

**Random Shots**

"Car struck by passing train" is a way a headline in the exchange trade. This conveys the idea that the train crew made a special effort to hit the automobile and kill its passengers, when as a matter of fact the driver probably tried to go faster on dirt roads than the train could on steel rails. In ninety-nine out of a hundred crossing accidents, the fault is due to the carelessness of the driver, and the hundredth one would not happen if he had used his wits.

If you want to be absolutely correct, as well as in style, call it "o-mah-to".

Postal employes all over the country are quitting their jobs because a republican congress is too "economical" to pay them a living wage.

And yet Alliance union laborers are being mailed great gobs of printed matter which tells them over and over that the republicans are the true friends of labor.

The republicans always have been friends of labor—so long as labor didn't want anything.

Oh, well—all that is necessary is to make them believe it until November 2.

Great little game, is politics.

Mac, the He Vamp, reports that his evenings are booked solid for three weeks.

Be patient, girls—you'll have to wait your turn. Priority rights will be strictly observed.

The largest pie bakery west of Chicago has reduced its prices 20 per cent. This sounds good to the pie fiends. But did you see the article telling of the invention of a machine to cut a pie into sixteen pieces?

A Chicago telegrapher has named his two girls Dot and Dash. This is a neat idea, and worthy of emulation. An Alliance stud poker shark

says he's figuring on renaming his boys Cut and Deal.

And a bootlegger could select Rum and Rum as names for his offspring.

There's no end of possibilities in connection with this plan.

Indian summer is still here, but the Indians left Saturday night. That's about the only thing that they couldn't take with them.

We never did learn the name of the attractive young lady who is partial to the fat ones. We talked as nice as we knew how, but the man who knew wouldn't take pity on us.

Parson D. A. Youtys writes to the Gering Courier from Elmwood. It's not a bad letter, but the following sentence seems too good to be true: "I am beginning to feel that a nice T-bone steak, fried potatoes, sliced tomatoes and a nice slice or two of toast and a good cup of coffee, just such as the good wife makes, would not go bad."

We have always been told that fried chicken was the favorite food of preachers. It seems almost irreligious to hear of one wishing for something else.

The Herald has decided that, beginning at once, no subscriptions will be received from Madagascar or Kamchatka until there is a vacancy. Rising postage rates and 15-cent print make it necessary for us to hold down our list. If you live in Kamchatka you'll have to move or give up The Herald.

However, if anyone in Guam or Bermidji is really suffering for lack of The Herald, we'll grant a special dispensation.

Like every other newspaper, we'll accept all we can get from home at our regular rates with just as few restrictions as possible.

We have a soft spot in our heart for Bermidji.

**Today's Best Story**

Some conversations are very edifying. For instance, we stood behind a couple of damsels while waiting for the "second show" to begin the other night. "How do you wash your back when you bathe?" was the startling

inquiry made by one girl of another. "Why, that's easy," answered the second girl, "I just soap my back all over and then lie down in the tub and shimmy." And for that daughters are reared!

The love birds are stirring about rather early for this time of year. An Alliance jeweler reports the sale of a diamond at 6:30 a. m. the other day.

The hour of the sale leads one to expect that the girl didn't care to run any risk of a change of mind after the decision had once been reached.

Note: No artificial illumination is needed at the boarding house any longer.

Girls are funny. A real good looking compdins that she can't seem to interest the Alliance boys. She's planning to buy a parrot so she will have a chance to carry on a conversation. She's just that desperate.

Don't crowd, young men, don't crowd!

Amateur golf isn't so expensive as one might suppose, especially when all the other players are in the ninety-nine class. Even if you're unlucky enough to lose a ball, you can usually pick up one some other golfer has lost. One estimate places the number of balls lost to date at 127, and we think we know who found thirty-two of these.

Golf balls come at about six-bits a throw. The game is fully as expensive as croquet.

And considerably better.

Eddie says pingpong is a game of science and skill.

All of which is news to us.

And to numerous others, we suspect.

We didn't know they went in for those rough games in France.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Drake and daughter, Mardell, and Mrs. E. T. Zobel motored to Scottsbluff Sunday. They returned Sunday evening.

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