

# THE FALLS CITY TRIBUNE.

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### Odd Fellows Entertain.

The Odd Fellows of Falls City kept open house to their friends New Years afternoon and many took occasion to enjoy the delightful hospitality of the order. The spacious club rooms were beautifully decorated with smilax and cut flowers, and the noise of revelry and good fellowship together with the happy throng made an afternoon of rare enjoyment.

Chairman D. Brannin, Harry Pence, Bert Simanton, A. E. Gantt, Ward Knight, V. E. Simanton and Robert Pruesse did the honors as reception committee and bade all welcome with best wishes for the coming year. Mrs. A. E. Gantt presented every guest with a beautiful carnation, and New Years greetings while Mesdames V. E. Simanton, Katherine Wylie and Haner assisted in receiving.

The shades were drawn and numerous candles illumined the hall with their brightness.

Misses Nelle Downs and Grace Bucher, in a prettily decorated bower at the west end of the hall had charge of the punch bowl and Mrs. Clarence Smith served chocolate at the east end of the room. Wafers and cigars were also served Graphophone selections were rendered during the entire afternoon.

In the evening the I. O. O. F. and Rebecca's gave one of their justly celebrated dances which was enjoyed by the members and many of their friends. The Odd Fellows lodge of Falls City is a very progressive order and one that contributes greatly to the social life of this city.

### A Close Call.

Mrs. James Nausler met with an accident Friday last that would have cost her life had she been alone in the home.

She was placing some cobs in the stove when her apron caught fire and the flames spread so rapidly toward her face that she was unable to cope with the situation and called her husband from an adjoining room.

By the time Mr. Nausler reached her the flames had found their way through her dress and skirts, which were consumed to her waist before they could be extinguished.

The strange part of this tragic scene is that neither Mr. nor Mrs. Nausler were severely burned in their battle with the flames.

### Married.

Fred Farrington and Francis Maddox sprung a surprise on their friends Saturday evening by getting married without letting any one in on the secret. Fred went to his supper at six o'clock and after eating, quietly left his home and met his bride at some convenient place and together they went to the Methodist parsonage and were married by Rev. Cline. After the ceremony they were driven to the Burlington station and from there sent notes to their parents notifying them of the event. The happy couple returned from a short stay in Kansas City to receive the congratulations of their relatives and friends New Year's day. For the present Fred Farrington and wife will be at home to their friends at the home of the bride's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Farrington are two of our best known young people, the groom being the son of C. W. Farrington and wife and the bride the daughter of Wm. McKay Maddox and wife. The Tribune extends congratulations.

### Attempted Bank Robbery.

News reached this city Friday morning that burglars had effected an entrance to the Salem bank and blown open the safe. Later developments proved that an attempt had been made to reach the cash but was unsuccessful.

From what can be learned the attempt was made by professionals who proceeded in a very systematic way to drill into the vault door at a proper point to effect an entrance. Their effort on the steel safe was not so successful although they followed every art of the professional in handling the explosive, they could not effect an entrance. The charge damaged the safe considerably and its return to the factory will be essential to its future usefulness.

A second trial was not ventured and they contented themselves with a supply of postage stamps that the postmaster keeps in the vault for safety. Before their departure they made an inventory of the contents of the various private boxes in the vault and were not particular about mixing people's valuable papers which were strewn about the place promiscuously. When they were ready to depart they forced the service of County Treasurer Lord's horse and buggy, but in this act we do not think they had the Lord on their side. They had proceeded but a few miles toward this city when the buggy broke and they left it by the roadside and hitched the horse to another which they found at the home of George Coons.

Friday morning Will Holt was somewhat surprised to find a horse and buggy standing in front of his place. An investigation proved it to be the stolen property which no doubt had been turned loose after filling its mission.

Burglar insurance was carried by the Salem banking institution which will cover all damage. No one in the village heard the report and nothing was known of the affair until the cashier opened for business the next morning.

Sheriff Hossack visited the scene and has been working on the case with but little or no success in spotting the guilty parties up to this time.

### Free Home for Consumptives

Dr. T. D. Bancroft of Salida, Col., was in this city this week in the interest of his free "home for poor consumptives." The doctor gives the Free Home for Consumptives his personal attention and is doing a wonderful work for the consumptives of Colorado who are powerless to help themselves.

Dr. T. D. Bancroft was standing at the head of the stairs in the theatre when Mr. Lincoln was carried past, and he saw a drop of blood fall on a piece of paper—it proved to be a piece of the program played that night. He has presented it to the Kansas State Historical Society at Topeka, Kan.

### E. A. Tucker to Return.

We are informed that E. A. Tucker, formerly of Arizona will return to Humboldt, where he will resume the practice of law in the near future. Mr. Tucker after his retirement from the bench took up the practice of law at Solomonsville, Ariz., for a short time, but on account of Mrs. Tucker's health the change above noted was decided upon.

### New Years Fire.

Monday morning about 10 o'clock the residence of Sigmund Spaeth was discovered to be on fire. By prompt response on the part of our city fire department the damage consisted only of a hole burned in the roof of the building. The fire started from a defective flue running through the attic.

### Herbert Kerr Reorganizes.

Herbert Kerr's "A Trip to Egypt" company arrived in this city Friday last and spent this week in our midst.

This has been a very hard year in the theatrical world and Mr. Kerr became convinced that he was carrying too many people. He was close to his old home and the parental roof and concluded this an opportune time to make the changes he desired.

Upon his arrival here he secured the Bode's hall where rehearsals were held, scenery overhauled and everything placed in readiness for their next week's dates.

### District Court.

The district court was convened Wednesday morning with Judge Raper on the bench. A few motions of an unimportant character were taken up Wednesday morning, after which the court started to grind on the drainage matter. The following jurors have been chosen for the January term to convene January 17th:

John Curtis, West Muddy. Frank Shields, Falls City. Rank McMullen, East Muddy. Chas. Kuker, jr., Barada. W. H. Nedrow, Liberty. Phineas Fisher, Ohio. August Porr, Nemaha. Wm. Vandever, West Muddy. S. M. Chaffin, Humboldt. August Schmitt, Rulo. W. M. Nagel, Liberty. Wm. Tichen, Salem. Henry Schwan, Franklin. Benedict Kopf, Jefferson. Cass Jones, Rulo. James Neeld, Grant. L. McPherson, Falls City. Fred Hummel, Franklin. Andy Burgner, Falls City. John Thiltges, Rulo. Joseph Glasser, Humboldt. Chas. Hoss, Barada. Wm. Kuhlman, Barada. E. R. Williamson, Nemaha.

### Postmistress at Seventy Eight.

Mrs. Jean Sinclair, a former resident of this city, now of Kidderville, Kas., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. John Hossack, this week. Mrs. Sinclair is certainly a remarkable woman. Although she is seventy-eight years of age, she is as active as a majority of women at forty. She is postmistress at Kidderville and has a ranch stocked with hundreds of cattle which receive her personal attention from a business standpoint, and is more keener for a business transaction than ever.

Mrs. Sinclair was a pleasant caller at The Tribune office on Wednesday and while she enjoyed the mysteries of the printing art, her broad Scotch was music to our ears. May she enjoy many more years of health and happiness is our wish.

### Barn and Two Horses Burn.

At about half past one Saturday morning the barn belonging to Nick Lippold was found to be enveloped in flames and had gained too much of a headway to be saved. Two head of horses were burned to death. The cause of the fire is unknown and the building was only partially covered by insurance.

### Marriage Record.

Edward I. Watts, Forest City, Mo., 29  
Lizzie Barber, White Cloud, Kan., 20  
Judge Winite, Dec. 30, '05  
Fred E. Farrington, Falls City, 34  
Frances Maddox, Falls City, 28

### Concerning Alabama.

The Falls City Tribune—Since my return from Alabama I have heard so many erroneous remarks concerning Alabama from parties that have never been there, therefore I will write to you concerning what a person can see just now. Baldwin county is a heavy timber country and is held by big timber companies which stick to it until they have the largest timber cut. The government sent an inspector to Baldwin county a number of years ago to report the condition of the country there. This man was bought by the lumber companies and reported Baldwin county as swamp and overflow, and so it stands recorded on the government books. Most of that county is stumps and timber lands but it is easy to clear and everything grows so easily. Some people say they do not raise good stock there but it is simply neglect on the part of the stock raiser. To begin with natives there have only the poorest grade of stock and then let them run in the timber the year around getting their own food. In the spring and summer the cattle do well on the green grass but in the winter some starve to death for the want of hay, grain and attention.

The hogs and sheep are in the same condition. You know how hogs will look especially this time of the year if they get nothing but dry prairie grass to eat. Their hogs are called just razor backs, their snouts are nearly half the length of their body, their bristles are long enough to tie a sack with and they run like a deer. No wonder the southern stock have such a bad name. But if the northern people will take down good stock and give them their attention they can make a good living easily and secure a home very cheap. Some say that no one but negroes are to be seen in Alabama, but I want to tell you that the Baldwin County Colonization company will not sell, for any consideration, any land to the negroes. Also the roost pigeons don't fly into the peoples' mouth but a poor man can get a home there a great deal easier there than in the north and the taxes are not more than one half as high. Lumber costs from 8 to 15 cents a thousand feet, so houses can be built very cheap and on account of the warm climate do not have to be as solid as here.

Yours truly  
HERMAN KOEHLER,  
Rulo, Nebr.

### Falls City Business College.

winter term opens Monday, January 8th. New classes in all departments. We furnish books and blanks free to all students paying cash or note on entering. Other schools charge \$15.00 cash for these same books and blanks.

G. M. BARRET,  
Principal,  
103 2d

### At the Court House.

With the supervisors in session, a term court grinding away up stairs and the change in the county officers has made this a busy week at the court house. The supervisors have been engaged in allowing bills and drawing the jury. The retiring county officers have done their utmost in showing the ropes to their successors, and assisting them in making the right kind of a start.

### Flue Burns Out.

Wednesday evening the fire department was called out for the third time within a week. This time it was caused by a blaze in the rear portion of the V. G. Lyford department store. The burning out of the chimney was the extent of the damage.

### An Accident.

While J. C. Martin was driving in from Ed Morgan's Monday evening with his wife and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Greenwald and child in the carriage, the conveyance struck a stump throwing Mr. Martin under the horses and cutting his head so severely with his glasses as to require five stitches to close the wound. None of the other occupants was injured.

### Musical Tuesday Evening.

The second of a series of musical evenings given by Mrs. E. Banks and her daughter, were greatly enjoyed by the guests who filled the parlors at the home of these ladies on Tuesday evening.

The program was in harmony with the Christmas and New Year season, and from the opening number Millards "Ava Maria" sung by Mrs. Banks, to the closing solo Grounds "Ring Out, Wild Bells" by Miss Banks the spirit of devotion and good will breathed throughout the beautifully rendered music.

In the solos "Come Unto Him" from Handels Messiah, and "Who'll buy my Lavender" Mrs. Banks' interpretations of the grandeur and simplicity of the respective songs were truly delightful.

The piano selections by Miss Banks were veritable poems of sound. Beethoven Andante "O, Thou Sublime, Sweet Evening Star" by Wagner and Schubert's Impromptu receiving from the audience very marked evidence of appreciation. A surprise came at the end of the program in the beautiful solo "Ring Out, Wild Bells" by Miss Banks, it being the first time she has publicly sang here. The program follows:

PART I  
Voice—Ava Maria.....Millard  
Piano—Andante with variations, Scherzo, Trio and Allegro from Sonata, Op. 26.....Beethoven  
Voice—"Come unto Him," from The Messiah.....Handel  
Piano—"O, Thou Sublime, Sweet Evening Star".....Wagner-Liszt  
Voice—"Inflammatus," from Stabat Mater.....Rossini

PART II  
Piano—Impromptu, Op. 90, No. 4 Schubert  
Voice—"Who'll Buy my Lavender?".....Edward German  
Piano.....  
Voice—"Ring Out, Wild Bells".....Gounod

### Telephone Ordinance.

Again is the telephone ordinance postponed. The promise was made, and repeatedly made that the ordinance would be passed at the first meeting in January. A representative of the local company asked that the matter be postponed, and postponed it was. Sometime—sometime, the ordinance will be put on its passage, when and where and how The Tribune declines to predict. In the meantime the business interests of the town suffers, but the local telephone company continues its monopoly.

The Degree of Honor and A.O. U. W. will hold joint installation of officers Thursday evening January 11, 1909. Every member of both orders should be present.

J. W. King of Shubert was talking with Falls City people on Monday.

### Society Notes.

The Epworth League had an at home from 5 to 9 o'clock Monday evening at the Methodist Church and made it a very pleasant evening for all who attended.

On Monday the members of the Giannini family enjoyed a New Years dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Spear, the event being in honor of their first anniversary of wedded life.

The Shakespeare club resumed its regular meetings on Tuesday, with Mrs. C. F. Reavis as hostess. The next meeting will be with Mrs. D. D. Reavis on Tuesday, January 16.

The members of the Brethren church gave a pound social at the home of their pastor on Monday evening of this week, and made the evening a most pleasant one for all concerned.

Miss Bessie Arnold entertained a dozen of her young friends last Saturday evening. The guests included Linn and Jesse Long of Arizona, who are visiting their parents here.

Friday Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Yutzy entertained at six o'clock dinner, for Mr. and Mrs. Basil E. Boyle, of St. Louis. Covers were laid for fourteen, Christmas decorations were used. The evening was passed with music and cards.

Miss Virgie Mead entertained a number of her young friends at her home in this city Monday evening, in honor of her friend, Stella Wheeler, of University Place. Appropriate games were the order of the evening and at a timely hour luncheon was served.

Bessie Bohrer entertained a few friends on Thursday evening of last week complimentary to Miss Nora Shafer, of Rowan, Iowa. The evening was pleasantly spent as Miss Bessie is a charming hostess. Delicious refreshments were served during the evening.

The Ladies Societies of the home Missionary society enjoyed one of the most pleasant social affairs of the season on Thursday evening of last week. About sixty-five guests gathered at the Methodist parsonage and were served with a pleasant evening and lunch.

Joseph Glaze and wife served a lovely New Year's dinner to several of their friends on Monday. The guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Marts, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jenkins and little daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Harpster and Miss Neitzel. A very pleasant day was enjoyed by all.

The H. S. M. C. club entertained on Tuesday evening of this week, with Miss Nettie Cleveland as hostess. Dancing and cards were indulged in, while Miss Schoenheit presided at the piano. Refreshments added to the other pleasures of the evening.

On Friday evening about thirty-five young people pleasantly surprised Miss Mary Werner at her home on Evergreen Heights, the event being in honor of her birthday. Those present enjoyed a very pleasant time. Refreshments were served during the evening. May Miss Werner enjoy many more such pleasant birthdays.

On Friday evening occurred one of the most pleasant social affairs of the season's events. Nettie Cleveland and Georgia Beaulieu, at the home of the latter, entertained a number of their friends in a most charming manner. Dancing, cards and refreshments claimed the attention of the guests until a late hour. Miss Beaulieu of Sabatha was among the out of town guests.