



GRAY'S

OPENING OF FALL MILLINERY

Friday and Saturday, Sept. 25 and 26, 1908

No time in the history of our business have we had such a large exhibition of Millinery. Shapes are both small and large with high crowns and other novelty effects. Most are silks and silk velvet combinations and trimmed in distinctive style effects with large wings and ornaments, soft feathers, ribbons and silks. When you buy of us you will have an exclusive style. We positively will not copy a pattern hat. Come in and see the swellest line of Fall Hats ever on exhibition in Columbus.

District M. E. Conference.

At a meeting of the fourth quarterly conference of Columbus charge, Grand Island district, of the North Nebraska Conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, held at Columbus, on Saturday, evening, September 12th, Rev. Dr. G. H. Main presiding, the following resolutions were offered by Prof. I. H. Britell, and passed by a rising unanimous vote:

Whereas, Rev. L. R. DeWolf has most successfully served this charge for four years, and it is now rumored that there is some thought of his being assigned to another charge at the coming session of the North Nebraska conference, we, the members of the Fourth quarterly conference of the Columbus charge feel that this change, in justice to the Columbus charge, should not be made unless over our protest against the change.

It has often been said that our pastor is an all-around man as well as an eloquent preacher. He has endeavored himself to this church and the citizens of Columbus by a wholesome mingling of his life in the activities of our community; when the fire alarm is given he joins his company in their run to the fire, and his eagerness and zeal in this effort to secure safety of property and life is second to none; when a picnic or company party include him among its numbers they rejoice in his wit and their vacation is rendered more pleasant by his enthusiasm for real christian sport, when called upon to perform the marriage vow he responds with dignity and binds more closely the contracting parties in their mutual love by its earnest, heartfelt blessing as they stand at the sacred altar, when any are sick he is their solicitous friend and his untiring attention to their needs has cheered many a home among us: When called upon to perform the last sad duty for our departed loved ones he has been our sympathizing brother, if any are in the bondage of sin, unnerred to resist temptation he has given all the aid within his power and spent sleepless nights aiding the fallen to turn from their bondage of evil habits; in the building of our present beautiful church his efforts were of vital necessity to our success, he has enlarged

our membership and preached the Gospel without fear or favor. For all this and much more we love him and most earnestly desire his return to this charge. If, in the wisdom of the officers of our church, he should be removed against this, our loving protest, we desire to hereby express our confidence in him as a man and pastor. To acknowledge our love for his family, his excellent wife and dear children. Therefore, be it:

Resolved: That we present these resolutions to our district superintendent, Dr. G. H. Main and Bishop McIntyre, hoping they may find it the will of our heavenly Father that Brother DeWolf be returned to this charge.

All the officers, trustees and stewards of the Methodist church were re-elected for the ensuing conference year, and brother Thuma was added to the board of stewards.

Mrs. Ida M. Bonner and Mrs. Frank Olcott were elected as stewards of the Clear Creek appointments, over south way.

Three new members were added to the Methodist church on Sunday, making twenty-one in the past two weeks.

Route No. 4.

A good many farmers on the route are putting in fall grain.

The Misses Anna Stracke and Margaret Schaff left Sunday for Albion to visit and take in the fair.

John Liebig, who became overheated while working last week, and was quite sick as a result, is improving.

Mrs. A. L. Bray and sister, Miss Hazel Napier, left last Friday for a visit at Syracuse, Omaha and Lincoln.

Frank Adams, road overseer for Shell Creek township, is doing some good and much needed work on the roads.

Mrs. W. W. Hickok, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. A. L. Bray, is visiting Columbus friends this week.

Republican Meeting.

There will be a business meeting of the Taft club every Wednesday evening to transact such business as may come before it.

R. S. DICKINSON,
Chairman.

Route No. 3.

Wm. Kuntzelman is enjoying a visit in the west.

Fred Siefken returned Monday evening from Danville, Ia.

Miss Goldie Preston of Monroe is visiting at the Seefeld home.

Fred Willie gave a party Sunday evening in honor of the christening of their baby boy.

It is reported that Richard Adamy had his arm badly injured in a corn binder Monday afternoon.

There was a dance at Merv Kuntzelman's last Saturday night which was well attended and a good time enjoyed.

The Misses Louise Loseke and Anna Becher and Herman Becher and Walter Loseke attended the Behrens dance Sunday night.

Wm. Behlen and John Brothens were delegates from the Shell Creek Baptist church to Omaha, to attend the dedication of a Baptist church in that city.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Farnsworth of Spokane, Wash., are guests at the home of G. L. Farnsworth. From here Mr. Farnsworth goes to Omaha and then to Salt Lake before returning to Spokane, where he is a prominent business man.

Dick Becher has rented the farm now occupied by Wm. Behlen and will move on to it next year. Mr. Behlen leaves soon for Benton Harbor, Mich., next February, at which place he has purchased a fruit farm and will make his future home.

We are sorry to record the death of the three year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Mindrup, which occurred Sunday evening as the result of an attack of appendicitis. Funeral services were held Tuesday from the home at 2 p. m., where a short service was held, and from the Shell Creek Baptist church at 3 p. m., Rev. Hilzinger conducting the services. Four little girls, Ida and Della Latjen and Jessie and Minnie Krause, acted as pall bearers, and the body was laid to rest in the Shell Creek cemetery. A large number of sympathizing neighbors and friends attended the funeral.

Route No. 5.

Cockson Bros. threshed Monday.

Joe Czaplka marketed grain in Columbus Monday.

Charles Stachura finished putting in fall wheat Monday.

Frank Stachura purchased a fine Poland China hog from August Fickel.

Some of the farmers on the route are putting up their third crop of alfalfa.

The carrier found a nice warm pie in A. W. Kummer's mail box Tuesday of this week.

There is no water in the south channel of the Platte and the north channel is almost dry.

Mrs. Wm. Gerhold and daughter Wilhelmina made an early morning trip to Columbus Monday.

There was a lawn party at the home of Mrs. W. M. Gerhold last Thursday, and a good time is reported.

Miss Katie Kineman and brother Claude leave Wednesday of this week for Lincoln, where they will attend the state university.

Frank Kuenzi finished painting his house last week and is now painting his barn. He also has the frame up for a new machine shed.

Wm. Houser put in a new bridge at the Brian corner and also a bridge on the Klans grade, which will be much appreciated by the traveling public, and especially by Carrier No. 5.

Frank and Bartholomew Stachura marketed their grain in Dunoon fording the Platte at that place. As long as the river is as low as at present a good many farmers of south of that town will market their produce there.

Notice.

Wm. Schilz wishes to announce to the public that he has moved his shoe store to the Schroeder building on Twelfth street, which he will occupy until his new building, on the old location, is completed.



Eugene W. Chafin
Prohibition candidate for president
—will speak in—

COLUMBUS, TUESDAY, SEPT. 22
at 10 a. m. Meeting will be held in park if weather is favorable, otherwise in the Methodist church. Come out and hear the only real issue of the campaign discussed.

Route No. 1.

The young folks of the neighborhood enjoyed a social dance at the home of Emil Behrens Sunday evening.

Miss Edna Marsh of Central City, stenographer for the Edmunds creamery company, was visiting Miss May Reed over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Erb of Central City were guests at the Reed home over Sunday. Mr. Erb is a brother of Mrs. Reed's and this is the first time they have met in fifteen years, as the Erb family lived at Alliance, Neb., until a few years ago.

Advertised Letters.

Following is a list of unclaimed mail matter remaining in the post office at Columbus, Nebraska, for the period ending September 16, 1908:

Letters—Miss J. Davis, A. Frickie, B. S. Flynn, Peter H. Kilzes, K. McKenzie, H. E. Pitterson, Joe Sloma.

Cards—P. Dalgarn, A. D. Johnson, Miss Gladys Jones, Miss Lizzie Lockburn, Miss Ludwig Rink 2, D. H. Smith, L. J. Slaughter, Edwin Schemel, Miss Maggie Van E.

Parties calling for any of the above will please say advertised.

CARL KRAMER, P. M.

Pews with Privileges.

"Are you aware," said the antiquary, "that there are certain church pews to which the contribution basket is never passed?"

"No."

"It is a fact. These pews are in certain old Episcopal churches in Philadelphia, in Boston, and in a number of New England villages.

"They have been rented on a non-contribution-basket basis for a couple of centuries. In the past, it is said, men slept in church; they even played cards or draughts there, and the advent of the contribution basket would have been an amazing interruption to them. So for a very much higher rental they obtained pews that the collectors ignored. These pews in churches that like to keep up the quaint customs of the past are still maintained."

It Depends.

"Advertising always brings results."
"Yes, but not always the ones you want."
"What do you mean?"
"Well, young Barnes was shaky on his college examinations, and he advertised for a coach."
"Did he get one?"
"No, but the next morning, 36 cabs were standing in front of the house."

Higher Up.

Howell—What do you do with your money?
Powell—Give it up.
Howell—I've heard that your wife is taller than you are.

THE BLUFF WORKED

SHREWD TRICK BY WHICH MERCHANT GOT A START.

His Offer of Gift of \$5,000 Organ to Church Established His Credit As a Good Man to Tie To.

There is a prosperous merchant in Chicago to-day who owes his success to his donation of a \$5,000 organ to a church at a time when he didn't have money enough to buy a hand organ. This donation was a case of bluff, pure and simple, but the bluff worked and resulted in the subsequent wealth of the lucky bluff.

John Smith was seeking capital to start in business for himself, but as he had no security worth speaking of he could not borrow the money he needed.

When he had tried every person he could think of who would be likely to have the necessary cash and the inclination to lend it and had been turned down, he conceived the idea of presenting his church with an organ. Young Napoleon John Smith therefore ordered his organ and allowed the future to look out for itself. The manufacturers of the organ never thought of questioning the financial standing of the philanthropist who was handing out \$5,000 organs, and agreed to have the instrument set up in the church on time.

Of course J. Smith was not a bad man; he was born to blush unseen, nor did he hide his beneficence under a bushel. He managed to bring in at least the flute stops no matter what the subject of conversation. Not only did the young Napoleon advertise himself by means of the church organ, but the pleased minister and the equally pleased congregation spread the news of his gift.

During this time John did not allow any alfalfa to grow under his feet. On the pretense of consulting some wealthy member of the congregation about some minor detail of the organ he would drop into an office, and before he left casually would mention the subject of the company he was forming. Most of the men that he thus saw thought it would be a good thing to be associated with a man who was making so much money that he was able to hand out \$5,000 without missing it, so that all were anxious to take stock in J. Smith's company.

Long before the time came for the first payment on the organ Smith had gathered enough money to start his business and was doing so well he had no difficulty in borrowing the amount needed to make the payment. From that time he has made money so fast that now he could give away several \$5,000 organs and pay for them as well.

The Crooked Deal.

John Mitchell, the labor leader, was discussing in Pittsburg a labor struggle of the past.

"You see, they didn't give us a fair deal," he said. "It looked fair on its face, but really it was like the deal of Harvey Barr of Braidwood."

"Harvey Barr, a successful lawyer, had a wonderful talent for getting the best of people. Even at home he kept his talent in play. His wife said to him one morning:

"Harvey, dear, this is the fifteenth anniversary of our wedding. What are you going to give me?"

"This what I am going to give you," Harvey answered, affectionately, and he handed his wife \$15 in crisp, fresh bills.

"Oh, thank you! And what shall I give you?" the gratified wife asked.

"That meerschaum pipe I've been admiring so long," Harvey promptly announced.

"In the evening, on his return home, the pipe awaited him. It had cost just \$15. He lit up and began to color it carefully.

"But as the evening wore on his wife seemed ill at ease.

"Where is my present, Harvey?" she said at last, fretfully.

"Why, my dear," Harvey explained, "you gave me a pipe. I gave you \$15. Don't you see? We're both even."

Marriage Lengthens Life.

If you desire to live to a good old age you will do well to read what an eminent doctor says on the subject.

He makes, first of all, the bold statement that anyone who desires to live for four score and ten years should get married. In other words, he claims that conjugal life is a necessary condition of longevity. Here are the statistics which support this statement: Of 200 persons who have

reached the age of 40 years the doctor found that 125 were married and 75 unmarried. Of 70 men who had reached the age of 60 years he found that 48 were married and 22 unmarried. He next took 38 men, each of whom was in his seventieth year, and he found that 27 were married and 11 unmarried.

Again the doctor has discovered that the mortality among bachelors between the ages of 30 and 45 is as high as 27 per cent., whereas among those who are married it does not exceed 18 per cent. It is evident that we must acknowledge the potency of these figures, and that, if we desire to live to a good old age, we should get married as soon as possible.

Rice Sponge.

One quarter cup of rice boiled one hour in water enough to cover. Drain and boil in milk for another hour. Have ready one-fourth cup of gelatin soaked in enough milk to cover. When rice is done add gelatin to the mixture with one-fourth cup of sugar, and when cool add one-half pint of whipped cream, with one tablespoon of sugar and one teaspoonful of vanilla. Put in mold to set. Serve with cream.

Watercress and Cream Cheese Balls.
Make a quantity of cream cheese balls, adding a little cream, salt and pepper; arrange a bed of delicate watercress, put the balls in a pile in the middle and just before serving pour French dressing over all.

Willing, However.

The bachelor clergyman was showing a woman visitor through his church.

"Now, madam," he said, "you have seen the organ, the font and the nave. With your permission, I will now conduct you to the altar."

"Oh," she exclaimed after the manner of her kind, "this is so sudden!"

Still Had Hopes.

"Say," queried the Wise Guy, "don't you ever get discouraged in trying to get something for nothing?"

"Now," replied the granger, who had just invested in his twenty-third gold brick, "I've noticed th' other feller altho' gits his that way, an' mebbe in th' course u' time I'll be th' other feller."

Unaccounted For.

"You can't get something for nothing," remarked the aphorist.

"And yet," answered the man who has had dreams, "I am sure all those purple dragons and pink rhinoceroses I got out of that Welsh rabbit were never put into it."

TRUE STORY WITH A MORAL.

They Are Not Scarce, But This One Is Well Worth Learning.

"There are thousands and thousands of drummers in the country," said the man from Boston, "and while only two of them are known to be prevaricators, their conduct is a smirch on the whole body of men. I am going to relate a curious circumstance, and while I know that I shall not be believed I yet feel it my duty to give the story to my fellow men on account of the moral connected with it."

Everybody put on a grave face and prepared to listen, and after clearing his throat the Bostonian continued:

"Five years ago I was eating dinner at a Chicago restaurant. Just as I rose up I put a \$10 gold piece in my mouth to hand to the waiter. At that minute a drummer for a New York leather house came up and slapped me on the back and I swallowed the gold. I consulted a physician and he said nothing could be done. In fact, he advised me not to do anything, as it would turn me into a sort of gold-cure in case I ever took to drink."

There were winks and nods and knowing looks, but the retainer had truth on his side and there wasn't a tremor in his voice as he went on:

"Last week I was in New York. I entered a restaurant for a good meal, but before sitting down I felt for my boodle. It was missing. I had been robbed on a subway train. Gentlemen, I was hungry, homeless and penniless. Just as the situation dawned on me and my blood began to run cold, that same leather house man, now connected with a hymnbook establishment, came up and slapped me on the back as before. That \$10 gold piece flew from my mouth and struck the wall and I was saved. That's all."

"But the moral to it?" was asked.

"Yes, it is the moral. Gentlemen, the moral is, never despair. No matter how dark the situation or with what troubles you are surrounded, you cannot tell at what moment you may cough up \$10 and walk in sunshine again. Try it and take no other."

To Keep Corned Beef Moist.
Before putting away what is left after serving hot corned beef wet it over with a little of the water it was boiled in. When served cold the slices will not have dry edges.

One-Egg Cake.

Sullivan Cake—One egg, one cup milk, one cup sugar, one tablespoon butter, salt, two teaspoons baking powder, flour to thicken, one cup raisins.

"The Wild West right at our door." Everything from Cheyenne to

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OCT. 1 and 2

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Take it up and write your friends

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THE hardest sort of clothes to provide successfully are the clothes for the dapper young dresser, who wants the limit in style. We've met with great success in clothing these young fellows in our "Dandy Make" of Collegian clothes. There is always a "distinguished" air about the cut and style of these exclusive young men's suits that may be called extreme, because they are extreme, for every idea or kink that's new is shown here. The fabrics are swell and prices pleasing

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