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**THE ALLIANCE HERALD**  
is a newspaper dedicated to upbuilding the moral and material interests of Alliance, Box Butte county and western Nebraska. Its policy is to deal fairly with all interests and men. It prints the news fully and as accurately as possible. It means to be a household, office and store necessity and as such continues to enter a rapidly growing number of homes, offices and stores throughout this end of the state. As a NEWSPAPER and an ADVERTISING MEDIUM it stands supreme in its field. The job department has the largest patronage of any in western Nebraska and every man on the force is a specialist in his line.

### POOR PAY—POOR PREACH

Once upon a time there was an Indian named Big Smoke, employed as a missionary to his fellow Smokes. A White Man, encountering Big Smoke, asked him what he did for a living.

"Umph!" said Big Smoke, "me preach!"

"That so? What do you get for preaching?"

"Me get ten dollar a year."

"Well," said the White Man, "that's d— poor pay."

"Umph," said Big Smoke, "me d— poor preach!"

So runs the world—poor pay, poor preach!—Stet.

Attorney Hunt of Bridgeport was a recent visitor to Alliance on business.

J. W. Guthrie says that spring must be here. He has received a package of seeds from Congressman Hitchcock.

F. E. Criss and J. C. Foster, state agents for the Mutual Benefit Health & Accident Association of Omaha, were visitors in Alliance last week. They reported a good business.

Mrs. R. T. Watson received a telegram Saturday evening from Selix, Iowa, stating that her father, Mr. Strupper, had been sent to the hospital at Sioux City for an operation, and asking her to come at once.

Mrs. Watson left on the morning train Sunday to be with her mother.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. It is the Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by Druggists, etc. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

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### VISIT IN WYOMING

The city editor of The Herald and wife spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Hiram D. Lingle, of Lingle, Wyoming, at their home near the little Wyoming city, which has been named after Mr. Lingle.

Mr. Lingle is the gentleman who started the Inter-State canal, which takes its water from the North Platte river just below Guernsey. After he had put several hundred thousand dollars into the project and built forty-two miles the canal was taken over by the government and is now under government control.

An extended write-up of the irrigation project and a picture of the Valley View ranch will be given in a later issue of The Herald.

### CATHOLIC CHURCH SERVICES

Services will be held at the opera house Sunday morning at seven, nine and ten-thirty o'clock.

### A BIG BANQUET

As announced in the last issue of The Herald, the conductors of Alliance were guests at the H. R. T. banquet in Sidney last Sunday evening, when the Sugar Beet Lodge was organized. The banquet was attended by several hundred railroad men and a good time was enjoyed by everyone there. The Alliance boys were all grateful for the treatment accorded them.

### MARRIED

J. D. Bell, of Bingham, and Margaret Johnson, of Minatare, were married last week by Dr. J. L. B. Jones. Mr. Bell is a well known western Nebraska young man who has just recently returned from an extended trip to the southern part of South America, where he had been sent by the International Harvester Company, by whom he is employed.

### A DELIGHTFUL PARTY

One of the most delightful parties of the year was given by Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Spencer at their home last Thursday evening to a number of their friends.

Cards were indulged in, after which a delicious luncheon was served, the guests departing at a late hour with the memory of a happy evening.

## COMING TO ALLIANCE

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### WOMAN'S CLUB

The Woman's Club will meet Friday afternoon, February 24th, with Mrs. R. M. Hampton. A large attendance is desired as there will be business of importance.

### LENTEN TEAS

The Ladies Guild will hold Lenten Teas every Friday during Lent from 5 to 7 o'clock. The first Tea will be at Mrs. Holsten's March 3rd. Everyone cordially invited. Lunch 25c. 11-21

### BAND ORGANIZED

There were sixteen pieces in the new band last Friday evening and all started out well. Under the leadership of Mr. Jones we predict that we will soon have the best organization of its kind in western Nebraska. Every business man should boost and every musician attend.



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### PUBLIC SALES

Otto Vogel's sale which was held last week, as previously advertised in the Herald, was attended by a big crowd. Nearly everything sold well, the total sales amounting to over \$2,300. The sale of R. B. Logan and H. N. Houkham, advertised last week, is being held today.

### A FEAST OF FEASTS

The smoker given by Hook and Ladder company number three at the city hall last Friday evening was more of a banquet than a smoker. The chief item on the bill of fare was a roast pig weighing seventy-five pounds.

The cook who roasted that pig was a top-notch in his line, as every fireman who was there will vouch. In addition to about sixty regular firemen, there were present Mayor Harris, councilman Martin, city treasurer George Burke, and others from out of town.

It is necessary to attend one of the meetings of this kind to understand the bond that makes our fire department the leading one in the state. Every fireman feels a bond of fellowship and under the present leadership they will continue to be good fire-fighters and men.

## The Electric Company Makes a Statement

To the Citizens of Alliance:

So many conflicting and erroneous statements are in circulation in regard to the negotiations between the city and this company that we have decided to make a brief statement to the public.

Under the contract between the city of Alliance and our company the city had the right to purchase our water and electric light plant. In case the city and the company did not agree on the price, then the price at which the purchase should be made was to be "fixed and determined by three disinterested arbitrators." The city elected to purchase. The company did not then want to sell but the city insisted that the company live up to the contract. Thereupon, after refusing the price offered by the city, the company proposed to sell and convey the plant to the city for \$55,000.00. While it is true that the company offered to take \$55,000.00 for the plant, it will be recalled that in so doing it was expressly stated that the plant was worth much more than that and that the compromise was prepared to demonstrate that fact. Furthermore, for the sake of prompt settlement and compromise, the company was then willing to base its offer, and did base its offer, on investment, and not on the value of the business as a going concern, or upon the value of the unexpired franchise. Before going into the arbitration, the company told the city that it was fairly entitled to compensation for the value of the unexpired franchise. With this the city did not agree. The city appointed its appraiser, and required the company to do the same, and the two so appointed selected the third man, and the appraisal was made in compliance with the contract. No one questions the ability or the integrity of the board selected. Indeed, its efficiency and fairness have been expressly recognized by Professor Morse, the arbitrator selected by the city. This board fixed and determined the price of the water plant and the electric light plant "together with all rights and privileges therewith connected" at \$78,000.00. Our company has lived up to the contract. We submit that the city should do the same. The purchase has been made; the company is now entitled to the payment of the purchase price.

The valuation placed upon the water and electric light plant by the board of appraisers chosen for that purpose was possibly more than was expected by those who had not kept themselves fully informed as to the increased and increasing equipment, service and contracts of the company. From a plant giving night service only to not more than one hundred and fifty consumers, with service which was limited and defective, the plant has grown under the present ownership until it is giving day and night service of a high quality of efficiency to more than four hundred consumers.

It is reported that the company has been for years drawing large dividends from the operation of the plant. This is not true. On the contrary almost all of the very moderate earnings of the plant heretofore, together with much larger investments of new capital, have gone into enlargements and improvements to make the service more effective and satisfactory. To be exact, the plant was bought by the present owners from W. D. Rumer of Alliance, a little more than six years ago. During all that time the only dividends that have been paid are three, of two per cent each—\$3,000 in all—paid during the years of 1909 and 1910—and one of \$1,000—paid in January, 1911. The above statement can be verified by reference to the books of the company, which may be inspected by a (regularly appointed or) representative committee of citizens.

By reason of the increased business and the fact that the earnings have been used to make betterments to the plant, the earning power at present is excellent, and fully justifies the award made by the arbitrators. But it has taken years of hard work and liberal investments of new capital to bring it up to this point, so that it was only to the period of unexpired franchise that the company could look for any reasonable return on its investment.

It is claimed that the appraisers should not have included the value of the unexpired franchise in their award. The city elected to buy the water and electric light plant, "together with all rights and privileges therewith connected." This certainly includes the franchise. If the city had not elected to purchase the property, the company would have had the franchise until 1920. So the unexpired franchise was one of the rights and privileges for which the company was entitled to compensation. The appraisers were bound to value all the property mentioned in the contract, including the "right and privilege" of the unexpired franchise.

It is also claimed that the award exceeds the statutory limitation of indebtedness for cities of the second class. When it is considered that the property is a combined water and electric light plant it is apparent that the award does not exceed the combined indebtedness allowed for both water and electric light plants. Furthermore, the contract does not contain any limitations whatever, but clearly and explicitly requires the appraisers to "fix and determine" the price, and further provides that "the sum so named" by said arbitrators, or by a majority thereof, as the price of said plant and property shall be final and binding upon each of the parties hereto as that at which said purchase shall be made.

The city has attempted to reject the award. This is in effect a repudiation of the contract under which the plant has been operated for ten years. The city of Omaha, in a similar case, attempted to reject an award of over six million dollars made by arbitrators chosen under a like ordinance for the water plant of the city of Omaha. The Supreme Court of the United States on May the 31st, 1910, decided that the award was conclusive, and compelled the city to take the plant and pay for it the price fixed by the arbitrators.

The company understands that the city officials have proceeded as they were directed in these matters, but however that may be, the company feels that it is not responsible for litigation growing out of the repudiation by the city of a contract, which the company has kept to the letter for ten years.

ALLIANCE ELECTRIC COMPANY.

### RAILWAY NOTES AND PERSONALS

Fireman Sorenson has taken a lay off and gone to Pacific Junction.

Brakeman Harry Troupe has been laying off several days.

Conductor Lawson is now doing the "heavys" on the east end local.

Roadmaster Dan Lynch went west on 43 Tuesday.

Mrs. Ray Hoag returned Sunday after a ten days' visit in Lincoln.

Fireman O'Donnell returned Tuesday from a short stay in Edgemont.

Fireman Trenkle came in Monday on No. 43. He has been working on the east end.

Chief dispatcher A. V. Gavin and wife went to Scottsbluff Monday with The Whirl 'O' Th' Town.

Engineer Ed Bishops spent a part of last week in Seneca on the switch engine.

Chief clerk Don Wagner went to Scottsbluff Monday to help furnish music for the play.

Conductors C. D. Rider and Rad Randal are now regular men on the east end local.

Fireman Sternberg has taken a thirty day lay off and gone to Edgemont.

Supt. Weidenhamer, who has been attending a meeting of the operating officers of the Burlington in Chicago is expected home Saturday.

Carpenter J. G. Beck, of the shops, is laying off this week and spending the time on his ranch south of town.

Mrs. W. S. Metz and Master Sidney arrived from Deadwood on No. 42 Wednesday night and will spend a few days at the Hoskins home.

Beginning Tuesday the shop men are only working seven hours. Their hours are now 8 to 12 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m. This is not expected to last long.

C. A. Wetherell and wife left Monday morning for a trip to Dorchester, which is his father's home. They will visit there this week, returning Saturday.

Conductors R. J. Burke and Frank O'Connors now have No. 45-46 on the west end regular. It is expected No. 45-46 east will be put up for bid soon.

Assistant Supt. C. C. Holtorf of the high line has gone to Chicago to attend a meeting of the Burlington Association of operating officials to be held there February 20-22.

Express messenger Baughman who was so badly hurt in the Ardmore wreck about nine months ago is now just able to be down town on crutches. He is making his home in Deadwood.

U. N. Hoskins left Tuesday on No. 43 for Crawford. From there he will go over the Northwestern to Long Pine, where he will visit about ten days. Conductor Simmons has Hoskins' car and crew.

Brakeman Fred Vaughn and conductor Cummings returned Saturday from Denver where they had gone

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to be present at the funeral of O. Riley. They went as representatives of the B. of R. T.

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