West of Fort Dodge, Ia., with a traveling bag containing liquor. He was fined \$100 in county court yesterday.

Wisconsin Senator Warns Against Government Rail Ownership in Address.

United States Senator Lenroot of Wisconsin, addressing the Knife and Fork club in the Hotel Pontenelle Thursday night, warned against government ownership of railroads, demagogues in politics and a "hands off" policy regarding Europe.

He was introduced by Rev. Frank G. Smith. Senator Howell sat beside him at the table. High points in his address were: "Government ownership of railroads may have to come. I'd be sorry to see it. For if it does, with 435 congressmen and 98 senators determining wages, etc., it will make the river and harbor 'pork barrel' look like 30 cents compared to the railroad 'pork barrel'."

Lenroot Urges Waterway Plan

The St. Lawrence waterway will bring the markets of the world to within 500 miles of Omaha by permitting ocean steamers to come into Chicago. It will cost \$25,000,000 to build, but won't cost the taxpayers a cent because, in building it, 1,450,000 electric horsepower will be developed, which will be sold at \$20 per horsepower, producing sufficient income to pay interest and principal in 40 years.

"The St. Lawrence waterway will save every farmer of the middle west 8 to 10 cents a bushel on wheat in transportation charges."

"Demagogues in government are a great menace. If you business men don't take more interest in your government, you may wake up some day and find you have no business."

Better Credit for Farmer. "There are too many politicians who are more anxious for the votes of the farmers than for the welfare of the farmers."

"The greatest business in this country is agriculture and we are just beginning now to give the farmer the credit that merchants and bankers have had for years. The intermediate

credit bank, just opened here in Omaha, is one step toward better credit for the farmer."

"Our prosperity depends greatly on peace in Europe. The present trouble in the Ruhr, I believe, is just a necessary step to convince France that Germany can't pay the sum originally fixed. Europe must get peace and to work before we can have full and real prosperity."

"The world court is not the offspring of the league of nations. It was first suggested by Secretary of State Hay under President McKinley, 24 years ago. True, the league of nations favors it, but it is an American product. It is a step toward peace."

"Rigid economy in government and in life is a necessity. Increasing taxation is a menace to the life of the nation. Moreover, taxes must be equally distributed, each person being taxed in proportion as he is able to pay."

Great Britain has more than 300,000 girl guides.

Camp Sheldon Schedule Shows Reduced Periods

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Columbus, Neb., May 4.—Seven periods instead of 10, as in former years, are provided for in the advance schedule for the summer season at Camp Sheldon near Columbus, which will open June 4.

The schedule is as follows: June 4-11, Epworth League institute; June 11-20, statewide boys' camp, ages 12 to 15; June 20-30, Omaha boys' camp; July 1-4, open period; July 5-14, Boy Scout camp; Aug. 21-23, State Hi-Y camp; Sept. 7-9, employed officers' conference.

Hervy F. Smith of Omaha, state secretary of the Y. M. C. A. county work, will be superintendent of the camp this year.

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- 1.25 Nujol 94c
- 1.50 Kolak-Bak \$1.39
- 25c Listerine Tooth Paste for 17c
- 30c Phenolax Wafers 17c
- 30c Kondon's Catarth Jelly for 23c
- 50c Pepsodont Tooth Paste for 33c
- 25c bottle Castor Oil 16c
- 1.10 Tanlac 74c
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- 25c Mum 18c
- 25c Colgate's Violet Talcum Powder 14c
- 1.25 Piver's Azurea, La Trefle or Floramyne Face Powder for 79c
- 25c Golden Glist Shampoo or Rinse 18c
- 50c Hair Groom 37c
- 50c Multisfied Coconut Oil for 36c
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