

CUSTER COUNTY REPUBLICAN.

NOVEL MEANS OF RAISING MONEY

York Children Get Contributions and Tag Givers.

CHILDREN'S DAY—FLAG DAY

Mrs. Amanda L. Xanders Tells of Her Experiences While Visiting in York Pennsylvania.

MRS. AMANDA L. XANDERS.

Last Saturday morning bright and early about five hundred children began the sale of tags in all parts of the city. The price paid per tag ranged from five cents to twenty-five dollars. The tags were made of heavy light brown paper—the same as is always used for express tags, steamship tags etc., and read: "York, S. P. C. C. Tag Day, June 12, '09, I am in favor of protecting the children. Are you?" The initials stand for the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. The officers were so pleased with the result of the children's sales, which amounted to nearly \$800, that they have practically decided to name a day early in June, as their annual tag day. The money will be used to build a home of detention for homeless and abused children, adjoining the Y. W. C. A. The sales of the children were but a part of the reverence for the day. The society received a number of large contributions that will be made annually towards its maintenance. Many of the stores provided special counters for the sale of tags, the clerks were selected from the society volunteers, and did a fine business all day long. The children penetrated offices and stores and tagged employers and employees. They tagged carriages, autos, wagons, baby carriages, in fact everything it was possible to tag, and every thing and every person wore their tag as though it was a badge of honor. I do not know how or where the idea originated, only that in Philadelphia last year the children collected over \$14,000.

Following Children's day on the streets, was Children's day in the churches. In all the churches where special services were held, there were beautiful and in a number of churches, elaborate floral decorations. The ministers delivered special sermons to and about children, which were instructive to the old as well as to the young. In spite of the decidedly inclement weather the attendance was large at all the services. The programs included vocal and instrumental music, recitations and tableaux, also specially prepared exercises, called "The School of the King," "God's Loving Care," etc. It was a day of song and story and was of intense interest to the little ones.

Following Children's day in the churches was the day that commemorates the youthful days of the nation, in fact the birthday of the Star Spangled Banner, and is popularly called "flag day," as on June 14, 1777, congress resolved on the original design of our flag; the flag that has been an inspiration to soldier and sailor alike and has led them from victory to victory and from life to death in the great and grand, though desperate struggle for liberty or national death.

On every exile, either from choice or necessity, our flag must always have some effect, even on the coarsest person; it

may suggest his native land, or the face of mother, wife or sweetheart.

From all the public buildings and many private homes floated the stars and stripes, as well as every building within the limits of the carnival were gaily and elaborately decorated with individual and continuous flags.

The evening of "flag" day witnessed the opening of carnival week, on West Market Street, from the bridge to Newberry Street, about the length of two blocks in Broken Bow. There are several arches of bunting, pennants, stars and stripes and three of electric lights. From end to end above the curb on both sides of the street, wires are stretched studded with incandescent lights. They outline buildings; they form stars, festoons and loops. Many Japanese lanterns were also used.

Every evening at 8 o'clock the electrical illumination begins and the scene presented is like unto Fairy land. The display of fireworks on the opening night lasted over an hour and surpassed anything of the kind ever attempted in York. New and startling features are introduced every night. There are high wire and trapeze performances; band concerts and many side features, including a miniature Coney Island. Booths have been erected all along the curb for advertising purposes and for the manufacture of candies and the sale of all sorts of good things to eat. There will be a masked parade Thursday night at which time many prizes will be given. This fantastic parade promises to be the feature of the carnival. 20,000 people were present on the opening night.

One evening last week I was a guest of an automobile party through the country north of the city. We passed one of my father's farms where a strawberry was raised this year, measuring seven inches and one-fourth in circumference. I helped to measure it, so I ought to know. That was certainly a record breaker. Speaking of strawberries if you have never lived in or visited York county this time of the year, you can have no idea what fine, large, sweet, delicious berries are raised here, and in such quantities that the price runs from five to twelve cents per full quart. Pine apples sell at the same prices and bananas from five to fifteen cents per dozen.

To return to the ride into the country—many years have passed since I took that same ride. The crops are in excellent condition and the country certainly looks beautiful with its wealth of locust trees, of all sizes, literally covered with white bloom, very much like wisteria and very fragrant, indeed the whole country seemed to be filled with their delicate perfume. For long distances the trees were on both sides of the road and no one can imagine the beauty of their countless bloom. We passed through the small towns. At the edge of one, a small yellow dog flew out in front of the machine ready to bark, but we never heard a sound. I doubt if he knew what struck him and it was my side of the car too, but we never looked back in that case, "ignorance was bliss."

This week I am the guest of my brother, the one who took me to Denver. His son is home for a couple of weeks from school at Tarrytown, on the Hudson. Then there is the cook, a Chinaman, the only good looking one I ever saw, who certainly excels in his line. His name is Young

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"A FRIEND IN NEED"



ROY NORRIS DISAPPEARS

Young Man Who Ran off with Cushman's Team has Jumped His Bond.

Roy Norris, the young man who drove L. Cushman's team to Lexington and then made his way to Sedgewick, Colorado, and was arrested and brought back here, disappeared Monday morning. Norris waived preliminary examination and his trial is to come up at the next term of the district court. His father went his bond for a hundred dollars and a job working for Claris Talbot was given him with the understanding that his wages were to go to pay the expense Cushman was put to in getting his team back. Norris disappeared without saying anything about his plans and he has not been heard from since.

The Knights of Pythias of General Custer Lodge No. 23, held their memorial services in honor of their dead brothers at the Presbyterian church last Sunday. Rev. J. E. Aubrey preached a very able sermon on the text, "Gone, but not Forgotten."

JUNIOR NORMAL LARGEST IN STATE

Enrollment Reaches 220 Exceeding that of Any Other of its kind.

The total enrollment in the institute and Junior Normal has reached over 220. This is the largest enrollment in the state in Junior Normal Schools.

Prof. W. E. Andrews, who has taught school in Michigan for some time, has been selling reference books to the students of the Junior Normal and has made himself very popular among the students. Mr. Andrews has made a specialty of agriculture and botany and has given the students some very valuable talks along this line. They are appreciated very much by all students. Mr. Andrews made a splendid talk to the students at the chapel period Thursday on the subject of heredity.

Supt. E. C. Bishop visited the Junior Normal this week and found everything in good shape. Mr. Bishop is very much interested in the educational affairs of Broken Bow. He is a great

COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION EQUALIZES COUNTY LIVE STOCK

Returns Made by Deputy Assessors are Balanced up so as to Make Valuations the Same in all Parts of the County.

The county board of supervisors met as a board of equalization last week to equalize the personal and real estate assessments made by the deputy assessors for this year. The board assumed that the live stock of all kinds is of equal value in all parts of the county and did not undertake to take into account the question of whether the quality might vary. They assumed that the average value of a cow, a horse, a mule, or a hog ought to be the same in all parts of the county. Working on this basis they raised and lowered the deputy assessors the percentage indicated in the following table:

NO.	PRECINCT	HORSES	MULES	CATTLE	HOGS
		R. per ct. L. per ct.	R. per ct. L. per ct.	R. per ct. L. per ct.	R. per ct. L. per ct.
1	Cloup	10	10	10	10
2	Cloup	10	10	10	10
3	Douglas Grove	10	10	10	10
4	Wood River	10	10	10	10
5	Victoria	10	10	10	10
6	Sargent	10	10	10	10
7	Westerville	10	10	10	10
8	Myrtle	10	10	10	10
9	Algonquin	10	10	10	10
10	Killbuck	10	10	10	10
11	Broken Bow	10	10	10	10
12	Delight	10	10	10	10
13	Stoddard	10	10	10	10
14	Liban	10	10	10	10
15	Elm Creek	10	10	10	10
16	Wooly Hollow	10	10	10	10
17	Triumph	10	10	10	10
18	Chil	10	10	10	10
19	Elm	10	10	10	10
20	Wade	10	10	10	10
21	Ansley	10	10	10	10
22	Bowling	10	10	10	10
23	Elm	10	10	10	10
24	Graceland	10	10	10	10
25	Hayes	10	10	10	10
26	Broken Bow City	10	10	10	10
27	Wade	10	10	10	10
28	Comstock	10	10	10	10

	Number	Value	Ar. Value
Horses	33496	\$2048,995	\$61.17
Cattle	100779	1879,059	18.64
Mules	1922	134,230	69.83
Hogs	83565	558,182	6.67

friend of education.

Rev. Aubrey of the Presbyterian church made a chapel talk Wednesday morning on the subject, "Creatures of Education." Rev. Aubrey's address was well received.

Mr. Williams of Silver Burdett Co. favored us at chapel with a short and appropriate talk Thursday morning.

Students are doing exceptionally well in school work now since there are no outside affairs to attract their attention from their studies. The teachers find it a pleasure to work with students who are so willing to do something for the betterment of themselves.

Supt. Elliott is making arrangements with various business men of Broken Bow to talk to the students on practical subjects at chapel hour.

Rev. Thompson of the Methodist church conducted the devotional exercises Tuesday morning and favored us with a very interesting address.

CLUB SMOKER WEDNESDAY

Members of Commercial Club Gather at Temple Theater.

PRES. H. M. BUSHNELL SPEAKS

Commercial Club Executive Committee for Interest in Organization and Work Done.

About one hundred men came out to the Commercial Club smoker at the Temple theater Wednesday evening. Mayor Dan Rockwell presided. President Lomax gave a report of the work done by the club since its organization. The report showed that the executive committee had been working to boost the cities interest in every way possible. It has taken up the absence of a telephone in the depot, the matter of train service, railroad improvement here, the securing of harmony between the manufacturers of home products and the retailers, the question of the raise in telephone rates, the electric light question, the securing of open air band concerts in the public square, the 4th of July celebration, base ball, legislative matters of interest to the city, and numerous other questions. The report showed that the committee had met regularly once a week and had held numerous special meetings.

Five minute comments on this report were made by W. A. George, H. G. Myers and F. M. Rublee. These were followed by the principal address of the evening by Pres. H. M. Bushnell, of the Nebraska Association of Commercial Clubs. Mr. Bushnell complimented the members on the strength of the organization and the excellent work being done as shown by the report.

Quite a large number of the citizens present were called on for expressions of their opinions and each one was enthusiastic in commending the work done. Resolutions were passed commending the executive committee and thanking Pres. Bushnell for his address.

L. O. Nelson returned this morning from Victoria, Columbia, where he went with a shipment of fine horses. He has been gone a little over a month and has taken in the Seattle exposition and visited a number of points on the coast.

A nine pound boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Talbot today.

CALLAWAY BAND PLAYS JULY 5 TH

Broken Bow Band Will Give Concert in the Evening

PLANS NOW ALMOST COMPLETE

The Committee has not spared Time or Money in Making This the Greatest Celebration in Nebraska.

The Fourth of July celebration committee has secured the Callaway band to furnish the music for the day of the celebration and the Broken Bow band will give an open air concert during the evening. It is probable that a drum corps will also be hired. These three bands will keep the air full of music all during the day of the great celebration.

The celebration has received very flattering comments in all of the papers published in the county. The committees are working as men never worked before to make the celebration the greatest ever seen in this part of Nebraska.

John McGraw, who is chairman of the automobile floral parade committee, is working like a trojan to get every automobile owner in the county to get his auto beautifully decorated and get into the parade. Every man seen by him has agreed to be here and the auto parade promises to be one of the finest parades ever seen in Nebraska.

"Bill" Schaefer and his committeemen have purchased the material to be furnished by the committee in getting up the funny parade to follow the auto procession and the committee has announced this week that it will give three prizes of \$3, \$2, and \$1 for the three funniest costumes in the parade. The committee is counting on having 150 people comically dressed for this feature of the program.

Prof. U. Sorenson, of Berwyn, is arranging to have his gliding machine, in which he made the drop of 4000 feet at Berwyn, on exhibition at the celebration. He will make two balloon ascensions. One of these will come immediately after dinner and the second will go up at 9:30 p. m., and carry fuses for a great fireworks display. The display of fireworks as the balloon soars in the air will be something new and will make a beautiful sight.

Rev. Chas. W. Savidge, of Omaha, who will make the 4th of July address, is the pastor of the Peoples Church of Omaha. Mr. Savidge has made a special study of the effect of marriages upon the community and the individuals and he has married about 2000 couples and is averaging about twenty per month. The committee offers a prize of \$10 to any couple that will be married by Rev. Savidge after the address.

The human frog performance put on by Baby Albertina is something that has never been seen though the Baby gave an acrobatic exhibition at the county fair here last fall. The human frog delights the children and will be one of the best features of the celebration.

In the needle and thread race for girls, the girls run fifty yards and then thread a needle and return with it. It will be interesting to watch the girls try to thread the needle when they are out of breath from running the first half of the race. In the suit case race a man takes a suit

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