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## BIG DAY FOR BAPTISTS

Annual Roll Call of the First Baptist  
Church Last Sunday a  
Notable Event

## LOOKING AT PAST AND FUTURE

The twentieth annual roll call and  
anniversary of the First Baptist  
church took place Sunday, the 12th  
of May. The attendance was larger  
than ever before, which demonstrat-  
ed the efficient work of the recent  
revival, also in spite of the rain that  
fell through a greater part of the  
day and night. What was antici-  
pated for the Sunday meeting came to  
pass, and the day was the greatest  
in the history of the church.

The morning service was well at-  
tended, and all were touched by the  
able sermon delivered by Rev. Chas.  
B. Stephens, pastor of the First Baptist  
church at Chadron, Nebr., who  
assisted the pastor here in the exer-  
cises of the day. A token of appre-  
ciation, in the form of a Cross  
Reference Bible, was presented to  
the pastor of the church by the mem-  
bers among whom he has labored. This  
gift will long be remembered and  
will bind the members and pastor  
closer in the bond of Christian  
fellowship and service.

At two o'clock the members as-  
sembled for the roll call. The meet-  
ing was opened by the singing of a  
hymn, after which a prayer was of-  
fered by Rev. Witte. Following this  
the roll was called, the members  
responding to their names with a  
verse of scripture or personal testi-  
mony or some interesting incident  
relative to the church. In response  
to her name, Sister Boon, better  
known amongst us as "Grandma  
Boon", read a brief history of the  
early life of the church. She did  
this in view of the fact that she was  
the only charter member still with  
us. Following is her account, a  
copy of which has been placed away  
in the record of the church:

**Our Twentieth Anniversary**  
The changes in twenty years in  
any part of the civilized world are  
always great, but nowhere are they  
quite so noticeable as in northwest  
Nebraska. Twenty years ago this  
was a boundless, unbroken prairie;  
no roads, no fences nor trees, nothing  
to break the sameness of the  
broad sea of grass, except here and  
there a sod shanty or dugout, the  
homes of those early settlers. Now  
we have the fertile fields, beautiful  
houses and pleasant highways; then  
the heavy wagons and buck-boards  
our only means of conveyance, now  
the fine carriages and automobiles.

A little over twenty years ago Rev.  
W. F. Newton and wife of Massa-  
chusetts were sent here by the Baptist  
board to look after our inter-  
ests. They were of that staunch  
New England blood and of indomit-  
able will of which heroes are made.  
They allowed nothing to stand in  
the way of duty and made many long  
drives, often being caught in storms  
and blizzards, yet whenever and  
wherever they could get a little com-  
pany together they spoke of the Mas-  
ter's work. Both were fine singers and  
as one person said, "They sang  
their way to our hearts." This man  
and his brave young wife, coming  
from fine eastern homes to face the  
hardships and privations of pioneer  
life, by their untiring efforts and  
great love for their Master's work,  
finally gathered a little band of Bap-  
tists together at Alliance, seventeen  
in number, and with the help of Rev.  
Steavens of Grand Island, organized  
the First Baptist church of Alliance.

The organization took place in  
the building, which was used for all  
public gatherings at that time, located  
on the corner of Third street and  
Laramie Ave., now used as a dwell-  
ing. That was an enthusiastic little  
band that started in the Master's  
work on that day in April. Snow  
was on the ground and a Chinook  
wind was blowing, which every north-  
westerner knows melts the snow but  
freezes humanity. Brother Bert Car-  
penter, then quite a young man, brot  
his mother and sisters, Bezzie and  
Jessie, ten miles in a lumber wagon  
to that organization.

Of that little band I am unable to  
locate but few. Mrs. D. C. McIn-  
tyre is in Washington. Mrs. A. S.  
Reed is in Arizona. Sister Jessie is  
in South Dakota. Rev. and Mrs.  
Newton are back in their old home  
in Massachusetts. Quite a number  
of those who joined hands with us  
on that memorable day and sang,  
"Blest Be the Tie that Binds" have  
gone to their reward and others are  
just waiting to step over the bound-  
ary line.

Needless to trace the "ups and  
downs" of that little band through  
those dreadful years of drouth that  
followed, when we not only worked  
hard to keep the wolf from our own  
doors but formed ourselves into  
bands to help the needy ones around

us. Through it all we have, by the  
mercy and grace of God, existed and  
with a great deal of pride, we can  
say today, "God reigns and the Bap-  
tist church of Alliance still lives."  
GRANDMA BOON.

Testimony of various kinds flowed  
like a living stream from over sev-  
enty-five quickened and regenerated  
members and the Spirit of God was  
indeed manifest.

Following this, Brother H. F. Wal-  
ters brought before the body in an  
able manner, the financial question  
and condition of the church, hand-  
ling it in a business-like way. Then  
followed the able address of Brother  
G. J. Rousseau on "Tithing," bring-  
ing before the minds of the mem-  
bers their duty to God in giving to  
the work of Christianity. He show-  
ed, 1st, The necessity and suffi-  
ciency of the tithe to carry on the  
work of the church. 2nd, Who owe  
the tithe and how and when to pay  
it. 3rd, How not to raise money for  
the church. And 4th, The promise  
of God to bless, both temporally and  
spiritually, the church and her mem-  
bers, who obey His commands in  
this matter. As a result there was  
a unanimous demonstration on the  
part of the audience to adopt the  
tithing plan as the future manner of  
raising funds for the work of God  
in this church. Owing to the de-  
plorable financial condition of the  
church, a subscription was taken  
from those present, and with the  
generosity with which the gifts were  
made there can be no doubt that  
henceforth our church, instead of  
being in the quagmire of debt, em-  
ploying questionable means of raising  
money, thus bringing blemished of-  
ferings to the Lord of Hosts, will  
discard all the old ways, live accord-  
ing to the commands of God by pay-  
ing the tithe demanded and thus es-  
cape the curse which has certainly  
lain as a blight upon the church ev-  
en as in Malachi 3:9, "Ye are curs-  
ed with a curse; for ye rob me, ev-  
en this whole nation." The respond  
to the subscription amounted to \$140.  
00. The total indebtedness is about  
\$1,000.00. The spirit of enthusiasm  
thruout the meeting revealed the  
manifestation of the Spirit of God,  
and with that spirit the members  
pledged themselves definitely to  
wipe out our indebtedness during the  
next six months.

As the evening drew near, a heavy  
rain set in and so the audience was  
small but the program was carried  
out as planned. Rev. Stephens fol-  
lowed out his topic of the morning  
on the "Growth and Development of  
the Christian" in a most effective  
manner, which was highly instruct-  
ive to the young converts and the  
Christians older in the service. Thus  
ended our anniversary which God  
has so wonderfully blessed.

MRS. H. R. HEANS, Sec'y.

## SAME OLD STORY

Gordon Editor Still of Same Opinion  
on Temperance Question

Rushville, the county seat of Sher-  
idan county, changed from a "dry"  
town to license at the last municipal  
election, on the theory that there  
was "just as much liquor sold with-  
out saloons as with them." But  
there is one editor, at least, in that  
county who still holds to the op-  
posite belief. Under the heading, "The  
Leaven is Working," the Gordon  
Journal of last Friday had the fol-  
lowing article:

"The harvest is already on. We  
know of nothing under the sun (un-  
less it is a want ad in The Journal)  
on which returns for the money in-  
vested are so prompt, as in the case  
of the licensed saloon not only in  
the town where the saloon is locat-  
ed, but in neighboring towns.

"On last Tuesday Rushville per-  
mitted two saloons to open for busi-  
ness. On Saturday night, a usually  
quiet and inoffensive citizen of Gor-  
don returned from the wet town of  
Sheridan county and the liquor in  
him got to raising the devil in him  
and he had to be taken care of by  
the marshal. He reposed in the  
ville jail until Monday morning,  
when to the justice's court he was  
fined \$10 and costs. On last Satur-  
day, another citizen who had been  
"sober, straight and clean" for  
eight or ten months, couldn't or did  
not resist the temptation to visit  
the wet town. Monday night he  
came home full of course, and was  
immediately taken in charge, brought  
before the court of justice, given 30  
days in the county jail and taken  
back to the wet town by auto, in  
less than two hours after his arrival.  
If such is the effect in a town 16  
miles from the base of support, what  
must it have been on the spot."

Mrs. J. L. Nicolai visited friends  
at Sterling the latter part of last  
week, accompanying her sister, Mrs.  
Farrell, that far on her return home.

E. C. Whisman, painting contractor,  
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## W. C. T. U. DEPARTMENT

Mrs. J. J. Vance, Press Supt.

## CATHOLIC Clergy and the SALOON

Pope Leo XIII.

"Let pastors do their best to drive  
the plague of intemperance from the  
fold of Christ by assiduous preach-  
ing and exhortation, and to shine be-  
fore all as models of abstinence,  
that so many calamities with which  
this vice threatens both church and  
state may, by their strenuous en-  
deavor be averted."—Letter dated  
Rome, March 27, 1887, to Archbishop  
Ireland.

Pope Pius X.

Pope Pius X has granted abundant  
favors to members of the Catholic  
Total Abstinence Union of America.  
The following forms part of Brief of  
July 10, 1906: "It is our hope that  
by conferring such abundant favors,  
not only Bishops, priests and men  
of religious orders, but also the rest  
of the faithful, may resolve to bear  
witness to their regard for the Uni-  
on and become members of it; and  
that the evidence of our approval  
may move them to do this we most  
cordially in the Lord, as a presage  
of heavenly rewards and as a pledge  
of our good will, bestow on you and  
all who have joined or will join the  
Union our apostolic blessing.

"Given at Rome, at St. Peter's, on  
the tenth day of July, in the year  
nineteen hundred and six, the third  
year of our Pontificate."

Archbishop Ireland

"The Catholic church is absolutely  
and irrevocably opposed to drunken-  
ness and to drunkard-making. In  
vain we profess to work for souls if  
we do not labor to drive out an evil  
which is daily begetting by the ten  
thousand and peopling hell. In vain  
we boast of civilization and liberty  
if we do not labor to exterminate in-  
temperance. Education, the eleva-  
tion of the masses, liberty—all that  
the age admires—is set at naught by  
this dreadful evil. The individual  
conscience is the first arm in oppos-  
ing it, but the individual conscience  
has to be strengthened and suppl-  
mented by law. The claim of saloon  
keepers to freedom in their traffic  
is the claim to spread disease, sin,  
pauperism."

Archbishop Keane

"Unfortunately for the liquor sal-  
oon and for the saloon people, it  
is not in our power as Americans,  
to consider their business as one pro-  
motive of public morality and relig-  
ion, but the very contrary; not as a  
business tending to the greatest  
good of the greatest number, but  
the very contrary; not as a business  
that should be fostered and favored  
by legislation, but the very contrary;  
not as one that should be granted  
special privileges on Sunday, but  
the very contrary; not as a public  
work of necessity or charity, but as  
a public curse and scourge and men-  
ace."

Archbishop J. J. Glennon

Sometimes the total abstinence  
people are credited as bordering on  
fanaticism, but that is not true. You  
cannot be too enthusiastic in legis-  
lating for yourselves and your homes  
an evil that is knocking at the door  
of society—a great evil—and to re-  
pel its attacks requires enthusiasm  
and energy."

Cardinal Manning

"The drink traffic is a public, per-  
manent and ubiquitous agency of  
degradation to the people of these  
realms. The drink trade of this  
country (England) has a sleeping  
partner which gives it effectual  
protection; every successive govern-  
ment raises at least a third of its  
budget by the trade in drink. The  
drink trade is our shame, scandal  
and sin, and unless brought under by  
the will of the people it will be our  
downfall. Alas, in America also  
does the 'sleeping partner', for a  
money consideration, give its pro-  
tection to the drink trade. Do you  
know how you will help to break up  
the unholy alliance between the  
government and the greatest fraud  
of the age? Vote against it."  
(To be continued.)

## THREE YEAR HOMESTEAD LAW

Committees from House and Senate  
Fail to Agree

A great many people are watching  
with intense interest the progress of  
the proposed three year homestead  
law. For a while there seemed to  
be no doubt that it would be passed  
by congress and become a law, but  
differences in the bill as passed by  
the house of representatives and the  
senate may mean the death of the  
bill. Conference committees have  
been quibbling over these differences  
and so far have failed to come to  
an agreement. Following is from  
one of our exchanges, the Morrill  
Mail, of May 10:

"Dispatches of the past week in-  
dicate that the prospect is not bright  
for the enactment of the measure in-

tended to make it possible for home-  
steaders to prove up three years af-  
ter establishing residence. Bills for  
this purpose passed both the senate  
and the house, but their provisions  
were not in all essential particulars  
the same, so they had to go to a  
conference committee, and here the  
matter has remained. The members  
of this committee, some from the  
senate and some from the house,  
are yet unable to get together on  
terms of agreement as to just what  
shall be included in the law. Unless  
an agreement can be reached before  
the adjournment of congress which  
shall take place in a few weeks, no  
law can be enacted at this session.  
The matter is still open but reports  
state that the prospect of agreement  
are not good. However, so long as  
there is life there is hope, and it is  
possible that an agreement can be  
reached."

## W. C. T. U. MEETING

The Alliance W. C. T. U. met  
with Mrs. Zehring Thursday after-  
noon, May 9. An interesting busi-  
ness session was held. An L. T.  
L. organization for the children was  
reported as having been started in  
Alliance by Mrs. M. P. Nason. It  
was voted to also enroll "White Rib-  
bon Recruits," and Mrs. Phelps was  
elected superintendent of this de-  
partment of work. Four new mem-  
bers were initiated, five others hav-  
ing been initiated at the preceding  
meeting at Mrs. Beck's. Quite a  
list of others are expecting to join  
in the near future.

We are glad for this growing in-  
terest in the society of "Mother  
Love" and "Home Protection." Af-  
ter business was disposed of, Mrs.  
E. G. Laing conducted an interesting  
program relating to Mother's Day.

The next meeting will be a Mothers'  
Meeting in charge of Mrs. Lunn,  
at the home of Mrs. Phelps. All  
are invited who are interested in the  
subject. MRS. J. J. VANCE,  
Press Supt.

## DECLINE IN DEATH RATE

Efforts to Stamp Out Tuberculosis  
Cause Death Rate to Fall  
in the United States

SAVES 27,000 LIVES EVERY YEAR

In the decade from 1901 to 1910,  
the death rate from tuberculosis in  
the United States declined from 196.  
9 for each 100,000 persons living to  
160.3, a decrease of 18.7 per cent,  
while the general death rate, includ-  
ing all causes of death, declined only  
one-half as fast, or at the rate of  
9.7 per cent, from 1655.0 to 1495.8.

These figures were given out in  
a statement issued today by The Na-  
tional Association for the Study and  
Prevention of Tuberculosis. They  
are based on data abstracted from  
the reports of the United States Bu-  
reau of the Census, and covers the  
registration area in this country. Ac-  
cording to the statement, the tuber-  
culosis death rate has declined steady-  
ly since 1904, when it was 201.6. On  
the other hand, the general death  
rate shows a fluctuation downward  
in general trend, but not as steady  
as the tuberculosis rate. The decline  
in the tuberculosis death rate in the  
last ten years means a saving of  
27,000 lives at the present time in  
the United States.

In certain cities, such as New  
York, Boston, Cleveland and Chi-  
cago, and in states like Massachu-  
setts, Rhode Island and Connecticut,  
the decline in the tuberculosis death  
rate is much more marked than in  
the country at large.

The National Association says  
that there are many factors working  
together to cause the decline in the  
tuberculosis death rate, such factors  
as the change in the character of  
our urban population, increased sani-  
tation, and better housing, but prob-  
ably as potent a factor as any has  
been the nation wide anti-tubercu-  
lous campaign. "It may be foretold  
with considerable certainty," the  
statement concludes, "that when the  
effects of the present rapidly increas-  
ing provision for the care of tuber-  
culosis patients shall have become  
evident, the decline in the death  
rate from consumption in the com-  
ing decade will be even more marked  
than that in the last one."

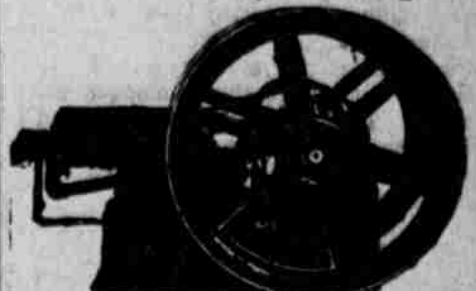
The Herald is glad to have a part  
—alho a small part it may be—in  
the humane work of ridding the hu-  
man race of the dread disease. When  
we joined this crusade it was not  
with the expectation of reaping any  
financial benefit by doing so, but  
we are much pleased that the read-  
ers of the paper appreciate our ef-  
forts, and evidently they are more  
interested in the subject than they  
were a few years ago.

Mrs. Orlando Farrell of Custer,  
Ohio, terminated a month's visit  
with her sister, Mrs. J. L. Nicolai,  
last Friday and departed for her  
home. Before coming to Alliance  
she visited her daughter in the Black  
Hills in South Dakota. This was  
Mrs. Farrell's first visit to this part

of the west. She was pleased with  
Alliance, but the country here is so  
much different from her native  
state that it did not seem to her as  
home-like as the town.

Last Friday was the first anniver-  
sary of S. A. Miller's purchase of the  
Alliance Shoe Store. S. I. and  
Jud celebrated the event by getting  
out a fine lot of folders to advertise  
the business. This house has had  
a good trade during the past year,  
but indications point to greatly in-  
creased sales the coming twelve  
months.

## Buy a Gasoline Engine You Can Depend Upon



TWO engines may look  
equally good, may even  
work equally well for a  
time. In the end one proves  
satisfactory, the other becomes  
a nuisance. Why?  
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one that is carefully built,  
and thoroughly tested.  
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and costs money. It means  
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dependable because it is thor-  
oughly tested. If you want en-  
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come go to the local dealer and  
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the cheapest in the long run.

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much better than the cheap  
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