

The Democratic electors of the county of Box Butte are hereby called to meet in mass convention at the county court house in the city of Alliance, Nebraska, on Saturday, July 27th, 1912, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing seven delegates to the Democratic state convention, to be held July 30th, 1912, the election of the county central committee and the transaction of any other business which may properly come before the convention.

This being an important gathering, it is urged that a large representation be present from every precinct in the county.

W. S. RIDGELL, Chairman.  
JOE L. WESTOVER, Sec'y.

Where are we at? In other words, where are we located in Nebraska? People of the east end of the state commonly have mistaken ideas as to what part of Nebraska points west of them are located in. In the discussion of the capital removal question at the last session of the legislature, Grand Island was spoken of as being in the northwestern part of the state, whereupon one member informed the august assemblage that Grand Island was in the southeastern part of the state, which statement is true. On a bee line Grand Island is nearly a hundred miles southeast of the geographical center. Last Friday's World-Herald had a dispatch from Ansley, in Custer county, telling of a good rain there. The Omaha daily placed the following head over the item: "West Central Nebraska Gets a Good Soaking." As a matter of fact, on a straight line drawn east and west thru Ansley that town is sixty miles nearer the east end of the state than the west.

This week closes the Alliance State Junior Normal for this year. The Herald congratulates Superintendent W. R. Pate and his corps of able assistants, as well as the students, upon the success of the session of 1912.

**ADDITIONAL LOCALS**

Mrs. W. R. Harper will return on 41 in the morning. She has been in Chicago for the past several days purchasing the fall millinery stock for Harper's Toggery.

Tom Spencer has purchased a new automobile to take the place of the one which he lost by fire a few days ago.

Season tickets for the Alliance Chautauqua on sale at Holsten's.

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Chautauqua tickets for sale at Holsten's drug store.

H. P. Larsen and family of Antloch left Tuesday for Oregon, where they will visit at the home of Mrs. Cora Mastrude, a former resident of this part of the country. They will spend the next ten or more weeks visiting and sight seeing in Montana, Oregon, Minnesota and other states. Mr. Larsen recently sold his ranch near Antloch and purchased property in Texas, where he will take his family at the end of their trip.

F. A. Brown, proprietor of the Crystal theater returned to Alliance from Hot Springs, last week. He has been there for several weeks taking treatment for rheumatism.

A. Gregory will leave next Tuesday for Montu Gorda, Florida, where he will remain for about three weeks. During his absence, Mrs. Gregory and children will visit with friends and relatives in Iowa.

Jas. Keeler went to Denver Monday to bring over another Overland car.

Mrs. Cal Simpson left Tuesday for Omaha, going to that city for an operation on her eyes.

Roy Rowen who lives near Angora left this week for Auburn, where he will spend two or three months visiting his parents and other relatives.

**JUNIOR NORMAL NOTES**

**Chapel Period Notes**

On Thursday last Miss Nell Tash gave a very dramatic and vivid presentation of the remorseful visions of an innkeeper, who, having murdered a man for his money at a time when himself and his family were in dire need, has since prospered in a worldly way, and is now to pay the price of his crime in mental torture, amounting almost to insanity, which he undergoes in secret. The piece is in the form of a soliloquy supposed to be suggested by the occasion of the anniversary of the murder.

Friday, Rev. Jas. B. Brown was present and gave a short farewell address, being about to leave Alliance for his vacation. When he returns the Junior Normal of 1912 will be a thing of the past, though its influence will, it is certain, be a very present and wide-spread reality. Mr. Brown quoted the late William E. Gladstone's standard which he set before him to conform his life to. This consisted of a series of resolutions such as any man or woman worthy of the name would rejoice to feel he or she could keep. Among these were, "To make the life of God the atmosphere of my soul", and, never to allow the element of revenge to enter my life" (these may not be verbatim). Jonathan Edwards also had a set of rules which he was to read once a week in order to make a deep impression on his mind. We need only to chance upon some of these things we ourselves read, or it may be wrote, but a few years ago, to realize how much sooner and more completely we forget than would seem possible. Some of his resolves were: "To live with all my might," "To speak evil of no one, unless absolutely necessary" "It usually isn't necessary, if we would stop and analyze our motives honestly), "To act as I would if this were my last hour on earth," "To ever be seeking objects of benevolence," "To be and suffer only such things as shall redound to the glory of God," "To study the Scriptures that I may grow spiritually."

Another visitor, a Mr. Williams, followed, with a few remarks. His advice to teachers may be characterized in one sentence, "Don't talk too much."

This might be expanded again into "Don't say the kind of things that maturer reflection and a little more enlightenment must make you sorry for." He also very wisely recommended "A hearty laugh two or three a day."

Tuesday, Miss Jean Sullivan talked to us, taking as her text the very important subject, the right teaching of "English." The aim in this study should be to teach the pupil to "think rightly, and to talk and write clearly, correctly and forcibly." The teaching of English ought to be carried through every branch of study and more emphasis placed on it in this connection than is the rule at present. Monosyllabic answers should be replaced by sentences. Art for art's sake is being compelled to allow space to "applied" art. So must grammar for grammar's sake give way to applied grammar, and that for everyday use as well as "meeting nights and Sundays." Oral composition is oftener needed and should be more emphasized than the written form. The power of self-expression is the objective of all studies; and the first step to the acquirement of a good thing is to realize its desirability. Remember that the ideals you would ingraft must often fight for their life against home influences.

The above meagre extracts from Miss Sullivan's remarks may serve to suggest that she knows her business, though they could not begin to indicate the charming personality which might safely be trusted to gild the pill even of an unpleasant truth were she under the necessity at any time of prescribing such. The reader will observe that the author of these notes has not kissed the blarney stone.

Tuesday, State Superintendent Jas. E. Delzell was with us this morning visiting the various classrooms, and evidently conducting his official tour of inspection, although, be it said, there is nothing official about the Superintendent's genial manners which make a direct appeal to the hearts of young and old alike. In this respect there is considerable resemblance to his assistant in the state department, Mr. R. I. Elliott.

At the chapel hour Supt. Delzell spoke briefly to the students. (Everybody speaks briefly at the chapel hour on account of lack of space or time rather). In the absence of notes the following embraces the gist of Mr. Delzell's remarks as far as the writer's recollection serves:

In the first place it behooves every teacher of the feminine persuasion (the men present might be counted on the fingers of one hand) to cultivate a loving disposition! (Silent but

fervent applause from the male element).

In this laudable ambition she will extract both example and encouragement from the story of "Ruth," as told in holy writ. (By the way, it might be noted here, how diametrically opposite are the pictures of what a "mother-in-law" may be, presented by the bible and that commonly upheld by the comic supplements).

However the teacher is to practice the art of loving, on other people's children of the smaller sort; and not to be in too great a hurry to be "rescued" by the larger variety! Neither is she to lavish all the kindness of her tender heart, all the endearment which she may bestow, merely on the prettily dressed, daintily washed and combed darling from the "best" homes (perhaps homes where the mother is not ground down by too much hard work for a numerous family, with very little money at all, to a condition of hopelessness and slavery, and of a bondage to the things that must be done, which allows scant scope for a vision of the things that might be done). She is to care for the little ones in whose lives love and beauty and brightness and tender care are very far from being anything like a "drug on the market." She is to remember the great teacher, who spoke for a certain shepherd leaving the ninety and nine well fed, safely housed and sheltered of the flock that he might face hardship and difficulty in his desire to bring help and comfort and new life to the one that needed it most!

When Johnny or Mary, untidy, unattractive (to the hiring's eye) ragged perhaps, unwashed it may be, enters the schoolroom, he or she is to receive a welcome from the teacher as warm every bit as is accorded to the more favored child. Furthermore, "teacher" is reminded that it is not always the spoiled darling of fortune (comparatively speaking) the hot-house plants of human life who are found to weather best the storms and hardships of a world where the great majority are intensely occupied with looking after number one, (it may be at the expense of the other members). Some of the greatest intellects and the most dominant characters of history have had but rough beginnings.

In conclusion; if at the end of the school year the teacher has contrived to give some youngsters a vision of the larger possibilities of life ("larger" in the best sense) are a real grip on the things worth while; the time and effort spent will have been gloriously repaid!

Present enrollment 149. The largest in the state! Three cheers and then some for Alliance Junior Normal. May she live long and prosper despite of grafting politicians! (The writer never met any of that kind; but it is certain they exist, as it is rumored there is opposition to the necessary legislative grant for the continuance of the junior normals.)

And now we come to where we have to speak that saddest of all words to pass the lips of friends—the word "farewell." Who was it wrote those tender words—voicing a love and affection not merely selfish—

"Fare thee well!  
And if for ever fare thee well  
Oh, then, farewell for ever!"

Whoever wrote them—or words like them—they truly express the mind of the writer of these notes (pardon the personal reference) in bidding goodbye to his readers, and to his fellow-students and instructors of the Junior Normal of 1912.

The studies, the recitations, the games in the gym, the singing, and the other features of the chapel hour—we shall not soon forget them, shall we? Has anything seemed hard, irritating, vexatious, at any time, in any least degree? It would take an effort to remember anything like that, wouldn't it? And the effort wouldn't be worth while.

As R. L. Stevenson, beloved of children and teachers, says, "This world is so full of a number of things, I'm sure we should all be as happy as kings." (And queens?)

Wherefore, in the words of our childhood's "grace after meals," "For all that we have received may the Lord make us truly thankful"—and by subscribing to this we take our stand with those to whom all things work together for good—on all our dear friends may all possible good be bestowed.

I have done.



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**WOODROW WILSON.**

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