

Random Shots

A woman, no matter what her age, will spot a bright and shiny engagement ring the minute it comes into a room.

Don't make any difference whether the prospective bride turns the stone inside or keeps fixing her hair every half-minute.

We lost an opportunity to secure a valued subscriber this week. He had come to Alliance before the fuz was worn off the pairies and thought there ought to be a special discount for pioneers.

Someone has swiped our discount sheet.

We like pioneers, too. But, as a general rule, they have more money than we have. Besides, The Herald is worth more than we ask for it.

break a dollar bill and see how many of them you can stuff in your pocket. They lend a classy holiday touch to a letter or package, and the money isn't wasted.

Young man walked briskly into the office at 11:02 1/2 Monday morning, looked at our clock, and then rushed for the door, calling back as he fled: "Gosh, I thought it was noon—got to get back to work!"

Wonder if his boss will give him a Christmas present.

Sometimes those Western Union clocks are unreliable. We add five minutes to ours on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and subtract ten minutes the rest of the week, except Sunday.

Sunday doesn't matter.

Nobody complains if you're late to church.

Of course, it will cause comment if you arrive after the collection box has been passed.

liquor up on them. The extract has been a great boon during excessive drouth, and these brothers switched to a drink of another color.

Their experience indicates that vanilla extract may be a fine flavoring for custard pies, and incomparable in milkshakes, but it's no substitute for joy juice. If you want to participate in a post-mortem, four ounces will do the business.

Has the price of lemon extract advanced unduly in the past six months?

Why is it that movie producers have to pick out snappy titles? "Male and Female" was the best film that's appeared in Alliance in the time we've been here, but those who expected Robert W. Chambers stuff were disappointed.

George B. McCutcheon and Laura Jean Libby would never have approved the ending.

Little girl, all dolled up in war paint, hissed as she left the door: "What a perfectly rotten film!"

Whose fault is it that she didn't know any better?

St. Louis is the newest Mecca. The lid is off. Whisky selling at 35 cents a drink. A gallon can be bought for \$25.

Sailor friend of the editor's asks him to spend New Year's in the Missouri town.

Take it from us, this newspaper grind is something terrific.

New Year's will never be the same again.

One by one the old landmarks disappear. The boys decided not to cultivate moustaches.

The longest way 'round is the short cut to the minister's.

—Two suits for sale, one size 36, one about size 40; both in good condition. Call at 213 Box Butte Ave. The 164 Cleaners & Tailors.

—Between six and seven hundred kids accepted the invitation of the W. R. Harper department store last Friday afternoon and came to see Santa Claus himself, who appeared promptly at 4 o'clock and presented them with candy and peanuts. There's hardly a kid in town that doesn't know Harp., and they made themselves at home in the store and had a perfectly gorgeous time. Peanut shells were almost ankle deep on the floor when The Herald scribe hove on the scene, and there wasn't a single edible thing left in the place. "Doc," The Herald's youngest news-kid, completely forgot that it was publication day, but he got a chance to spend one whole wonderful hour in the company of Saint Nicholas himself, and "didn't begrudge the time at all."

—For Sale—Two six room houses on Sweetwater. Modern except heat. Price and terms right. See Nebraska Land Company.

—It's seldom that The Herald editor feels called upon to review movie performances, but the Imperial has had, during the past week some noteworthy programs. Saturday night's vaudeville bill was a change from the Western circuit, which furnished the first two programs of the season. It was the first appearance of acts from the Pantages circuit, and the improvement was noticeable from the moment the curtain rolled up on the first one. Not an act failed to "get by" with the crowd, and two or three of them made decided hits. The feature of the vaudeville bill was Sam and Goldie Harris in a comedy satire, "The End of the Line," and the Lucy Lucier trio, comedy novelty and harmony singers, were encored as often as they would respond. Sunday and Monday there appeared, under the name "Male and Female," a pictorial presentation of Sir James M. Barrie's "The Admirable Crichton," and so faithful was the representation of that whimsical author's work that we are minded to declare it the best movie we have seen in years. "The Birth of a Nation" managed to stir us up while the band played, but it didn't leave as good a taste in the mouth as "Male and Female," which, by the way, is a ridiculous title for so good a play. Some day these movie directors will quit trying to improve on the authors of their plays, and when that glad day comes, the art will have made a mighty advance.

—Glasses accurately fitted at reasonable prices. Drake & Drake, Optometrists.

—A meeting of the board of directors of the Wyoming-Northeastern Oil company was held at the office of the Thomas-Bald Investment company in Alliance Saturday evening. The reports of the officers of the company showed that its large set of eastern Wyoming oil holdings are in excellent shape. The report of C. M. Looney, field superintendent, showed that the company has the finest equipped rig and drilling camp in the Mule Creek field. Drilling of the first well on the holdings of the company in the Mule Creek field starts this week. With good weather, the well should be down several hundred feet within the next thirty days.

—See Drake's for Glasses.

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