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### A. McCAMPBELL HAD TO MAKE WAY FOR CUMMINS MAN

Iowa Senator Rewarded By Being Allowed To Name Glenn Brunson As Administrator

### MOVE EXPECTED TO HURT BROOKHART

To Add Power To The Senior Hawkeye Senator Plans Are Made To Remove Headquarters To Sioux City—Senators Howell, Norris And Congressman Sears Asleep At Switch—Samardick Was Lodigal Man For The Place.

Andrew McCampbell federal prohibition administrator for Nebraska, Iowa and South Dakota is gone. In his swivel chair sits "Hard Boiled" Glenn A. Brunson of Des Moines, state agent under McCampbell. And thereby hangs a political tale.

Albert Cummins is a regular republican and he is from "Ioway" where the tall corn grows almost as fast as the politicians. Albert is in strong with the Administration. Somebody, perhaps officers of the Anti-saloon league made a squawk about McCampbell and backed their contentions with a bunch of letters written by prohibition fanatics.

This was the signal to start something in Washington and to help rebuild political fences. Brookhart the radical is to oppose Cummins in the coming primaries. Something had to be done. Why not place a stick of dynamite under Mr. McCampbell and blow him eastward. Fine, a great idea and it had to work as the big bosses and grafters in Washington have a way of making things work when it is to their advantage to do so.

A simple change of district administrators, even considering the fact that senator Cummins landed his man, in itself would not have gone a long

ways, politically speaking. The idea was to add to the senior senator's popularity while the primaries were in full swing. To accomplish this purpose, so that the died-in-the-wool prohibitionists would vote for him as one man, a scheme was worked out wherein the divisional headquarters would be transferred to Sioux City, so many people believe.

That such will be the final ending is beyond the pre-adventure of a doubt. The whole scheme is as plain as the biblical hand writing on the wall. It only needs a very few thousand votes of the republican variety to swing a primary election in these hectic political days. This coup-de-et will probably turn the trick for Cummins and the administration.

Meanwhile, Congressman Sears and senators Howell and Norris were and are as usual asleep at the switch. To keep the divisional headquarters in Omaha meant much for this city. But what do they care about doing anything for Omaha or Nebraska except at such times as they are out on a still hunt for votes. They know nothing of local pride and care less as they are all under the impression that they are sure of their jobs so long as they have registered under the banner of

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### METHODS OF KLAN USED AGAINST JEWS CATHOLICS AND "NIGGERS" EXPOSED

Propaganda Of Kluxers Say That Their Organization Is The Only Real American One And That Jews Should Be Forced Out Of Business—Send Out Fake Knights Of Columbus Oath—Rap Shines In South.

(Continued from April 23rd.)  
Editors Note: This is the third and last of a series exposing the Ku Klux Klan and their officials, for the present.

Paid grafters, the higher ups, of the Ku Klux Klan, use every means, fair or foul, to prejudice their victims against the jews, the catholics and the negroes. They have succeeded fairly well through their ingenious method of appealing to sectional people. In the south they shout "Down with the nigger", in the large cities they make their appeal for membership by denouncing jews and jewish activities. Throughout the country they ply on the ignorance of the general public by propaganda against the catholics. Charging that the pope is getting ready to take over this country body and soul. They made it work for a while but people will eventually learn and with knowledge comes a diminishing of Klan membership and activities.

As jew baiters they are good. The money getters of the organization send out instructions to their Kluxes, the ones who sell memberships in the Klan in some communities that is all but treason. Here is a fair sample of the "dope" they give out against the hebrews of the country: "The jew patronizes only the jew unless it is impossible to do so." As a matter of fact it is well known that jews in general don't care the snap of their finger who they patronize, so long as they get a square deal. Right here in Omaha any one who will take the trouble to investigate will find that the average jew patronizes his nearest suburban grocer, druggist or who-not, not because the owner is or is not a jew but because it is convenient to patronize such neighbors. That is just what

the average American does.

But the Klan moguls instruct their underlings to give out this line of talk: As long as the jew patronizes only the jew, we klansmen, the only real Americans, must by the same methods, protect ourselves, and practice by actual application the teachings of klannishness.

With this policy faithfully abhered to, it will not be long before we will force the jew out of business by our practice of his own business methods, for when the time comes when only klansmen patronize one another then the days of the jews success will be numbered and the Invisible Empire can drive them from the face of the earth or at least the shores of America."

If such kind of propaganda is not strong enough to entice an anti-semitic, they shoot this: "The Jew religion is to control wealth and thereby control all nations. And you can not deny that they are not doing it under false pretenses and names. Jews are entering into every nation on earth and carrying their religion of money, first, last and all time with them."

But their dirty lying rot about the jews is as nothing compared to what they put out against the catholics and the Knights of Columbus in particular. They have millions of cards printed purported to be, the oath taken by the Knights. It is so ridiculous that it is funny but the poor dupes in Omaha and elsewhere fall for it and swear that it is the god's honest truth.

Here is a part of the bogus oath of the Knights of Columbus as told by the klax fakers. "I \_\_\_\_\_ the blessed Virgin Mary \_\_\_\_\_ do by the womb of the Vir-

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### Unusual Interest In Baseball Shown

At That The Performances Of Sprinter Locke Overshadowed Dieds Of Diamond Heroes This Week.

While naturally the outstanding interest in sports lies in baseball and its individual heroes, one outstanding college event eclipsed even the national game in point of interest not only for Nebraska but for the nation as well.

Herold Locke, who has gained an international reputation as the fastest human the world has ever known, proved decisively that his record for the 100 yard dash was not a fluke. The powers that be in amateur sports held out on him for some reason or other. He made the dash at Drake in 9-5 flat thus shattering all previous records. But the record was thrown out on the flimsy pretext that he had the wind to his back. That would have been sufficient excuse had the track been fast. As it was the Nebraska speed demon had to run on a heavy track which more than outweighed any wind advantage he may have had.

Right on the heels of the Drake meet, the University of Nebraska star was entered in the 100 yard dash and the 220 yard sprint. He didn't do a thing but tie up the century mark of 9-6 but carved out everlasting fame for himself by breaking all existing records for the 220 yard go. Locke is just one more state university hero to add gobs of laurels to the many already gathered by the husky Cornhuskers.

Now for a little belated fight dope on the confab at the Auditorium last Friday night. The card to all intents and purposes was a good one and fairly well attended. Much was to be expected but little was realized. The main event which was to be the wedge through which Morrie Schlaifer was to stage his fiftieth comeback was a whiz bang, whatever that is.

Morrie apparently tried hard but did not carry enough gasoline to pull him up the hill to victory and glory. As an absorber he was the same old Morrie but he didn't have to absorb very much as Russell's punches were about as strong as the kind they serve at W. C. T. U. afternoon pink teas. Not wishing to give more than he took, the Omaha Jew seemed to be very considerate and made no great effort to send in one of his famous heymakers, that gave him a national reputation.

The other fights were good and fairly even but the refereeing was rotten to the core, especially the one where in Earl McArthur got the decision over Teddie Gartin, the game little Minneapolis boxer. Eddie got nine rounds by a reasonably wide margin but was knocked down once in the ninth, whereupon the referee in his super-wisdom awarded the fight to the Sioux City lad. A draw would have been bad enough but a decision to Earl - - Well that was just like taking candy from a baby.

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### ABOUT THESE "HOTELS"

Complaints have come to police officials recently about the system being employed in the operation of some Omaha hotels, whose reputation has been questionable for a long time. At least two of these places have been claiming a place among the second-class hostleries of the city. One of them is located on South Fifteenth street and the other on North Fourteenth. The proprietors of both these places have maintained considerable dignity about the character of their "hotels," but the complaints indicate that they have been used as assignation houses. Of the truth of this The Mediator cannot nor does not vouch, but indications are of a questionable reputation of both of them. But inquiries are being made, it is said, and Omaha will soon be rid of some of its questionable resorts.

This is especially true of those that have posed as simon pure hotels, although their greatest proof of such has been a hotel sign and a good quantity of stationery bearing the name of the "hotel."

### Daily Newspaper Men In Blackmail Scheme

Two newspaper men working on a local daily are alleged to have been blackmailing several well-to-do men in the city or attempting to do so. The paper on which they work is known but the actual identity of the men so far, has not been completely established. They are expected to be caught up with in a short time and if they are they will find that The Mediator is doing anything but "standing still."

The system is to call up some man or woman they have the "goods" on and intimate that unless the party comes across they will see that he or she is exposed in The Mediator. Thus while these blackmailers are getting the money this paper is getting the curses that go with such actions. It is alleged that one or two detectives are silently working in cahoots with them.

One man who was touched said he knew the dirty work was no part of any one connected with this paper but for obvious reasons refrained from giving the names of the perpetrators. Another gentleman of influence turned them down with a warning against having anything printed in The Mediator to his detriment.

This paper and every one connected with it is going to move heaven and earth to find out the identity of these two men and when that is accomplished, and its going to be, there will be a sensation created that will give the other two daily papers a batch of news that they will like, to say the least. The Mediator will go much further than simply telling who they are and with what paper they are associated, by prosecuting them to the limit.

### DOINGS IN OMAHA FIFTY YEARS AGO

Joe Benesch was taking another vacation. He believed in them, because he has had plenty of experience. Joe said you could not work all the time.

J. Ervine Brandeis was taking another extended vacation. John sure had some good advice for his young friends, which he gave from experience, he said.

Uncle Sam Rohrer was once a prohibition agent but he left his job in Omaha and had been forgotten until he moved to California. But Rohrer was still a Mediator subscriber and promised to pay up his subscription.

Nels Urdike said there were other things in this world, besides newspapers. He even thought there was such a thing as making a living out of the grain business, with a little coal thrown in. And Nels knew pretty well what he was talking about, too.

Lou Adams was a caller during the week on Joe Wright. Joe ran a barber shop in his younger days and Lou was a regular caller until he became bald headed.

There are lawyers and "lawyers." There are times when everybody needs an attorney. Leo Beveridge said he had not caught up with some lawyers but was doing very well, thank you.

Anna Morris said it was not like it usterwas. Mary Dean had the same story although she was too blind to tell the truth any more. Miss Dean entertained many celebrities in her time.

There were other places to live beside South Omaha, so declared Mrs. W. Rountt, who recently took up St. Louis as an abiding place. She said there were worse towns than St. Louis, but not very many.

### PRESBYTERIANS TURN DOWN OFFER TO EVANGELIZE CITY

Stand Taken By Mediator When Billy Sunday Came To Gip The People Now Fully Justified

### DRS. JENKS AND MacLEOD OUTSPOKEN

Minister Wanted To Bring Grafting Revivalist Here At \$250 Per Week—Nothing Doing Said Others—Expose Of Sunday By This Paper Not Forgotten By Those Who At That Time Had Faith In Him.

A certain colossal grafter, Rev. A. Earl Kernihan, who terms himself a high powered evangelist, wants to come to Omaha next September and put on a knock 'em down and drag them out revival. His terms are \$250.00 plus, per week. He is doomed to disappointment as the Presbyterian ministers of the city after receiving the offer turned him down flat. They had plenty of reasons.

Dr. MacLeod told his fellow ministers a mouthful when he stood out against the plan of bringing any more "high pressure" sawdust side show barkers to town. He said that he got sick in the stomach (but in other words) when he recalled the various evangelistic campaigns in which he had taken part, including those of Gipsy Smith, Dr. Dawson and the world's greatest and most successful revival faker, Billy Sunday.

The Mediator and its editor came in for a great deal of "hot shot" stuff at the hands of Billy Sunday, after the man that made sawdust famous got all worked up about a series of true stories printed in the paper about him while he was saving thousands of souls, while those being saved wore their soles out trekking down the trail.

At that time the editor found out

Sunday had assaulted an innocent Iowa girl and was successful in getting documentary proof of such nature that even the oily tongued Billy was unable and unwilling to refute. Every Friday the paper come out with a thunderbolt of truths about the revivalist's graft, all but unprintable sins and even his unsavory baseball record while with the old Chicago clubs, of which he spoke so bombastically. Billy Sunday on the next day would doom the editor to hell.

The "great" evangelist and Ma Sunday were not the only ones peeved. A big flock of ministers and laymen had sponsored the Barnam-like, eat 'em alive barnstorming show and they wanted to make good. They meant well but found few who had hit the trail came to join their various churches. The only one who made good with a vengeance was the girl seducer, blooey baseball faker, money scheming, Sunday, who left the town with tens of thousands of dollars with the public as well as the Ministerial Union holding the sack.

The proper and sensible action of the Presbyterians probably sounds the death knell of so called revivals in Omaha. This paper stood alone some ten years ago and fought the great

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### LABOR CONDITIONS IN AMERICA ARE IDEAL AS ENGLAND IS IN DEATH GRIP

The "Lets Get Together" Idea On This Side Of The Pond Has Proven A God-Send For Both Labor And Capital—Not A Single Strike Of Importance Ushered In On May Day—Four Million Out In British Isles.

The labor condition in America is all but ideal which is anything but a commonplace occurrence after Mayday. Surface appearances are that employer and employee have finally awakened to the fact that the interests of both are best served by friendly arbitration and mutual understanding. The "Let's get together" plan is working fine. Meanwhile labor is on the job, working full time and getting well paid for their efforts.

While everybody who wants to work is working and wages are almost at war-time level, Capital is enjoying its just share of the prosperity that comes with a satisfied labor element. The two, Capital and Labor are marching down the prosperity highway, hand in hand, each apparently glad and willing that the other should share in the glories and compensations that come when all is serene and mutual understanding is duofold.

Had last Saturday, May day, lived up to its reputation as strike or lock-out day, there would have been hundreds, perhaps thousands out of employment in Omaha, other thousands in Nebraska and a total of millions throughout the nation. But mediation for which this paper has always stood and on which it built its lasting foundation, prevailed, as a result of which everybody is working at good wages, employers are turning over their money to advantage and the goose hangs high in every quarter.

This is perhaps the first time in thirty years or more when major disturbances of one kind or another have not come to a focus and thereby caused untold suffering among those who labor, caused distress among those indirectly affected and caused those who employ labor to sit up nights figuring out their losses.

The building trades condition in Omaha and other places is typical of the general labor conditions of the country. One may ride up and down Farnam, Douglas and every other business street as well as through the hundreds of residential streets and find thousands of highly paid workmen on the job of helping to build a greater and bigger Omaha.

Nor is this condition peculiar to Omaha this year. Take Chicago for instance. Since the days of Governor Altgeld and his famous stand on the labor question. There has never been a year but what the building trades, teamsters, street car men or other labor organizations have not gone out on strike, sometimes to win, more often to lose. When labor in these cases won, they lost anyway, as all those directly involved in such strikes will tell you. When they lost, they lost heavily. Either way, Capital also lost.

Employers of men finally awakened to the fact that the remedy against strikes was in their hands and that such a remedy did not lie in the lock-out route. First and foremost of all they decided that never again would they deal and dicker with the "Walking delegate". That was the trick that finally plucked the thorn from the side of honest labor as well as capital. For twenty-two years the Mediator has deplored the actions of the walking delegate and it seems as though as last its dreams in this instance has come true.

Next, capitalists, though some of them hated the idea, found it a paying proposition to pay their men well and make labor conditions, such as they themselves would expect, were they to be forced to exchange places with an employee. This has brought

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### TRYING OUT SUICIDE

To live; To die. That is the question. Whether 'tis nobler in the mind to live it out or to end it all and join the hosts from which no traveler returns, or words to that effect, soliloquized Hamlet, who eventually found death in a poisoned dagger after he had given his friends a run for their money. So he went his way to the unknown. So did the King and his old woman and several others. The melancholy Dame did not experiment first to "find out if it hurt."

It was different with Jacob Sallabeck of Omaha. He was a curious cuss and wanted first hand information on the subject of death through the suicide route. His wondering mind led him to take a gun, point it to his breast and fire away. He figured that if he was going to shuffle off this mortal coil, he wanted to do the trick in a manner befitting a gentleman and at the same time side-step any pain that may be attached to the great adventure.

So it was that he inflicted quite a severe wound upon himself and it hurt, hurt to beat the band. That apparently peeved Jake who has now rounded almost three score years and ten. He sensibly went to a hospital and told the authorities all about it. Also He said he thought the suicide idea was a bunk and what he wanted was some dope or some kind that would alleviate his pain. Most any way he would have tried would have turned out the same way so far as the hurt business was concerned, but other methods may have proved more disastrous if less painful.

Hundreds of thousands of people contemplate suicide but through religious fear or an inspired intuition to live or the curiosity that is in every human being to wonder what will happen in the future, few put their ideas of that morbid nature into effect. Some do, however and the majority of them that actually take the bull by the horns and send their souls to heaven or to hell if there are such places. Some of them are fully justified but most of them are simply weak fools who take a chance with death but are too cowardly to take a chance with life.

Once upon a time there was a young Omaha man who had about every disease that was known to medical science. Also he had a few diseases wished upon him by a bunch of attending physicians. To have the real diseases that were apparent if not real was bad enough but when the doctors placed upon his already weakened body a whole galaxy of ailments for him to worry about the burden seemed a bit too hard to carry. So he contemplated suicide but eventually gave up the idea both to his great satisfaction and at times to his deep sorrow.

He was suffering from the vilest of social diseases. And in its most virulent form. He had heart trouble. He had just about everything that goes with the two. But he was an optimistic devil. They had him completely down and out at one time. The doctors gave him six hours to live (which was kind of them.) Somehow, somehow he cheated them and the grave as well as the undertaker. This was probably unkind to him, never-the-less that is what he did and seemed proud of the accomplishment.

Not being able to knock the Omaha boy for a goul at the time, the physicians tried a new stunt, wittingly or unwittingly. They told him that he was not only afflicted with the afore mentioned diseases but that he was in the very last stages of consumption, the great white plague. That was the blow that almost killed father and he was the father of a young daughter at that.

Then the Doctors held a consultation. That was fine. They decided on giving him a month to live in Omaha or five to six months in California. Taking the long end of the bet the young man decided to beat it to southern California. This he did and wound up in San Bernardino, a small city close to Los Angeles. Banjo in hand, plenty of guts but little money and short on breath and speech through the ravages of the then all but incurable disease, handed down through the ages, the Omahan after getting located, started looking for a nice up-to-date graveyard with a pauper sign about the place, where he could lie down and sleep forever after date of execution as set by the eminent Nebraska physicians.

This accomplished, he just stuck around awaiting to kick the bucket. Then the last dollar wet into the maw of the restaurant man. Now what? Suicide? Yes, may as well cheat the doctors by a couple of moths and die with a belly full. Then a little shriveled up Russian jew came on the stage. He too had been doomed but wouldn't stay put.

Full of sympathy and chrewd as a tack, the hebrew fixed it up for the Omaha boy to go to the county hospital. There he went at ten o'clock, from there he came back at two, headed for the South-

ern Pacific tracks. He philosophised. Well said he to himself, if a man suicides and goes to hell for the act, it wont be as bad as living at the "Poor Farm" out on the rim of the earth.

So he went down to the track and laid down waiting for a big oil burning engine to come along and send him to Kingdom come. It was a long time a coming said the youth from the Gate City. He got up and dragged himself a couple of blocks ad sat down on the stone step in frotn of an old fashioned but friendly house.

Then out came an old lady, well past eighty and wanted to know if she could be of help to him. He didn't know and didn't seem to care very much. Her gentle voice was however assurance personified and her disposition almost heavenly. She persuaded the stranger to come in and within fifteen minutes had cured him of all suicidal intents. Not only that, she cheated the doctors, the undertakers and the grave diggers.

With all the sweetest that only a great grand mother can know she nourished him, bringing back his mentality to normalcy, eventually giving him cause to want to live and health in large part was restored. The idea of suicide was a thing of the past. The little old lady who was a surgical nurse during the civil war and carried one of the few personal passports issued by Abraham Lincoln had found the fallacy of medicine and was one of it not the first, followers of Mary Baker Eddy, founder of Christian Science.

### REVIVAL GRAFTERS

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religious graft as it is practiced and preached by such men as Billy Sunday, Gipsy Smith and others of their highly paid profession.

At that time fanatic christians attempted to pray the editor into hell but made a bum job of it. The facts and figures brought out at that time are now recognized by even the most ardent and earnest ministers and christians in general. The recoil against revival meetings is now so strong that even this paper which has always been against such fly-by-night get to heaven methods via the sawdust trail, could think of nothing so bitterly denouncing as that given by some of the city's most popular and prominent ministers.

Some readers, who perhaps missed the story of the turning down of the services of Dr. Kernihan by the Presbyterian Ministerial Association, will hardly concede that such was the case. A few remarks by Dr. Jenks at the meeting should convince the most skeptical. Among other things he said:

"The chief thing that distinguishes evangelists is that they always want the money. And they get the money, but I am a little dubious about the spiritual returns. The Billy Sunday revival here was a scandal. He was paid twenty thousand dollars for seven weeks.

Dr. MacLoed cited his experiences as follows: "If there is anything I don't believe in, it is high pressure methods of evangelism. It is disappointing in most instances. The memory of every evangelistic campaign in which I have had a part, including those of Billy Sunday, Gipsy Smith, Dr. Dawson and others, is tinged with disappointment.

"I don't believe any one man can come into a church and produce results. I can't understand that kind of magic. It gets to be a card signing proposition. It is easy to get people to sign a card saying they want to be Christians, but it is hard to get them to go to church. One of the misleading things about evangelism is its exaggerated mathematics giving totals for Christians won and so forth. I used to think that with Billy Sunday or Gipsy Smith on hand I could sit by with folded hands, but after experiences were always sad."

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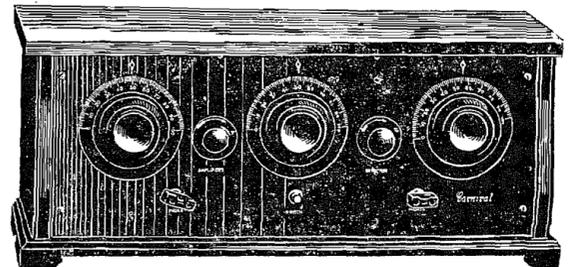
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## OFFERED HIM BUSY SUBWAY STATION

Chester Conklin Turns Down Proposition, However, In Amusing Episode In "The Wilderness Woman."

One of the most amusing episodes in "The Wilderness Woman," Robert Kane's new production for First National Theatre here Saturday, occurs when a clique of confidence men attempt to sell one of the busy New York subway stations to Chester Conklin, the comedian with the walrus moustache. Conklin, who is supposed to be a millionaire Alaskan miner, declines to purchase the station, however, because he cannot believe that the trains run under the river in tunnels. Arthur Stringer is author of "The Wilderness Woman." His name has been on such picture and serial successes as Gloria Swanson's "Man-handled" and Richard Dix's "Woman-handled." In the "Wilderness Wo-

man" he has contrived the story of the old Alaskan miner and his daughter who eventually strike it enormously rich and venture to New York on a spending spree.

Aileen Pringle appears as the daughter. Miss Pringle in this role is afforded her first opportunity at character comedy. Heretofore she has been chiefly identified with vampire roles. In the present instance, however, a new side of her personality is brought into view. Conklin is his usual amusing self, while the hero is carried by Lowell Sherman. Others are Henry Vibart and Robert Cain.

"The Wilderness Woman" was adapted from the Stringer story by Paul Bern and Paul Schofield, and produced under the direction of Howard Higgin.

## TEMPERAMENTAL CASTS HER HOBBY

But Marion Fairfax, Only Woman Screen Producer, Moulds Them Into Perfect Organization.

Marion Fairfax, world's only woman screen producer, revels in gathering together for her picture casts players with seemingly intractable and erratic temperaments. Where another producer would throw up his hands in surrender, Miss Fairfax has the reputation in Hollywood of evolving a highly effective, if temperamental, film making organization.

She seems to have followed her usual procedure to perfection in "Old Loves and New," an adaptation of "The Desert Healer," by E. M. Hull. It is a First National picture presented by Sam E. Rork and comes to the Rialto Theatre here next Saturday.

Lewis Stone, who heads the cast of "Old Loves and New," is an enigmatic figure among film players. Stone keeps much to his home hearth and his library. He is seldom seen in the pleasure haunts where the film stars foregather for social diversion. Stone has a keen intellect, is well read and leads a quiet, secluded home life—which is perhaps contrary to the general conception of a film star's life.

Barbara Bedford, who plays the feminine lead, like Stone, is another contradiction of the general notion that film players spend their time frivolously. Although enjoying the companionship of her fellow players she prefers to spend her evenings at home.

Tully Marshall brings the glory of the speaking stage to the screen. Years ago Marshall was a New York stage favorite, memorable particularly as the central figure of Clyde Fitch's great dramatic hit, "The City." His screen portrayals in "The Covered Wagon," "He Who Gets Slapped," "The Merry Widow" and "Clothes Make the Pirate," stamp him the most versatile and deft of screen character artists. Attending public functions is Tully's greatest aversion.

## Housewives Buy Most Telephone Stock

Housewives, stenographers and clerks subscribed for more than half of the total of 50,000 shares of the recent \$5,000,000 issue of 6½ percent cumulative preferred stock issued by the Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, according to figures just compiled and released by President W. B. T. Belt of Omaha.

Sixteen thousand and fifty eight shares at \$100 per share were subscribed for by 3,454 housewives; 5,582 shares were taken by 1,395 stenographers and 4,725 shares by 1,565 clerks. Exclusive of these three groups and of telephone employees themselves, the largest number of subscriptions by a total of 20,096 persons in the Company's territory of Iowa, Nebraska, Minnesota, North and South Dakota, were from salesmen, members of building trades, merchants, teachers, doctors, insurance and real estate people and railroad employees, in the order named.

It was the desire of the Company, according to President Belt, that the issue of stock be sold in such a way as to afford as many persons as possible the opportunity of acquiring a financial interest in the telephone business, especially the person of small means.

The entire issue was offered and sold exclusively through telephone employees and was oversubscribed 60 percent in two days. There were more applications for one share of stock than for any other number, 8,502 in all. This number, together with the 2,951 persons who applied for two shares represent more than half of the total number of the new stockholders.

Fully ninety-nine percent of the men living in England, Scotland and Wales are Englishmen, Scotchmen and Welch. That means in the final analysis that anarchy, serious riots or the complete breakdown of the government will never occur. Should a strike of such magnitude get under way in this country it is hard to tell what would be the outcome for the simple reason that this is and has been the melting pot of the universe.

According to population a strike in the United States of equal gravity with that going on now in the British Isles, would entail fifteen million men. With every nation in the world represented in such a labor strike it is doubtful if this country could control the situation in less than a year. But eventually they would be in the harness and the government would continue to live and prosper as it has in the past.

## Everything From A Dishrag To A Distillery On Sale

Police Will Auction Off Their Collection Of A Year For The People Who Are Looking For Bargains—Mortgage Lot Of Staff On Sale.

The police department will hold its annual auction May 19 at the police station. They have a motley array of stuff, which ranges all the way from distilleries to dishrags. The distilleries, let it be known, however, will not be in working order, and they will be of value only for the old copper contained in them.

This auction is an important event in police doings, because the money all goes into the police pension fund. During the year there have been some remarkable catches in the dragnet of the department and, it is said, even some automobiles will be offered. At any rate this auction will be worth any person's attendance, if they happen to be in the market for anything.

These police auctions occur once every year and are conducted in a business-like manner, under the direction of Chief Van Dusen. This year, however, is an unusual one for stuff to be sold and police officials are jubilant about it. There doubtless will be some rare bargains, which will be worth the while of everybody to attend.

## METHODS OF KLAN USED AGAINST JEWS, CATHOLICS AND "NIGGERS" EXPOSED

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gin, the matrix of God, and the rod of Jesus Christ, declare and swear that His Holiness the Pope is Christ's vice-gerent and that His Holiness hath power to dispose of Kings, Princess, States, Commonwealths and governments that is deemed advisable to destroy.

In conclusion the printed cards sent out purporting to be a part of the ritual reads: "I do denounce and disown any allegiance as due to any heretical King, Prince, or state, named Protestant or Liberals, or obedience to any of their laws, Magistrates, or officers.

Now if you will, compare the licentious statements of the crooked Klan officers with the real oath taken by the Knights of Columbus. When one becomes a member of the K. of C. Here is the real oath he subscribes to and lives up to.

"I swear to support the Constitution of the United States. I pledge myself, as a Catholic citizen and Knight of Columbus, to enlighten myself fully upon my duties as a citizen and to conscientiously perform such duties entirely in the interest of my country and regardless of all personal consequences. I pledge myself to do all in my power to preserve the integrity and purity of the ballot, and to promote reverence and respect for law and order. I promise to practice my religion openly and consistently, but without ostentation, and to so conduct myself in public affairs and in the exercise of public virtues as to reflect nothing but credit upon our Holy Church, to the end that she may flourish and our country prosper to the greater honor and glory of God."

(From time to time this paper will expose the un-American methods of the Klan, that clean cut citizens of the United States may know just what unprincipled methods this outlaw organization uses to accomplish its money grabbing murderous purposes.)

## COMMISSIONER NOYES DANGEROUSLY ILL

Dean Noyes, one of the most popular commissioners ever to hold elective office was at the point of death at press time. If the wishes of almost every man, woman and child in Omaha avails, he will recover.

## Millions Of Strikers Threaten Life Of Nation

The greatest strike of workmen the world has ever known is now in full force across the big pond. It would appear that the strike is more political than economical. Ramsy McDonald the Scotch parliamentary labor leader wants to become the nation's real chief again and will probably succeed if the miners and their millions of walkout sympathizers are able to gain their point. If they do it is good bye to Baldwin and a severe blow to the government and the mine operators.

The British government has a stubborn way of winning anything they set out to do and it is safe bet that they will either win or get the best of it should a compromise result. England's union laborers love their unions to a greater extent than is known in this country but they love their native land still more.

# Why Car Company Asks 40 Year Consent Now

The assertion has been made that it is unnecessary at this time for the Omaha & Council Bluffs Street Railway Company to obtain a 40-year franchise.

First, it is said that there is no necessity for the company to make refinancing arrangements for another year or more. Second, that 40 years is an unreasonable length of time for a franchise to run.

These statements doubtless arise from a misunderstanding of the facts in the situation. Certainly no fair-minded man who is conversant with the steps for refinancing a large issue of bonds, such as face this company, would seriously make such assertions.

While it is true that twenty months will elapse before these bonds come due; that is not a very long time in which to arrange for refinancing a street railway security of this magnitude. It is very difficult in the present poor market for street railway securities to obtain finances at a reasonable rate even where a company holds a long term franchise. Where there is any difference of opinion about the duration of a franchise, or no franchise exists, it is virtually impossible to refinance a company.

Naturally the local company, in the interest of its car riders, wants to refinance at as low a rate as possible. The easiest way of getting a low rate is to go to the money market backed by a franchise of a reasonable duration.

The necessity for a long term franchise lies in the fact that investors now favor long term bonds and will not buy bonds of a company which does not have an unquestioned franchise running well beyond the maturity of the bonds. The Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company, a sound and prosperous company, recently found it necessary to put out an issue of bonds running for 37 years.

A forty-year franchise period is not an unusually long one nowadays. Many states now grant indeterminate franchises.

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