

Gregory The Coal Man.

Dr. J. M. Mayhew gave an organ recital in Beatrice Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Aach entertained the Unity club this week.

Miss Laura Easterday has left for an extended visit in Illinois and Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Cox are entertaining Miss Beatrice McKenzie and Miss Cora McDowell.

Miss Alleyne Archibald and Miss McWald have recently been pledged to Phi Beta Phi.

Miss Cobb of Chicago, who has been the guest of Mrs. B. P. Bailey, left for her home today.

Mrs. Joseph Grainger had as her guest for a few days this week Miss Belcher of Omaha.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon gave a smoker last evening at the chapter house at Sixteenth and Q streets.

Miss Usher of New York is the guest of her sister, Mrs. C. J. Guenzel, and her brother, T. J. Usher.

Phi Gamma Delta entertained informally last night at the chapter house on Fifteenth and M streets.

Phi Kappa Psi gave a dancing party last evening at the chapter house, 512 South Sixteenth street. The house was decorated in the fraternity colors, lavender and pink and window seats, divans and cosy corners afforded comfortable resting places for the dancers. Refreshments were served in the dining room. Twenty-five couples were present.

Miss Howell, who is at the head of the elocutionary department of the state university, gave a reception Tuesday evening at her pleasant home on C and Seventeenth streets to the members of her department. One hundred and fifty guests were present. Miss Howell was assisted in receiving by her mother, Mrs. A. E. Howell, and by Chancellor and Mrs. Andrews. The house was decorated with scarlet and cream. Miss Howell gave a number of readings. An Egyptian fortune teller foretold the futures of those interested and games contributed to the pleasure of the evening. Cherry ice and wafers were served.

Miss Cora Smith entertained very pleasantly yesterday in honor of Miss Maude Hullhorst. Each guest took her favorite recipe and all will be compiled into a book for the use of the bride. Dainty refreshments were served. Guests were Miss Maude Hullhorst, Mrs. Frank Smith, Mrs. Chas. Hoover, Misses Curry, Mary, Grace, Charlotte, Ruth Hullhorst, Clara Clark, Brick, Anderson, Bauerman, Louise and Clara Fowler, Anna and Ella Robertson, Huntsinger, Heppner, Kormeyer, Redford, Anna and Florence Lowrie, McWhinnie, Woods, Kyle, Maybel and Myrtle Kempton, Ethel Erford, Carrie Reed, Winnie Jackson, Harriet and Charlotte Spaulding, Morrison, little Frank Smith, Jr.

#### COMING AMUSEMENTS

##### At the Oliver

A theatrical event which should arouse much interest among all classes of theatre goers in this city, is the presentation of "Janice Meredith," by Mary Mannering, who is announced for appearance here on next Tuesday evening, December 17.

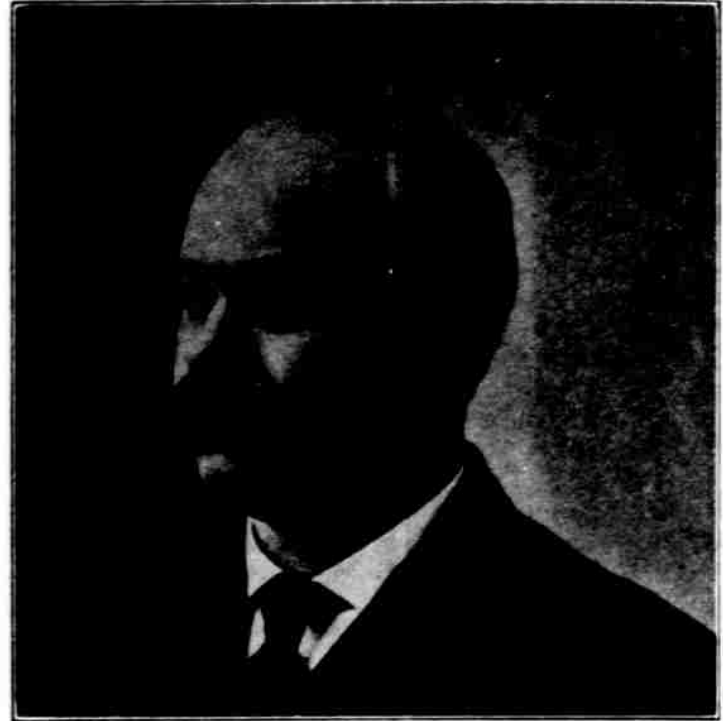
Miss Mannering is one of the best actresses on the American stage. This lady, who is recognized as the most beautiful, as well as one of the most talented on the American stage, has been for many years past leading lady for Daniel Frohman's Stock Company.

What "Shore Acres," "The Old Homestead," and "York State Folks," are to the east, so is "Jess of the Bar Z Ranch" to the great far west.

This admirable comedy-drama which comes to the Oliver next Wednesday evening, depicts life on one of the many vast cattle ranches of New Mexico. The reproduction of the cowboy and his life on the cattle range, the tender love of the American, and the passionate ardor of the Mexican half-breed for the heroine, Jessie Mayfield, and the final retribution, are situations that mark a swiftly moving plot.

The most popular style of musical farce now in vogue is undeniably that of the German dialectician. The first and in all likelihood, the only attraction of this type to be seen in this city will be Mason and Mason, who will present "Rudolph and Adolph" at the Oliver next Thursday night.

The supporting company includes Lottie Williams Salter.



WALT L. DAWSON.

##### In the Field of Local Politics

If there is one man in Lancaster county who knows the ways and wiles of the politician it is Walter L. Dawson, who, for six terms, has occupied the position of secretary of the republican county central committee. Aside from this he served two years as a member of the city central committee.

As secretary, upon Mr. Dawson's shoulders have fallen much of the real work of the campaign. A chairman is, in many instances, largely ornamental. He must be a practical politician and an originator of effective campaign methods, otherwise his usefulness is greatly curtailed. The great secret of success in political campaigns is organization. Without organization, a campaign is haphazard and without effectiveness. Organization consists in getting one or more men in every voting place thoroughly interested in the success of the party and in keeping him at work from beginning until the end. It includes not only keeping in touch with the voters of his election

district so that he may know what arguments will reach the recalcitrant, but in seeing that the voters of his party get out and register their convictions at the polls.

Much of this work has fallen upon Mr. Dawson's shoulders and his ability and fidelity are best attested by the excellent results which have followed almost every campaign in the county in recent years.

Mr. Dawson is a modest man and not inclined to talk about his achievements. He was born in Lafayette, Ind., on March 29, 1865. When eight years of age he removed, with his parents, to Fairbury, Neb. He resided there until 1877, when his father, who had been appointed warden of the state penitentiary, came to Lincoln. Mr. Dawson, Sr., served four years. The family afterwards removed to Bennett. Four years later Mr. Dawson became a resident of Lincoln, and has remained here ever since. For the past two years he has served efficiently as deputy county clerk and has been reappointed.

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