

LOCAL PARAGRAPHS.

R. M. Hampton was at Bonner for a few days last week.

Lee Bayse returned to his law studies at Lincoln last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Phelan returned from Chicago last Sunday.

Wm. Johnson was in from his ranch west of the city last Monday.

Clark Olds of Hemingford was an Alliance visitor New Year's day.

George A. Molling returned Tuesday from his trip to Kansas City.

Mrs. Sherwood of Hemingford spent New Year's day with Alliance friends.

Rev. and Mrs. Burleigh of Hemingford were visiting Alliance friends New Year's.

B. E. Johnson, one of Hemingford's leading business men, was in Alliance Tuesday.

A. W. Pierson returned from a business trip to Council Bluffs and Chicago.

Lecture Course entertainment at the opera house Thursday evening, January 14th.

Mrs. L. A. Baschky, of Crawford, is visiting with her sister, Miss Agnes Rowland.

Mrs. Ella Haynes accompanied by Miss Weber were in from the ranch last week.

Wm. King returned to Alliance Sunday after a few weeks stay in Denver and other points.

Miss Wilma Wood left Sunday for North Bend, this state, where she is teaching school.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Fox arrived in the city Monday for a visit with their daughters and son.

Geo. T. Feiner, of the Feiner Fish company, Clinton, Iowa, spent Wednesday in Alliance.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlson and little daughter left New Year's day for York, where they will visit.

Miss Blanche McDonald departed Sunday afternoon for Lincoln where she is attending school.

Fourth number of the lecture course at the opera house Thursday evening, January 14th.

A handsome new cash register, the finest in the land, was recently installed in the Holsten drug store.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Corbett, 902 Missouri avenue, Wednesday night, a boy, weight eleven pounds.

F. N. Wallace returned Monday morning from Hastings where he spent the holidays with his parents.

Engineer Mike Cusick and family of Edgemont spent New Year's in this city and vicinity with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Cressman returned to their home at Kearney Monday after a pleasant visit at the Newberry home.

Mrs. T. J. Threlkeld is enjoying a visit with her parents at Laclede, Mo. She expects to remain a month or two.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Reed were passengers on the Guernsey train last Monday to visit friends at Scottsbluff.

John and Allie Mabin, from the northwest part of the county, were transacting business in Alliance Monday.

Miss Margaret Barrett returned Sunday afternoon from O'Neill where she spent the holidays with relatives and friends.

C. A. Anderson has purchased the residence of Ira Reed, located on north Cheyenne avenue. Consideration, \$3,500.

Miss Laura Miller returned yesterday afternoon from her visit to Albion and other points in the eastern part of the state.

E. A. Hall returned this week from a visit with his mother at Ellsworth, Kansas, where he and his son spent Christmas.

Miss Agnes Rowland returned from Crawford Monday, where she had been visiting with her sister, Mrs. L. A. Baschky.

Hal Hobert of Mumper is in the city transacting business. He is one of the attaches of the Crescent Cattle company.

Mrs. Mary A. Reed, sister of Dr. Kremer, in company with her two sons, are here from Seneca visiting at the Kremer home.

Don't forget the musical number of the lecture course to be given at the opera house next Thursday evening, January 14th.

Thos. H. Beeson is enjoying a visit from his grandfather, Mr. Hicks, who has been visiting his daughter residing in the Platte valley.

A move is on foot to send a delegation from Alliance to the Nebraska State Volunteer Fire association to be

held at Norfolk Jan. 19-20-21, with a view to securing the next meeting for Alliance. Go after it, boys.

After a visit with friends and relatives during the holidays in the eastern part of the state, Wm. Sherlock returned last Tuesday.

After a pleasant visit with her friend, Miss Bogue, Miss Belle Huff left last Sunday for Laramie, Wyo., where she is engaged in teaching.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Tully went to Rushville Saturday where they enjoyed a visit with old time friends. They returned Wednesday.

Geo. Gadsby was a passenger on 44 last Sunday bound for Omaha and other points in the eastern part of the state where he had business.

Miss Ida Posvar, one of the telephone operators in the local office, resumed her duties after a week's visit with relatives near Crawford.

The LaDell Concert Company at the opera house Thursday evening, January 14th. This is the fourth number of the lecture course.

Miss Nellie Coffin, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. L. A. Bowser, returned last Sunday from a two weeks visit with their parents at Genoa, Nebr.

After a pleasant visit with relatives in this city for several days, Mrs. John H. Ellis and son, Ira, returned last Sunday to their home at Havelock.

Miss Margaret McLernon of the Emerson school returned Saturday from a holiday visit with her father at Sidney and relatives at Denver.

Mrs. H. J. Ellis received the sad news of the death of her father, Mr. Isaac J. Holt, at Lincoln last Monday and left that day to attend the funeral.

The donations of literature for the library still continue to come. Mesdames Wilson, Dickey and Keagan are the latest to contribute to the good cause.

Father McNamara left Tuesday morning for the eastern part of the state on a business trip. He will also spend a short time with his parents at Scribner.

M. M. Kelley, the genial insurance man who moved to Hastings last summer will again become a resident of this city in the near future. Good for you, Kelly.

J. W. Guthrie returned last Tuesday from his visit at Carroll, Iowa, and reports a fine time. Thos. Guthrie was also home from Minneapolis with his wife and baby.

A train load of southern cattle—three and four-year-old steers—will arrive from Denver Friday morning for Watkins & Feagins. The stock will be for sale.

On account of the inclemency of the weather Miss Nell Morris postponed her dancing school to Friday evening, Jan. 8th and from now on will be held every Saturday evening.

J. A. Reardon returned from Chadron Monday where he enjoyed a visit with a very dear friend and attended some social functions. Joe will return to Omaha Monday.

Miss Marie Basse left Saturday morning for Sidney where she has a position as teacher. She spent the holidays with friends and relatives in Alliance and Hemingford.

Mrs. Keagan left Sunday for north-eastern Kansas, where she will visit for some time. Her son, J. J. Keagan, accompanied her to Lincoln, where he is attending the state university.

Mrs. R. G. Holden returned to her home at Sterling Sunday morning after a pleasant visit here with relatives. Her sister, Miss Mid Regan, accompanied her home for a short visit.

The Daughters of Rebecah of this city are arranging to give a banquet at their hall January 22. All members of the lodge and also members of the I. O. O. F. and families are invited.

Among the students at St. Agnes' academy who went home for the holidays and returned recently were the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Egan of Hyannis who arrived from there last Monday.

Charlie Tash returned to Alliance this morning on the Denver train. Since leaving here he spent some time with his uncle in Montana and stopped awhile in Poncatello and Salt Lake.

Mrs. E. E. Ford of Lawn precinct visited Alliance friends between trains New Year's day, being on her way home from Omaha where she spent Christmas with her children, Lawrence and Genevieve.

County Surveyor Hazard came to Alliance yesterday from his homestead in Lawn precinct. He was accompanied by Jerry Wells, who made application to amend his homestead rights. Mr. Hazard reports a big time at "Scotty" Henderson's New Years

night where nearly a hundred persons assembled for a good time which was had in dancing and other pleasures. Splendid music was furnished by Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Wescott of this city.

The Alliance Creamery continues active business, despite the fact that the weather has been anything but favorable for the same. Manager Spencer is a busy man as also the rest of the employees of the creamery.

The cold wave that suddenly passed over this section last Tuesday put business out of business, so to speak. The cold was quite severe, the sudden change driving the population in-doors to hug radiators and stoves.

Miss Anna Feidler spent a few hours in Alliance New Year's day. She had been over to Mitchell to visit her parents and was on her return to the eastern part of the state where she holds a position as high school teacher.

N. A. Kirk returned last week from a holiday visit in the eastern part of the state and at Sioux City. Mr. Kirk reports that city as quite active and enterprising and the inhabitants enthusiastic of further prosperity and thrift.

V. F. Rodgers arrived Tuesday from York and has entered the employe of Philip Nobe in the bakery. Mr. Rodgers, who is a brother of our townsman, C. I. Rodgers, is a first-class baker and will doubtless prove efficient help for Mr. Nobe.

Conductor B. H. Perry of the Guernsey line, who met with an accident at Bridgeport several weeks ago that confined him to his home, was about town last Monday for the first time. He is considerably improved and able to get about with the use of a cane.

John Hevner, one of the popular Crystal managers, who has been taking a two week's vacation, visiting with relatives and friends, at Franklin, Neb., returned Wednesday morning and will again be seen in the ticket office wearing that smile that won't come off.

The ice man is having his inning now. For awhile it looked rather discouraging but when old Boreas from the north broke loose the first of the week he soon settled all disquieting fears in this respect. Marsland ice is already being shipped in by the car loads.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. L. Moffitt of Denver are in the city visiting old-time friends. Mr. Moffitt was an engineer for the Burlington and made this his home several years ago. While they are in love with their home in Colorado they nevertheless enjoy coming to Alliance for a visit with friends.

W. C. Heelan was an Alliance visitor last Saturday and Sunday, returning to Omaha Sunday afternoon. Will had been on a visit to his parents near Mullin and while so close to Alliance concluded to visit the old camping grounds. He is getting along nicely with his law studies at Creighton college.

The good old customs prevailing in the land of "Bobby Burns" were observed by Mrs. H. E. MacCray of this city and Mrs. E. L. Everetts of Hemingford, at the home of the latter. Both are ardent lovers of bonnie Scotland and proud of the New Year characteristics the good people of that country enjoy.

The cafe opened by Huss & Nabb, in the little brick block opposite The Herald office, has already sprung into popularity and during the stormy days of the first of the week the help found all they could do to feed the patrons. The reputations built up by the proprietors of this cozy eating house have followed them.

Crawford Tribune: J. Bergman of Alliance visited in Crawford the latter part of last week, the guest at the home of his brother Oscar. * * * Miss Ida Posvar of Alliance was a passenger through here Sunday on her way to spend a few days at the Agate ranch. While here she was the guest of Miss Eliza Spearman.

The Royal Neighbors enjoyed a most pleasant evening at the home of Dr. and Mrs. L. W. Bowman last Tuesday and later enjoyed a fine supper served by Mrs. Hall at the restaurant conducted by Hall & Millikin. While the weather was very stormy and disagreeable, a large number of Royal Neighbors were present.

Orville Hampton arrived from Denver Monday for a visit with his brother, Glen, and other relatives. Orville has spent the past two years in the east perfecting himself as an expert watchmaker and will soon engage in the jewelry business. He is a young man of much ability and has a bright future.

Genial Peter Watson, the world famous scout and wild animal hunter from Sioux county, was in Alliance New Year's and enjoyed the company of a

host of friends. Mr. Watson has a fine bunch of cattle and horses on his ranch, and is enjoying good health. So, all together, he says, he has every reason to feel happy.

The editor is in receipt of an invitation to attend the eighteenth annual banquet of the Jacksonian club to be given at the Paxton hotel, Omaha, Monday evening, January 11. The speakers will be Hon. W. J. Bryan, Governor Shallenberger, Congressman Robinson of Arkansas and possibly two others from the east.

Orders have been issued for a collection in all Catholic churches of the Omaha diocese for the benefit of the stricken provinces of Italy, which recently underwent a severe earthquake when thousands were killed and many made homeless. The collection for this parish will take place at Holy Rosary church next Sunday.

Chadron Journal: G. T. H. Babcock arrived home from Alliance Tuesday night after having transacted business in the metropolis of Box Butte county. Mr. Babcock says Chadron shows up well with Alliance these days. * * * L. H. Wright went over to Alliance Sunday, where on Monday he purchased some land from the government.

J. F. Neeland accompanied his wife and daughter to Alliance Sunday from the ranch in Dawes county where they spent Christmas. During their absence the water pipes in their residence here burst, flooding the house and filling the cellar with four feet of water. Evidently Mr. Neeland is not of the opinion that Alliance is such a dry town as it is reputed.

The loss by fire caused by the destruction of the Lawler home near this city has been adjusted. Though the insurance amounts to \$1,000, it does not cover the value of property destroyed. J. H. Thurnburg, representing the Farmers and Merchants Insurance company of Lincoln, who carried the policy, was over from Norfolk to make settlement with Mr. Lawler.

Among the many happy gatherings to take place New Year's eve was that given by Miss Hazel Bowman, at the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. L. W. Bowman. The choir of the Baptist church enjoyed the occasion, which was in their honor. As the old year disappeared to give place to the new, a sumptuous supper was served and all made exceedingly merry at the festal board.

The attendance at the Crystal last Friday night was most satisfactory. While it was not as large as that given for St. Agnes' academy, there was evidence of appreciation of the Crystal to help along the good work of securing a library for this city this year. Let the good work go on and we are sure to accomplish the aim of our ambition to secure a building and library that will reflect credit on our city.

Among the many volumes contributed to the proposed new library is a complete set of "Beacon Lights of Liberty," contributed by the Women's Club of this city. This is one of the best publications of the day and a sensible gift in the way of reading matter. There is so much trash printed that when such volumes as those are presented to a library it is an indication that the people of Alliance know what is best to select.

A. E. McKeen of Lincoln purchased the harness business of Geo. A. Hills last Saturday and will conduct the same henceforth. George will continue to make his headquarters with Mr. McKeen and devote his time to the purchase of hides and other business he has on hand. Mr. McKeen is a harness maker of long experience and comes well recommended. He will bring his family here in a short time, thus becoming one of our permanent business men.

Brakeman Michael Landrigan of Edgemont was brought to the Alliance hospital yesterday suffering with a broken collar bone, the result of being caught between two freight cars at Edgemont last Monday while assisting in switching. Mike never had a tighter squeeze in his life and the wonder is that life wasn't crushed out of him. However he is up and around and will soon be able to leave the hospital. He is a brother of Dennis Landrigan of this city who brought the injured man here for good care.

A new organization known as the Philathea class was organized by members of the Baptist Sunday school last Monday at the home of Mrs. C. H. Churchill. This movement is one that has found popularity throughout the United States. It has for its purpose the betterment of woman and co-operation of young ladies. As the title implies, it is "Young Women for Young Women." A committee was appointed to further the work of the cause

and to interest as many as desire to become members of the class. It finds active workers irrespective of denomination and is popular with church-workers everywhere. Another meeting will be held with Mrs. Churchill tomorrow afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Newberry, in honor of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cressman of Kearney, entertained a large number of friends at their home old year's night. An elaborate dinner was served at six o'clock, after which the guests enjoyed dancing, card playing and other amusements. At the conclusion of the old year, and the ushering in of 1909 with the ringing of bells and blowing of whistles about the city, those gathered at the Newberry home wished each other a happy new year before departing.

Another Alliance young man will shake the dust of our city from his shoes and go west. John Wiker disposed of his tailoring business last week to Ray Wilson, who has located the same in the building occupied by Mr. Nobe as a bakery. Mr. Wiker will go to Douglas to conduct a mercantile business in company with a partner. As we learn, John has a good proposition and we hope to hear of his reaping a full measure of success. Mrs. Wiker will remain here for several weeks before joining her husband at Douglas.

E. P. Sweeney has leased his ranch ten miles east of the city to Keats & Co. for a period of two years. The purpose of the lessees is to carry on farming on an extensive scale. It would seem that coming from California as is the case with Mr. Keats, that more congenial and profitable investment could be made in the golden state, but it is the same old story, when active and profitable investment is desired there is no better country under the sun than the middle west for such pursuit. It is always best to stand up for Nebraska, for we deliver the crops.

Ole Davig, who went south with N. P. Lundeen, returned last Saturday. He made an extensive investigation of the coast country of Texas and purchased 105 acres near the town of Victoria. Mr. Lundeen remained south longer to look over other parts of the country and returned to Omaha this week. In a letter received by Mr. Brice he states that he may return south with a party of landseekers before returning to Alliance. Mr. Davig brought with him several fine specimens of fruit, etc., among which was an enormous lemon he picked while on his trip through the south.

THE RULE OF THREE.

A Superstition of the Men Who Build the Skyscrapers.

These airy crews are a generous crowd, says Ernest Poole, writing in Everybody's Magazine of men who work on skyscrapers. They earn high pay. When working full time they make \$27 a week, and, like their rough brothers out on the plains, they are quick to give of their earnings. On Saturday afternoons when they line up at the pay window the Sisters of Charity are always there, and quarters and dimes jingle merrily into their little tin boxes.

Behind this generous giving is a superstitious belief that amid risks like these it is well to propitiate fate all you can, for fate is a relentless old machine, and when once its wheels begin grinding no power on earth can stop them. The "rule of three" is centuries old. You may hear of it out on the ocean, in the steel mills, in the railroad camps and down in the mines. And you find it up here on the jobs in the skies.

"Believe it?" said an old foreman. "You bet they believe it."

"Do you?" I asked.

"Well," he said, "all I can say is this: It may be a spell or it may be because the way of the whole crew is expecting it. But, anyhow, when two accidents come close together you can be sure that the third ain't very far off."

BUYING CHAIRS BY SIGHT.

Few Felks Ever Think to Try Them by Sitting in Them.

"I went with some folks the other day," the man said, "to buy a couple of chairs. We went to a furniture store and looked over what they had to offer.

"There were just ordinary chairs for a bedroom, so that it wasn't a very momentous purchase. The folks I was with looked at the cloth on the chairs and asked questions about the wood and how the chairs would wear. Then they bought the chairs and ordered them sent home.

"What struck me as peculiar about the transaction was that never once did either of the two persons with whom I was think of sitting down in the chairs to see whether or not they were comfortable. I dropped into a furniture store not long afterward and asked a salesman about it, and I wasn't surprised to learn that very few persons buying chairs ever seem to think about testing them by sitting in them.

"Except in the case of rockers, that is. Few persons can resist the temptation to take a few preliminary rocks in a prospective purchase."—New York Sun.

Learned by Experience.

"I always make it a point," said the man with a wart on his nose, a couple of cross eyes and a hair lip, but otherwise possessing a perfectly good face, "to say polite and complimentary things to the ladies. It does me no harm, and I notice it always gives them a lot of pleasure. My motto is to scatter sunshine provided it costs no money as I journey along."

"I used to do that, too," said the man whose set of neglected whiskers were calling plaintively for the lawn mower, "but I have been broken of the habit. No more sunshine radiating from these quarters."

"And what cured you?" asked the other.

"A couple of breach of promise suits."

Yes, It Was True.

"Is it true that you threw something at Mike that caused the swelling over his eye?" the squire inquired of a little woman.

"Yis, sor, I did," said the woman, catching her breath, "but I never mint to hurt him, an' well he knows it. We'd just come home from me cousin's weddin', an' I was feelin' kinder soft to Mike, an' I up an' axed him if he loved me as much as he did the day we was married, an'—an' yer anner, he was so slow answerin' me that I up wld the mop an' flung it at him! If we poor women don't have love our hearts jist breaks inside us!"

Origin of Geography.

The Phoenicians were the first people to communicate to other nations a knowledge of distant lands. It is now known that before the time of Homer that enterprising people had passed beyond the limit of the Mediterranean into the great western ocean, and it was by their sailors that the first rough charts of the world as then known were made. But geography as a science originated among the Greeks, its real father being Herodotus of Halicarnassus, about B. C. 484.

No Encouragement.

Mrs. Short—Oh, dear, I do wish we were rich! Just think of the good we could do if we only had lots of money!

Mr. Short—True, my dear, but we can do a great deal of good in a quiet way now. Mrs. Short—Yes, of course, but no one will ever hear of it.

His Excuse.

Diggs—You believe that whisky is good for a cold, don't you? Swiggs—Yes, but how did you know? Diggs—Oh, I've noticed that you nearly always have a cold.—Chicago News.

Repetition.

Husband (entering house with bag of chestnuts)—I brought home some more chestnuts, dear. Wife (wearily, without glancing up)—I'm listening.—Judge.

The face of a wife shows what her husband is; the shirt of the husband shows what his wife is.—Serbian Proverb.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

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Dr. Allen, dentist, Opera house blk.

Geo. A. Hills pays 6 cents for hides.

Furnished rooms for rent at 404 Wyoming avenue, or phone 205.

Piano tuning and repairing, phone 498.

Wanted—Anyone having a car of more of potatoes to sell, write us best prices; smooth, screened, matured stock.—Johnson Bros., Nebraska City, Neb.

FOR RENT—Three unfurnished rooms, modern, inquire 908 Box Butte Ave. or phone 542. 3-2w*

Pardy's Bakery is 114 West Montana street.

For Sale—Two milk cows, coming fresh.—C. E. Rosenberger, Hemingford, Nebr. 3w*

For Sale

One spring calf, two spring colts, one spring wagon, one red milch cow. Inquire of S. C. RECK. 3-2w

Wanted—A good, reliable man to sell tea and coffee at once.—Gnad Union Tea Co., Omaha, Nebr.

Wanted to buy small house in north or west part of Alliance. Inquire at The Herald office.

Found—Lady's brown muff. Owner can have same by calling at Brennan's drug store.

\$100,000 to loan on real estate.—F. E. Reddish. 1-8w*