

Alliance is advertising her Fourth of July celebration already yet. Alliance is nobody's slouch.—Norfolk Press.

We notice by our exchanges that a few of our neighboring towns are beginning to talk 4th of July celebration. Our advice is that they all take a year off from celebrating this year and come to Alliance where the "big doings" will be held.

We notice that many other cities in Nebraska made efforts through their Commercial Clubs or by properly appointed committees to assist the census enumerators in securing a full count of the citizens. The Herald has no complaint to make regarding the work of the enumerators who took the Alliance census; but we feel that they should have had the cooperation and assistance of the Commercial Club, or some other representative body, in their work. This appears to have been another case of "what is everybody's business, is nobody's business," and while the members of the Commercial Club generally seem to be of our opinion in this matter, no one took the initiative to render the proper assistance. In a city like Alliance it is practically impossible for two persons to secure the names of all who should have been counted. This fact, in connection with the omission of West Lawn and other suburban homes that should properly be included in the count, will cause a good deal of disappointment we fear when the census report giving the population of this city is published.

It is common for newspaper publishers to indulge in "big talk" when speaking or writing about circulation. It is an open secret among the newspaper fraternity that many of the statements made in regard to numbers of subscribers must be received with "a grain of allowance," while occasionally a publisher descends to downright misrepresentation. We have seen nothing to indicate that any one doubts the statements made in these columns in regard to the circulation of The Herald; but we wish to call attention that our subscription books are open to public inspection, and interested parties can easily ascertain whether our claims in regard to circulation, new subscriptions, etc., are correct. It may be of little or no interest to the average reader what paper in a community has the largest circulation, but whenever business men or other patrons of the paper desire to know positively the facts and wish to make a comparison of subscription lists, our books are open for that purpose. We are ready to make advertising contracts on a guarantee that The Herald has the largest circulation of any paper published in northwestern Nebraska, which includes all of the "panhandle" of the state.

Governor's Reception.

Governor and Mrs. Shallenberger will hold a reception at the executive mansion in honor of the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage, on Tuesday evening, May 24th, to which all their friends throughout the state are invited. No formal invitation is necessary and there will be open house at the mansion after eight o'clock p. m. of this day.

Commencement News.

Since writing and printing the article on page three, "High School Commencement," we have received from Supt. Hayes an announcement giving the information contained in the above mentioned article and also in the following: All these exercises are made free to the public this year, excepting the Senior Class play, May 24. All patrons and friends of the schools are cordially invited to attend. All these exercises will begin promptly at the time specified. A section of seats will be reserved for the parents of the pupils

graduating from the 5th grade and the high school graduating exercises. Special music will be furnished for the class sermon on Sunday evening by a double quartette, and for Commencement exercises by a male quartette, instrumental duet, trombone, besides the high school orchestra.

Combination Public Auction

May 21, 1910. At the Palace Livery Barn, Alliance, Nebr. Commencing at 1:30 o'clock sharp. Consisting of the following property: 9 head of horses described as follows: One bald-faced bay mare, 6 years old, weight 1,000 lbs.; one brown mare, 7 years old, weight 1,000 lbs.; one gray mare, 12 years old, with colt aside, weight 1,200 lbs.; two 2-year-old fillies; one yearling gelding; one yearling filly; one sorrel stallion, weight 1,500, 9 years old; one bay saddle horse, 5 years old; 3 head milch cows, all fresh, 10 head of brood sows due to farrow within the next twenty days, and one Poland China Boar (pure bred). Terms, cash or bankable paper. Consignors to this auction, Art Roache and J. M. Dineen. A. S. Reed, clerk; H. P. Coursey, auctioneer. Bring anything that you want to sell.

Wedding Anniversary

On last Tuesday at Hemingford occurred an event which will long be remembered by those participating as a most happy affair. The occasion was the 10th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Wildy, and also the 49th birthday of the former. Their many friends took advantage of this date to show the esteem in which this worthy couple is held by gathering at the Rocky store and proceeding in a body to the spacious Wildy residence at ten o'clock in the forenoon, giving them a surprise. The number of guests from different parts of the county continued to increase until they were ninety strong. Tables were bountifully spread with delicious viands to which all did justice. A photographer appeared on the scene at the proper moment and a picture was taken which will be highly prized by these old friends and neighbors. A sum of money was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Wildy with the request that they purchase something with it while on their trip to Canada this summer that will be a token of remembrance from their Box Butte county friends. The guests departed at the close of the day wishing the host and hostess many happy returns of this delightful anniversary occasion. Those present from Alliance were Messrs. and Mesdames W. C. Mounts, I. E. Tash, B. F. Gilman, Mrs. McCorkle, Mrs. Iodence and Ora Phillips.

Our Lincoln Letter

(Put in type for last issue but crowded out.) Lincoln, Nebr., May 9.—(Special Correspondence.) Talk of the proposed special session of the legislature has been rampant in Lincoln since the last letter. Every day members of the legislature have visited and consulted with the governor, and of course opinion is divided. One objection to a special session is the enormous expense involved, with the likelihood that even the submission of the proposed initiative and referendum would not serve to clear the atmosphere. The organization backing the county option proposition has served notice that even the adoption of the initiative and referendum will not prevent it from going right ahead and making a fight in every legislative district, and opposing the candidacy of every man who will not pledge himself to vote for a county option measure at the next regular session. At the time of writing this letter Mr. Bryan has not stated the result of the poll he is taking of the members.

In pursuance of his announced determination to address meetings in every legislative district whose senators or representatives voted against the initiative and referendum bill at the last session, Mr. Bryan asked for the use of the Otos county court house. It was refused in curt terms. Upon receiving the refusal Mr. Bryan declared that he "felt like an actress whose jewels had been stolen."

In 1906 Mr. Bryan received an intimation that it would be dangerous for him and C. J. Smyth to try and speak in Nebraska City, because the people were aroused over their attacks on the trusts and Nebraska City then had a branch of the starch trust. Mr. Bryan said he would speak in the very shadow of the starch trust—and he did. Nebraska went republican by a good majority that year, and a few days after election Will Hayward sent Mr. Bryan an impertinent postal card to the effect that "the shadow of the starch trust seems to stretch to the western bounds of Nebraska." In that 1906 speech Mr. Bryan warned the people of Nebraska City that republican victory meant the destruction of their starch industry. In 1908 Mr. Bryan, again a candidate, spoke in Nebraska City, but not "in the shadow of the starch factory." There was no starch factory. The machinery had been removed and the tall chimney belched forth no clouds of smoke. The starch trust had closed the factory down and then dismantled it. When Mr. Bryan speaks in Nebraska City on the initiative and referendum he will not speak in the shadow of the starch factory, even if he fails to secure the use of the court house.

Now is the time for home investors to buy land and make quick money. Let us show you what we have. Nebraska Land Co.

LOCAL PARAGRAPHS

Wait for the next comet. Read the notice of the combination public auction. Special sale on straw hats at Essay's. Large assortment. Ed Becker and A. P. Brown made a trip up the Guernsey line last week. Wanted at once, teams to break land, \$3.00 per acre. Nebraska Land Co.

We didn't get swiped off the earth this time, but no telling how soon we may. Special sale on straw hats at E. Essay's. Large assortment to select from. The Woman's Club will meet tomorrow afternoon with Mrs. S. K. Warrick.

A. P. Brown, the well known barber, is holding a position at the Mounts & Vincel shop. A. H. McLaughlin of Marsland was an Alliance visitor since our last publication day.

Miss Mabel Duncan spent Sunday with friends at Ft. Morgan, Colo., her former home. T. H. Barnes is again right-of-way man for the C. B. & O. He is in Colorado this week.

Well, we passed through some of the tail of Halley's comet and some of us are left to tell the tale. Miss Austin, who has been assisting Mrs. Holdridge, the milliner, left Monday for her home at Morrill.

Wanted—Stock to pasture. Have pastures different parts of the county, and in Sheridan Co. Nebraska Land Co. Now is the time for home investors to buy land and make quick money. Let us show you what we have. Nebraska Land Co.

Cost price on millinery continued for two weeks. S. J. Holdridge, 23-21

This office was favored with a pleasant call this week from Mrs. Agnes Boyer of North Platte, supreme deputy of the order of the Ladies of the Macabees. T. H. Zurn of Crawford, a nephew of Judge Zurn, came down to Alliance Tuesday for a visit with his uncle and other friends.

Watch for our new carload of automobiles. Come and let us demonstrate to you. Nebraska Land and Auto Co. Mr. and Mrs. Percy Cogswell are rejoicing over the arrival of a bouncing baby girl which came to their home last Wednesday.

L. W. Bolte having sold his jewelry business requests all persons who have left anything with him to be repaired to call at the First National Bank for the same.

J. D. Bell, C. V. Townson, Andrew Applegarth, J. F. Sellers, Sam Edmonson and C. A. Bell, all of the Bingham neighborhood, were in Alliance on business Tuesday. We have an invitation from E. W. Mitton to exchange with the Marsland Tribune, which he is beginning the publication of, and we are pleased to comply with the request.

Last Sunday we had the privilege of meeting an old-time friend, H. S. Cowman of Maywood, Nebr., who came here in response to a telegram as mentioned in another column. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Johnson and daughter, Virginia, contemplate leaving Saturday for a visit of a week or ten days duration at the home of the former's parents at Fairfield, Iowa.

Those persons who temporarily "quit their meanness" in anticipation that passing through the tail of Halley's comet would put a stop to it anyhow, will now go back to their old ways same as before the scare. Wanted—Stock to pasture. Have pastures different parts of the county, and in Sheridan Co. Nebraska Land Co.

H. E. Grings received a wire Monday from his brother at Deadwood notifying him of an offer of a position as stenographer at eighty-five dollars per month. He left on 41 the next morning for that place. It is an evident fact that if The Herald's patronage continues to increase it will be necessary to enlarge the paper. A number of interesting items are crowded out this week, including a number of marriage notices.

The city council was called to meet last Monday evening, but owing to the absence of Mr. Newberry and the sickness of Mr. Martin no business was transacted, although matters of importance were considered unofficially. Rev. D. B. McLaughlin canvassed Northport and vicinity last week with a view to organizing a Presbyterian church, which was to be done Sunday, May 22. About thirty members are already pledged. Lots for building have been purchased.

Notice of a combination public sale, to be held Saturday of this week, at the Palace livery stable in Alliance, appears in this issue of The Herald. Horses, including a stallion, cows, hogs, etc., are to be sold. If you are interested, read the notice.

A. T. Lunn returned Monday and Mrs. Lunn this morning from Omaha where they were called last week by the serious illness of the latter's brother, Charles Smith, who was a resident of Alliance some two years ago. They report the young man on the road to recovery.

Miss Mabel Worley entertained a few of her friends at her home at 812

Box Butte avenue on last Thursday evening. The evening was spent at games, music and guessing contests, Prof. J. A. Hanna proving himself the champion conjecturer. Miss Worley served a delightful luncheon to her guests, who pronounced upon their departure the evening to have been a most enjoyable one.

Watch for our new carload of automobiles. Come and let us demonstrate to you. Nebraska Land and Auto Co.

The interest that outside parties are taking in the big 4th of July celebration and the Stockmen's convention this year assures the success of the same. J. D. Dell, of Bingham called at The Herald office yesterday to get some of the big posters to take back with him to post up at that place.

Stock of millinery for sale or trade. Special bargain if taken by June 1st. S. J. Holdridge, 23-21

Geo. Douglas' father-in-law, J. B. Merrill, of Cornelius, Oregon, is spending a few days in Alliance. He was a resident of Box Butte county seventeen years ago, but visited here five years ago, since which time he thinks Alliance and the surrounding country have made great advancement.

On Monday of this week F. J. Brennan purchased L. W. Bolte's jewelry business, and will have a man here soon to take charge of the same. Mr. Bolte has not yet decided where he will locate, but we understand there is a probability that he may go to Sidney. We regret to lose him and his estimable wife from our city.

Otto P. Kaldal of Anzora has been in Alliance this week on business pertaining to the manufacture of the new Bullock & Kaldal hay stacker. He called at The Herald office on Tuesday to set himself ahead on subscription, and gave us some interesting information about the stacker which he says "works just dandy."

On account of his extensive business interests outside of Alliance as well as in this city, Cashier S. K. Warrick divides his time between this place and several other points. He left again yesterday for Scottsbluff. The First National bank of that city, of which Mr. Warrick is president, has been building and improving their facilities for the convenient transaction of business.

Again we are reminded that the way of the transgressor is hard. Edward White and John Hayes, two of the trio who held up a man as mentioned in The Herald last week, were sentenced, at a special term of court held Tuesday by Judge Westover, to three years each in the penitentiary. They both pleaded guilty. The other one of the three turned State's evidence and was set free.

H. A. Lotspeich took an automobile spin to Alliance Wednesday, where he will leave the machine for an overhauling, and join Mrs. Lotspeich and the children who left here on the train and together they will go to Lincoln, where the family will visit a month or so, and Mr. Lotspeich after transacting some business in Omaha will return to Minnatare in about two weeks.—Minnatare Free Press.

The editor of the Minnatare Free Press complains in the last issue of his paper that of all the big fish brought to Minnatare during the preceding week he had heard of none that were served baked with stuffing, but he vows that if there is a pike or cat left in the Platte when his housekeeper returns this week a baked fish with stuffing will be one of the early achievements in that village.

The editor's youngest son is learning to set type. One day last week he was shown how to hold the "stick," where to find the various letters in the case and how to place them in a line. He began work and got along nicely except that he commenced at the wrong side of the "stick" to place the letters in line, with the result that his first line read as follows: "fac a thgnob retnoF enegE."

E. A. Hall, of Alliance, the "head push" of the firm of Hall & Graham, cattle brokers, who makes everything look good to the fellow with whom he converses, regardless of the oncoming comet switching its caudal appendage, is hobnobbing with Hyannis fellows today—and if he gets through without stumbling, which is a sure thing—will return to his own fireside tomorrow.—Hyannis Tribune.

Yesterday was the forty-first anniversary of the birthday of County Clerk W. C. Mounts, and the happy event was celebrated at his home last evening. The families of Postmaster Tash and J. C. McCorkle were invited to spend the evening. A friendly visit was enjoyed watching for the comet, which failed to appear, being a part of the evening's entertainment. About eleven o'clock Mrs. Mounts served an elegant lunch. The guests departed at a late hour, having thoroughly enjoyed the hospitality of their host and hostess.

The first musicale of the Alliance high school was given in the assembly room of the high school last Friday afternoon. There was a fair attendance of visitors who with the students composed the audience. The program consisting of selections rendered by the entire orchestra, vocal, trombone, cello and piano solos, violin and trombone duets and violin quartet, were exceptionally well rendered and highly appreciated by the audience. In addition to the musical program short addresses were made by Prof. Hanna as chairman and Prof. Williams, who encouraged the student body to pursue a course in music the coming year. Senator Ollis of Ord, who, by way of diversion, acts as superintendent of

the Horse department at the coming State Fair, Sept. 5th to 9th, thinks that the horse show of 1910 will be "good for sore eyes." Nebraska breeders have been busy the past two years buying the best offerings of imported horses, and it is said by the Breeders' Gazette that a recent horse sale of pedigreed stock at Lincoln set the record price for such sales in the United States.

Death Claims Young Mother.

Last week we mentioned the birth of a girl baby to Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Cowman, May 6th, and the serious illness of the mother. It becomes our sad duty to chronicle her demise which occurred on early Sunday morning. Edith Belle, daughter of E. P. and Arva Doudna, was born May 9, 1886; died May 15, 1910. Jan. 29, 1906, she was married to Clyde H. Cowman, at Maywood, Nebr., where her funeral was held Tuesday of this week, in the Christian church, of which she was a member. Rev. R. M. Ainsworth, pastor, conducted the funeral.

R. P. Doudna, father of the girl, and C. H. Cowman, father-in-law, arrived Sunday, but too late to see her alive. The Herald deeply sympathizes with the bereaved husband and the little motherless daughters, as well as with the other afflicted relatives.

A Rustling Grocery Firm.

The Phillips Grocery Co., the new firm next door to Thiele's drug store, are rustling for trade—and they are getting a big share of it. Ora E. Phillips, proprietor, is too busy with real estate business to give much time to the store, but he has an efficient manager in the person of Harry Troupe, who is ably assisted by Arthur Conner, Murie Holdridge, Carl Zehrunng and George Buschsenstein. Mr. Troupe appreciates the value of giving publicity to a good business proposition, accordingly reserves space in The Herald for a special announcement next week. Meanwhile, customers will receive the usual courteous attention. Telephone orders given prompt attention and filled satisfactorily.

Looked Like Autumn

Ora E. Phillips returned last Saturday noon from a ten day's trip to Iowa and eastern Nebraska on real estate business. Some of the points visited are Albia, Oskaloosa and Des Moines, Iowa, and Omaha and Grand Island. He reports that the only place where he found as good crops as here was south of Cairo, Nebr., although they were fairly good north of Ravenna. The week before he was in Iowa there was a hard freeze and the leaves on the trees had turned brown so that it looked more like autumn there than spring. One man in Iowa who has an apple orchard was heard to say that he would take fifteen cents for this year's crop.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

ST. MATTHEW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH. On Sunday next, May 22nd, the Rt. Rev. Anson D. Graves, D. D. LL. D. Bishop of the Missionary District of Kearney, will pay his annual visit to St. Matthew's Parish. Services will be as follows: Administration of the Holy Communion at 8 a. m. Morning prayer, Confirmation service and sermon at 10:30 a. m. The sermon will be preached by the Bishop. Members will please notice the earlier hour for morning prayer. It is set at the time mentioned to allow the Bishop plenty of time to catch the 12:45 train for Bridgeport, where he will officiate on Sunday night. Bishop Graves will be at the Rectory on Saturday evening, and will be glad to receive any of the members and friends of St. Matthew's who care to call.

The offerings at both services will be devoted to Diocesan Missions. The Rector hopes there will be a full attendance at both services.

A. M. E. CHURCH

Services held the first and third Sunday in each month at Mr. Mark's hall by Rev. W. L. N. Baker, pastor of the Alliance and Crawford Missions. 2:30 p. m. and 8:00 in evening.

HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Order of Services: Sunday Masses, 7:00, 9:00, and 10:30 a. m., except on the third Sunday of every month when the order is 9:00 and 10:30 a. m. Evening service every Sunday evening at 7:30.—Rev. W. L. McNamara, Pastor.

ALLIANCE CIRCUIT, M. E. CHURCH

Usual services next Sunday at Fairview and Berea at usual hours. There will be a basket supper at Berea Friday night, May 27th.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Morning topic, "The Kingdom and Will of God." In the evening at 8 o'clock, Rev. A. L. Godfrey will preach the annual class sermon to the high school graduating class, his subject being, "The Quest of the Chief Good."

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sabbath school at 10 a. m. No preaching on account of absence of pastor from the city.

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

At the morning service, the first of a series of sermons on the Life of Paul will be preached by the pastor. Christian Union at 7 p. m. No preaching service in the evening on account of haccalaureate sermon at M. E. church.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

Usual services throughout the day except no evening preaching on account of union meeting at the M. E. church.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Money to loan on real estate. F. E. Reddish. 3-1f. Home raised Short Horn bulls for sale.—James B. Leith, Box 1066; Alliance, Nebr. 12-1f. Board and room, modern, hot and cold bath. Call 713 Laramie Ave., or phone 394. 21-4f.

The C. W. Way Co., Architects, Hastings, Nebraska, will furnish you with plans and specifications for any class of building you wish to erect. Ask them for information. 19f.

I am prepared to do all kinds of garden work, replanting trees and odd jobs. Phone 58 or call at Phillips Land office. W. H. GOODENOUGH. 1f.

For Sale, all my dwelling houses, I. A. Holdredge, 219 Sweetwater, 17-1f.

Wanted—Sewing by day or piece, 117 Sweetwater avenue. 8-1f.

Wanted—Work by day or take washing home. Phone 485 blue. 1f.

Two room house for rent. Horse and buggy for sale.—Mrs. Moran.

Plain sewing wanted. Prices reasonable. Children's clothes a specialty. Phone 166 blue. 21-6f.

Ice Business for Sale

I am offering for sale my ice business—with or without my residence. Will sell cheap if taken soon. 19-4f. D. W. HUGHES.

For Sale

320 or 160 acres good bottom land, seven miles in a westerly direction from Alliance, Nebr. For further information address H. J. GRESSER, 11-14f. Thermopolis, Wyo.

House and Three Lots for Sale

I will sell my six-room house and three lots in Hill's addition to Alliance at a bargain. Good cellar, good well and pump, chicken house and fences, etc. H. C. AVEY. 20-5f.

Notice to Lawn Owners

Black dirt and rotted manure for dressing lawns and for trees and gardens. Phone 154 Red. 21-1f. FRED COUNTRYMAN.

Pasture for Cattle

Wanted—300 head of cattle to pasture for the season. Good water and plenty of range. 21-3w\*. F. E. REDDISH.

Notice.

Parties having dogs they do not wish to pay city tax on will save expense to city by bringing the dogs to city hall and I will have them disposed of. Dog taxes are due May 1st. 17-8. D. LANDRIGAN, Chief of Police.

Home to Exchange for Land

Six room brick house, city water, furnace, cisterns, barn, three lots, in Norfolk, Nebr., to exchange for land in Box Butte or adjoining counties. Enquire at Herald office. 21-3f.

Family Horse for Sale

Family horse, harness and phaeton for sale. Horse is gentle and not afraid of automobiles. 21-3f. D. B. McLAUGHLIN, 802 Missouri Ave.

Janeway's Wallpaper

We now have on disposal, the latest product of Janeway's wall paper, the best paper and most up-to-date styles at prices ranging from 3/5c to 50c per roll. No trouble to show paper at Holsten's.

For Sale

A strictly modern seven room house, located at 935 Box Butte avenue. Good terms. Phone 119. D. W. HAYES.

For Rent—Two furnished rooms, modern, first floor; could be used for light housekeeping. Phone 324 or 299.

Stallion for Sale or Trade

Stallion for sale or trade for horses or cattle. Good disposition, range broke. Weight 1800, seven years old, dapple gray. JAMES POTEMIEL, 21-1f. Long Lake, Nebr.

County Treasurer's Notice

Alliance, May 10, 1910. Box Butte county warrants to register No. 177 are called for payment. Interest will stop after the above date. FRED H. MOLLING, County Treasurer.

Carriage and Harness for Sale

Carriage and single harness for sale, 604 Big Horn. Phone 694.

Heifer and Mare Strayed.

Strayed from my place, eight miles northwest of Alliance, on or about April 30, a dark red, polled heifer, coming two years old. Also a five year old bay mare strayed about April 10; mane and foretop clipped; scar from wire cut above hoof on right foot; weight about 1,000. Persons having information, please write me at Alliance, or telephone by way of Hemingford. PETER BELGUM.