

RANDOM SHOTS

In the state university circles, three Alliance girls are known as the "Triple Alliance." They not only come from the same town, but their names all began with the same letter—"M".

Probably they are all "perfect 36's", too.

Or maybe they are interested in the same football hero.

A "butterfly luncheon" may be a thing of beauty, but somehow it doesn't have an appetizing sound. However it's the very latest thing in pink teas.

Today's Best Story

Old Sim Wilkins and Hec Denton were having their usual game of checkers in the back of Sim's old store, when Denton was called away, leaving the game unfinished. Just then a darkey who did the delivering and other odd chores about the store slouched in, hands in pockets. Wilkins suggested to him:

"George, sit down here and finish Denton's game for him. You know how to play checkers don't you?"

"Yas, Ah knows how to play, boss, but" (he unconsciously withdrew his hands from his pockets and began fingering a pair of 'bones'), "Ah always considered checkers a lazy man's game."

Beginners on the typewriter will soon be punching it out after this fashion: "Now is the time for all good women to come to the aid of the party."

Someone was telling the story about the Alliance republican political leader who took his own wife and two or three other married women to the polls at the last primary. All the husbands were good republicans. One of the election judges was a woman who, despite howls from the opposition, persisted in asking everyone who came in if they wanted "a republican ballot." She didn't mean any harm—it just came natural to her. But the good lady got an awful jolt when she asked that question of one of the women the republican leader brought in. "Certainly—NOT," she said, "I'm a good democrat."

And the republican leader smiled as though something pained him.

"His jaw dropped with delight," as one of the popular novelists once wrote.

We wish again to emphasize the fact that no matter how great the provocation, we have forborne to write comic poetry. Now and then, of course, we come upon something that pleases us. The following is clipped from the Plymouth News, and the style is strongly reminiscent of Lewis Carroll, who probably wasn't as good a poet as John G. Neihardt, but whose stuff could be

read by college professors without a crimp between the eyebrows:

It was evening and the rising sun
Not a street car was in sight.
The sun was shining brightly,
For it rained all day that night.

'Twas a summer's day in winter,
The rain was snowing fast;
As a barefoot girl with shoes on,
Stood sitting in the grass.

It was evening, and the rising sun
Was setting in the west,
While the little fishes in the trees
Were cuddled in their nest.

The rain was pouring down,
The sun was shining bright,
And everything that you could see
Was hidden out of sight.

Sometimes it's pretty hard to tell just what a "whiz" is. The man who was laying brick for the paving was widely advertised as about the fastest thing in his line. The newspapers printed stories telling how many brick he could put in place in twenty-four hours, and the notoriety encouraged him to ask for higher wages. It seems that he wanted entirely too much money, and the contractors were forced to part with his services. They took two men out of the ranks, so to speak, and within three days these men were getting as many brick in place as the man with a big reputation. It takes them a little longer to put them down, but they manage to gain time somehow. At any rate, the men are putting nearly twice the number of brick down in each working day than the phenom. did, and as yet they haven't been compelled to enlarge their hat-bands.

The United States civil service commission announces an open competitive examination for calculating machine operator for September 25 at Alliance. There is a vacancy in the internal revenue service at Omaha, Neb., at \$1,200 per annum, and after the first six months' satisfactory service appointees may be allowed the temporary increase granted by congress of \$20 per month. Persons of either sex are eligible. Applicants will be examined in spelling, practical tests, arithmetic, penmanship, letter writing, copying and correcting manuscript. Eighteen years is the minimum age for applicants. Further particulars may be secured of the local secretary at the Alliance postoffice.

Carl W. Bohart went to Alliance Monday, accompanying his son, Charles Bohart, Jr., who will attend school at St. Agnes academy during the coming school year.—Hyannis Tribune.

Lee Strong and Sterling Harris returned Sunday morning from Lincoln where they have been attending the State fair. They were the boys chosen by Miss Opal Russel to represent this county.

Leo Walker, of Hemingford, spent Sunday visiting friends in Alliance.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

Friday, the Excellent Scholarship society, entertained the A. H. S. students, with a program, during chapel period. The society originated in 1914, since that time each graduate of the school who has been a member at least three years, and their grad's during that time averaging 82 per cent, with no grade below 87 have received the honors. Up to date there are 43 members in the society. Ray Edwards, the first boy to receive the honors since the year 1915, is president of the society and had charge of the program. The first number on the program was: Piano duet, The Misses Avis Jodel and Grace Spacht. Readings, Miss Laura Hawkins. Local Solo, Miss Janet Grassman. Presentation of the Honor Roll, Charles Spacht. Exception on behalf of the High School, W. R. Pate. The members of the society presented the Alliance High School with an "Honor Roll". This is the names of all those belonging to it framed in such a manner that the new members each year can be added. The roll will be hung in the upper hall.

Thursday evening, Mr. Prince called a meeting of all those interested in an A. S. H. orchestra. Only about ten people, out of a high school of 220 attended the meeting. For the past few years our high school has not had an orchestra, but we should have one and have some of our students try out. Mr. Chase will have charge of the orchestra.

Thursday, a number of our dignified (?) senior girls declared an anti-puff day. Friday morning the "Martyrs to the Cause" appeared with their hair drawn back so tight from their ears so tightly that their eyes resembled a Chinaman's. That is, some of them did, and those who didn't—well before nine o'clock, they did. However we are thankful that we could recognize our old friends Monday morning.

Robert Lawrence, Sterling Harris, Lee Strong, George Purdy and Clarence Ralls registered Monday morning for school. Lee, Sterling and Clarence have been attending the State fair last week. George has been "otherwise employed" and Robert has been visiting in Denver and Tabernash.

Where our "old" teachers are this year: Miss Mable Clayton, who taught History and Normal Training here two years ago is teaching in Seattle, Wash. Miss Alva Reed is also in Seattle.

Miss Rosamonde Bary who taught in the Commercial department for the past two years is teaching in Great Falls, Mont.

Miss Margaret Beal is teaching in a girls' school in Bakersfield, Cal. She is teaching the same course she taught here, Domestic Science.

The Senior class held a meeting Monday night and elected the following officers:
President, Tom Miller; Vice-presi-

dent, William Williams; Secretary and treasurer, Dorothy Reynolds; Sponser, Mr. Cunningham.

Elocution is being offered to the students this year. One credit will be given a semester, if eighty minutes a day is put in on the subject. Mrs. Inez Dunning will have charge of the class. It will meet on Tuesday mornings in the Gym as a class, and each pupil will have a separate lesson at Mrs. Dunning's home.

Those already enrolled are: Helen Young, Ruth Stanton, Evangeline

Acheson, Elsie Harris, Margaret Schill and Marie Howe.

"Finis—By Heck."

Considerable criticism has recently been heard in regard to the condition of the road into Chadron from the east and west, which has been blade graded within the past month or six weeks. This road was put in good condition by the state highway blade grader outfit and it is now up to the county commissioners to maintain it. The commissioners in Box Butte

county are dragging and otherwise keeping in excellent condition the road into Alliance from the Dawes county line which has recently been gone over by the state highway blade grader. Good roads are just as important in this county as in any other portion of the state.—Chadron Chronicle.

Mrs. J. S. Adams returned to Alliance Tuesday morning, after a few days' visit with her husband who is in the oil business near New Castle, Wyo.

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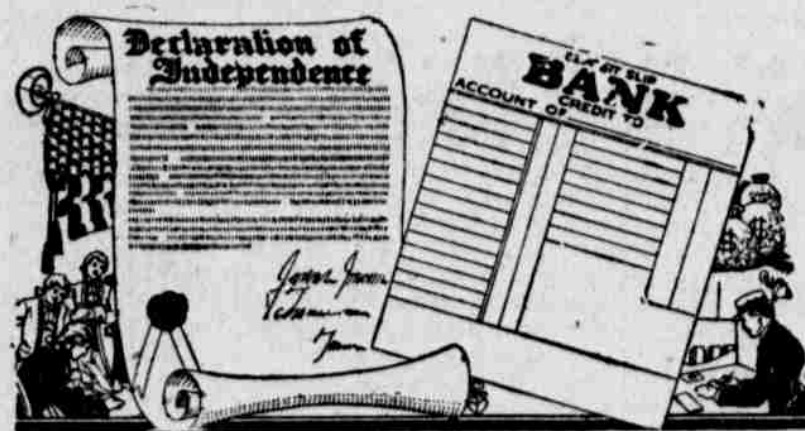
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