

## Random Shots

### The Last Word

Not what we SAY, but what we DO,  
Makes test—  
Performance speaks the last word  
And the best.

Little Bennie has given us six months to go broke. That leaves us but three months and three weeks.

Why was he so darned liberal? If he'd only said four months, it would have saved us two months of worry.

'Sa funny thing, but some folks can't be liberal and keep still about it.

We know one Alliance man who made a present of some coal to a poor family, and it wasn't twenty-four hours until he'd up and told half a dozen people about his open-hearted generosity.

Probably aimed not to let his left hand know what his right hand did, but his left hand was too curious.

When we go broke they may let us Bennie from the shoe fund.

As we said before, he's a liberal cuss. He admits it, therefore let it go without argument.

Reiteration evidently isn't argument.

Mental test: Speak right up Bennie and tell the gentlemen the difference between an egoist and an egoist, or a saurian and a syllogism.

Advice to advertisers: If you didn't order it, they can't make you pay for it.

No advertisement appears in The Herald unless there is a specific order for it.

If your clothier sent up a suit of clothes because he "thought you needed it," what would you do?

You, know, and we know, and they know.

An invitation: If you are getting The Herald, don't want it and don't expect to pay for it, you will confer a favor on us by telling us about it. Print paper costs too much to give away the best newspaper published in Box Butte county.

Little quotation from Gilbert K. Chesterton: "But donkeys, I fear, will never be abolished."

More mathematics: If two young chaps from Aurora Borealis will last just six months in Alliance, how far

is it from the battlefield of Grand Island to Disaster?

Pipe down, rookie!

Earl didn't go to Hoffland, but the roads are rotten, anyway.

We editors gotta take our news where we finds it.

Speaking about concern—

The wildest man on record is the brother who lost a pint of perfectly good whisky at the dance a night or two ago.

He left it in his overcoat pocket while he went out to perform, and when, hot and tired, he returned, and sought its comfort—behold, it was not.

Nine perfectly good dollars—bright, shiny dollars—all shot!

Ought to buy lemon extract in gallon jugs. A pint of hooch can be slipped in a muff or a hip pocket, but a gallon jug takes up too much space.

Anyway, he was wild. Everybody who saw him go said so. And there's no argument about it. Too conclusive.

We wonder how a certain editor knows the names of all these wicked gamboliers? And where does he get such accurate information about the size of the pots? Can it be possible that he—?

But if not, it must be imagination. Page Philip Space.

No real gambler would squawk quite so much.

A man who is willing to volunteer information to the president ought to be loyal to the city police department.

Armchair statistics from an armchair warrior.

Wish our Boiler Plate Ben would take half an hour off some day and settle this coal tangle.

It's almost criminal for a man to let his country suffer when he could probably say just the right thing to pacify both the coal miners and those obstreperous operators.

Have a heart before Chadron shakes and Weeping Water weeps.

How many did you skip, Old Top?

You don't mind my calling you "Old Top," do you Old Top.

They can't kid us.

We've been kidded by experts.

A dealer in hosiery is one man who can truthfully say that he doesn't need advertising, because his customers do all his advertising for him. —Buckshot.

## NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

E. A. Bennett is building a new machine shed 30x60 feet long.

Herman Frederick, who has been out of water on account of the storm, has his well in working condition again.

Mr. Keegan and his brother came out from town Wednesday to look over his ranch while Mrs. Keegan attended the club at the home of Mrs. Boag.

The East Side Progressive club met with Mrs. Frank Boag Wednesday. The next meeting will be with Mrs. James Brittan on December 17.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Behm spent Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Brittan. The time was pleasantly passed at cards.

Mr. Beever has moved into the house on the Jerry Wells place, which was vacated by Leslie Shoemaker.

Mrs. Putman is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Bancay at Casper, Wyo.

Mr. Rehder is building a new chicken house, but has been delayed during the recent storm.

George Ackerman caught a coyote in a trap last Thursday. There seems to be a lot of coyotes around lately.

James Evans is remodeling his cow shed.

Last Tuesday evening the Seidler boys planned a surprise on their mother, it being her birthday anniversary. Quite a few of the neighbors came in and a good time was had by all present. They left, wishing Mrs. Seidler many more birthday to come.

Friday evening Mrs. Brittan planned a surprise on Mr. Brittan. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Behm, Mr. and Mrs. Seidler and family, Mr. and Mrs. Kibble, Mr. and Mrs. Evans and family, Mr. and Mrs. Rogers and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. and Mrs. Boag and family and Chris and Cap Ackerman. The evening was pleasant passed. A dainty luncheon was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Enoch Boyer motored to their ranch Thursday morning.

An editor away for a while left his paper in charge of a minister. During the minister's stay in the sanctum the following letter came from a subscriber: "I know very well I paid my subscription to your paper the last time I was in town. If I get any more such letters as I received from you last week I will come in and maul h—l out of you." The

minister answered: "I have been trying to get that out of the editor for the past ten years and if you will come down and maul it out of him, then, my dear sir, I have twenty

members of my church I will get you to operate on."—Exchange.

If there wasn't so many fools this world would be a cheerless place.

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## LET THE KIDDIES COME

They will tell you how wonderful the things are. You can easily find out what they want the most if they see some of the gifts on display. We offer the following list of articles as suggestions to lighten the task of Christmas selection:

DOLLS, DOLL HEADS, KEWPIES—All sizes and kinds. They are the daintiest, cutest, most captivating creations you have seen this year. A full line of TREE ORNAMENTS AND DECORATIONS.

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Wagons  
Doll Buggies  
Games—all kinds

Game Boards  
Ouija Boards  
Tinker Toys  
Mechanical Toys  
Erector Sets

Telegraph Sets  
Kiddie Kars  
Printing Sets  
Blocks  
Toy Tea Sets



## Gifts for Grown-Ups

There is such a wide range of gift suggestions to be found here that we are sure you will experience no difficulty whatever in finding just the article to please you. You will find on display:

Fancy China, Cut Glass  
Ladies' Desk and Chair Sets  
Trays, American English and

Fern Stands, Jardiniere  
Stands, Cedar Cests  
Japanese Dinner Ware  
Rockers, Floor Lamps

Torrington and Hoover Electric Sweepers

## Your Special Attention Is Invited

to our collection of Framed Pictures. There is nothing which contains more lasting pleasure for the recipient than a beautiful Picture, artistically framed. We have copies of the masters which we have framed so that the harmony of colors is perfect. You will find your favorite in Hand-colored Photogravures, Mezzogravures, Romney Carbons, or Genuine Hand-colored Mezzoprints.

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## GIFT IDEAS

### For Mother or Wife

Electric Irons  
Beautiful Ranges  
Electric Power Washers  
Pyrex Baking Dishes  
Carving Sets  
Percolators  
Thermos Bottles  
Flashlights

### For Father or Husband

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Guns  
Electric Razors  
Flashlights  
Pocket Knives  
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