

## Christmas Greetings

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## LOCALS AND PERSONALS

As this is a season of giving suppose you give a book to the Public Library, as a Christmas gift.

This week The Herald is in receipt of a friendly letter from one of its Canada subscribers, J. O. Boon, Battle Creek, Sask.

Mrs. E. C. Eastgate leaves this evening for the east, expecting to visit with relatives and friends in Chicago and New York the remainder of the winter.

Philo Sturgeon, of Halsey, Nebr., has spent the past three or four weeks very enjoyably, visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Sturgeon. It is expected that Christmas week will terminate his visit at this place, when he will again begin ranch life at Halsey.

J. F. Jeffords of Bridgeport has been employed by the Barnes Jewelry Co. to assist during the rush season. Mr. Jeffords is an optician and engraver and is an expert in his line. This company is to be congratulated on securing the services of such an efficient workman.

Rev. and Mrs. George A. Witte are now snugly ensconced in the Baptist parsonage, on Laramie avenue, first door south of the Baptist church, Mrs. Witte having arrived last Friday, from Liberty, Mo.

F. L. Hartman of Norfolk, district deputy for the M. W. A., was in the city last week until Saturday. He will return in time to be present at the Woodman rally the 22nd of the month.

Frank Papas, boiler-maker helper, left for Alliance last Saturday in response to a telegram stating that his brother, Louis Papas, had been injured in the shops at that place.—Edgemont Express.

Mrs. E. A. Hall and Miss Josie Hampton returned Sunday from a sojourn of several weeks at Davenport, Ia., where they had gone for the benefit of Miss Josie's health. Her friends will be pleased to learn that she has returned much profited by the trip.

Charlie Bard of Dickens, Nebraska was in Alliance one day last week for the purpose of filing on a claim near Ellsworth. He was accompanied by his father-in-law, D. W. Stocker, who will probably file on a claim in the southern part of Sheridan county a little later.

Mrs. E. J. Howe and little daughter left Tuesday to spend Christmas at her mother's, in Richardson county. Mr. Howe has been in Canada the past two or three weeks, and we understand, contemplates removing to that north land, but their many friends in Alliance will hope

that he and his family will decide to continue making this city their home.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Williford, of Gordon, Nebr., arrived in Alliance yesterday with a view of locating here. Mr. Williford was formerly landlord of the Smead hotel, Lead, S. D.

Miss Edna Benedict, who has had charge of the Registry and Money Order department at the post office during Miss Inez Beck's absence, will continue in that department during the holiday rush, as an assistant.

There are many unique devices used as advertising souvenirs at this time of year. One of the most useful and handiest for a man that we have seen is the vest pocket pencil holder given out by A. P. Lee, Alliance manager of the Forest Lumber Company.

Mrs. Thos. Struper and Mrs. R. T. Watson, mother and daughter, had a very pleasant visit last week with Mrs. J. L. B. Jones and children at Hemingford. Dr. Jones is away from home a large part of the time, engaged in his work as conference evangelist of the Northwest Nebraska conference of the M. E. church. Although he and his family were very cordially received by the good people of Hemingford they are always glad to receive visits from their Alliance friends, their residence of more than a year in this city makes this place seem a good deal like home to them.

County Supt. Miss Della M. Reed left Monday night for Weiser, Idaho, to spend the holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Reed. She received notice of the state apportionment of school moneys, on Monday morning, and as it devolved upon her to divide the amount allotted to Box Butte county among the school districts of the county this work, together with the making of preparations for her departure, gave her an unusually busy day Monday but it was a very pleasant one in anticipation of her home visit. She will return about January 4th.

We are pleased to place the name of A. S. Mote, the carpenter, on our subscription list this week, marking the same paid to January 1, 1914, and delivering one of the premium wall charts to him. He has been working on a large barn for W. I. Lorraine, eleven miles northeast of Alliance which will be finished within a few days if the weather permits. Mr. Lorraine is one of Box Butte county's most successful farmers and this new building like the other improvements on his place is a credit to him and the neighborhood in which he resides. The barn is 36 by 60 feet, with a commodious mow, and will be equipped with hay carrier, litter carrier and other conveniences.

L. R. Showalter, traveling salesman for Armour & Co., will spend the holidays with friends at Red Oak, Iowa.

Chase Feagins has arrived in the city since the last issue of The Herald, and has accepted a position as salesman at Norton's, commencing there on Monday of this week, taking the place of Monte Hargraves, who will soon assume the duties of county clerk. Chase has the ability to perform the duties of a clothing and dry goods salesman acceptably, and having a large acquaintance in Alliance and surrounding country, we consider the Norton store fortunate in securing his services.

Mrs. Ray Hoag and Mrs. Charlotte, recently from Oklahoma, are assisting at the McCleary dry goods store as special salesladies through the holiday season.

I need the assistance of every citizen of this state to save life and property. Will you assist me? You can do so by placing these pledges in a conspicuous place and observing them.

Little Harold Pullman came up from Ellsworth where he has been with his father on the ranch, to spend the holidays with his mother, sisters and brothers in Alliance.

Mrs. E. Reeves who was very low with pneumonia the first of the week is improving. Her daughter, Mrs. Vogle, and son Verne who lives at Hot Springs, S. D., came to her bedside and rejoice now to know there is hope of her recovery.

## Special Christmas Offer



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## CHRISTMAS OBSERVANCE

Churches of Alliance and Others Observe the Day With Public Entertainments

### THE GREAT CHRISTIAN HOLIDAY

Of all the Holidays the year 'round, Christmas is the great Christian holiday, and of all the Holidays the one that is exclusively a Holiday of Christians, although it is observed and celebrated generally by all the people of a Christian country, whether believers in the Christian faith or not. The celebration of the day in Alliance this year will, we expect, compare favorably with the celebrations of any previous year.

**U. P. Church**  
At the United Presbyterian church the Sunday School scholars will render a program on tomorrow, Friday, evening. After the program, a treat will be given the scholars from a beautifully decorated Christmas tree, and a supper served them.

**M. E. Church**  
At the Methodist church the day will be celebrated on Sunday, the 24th. The primary department will have a Christmas tree in the basement of the church and an appropriate program will be rendered during the Sunday school hour, commencing at 10 o'clock in the morning. The balance of the Sunday school will have the usual lesson studies in the auditorium of the church. Songs appropriate for the occasion will be selected and perhaps there will be a short Christmas address. Each member of the school is requested to bring a present to assist Santa Claus in his effort to remember every child in Alliance. At the close of Sunday school a treat will be given the members of the school. Following Sunday school the pastor will preach an appropriate Christmas sermon. Sunday evening the choir will give a sacred concert.

**Baptist Church**  
The Baptist Sunday school, under the superintendency of Prof. E. L. Meyer, will give an entertainment on Friday evening, commencing at 7:30 o'clock. The program will consist of literary and musical selections. There will be a beautiful evergreen tree and other appropriate decorations. Following the program the Sunday school scholars will be given a treat.

**St. Matthews Episcopal Church**  
On Sunday there will be Christmas services at 11 o'clock, with special music and a full vested choir. There will be a Christmas sermon. At 7:30 in the evening the children will sing their Christmas service around the Christmas tree. The vested choir and congregation will also take part in this service.

**First Presbyterian Church**  
The Sunday school will observe the "White Christmas" at the evening service. The idea is based on the old legend of Caphay, in which the king, on his birthday, received white gifts from his people. This idea will be carried out in the services Sunday evening. White gifts from each class, pupil, officer and teacher will be offered to our King, Christ Jesus. This will be an interesting and impressive service. All are invited to come.

**German Ev. Lutheran Church**  
At the German Lutheran Hall, 519 Sweetwater Ave., there will be a German Christmas eve service, beginning at 6:30, in which the Christmas story will be told, preluded and interluded with Christmas carols. There will be a tree for the children and a Christmas offering will be taken for poor orphans. On Christmas morning there will be services at 10:30 with Christmas sermon.

J. M. Mairity, a fireman for the C. B. & Q., is moving into the Shepards house, 606 West 2nd street.

J. B. Gray leaves today on 44 for Carroll, Iowa, to spend Christmas and New Year with his mother.

Frank Shipley, an old time resident of Alliance but who now resides near Kansas City, was in the city this week attending the funeral of his father. Mr. Shipley's home has been blessed with two children since leaving here, and he is doing nicely in business.

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**EARLY CHRISTMAS SHOPPING**  
It is too late now to give our readers the oft repeated advice "to do their shopping early in the season," but not too late to advise them to shop early in the day. There will be only two full shopping days between the publication of this issue of The Herald and Christmas, and those two days will be especially busy for merchants, particularly Friday and Saturday afternoons and evenings. We advise our readers for as many as can possibly do so to do their shopping in the forenoons of those two days and get to the stores as early as possible in the morning.