

# Nebraska State Volunteer Firemen's Association

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A department devoted to the interests of the volunteer firemen of the state of Nebraska.

Edited by Lloyd C. Thomas, state publicity chairman.

Well, boys, we're off. The special edition of The Herald last week aroused a wave of enthusiasm that should continue to hold throughout the year and result in the biggest convention ever, at Nebraska City, in January, 1915. Letters of congratulation and encouragement are coming in on every mail. The departments which had not already elected a publicity man are getting busy. We believe that by the time our next paper is published every department in the state will have a publicity man.

Just a little word of advice to publicity men. Send in news about your department which will be of general interest. If your department plans to add new equipment, buy a motor truck, build a home, increase its membership, re-organize, or hold a smoker or banquet, tell us about it. Make your articles short and to the point. We're glad to publish them. And last, but not least, see that the members of your department read the paper. Send in pictures when you have one of particular interest. We charge nothing for printing it. The only expense to your department is for the cut, which is your property for future use. And send in something every week if you can.

## PUBLICITY COMMITTEEMEN

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 Departments are requested to forward names as fast as publicity man is appointed.

## Bloomfield News

At the twelfth annual election of officers of the Bloomfield Volunteer Fire Department, held on the 25th of February, 1914, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: E. H. Berryman, chief; H. H. Hassiman, assistant chief; Henry W. Wagner, president; N. N. Baker, vice president; H. F. Cunningham, secretary-treasurer; A. F. Helms, N. B. Muehling, W. E. Graves, directors; Harry Henatsch, correspondent Alliance Herald.

The delegates' report of the Annual State Convention held at Columbus was read by Chief Berryman. unusual interest was taken in the fire engine extinguisher and upon motion it was agreed to give one of the unique extinguishers a trial, one of which Mr. Berryman has purchased.

Later the meeting was converted into a smoker and a fine oyster supper was served to all present.

Rumor has it that we are about to have a new city hall and fire barn, something which we are badly in need of.

## Broken Bow Elects Officers

The Broken Bow fire department held their annual election on March 3d. Following are the new officers: L. C. Cole, president; H. R. Joyner, vice president; A. W. Holcomb, secretary; J. G. Leonard, treasurer; W. R. Bruce, fire chief; Joseph Baisch, assistant chief. The retiring treasurer, J. G. Haerberle, has held the office since the organization of the company twenty-eight years ago and refused to allow his name to stand for re-election. By his retirement the company loses one of the most efficient officers it ever had. President L. E. Cole, the present executive, has been a member twenty-two years, while Chief Bruce joined the organization eighteen years ago.

## NEW ORDINANCE

The Seward department is having the town board pass an ordinance to allow them to collect taxes from the insurance companies. They are also ordered to buy new nozzles.

## Car and Garage Burned

An automobile and garage belonging to one of our citizens were burned on Saturday, March 7th. The engine was damaged and the oil in the drain pan was lost. The loss was \$1200.

## KINKAID ITEMS

(By Herald Correspondent)  
 Kinkaid, Nebr., March 11—Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Soto were callers at Mr. Stafford's Sunday.  
 Mrs. Rodgers is spending a few days on the ranch this week.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Grover Sutton were shopping in Alliance one day this week.

Mrs. Stafford who has recently set her incubator is looking forward for some early fries this spring.  
 The McLaughlin boys were callers at Herman Smith's Sunday.

Everybody in this vicinity is getting the spring fever and expect to be out gardening before long if this fine weather continues.

Lester Rodgers was in Bridgeport on business a couple of days last week.

Mr. Rice was a Sunday caller at Birkel's.

There is to be a social and dance given at Geo. Workman's residence Saturday night, March 21. Everybody is invited. The funds raised from the social are to be given to the school, as it is larger and all partitions will be removed giving plenty of room to dance. Boys, be sure to bring your girls and as many others as you can find, and encourage them to bring the prettiest box they can find, as it will be sold to the highest bidder. Good music has been engaged and a good time is expected. Mr. Workman's place is about ten miles south and two and one-half miles east of Alliance. There are plenty of barns on the place to shelter all horses and cars that may be brought that night.

## ABE MARTIN

We never respect our own gray hairs. When we watch some folks eat we can't help thinkin' what great brick masons they'd make—specially if their's some apple butter on th' table.

Th' reason some folks don't understand th' income tax is because they don't want to. Lem Ansley, who passed away yesterday with nicotine on th' heart, left a wife, seven children and one thousand three hundred and fifty-three coupons.

Th' half frozen look now bein' worn by th' girls is about th' most unbecomin' fad they've adopted so far. When a speaker begins his remarks by promis'n' not t' take up any valuable time you kin git ready t' be bored.

Next t' a yellin' buggy whip with a blue ribbon tied t' it ther' ain't nothin' that looks as good t' a country boy as a street car conductor. A polite feller has got about as much chance these days as a backward lookin' Democrat.

Lafe Bud says marriage wouldn't be so bad if it wuzn' for certain seasons o' th' year when it's too cool t' send your wife t' Michigan an' too warm t' send her t' Florida. I don't believe baked beans have an' enemy in th' world.

Th' ole time father who used t' go home at noon an' eat a hearty dinner now has a married son who refuses t' take any chances. Some folks are too polite t' be up t' any good.

## SEWING MACHINES

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## MORNING NOISES

By Walt Mason  
 At early morn one's sleep seems best, and man would get all kinds of rest, if silence would obtain; but at the first faint peep of day the world wakes up and gets too gay, and beds are all in vain. In town the milkman comes along and makes a racket with his gong, while drowsy people swear; and wagons rattle through the streets, and newsboys shriek the morning sheets, and noise is everywhere. And so the man who fain would sleep just hands out curses large and deep, and sighs: "I'll leave the town; I'll seek the quiet countryside, where man, when tired and heavy-eyed, can hold some slumber down." So to some bosky dell he speeds, convinced 'twill answer all his needs, and with a farmer's boards; and in the morn, when dawn is gray, he hears the hoot and grunt and bray of all the barnyard hordes. The cows are bawling passing well, the frisky mules rear up and yell, the porkers voice their woe—the goats, the guinea hens, the geese get busy and disturb the peace—the bughouse roosters crow. And in the dawning, cold and bleak, the victim swears in French and Greek, in Gaelic and low Dutch; he swears in dead and living tongues, and, though he wears out both his lungs, it doesn't help him much.

## WALT MASON.

## DELAY

By Walt Mason  
 "Delays," said Dad, "are dangerous, and apt to work much harm." 'Twas in the days when, grangerous, we lived upon the farm. So we were always hurrying to get things done oftsoons, the plowing and the currying, the harvesting of prunes. We did our work kerwhoooping, and gained the silver buck, while other farmers droopingly complain'd of evil luck. When storms came up a-thundering we did not care a darn; they never caught us blundering—our hay was in the barn; when rivers rose amazin'ly, o'erflowing banks and bed, we viewed the blam'd things brazenly—our wood was in the shed. The elements might clammyly spread snow throughout the land, they could not catch our family without some coal on hand. The lessons learned thus youthfully have served me all my days, and I can tell you truthfully that "Up and Do It" pays. Delays are surely ruinous; let's do things on the jump, or Fate will soon be shooin' us toward the blawsted dump.

## WALT MASON.

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## NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that I have given my son Wencel C. Lackey his time with full power to collect all moneys due him, and that I will not be responsible for debts of any kind or description hereafter incurred or contracted by him.

MARY T. SCHRAUTEMER. 3268-41-8

## NOTICE TO ASSESSORS

Precinct assessors are requested to be present at the court house in Alliance on Thursday, March 26th, at 4 p. m.

JOHN JELINEK, County Assessor.

14-31-3297

## ONLY A FEW MORE DAYS

Alliance Merchant to Continue Closing Out Sale of Goods Only a Short Time

- Best Grade Flour ..... \$1.20
- Good Flour ..... 1.10
- Corn, 5 cans ..... .25
- Best tomatoes, case ..... 2.50
- Fresh Packed Salmon ..... .10
- Dried Peaches and Raisins, per pound ..... .10
- Baking Powder, 25c size can. . . . . 20
- Rice, 16 pounds ..... 1.00
- 20 pounds Sugar, with \$5 order 1.00
- Macaroni ..... .10
- 8 bars Diamond C soap ..... .25
- Navy Beans, 5 pounds ..... .25
- Potatoes, per bushel ..... .65
- Boys' Shirts and Blouses ..... .25
- Misses' Union Suits ..... .25
- Boys' Suspenders, 15 and 20c, now ..... .10
- Men's Shirts, 32c to ..... .45
- Men's Women's and Children's Shoes priced to move them. Granite ware at cost.
- Hundreds of other things priced to move them.

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# HOME OF SEWARD FIRE DEPARTMENT

Live and Prosperous Department Located at Bustling City of Seward—Article by H. A. Graff, Secy. of the Department



HOME OF SEWARD FIRE DEPARTMENT

The department has the entire second floor of the building for their use as club rooms. Fitted out in the finest style.

The above building is the fruition of a hope launched nearly twenty years ago. About that time we had very little if anything in our treasury. We had but few sources of revenue. We had no dues, nor fines, but we would occasionally give dances and solicit the business men and other friends of the fire department, for the sale of the tickets. In this manner we would create a little fund and then spend it all in a "big feed" or "blow out". In 1895 we began to collect the occupation tax from the insurance companies and our fund grew larger and faster. As the fund grew the need of raising money through solicitation vanished and the boys were counselled to conserve this fund toward the day, which might not be long in the future, when we might have a home of our own worthy the name, in which we would delight to meet and invite our friends. They were counselled to have less "feeds" and "blow outs" and conserve their funds, looking to that future time when they could have all those pleasures, and more, in a home of their own. At first this was hard to instill into their minds and met with much opposition but as the fund grew and the reports came in from interest returned from some of the money invested, the opposition seemed to die out and one and all were eager to hear the next report to see how much the fund had grown. This saving spirit on the part of the boys had its effect on the citizens also. They said if the boys were showing this inclination to save their money towards owning a home of their own they would see to it that they would get it and a good one. The result you see above. When the time was ripe and a proposition was put up to vote \$10,000 bonds for a city hall, the fire boys had better than \$2,000 in their treasury and they proposed to do all the plumbing for the building and the wiring for electricity, out of their funds, provided they would be given exclusive use of rooms on the second floor designed and arranged for their convenience as club rooms and a place to hold their meetings. The proposition carried by a rousing majority and on the second floor of the above building we have a billiard room approximately 25 by 25 feet, in which we placed a billiard and a pool table; a large assembly room about 50 by 35 which we fitted up with heavy oak tables and chairs and large specially made rugs; a kitchen, a large cloak room; two bath rooms, and a toilet. We now collect a small amount, \$3 per year, as dues and have our own janitor, have steam heat and hot and cold water. We have better than \$500 in our treasury as we still collect the occupation tax and have acquired a saving habit. Believe me, we have some fine quarters. Come down and see us. We'll be glad to see you any time.

## Speak Distinctly When You Telephone

The majority of "wrong numbers" are due to indistinct enunciation and to the confusion of figures that sound much alike.



If one does not talk slowly and speak clearly, the operator is likely to confuse such numbers as, eighty-three and thirty-three, twenty-two and thirty-two.

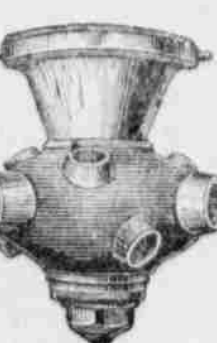
## Separate Telephone Figures

Enunciate very clearly when you talk over the telephone, with your lips about one inch from the mouthpiece. Always separate the figures of a number. As for 1340, say—"one-three-four-oh," and be careful to correct the operator if she repeats the number in error.

The Smiling Voice Is the Winning Way.



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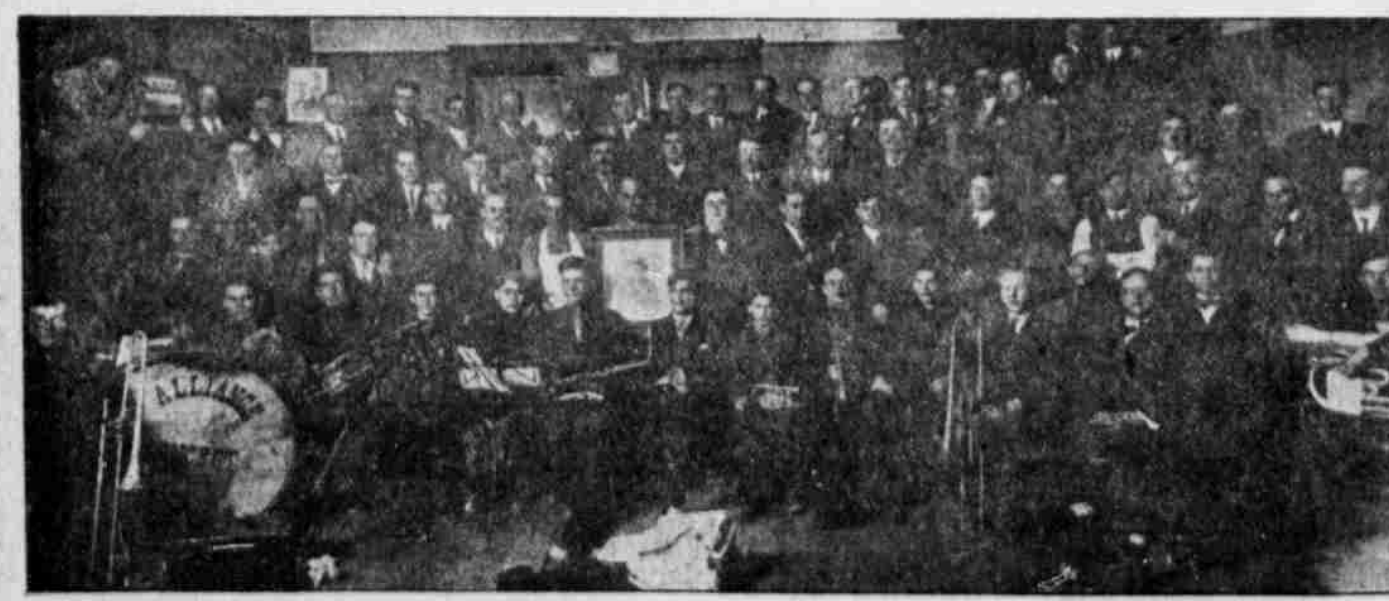


Photo by Darcy

## GUESTS AT SMOKER GIVEN BY ALLIANCE FIRE DEPARTMENT ON FEBRUARY 23RD.

This flashlight photo shows firemen and business men gathered to discuss the proposition of a motor truck for the Alliance department. In the picture can be seen the speakers (rear row): E. G. Lains, W. E. Spencer, Eugene Burton, W. S. Ridgell, Louis Spruce, Mayor Rodgers, Lloyd C. Thomas, J. W. Guthrie, Chief Rcmig. In the front row at the right is D. L. Cubberly of Denver.