



K. K. K., in Kountry Klub parlance for the nonce, doesn't mean anything worse than Kome, Kome, Kome. The members of the club have received invitations, headed in this mysterious way, for the Halloween party to be pulled off Monday evening of next week. Elaborate plans have been made for the entertainment of the members and their guests, for the Halloween party will be another "open house" affair. The merry-makers will carry out the K. K. K. scheme, and are commanded to appear clad in sheets and pillow cases. The entertainment will take place between the house of 6 and 12, and is confidently expected to be the chief social event of the Halloween season.

The B. Y. P. U. of the Baptist church will hold an unusual Halloween party at the church this evening. Any young people who desire to enjoy a clean good time will be made welcome. The girls will bring a pumpkin pie apiece and the boys will each bring thirty-five cents, to pay for the apples and cider. A number of hard drinkers of sweet cider are expected. A number of surprising and unusual stunts will comprise the program, and the unfortunate young people who are not present will miss an exceedingly pleasant evening.

Lawrence Kimmish, son of City Manager and Mrs. N. A. Kimmish, entertained the members of Boy Scout troop No. 1 at a Halloween party at his home Thursday evening, following a business meeting of the scouts. About thirty were present. It was an exceptional Halloween party, with all sort of thrills, provided by ghost stories under a sodium light and contact with live doorknobs and other unexpected places.

Miss Alice Carlson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Carlson of this city, was married to Oscar Maret, editor of the Independent at Thermopylis, Wyo., at that city on Sunday. Miss Carlson is deputy county clerk at Thermopylis. The bride has a number of friends in the city who wish her and her husband much happiness.

Judge L. A. Berry is signally honored this week by an initiation from Charles Patterson, general secretary of Omaha Scottish Rite bodies, to attend the reunion there November 14 next and take part in the degree work for the tenth degree. The letter informs the judge that a negative answer will not be considered.

Mrs. Walter Bledsoe will entertain the Presbyterian choir this evening at a 7 o'clock dinner. The guest list includes Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hewitt, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Bald, Dr. and Mrs. F. J. Petersen, Mr. and Mrs. Ponath, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Rhein, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Nelson, Miss Avis Joder, Miss Lulu Sturgeon and Jay Vance.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Davis entertained a few friends at a 6:30 Halloween dinner Thursday evening. Following the dinner the guests were entertained with musical games. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Drake and daughter, Mardell, Miss Leona Shreve and J. C. Parker.

W. W. Thompson of Kansas City, Mo., who was taken suddenly ill while here to attend the funeral of his daughter-in-law, Mrs. H. W. Thompson, has recovered sufficiently to be able to return to his home.

The first of a series of Elks dances will be held this evening at the Elks home. It is a Halloween affair, and is expected to be one of the social events of the month. Elaborate preparations have been made to make this series of dances successful.

Matt S. Brennan of Gillette, Wyo., arrived Wednesday for a few days' visit with Alliance friends. Mr. Brennan was formerly employed by the Morgan Grovery company. He left today for Bridgeport on his way home.

E. C. Drake returned Thursday from Lincoln and other eastern points. He attended the session of the grand lodge of the L. O. O. F. at Lincoln and then went on to Omaha and his old home in Iowa to visit relatives and friends.

Mrs. S. W. Thompson left the first of the week for Seward, where she attended the sessions of the convention of the Nebraska federation of woman's clubs as a delegate from the Alliance Woman's club. She will visit in Omaha before returning.

James Hoffland, Harry Goosby and G. A. Smith arrived from Chadron Thursday for a few days' hunting in the sandhills. They report a heavy snowfall at Chadron Tuesday and Wednesday.

Dr. C. E. Slagle left Tuesday for Kansas City, Mo., where he will attend a meeting of the Missouri Valley medical society. He expects to return to Alliance Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Miller returned this morning from Chicago. Mr. Miller was called there two weeks ago by the illness of his sister, and Mrs. Miller joined him a week ago.

O. B. Adkins left last night for Omaha for a few days' business trip. Raymond Chase of Peru, Neb., arrived Wednesday for a few days' visit with his brother, Gaylord.

H. C. Keach, former organist at the Imperial theater, arrived in Alliance this noon for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Johnson. Mr. Keach

is now employed in a Billings, Mont., theater.

Joy C. Parker of the Herald force will leave tonight on a two weeks' vacation trip, during which time he will visit at his home in Nebraska City and take in the American Legion convention at Kansas City.

George Blatt of the Sligo Ironworks of St. Louis, Mo., has been in the city several days this week on a business trip and combatting an attack of the hives.

Rev. and Mrs. Andrew Dodge plan to leave Sunday night for Kansas City to attend the national American Legion convention.

M. D. Nolan and Norman Newberry left Thursday night for Lincoln. They expect to attend the American Legion convention at Kansas City, Mo., before returning.

Miss Nina Nation, high school teacher, underwent an operation for appendicitis at the hospital Thursday morning. She is reported as doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. James Emerson went to Omaha Sunday for a few days' visit with friends, returning Wednesday.

The Married People's dancing club will hold a Halloween dance at the city armory Saturday evening.

Mrs. Ben Price of Hemingford is spending a few days in Alliance visiting friends.

The Christian Endeavor of the Presbyterian church will give a Halloween party at the church this evening.

The ladies' guild of the Episcopal church will hold a food sale Saturday afternoon at the Duncan grocery.

Josephine Wright, secretary of Job's Daughter's, will entertain the De Molay chapter, Saturday evening at 7 p. m.

Rev. Mearl C. Smith Will Answer Charges Church Is a Failure

This has been implied by two magazine articles that have been widely read in recent months. One in the November issue of the Woman's Home Companion by Frederick Collins entitled, "Preaching to Capacity." The writer represents himself as the proprietor of a thriving motion picture show with a capacity of 816 people. This he fills six or seven times a day, for seven days in the week. One Sunday night he went to a church across the street, the first time he had been to church in ten years, and found forty-one persons present. He then tries to tell the parson the reason for his failure, and the principles he must use to make good. The other article was written in the Century magazine by Dr. Frank Crane, well known writer, who has been a minister for thirty years. At one time he was pastor of the First Methodist church of Omaha. His article is entitled, "The Four Immoralities of the Church". They are, first, it is exclusive, it does not include the bad as well as the good; second, that it is respectable, containing the better class of people in a community; third, that it is free, that it ought to charge admission like

a show; and fourth, that it is militant, putting on aggressive campaign to win converts, whereas it ought to make people better by its silent example. Both these writers, representing widely different professions, indicate that the church is a failure and give their reasons for thinking so.

Both are direct and unfounded attacks on the church, and they will be answered next Sunday night at the Methodist church by the pastor, Rev. Mearl C. Smith, in a sermon entitled, "Is the Church a Failure?"

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Booze Runners Captured.
GRAND ISLAND—Booze runners between Canada and a dozen Nebraska towns is a regular hauling business, with set routes, lists of customers, stopping places and time schedules, just like any legitimate calling—this was uncovered in Grand Island Monday by the arrest and confessions of John and Jack Murphy, booze runners from Harve, Mont. Books and memorandums containing the names of 12 to 15 of the leading citizens in more than a dozen Nebraska towns were taken from Auld and Murphy by Chief of Police Martin and Federal Prohibition Agents Tom Carroll and Eugene Battin. The two confessed these lists were their "customers." They admitted without hesitancy that bringing in liquor was their "business." "I've been in the hauling business for over a year," Auld revealed. "I make one trip every two weeks, bringing in 16 cases on each load." The fact that he "had his way bought" most of the distance through the Dakotas and Montana accounted for the fact that he escaped detection so long, he stated. "We have no trouble crossing the border from Canada at all," he told the officers. "We have clear driving for about 200 miles before we encounter any trouble." The first obstacle is to cross a certain river on a ferry, he stated. "After that we have to be careful at all bridges, for most of them are guarded."

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"Cancer Week" to Be Observed.
LINCOLN—The first week in November will be known as "cancer week," and meetings will be held all over the country during that period. It will be a school of instruction for medical men and also the public. A district society for the control of cancer has been organized with Dr. James J. Breuer, secretary; Dr. J. J. Homes, member of lecture committee; Dr. H. J. Lehoff, district organizer; Dr. Clarence Emerson, member of the publicity committee. Meetings will be held in Lincoln and over Lancaster county to educate the people concerning the disease. In literature sent out the statement is made that cancer can be cured in its early stages by surgery and often by x-ray treatments. It is reported that more people over forty years die of cancer than of pneumonia, tuberculosis or typhoid fever. It sets out that one woman in eight and one man in fourteen, over forty, dies of cancer.

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City Manager's Corner

(By N. A. KEMMISH)

The bills for electric light and power are due and payable November 1. The last day of discount will be November 10. Since the bills this time are for a month and a half instead of for one month they are considerably higher than ordinary. After this month the bills will be for each calendar month and the discount will be from the 1st to the 10th inclusive of each month. If bills are not paid by the 20th service may be discontinued.

The recent rains have left our streets in bad shape. We have been working hard to put them in good shape before winter but it will be necessary for us to go over them again now before they freeze.

The men are still working at the city farm. We have considerable work out there which we want to do before cold weather sets in.

Messrs. Prague & Nisely, contractors for the paving, expected to have their men here before this to repair places needing attention in the paving but on account of the threatened railway strike they have been delayed and will not reach here before sometime next week.

Running Water.

There was a surprise party on T. O. Myers and family last Sunday. All the members of the community gathered at the school house, then proceeded to their home. Each brought well filled dinner baskets and after the bountiful dinner spent the afternoon with visiting and music.

L. A. Bowser and family visited with the home folks Sunday evening in Hemingford.

The Farmers' Union met at the home of Ralph Hopkins Friday evening. After the business meeting a light luncheon was served by the hostess, Mrs. Grather, Bowser and Hopkins.

The committee appointed for the next social evening were Mrs. John Jelinek, Jr., Mrs. Ralph Hopkins and Mrs. Louis Wanek.

The jolly neighbors' club are planning to have a Halloween supper and bazaar at their school house on October 29. The proceeds for the benefit of the Nebraska Children's Home society.

District No. 60 has been giving their school house the "once over," the walls being painted and the wood work varnished, window lights put in, also a new door. When the new desks are installed the pupils will feel like they are in a new school room.

Ive Myers returned home this week after helping Clarence and Scott Slaymater dig their potatoes.

O. Myers is the champion spud raiser in this vicinity as the spuds averaged 185 bushels for each of 5 acres.

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