

Society Women Attend Seance at Abbott Residence

Miss Dennis Describes Lost Ring to Mrs. Edward Creigh- ton and Says Son Will Be Lawyer.

Eugene Dennis, psychic "wonder girl," convinced several prominent Omahans of her rare mental powers, at a demonstration at the home of David Abbott, 3316 Center street, Saturday night and Sunday.

She told Mrs. J. Connell, veteran Omaha attorney, he was one of the best lawyers in the city.

She told Mrs. Connell's daughter, Mrs. Edward Creighton, society woman, who took a cherished class ring, and described the ring and woman minutely.

Predicts Legal Career.
She also told them that Mrs. Creighton's youngest son, Billie, now 7, would follow his grandfather in the legal profession.

"We believe it too," laughed Mrs. Creighton, "for Billie admires his grandfather so much he always tries to emulate him."

The "wonder girl" also told J. H. Hansen, Cadillac dealer, who stole his eye glasses and where they might be found.

Hansen said she named the person he thought took them.

D. W. Schultz, of the local Edison shop, said he was "knocked off the Christmas tree" when, without any previous information concerning him that he could possibly trace, Miss Dennis told him his business was music, then specified Edison machines, and said he sold them other places besides in Omaha.

Mrs. David Fitch, wife of the attorney of that name, was also told many facts concerning herself and family which she acknowledged were true.

Sought by Theaters.
Local theatrical men camped on the Abbott threshold yesterday seeking engagements for their theaters, but Miss Dennis has announced no decision to accept their offers.

While she is willing, Mr. Abbott opposes the step because he thinks it will cheapen her "gifts."

"She may lose it too if she resorts to the theatrical methods necessary to put anything across on the stage," he said.

His experiment involving a conversation with his dead friend, Mr. Charles Kallert, has not yet been perfected by Miss Dennis, he said.

"She told me part of the message he and I agreed upon before his death, but not all of it," said Abbott.

**Commerce Branch of T. P. A.
Gives Banquet, 400 Attend**
The Commerce Protective association of the T. P. A. held its annual banquet and card party Saturday night at the Masonic temple, with 400 attending.

Mrs. W. M. Rutzen carried off first prize for the women's tables; Mrs. G. A. Healy, second, and Mrs. William Dyke, third. C. P. Hutchins won the men's first prize, W. M. Rutzen, second, and M. C. Combs, third.

A collection taken up for two French war orphans, being supported by the association, totaled \$73.

**Pickup in Business Compels
More Trains at Superior**
Superior, Neb., Jan. 29.—(Special)—Shipping has picked up enough so that the Northwestern railroad, which terminates at Superior, is to re-establish two freight trains.

Dog Hill Paragrafs
By George Bingham
The Depot Agent at Tickville has swept off the platform and dusted

off the front of the building as a passenger is expected in on the 5:18.

Clab Hancock took his new shotgun out the other day and killed a rabbit the first shot. Some say it was Clab's good marksmanship, while others claim it was the gun, but after all it didn't make much difference to the rabbit.

Atlas Peck says it may not be long now before all the horses will be wearing headlights and auto horns.

A Silly Song
By A. CUCKOO BIRD.
At planning things Jim Dodge is good. His head works like the chickens. One time he figured out a way to raise a million chickens. His plan was sure a dandy; when Jim had got it finished, 'twould have made him independent if his pep had not diminished. Jim's fertile mind works day and night and still Jim thinks it's funny because these well-laid plans of his don't bring him any money. The world is full of men like Jim, with patches on their britches, who, if they carried out their plans, would soon be swamped in riches. They build their castles in the air and give them no foundations. They labor with their calloused hands and waste their inspirations. For any man can plan his work, but many are defeated because they do not work their plan, when they have it completed.

SLEEPY-TIME TALES THE TALE OF PONY TWINKLEHEELS BY ARTHUR SCOTT HALEY

CHAPTER VIII.
A Good Sleeper.

Twinkleheels' stall was an end one. Next to him stood the old horse Ebenezer; and beyond Ebenezer were the two boys. Twinkleheels often wished that he might have someone for his nearest neighbor that was a bit livelier than Ebenezer. When the old horse stayed in the barn, he spent a great deal of his time with his eyes half shut, dozing.



"Colts were different when I was a yearling."

Twinkleheels spoke to him. Ebenezer seldom heard him the first time. And often Ebenezer even fell asleep while Twinkleheels was talking to him.

Twinkleheels always moved smartly. Ebenezer took his time about everything. When anybody backed him between the hills of a wagon, he was as slow as Timothy Turtle and no more graceful. And, while people harnessed him, he usually sighed heavily now and then, because he dreaded being hurried along the road.

Before Twinkleheels came to the farm to live, Johnnie Green had thought it quite a lark to drive or ride Ebenezer. Now, however, Johnnie paid little heed to the old horse. And to tell the truth, Ebenezer was content to be let alone.

"This boy must have found it a bit poky, riding you," Twinkleheels remarked to Ebenezer one day when he noticed that the old horse was actually wide awake.

"He found me safe," Ebenezer replied. "That why Farmer Green let Johnnie ride me?"

"It's a wonder you didn't fall asleep and tumble down and throw Johnnie!" Twinkleheels said.

"I'm very sure-footed," Ebenezer told him proudly. "Of course, a person will step on a loose stone now and then. But I've never really stumbled in my whole life."

"How old are you?" Twinkleheels inquired.

"I'm twenty," Ebenezer told him. "And you've never stumbled in all that time!" Twinkleheels cried. "How did you manage to stay on your feet like that?"

"By minding my business," Ebenezer explained with a shrewd glance at his young companion.

The answer—and the look—were both lost on Twinkleheels. "I heard Farmer Green tell Johnnie to turn me and you into the

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pasture tomorrow," he told Ebenezer. "Don't you mean, 'you and me?'" Ebenezer suggested mildly.

"Well, it's the same thing, isn't it?" Twinkleheels retorted. "There's a slight difference," said Ebenezer. "I see there are some

things you've never been taught. Colts were different when I was a yearling."

Twinkleheels looked almost angry. "I hope," he snapped, "you don't take me for a yearling. Just because I'm a pony—and small—you

needn't think I'm an infant. Why, I'm 5 years old!"

Old Ebenezer yawned. It seemed as if he was always sleepy. "You've a good deal to learn," he said. "When I was 5 I thought I knew everything. . . I still find that

I can learn something almost every day."

Twinkleheels sniffed. "I don't believe you've picked up much that was new today," he said. "You've been dozing every moment except when you ate your meals."

To his great disgust, Ebenezer gave a sort of snore. He no longer heard anything that his youthful neighbor said.

"I'll see that he learns something in the pasture tomorrow," Twinkleheels promised himself. "I'll get him to race with me—if he can stay awake long enough. And I'll show him such a burst of speed as he's never seen in all his 20 years."

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Omaha On the Up-Grade

A survey of the industrial and commercial world of Omaha made recently by J. M. Gillan, manager of the industrial bureau of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce, shows Omaha concerns on a solid footing in spite of the period of deflation and depression that they have just undergone.

Business men and bankers with whom Mr. Gillan talked while making his survey were optimistic regarding the coming year.

"Looking over the business progress of Omaha during the last three or four years, it becomes evident that the retail, wholesale, jobbing and manufacturing establishments that were properly financed and well managed have come through the rapidly changing conditions in the business world safe and sound," Mr. Gillan sums up.

"Notwithstanding the unusual difficulties which have accompanied a rapid fall in prices during the last two years, comparatively few of the well-established business houses and manufacturing establishments of Omaha have experienced any very serious embarrassment. The few failures that have occurred have in the main been among those firms that were not sufficiently financed and not properly managed.

"There could be no better assurance of the permanent stability and future growth of Omaha than that found in the history of hundreds of our well-known commercial and manufacturing plants during the last two years. They have weathered the storm in triumph, paid their regular dividends on preferred stock and many of them are in shape to increase and enlarge their business and their sales territory during the coming year.

"Credit is due the leading banks of Omaha for their liberal and broad-minded policy of standing faithfully by the commercial interests of Omaha during the months when it was exceedingly difficult to secure sufficient working capital. Many of these bankers also furnished valuable suggestions and advice to their patrons during the stringent times.

"Toward the close of 1921 there were pessimists in Omaha who made many whispered predictions that the first of the year 1922 would probably witness a number of financial wrecks among the business concerns of Omaha. These predictions have been very wide of the mark, for Omaha business houses and manufacturing plants are moving on with very little embarrassment. The old and well-established firms, representing the various lines, such as dry goods, groceries, hardware, boots and shoes, millinery, lumber, coal, implements and machinery, drugs, paper and stationery, food products, building materials, grain and many other lines, are making satisfactory progress, notwithstanding the fact that the great agricultural region surrounding Omaha has been seriously handicapped by the unusually low prices prevailing for farm produce and live stock.

"The manufacturing establishments producing food products—meats, flour, syrup, butter, ice cream, cereals—are all on a firm and substantial basis. The planing mills, machine shops, structural steel, cement block factories and many other lines of building material are reasonably prosperous. Concerns manufacturing ready-to-wear garments, shirts, overalls, hats, caps, neckties, women's dresses, boots and shoes are in business at the old stand. The box factories, both paper and wood, chemical and serum factories, harness and saddlery, rubber tires and tubes, animal foods and remedies, printing houses and ice machine factories have little reason to complain or be discouraged.

"In the main the retail trade of Omaha is coming through in fine shape. The unusually open winter has made it a little difficult for houses carrying heavy goods, but the merchants have discounted this contingency in most cases and feel that the spring trade will undoubtedly make up in volume what the winter trade may have failed to supply.

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