

**RANDOM SHOTS**

The inspired reporter of the Gering Courier wrote it this way: "He is aged nineteen years, and colloquially known as 'Red' Ellis, because of his physical characteristics."

Something like the twin boys who were named Alphonse and Gaston, because they were too polite to each other, we presume.

Roscoe Madden, of the Antelope Divide, has been setting traps for coyotes, but the Potter Review says that so far he has succeeded only in catching his dog.

Over at Ord they're having a "liquor inquiry," and it was brought out by the testimony that a fair grade of wine has been selling there for \$25 a gallon.

At prices like that, there would be considerable of an inquiry for liquor here.

Cole and Grammer both got "out of the trenches" by Christmas.

The Nebraska farm bureau now has 150,000 members. We'll gamble that within three months some one will begin howling that the newspapers are treating the farmers unfairly and that the bureau ought to establish one of its own. It's getting so every organization has to have an organ, but until they get large enough to support one, they pay a publicity agent.

**Today's Best Story**

Joe Jagg had felt that he was ruined when prohibition set in, but after the purchase of certain well-known ingredients and a few laboratory sessions in his own room, he began to suspect life might not prove to be all sad and dreary.

"How's the old brew coming along, Joe?" queried an interested friend on the street.

"I'll let you know tonight," replied Joe confidentially. "I gave the key to my closet to the landlady today and told her I was afraid I'd lose it. If she's alive when I get back home, the stuff can't be so awful bad."

The Hub department store has a peanut roaster that uses Bean gas. Bean gas is very good in its place, but its perfume is not exactly like that of roses. A broken pipe resulted last Tuesday and clerks and patrons having to go about with thumbs and fingers over their noses and an expression of distress upon their countenance. It permeated all the block and the facetious insinuated that they would all have to bury their clothes. No great harm resulted but the accident was inconvenient to say the least.—Aurora Register.

The young lady visitor was bragging to the "tens" about her popularity. "There's only one evening during the two weeks vacation that I'm not dated up," she confessed with a maddening smile. "Perhaps he won't be in town that day, dear," was the way the other one got even.

We never did find out what that Christmas present was—the one made of satin, with the embroidered holes in the center. Our guess was that it was a corset cover, but one of the younger men thinks it's called a camisole these days.

When we see the recipient, however, we're going to hide our blushes and ask her.

The American Legion Weekly remarks that it's about time for the arrival of those Christmas packages that were mailed to France in the fall of 1917.

The preacher sent the wrapped baptismal certificate to the proud parent without having indicated the place of birth, for which a space had been provided. The father considered the matter at length and then picked up a pen and supplied the missing information:

"In bed."

"A Cimarron man shipped a hide to Kansas City last week," relates the Jacksonian, "and was dunned by the hide house for the difference he received for the hide and transportation charges. He replied that he had no money to pay the deficit, but that he could send them more hides."

A Nebraska City editor complains bitterly that his wife is a stranger to his work. He says the wife of

the average newspaper man knows less about what's in his newspaper than those who read the paper.

The poor pruner is lucky. If his wife did read his newspaper, she'd simply add one voice to the chorus that complains about the mistakes that are bound to creep in, no matter how well regulated the establishment.

Incidentally, there were no less than seven errors in the four-inch article, including one of those "shrdlu emfwyp qndhankl" p-lines, so perhaps Friend Wite isn't wholly to blame.

For the first time in twelve years, we received no blue Sox for Christmas, or any other color. We made it a rule many years ago not to wear blue Sox, but until this year always got a good supply. If times get any harder, we shall rescind all rules, and wear those that other members of the family haven't swiped.

**TREASURY DEPARTMENT.** Supervising Architect's Office, Washington, D. C., Dec. 16, 1920.—Sealed proposals will be received at this office until 3 p. m., Jan. 10, 1921, and then opened, for remodeling the post office screen in the U. S. Post Office, Alliance, Nebr., in accordance with the specification and drawings No. 211 and 212, copies of which may be had at this office or at the office of the custodian, in the discretion of the Supervising Architect, Jas. A. Wetmore, Acting Supervising Architect. 7&9

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Finch and daughter Philena left for Julesburg, Colorado, Monday, where they will spend a few days with Mrs. Finch's parents. They expect to leave Sunday for California.

Lessie Keeves and sister, Maude, returned from Antioch Monday where they spent Christmas with relatives.

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**GUST F. JOHNSON**

Gust F. Johnson, father of Councilman Harry Johnson of this city, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. M. E. Holmes, in Rock Island, Ill., on Saturday, December 18, due to injuries received in an accident last May, at Galesburg.

Mr. Johnson came to the United States from Sweden in 1865, and has been in the employ of the Burlington since his arrival in this country, a period of over fifty years. Practically all of this time he has been a car inspector. Last May in an accident he suffered severe injuries to his left hip, and since that time he has been incapacitated.

Three children are left, Harry A. Johnson of Alliance, Theodore L. Johnson of Emporia, Kas., and Mrs. M. E. Holmes of Rock Island. All the children were present for the funeral.

Mr. Johnson was born in Sweden November 12, 1842, and at the time of his death was seventy-eight years, one month and twelve days. There were also four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Interment was at Galesburg beside the body of his wife, who died in 1910, and a daughter who passed away in 1901.

**SOCIETY**

Milton J. Keegan and Miss Ethel James were married at noon today at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Wm. Bignell, 618 Box Butte, Rev. A. J. Kearns performing the ceremony. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Keegan of this city. He recently completed a course in law at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, and is now associated with a Denver law firm. Miss James has been in the employ of the W. B. Harper department store for some time, and has a number of warm friends who extend best wishes. Mr. and Mrs. Keegan left for Denver today, where they will make their home.

Last Thursday evening a farewell party was given at the home of Miss Leah Weaver, in honor of Guy Powers, who is leaving for Kansas City, Mo. Hostesses were Misses Glens Lawrence and Leah Weaver. Guests present were Misses Orpha Ball, Marie Frazier, Messrs. Joe Alspaugh, Valentine Lawrence, Arthur Lawrence, Charles Larkins, Franklin Hunt and William Rheeder. The evening was spent informally with games and music and dainty refreshments were served.

Miss Mabel Worley was hostess at a party Monday evening given in honor of Miss Laura Mounts, Emma Tash Johnston and May Graham. The guests were Glenn Mounts, Ethel Graham, Mrs. Robert Johnstone, Avis Joder, Alta Young, Vera Spencer, Mrs. E. B. Blak and Lulu Sturgeon. Five hundred was played, Vera Spencer winning the prize. The house was beautifully decorated with holly and mistletoe and Christmas decorations. A dainty luncheon was served.

Joseph D. Williams and Miss Ruby M. Campbell were married Christmas day by Dean J. J. Dixon at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Nettie Campbell. They left the same day for a two weeks' trip in Denver and Colorado Springs, after which they will make their home in Alliance, where the groom is employed by the Times.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Spencer had as their dinner guests Christmas: Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Mounts and family and E. S. Martin. The house was beautifully decorated with poinsettia, a red and white color scheme being used. An elaborate five-course dinner was served.

Several parties are scheduled for the coming week in honor of Miss Laura Mounts, Miss Emma Johnston and May Graham, who are leaving soon. Miss Alta Young is hostess Tuesday, Miss Avis Joder Wednesday, Miss Vera Spencer Friday and Lulu Sturgeon Saturday evenings.

Mr. Glen D. Locke, a well known rancher from northeast of Alliance, and Miss Allie House of Joplin, Mo., were quietly married Christmas morning at the home of W. R. Harper. The young couple will make their home on a ranch twenty miles northeast of this city.

The missionary society of the Christian church held a meeting at the

home of Mrs. Wade Smith Monday evening. About twenty-five people attended. After the program, in which Miss Lela Cutts was leader, a dainty luncheon was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Garrett entertained at a dinner Saturday. They had as their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Willis and family, Mr. and Mrs. G. Seidler, Frank Seidler and Mrs. Van Hoosen.

Arthur W. Falls and Miss Elsie Osborn, both of Alliance, were married at 8:15 o'clock Friday evening at the Methodist parsonage, Rev. Mearl C. Smith officiating. The couple will make their home in Alliance.

Alliance lodge No. 961, B. P. O. Elks, will hold open house New Year's day for Elks and their ladies. Cards, keno and music will be on the program for the afternoon, and dancing in the evening.

A license to wed was issued by County Judge Tash Monday morning to Elmer L. Warn and Miss Ethel McCox, both of Hemingford. The couple will be married at Hemingford.

Grove L. Gilson and Miss Nellie Ellsworth, both of Crawford, were married by County Judge Tash last Friday.

Lloyd J. Mullen and Miss Edith Worrall, both of Hemingford, were married by County Judge Tash last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Contlin entertained W. C. Mounts and family at dinner Sunday evening.

**Stock hogs wanted by the Nebraska Land Company. 103-4f**

**BIRTHS**

Monday, Dec. 27—Mr. and Mrs. Mose English, 111 Sweetwater, a boy. Monday, Dec. 27—Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Watteyne, a girl.

Mrs. Carl Spacht and daughter returned to Keeline, Wyo., Tuesday after spending Christmas with relatives here.

Arthur Grove returned from Lincoln, where he is attending dental college, to spend the Christmas vacation.

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