

# Almena Legion honor the fallen

By ESTHER MARBLE

A crowd gathered at 10 a.m. at the Mount Hope Cemetery in Almena for a Memorial Day remembrance. Flags and flowers were placed on graves to honor those who died in services to our country and for family and friends who went before.

Maj.Gen. John A. Logan, commander and chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, declared a special day to Union soldiers killed in battle on May 30, 1868.

The American Legion took over these duties after World War I and so it is that the Paul D. Linnell American Legion Post of Almena provide the community with a fitting observance of Memorial Day.

The flag detail of FFA, 4-H and Legion members reported for duty on Saturday morning to decorate the graves of veterans with American flags. This was done in Mount Hope, Mount Olive, Farmingdale and Fairview cemeteries.

Early Monday morning the Legion members raised the avenue of 13 flags at the Mount Hope Cemetery.

They placed 13 white crosses at the site of the service and laid wreaths by each cross. The 13 crosses and flags honor those, who died in war — Paul D. Linnell, Roy Elson, Russell Knapp, Joseph Liggett and Orland Schesser in World War I; Max Clinkinbeard, Jack Eckhart, Kenneth Bright, Jack Fitzgerald, Rex Runyan and Cecil Sawyer in World War II; Dale Seever in the Korean War,

and Glenn D. McCubbin in Vietnam. As their names were called during the service, Legion Commander Richard Roeder placed the wreaths on the crosses.

"May their sacrifices never be in vain," he said.

At 10 a.m. the color bearers and color guards, Legion members Ralph Sebelius, Dale Volgamore, LeRoy Roeder and Forrest Ruth, took their places.

The firing squad, Warren Sidman, John Burd, Merle Hawks, Joe McFarland and David Van Patten, were in place with Sergeant-at-Arms Rodney Job in command.

Dean Wilnerd, adjutant, served as master of ceremonies. Chaplain Julius Field introduced the speaker, Rev. Terry Worthington of the Norton Church of God, who gave a fitting tribute to those men and women who have lost their lives fighting for freedom. Chaplain Field gave the memorial prayer.

The wreaths were placed on the crosses as a lasting tribute.

The firing squad saluted and "Taps" was sounded by Howard Van De Wege.

The Legion is grateful to all who attended and to the volunteers. Jessup Auction Service provided the public address system. Legion members enjoyed the breakfast provided to them on Monday morning by the ladies of the auxiliary. Serving were Jean Leuszler, Marge Cate, Rita Bieber and Adelia Wilnerd.



Mildred Bausch, center, inspected her hand closely as she played cards Tuesday with Judy Wood (right), Esther Wharton (back to camera) and volunteer Nina Melroy (left) during the Andbe Home's bi-monthly card party. Volunteers help at each table.

— Telegram photo by Carolyn Plotts

## 4-H fashion show held at Andbe Home

By KEITH VANSKIKE, county extension director

The Norton Andbe Home was the site of the 4-H Spring Formal where youngsters could model their formal or dressy outfits.

Judges Arlene Garrett and Rhoda Ziegler evaluated the youth on their buymanship skills and knowledge of the garments.

This event was an opportunity for 4-H'ers to exhibit a formal style suit, dress or outfit that could be used for many occasions.

Participating were junior girls — Megan Wentz, purple; Kelsie Griffith, Carissa Wentz, Kaitlyn

Bohl and Rebecca Wentz, blue; junior boys — Carson McKenna, blue; Wyatt Wentz and Kaid McKenna, purple; and senior girls — Kelli Johnson, blue; and Melissa Hillebrand, Keesha Holste and Dana Hillebrand, purple.

The committee for this event were Jamie Wentz, Monica Cole, Angie Juenemann, Kathy Holste, Nancy Hagman, Joy Johnson, Lois and Mary Wentz.

Andbe Home Activity Director Darlene McEwen served as the hostess and narrator for the revue and Josh and Jacob VanSlike served as ushers.

## Agronomist offers tips for cutting short wheat

This year has definitely been a tough one for wheat fields in the area. The drought plus the freeze has been a one, two punch against having high wheat yields.

Because of the short, thin wheat, farmers will have to take more time to make sure their combines are set properly so they can maximize their harvest.

Below is a list of tips from Randy Taylor and Mark Schrock, both K-State Research and Extension ag engineers, on how to set combines when using a conventional header:

- 1.) Tilt the cutter bar up so that the skid plates are exposed.
- 2.) Check the gas charge of the header accumulator.
- 3.) Level the header from side to side.
- 4.) Adjust reel speed to slightly faster than ground speed.
- 5.) Tines may need to be covered with plywood to form a solid bat in extremely short wheat.
- 6.) Make sure all knives are sharp and not broken.
- 7.) Finger timing should be adjusted for later extension of the fingers.
- 8.) Driving too fast will drag the crop under the cutter bar before it is cut.
- 9.) Fan settings and sieve openings should be set so they are not blowing light wheat out.

Another option when cutting short wheat is to use a stripper header. This way farmers can keep more of the residue they have in the field as standing stubble.

In addition, producers will also have to stay on top of the wheat and cut it when it is mature.

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wheat will likely increase for all varieties due to the freeze. The freeze may have slightly damaged the connection of the berry to the spikelet.

As the wheat fills, it becomes heavier, and a weaker connection may cause a ripe kernel to shatter easier.

To conclude, J.P. Michaud, K-State entomologist at the Hays research station, has been recording high numbers of wheat head armyworm moths.

However, so far there is no reason for an application of insecticide.

If there is damage, it will likely be similar to last year with wheat harvested earlier, which is typically of poorer quality, having the most damage, especially those areas on the field margins.

A complete more detailed list entitled "Harvesting Tips for Short, Thin Wheat" can be picked-up at the local extension office or downloaded from [www.oznet.ksu.edu/agronomy-block2](http://www.oznet.ksu.edu/agronomy-block2) under the section "Production and Pests". Please e-mail me at [bolson@oznet.ksu.edu](mailto:bolson@oznet.ksu.edu) or call (785) 443-1264 if you have any questions or would like to see a newspaper article on a specific crop production topic.

## Wetland conference planned

On June 17, the Kansas Alliance for Wetlands and Streams, the Solomon Valley Resource Conservation and Development and the Smith County Conservation District will be sponsoring "Making the Most of Wetlands and Riparian Areas."

This is a one-day conference held at the Srader Center in Smith Center to help increase awareness of the options available to farmers, ranchers, developers, local gov-

ernments and others as they deal with wetland and riparian areas within the Solomon and Republican basins.

Speakers will offer insights, potential funding sources and practical solutions to working with these areas. For more information and to register, contact the Smith County Conservation District at (785) 282-6041. Attendees must pay for lunch by today.

## Graduate gets scholarship

Mark Smith Maybon, a 2004 high school graduate of Norton Community High School, was recently awarded the prestigious Foundation Scholarship from Kansas State University.

The \$3,250 scholarship is awarded based on the student's academic achievements in



M. Maybon

score of 34 on their American College Test. The scholarship is renewable for an additional three years.

Mr. Maybon will be pursuing a career in bio-engineering.

His parents are Dennis Maybon and Nan Smith, Norton.

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