

RANDOM SHOTS

John Guthrie got the compliment of his life at the Imperial theater last night. John read the prologue to the "Three Musketeers," all in poetry, and he got away good. Not until it was all over did he realize just how good he had been. A small boy came up to him and said: "Mr. Guthrie, that was a fine speech you made tonight."

Don C. Van Deusen of Blair arises to remark that you can't always sometimes tell—often the prettiest silk stockings that you see on the street may have a hole in the toe.

And yet, with Don worrying this way, some people will have nerve to say that what you don't know can't hurt you.

Jimmy Maxfield says that the most pearly teeth may have yawning cavities in them. Mike Nolan thinks that at the very nicest coal sheds may not have any coal in them. And Bill Rumer would say, if you urged him, that some of the very best garages will house nothing better than a Ford.

Our dad writes that he has purchased another newspaper. Great Scott! We have all the grief that we want with one. At his age, one wouldn't think that a man would be wanting any more trouble.

Some folks certainly do crave punishment.

In this column last week we published a parody on the twenty-third psalm. We remarked, pleasantly, that it was a parody on the Lord's prayer. And it got by with everyone but the preachers—and maybe with some of them.

Old Man Weekes of the Norfolk Press insinuates that while a cud of chewing tobacco may not look so nice as a cigarette, on the other hand, chewing tobacco starts no fires.

They tell us that Carl Roekey disconnected a wire or two on City Manager Kemmish's motor car the morning of All Fools' day, and chuckled merrily for almost half an hour while the boss of the city tried to get her started. That night, in front of the Imperial, some friends jacked up one of the hind wheels on Carl's car. However, they obligingly helped him push the auto back on the pavement before he'd revealed any of his knowledge of the language profane to his companion.

TOONERVILLE NEWS NOTES.

(Discovered by the Cadron Journal) Hay Springs News: About 1 o'clock Tuesday night or rather Wednesday morning, the fire bell sounded the alarm which was followed by the report that the Catholic church was on fire. Everybody was sleeping soundly and it was necessary to ring the bell a long time to arouse the people and then only about 25 responded to the call, only to find that someone had seen the candles burning through the windows of the church and supposing it to be on fire gave out the alarm.

Oelrichs Advocate: Tuesday the town board had the old gas lamp that adorned the street at the town pump removed, an extension of several feet added to the pipe and an electric light installed, making a decided improvement.

WITH THE SPEED MANIACS.

Motorist—I have not paid a cent for repairs on that machine during all the ten months that I've had it.

Prospective Buyer—So the man who repaired it told me.

Bill—I was driving my Ford the other day and came to a river, but I couldn't find any way to get my machine across.

Dave—Well, what did you do?

Bill—Oh, just sat there and thought it over.

A. D. Rodgers will be interested in this, even if it does come too late to solve a problem he once faced: "In assuming office as mayor of Magnetite Springs, O., Mrs. Mary McFadden, eighty years young, announced that she would serve doughnuts and coffee at each meeting in hopes of inducing the councilmen to attend."

UH-HUH!

(Nebraska City Press.) It's easy enough to be pleasant With a lass, a glass and a song; But the man worth while Is the guy who will smile When he's got the old woman along.

A Seattle, Wash., girl was arrested for having a revolver strapped to her knee, but, as one of our most witty columnists suggests, she wasn't guilty of carrying concealed weapons.

COMMENTS.

The Herald's All Fools' Number sure did wake 'em up. The most interesting fun was to stand on the sidelines and listen to the comments some of the readers made before and after they got on to the idea.

Thus, at least fifty men, in reading the headlines on the first article, said: "When the heck did Tom Gray get out of jail?"

One dainty lady's eyes fell on the school dance story. According to Earl Mallory, she said: "Why, the old walrus. Why didn't he do that when I went to school?"

Only one man has been discovered who is downright sore about it. Tom Gray confided to Sheriff Miller that he thought it was an outrage. Trouble with Tom is that it wasn't true.

Friend Earl is learning the delights of motoring, and is rapidly gaining a lot of new flivver experience. When he has driven through a garage door and has discovered the gas tank empty about ten miles out in the sandhills, he'll wonder why he ever thought there'd be any pleasure in owning a Ford.

We put on Ford top covers complete for \$12.00. Threlkeld, 124 West 9d Street.

WE WANTED A CHANGE.

(Omaha World-Herald.) We were getting a dollar six-bits for our corn.

We could sell every hide from the hoof to the horn—

We wanted a change and we got it. Now we're getting a quarter for corn.

It's so cheap That we burn it for fuel, our toes warm to keep.

We can't sell the hides so we bury them deep—

But we wanted a change and we got it.

The poor working man pulled down eight bucks a day,

Now he's darn glad to work for half of that pay—

But he wanted a change and he got it.

There was work and plenty for every man's son,

And warm food and shelter when that work was done;

Now millions are idle, heretofore there were none—

But we wanted a change and we got it.

Mr. Wilson spent quite a long time "over there;"

For peace he was fighting, but what did we care—

We wanted a change and we got it. Now all that we read is of golf and vacations,

Gay week-ends at summer resorts and plantations;

Not what we expected from the head of a nation—

But we wanted a change and we got it.

We were prosperous and happy, well fed and gay,

Now millions of children go hungry each day—

We wanted a change and we got it. Meanwhile we hear this: "It was certain to come—

Reaction from war time," and war three years done.

If we wanted a lemon we sure did pick one—

But we wanted a change and we got it.

CHURCHES

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

It was very pleasing to see so many men, women and children at the service both morning and evening. The three Endeavor societies met in one room and held a united service. Many were unable to take part on account of the time being too brief. Next Lord's day is what is usually known as "Palm Sunday," and there will be special music and the sermons in keeping with the day.

Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock will be the business meeting of the Bible school officers and teachers. Following this will be the regular prayer meeting.

At 7 o'clock on Tuesday evening is the monthly business meeting of the Endeavor society.

On Monday evening thirty-five members of the church board and choir met at the church in business session. After the business was finished refreshments were served and a social time was enjoyed.

The Easter program is under preparation and will be given on the evening of April 16.

You are certain to receive a welcome at all regular services.

S. J. EPLER, Minister.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

High points at Sunday's services: The largest Sunday school attendance save one since the pastor has been in Alliance, and that time was a special occasion. This is encouraging to the pastor, for it was not his effort during the week, as he has been kept at home because of sickness of members of the family. It proves that the teachers are on the job seven days a week; that the pupils come because they are vitally interested. The men's class received one more new member, and the study of what would become of the Jew at the second coming of Christ was especially interesting.

Next Sunday we take up the topic, "What Will Become of the People Who Have Never Heard the Gospel, at the Judgment?" All men who are not attending other Bible schools are especially welcome. We meet at 10 a. m.

The evening audience packed the house again, compelling us to think of enlarged quarters. Someone whispered rather loudly, "Let's take off a section of the roof," showing that the April Fool paper was not without some good suggestion. Owing to the flu some were not able to be baptised, however, two followed Christ in scriptural baptism.

Don't forget the annual roll call tomorrow at which meeting every member of the church is supposed to be present. The afternoon will be taken up with reports of the various departments. Picnic supper will follow, then at the evening the election of officers, and that with the roll-call. Let's make it a 100 per cent meeting.

B. J. MINORT, Pastor.

RAILROAD NOTES

Although business is several thousand tons greater than for March last year the coal strike has made a noticeable decrease in freight movement. The oil business, however, is still with us strong and is our main stay although considerable lumber is still moving. The increase in business over last year was due to good oil business and the quick demand lately for empty cars for coal loading purposes, this made west bound business very strong and since this supply has been filled, empty coal cars are being stored at Antioch and west bound business is now if anything lighter than the east bound.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hoag, who has been visiting at Hoe Springs, Ark., for some time, returned home last week after visiting a short time with relatives in Omaha.

The third trick operator's position at Belmont was displaced last week. Miss Blanche Schurr formerly held the position.

Arthur Uhl has been working the third trick operator's position at Edgemont since Mr. Thurmond's resignation there. The position will be assigned soon. Guy King of Merna will probably be the oldest bidder upon this position.

Conductor G. F. Dill layed off a trip the last of the week going to Seneca on 44 Saturday for a short visit.

K. J. Sterns spent several days last week on business in Deadwood, returning to Alliance Saturday morning.

Several section laborers were placed on the division, effective Monday morning. It is not thought that any more increase in force will be made for another month with the possible exception of an extra gang raising track and later on a fence gang will commence work. The increase allows the majority of the local sections now three men although some have only two as yet but they will work all week, from now on instead of only every other day as had previously been the case.

Dispatcher R. V. Cox has been laying off for some time on account of sickness in his family. Relief Dispatcher, G. Eckhart, has been working his trick which does not allow the remaining dispatchers to have their one day a week off, however, they will receive bonus pay for working the extra days.

A large number of "flu" cases are still prevalent around Alliance. A majority of these cases being among railroad men and their families, for the most part the cases are not severe although one is generally confined to bed for about ten days and is then generally "no account" for another ten days.

Charles Clark of Broken Bow has been assigned the Ellsworth section, relieving Mr. Hart Lancaster, who has accepted a position in the Alliance yards. Mr. Clark visited with his family over night in Broken Bow Saturday and plans to move to Ellsworth soon.

Assessors Required to Gather Statistics While on the Job

In an endeavor to ascertain the number of registered livestock on Nebraska farms, county assessors, in compiling the annual agricultural statistics which is a part of their duties, have been instructed by Leo Stair, secretary of the state department of agriculture, to list all animals that actually have registration papers, but not to include those that are designated as pure bred, if not registered.

This information, the first to be sought in the accumulation of agricultural statistics, later will be used as a basis for determining the number and kinds of breeds of registered livestock, according to Mr. Stair. Because such a report will involve a great amount of detail and the minimum amount of space available on the assessors' books, the assessors are not asked to specify breeds in their returns.

Two other new features are included in instructions to assessors this year. The number of acres of alfalfa, sweet clover and red clover seed as well as hay acreages of alfalfa, sweet clover, red clover, timothy and timothy and clover, will be compiled. In the case of seeds, an effort is being made to obtain the number of acres which were cut for seed, as distinguished from those clovers for use as hay.

Statistics gathered by the assessors for agricultural statistics are not for taxation purposes, it is pointed out, but the law requires that assessors must obtain this information at a penalty of forfeiting salary for their services. The returns are required to be in the hands of the department of agriculture by July 1.

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Swiss hotel waiters threaten to strike against tips. Is this a scheme to attract tourists?

A. J. Livingston, living near Ashland City, Tennessee, says: "I feel like going from house to house and telling the people about Tanlac." F. E. Holsten.

--- there was a time when

Bathing Was a Luxury

Newspapers Said It Was An "Epicurean Luxury and Undemocratic"

THEY ALMOST PROHIBITED BATHING

THE FIRST BATHTUB in the United States was installed in Cincinnati, Ohio, December 20, 1842. It was exhibited and explained by the owner at a Christmas party and four guests ventured to take a plunge. The following day newspapers designated it as "an epicurean luxury and undemocratic," as it lacked simplicity in its surroundings.

THEY ALMOST PROHIBITED BATHING

In 1843 the Philadelphia Common Council considered an ordinance prohibiting bathing between November 1 and March 15. This ordinance failed to pass but by two votes. And in Boston two years later it was made unlawful to bathe except upon medical advice.

IT COST LOTS OF MONEY

During the session of 1843 the legislature of Virginia laid a tax of Thirty Dollars a year on all Bathtubs that might be set up. In Hartford, Providence, Charleston and Wilmington, special and very heavy water rates were laid on persons who had bathtubs.

Bathing Now Considered Necessity

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