

RANDOM SHOTS

According to the ads, we learn that this is not only "Battery Inspection Week," but that rival manufacturers are trying to make it "Carbon, Ink and Typewriter Ribbon Week." All of which leads us reluctantly—very reluctantly—to conclude that for somebody this is "Liars' Week."

Everybody knows, of course, that this is "City Manager Week."

People do make the funniest mistakes. Several very religious church members crowded to the Imperial last Thursday evening under the impression that "Passion" was a picture, of the Oberammergau Passion play.

Either our typewriter is on the blink or the intelligent op. had a brain storm last week. The very best "Shot" we had—the one about Judge Tash and the garbage collector—was hopelessly mangled and ruined. We wrote it "garbage incinerator" and, aided abetted by the proofreader, it was made to appear "incinerator." What'll it be an "incinerator?" The force had two chances—and it scored an error each time.

One cannot drown his sorrow in the kind of liquor they peddle these days.

Doctor Slagle is authority for this one: George Burke spent a night in a hotel at Bridgeport last week, and was moaning over the bed that was furnished him. "The mattress was so thin," George said, "that when I got up in the morning I looked just like a waffle."

And that's not all he said about the place. "They charged me \$3 for the room," he went on. "Do you know, if I had given them \$3 for all the stuff there was in it, they would still owe me money."

One merchant who sells shoes in Alliance was gloating over the fact that mighty few customers ever get away from him. "I take their shoes off as soon as they come in," he said.

Women are mighty unreasonable, sometimes. Mrs. Lucy Eckstein of New York, who chews tobacco and smokes heavy cigars, is suing her husband for divorce because he won't agree to quit cigarettes if she will agree to quit tobacco.

The only reason we never smoked cigarettes is because we really like tobacco.

"I'd certainly like to stop and talk over the election wif you, boss," said a colored man to one of the candidates Tuesday. "but you see, they done left two gallons of whisky out at my house, and I want to get my share before it's all gone."

We finally heard how it was that Cal's face got all mussed up a couple of months ago, but hanged if we haven't forgotten it. Oh, well—it's all healed up now, anyway.

They got the laugh on Bill Harper at the roof garden the other night, when he announced that the saxophonist would favor the audience with a trombone solo. You know, Bill—the trombone is the instrument that the player seems to swallow every now and then during the performance.

Today's Best Story

George, who sells cigars to us when we go in intending to read a story in a late magazine to see whether we want to buy it—George told us a story the other day. It seems (he related) that it was a wild night out on the

ranch. The cowboys were huddled close to the fire, and time hung heavy on their hands. Some of the wild spirits suggested shooting craps; others wilder still spoke of stud poker, until one devil-may-care soul, reckless as all-get-out, spoke up: "Tell you what we can do, boys," he said, "let's all tell our real names."

Blue Law Rubiyat

(K. D. W. in "Stars and Stripes")
Come, pass the Law, and in the fire of Zeal
The Sunday ball games and the movies seal;
And think that Human Nature thus is foiled
Until the lakes of Hades do congeal.

Each morn a thousand Blue Laws brings, you say?
Yes, but where thrive the laws of yesterday?
And that some Burst of Mirth that queers the laws
Shall sweep the Board of Censorship away.

Strange, is it not, that of the myriads who
Would guide our path with laws of deepest blue
Not one has ever tried these laws himself?
But merely hangs them on to me and you.

Ah, Gloom! Could you with Blues and Dregs conspire
To wreck this happy scheme of things entire.
Would you not kill the joy of life and then
Bring back the pillory and the witch's pyre?

AT THE CHURCHES

BAPTIST CHURCH

Ten more additions Sunday, eight by baptism and two by letter. Two more letters came into the pastor's hand to be presented to the church Sunday, thus the good work goes on, making fifty-five to date in the three months of our stay here, one awaits baptism yet. Many more are considering coming into the church real soon. Several more would have come if the church Sunday but for sickness. The perennial revival seems to have come to stay. Let us thank God for all of these blessings. Over two hundred stayed for dinner Sunday at the church and many were there for supper, altogether it was a great day for us. The year's report showed some very interesting facts, one of which was that more money was raised through the regular channels the last quarter than the preceding three quarters. To the missions the church had contributed almost six hundred dollars. It was decided that the church would take over the monthly paper, the Alliance Baptist, as soon as we can make arrangement. Thus this helpful pastor's assistant then would become a part of the regular budget of the church. An unusually large number of men were in the evening congregation that filled the house—this is a good sign. Hereafter all evening services will begin a half hour later. The pastor has decided to baptize only once a month after this, so that he can meet the people after the evening services. Let us make the prayer meeting a good one this week. Remember we have roll call Wednesday. Choir practice at Powell's, 808 Toluca. Refreshments will follow.

On April 19, the young people of the Christian church are planning an apron and pie social, in the church basement. Boys are expected to bring a full pocketbook and the girls pies. Also the girls are to make a small apron with a pocket containing a penny for each inch of their waist measure.

M. E. CHURCH

The Methodist choir will meet with Mrs. Oscar O'Bannon, 401 Emerson, at 7:30 Thursday evening.

The purchase of the meat department of the Fourth street market last week by L. E. Bliss and E. K. Jones has given rise to the question in some quarters as to whether the entire grocery and meat business was sold. Mr. Hirst disposed of only the meat department and is still on hand at the regular place of business to take care of his customers. The meat market has been moved one door away.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Griggs are leaving tonight to attend the Rotarian convention at Dulouque, Ia. Before returning they will visit relatives at Chicago and Freeport, Ill.

SOCIETY

Miss Helen Hewitt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Hewitt of this city, who has just signed a contract for a twenty-two weeks' tour of Australia with the company of Annette Kellerman, is now in the city visiting her parents. She will leave April 20 for San Francisco. Sunday's State Journal contained the following account of the eccentric dancing staged by Miss Hewitt and her dancing partner, Miss Eleanor Frampton:

"If you are tall, slender and lithe, and a talented dancer, what spot would you select for the exercise of your profession? Would you ever think of going to a big island way off in the south seas, which is always associated with sheep raising and kangaroos? This is just what two Nebraska girls, Miss Eleanor Frampton of Lincoln and Miss Helen Hewitt of Alliance, have elected to do. They have cast their fortunes with the Annette Kellerman vaudeville show for twenty-two weeks, by a definite contract, and Mr. Sullivan, manager of the company, has an option on their time after that, and their passports were made to include South Africa and a number of such fascinating places.

"Nor is it luck that ushered in this wonderful adventure, as Miss Frampton is inclined to consider the opportunity. It came as a result of real, honest merit and terpsichorean ability. The young ladies had been studying in a professional class in Los Angeles, and were offered the management of a dancing act at a theatre.

"But we thought that if we were good enough to manage an act we ought to be able to manage one of our own just as well," explained Miss Frampton.

"So, they produced an eccentric dancing act of their own and played at one of the best and most exclusive motion picture theaters in San Francisco, the California. The California has a wonderful symphony orchestra of fifty pieces, and the management makes a specialty of the artistic element in amusements. The two Nebraska representatives, put on the only vaudeville acts there, and their season, in January, was extremely successful.

"While they were playing around in San Francisco, deciding what to do next, Mr. Sullivan sent word to Miss Frampton and Miss Hewitt, through one of the booking agencies in the city, saying that he desired an interview with them in regard to work with his company. Mr. Sullivan always goes through all the preliminaries with prospective additions to their number. Then Miss Kellerman, his wife, insists on giving the final word before engaging any one, and especially the ladies, because they must absolutely be to her liking.

"And even she is consumed with vanity. For she was impressed by Miss Frampton and Miss Hewitt especially because of their quality and quantity of height, which would be that much more help in making her appear shorter than she really is, for her toe dancing act. Miss Kellerman is not one who could easily be considered very short, yet that is an accomplishment she seems to yearn for.

"So when this famous woman sails for Australia, May 3, with a show company of between twenty and thirty members, Miss Frampton and Miss Hewitt are booked as the eccentric dancers of the troupe. Their act is partly the same which they presented at the Californian this winter and the remainder they have arranged especially for the tour. One number is a puppet dance, so arranged that they seem to be jerked and pulled about by attached wires to their wrists and ankles.

"All their dances feature the unusual and novel, and are cleverly costumed. The outlay of the entire personnel of the company is elaborate and expensive. Miss Kellerman is of course the star performer, and besides her eternal diving act has added toe dancing and slack wire walking to her spectacular performances. All the other numbers in the show will be used to fill in the intervals between her appearances.

"Miss Frampton does not know just who or what else is included in the bill, because it all happened so suddenly that after they got their passports there was just time to fly home and say hello and goodbye to friends and relatives. The girls returned home last week and will leave again on April 24.

"Rehearsals will take place on the vessel on the way across to Australia. The ship will stop at Honolulu, and Miss Frampton hopes the stop will be for a long enough time to give them a chance to see something of the island

and learn a few real Hawaiian wiggles." The troupe is scheduled to perform in Sidney for eight weeks, and the rest of the contracted time will be spent in touring the island.

"Miss Frampton stated rather dubiously that she didn't know where they would go in all those weeks, because she thinks there are only two cities of any size there, at least those are the only ones heard of. She wonders if they will act for the wildernesses and whatever they might find in such places.

"Miss Frampton has lived in Lincoln all her life and was graduated from Lincoln high school in the class of 1914. In 1918 she was graduated from the University of Nebraska, where she was a member of Gamma Phi Beta and was prominent in athletic activities. She was awarded highest honors in an aesthetic dancing contest in her senior year. Her sophomore year in college was spent at Wellesley. For a year and a half Miss Frampton was instructor in physical education at the Lincoln high school, in 1919 and 1920. She is a graduate of the Rocky Mountain dancing camp. After studying in Los Angeles for twelve weeks this winter, she received private instruction from Theodore Kosloff for a short time."

WOMAN'S CLUB

The following program has been arranged for the regular meeting of the Woman's club, Friday, April 15. Subject, "Motion Pictures." Roll call, "Prominent Players." Paper: "Do Motion Pictures Increase Desire for Good Literature?" Mrs. Mary Boyd. Papers: "Do Jurists in the Moral Courts Notice Any Connection Between Criminal Scenes Shown by the Films and Delinquency?" Mrs. Maude Harris, and "Power of Motion Pictures to Depict the True American Home Life with Stories of Same?" Mrs. Blanche Pretzmann. Music. Hostesses: Mesdames Bernadine Holsten, Alberta Reynolds and Calvin Walker.

At the last meeting a vote of thanks was given Harry DuBoque for his donation to the Woman's club of part of the proceeds of the Doane Glee Club concert.

Mrs. Helen Clausen entertained a large number of friends at her home north of town Saturday evening. The affair was in celebration of the marriage of her daughter Marie to Arthur S. Wright, which took place recently.

Dancing and cards were enjoyed till a late hour when a delicious lunch was served. A substantial purse was presented to the young couple as an expression of their friends' good wishes.

The woman's home missionary society will meet at the home of Mrs. L. A. Acheson, 802 Missouri, Wednesday afternoon at 2:30. Mrs. Brown will be leader. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Mrs. C. E. Marks and Mrs. Adele Phelan entertained Saturday afternoon at a 1:30 luncheon. A four-course luncheon was served, with table decorations of yellow. Bridge was played during the afternoon at which Mrs. Robert Redlich won first prize and Mrs. F. M. Broome, of Antioch, second. Mrs. Frank Herron, of Deadwood, was guest of honor, and the winners presented the prizes to her.

J. W. Guthrie, district deputy, accompanied by fourteen members of the Alliance council, Knights of Columbus, drove to Chadron Sunday to attend a K. C. meeting at that place. Among those who made the trip were Dr. B. J. Bauman, Joe O'Connor, Everett O'Keefe, Florence Schafer, A. J. La Sage, Lambert Kneist, J. W. Guthrie, Carl Buschstein, Walter Buschstein, Ed Shields, Jim Farns, W. H. McCoy and Ed Jordan.

Miss Katherine Harris entertained at a dancing party Saturday evening. The young folks present were the Misses Ethna May Miller, Theresa Looney, Francis Grassman, Elizabeth Wilson, Helen Young, Dixie McManis, Messrs. Rob Bicknell, Jack Mark, Louis Buschstein, Harold Dickenson, Lester and Charles Cross, Royal Irwin, Ralph Gavin and James Fowler.

The W. C. T. U. will meet Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Harry Wells, 812 Big Horn. Topic, "Scientific Temperance." Mrs. J. A. Keegan will be leader.

The Intermediate Endeavorers of the Christian Church had a business meeting and social time at the church Monday evening, under the supervision of Mesdames Florence Atz, A. J. Bacon and W. E. Cutts.

Mrs. Percy Cogswell and Mrs. A. V. Gavin are entertaining twenty ladies

at the home of the former this afternoon, in honor of Mrs. Frank Herron, of Deadwood.

The regular meeting of the St. Matthew Episcopal Guild will be held Wednesday afternoon at the parish house, with Mrs. W. B. Barnett, as hostess.

Miss Avis Joer entertained the Fortnightly Kensington club at her home last evening.

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No. 3 Peaches	29c	Large Post Toasties	14c
No. 3 Black Cherries	37c	Small Post Toasties	9c
No. 3 Puyalup Pears	33c	Liberty Bell Coffee	28c
No. 3 Sweet Potatoes	22c	Quart Jar Jam, all flavors	44c
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