



The annual alumni banquet was held at the Palm Room of the Alliance hotel, this including the senior class of the high school, who on this occasion are the guests of the alumni association. The color scheme carried out in the dinner was lavender and cream, the senior colors. During the dinner an orchestra played, this being greatly enjoyed. W. R. Fate, superintendent of schools, acted as toastmaster. Mrs. Robert Johnstone welcoming the seniors on behalf of the alumni, while Leota Becker, president of the senior class responded. The talk given by the Rev. Stephen J. Epler will long be remembered by those who attended. Mr. Epler emphasized the importance of service to others rather than simply looking out for oneself. After the toasts a business meeting was held, the minutes of the last meeting being read and approved, and the officers for the coming year elected. Lulu Sturgeon was elected president; Edward Morrow, vice president, and Glen Joder, secretary and treasurer. These three acting as an executive committee, have in charge the next year's alumni banquet. After the business meeting all present joined in singing popular songs, old favorites, and high school songs. The meeting was then adjourned, everyone present having enjoyed themselves to the fullest.

Following is the program:  
 Presiding officer, Janet Grassman.  
 Toastmaster, W. R. Fate.  
 Greetings to seniors, Mrs. Robert Johnstone.  
 Response, Leota Becker.  
 Vocal solo, J. H. Vance.  
 Address, Rev. Stephen J. Epler.  
 The menu of the banquet was:  
 Soup, celery, radishes, roast turkey, celery dressing, au gratin potatoes, tiny peas in cases, rolls. Ice cream, senior cake, coffee, mints.

The annual senior-junior banquet took place in the St. Agnes academy gymnasium Thursday evening. It was a charming affair. The class colors, American beauty and white, and the class flower, the American beauty rose, were well carried out in the decorations. The long tables were beautifully decorated and the color scheme was cleverly carried out in the menu and favors as far as possible. The banquet was indeed one that did justice to the juniors. Miss Wilma Finnegan performed the office of toastmistress with becoming grace. The following toasts were rendered:  
 To Rev. Father Manning, Lillian Krejci.  
 To Alma Mater, Mary Herman.  
 To the Juniors, Dorris Tyler.  
 To the Seniors, Dorothy Hand.  
 After this the seniors read the following papers:  
 Class history, Madge Dunn.  
 Class prophecy, Mabelle Carroll and Margaret Brennan.  
 Class with Vivian DuRay, Mina Wilson and Wilma Finnegan.

The class history was very interesting and revealed a number of amusing incidents. The class prophecy was very cleverly written, but was not entirely encouraging. The class will was unique. Wilma Finnegan, as "Old Man Scrooge," represented the senior class. His will was made at the office of "Ichabod Handebar," alias Vivian DuRay, and was recorded by his stenographer, "Susana Smartthead," Mina Wilson. The will was generously extended to each and every one present and was by no means limited in regard to contents. The above program was followed by several songs, including the new class song, "We Love You, Alma Mater." It was with sincerity that the seniors congratulated the juniors upon their delightful banquet of the evening.

Mrs. F. E. Holsten is spending the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Anderson.

The members of Miss Alta Young's Sunday school class entertained in her honor Thursday evening at the home of Eugenia Laing, one of the class. Singing, story-telling, and playing games were the amusements of the evening. A number of small wheelbarrows containing gifts for Miss Young were then brought in, after which refreshments were served. Those present were Veleta Hacker, Jessie Hiles, Ethel Fuller, Bessie Nelson, Helen Coker, Doris Ives, Stella Clark, Leola Cornforth, Eugenia Laing, and the guest of honor, Mrs. Fred H. Lipbringer, who will take charge of Miss Young's class after her marriage next Tuesday, was also present.

The girls of the high school domestic science class will entertain the members of the high school faculty and a number of other teachers this evening at Central school, the dinner to be a product of the young ladies' culinary skill. The hall will be decorated entirely in spring colors, and wild flowers. A three course dinner will be served by the twenty-three members of the class. The guests will be Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Fate, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Prince, Mrs. William LaMon, Miss Alta Young, Miss Opal Russell, Miss McNichols, Miss Wilson, Miss Clark, Mrs. J. D. Emerick, Miss Nation, Miss Bradlock, Miss Sneathen, Miss Waite, Miss Mohr, Miss Clemmons, Miss Miner, Mr. Phelps and Mr. Reid.

The Misses Mabel and Izola Worley will entertain this evening in honor of Miss Ida V. Clark, penmanship supervisor in the local schools for the past four years. Miss Clark will not return to her position in Alliance next year. The game of Michigan which has proved so popular at other parties, will be played. The guests will be Misses Opal Russell, Lucille McNichols, Vera Spencer, Margaret Miner, Thelma Westley, Young and Mrs. Gail Price.

The Alliance Northwest Bell Telephone Employees' association held its regular business meeting on Tuesday evening. Dr. Weyrens was present and gave an interesting and instructive talk on the history of the study and control of diphtheria. This association has one social and one business meeting every month, the latter being devoted to discussions of ways and means of improving service.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Doell and two sons, Fred and Arthur, arrived yesterday from their home at Oakes, N. D., for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. E. Schadwinkel of this city. Mr. Schadwinkel is the proprietor of the Alliance bakery. Should Mr. and Mrs. Doell be well suited with business opportunities in Alliance they may locate here later.

The seventh and eighth grades of Emerson school had parties Thursday, the former from 4 to 6 p. m. and the latter from 6:30 to 9. Each class played games and refreshments were served, each of the members of the class contributing something toward the lunch. The party was a decided success, all enjoying a very good time.

The annual senior picnic is being held today. The seniors started at four o'clock this morning for Scottsbluff. The picnic is being held on Scott's bluff, about a mile from town. The class will return this evening. They went in cars.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Holsten drove to Hay Springs Thursday to catch a train to Ewing, Neb., where Mrs. Holsten's grandfather, E. C. French, is not expected to live. Mr. Holsten returned to Alliance Friday morning.

Bert Laing, Harry Sims, William Mounts and Roy Beckwith were fishing at the Elmore dam Thursday. They reported good success.

Omaha newspapers announce the fact that Miss Elsie Simpson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Simpson of this city, will be one of the performers in the "Blue and Gold Revue," which will be presented at the Brandois theater Saturday evening, May 27, under the auspices of the Omaha chapter, Order of De Molay. She will interpret the role of "La Signorina," an Italian folk dancer, and will appear in the national costume of that country. Miss Simpson is a pupil of Mrs. Florence B. Palmer, with whom she is taking vocal training and with whom she is making her home.

Judge W. N. Crawford of Wymore, who is also employed in the capacity of adjuter for the federal veterans' bureau from the Kearney office, spent Friday, Saturday and a part of Sunday in Alliance working on several claims of ex-soldiers. Judge Crawford, who attained the rank of lieutenant colonel in the service, has held a place on several important federal commissions during and after the hostilities. He was one of the men in charge of Camp Upton, Long Island, during the demobilization period, when two hundred thousand soldiers resumed their civilian status, and was a member of the commission in Europe which received the munitions and supplies surrendered by the Germans at the close of the war.

Judge Crawford tells some interesting stories of the work of this commission. There were thousands of army trucks, aeroplanes, locomotives, field guns and other equipment that were surrendered by the German forces, and according to Mr. Crawford, a surprisingly large proportion of the stuff rendered had been put out of commission by the Germans before they relinquished it. There were thousands of field guns which had been rendered useless by melting the bores with acetylene torches. Shells were exploded underneath the aeroplanes, and the commission had to take charge of a mess of wreckage. Practically all of the automobile trucks had been rendered unserviceable by taking sledgehammers to the engines. The Germans made away with all of the railroad rolling stock they could, and did as much damage as possible to the material they turned over. Box cars were wrecked, steam locomotives were turned over after their cylinder heads had been knocked out and emery dust poured in the journals.

Mr. Crawford is now engaged in straightening out complicated claims against the government, especially those of ex-soldiers. He is assigned to one which are questionable, where the evidence is incomplete or where too large a data stands in the way of settlement. He says that despite the general opinion to the contrary, it is the policy of the government to be very liberal in the settlement of all disputed claims against it.

While at home at Wymore, Mr. Crawford is district judge. He told of a few weeks ago sentencing one of two boys to the penitentiary. In Alliance he stopped in at a news stand and the first person who caught his eye was the mother of the boy. The temperature fell to 20 degrees below zero in four records. He declared. He made his headquarters while in the city at the home of Dr. Minor Morris, commander of the local American Legion post.

Mrs. R. O. Reddish, Mrs. P. Cogwell and Rev. A. O. Dodge will represent St. Matthews' Episcopal church at the missionary convention to be held in Scottsbluff Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of next week.

Mrs. C. C. Smith of Scottsbluff, a former resident of Alliance, arrived last night for a visit with friends in Alliance. She is now at the home of Mrs. W. R. Fate.

A. T. Crawford, district manager of the Equitable Life Insurance company, is in Alliance spending a few days with the local representative, J. W. Guthrie.

Mrs. Belshaw, who has been in Alliance spending the winter with her son, George, returned to her home at Bozeman, Mont., Wednesday morning.

Miss Edna Hiles was operated on at the hospital Thursday afternoon for acute appendicitis. This is believed to be a very serious case.

The M. E. choir will meet Saturday evening, May 20 at the church. Mrs. John Snyder and Mrs. James Scott will be hostesses.

N. A. Kennish will leave this evening or Saturday for a few days' trip to Omaha and Lincoln.

Arthur Leroy Stockman, who is to marry Miss Alta Young Tuesday, arrived Thursday morning.

**BIRTHS**

Born to Rev. and Mrs. Mearl C. Smith, Tuesday evening, May 16, a six-pound girl, Margery Jean.



**AT THE RIALTO.**

Tonight the feature at the Rialto will be "Sunshine Harbor," with Margaret Beecher as the star. The photograph is not a sea story, but the adventure and romance of a Southern society belle who fled from her luxurious home on the eve of a loveless marriage and went north to make a name and fame for herself as a writer. Of course, she runs away from one romance only to run into another, and as a newspaper reporter she has adventures, and finally an accident that brings about a dramatic reconciliation with her father.

Tonight will also be shown the second chapter of "Hurricane Hutch," the fastest-moving serial ever shown in the city. The second episode is entitled "The Cycle Bullet," and is just one thrill after another.

Saturday's attraction is "Silent Years," a vivid romance of the St. Lawrence River country of Canada. In this simple rugged setting Mam'selle Jo, unselfish and self-sacrificing, Donelle, her adopted daughter, a capricious, fascinating little witch, and Tom Gavot, a manly backwoodsman, fight their way to a happy destiny.

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Sunday and Monday Rialto patrons will see "The Devil," starring George Arliss. It is taken from the famous Broadway success of the star. This is Mr. Arliss' first appearance before the camera. The devil is a well-groomed, well-mannered gentleman with a wide circle of acquaintances. To him men and women are human toys for him to play with and break. Mr. Arliss makes this devil suave, bantering, cynical; clever, crafty, and very fascinating.

"The Devil" is excellently produced, directed and acted. Sylvia Breamer, Lucy Cotton, Edmund Lowe, Roland Bottomley and Mrs. Arliss are splendidly cast in leading roles.

**First Episcopal Convocation For Western Nebraska**

The convocation of the missionary district of western Nebraska of the Episcopal church will open Tuesday, May 23, at 9:30 a. m., at St. Andrew's Episcopal church of Scottsbluff, with Bishop George Allen Beecher of Hastings, presiding, and with all of the clergy in the district in procession says the Scottsbluff News.

There will be at least 125 delegates in attendance. Among the special guests and speakers for the convocation will be Miss Eleanore Ridgeway, missionary in Alaska. At the reception on Tuesday evening, an address will be made by the Rev. Alfred A. Gilman, S. T. D., president of Boone university, Wuchang, China. Mr. Gilman was born, raised and ordained in North Platte.

On Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock there will be a reception tendered to the delegates by the congregation of St. Andrew's church. The Tuesday meeting will strictly be a meeting of the women of the Episcopal church. There will be an address of welcome by Mrs. E. F. Zerb, president of the woman's guild of St. Andrew's, replied to by Mrs. F. W. Rincker, president of the district organization of women.

Wednesday the services will begin at 7:30 in the morning with the holy communion, followed by the organization of the convocation and reports of all activities in the district.

A unique feature of the convocation will be the fact that the delegates will all be entertained for meals in the guild hall. On Thursday afternoon the delegates will be guests of the Rotary club for an automobile trip in the valley.

On Wednesday and Thursday evening at 8 o'clock there will be also public services.

This is the first time the Episcopal church has ever held a convocation in western Nebraska.

The delegates will be met at the trains and brought to Scottsbluff in cars.

Public improvement bonds of the Philippines have sold in New York at more than par. Perhaps there was an impression there that the public here needed improvement.—Manila Bulletin.

Nobody appears to be making any money in Europe except the governments.—Baltimore Sun.

**Saturday Specials**

- Boiling Beef, lb. ....10c
- Shoulder Pot Roast, lb. .15c
- Chuck Roast .....15c
- Fresh Hamburger, 2 lbs. 25c
- Pork Chops, lb. ....28c
- Veal Roast, lb. ....15c
- Veal Stew, lb. ....15c

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