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"MOST CHICKEN I EVER SAW"

So said a Small Boy at Delightful T. P. A. Picnic Held North of Town Last Sunday

"Mamma, where'd all this chicken come from? It's the most chicken I ever saw," said a small boy Sunday afternoon at the T. P. A. picnic as he held a drumstick in each hand and gazed enviously at his elders who had greater capacity than he, and who were just as busy devouring the bounteous and delicious repast provided by the good ladies who are lucky enough to be wives, sisters or sweethearts of the traveling men.

If you want to get a big taste of paradise while on earth, if you want to know what it is to be perfectly contented, get a job on the road, work hard all week, get plenty of sleep Saturday night, get up on Sunday and enjoy the privilege of attending and participating in a genuine T. P. A. picnic like the one given Sunday afternoon by the members of Post M of Alliance.

Over one hundred people attended. Plenty of autos were provided to convey them to and from the Purinton grove, four miles north of town, and every last one of the hundred were loud in their expressions of pleasure and satisfaction at the close of the joyous afternoon.

First on the program came a fast but necessarily lengthy game of ball. Perhaps the game wouldn't have been so long if it hadn't been that the married men were determined to show the single men that they were superior ball players. But after eleven exciting innings, eight of which were played before the banquet and three afterwards, the married men were defeated to the tune of 21 to 17. The single men claim that they made a better record than that, but that The Herald scribe, who is married himself, was partial and that he slipped in an extra score now and then for his fellow sufferers.

The lineup in the ball game was as follows, with plenty of substitutes who filled in when necessary:

Married	Single
Hamilton c	Copeland
Hull p	O'Connor
Graham 1b	Olson
Hawes 2b	Newell
Fisher 3b	Oster
Kodgers ss	Highland
Baker lf	White
Brown rf	Beal
Strong cf	Roberts
Umpire, Wm. King.	f

The game was quite even, except in the ninth inning, when the single sorrowfuls caught the benedicts napping and ran in eight scores.



Baker Swatted the Ball in the Bean

Baker has a new name. It's "Home Run Baker," for when the married men were just about to give up hope, Baker, with blood in his eye, lammed the ball in the bean and sent it soaring towards the south, bringing in three men who were on bases, himself, and two or three others who were standing on the side lines and who wanted to help run up the score. At the finish the score looked like this:

Married . . . 00010123343 — 17
Single . . . 10200131832 — 21

After the ball game was finished the men were called together and each received a package for which they had purchased chances at five cents per number. It would be impossible to list all the prizes received, but it will suffice to say that they were appropriate to those who received them.

At sunset, after the ice cream, water melons and cigars had been consumed, all wended their way back in automobiles and Fords, thinking not of the morrow when aching muscles and sunburns were coming, but of the afternoon past. The members of Post M wish to thank Mr. Purinton for the use of his grove and the favors extended them by him, and also to thank many others who so kindly assisted in making the event a pleasant one and long to be remembered.

With apologies to Omar Khayyam we wish to say:

Ab, make the most of what we yet may spend,
Before we too into the Dust descend;
Dust into Dust, and under Dust do lie
Sans chicken, sans feast, sans base ball,
And—sans End.

SUDDEN DEATH OF W. S. MINOR

Well Known Alliance Traveling Man Died Tuesday, after Operation for Appendicitis

W. S. Minor, well known Alliance traveling man, died early Tuesday morning at the Lourdes hospital in Hot Springs, S. Dak., following an operation for appendicitis by Dr. Walker, Sunday morning, Thursday, only four days before his death, he was married to a popular young lady at Shelbyville, Mo. Seemingly in the best of health, news of his death came as a shock to his many friends and acquaintances in this section.

On Thursday, July 23, Mr. Minor was married to Miss Edith Dimmitt, the beautiful and accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Prince Dimmitt, at their home in Shelbyville, Mo. On the same day they went to his home at Tipton, Mo., and came from there direct to Hot Springs, S. Dak., where they expected to spend their honeymoon in the Black Hills, and where they had planned to make their home, announcing that they would be at home to their friends in Hot Springs after September 1.

Saturday evening Mr. Minor complained of a pain in his side. Early Sunday morning he awoke his wife and asked her to get a doctor. The doctor pronounced the trouble as a severe case of appendicitis and had him removed to the hospital. After some urging Mr. Minor consented to an operation which was immediately performed. It is stated that the operation was successful but that death was caused by paralysis of the bowels following the operation.

When Mr. Minor was informed on Tuesday morning by the doctor that he could not live, he at first laughed and thought the doctor was joking. When convinced that this was not the case he immediately called for G. J. Appelberg, another well known Alliance traveling man, who had been with Mr. Minor and his wife on Saturday and who had left on a business trip. Mr. Appelberg was not reached until after Mr. Minor's death. He was greatly shocked and deeply affected. Mr. Minor instructed his wife to give his keys to his trunks to Mr. Appelberg, the trunks being at the Drake hotel in Alliance, where he made his headquarters. In accordance with his request, Mr. Appelberg took Mr. Minor's personal effects from the trunks and forwarded them to the home at Tipton.

Mr. Minor was owner of a substantial interest in the Hamilton-Brown Shoe Company of St. Louis, and had traveled this territory for them for years. He was a member of Post M, T. P. A., of Alliance, and also of the Elks lodge of this city. The body was brought to Alliance Tuesday night on train No. 36 and transferred to No. 42, being taken on to Tipton, where the funeral is to be held. He was born on July 16, 1883, being 31 years and 11 days old at the time of his death. He is mourned by a host of friends who admired him for his sterling qualities. His widow, who is compelled to experience the happiest and most sorrowful days of her life within the short confines of one week, has the sympathy of all. She received every attention and care from the sorrowing friends.

STRASBURGER FOR COUNTY JUDGE

Well Known Sheridan County Man, Former Chicago Attorney, out for Nomination as Judge

John B. Strasburger, founder of the town of Strasburger, in Sheridan county, and a man who has done a great deal in the last six years to forward the interests of that county, is a candidate for the nomination for county judge of Sheridan county. Mr. Strasburger is well liked by everyone and stands an excellent chance of being elected this fall.

Mr. Strasburger first came to Nebraska forty years ago, afterwards removing to Chicago, where he took up school work, holding the responsible position as principal of the high school in South Chicago. He afterwards took up the study of law and graduated from the famous Ralston University of Washington, D. C., practicing law in Chicago for twenty years. He holds a strong letter of recommendation from Chas. M. Hardy, well known as one of the best Chicago attorneys.

After coming to Nebraska the last time, six years ago, Mr. Strasburger took up a homestead in Sheridan county, and has made his home there since that time. He has a wide acquaintance throughout the county. In politics he has always voted for the man, not confining himself strictly to party lines but giving his support to the man whom he thought best fitted for the office.

Truck Carried 14 People
The White passenger and general utility truck which is now in Alliance made a record Thursday evening when it carried a total of fourteen people to Hemingford and back. The truck made the trip without a hitch.

ADDITION TO FACULTY

Miss Theresa Pearl Hight, Graduate of the Nebraska Wesleyan School of Expression. Will Conduct Classes in Elocution, Dramatic Art, Aesthetic Dancing, Physical Culture, etc., at Alliance School of Music.



Miss Theresa Pearl Hight, a graduate and a post-graduate of the Nebraska Wesleyan School of Expression, under Prof. Eugene Knox, who has splendid qualifications as a teacher, will have charge of the new department of Expression in the Alliance School of Music for the coming year.

Miss Hight will conduct classes in elocution, dramatic art, aesthetic dancing, physical culture, etc., as well as teaching private pupils. The School of Music is to be congratulated on securing Miss Hight as one of the faculty.

As an impersonator Miss Hight has appeared on the platform many times. Her programs vary from child impersonations to the heaviest

BRAVE WOMAN SAVES HOME

Aged Lady Saved Home of Son-in-Law in Gasoline Explosion—Is Slightly Burned

Mrs. Large, aged mother of Mrs. John Shea, saved their home at 211 East Fourth street at 11:30 o'clock Friday morning when she ran thru the flame and smoke to a water tap, turned it on, filled a bucket and threw the water over a gasoline stove which had just exploded.

Mrs. Large, with great presence of mind, wrapped a towel around her hands and pulled the stove to the floor, where the fire was extinguished before the department arrived. Mrs. Large was only slightly burned. Mrs. Shea, who was starting the fire in the stove to prepare dinner, was burned about the hands and head.

Normal Faculty Is Entertained
Miss Della Reed entertained the Normal School faculty last Saturday evening, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Acheson. The evening was pleasantly spent with music and games. Light refreshments were served. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Reimund, Mr. and Mrs. Marrs, Mr. and Mrs. Moss, Mr. and Mrs. Acheson, Mrs. Fulton, Misses Mame White, Opal Burkholder; Messrs. Braham, Meyer and Cline.

Humus Needed to Save Water
The amount of water a soil will hold against gravity depends upon the type of soil. A clay soil composed of fine particles with very small spaces will retain more water than a coarse, sandier soil composed of larger particles and larger spaces. Also, the amount of humus, or decomposed organic matter, in the soil influences the water-holding capacity. The more humus in the soil, the more water it will hold, providing the soil particles are of similar size.—Research Bulletin No. 5, Nebraska Experiment Station.

TORNADO DOES SMALL DAMAGE

Old Court House Narrowly Escapes Annihilation when Twister Hits Building Tuesday Evening

Five people narrowly escaped death and the old Box Butte county court house just missed annihilation when a small but severe tornado dropped its tail to earth at a point two hundred feet east of the building, picked up a large machinery shed, carried it over the jail, and threw it against the second story of the court house building, causing damage estimated at \$500 and scattering lumber for several blocks, during a small cloudburst which flooded the business streets of town, at 5 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

Threatening clouds brought a heavy rain over Alliance at 5 o'clock. While the rain was pouring down in torrents, so heavy that it was almost impossible to see across a street, the tornado dropped to earth and in a few seconds did damage that put the city electric light and power service almost entirely out of commission and nearly wrecked the court house.

In the old building at the time the twister struck were Sheriff Cal Cox, Treasurer Edgar Martin, Clerk Monte Hargraves, Mrs. Hargraves, and Mrs. Lloyd Thomas. The force of the twister drove a large plank entirely through the east wall of the second story of the building, smashed down much plaster and broke dozens of windows. The large force of men who were at work in the new court house building saw the twister strike but were unable to assist those in the old building. The machinery shed in being carried up in the air, before it struck the court house building, crashed through a network of electric light and telephone wires, breaking off two poles, tore off the chimney from the jail building, and then struck the two-story frame court house building with nearly enough force to topple it over, had it not been securely fastened to its foundations.

The downtown streets were flooded with the water, over an inch of rain falling in a very few minutes. Screen doors were torn off, a window in the front of the Harper department store, a window in the front of the Cook saloon, and a window in the front of the Atlas rooming house were all driven in and destroyed by the force of the wind, rain and hail.

At the Atlas three people were injured by falling glass, they being under the window when it fell. Doctor Bowman was immediately called and dressed the wounds caused by the sharp, heavy glass. Dr. Bellwood's automobile, which was standing in front of the Holsten drug store, was driven across the street and onto the sidewalk in front of the Famous, by the force of the storm.

The storm did serious damage to electric light wires and poles. Two poles were torn down at the court house, causing the power and light wires to become tangled, a large transformer back of the telephone office was torn off the pole, causing a brilliant electrical display for a few minutes. Only one of the three light circuits was left in commission. Quick work by Superintendent Hughes and his assistants soon had the lights back in commission. By Wednesday evening all the damage had been repaired.

Had the tornado stayed on the ground and followed in the path in which it started, there would undoubtedly have been serious loss of life and property, as it struck in the center of the most thickly settled district in Alliance.

LIGHTNING WAS CAUSE OF FIRE

Quick Action of Farmers in Locality Seven Miles Southeast of Town Stops Serious Prairie Fire

During the severe storm Tuesday afternoon, lightning struck the prairie seven miles southeast of Alliance starting a prairie fire that burned a strip several hundred yards wide and nearly a mile in length. The quick action of people living in that vicinity in gathering and stopping the fire saved serious loss and prevented what might have been a serious conflagration.

The fire started about 4:30 o'clock and burned for an hour before being stopped. Grain sacks, soaked in water, were used in beating out the fire.

Old Timer Visits Alliance
W. B. Long, of Los Angeles, California, who was in Alliance and Box Butte county many years ago, visited old friends here the last of the week. Mr. Long will visit his son near Jess, and from there will go to York, Nebr., for a visit with relatives.

Important Meeting
A matter of vital interest to the Y. M. B. C. will be brought up before the club this evening at their regular meeting. All members are urgently requested to be present at 7:30 o'clock.

LARGEST CROWD WAS BANQUETED

Gadsby Hall Filled to Overflowing Friday Evening at Commercial Club Banquet

Over one hundred and fifty people were seated at the banquet tables in Gadsby Hall Friday evening, to enjoy the feast of good things prepared by the ladies of the Christian church. About half of those present were ladies, who manifested much interest in the Commercial Club building proposition.

The first speaker of the evening was E. M. Hampton, who told of the need of a Commercial Club building, that this building would cost approximately \$25,000, and that there were ten men in Alliance who had lived here many years, who had made their money here, and who should each subscribe \$1,000 toward putting up the building. He offered to start the list with a subscription of that amount.

The second speaker was Rev. Young of the Christian church. He has taken much interest in the commercial club ever since coming to Alliance. His speech was full of interesting facts and thoughts from start to finish. He said that he believed where the Bible said he believed would be separated from the goats it meant that the boosters would be separated from the knackers. He spoke on the subjects of community interest and the responsibility of every citizen of the city. He gave as his opinion that a Y. M. C. A. would not do the work desired and get the needed results in a town of 5,000 people, like Alliance. He spoke of the benefits which would be derived from a club building like the one proposed.

Mrs. A. T. Lunn, who represented the Woman's Club of Alliance, is a very entertaining talker. The applause and laughter at one time during her talk drowned the sound of her voice for some time and she was compelled to wait to continue. She told of the results already accomplished by the Woman's Club which has always stood for a better Alliance. She told of the Carnegie Library, secured for the town by the Woman's Club, of the Chautauqua, now being conducted each year. She expressed the sentiment of the club and its members as being heartily in favor of the new building.

Mr. Dole spoke for the railroad men and stated that they would be glad to help and were in favor of a movement of this kind.

President Guthrie told of the movement started by the members of Post M of Alliance, which resulted in the present Commercial Club and thanked the members of the T. P. A. for their work. He called on S. W. Thompson, a member of Post M. Mr. Thompson said that the members of Post M believed in getting results, he told of their efforts to get the organization started, and stated that they were more than pleased with the progress made and that they were heartily in favor of the new building.

Councilman Romig was called on. He stated that he was heartily in favor of using city funds as were appropriated for the purpose, in beautifying the city and improving it and that he would use his efforts to see that such funds were put where they would do the most good. He spoke of the purchase made Tuesday evening of a new fire engine for the city and how that it was a step forward in the progress of the town. He gave a stirring talk on fire prevention and expressed himself in favor of the new building.

F. M. Broome, who is an old Alliance settler, told of happenings here many years ago. His talk was inspiring and very interesting. He stated that those who were not in a position to subscribe very heavily could each do their part and assist in getting the building on its way.

L. D. Blair was called on, and in behalf of the farmers stated that they were in favor of anything that would boost the town and country.

Horace Bogue was called on. He stated that he would help in every possible way and that he would subscribe ten shares. County Commissioner S. C. Reck subscribed for eight shares.

Secretary Fisher spoke at length on the benefits to be derived from the building, emphasized the facts outlined in the folder which had been left at each plate, and closed by distributing stock subscription slips around the tables.

Sold Lands for Indians
By direction of Secretary Lane, further sales have been made of lots within the former Fort Peck Indian Reservation. At Wolfpoint, Montana, 324 lots were sold for \$33,678. At Oswego, Montana, 163 lots brought \$10,511. The total amount from the recent sales of these and other lots in this reservation is \$76,853 to date, which amount will be deposited for the benefit of the Indians under the Act of Congress of May 30, 1908.

Former Alliance Man Honored
Charles Clyde Barker, formerly an Alliance attorney, now engaged in practicing in Denver, was elected recording secretary of the Commercial Law League at the convention which was held in Chicago last week.

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