Decoration Day, May 30th is Drawing Near-Plan Now to Observe it as Never Before

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# WINE, WOMAN AND SONG GET

WELL-KNOWN ALLIANCE MAR-RIED MEN FIGURE IN MID-NIGHT PARTY

#### Defendants Found Guilty by County Judge in Hearing Held Tuesday -Given Six Months

Some one is forever taking the joy out of life-for instance, the party of merry revelers at the Alliance Hotel Annex during the wee sma' hours of Tuesday morning, which was broken up by Night Policeman Taylor upon information furnished by Wade Lane and which resulted in the appearance of several wellknown people in county court, Tuesday.

From the testimony offered it appears that the party composed of Messrs Peter F. Schott, C. W. Nation, Oscar O'Bannon, Mrs. Eva Nil-liams, Mrs. Wade Lane and Miss Bonnie Green had gone for an auto ride the evening before and during FEDERAL ROAD WORK the evening had enjoyed a campfire cooked lunch at a secluded spot near the city. Completing the lunch the party returned to Alliance and four of the number, Messrs Schott and Nation and Mesdames Lane and Williams, went to the Alliance Hotel Annex for the purpose of enjoying a midnight feed and to later disband, but at this point it also appears that Wade Lane had been watching the party and had farmished the night police with the information necessary for official interference. When Mr. Taylor was admitted to the room and had learned the story of those present he decided to call the assistance of Chief of Police Oscar Reed and went to a telephone and summoned Mr. Reed. Upon the arrival of the chief it was decided to allow the members of the party to go to their respective homes upon promise of appearance in police court the next day, and in accord-ance with such decision all left the hotel with the exception of Mrs. Williams, who it appears in the testimony, prepared for the night and About an hour later, Mr. retired. Schott, after having the police at the Drake Hotel corner beat the back track and returned to the hotel and to the room occupied by Mrs. Williams and it was here that the couple were found for the second time al years. and the occasion of the filing of the rious charge against Mr.

Will Assist in Orga of Perfection A of Lodge Saturd & ng. Masons, officers Several pr of the On ance and par .o organize for Allitern Nebraska, Adoniram Lodge of Perfection, No. 6, Scottish Rite Masons. Among the

COMING TO ALLIANGE

**PROMINENT MASONS** 

number will be Hon. Tinley L. Combs, who will spend three days in the city. The new lodge will have jurisdiction over the entire western half of the state and the Walter Metz was instructed to draft of the requirements of the selection, meetings will be attended by more an ordinance establishing storm than a hundred prominent Masons from over the territory.

The local Shriners will tender a banquet to Hon. Tinley Combs at day) evening at six o'clock to attend which all local members are cordially invited.

Attorneys L. A. Berry, H. E. Gantz and Walter Metz attended court at Hyannis this week.



State Engineer George Johnson Says Will Start in Near Future on State Highways.

State Engineer George E. Johnson | council to include this in the storm is authority for the statement that sewer district now to be disposed of worok on the federal aid roads will likely start during July. At this this improvement at this time would time there is available of the state be about \$55,000; \$70,000 if Cheyand federal aid funds in District M. enne street were included north to which is composed of Cherry, Dawes, Sheridan and Sioux counties, the sam of \$543,754.99 and in District L. composed of Boyd, Brown, Holt, and several applications, which have Kaya Paha and Rock counties, \$247,- been received will be given consid-194.01. The roads, which are to be eration together with others which built under the supervision of the will be made. It was the sense of the state engineer and the county commissioners in the counties through given an early trial and that as soon which the highways passes, will be as the right man could be secured it made firm and substantial and the would be put into practice. Several work will be started on the high- new sidewalks were ordered in and ways running east and west. The bills and claims considered and alrailroads will be followed in sa far as lowed. The council again discussed is possible and will pass through all the matter of holding over all bills the railroad towns. In this project is included the Chadron to Alliance road the completion of which western Nebraska people have anxiously awaited for sever-

Mrs. J. D. Emerick has been enjoy-

**BE SUBMITTED** Sze will be in Alli- CITY COUNCIL MUST GET AUTH-ORITY FOR ISSUE OF \$55,000 BY VOTE.

> **Must Provide Drainage Before Work** of Paving Can be Started—Will Include Other Blocks,

BOND ISSUE TO

STORM SEWER

on Tuesday night City Attorney ed with a wonderful understanding ing district No. 2 and including Box Scotland that Mr. Ellison rises to tions made by Engineer Grant that and difficult at a later date. The cludes a few rollicking tunes that aplaw in such cases makes it impossible peal to everybody.

vote more than \$15,000 in any one by card only. year for storm sewer or kindred improvements, after the first year in which the amount is limited to \$100,000. Storm sewers will necessarily have to be installed throughout the district included in the new paving district and that it may be possible to make the extension is already being petitioned by the resident property holders in the district affected k will be necessary for the Mr. Grant estimated that the cost of

Tenth. The council also decided to at once take up the city manager plan meeting that the scheme should be not presented by the third of the month and those not accompanied

by the proper voucher and in the fu-ture this will be the practice. President Sallows of the Community club and John W. Guthasie, vice-

president appeared before the council and were granted the concessions

SCOTISH BARITONETO MAY ESTIMATE SING IN ALLIANCE OF WHEAT CROP Glen Ellison, Famous Soloist, Will Appear in New Edison Tone Test at M. E. Church.

Glen Ellison, the popular Scotch baritone, will be heard in an unique recital at the M. E. Church on the evening of May 29tht. There are few men who have made

such a success both in concert and vaudeville as Glen Ellison. In Europe and Australia he is better known as a singer of baritone opera At the city council meeting held roles. Whatever he sings, is render-

deep feeling and in a wonderful ap-Butte and Laramie avenue to Tenth artistic heights. He sings them with cent. Australia. His concerts are gener-

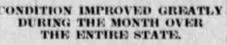
Admittance to the recital will

## TRAVELING MEN GET

State Authorities Acting on Complint Made by Local Post Regarding Poor Hotel Conditions.

Fost M, T. P. A., held a lively and interesting session at the post headquarters in the community club office. The most important subject before the post was the condition of the Complaint was made some riculture. towns. time ago, by the chairman of the hotel committee, regarding the con-

dition of the hotels at Bridgeport, Dalton, Whitman, Crawford and Hemingford. In answer to these complaints, leters had been received from different state officials as follows:



SHOWS BIG GAIN

Yield Will Add \$141,000,000 10 Wealth of Commonwealth, Figures Agricultural Secretary.

According to the crop report issued May 1st, from the office of the Nebraska State Board of Agriculture the condition of the winter wheat sewer districts composed of the pav- penting voice. It is when he sings crop in Box Butte county is 110 per cent; rye the same and hay 112 per The estimated acreage of street. This action was taken when rare effect. He has sung leading wheat is 8,284 acres. Sheridan much credit for the \$3,000 profit county is accordited with a 100 per realized by the lodge. The atten-cent wheat crop, as are Dawes, Sioux dance throughout the entire week the Alliance Hotel tomorrow (Fri- it appeared by estimates and sugges- roles in grand opera in England and county is accordited with a 100 per the work, unless disposed of at this ally entirely different fro mthe stilt- and Cherry countlese. Western Ne-time would prove more expensive ed orthodox kind for he generally in- braska, in this respect, is far ahead of the east end of the state, where in some places it is claimed it will be necessary because of the heavy rains FIRE FIGHTERS HAD and the beaten down wheat to mow the crop before any material growth can be hoped for. A perusal of the report reveals much valuable information for the farmer of this section ACTION ON HOTELS of the state and in the same we find that Winter wheat improved duringthe past month and present chances for a record production are excellent. The condition of 101 per cent com-pared to 97 per cent last month indicates a production of 70,700,000 bushels, which is more than twice the production last year. At \$2.00 a bashel this will add \$141,400,000 to fare of the department. Six new the wealth of Nebraska farmers. This is the latest estimate of A. E. Anderson of the Bureau of Crop Estimates and E. R. Danielson, Sechotels in certain western Nebraska retary of the Nebraska Board of Ag-

> The abandonment is practically negligible this year. This is an unusual record in view of the extremely adverse seeding conditions until the second week of last October and can be accounted for by a sufficient molsture supply and a minimum of low temperatures since that time, "Lincoln, April 21, 1919. We beg Some fear has been expressed that to acknowledge receipt of your letter the thick stand may induce rust or of the 12th relative to hotel condi- th It may lodge or dry out. Wheat tions at Bridgeport, Dalton. What is a little in advance of the usual must. Crawford and Heningtord. We which decreases the chance for rust. wish to thank you for this letter and Plenty of rain for another month if more of the T. P. A. posts would will almost settle its moisture remake their complaint as you have quirements as dry weather is prefer-the conditious might be improved, able for wheat during the three We assure you that we will give this weeks preceding harvest. While some matter our immediate attention and lodging may be expected from the

#### JENKINS WINS CAR **GIVEN AT ELKS FAIR**

Local

Edition

Hemingford Real Estate Man Holds Lucky Number in Automobile Drawing Saturday Night.

Mr. G. M. Jenkins, member of the firm of Pierce & Jenkins, well known Hemingford real estate dealers held the lucky number in the automobile drawing held as a part of the Elks' Fair program last Saturday night The car, a fine Studebaker "six", was at once turned over to Mr. Jenking. The Elks' fair, the annual festival of the local lodge, which closed on Salurday night proved this year to be far more popular and successful than even the most enthusiastic had anticipated. The concessions and arrangements were in charge of Mr. F. H. Broakborst and to him is due was exceptionally good and the dances were well patronized.

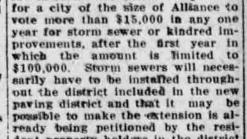
### **BUSINESS MEETIEG**

Department Accepts New Members and Transacts Business Matters Last Night.

The Alliance, Volunteer Department had its regular business meeting last night and disposed of the routine business and claims against the organization. A goodly number of the members were present and great interest was taken in the welmembers, among which Rev. Orin Gould & the Baptist church, were admitted which for the present fills the membership allowed. The base ball committee reported considerable progress made in the organization and shaping of a ball team and already it has received two challenges for games. One of these is to be played at Gordon during the stockmen's convention at that place, June 12, 13 and 14th. The other is from Chadron, where the, are very anxions to meet the firemen-ball-tossers.

The department will as has been the custom for several months past continue, to conduct the Saturday night dances as the Armory with the department orchestra furnishing the music. These dances have come to be very popular and the boys feel that to discontinue them would be to deprive the people of the city much real enjoyment.

Because of the excessive cost of construction of the same l decided by the committee in charge to abandon the idea of erecting an addition to the Armory at this time at least. All bids tendered the departmants weer opened and rejected.



When Schott and Mrs. Williams. arraigned before Judge Tash in answer to the charge of having committed "adultery" both Mr. Schott. and Mrs. Williams pleaded "not guilty.

Wade Lane, informant in the case state. and of having called upon Policeman stated that during a portion of the time he watched the scene the lights in the room had been extinguished. Mr. Taylor's testimony was in sub- defendants upon his return said stance to having found the four in that he found Mrs. Williams disrobthe hotel room, apparently enjoying ed and that when Mr. Schott emergthemselves, but in no condition ed from the room his shoes were not which would warrant the occusation yet fastened. of improper relations and to having called Chief Reed to the scene. Mr. Hotel was called to prove the rental grill room of the Alliance Cafe to my attention and we are herewith Reed told of finding in the room upon his arrival, Mr. Schott and Mrs. Williams and of conversing with Mr. Nation on the outside. It appears other that to show by the register from beginning to end. that while Mr. Taylor was absent that the room was hired to one F. G. Music was farmished calling Mr. Reed Mr. Nation and Mrs. Lane left the same via the window route. He also told of inrespective homes and to appear before the court the following morning, Leaving the hotel Mr. Reed accompanied by Taylor and Schott went to a local cafe and had lunch and the three walked as far as the Drake hotel corner together 'when they separated.

The first witness for the defense was Mr. Schott, who flatly denied all allegations of improper conduct. He admitted having been a member of the auto party and to having gone to the hotel, where found by the officer. When asked if he had registered for the room he said he had not, but later when the register was offered in evidence admitted having signed another's name to the same. He also denied having given a fictitious name to Officer Taylor when he claimed to be an oil salesman from Lusk, Wyoming. In explaining his return to the room after told to go home by the officers he said that Mrs. Williams, when he left the room was in a very nervous condition and that he returned to sooth her and upon finding her in bed he sat in a chair. During the time between his return to the room and prior to the return of Policeman Taylor he said the lights of the room, with the exception of the bathroom lights, were Mrs. Williams, next called, opt. corroborated the story of Mr. Schott is many phases, but claims that when Mr. Schott returned to the room, after having left with the officers he fell asleep in the chair and if she was soothed it was because of the peacefulness of his slumber. She admitted having disrobed and gone to bed and to going to the door in a disrobed condition upon the return of Policeman Taylor. Though steadfastly denying any improper

ing a visit from her mother Mrs. Chambers of Sidney.

relations she admitted it required several minutes to make the answer

to the knock at the door by Mr. Tayfor and to later dress and prepare for was the first witness called by the the entrance of the officer. She said Mr. Lane told of having that she had received a divorce from HARPER WERE HOSTS watched the party for some minutes her husuband who is now in France and that she did not at this time re-Taylor for official interference. He ceive an allowance from the zovernment because of his service.

Policeman Taylor, when asked to the condition in which he found the

Jesse M. Miller of the Alliance of the room for the night, but be-

from the room for the purpose of Bruce, city. C. W. Nation was call- ance Jazz Orchestra who were joined preciate their help wherever possied, after the noon recess and testi- by the guests in the singing of popufied to having been with the party on lar songs during the evening. The partment are of a specific nature it hay may be 2,717,000 acres. This week, over 20,000 shares of stock in the auto trip and to having gone to room was tastily decorated in the structing those present to go to their the room for lunch at the invitation class colors and with penants. The individual cases. Leo Stuhr, Deputy conditions. The present condition of of other members of the crowd. He banquet was served in elegant style Commissioner." said tha the had just arrived at the in courses by J. M. Miller and his place when Mr. Taylor arrived upon capable assistants.

his first visit. County Attorney Bayse in making quet a short and interesting prohis plea expressed the belief that gram was furnished, including music the evidence was conclusive that by the orchestra. Mr. Harper acted there had been improper relations as toastmaster a position which he the national convention in 1920. and that the court could but find the filled in a capable manner. He and

defendants guilty. The opposing Mrs. Harper and the employees of one of western Nebraska's most ac-counsel, Attorney Eugene Burton, the Harper Department Store, who tive good roads boosters and who is appealed to the sympathy of the were present, were the recipients of a member of the post, was present. court on account of the family of Mr. many compliments during the even- He has recently been appointed Schott which is one of the most high- ing.

sent.

ly respected in the community. Judge The speakers included Principal Tash in passing sentence remarked Prince of the High School, Miss that despite the fact that the dis-Spacht for the girls, and short grace to the family was keenly appreciated by the court that the case Mrs. H. W. Jones of Kansas City, a had reached the place where there guest, gave some intensely interestwas no choice but to find Mr. Schott ing readings. The last speaker was guilty and passed a sentence of six Lloyd Thomas whose subject was months in the county jail. In the "Courage" and who briefly sketched case of Mrs. Williams he foit that the successful rise of the hosts of there was a possibility that a less Alliance circles since they came to serious charge could be made and the city a fey wears ago. At the with the consent of the counsel close of his speech a standing toast would make the punishment in acwas given to Mr. and Mrs. Harper for cordance. This the counsel refused "many happy returns of the evenand the same dose as given Mr. ing." Miss Ethel James, of the Harper Store, made a brief and in-Schott was administered. The bonds were fixed at \$500 each and same teresting talk which was greatly enwere secured for Schott, but later the joyed by those present. counsel agreed to a lesser charge

against Mrs. Williams and she was fined \$25 and costs and given "leave town" order and admonished never to return. Mr. Schott through his attorney

has appealed to the district court. The entire affair is an unfortunate one and but again calls to mind the fact that:

"Fines are bad, Jail is Worse; Stay at Home boys, Safety First.'

for the stockmen's conventions during the three-day celebration as officers of the club, but with the permission goes the understanding that no concessions are to appear on Box Butte avenue.

## AT SENIOR BANQUET

Well Known Alliance Business Man and Wife Tendered Excellent Banquet to Pupils and Faculty.

The faculty and senior class of the Kelvie, Governor. Alliance High School were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Harper-

at an elegant banquet served in the Tuesday eveninng. The event will enclosing a copy of a letter which cause of his not having been in the be one long to be remembered by the has been sent to our inspector to incity he was unable to give any facts members of the class, who enjoyed it vestigate these conditions at once.

> Music was furnished by the Allible. If complaints made to this de-

The secretary of the post reported Following the serving of the ban- The Nebraska Division now has 2.163 one year ago. Portland, Oregon, was endorsed for S. W. Thompson, who is known as

chairman of the good roads committee for the Alliance Community Club and requested the co-operation

of all members of the Post. Mr speeches by several of the boys. Thompson appointed on his committee C. M. Looney to look after the roads east; R. C. Strong, for the roads west and north; and he will look after the roads south.

The committee reported that bridge is badly needed at the Dunlap crossing over the Niobrara and over Pepper creek, 26 miles north of Alliance on the Chadron-Hot Springs road. The bridge at this point. which is in Dawes county, went out last June in a freshet and has not been replaced. The boys report that not more than one auto in ten gets over without being pulled out by team and that both Alliance and

Chadron suffer from the bad condi-Rufus Jones of the Community tion of the crossing. Ciub is very desirous of securing a

S. W. Thompson and Roy good turn out of the business and professional men of the city next Strong, delegates who attended the state convention at York reported an Monday morning when the Omaha Trade Excursion will make a short intersting meeting with no serious stay in our city. Despite the fact disagreements during the conven-that the train will arrive at an tiop. A flattering demonstration was given the report of the secretary early hour Alliance people should recognize this opportunity to favorably of Post M when it was read to the impress the leading business men of convention.

Jack Hawes was elected delegate the state and should plan to be preto the national convention at New

are taking it up this morning with large, rank prowth, the present con-the inspector on that territory. Most dition is preferable to the small, of our inspectors have been some- spindling growth produced by a dry, what green in this line, as they were untavarta. tea. n. Last your - ha all new men when the administration vests were very light and this changed. However, they are now should leave an abundant supply of getting wise to their line and we available plant food for the heavy hope that they will take hold of the stand of wheat. In view of this, matter and realize that it is neces- there is little room at present for the OIL COMPANY MEN sary to make these dirty hotels clean pessimists.

up. Wm. M. Widener, assistant deputy hotel commissioner." The condition of winter wheat for the United States is 100.5 per cant "Lincoln, April 18, 1919. I am | compare 1 to \$5.8 per cent a month

The city of

referring your letter to Mr. William ago. This promises a production of President Andrews and Secretary Widener, who is secretary of the approximately 900,000,000 bushets Armour in City Wednesday Be-Widener, who is secretary of the approximately 900,000,000 bushets State Hotel Commission. I am sure compared to 558,449,000 bushels he will give this complaint his the final on mate has go r. prompt attention. Samuel R. Me-The condition of rye is 102 per

cent which indicates a production of "Lincoln, April 22, 1919. The subject of hotel conditions in the western part of the state has been called cent.

tame hay is 1,769, 00 acres. The in- sas fields. The men are very optimcrease in acreage is due largely to istic over the prospects of the comthe ever increasing acreage of alfal- pany, both in the Kansas and also in We are desirous of co-operating with fa. This places Nebraska nearly first the Wyoming fields, the boys on the road and would ap- in the acreage of alfalfa, having probably a slightly lower average than holdings of Griffith stock, local pat-Kansas. The possible harvest of wild ties have purchased, within the past will simplify the investigation of the may vary considerable according to this company.

all hay is excellent. Alfalfa espe- ed a contract for the drilling of a cially is farther advanced than usual that Post M now has 185 members. for this date. Only 6 per cent of last company in Wilson and Montgomery year's crop of all hay remains on counties. The well will be drilled 3,623 members, as compared with farms compared to 13 per cent a year 200 feet inside of the company's line ago. The condition of pastures is and is in a very promising location. very good.

About 55 per cent of the plowing for spring planting was completed brought in not far distant and there May 1. It was delayed by continued is every prospect of this being a good rains. Approximately 40 per cent of the spring planting and sowing was be an excellent paying proposition if done by May 1. The seeding of oats and spring wheat was delayed by able. numerous rains.

The mortality of livestock for the past year was about the average, except in the case of swine where it was lower. The past winter was very favorable for livestock. Shortage of feed reduced the vitality of stock in some sections of the state. The general health of all live stock has been good.

Attorney Earl Meyer made a trip to Harrison Monday on legal business.

J. Oren Gould, pastor of the Alliance Baptist church, was appointed of the Nebraska State Dental Society as chaplain for the Post. He will when it meets in Omaha May 19-22. preach a sermon soon for the mem- This will be the fifty-second annual bers of Post M, who will attend the services in a body.

It was decided to hold a picnic at the Kilpatrick dam lake the second dent, Dr. W. Clyde Davis, Lincoln; week in June. Fish will be caught, Secretary, Dr. H. E. King, Omaha; fried and eaten. The committee has Treasurer, Dr. E. W. Fellers, Beatcharge of arrangements.

ered The Alliance Herald for the gift program are: Dr. Rupert E. Hall of of a large United States flag to the Chicago, Dr. W. D. Vehe of Minne-Post. The next meeting will be held apolis, Dr. A. Sophian of Kansas on Saturday, June 14th.

## **VISITED IN ALLIANCE**

tween Trains Enroute to Casper.

President J. N. Andrews and and Secretary James A. Armour of the 7,127,090 bushels. The condition of Griffith Oil Company stopped over in rye for the United States is 95.3 per Alliance Wednesday between trains, on their way to Casoer after visiting , ne pret minary esc,urate of ad the holdings of the company in Kan-

In addition to their already large

While in Kausas, Mr. Armour closwell on the 890 acre tract held by the

It will be drilled on a royalty basis. A large production of gas has been gas field. A well drilled here would gas was found, which is very prob-

Some wells, brought in not far north of the company's holdings are bringing in as muc has 100 barrels and both oil and gas are being produced, by drilling a short distance south.

Mr. Armour left Wednesday afternoon for 1 asper, while Mr. Andrews remained in the city and will be here for a short time. They expect to let a contract for drilling on the Wyoming holdings which are located on the Bolton creek dome, southwest of Casper and adjoining the holdings of the Carter Oil Company.

Three hundred dentists of Nebraska will attened the annual meeting meeting of the organization. The officers of the Society are: President, Dr. G. B. Baird, Fremont; Vice-presirice. Among the prominent out-of-A rising vote of thanks was tend- state dentists who will appear on the City, and Dr. Tinker of Minneapolis.

Orleans in June, with R. C. Strong as alterntae.