

RANDOM SHOTS

An Alliance girl was called to the telephone the other day, but it was all a mistake. As Carney says, "central" probably gave her the wrong number. At any rate, a voice at the other end of the line asked: "Is this Mrs. Blank?" The Alliance girl replied, "No, I'm not—but I might have been."

Judge Tash is another man who absolutely declines to go on a diet to reduce.

Half a dozen friends, seeing us in the suit that fits our now slim form, have said: "Why, you really look ten years younger." If they knew the secret of our age, they might wonder, as we do, whether to take it as a compliment or an insult.

Neighbor, seeing the moving van carry our furnishings to the new abode remarked: "Er, by the way, are you establishing a precedent and is this to be a yearly affair?"

Now, what do you suppose she meant by that?

They tell a story of Mark Twain. It seems he was walking down the street carrying a cigar box under his arm. A young lady stopped him. "Mr. Clemens," she said, "you are smoking entirely too much." "Not at all," was the reply, "I'm moving again."

TODAY'S BEST STORY

The professor brought a paper bag to class.

"Gentlemen," said he to the boys, "I'll now show you a carefully dissected frog."

He took out two ham sandwiches and a hard-boiled egg.

"That's queer," he remarked. "I would have sworn that I ate my lunch."

We had a brilliant idea the morning the moving started. We put on our new spring suit. The weather wasn't exactly suitable, but the idea worked like a charm. We weren't asked to do any of the dirty work.

A correspondent to the Nebraska City Press asks how he can keep his toes from going to sleep. The answer he received was not to let them turn in.

Conan Doyle says there will be dogs in heaven. That is cheering news, but if we admit dogs, there is no reason why other animals will be barred. And if animals, why not birds and insects? If there are mosquitoes and flies, they can call it heaven, but we know a lot of people who won't be satisfied with it.

TODAY'S HOCH STORY.

Standing on the slippery pavement of a small Southern town one rainy night, like sailors on a reeling deck, they were discussing a member of their party who had to retire from the scene of action. The principal speaker in the group appeared to be having some difficulty in keeping his footing on the swaying pavement. The buildings on either side bowed and rocked. The telephone poles did some sort of contortionist stunt and even his voice was a bit thick.

"Where's Sam?" another member of the group asked him.

"We took him home," the first speaker informed him between hiccoughs.

"Was he drunk?"

"Drunk? It took three of us to get his hat in the car."

Crookedness never pays, a preacher told us yesterday. As an example, he pointed out the corkscrew. "It's out of a job now," he said.

To Bill Mounts goes the credit for discovering this: "The agent can demonstrate with it for six months, and it's still new. But three days after you get it, it's a used car."

Things have come to a pretty pass when it takes five bandits to rob one small bank. It's getting so all of the industries are crowded.

Ole Buck still uses tallow to help him keep his hair from standing up. However, it doesn't take so much tallow to make it behave these days.

ANNOUNCING BABY

(Leslie's Weekly)

A circus press agent, becoming the father of a healthy boy, scorned to send forth the customary conservative and engraved announcement, and substituted the following:

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CHURCHES

LUTHERAN CHURCH.

On April 26, the Lutheran church in America was 75 years old. This noteworthy event will be properly observed in our local church Sunday. Two services will be held. One in the morning at 10:30 o'clock in German. The other in the evening at 7:30. The public is cordially invited.
F. DROEGEMUELLER, Pastor.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, 310½ Box Butte avenue. Sunday services, 11 a. m., subject, "Adam and Fallen Man." Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Wednesday evening services at 8 Reading room, 310½ Box Butte avenue open every Wednesday from 2 to 4 p. m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

The district convention of Churches of Christ is in session at Bayard beginning this evening and closing Sunday. As president of the district the minister will deliver his address at the opening of the convention on the first evening. President A. D. Harmon will also speak the same evening.

The minister will return for the Sunday services and will preach both morning and evening. The subjects are: "God's Promises Fulfilled," and "The Gospel Message for Today." You will desire to hear these sermons. There will be special music by the choir and junior orchestra at both services. At the evening hour the male quartet will sing.

May 14 will be Mother's Day and appropriate services and music are the order of the day.

We are in a contest with Scottsbluff for attendance and efficiency so you can help us win if you are not in some other Bible school. Be present at 10 o'clock, a studied lesson and remain for church and you can help us win the contest. If you have never attended Sunday school call up the minister and he will give you the Bible references for the lesson so that you can help us and at the same time help yourself. Do what you can and come to the church with a message and a welcome.
S. J. EPLER, Minister.

METHODIST CHURCH.

Bishop Stuntz, who with Dr. Cissell, are secretary, and other leaders, stopped off between trains in Alliance last Monday and looked over the new church, expressed himself as being well pleased with the building. He especially remarked about excellent workmanship saying that "it couldn't be better." The date for the dedication was set for August 27, and Bishop Stuntz will officiate. The annual conference which is to be held in Alliance will begin the following Wednesday, August 30.

The district conference held in Scottsbluff last Monday and Tuesday was for two purposes: To celebrate the victory of the purchase of the north hotel building for a Methodist hospital, and for information about the results of the Centenary. A six story hotel building which cost \$160,000 for the framework alone, was purchased for \$40,000, less than 25 cents on the dollar. This will make a 150 bed hospital for the Northwest Nebraska conference of the Methodist church. The initial payment of \$20,000 cash has been collected and paid on the property. Work will be pushed to completion as quickly as possible, and thus provide western Nebraska with the best hospital between Denver and

Lincoln. This writer entered his first church, Ewing, Neb., ten years ago this week, and the first Sunday in May, preached his first sermon as a regular Methodist pastor. Thus endeth the first decade. So on Sunday morning the sermon topic will be "Ten Years With the Saddlebags."

The evening services begin one half hour later. League at 6:30 and evening service at 8 o'clock. Evening topic, "The Christian's Perfection."
M. C. SMITH, Pastor.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

The Bible school went on the wrong side of the two hundred mark last week by five. Of course there were quite a number that came late, but we do not count them. Let us make an effort to all arrive on time this week. The men's class will hold their session in the parsonage where no doubt they will enjoy the lessons better owing to the lack of noise. Our crowded condition makes this move necessary.

At Wednesday's meeting quite a lot of business was transacted, among which was the authorizing of the treasurer to pay all outstanding bills with the help of money received for the two lots recently sold by the church. This is a move in the right direction. We hope soon to see a building fund started. Just how this will be done is not yet clear.

Arthur Wright, who was formerly a member of the church, sent a handsome check in memory of his wife who died a year ago. She is remembered as one of the most faithful women the church has ever had in its membership.

The B. Y. P. U. has a social tonight at the church. The ladies will hold a food sale at the Fourth Street market. Shall we not see a larger number of fathers and mothers at Bible school Sunday?

Sermon subjects for Sunday are as follows: Morning, "That Dormant Gift"; Evening, "God's Alibi". Welcome to the friendly church with the friendly grip. Orchestra accompanies all songs.

B. J. MINORT, Pastor.

Rotarians Hear Interesting Talk From Hollander

The members of the Alliance Rotary club heard a most interesting talk on business conditions in Java and Holland Wednesday evening at their regular Wednesday dinner. William Zoelle, who is employed in the mechanical department of the Lowry & Henry garage, was the principal speaker. Mr. Zoelle was born in Holland, and spent several years in Java working on an oil project. He has been in America only two months, but has already an excellent knowledge of the language, having the ability to make himself clearly understood, although he speaks with a decided accent and has some difficulties in phrasing his thoughts in English. Following his talk he answered the questions of a number of members.

The system of business credits is regarded by Mr. Zoelle as the most surprising thing he has discovered in connection with American business. In Holland, he explained, it is impossible to buy or retail merchandise on terms to any great extent, because of the fluctuating value of the money. Guilders, which are nominally the equivalent of our dollar, are worth sometimes as little as 50 cents, depending on the rate of exchange. This fluctuation in value is an insurmountable obstacle to credit business, inasmuch as purchases could be made when the exchange rate is very low

and could almost pay for themselves with a sudden rise.

However, he declared that regardless of the value of the money, a guildler was actually worth a dollar to the laborer—at least it represented that sum to the workingman. Average wages for skilled labor are about thirty to forty-five guilders per week, and this is about the same as for American laborers. However, prices are higher. A suit of clothes containing a fair amount of wool sells for 125 to 175 guilders, although cheaper cotton suits can be purchased for 30 to 40 guilders. Gasoline sells at about 35 cents a gallon. Mr. Zoelle explained that wooden shoes, which most people believe are worn universally in Holland, are actually worn by only the very poor and cost only a few cents. Leather shoes cost around 12 guilders per pair.

Automobiles are very expensive in Java, the speaker said, a Ford car bringing about 2,000 guilders, and the really expensive makes bringing from ten to sixty thousand guilders. These are not sold on terms at all, but on cash payment, the car being ordered after the money is paid. Java is "the end of the world," he said, in distance and in other ways. It takes about three months for a car to arrive.

In answer to questions, Mr. Zoelle explained that the labor unions in Holland are not large organizations; that they do not hang together very well, and that in most cases, strikes can be financed by them for only a week or two.

TIMES HAVE CHANGED.

"Do you remember the old stories about the boy who went to the great city and came back home just in time to pay the mortgage on the farm?"

"Yes," replied Farmer Cornstossel. "It's different now. When a boy leaves the farm the home folks have to hold themselves in readiness to go to town and help him out with his rent and his grocery bill."—Washington Evening Star.

"Hear no evil, speak no evil, see no evil," is an attractive motto, but it is hardly suited to use by a police chief. —New York Tribune.

Reciprocity with Canada seems to mean an allowance for returned bottles.—Wall Street Journal.

Perhaps modern dancing is called dancing for the same reason that modern dance music is called music.—

NATURAL CLIMAX.
"Jim Bilkins is dead."
"How come?"
"He stuck his head into the Red Dog saloon and hollered FIRE."
"Well?"
"They did."—Siren.

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