

**Sense and Nonsense**

Gleaned from Our Weekly Study in the Gentle Art of Gossip By Jack Besthim

You see friends it's like this. The boss, himself, has coin which he de- votes to what we think is just pure "bunk" and for which he has come in for more or less favorable (?) recogni- tion. We're not inclined to be envious but that the rest of "the force" may not be eclipsed entirely by his out- burst of brilliancy we've decided to syndicate our efforts and to enter in- to a friendly competition for that distinction that comes only to those with more nerve than sense. At any rate we trust that you will bear with us in our mental dilemma and remem- ber that in no case is our contribution to be taken as serious or, personal, but rather, no doubt, as ridiculous.

One thing we have noticed. The booster and the fellow who has to foot the bill never agree.

For a speedy verdict Dame Rumor has all the courts of the land beaten to a standstill.

You never can tell. An Alliance man is authority for the statement that married life is what Sherman said war is.

It's a mighty poor excuse of mascu- line humanity that cannot boast of at least a half dozen fairer sea ad- mirers these days of Christmas pres- ents and jollification.

T. R. hasn't been at all pleased with this or any other administration for about ten years—not since he stepped from the chief executive's chair to private life and political oblivion.

There is a reason for all things, 'tis said therefore most small-town "cops" and detectives are small caliber fel- lows, because of the fact that no one other than a "small guy" ever accep- ted the honor (?).

Verily this is an age of fewer and better newspapers. Last week the Ogallala Tribune was merged with the Keith County News and will here after be published as the later. Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Kroh, who have pub- lished the Tribune will preside over

the destinies of the consolidated pub- lication.

Most people are scandal mongers—most of us unconsciously so, no doubt but we are. You're skeptical. Well, just attend the district court hearing of the Henry murder case at Scotts- bluff. You'll find the court room pack- ed to capacity with curious ones and you will be firmly convinced that this coin is correct. Such is the case, each and every time, when there is a re- mote chance that things not exactly according to Hoyle are likely to be exposed.

Whaddayamean give them a call. We don't quite get Bro. Eastly of the Lakeside Sun. In last week's issue he has the following to say:

"See our new ads. from All. ance firms who will be glad to serve you in their respective lines. There is Jas. M. Kennedy, dentist; E. Tatro, florist; Harry P. Coursey, auctioneer, and Geo. D. Darling the big dealer in fun- eral supplies, etc. Give them a call."

Just whether he figures a few first class funeral would be conducive to a better more progressive Lakeside or that Mr. Darling is to be counted on for superior service should the need of a funeral director arise we are at loss to say.

We know an Alliance man who suffered a real Christmas disappoint- ment recently. A friend of years, while visiting a "wet" territory, and remembering his Alliance friend, packed very carefully a small consign- ment of "Christmas Joy" and sent the same as a token of the existing friendship. Receiving the package, absolutely ignorant of its contents, the local man hastened to open it, only to find that the said c. j. had spilled enroute. Some blow we say, to a fellow living in a bone dry state.

Editor Tompert of the Garden County News had his feathers some- what ruffled the other day when a disgruntled reader sent him an an- onymous communication in which he was referred to in terms ordinarily used in speaking of those of illegiti- mate birth. It seems Brother Tompert is waging a judicious war on the boot leggers and gamblers of Oshkosh and has incidentally come in for criticism by some of those interested. It was suggested, in the letter, that it was

his move, which suggestion the editor is inclined to disregard and in retaliation offers to make things unpleasant for those responsible in due time. "Just one d—d thing after another this newspaper life. But at that it is just things that make it worth while.

**SPIZZERINKTUM**

Here's a word that gets your eye, Spizzerinktum Can't forget it if you'd try, Spizzerinktum Do you know the reason why Schwab and Foch and you and I Have that will to do or die? Spizzerinktum Hitch you wagon to a star, Spizzerinktum Every time you get a jar, Spizzerinktum If your hopes go under par, Give the blues a little war, Simply show them what you are, Spizzerinktum Optimism's what it is, Spizzerinktum Use it often in your biz, Spizzerinktum It's the ginger in your fizz, It's the grit that's in your gizz, It's the spark that runs your Liz, Spizzerinktum

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The eight annual convention of the Nebraska State Irrigation Association at Bridgeport last week was the largest attended convention in the organ- ization's history. The federal govern- ment was represented by the two men in the reclamation service, and they intimated that the department was ready to cooperate in every possible way with the work of developing the irrigation possibilities of Nebraska.

A great irrigation project that will when completed irrigate thousands of acres in Phelps and Kearney counties is being pushed, and the Reclamation Service has been interested. An im- mense area in the two counties may

be watered from the Platte river and storage reservoirs, thus insuring splendid crops. Interest in irrigation in Nebraska is growing at a gratify- ing rate, and the federal government is taking more notice of irrigation

possibilities in the middle west than ever before.

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1st Week 1c	1st Week 2c	1st Week 5c	1st Week 10c	1st Week 50c	1st Week \$1.00	1st Week \$5.00	For
2nd Week 2c	2nd Week 4c	2nd Week 10c	2nd Week 20c	2nd Week 50c	2nd Week \$1.00	2nd Week \$5.00	\$2. \$3. \$4.
3rd Week 3c	3rd Week 6c	3rd Week 15c	3rd Week 30c	3rd Week 50c	3rd Week \$1.00	3rd Week \$5.00	\$10
Increase Every Week by 1c	Increase Every Week by 2c	Increase Every Week by 5c	Increase Every Week by 10c	Deposit 50c every week	Deposit \$1 every week	Depo t 5 every week	or
Total in 50 Weeks	Total in 50 Weeks	Total in 50 Weeks	Total in 50 Weeks	Total in 50 Weeks	Total in 50 Weeks	Total in 50 Weeks	any amount
<b>\$12.75</b>	<b>\$25.50</b>	<b>\$63.75</b>	<b>\$127.50</b>	<b>\$25.00</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>	<b>\$250.00</b>	

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To give you a Bank connection and show you how our Bank can be of service to you.

**FOR OLD AND YOUNG**

The sensible thing for all parents to do is to join our Christmas Banking Club and also put every member of their family into it. This will teach them the value of money and how to bank and HAVE MONEY.. Maybe this little start you give them now will some day set them up in business or buy them a home.

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