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Who says this is a dry climate?
The glorious Fourth will be a red letter day for Alliance this year.

There's no doubt of a bumper "spud" crop in Box Butte county this season.

And now South Dakota starts war against those who illegally fence public lands.

There's no doubt that the president used the "big stick" on Minister Bowen when he expelled him from the service.

Three of Omaha's national banks will consolidate under one name. A financial merger, so to speak.

In the death of Liberator M. Gomez, the Cuban republic has lost one of the greatest men of this or any other age.

More rain more grass; more grass more fat cattle. And that's the condition western Nebraska finds itself in this season.

Deadwood, according to latest press reports, is undergoing a sweeping moral reform. And there's hopes for hades too if that be true.

While Russia is debating peace terms, the Mikado's army is making life miserable for the discouraged remnant of General Linevitch's command in the far east.

It is given out in today's World-Herald that the biennial election law will be held unconstitutional by the supreme court and that such decision will be made public today.

Twelve deaths caused by heat is the record for one day recently in New York. Who would swap the cool, invigorating atmosphere of Nebraska for such conditions in a crowded city?

Eastern railway companies are praising the record-breaking trips of their fast trains during the past few days, while in fact western roads have been making fully as good time for several years and saying nothing about it.

Washington is rapidly overshadowing The Hague as the peace center for all the ills and ailments that may arise between our governmental neighbors. Teddy's "big stick" may be concealed in the closet of the White House, but his angelic smile and the dove of peace are conspicuous at the entrance thereof.

The proclamation of Mayor Buechsenstein regarding the use of fireworks on the Fourth of July will be found in this issue. It is the proper thing and a safeguard against such accidents as are liable to occur by the use of fireworks on such an occasion, when the streets will be crowded with people. Such restriction has been passed in Omaha, Kearney and many other places in the state. It is a good law and should be enforced to the letter.

"The railroads are doing all they can to persuade immigrants to go South instead of West," says S. H. Hardwick, general manager of the Southern Railway. "But the people of the different states must do their share. They must show a spirit of welcome and of hospitality to the people that we send them. It will not do to merely sell them a farm or to find for them employment on a farm or in the mills. They must be taken into the community. The railroads, when they land emigrants on Southern farms or in Southern towns, have done all they can. It is for the people of the South to do the rest. If they show an inhospitable spirit by segregating these new arrivals from all interest and participation in the life of the community, the new arrivals will soon tire, and, if they do not depart themselves, will write letters home which will surely prevent any more of their people from following them. So it is the utmost necessity that the people take care of the immigrants after we bring them into their midst."

LOCAL PARAGRAPHS.

Stock Inspector Campbell visited Ellsworth Monday.

Bartlett Richards passed through Alliance Tuesday on a business trip to Wyoming.

R. J. Lawrence left today for a week's trip east. He will visit Chicago and other cities.

H. L. Bushnell, the well known merchant of Hemingford, is in the metropolis today.

Mrs. Wm. Mitchell and daughter, Miss Pearl, are spending the week with friends in Denver.

Rood Brothers shipped a car of horses Monday to Perry, Iowa, and will ship two cars on July 3.

Mrs. Keane and daughter, Mrs. Garfield Ball, of Hemingford visited relatives in the city Sunday.

W. G. Simonson arrived from Denver Saturday to look after his business affairs in this city and vicinity.

Ed Feather had a valuable young cow killed by lightning at his ranch Sunday night. Fortunately, the animal was insured.

Henry Armstrong was in the city between trains last Tuesday on his way to Sheridan. He had been down to Denver on business.

Mrs. F. J. Betzold returned the latter part of the week from Hot Springs, S. D., where she has been recuperating from an attack of rheumatism.

Sam Albro, traveling man who sells sweets for Woodward, of Council Bluffs, went out on the Guernsey Tuesday morning to call on the trade.

Mrs. W. A. Hood will leave next week for a visit with relatives at her former home in Louisville, Ky. She expects to be gone six weeks or longer.

H. O'Neill and S. H. Fox of Moulton, Iowa, arrived today and will go to Bridgeport tomorrow. They are horse dealers and will buy a car or two to ship.

C. A. Newberry went to Omaha this morning. He will return Saturday with his daughter May who has been in school there and will spend vacation at home.

Wm. Roth and wife were in from Liberty precinct Wednesday. Mr. Roth transacted business at the court house and also filed on an additional homestead.

The section house at Lakeside was struck by lightning Saturday night and while there were a number of people in the building at the time, no one was seriously injured.

A change has been made in the purses for the relay races for the fourth. The first prize will be \$50, second, \$35, and third \$15. Prizes for bicycle races are, first, \$7, second, \$3.

G. W. Harmon is here from Auburn to spend a few days looking after the Telephone company business. Mr. Harmon likes Alliance well enough to consider moving his family here.

B. F. Gilman returned yesterday from Mondovi, Wis., where he went two weeks owing to the serious illness of his mother. He left her much improved and on the road to recovery.

Richard Bevan was in from the Bevan ranch Monday and made final proof on his homestead. He reports stock doing fine, the grass being the best he has ever seen at this time of the season.

G. L. Shumway, of Scottsbluff was in the city Monday transacting business. G. L. still stakes his faith on the Platte Valley country and has implicit confidence in its future prosperity.

T. S. Fielding has been seriously ill this week, the ailment being yellow jaundice. His condition today is somewhat improved, but he is still a very sick man. His friends hope for his recovery.

The many friends of Arthur Gordon are glad to see him around again, having been confined to his room since May 17, when his foot was amputated after being badly crushed in the Alliance yards.

Rev. H. Bross of Lincoln passed through the city Tuesday enroute to Crawford. Rev. Bross is at the head of the Congregational churches of the state and is very popular with all who know him.

John Curran was in from the ranch in Sioux county Tuesday after a heater for dipping purposes. He says everybody is very busy dipping their cattle in his vicinity, a large amount of the work being done at his place.

Children's Day exercises were held at the Baptist church Sunday evening. The church was prettily decorated in colors and the program was rendered in a most pleasing manner, by a number of children and grown people. The

program throughout showed that much interest and training was taken and the crowd that came to hear them, filled the house to overflowing.

Speaker Cannon of the House of Representatives, and the party are billed to come through Alliance in a special train on next Sunday. Why not arrange for a back platform address from the famous "Uncle Joe."

Bernard Phelan arrived in the city from Ann Arbor last Monday, having concluded his studies for the term at the college at that place. He will enjoy the pleasure of outdoor life in western Nebraska this summer.

Mrs. E. M. Bean returned to her home at Broken Bow Monday after a week's visit with friends here and at Hemingford. Her daughter Willa remained for a longer visit with the children of W. C. Mounts and B. F. Gilman.

The social given under the auspices of the Queen Esther society at the residence of Mrs. E. J. Hicks last evening was well attended and a snug sum realized. The music was furnished by the High School orchestra. A very pleasant time is reported.

W. O. Barnes, of Omaha was in the city Tuesday on his way to Minature, where he will conduct the newspaper business of Editor Alexander, who is in poor health. Mr. Barnes is an old time printer and was connected with the papers at Lead and Deadwood for some time.

The Alliance lodge of Elks has received an invitation to attend the institution of a lodge at North Platte next Saturday, which will be installed by the Grand Island team. Twenty-five members of the order, who reside at North Platte will be transferred to their home lodge.

Mrs. W. W. Norton and son Russell, Mrs. F. W. Lester and Miss Elsie Darling will leave for Los Angeles, Calif., Monday morning. Miss Darling expects to remain there at her home. The others expect to be gone two or three months and will visit Portland, Seattle and other cities on their return trip.

Mayor Buechsenstein was at Crawford and Ft. Robinson Tuesday and while at the latter place witnessed a lively and interesting game of polo played between the soldiers. The people of Crawford were interested in the coming celebration at this place and will no doubt be here in force.

The first division of the missionary circle of the Baptist church, of which Mrs. B. H. Perry is the chairman, will give a missionary tea at her home on Wednesday next, June 28th from 5 to 8 o'clock. All are invited. A silver offering will be taken for missions. This will include supper.

Dr. S. W. Johnson, of Cambria, Wyo., passed through Alliance Sunday evening with the nine-year-old son of a Mrs. Verbyk, bound for Denver where the lad was taken to St. Luke's hospital for treatment for concussion of the brain, the result of an accident while riding a horse. Dr. Johnson returned from Denver Tuesday but the boy had not regained consciousness when he left and his condition was considered hopeless.

A number of Alliance people of the Baptist congregation left overland Monday for Chadron where they will attend the Northwest Baptist association convention, Wednesday and Thursday. Rev. Jeffers was among his parishioners to make the journey. He will read a paper before the meeting entitled, "Echoes from St. Louis," also give an address on "Christian Stewardship." The Misses Carpenter and Amanda Fullerton also take active parts in the convention.

Tom Foley and G. Walter Barnes of Omaha were in the city last Saturday and Sunday, leaving in the afternoon for Hot Springs. Mr. Foley is one of the best known men of Nebraska and his wager of an automobile on the election last fall is still fresh in the minds of the public. He is one of the representatives of the Blatz Brewing company for Nebraska. Mr. Barnes is pushing a brand known as "Rare Old Perfect," and is termed the Brookfield Rye Man.

The Extension has at last been filed on. Quite a large crowd, principally squatters, went over to Alliance last Friday and stood in line until Monday morning in order to get in their filings. Many were made happy while others had their troubles and disappointments. Section filings were allowed which was unfair, and the land on the Extension should have been entered in quarter sections only. Much dissatisfaction prevails, and charges of prejury are afloat in the air and contests and protests will be one of the features for some time.—Rushville Standard.

A Great Game.

The first game of baseball to take place since the organization of the local team, occurred at the ball ground, west of town, last Sunday when the Lakeside ball players went up against defeat by a score of 8 to 21. Only eight innings were played, when some misunderstanding arose and the visitors refused to further continue the game. It was apparent from the start that the home team was much the stronger, but some how the cause of Lakeside's disaster was blamed to Umpire O'Connor who was charged with partiality. For a while things were getting rather warm and it looked as if there might be a riot, but this was averted by the cool judgment of the less rattled. It was indeed amusing to notice how easily a crowd could become excited and demonstrative upon the least provocation. The bleachers and the grand stand took a hand in the excitement and everyone was having their share of fun in the melee. Whether O'Connor was showing partiality to the home team we can not say, for decisions on the diamond are, as a rule, hard to determine, but it is sufficient to state that Manager Brown of the local aggregation refused to have the umpire dethroned, being satisfied with his decisions. While the game was not played out, the large crowd in attendance had their money's worth of fun and as a traveling man said, who was witness of the affair, it was more fun than a basket full of monkeys.

Next Sunday the Sidney team will be here to play a game and from the reputation that precedes them, it may be predicted that the local players will have to get down to business if they want to win out.

Crop Report of Box Butte County
As compiled by County Clerk Smyser from assessors' reports:

No. of farms occupied April 1st.	468
No. of acres sown or planted in spring 1904:	
Spring wheat.	2721
Corn.	4463
Oats.	2766
Barley.	3025
Miller.	1616
Potatoes.	5252
Total.	19,843
No. acres of grasses in cultivation:	
Speltz.	447
Spring rye.	372
Alfalfa.	479
Other tame grasses.	662
Total.	1,700
No. tons hay cut in 1904:	
Tame.	5050
Wild.	11427
Total.	16,477
No. of trees:	
Apples.	223
Bears.	3
Peaches.	4
Plums.	893
Cherries.	110
Timber.	20 acres.

Box Butte County Live Stock.

Following is a statement of the number of cattle and horses in Box Butte county as returned by the assessors. The real estate and personal property valuations had not been determined up to the time of going to press today, but the same will be published in our next issue.

No.	Real value	As. value	Av. value
31359	42,921	8,575	\$15.51
HORSES.			
5133	26917	5953.40	\$38.84

Land Office Notices.

Land Office at Alliance, Neb., May 26, 1904. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Register and Receiver at Alliance, Neb., on July 14th, 1904, viz:

PETER MUNTZ of Hemingford, Neb., on Homestead entry No. 6003 for the SW 1/4 NW 1/4, W 1/2 SW 1/4, SE 1/4 SW 1/4, section 12, township 27 N R 40 W.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Walter R. Kent, Longlake, Nebraska; James Kroyd, Box Butte, Nebraska; August G. Dilling, Box Butte, Nebraska; William Dilling, Box Butte, Nebraska.

24-6 BRUCE WILCOX, Register.

Notice of Settlement.

In the State of Nebraska, vs. Box Butte county. In the matter of the estate of Dennis Carpenter, deceased. To the creditors, heirs, legatees, and others interested in the estate of Dennis Carpenter, deceased. Take notice, That Hubert E. Carpenter has filed in the county court a report of his doings as administrator of said estate and it is ordered that the same stand for hearing the 7th day of July, A. D. 1904, before the court at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., at which time any person interested may appear and object to and contest the same. And notice of this proceeding is ordered given The Alliance Herald for two weeks prior to said day of hearing.

Witness my hand and the seal of the county court at Alliance this 14th day of June, A. D. 1904. D. K. SPACHT, County Judge.

Notice of Settlement.

In the State of Nebraska, vs. Box Butte county. In the matter of the estate of John S. Hughes, deceased. To the creditors, heirs, legatees, and others interested in the estate of John S. Hughes, deceased. Take notice, That Mary F. Hughes has filed in the county court a report of her doings as administratrix of said estate and it is ordered that the same stand for hearing the 7th day of July, A. D. 1904, before the court at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., at which time any person interested may appear and object to and contest the same. And notice of this proceeding is ordered given The Alliance Herald for two weeks prior to said day of hearing.

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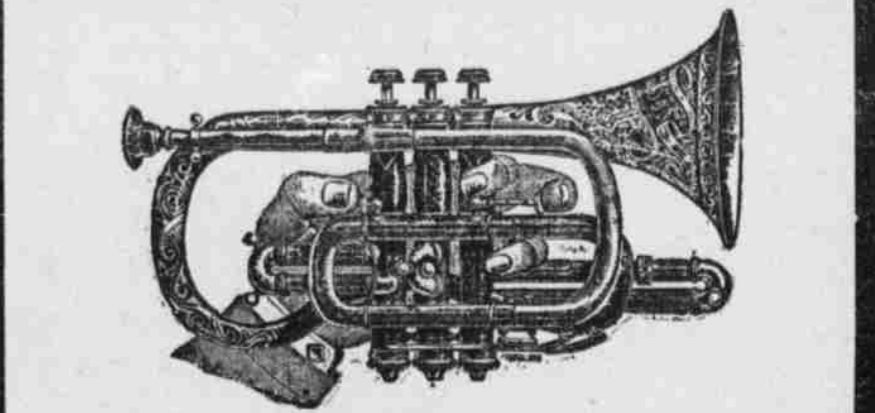


4th of July CELEBRATION!

At Alliance, Nebraska

Everybody invited to participate in the grandest celebration ever given in Western Nebraska.

Read the following program and see the great number of entertaining features in store for all who attend.



★ PROGRAM ★

- National salute of 100 guns at sunrise
 - 9:30, grand concert by 10th Cavalry Band
 - 10 o'clock, hose race, hub and hub. To the winner \$25.00
 - 10:15, wet test fire department. Prize, \$15.00
 - 10:30, oration of the day at opera house, by Hon. W. R. Akers, and patriotic songs by a chorus of fifty voices
 - 1 o'clock, public wedding in front of opera house, \$25
 - 1:30, awarding the prize to the largest family driving to Alliance; \$25.00
 - Awarding the prize to the family driving the greatest distance to Alliance; \$25.00
 - All contestants to register with secretary before 1 o'clock p. m.
 - 2 o'clock, ladies' exhibition riding. Three to enter. First prize \$5, second \$3
 - 2:30, gentlemen's exhibition. First prize \$5, second \$3
 - 2:45 bicycle race, One mile. First prize \$7, second \$3.
 - 3 o'clock, pony race, 14 hands and under; three to enter. First prize \$10, second \$5
 - 3:30, saddled cow horses. Three to enter. First prize \$10, second \$5
 - 4:00, relay race. Two to enter. Three miles. First prize \$35, second 15.
 - 4:30, broncho busting. Two to enter. First prize 10.00, second 5.00
 - 5:00, foot race, free to all, men. First prize 6.00, second 4.00
 - Boys' foot race, under 12 years. First prize 3.00, second 2.00
 - Girls' foot race, under 12 years. First prize 3.00, second 2.00
 - Boys' foot race, under 16 years. First prize 3.00, second 2.00
 - 6:00, grand balloon ascension and parachute leap by Professor Baldwin, king of the air
- Ira Reed, Superintendent of sports and races. All entries must be made with him.
- Foot races on Main street. All other races at driving park.

Magnificent Display of FIREWORKS IN THE EVENING

★ Grand Dance ★

20-Piece Orchestra from Ft. Robinson

Given by the Alert Fire Department

LOUIS BUECHSENSTEIN, Pres.

E. C. McCLUER, Sec. GLEN HAMPTON, Treas.