

Wholesale Indictments By The Grand Jury

NEBRASKA JOINS SISTERHOOD OF STATES IN ROAD PROGRAM

First Legislature In State's History to Eliminate Politics and Pass Constructive Legislation

SOME AUTOISTS "SQUAWK" AT GAS TAX

Shortest Session In Forty Years Results In Greatest Accomplishments—Good Roads Program Will Take Nebraska "Out Of The Mud"—McMullen Sets New Precedent By Addressing Solons Day Of Adjournment.

At last Nebraska has joined the sisterhood of states in a nation wide commendable effort for a well organized better road program. The state legislature which adjourned Wednesday wrote into law a 2 cent gasoline tax which means the beginning of a good road's program which will eventually put a system of state highways that will put Nebraska on a par with its neighbors. In the matter of state wide road betterments.

While the users of the highways, the automobile owners put up a strenuous squawk, their "holter" was of no avail and the better judgement of the legislature prevailed.

It is conservatively figured that the 2 cents a gallon tax will bring into the state treasury for road building purposes 4 and one half million dollars which amount will be duplicated by the United States Government. With 9 million dollars available for the next two years wonderful advancement may be expected along permanent highway construction.

A few inequalities crept into the law, notably the section which does not require a gasoline tax from farmers who use gasoline for other than automobiles uses. "The same law however requires that business men in the cities who happen to operate establishments which requires the use of gasoline for other than automobile purposes, must pay the tax.

However the law in general is such a good one that the minor discrepancies may be overlooked in order that that state paving program may be successfully carried out without a hitch or wrangle. The action of the legislature makes Nebraska the 37th state to take definite action in the matter and means that within a very

few years there will be a net work of international highways comparable with those of European countries.

The legislative session was the most remarkable in Nebraska's history. In forty years and the most productive of good results. Secondly the solons used their good judgements to keep away from freak legislation confining themselves for the most part to bills of vital interest to the state and to the individual. And they kept away from petty politics. This in itself is an accomplishment which calls for high compliments and resulted in a constructive program the like of which has never been before written in Nebraska's statutes.

The Intangible Tax bill which finally became a law after a long drawn out and heated battle is just one evidence of the common sense of the state senators and representatives.

The legislature and governor McMullen being in complete harmony, one with the other made it comparatively easy for them to accomplish much which was good in a comparatively short space of time.

Their work was so good and efficient that the governor felt called upon to break a precedent by addressing the legislature on its closing day. He said that he felt compelled to appear before the body and pay his respects to the greatest legislature in the history of Nebraska. He told the solons that personally he thought the Forty-third session will stand without a parallel in the state's history.

"There was little or no politics in this 1925 assembly. The finest compliment was paid it by Speaker Burke during a conference between (Continued on page 3)

115 RECORDS MADE

Sixty-one Marks Still Stand, Others All Passed By Year's Star Performers—15 Records Credited To Frigerio.

One hundred and fifteen world records have been made to date in the indoor track and field season which virtually closed last Saturday night. Of this amazing total 61 marks still stand, the others being superseded.

Paavo Nurmi of Finland leads with 84 records, of which 18 will stand to his credit. Most of the other 16 he himself has broken in subsequent meets through the east.

Spurred by Nurmi's unprecedented feats, America's track stars have contributed their best to make this the greatest indoor season in the history of the sport.

To Willie Ritola goes the honor of second place in the record total. He has broken 18 records since the first of the year, but has seen most of his performances fall before Nurmi.

Ugo Frigerio of Italy, Olympia walking champion, has made 15 marks. Nine were made Saturday night when he defeated William Plant, his American rival, in a 10,000-meter race.

Plant, with three defeats over Frigerio to his credit, has made six records and has held four of them.



Constance Bennett in the Paramount Picture "Code of the West" Stars at the Rialto

ELKS TO INSTALL NEW OFFICERS TONIGHT

The annual installation of officers of the Elks lodge will be held at 8 o'clock tonight at the Elks lodge rooms. Those officers to be installed are: Ray Short, exalted ruler; Judge James M. Fitzgerald, esteemed leading knight; Penn P. Fodrea, esteemed lecturing knight; Otto Nielsen, secretary; Charles M. Fixa, treasurer; John E. Himoe, tiler; B. Julien, trustee; Herbert W. Johnson, representative to the grand lodge; and John H. Killian, alternate representative to the grand lodge.

Either James G. McFarland of Watertown, S. D., or T. B. Dysart, district deputy grand exalted ruler, will be installing officer.

TED OF UNIVERSITY PLACE, "BERTHING" WITH BERTHA AS CHILD BORN TO WIFE

Niece Of Former Brewer Plays The Game Strong With Chicago Millionaire—Ted's Wife Said To Be Ignorant Of Entire Affair—Said That Former Wife Of Harte And Ted Stage Many Wild And Hilarious Parties.

She lives out on Wirt street and her name is Bertha. She used to be the wife of Harold Harte. Besides being young she has a decided attractive personality and is still at least good looking. She was divorced about two years ago by Harte and dropped out of Omaha society to a certain extent at that time. She is a niece of one of Omaha's former big brewers and lives in a handsome mansion in the vicinity of Nineteenth and Wirt streets.

This winning lass has recently come into prominence by her flirtation with a University Place young married man of prominence. He is one of the biggest things down Lincoln way dividing his time between Bertha's home and University Place when he is not on the road. Because he travels a great deal. His father is said to be a multi-millionaire of Chicago, who has retired from active business life. This young man's name is Ted. And Ted is a live one, too. He has been giving most of his attention in recent months to Bertha with whom he is said to be particularly thick. It is even charged that he takes her with him occasionally on the trips out on the road.

Ted has a pretty good job, too, he receives \$10,000 a year from the Red Cross Electric company and spends money like water. He is the father of three fine children, who live with their mother in the University Place home. The mother is prominent in social affairs in this fashionable suburb of Lincoln, and is said to be painfully ignorant of her husband's



Nitza Vernille at the Orpheum next week.

Scandal At Iowa Over "All Necking Eleven"

Chapter Of Fraternity Threatened With Expulsion Until Prize Story Withdrawn.

The entire chapter of Sigma Delta men's journalistic fraternity at the University of Iowa, was threatened with expulsion by the university authorities Wednesday.

One of the traditions of the campus is the publication on April 1 of Pooh-Pooh-Hooey, a magazine devoted to the scandals of the university. The magazine has a reputation for digging into the painful truth.

With the edition this year, members of the journalistic fraternity who edit and publish the magazine, planned an "all university necking eleven" for the front page banner and feature. The forms were locked and ready for the press Wednesday and the names of fair co-eds blazoned in big type as the champion "neckers" of the university, when information from the office of the dean threatened expulsion of the entire chapter if the magazine were published with the story.

When Pooh-Pooh-Hooey appeared this morning the prize story was missing on the front page.

POLICE DO QUICK WORK IN ROUND-UP OF BUMS

It took but a very few minutes for the police to clean up lower thirteenth street last night after two riot calls had been turned in to headquarters. Horace Hoag a rounder started a fight with policeman Holden and after quite a struggle was landed in the house-gow by the officer. A little later a false riot call was turned in from the same place. This peeved the dicks and coppers and resulted in their taking of a whole flock of bums and arresting Russians, owner of a pool hall joint at thirteenth and Mason streets on a charge of maintaining a disorderly house. The riot squads work was quick and mighty effective proving to the public they are on the job all the time.

IRATE DADS MAY NOW CROWN DAUGHTER'S SHEIK UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES

Young fellows better have a care if they are to keep their flapper friends out after ten o'clock. Judge Crawford has ruled that the old man can pick up a piece of the wood pile and knock the sheik stiff and its all right. Of course circumstances alter a regular practice of crowing his cases so it is not safe for dad to make daughter's sweetie.

ROTARIANS TO CONCLUDE MOST SUCCESSFUL MEET TODAY

The district convention of Rotary clubs is holding its final session today. They accomplished much work and learned much to their benefit. Governor McMullen's address wherein he complimented the state legislature for its constructive legislation was one of the notable events on Thursday evening program. An entertainment given by students from the five local high schools was another feature which brought out tumultuous applause from the one thousand men and women visitors.

Rotarians—1,000 of them—met here Thursday and continue today in a conference of the 19th district. Two states, South Dakota and Nebraska, and two western tiers of the counties of Iowa have sent their delegates to Omaha for what promises to be the largest conference in the history of the district.

Oscar A. Rofety, Sioux Falls, governor of the district, arrived Tuesday. Early Wednesday he was joined by Donald A. Adams, New Haven, Conn., first vice-president of Rotary International, and at 10.45 the same evening a special train came into the Union station from Sioux City bearing delegates and visitors to the convention.



Richard Dix in the Paramount Picture "Too Many Kisses" Coming to the Strand

BOOTLEGGERS SAVE PURSUERS FROM POSSIBLE DEATH

The crew of an alleged rum runner, being chased by a federal patrol boat Wednesday night, turned about and rescued their pursuers when an explosion occurred on the latter's craft.

The three members of the "dry navy" boat had been forced to leap for their lives after a gas explosion in the engine room of their craft in the midst of the pursuit.

The federal men were taken to the Atlantic City hospital, suffering from burns on the face and hands.

TAXI DRIVER BEATEN IN ROBBERY ATTEMPT

Robert Teters, Yellow taxi driver was beaten by two passengers whom he drove from Twenty-fourth and N streets to Thirty-second and Grover streets during their attempt to rob him. It was the third such attempt in two days. Teters hides his money in his cab, he explained to police. None of the three attempts has been successful.

ANOTHER RECORD

Mrs. Ben Hull Wednesday night bowled 529 in the Ladies' Metropolitan league for her best total of the season in a league game. But this good bowling didn't prevent her from doing even better for Thursday afternoon she came back with a 685 in practice on Alley 7 at the Omaha drives.

DOCTOR VAN CAMP IS CHARGED WITH SELLING OF NARCOTICS

Two Prominent Men Are Charged With Grave Crime To Be Arrested In Short Time

MANY BOOTLEGGERS MUST FACE JURY

Dr. Van Camp One Of Omaha's Most Popular Physicians Claims He Was Framed—People Who Know Him Best Believe It—Alleged Dope Pedlars Charged And Indicted On Several Counts—Ku Klux Klaner Gets It In Neck.

The Grand jury indict 'em by the wholesale. Sixty-seven were caught in the drag net spread out by the jury composed of outsiders. Two very prominent men of the city charged with a serious offense got theirs, but their names were not made public, though they will be after they are judged.

Among those indicted was Dr. Lee Van Camp, county physician who will have to stand trial on three counts. He is charged with peddling "junk" which may or may not be true. Dr. Van Camp numbers his friends by the thousands including a majority of the very best people in Omaha. The county physician has always had an excellent reputation and it will be hard to convince the public that he is guilty as charged. He charges a frame-up and gives a lucid explanation.

He charged that officers planted fifteen dollars in marked money in his desk to be seized at the psychological moment. He also asserts that the dope he is charged with selling was stolen by a stool pigeon. This particular agent was himself indicted on seven counts, the supposition is that he himself must be a dope head in which case it is easy to see that he would go to any length even to stealing the "junk" if he was in need of it. The trial is expected to be set at an early date.

Twenty-four of the boys were charged and indicted with bootlegging. They will have a chance to tell their troubles to the judge. Thirty-three of the cases were for alleged violation of the Harrison narcotic law.

Private detective Allen Sherman got it in the neck. It appears he was running a fake detective agency with

his principal business being that of making great detectives out of a bunch of sap heads. They were not even taught enough to know whether a detective should look for a thing before or after it is lost. Sherman will probably find out that it doesn't pay to get rich quick if he has to use Uncle Sam's mails to accomplish the purpose.

The Grand jury did not overlook Lew Unger and Leona Taylor whom they indicted on narcotic charges. One of the most sensational charges brought before the jury came about as a culmination of the Klu Klux Klan fight out at Sidney, Nebraska. Perry and Caroline Coler who own a newspaper out at Sidney, Nebraska, apparently had been printing Klan literature of the usual standard of that out law outfit. Some one took exception and broadcast a pamphlet telling in no certain language what they thought of the Klu Klux organ and its editor and Mrs. Coler.

The editor replied under the caption "our comeback" wherein he used such rotten, indecent language, it is alleged, that they were indicted, thus another chapter is written proving what sort of people for the most part comprise the membership of this unpopular organization.

Everybody's curiosity has been aroused over the two secret indictments which were of importance enough to justify the placing of an extra heavy bond for their release. No federal official would disclose the nature of the charges filed against them. Their arrest is sure to create unusual interest throughout the city.

Of special interest to those making a living by cheating a little bit was the verdict of the jury in t (Continued on Page 2)

BUFFALOES FAST ROUNDING INTO FORM IN THE SOUTH FOR OPENING OF SEASON

Rook's Given Thorough Workout—One Or Two Of Them May Make Good—Trouncing By Beaumont Of No Consequence—Nebraska Expected To Break Even With Stanford In Track Meet Saturday—Schlaifer Not A Dead One Yet—Other Sports.

The Burch Rods seem to be rounding in shape for the Oklahoma City opening game to be played in less than two weeks.

While they lost every game to Beaumont that means nothing as Art Griggs or any other successful manager generally uses three or four pitchers in an exhibition game and does not allow them to go at top speed.

The Buffalo management gives all his rookies a chance to show their stuff while the regulars are for the most part given but three or four innings to get the kinks out of their system. Sport writers who should know claim that when Barney's hired men open the season in Omaha after a swing in the southern circuit they will stack up with any of the Western league teams and will be almost if not equally as good as Burch's last year team. The regulars won their first game with Houston Thursday.

Several thousand students at State and a still larger number of alumni are waiting anxiously the result of the titular clash between the Husker trackmen and Stanford which is to take place Saturday afternoon: It is generally conceived that Nebraska should carry off the 100 and 220 yard sprints. Locke and Dally are entered in both events. Both men have hung up records much superior to anything Sandford's best "flying machines" have as yet attained. In the hurdles Ed. Weir should have better than an even chance with the best West Coasters are able to produce. In the long distance running races Nebraska will not have a look-in if the dope runs to form.

Schlaifer is not a dead one yet, not by a long shot. Scientifically he is just as crude as ever but has not lost his famous wallop that has won for him so many victories at the Auditorium here in Omaha and in other cities where he has fought some of the welterweights in the country.

The famous Omaha hebrew knocked

the living rat out of Mike Dempsey who is no slouch as a slugger himself. The "fighting fool" had his hands full during every one of the nine rounds but was on top of his adversary nearly all the time. Dempsey was knocked down four times and took the full count but recuperated each time and like a wild hyena tore into Omaha's popular idol. However it was Morrie's night and it is doubtful if any one could have stopped him. Such a quick come back means that Schlaifer would still be a drawing card at the local corn shed, providing the State commission selects a square shooter for referee.

Wayne (Big) Munn supposedly world's champion wrestler came into the good graces of Omaha and America's wrestling followers by decisively defeating Joe (toots) Mondt of Greeley Colorado early this week. The ex-Nebraska football star put the man from the famous spud country to the mat twice in less than one hour. He may not prove to be a bloomer after all.

There has been so much newspaper crap concerning future fights between Dempsey and Gibbons, between Gibbons and Wells or other combinations without any definite results that the reading public has quite definitely come to the conclusion that the fighters themselves, the promoters and the writers are all the bunk.

A story coming out at Michigan City to the effect that Floyd Fitzsimmons, well-known promoter has offered Dempsey 300 thousand dollars for a bout with Luis Firpo or Jack Renault on Labor day.

Dampsey knows as does his wise manager Jack Kearns that there would be little chance of the champion losing his crown to either of these men. The match will probably be a go. The big man will no doubt be afraid of the bulky skunk and is not to sure about himself in a match with (Continued on page 4)

DOINGS IN OMAHA TODAY, THIS WEEK AND "FIFTY YEARS AGO"

Ruth Galloway In The Toils—Samardick Praised By "Cheater" Who Gives True Status Of Stool Pigeon Rats—Fire Shop Closes Forever As Result Of Double Crossing Friend Exposing "Plant"—Omaha Driest Spot On Earth.

Ruth Galloway is in the toils after having won out in a battle of wits on several occasions with Federal prohibition officials. Ruth, sore because she imagined she got a raw deal unfolded a tale concerning giving away her booze to cops for protection which was strong enough to get Benny Danbaum busy to find out if there was anything to her moxy or less weird story.

The Galloway woman asserts that the coppers made her "joint" as regular as the crack Union Pacific trains run and always forgot to bring along their dough. It is generally believed that her statement was far fetched even though it is known that a few policemen have a habit of taking "a few" on bootleggers, believing it is one of their prerogatives.

Anyway the old girl has shown plenty of shrewdness in getting away successfully with her game until now and must be given credit for that end of the angle.

Ruth thought it was a darn shame to pinch her because, according to her statement she was "protected" by treating the cops to drinks too numerous to mention. Her talk may be altogether the bunk and then again it may have a considerable semblance of truth in it. Anyway Samardick scored heavily again.

Speaking of Samardick's work reminds us of what a certain party told him some time ago. The man had been pinched on a liquor charge and pleaded guilty. He was given the usual fine and was about to depart when the dirty stool pigeon who collected the evil appeared in front of the man in "estation and Bob. The rat (stool) had the nerve to ask the party in question what he got. This brought from him two answers. First he turned to Samardick and told him that he thought that he was perfectly justified in making the pinch because that was his duty and what he was paid for. Then he turned on the lousy rat who makes a little jack

occasionally when convictions are brought about and said: Its none of your dam business what I got but you dirty skunk if I ever meet you on the street you will know in a hurry what you are going to get. The stool has religiously stayed away from the gentleman in question. The "cheaters" opinion seems to be borne out by practically everybody who has a sense of decency. If actual officers of the law make a pinch on evidence they are not to blame as it is their sworn duty but when a louse posing as a friend to get into ones good graces turns him in, he is the kind of a dog (that appellation is too good) who should be treated like a snake that he is according to those who believe that friendship should not be imposed upon.

The "Fire Shop" is a thing of the past. For two or three years this more or less famous bootlegging place has been successfully conducted on Sixteenth street near Cass by Gus Romstadt who was in the saloon business for many years in the good old days. Gus was very careful in selecting his trade and was under the impression that every patron was O. K. and would not betray him. Romstadt, good natured and tolerant believed in humanity in general and his personal human friends in particular. There is where Gus made a mistake. He avers that one of the leeches, under the guise of friendship got into his confidence to such an extent that he told him of his "plant". He thinks this miserable unkind thing exposed him. So he turned the key forever. Ingratitude; How many have sunk beneath your sting.

California has its Mojave desert, Africa its Sahara and there are a few other deserts scattered about the world but they are all in the minor leagues when compared to Omaha's famous mad over night desert. This is the driest spot on earth at this (Continued on page 4)

PARDONED LIFER WANTS TO STAY IN PENITENTIARY

Aged Man Pleads That He Has No Other Place He Can Call Home.

Dubuque, Iowa.—Pleading that he is unfit to face the world, Hugh Robb, convicted 30 years ago of the murder of two railroad detectives and pardoned by Governor Kendall, has asked permission to remain in the state penitentiary at Fort Madison. Robb is seventy years old and feeble.

Leonard Hardy, who entered the penitentiary as Leon Haley when he was convicted with Robb, also won a pardon. For 30 years he has insisted that he is innocent, and he predicted that he would be pardoned. While age and prison life were crushing Robb, Hardy, who was twenty-four years old when he was sentenced, prepared for his day of freedom by studying journalism. While Robb was asserting that he was afraid of the world, Hardy said good-by to him, shook hands with the warden and announced that he was going to Texas to enter newspaper work.

Mystery Enshrouded Pal.
Hardy attracted much interest while he was awaiting trial for the murder. Young, handsome and seemingly well educated, he whetted public curiosity by admitting that his real name was woven about him.

"I'll never tell my real name while my mother is alive," was his reply whenever he was questioned about his secret, although he was told that an announcement of his real name might assist in securing a parole.

Ten years ago Mrs. George Hardy, widow of a Rock Island (Ill.) merchant, died without an answer to her



Asked Permission to Remain in Penitentiary.

prayer that she might see her son Leonard. In the library at Fort Madison penitentiary Leon Haley, the librarian, read of the woman's death. "She was my mother," he told the warden. "My name is Leonard Hardy. I'm glad she died without learning where I am."

Circumstantial Evidence.

Robb and Hardy were convicted on circumstantial evidence, and many Dubuqueans believed they were innocent. Theodore Firth and Henry Talcott were shot to death in the Milwaukee railroad yards here in the morning of April 14, 1893, while they were searching for Robb and Hardy, who were suspected of implication in a robbery. Believing the fugitives were hiding in a passenger coach, the officers entered at opposite ends of the car, each with a revolver in his hand. A few minutes later the engineer of a passing train saw Firth on the ground outside the car. He was dying with a bullet wound. Talcott was found dead inside the coach.

Robb and Hardy offered alibis, and they were substantiated by several witnesses. The engineer declared, however, that he saw the two men pass in front of his locomotive shortly before the officers were found. The defense charged the detectives killed each other in a duel in the dark. The prosecutor contended that Robb and Hardy were hiding in the coach and shot the officers as they entered. On the witness stand Hardy admitted that he had committed several robberies.

"Guilty" was the verdict, and life sentences were imposed. No action has been taken on Robb's plea that he be permitted to remain in the penitentiary.

Bullet Severs Appendix of Five-Year-Old Boy

Cleveland.—Joey Bordanaro, five years old, was discharged from St. Alexis hospital after what surgeons have considered the most remarkable appendicitis operation in medical history. Joey was shot in the abdomen while playing with a revolver. The bullet severed his appendix at the exact spot where the surgeon's knife cuts. As the bullet went completely through Joey's body, the surgeons merely reached in through an incision and removed the severed appendix. An examination of it showed that the appendix was diseased and within a few years Joey would have had to undergo the regular operation.

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the speaker and myself. Mr. Burke told me that he found it necessary one day to inquire of a man his politics. That there was one man whose politics were not known at least to the speaker, is the highest tribute to this nonpolitical body.

"You have passed constructive legislation. You have given this state sufficient funds to carry on its government, a duty that every citizen owes to Nebraska."

"Unless all calculations fail," the governor continued, "I think the gasoline tax which you people passed will be effective and beneficial."

Have Faith in Time

Temyson once wrote this wise line: "Wait: my faith is large in time." Fully might it be. If we work faithfully, time will bring good results. If we have sinned and repented, time will remove the consequences of our sin. If some great sorrow has come to us, time will heal the wound. If we are misunderstood, time will show of what sort we are. Time is the great healer. Time brings results. Time has done so much that it may be trusted to do much more. Have faith in time.

Unappreciated Chivalry

He had been reading knightly romances and grew dissatisfied with the present unromantic state of the world. He believed it his duty to inject some romance into the daily grind.

On a rainy, muddy day he sallied forth to perform some knightly errand. He beheld a bewitching girl about to step from her car onto the dirty pavement. Hastening forward, he spread his coat under her dainty feet. She looked at him in surprise. "Well, of all the darned fools!" she exclaimed.

Past Tense

The hill was icy and the big colored woman could not control her footing. "Help! Help! Ah'm slippin'!" she screamed, as she began her involuntary journey downward. "Ah'm slippin'! Ah'm slippin'!" she yelled again.

A few seconds later a man who had heard her cry found her comfortably couched in a snow bank. "Ah'm slup!" she remarked as she looked up into his face with a grin.—Boston Transcript.

Politeness

Ruth and Marie were standing on the front walk together. Marie had a bag of pretzels, and they were seen talking earnestly while Marie ate the pretzels.

"Finally Marie's mother called her over and said in Ruth's hearing, 'Don't you know it is not nice to eat pretzels while Ruth is standing there? You should offer her some. It is selfish to eat them all yourself.'"

"Yes, that is just what I've been telling her," spoke up Ruth, "but she would not believe me."

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Picture Based On Famous Zane Grey Story Chock-full Of Action
And Thrills Yet Lacks Two-Gun Villain

Readers of Zane Grey novels and film fans who have enjoyed the screen adaptations of his red-blooded stories are certain to be considerably surprised and not a little startled when they see the picture version of his latest book, "Code of the West." It opened at the Rialto Theatre Thursday for a three days' run.

The striking thing about this new photoplay is that although it was written by Mr. Grey in his characteristic vivid and colorful style, with a rugged western setting, there isn't a single pistol shot fired in the entire production and only on two occasions are guns displayed. This phenomenon is explained by the fact that the conventional, double-dyed, two-gun villain, heretofore considered an essential character in every Zane Grey story, is conspicuously missing from "Code of the West." Furthermore, the story deals with the West of today. For Zane Grey these are radical departures.

The plot primarily concerns itself with the romance of a cowboy and a flapper. The girl, who goes out west for her health, typifies the jazz life of the east. She deliberately plans to attract the sturdy young westerner, but laughingly turns him down when he proposes. But in the west such conduct is not easily condoned as she learns to her dismay. The cowboy forces her to marry him and then—but what happens after that you will have to find out for yourself from the picture.

Owen Moore, popular film player has the leading male role. Constance Bennett, because of her acting ability, youth and screen charm was selected to play the part of the flapper. Others in the cast who are featured include Mabel Ballin, Charles Ogle and David Butler.

William K. Howard, who produced the picture, has done a workmanlike job. He deserves an especial pat on the back for his effective handling of the big scenes in the production—notably, an exciting automobile-horse race and a tremendous forest fire.

It is his shrewd direction, coupled with Lucien Hubbard's skillful adaptation and the fact that the story was photographed in the exact locale described by the author—Tonto Basin, Arizona, one of the most primitive wildernesses in the United States—that gives "Code of the West" the distinctive of being something new in western films.

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Coming Next Week, One Of The
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Jane and Katherine Lee, those charming little stars of the stage and films, are appearing in a brand new comedy sketch, "At the Studio." The comedy pictures featuring this pair of precocious youngsters have been numerous. Jane's humorous frown and Katherine's bright and winning smile are well remembered everywhere. Last season they were featured in "The Greenwich Village Follies." Jane and Katherine have always been special favorites with children and their present sketch has been fashioned to the fun demands of young as well as old.

Nitza Vernille, terpsichorean artist, is a dashing beauty possessed of every physical requirement necessary for success in her profession and with the technique of a master. She came to the theatre unknown, but burst forth overnight on the dance horizon like a comet. Miss Vernille has been featured in many musical successes including "The Greenwich Village Follies," "The O'Brien Girl," "Go Go," "Spies of 1922," and "The Music Box Revue." The scenic effects in her vaudeville offering are said to be the most marvellously picturesque of anything ever presented—even in the most spectacular revues.

Duci De Kerekjarto, noted Hungarian violinists, has played his way into the hearts of the American public through his magic mastery of the violin. Music critics consider his technique perfect. He has individuality of style and the sort of personality brings immediate response.

Dave Ferguson is appearing in a new one-act playlet entitled "The Lucky Stiff." As a character comedian Mr. Ferguson is one of the country's best, having attained equal reputation in vaudeville and the legitimate stage.

Willie Solar is known as "America's International Musical Comedian." He has been featured with Ziegfeld's "Follies," "Lonely Romeo," and with Nora Bayes in "Ladies First." Solar is an accomplished linguist. His latest offering "The Laugh Factory," is one long continuous laugh.

Percy Bronson and Edith Evans offer a song recital with shafts of wit keeping the songs from crowding too close upon each other. They have the ability to make fun humorous and songs effective.

Carle and Jule Lusteer offer a unique and extraordinary novelty. They are gymnasts who specialize in hand balancing and contortion.

TAKES LIFE AT WINDOW OPPOSITE FAMILY HOME

Sitting in a window overlooking his mother's home from which he had exiled himself three years ago, Carl H. Nelson, 37, shot and killed himself early today in his room at 1507 Ohio street. His mother, Mrs. Hilda Nelson, lives across the street at 1514 Ohio street.

Nelson blew off his head with a shotgun.

Nelson's bed was undisturbed and other roomers in the house believe he sat at the window most of the night, in a reclining chair.

Nelson's father died four years ago. Shortly afterwards, friends said, a family quarrel led to his quitting his mother's home and taking a room across the street. Other members of the family said he had treated them friendly, but kept much to himself. A brother, Ernest, lives at 1518 Ohio street, and another brother, Clarence, and a sister, Mrs. A. Hagelmen, live with the mother.

EMPRESS

"The Cave Man" an original musical comedy by John Lawrence is the attraction at the Empress Theatre this week where the Empress Players start thirty-first week.

The story deals with the love affairs of a trio of head strong, roman-women. They read in the novels about virtue lovers who abduct their ladies of their choice and rush them away to some lonely cavern.

Unfortunately the lovers of the girls are harmless, quiet sort of men who do not crave all this sort of nonsense. Finally, however, goaded by the taunts of the girls the men decide to emulate the bold bad men of the stone age and in a fit of desperation forcibly kidnap the girls and take them to a lonely cabin in the hills.

What happens there is certain will produce an unusual amount of laughter and how the girls are cured of their romantic ideas and are willing to settle down to the hum drum existence of every day life.

"The Cave Man" is a musical play along different lines from previous Empress productions. The story is complete and the comedy situations are said to be stormingly funny.

The various parts gives every member of the cast ample opportunity to appear to the best advantage.

One of the features of the production is a novel ensemble called "The Girls from Broadway" led by Jack Scott. Other song interpolations will include "Military Maids," "Beautiful Girl," "Dum Dum Dummy," "I Wish I Knew" "The Cave Man" and "You Never Can Tell."

Special spectacular chorus numbers have been devised for the new production which gives promises of proving extremely popular.

Next week, Easter week, Director Jos Marion will offer "The Harem Girl" a musical comedy of the far east with the score laid in America and Algiers.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE NOTES

A "nest egg" has been banked by the Activities association of Omaha Technical high school as a nucleus of a fund to buy a pipe organ for the school. This has been earned from entertainments given during the past two years under auspices of the association. The first unit of the organ will cost \$25,000.

Three new factories, two of which will manufacture work clothing and children's play suits, and the other to manufacture iron gates, fencing and posts, have located in Omaha within the past two weeks, giving employment to 125 men and women. Another factory which will manufacture a sheep, cattle and hog dip and will employ about sixty men and women, is expected to locate in Omaha within the next ten days.

Three citizens military camp will be available for young men residing in any of the eight states within the Seventh Corps area of the regular army. They will be held at Des Moines, Ia., Fort Snelling, Minn., and Leavenworth, Kans., August 1-30.

Pilings for the new \$250,000 athletic stadium of Creighton university will be placed next week, and university officials hope to have the entire stadium completed before the national American Legion convention meets in Omaha next October. A "sack of cement" subscription campaign has so far netted \$75,000 for the stadium fund.

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At the World

Robert McKim, famous villain of the screen and who despite his career of villainy in the silent drama has maintained his popularity, is the current headliner of the 6 act vaudeville bill at the World theatre.

McKim is supported by Elsie Williams an actress of unusual attainments. This season Bob is playing a dramatic sketch never before offered in this city. It is captioned "At the Window" and is said to be one of the most powerful dramatic documents that has been offered upon the variety stage.

Very few screen artists excels McKim upon the speaking stage. Securing his early training with notable stock companies the screen actor is seen to exceptional advantage in this season's vehicle.

One of the features of McKim's performance is a short curtain talk in humorous vein in which questions are answered about various screen personalities. Through McKim's personal acquaintance with all the stars this portion of the performance is said to be a most entertaining novelty.

Equally as important in the new bill is Harry Shatto's Revue with a company of 9 featuring Eva Sully, Al Plough and "Those Oddity Boys." In this brilliant program of instrumental syncopation there is interspersed novelty song and fast dancing enhanced by beautiful stage settings.

Olympia Desvall, the beautiful equestrian presents an act that is decidedly out of the ordinary. Built along spectacular lines this offering will be found to be delightfully novel.

Lew Cooper known as "The Knight in the Temple of Fun" is a blackface comedian of reputation. An original member of the noted Empire Comedy 4, Cooper is sure to bring laughing results.

Hattie Althoff and Sister are musical comedy favorites their songs being of a popular brand.

Bill, Genevieve and Leo in "Thrills, Frills and Spills" introduce a comedy novelty sure to elicit much approval.

Arthur Hays will present another one of his organ originalities.

Next Saturday the World celebrates its third birthday with an Anniversary Show of befitting the occasion.

TED OF UNIVERSITY PLACE WAS "BERTHING" WITH BERTHA AS CHILD BORN TO REAL WIFE

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ed to run loose. His concern is one of the largest if its kind in the country. He has this part of the country to cover and is said to be one of those high powered fellows who gets away with about everything. When he first met Bertha he fell for her at once, and from all indications it was a case of mutual feeling. At any rate Bertha has been his "Steady" ever since that time, although he is credited with having a host of women in other cities. It is alleged that Ted always does his playing away from home and until this little affair has not been caught at it.

His wife is described as a wonderful little woman, with confidence supreme in her Ted. His father's family is well known in Chicago social circles, where he is reported to be a real social favorite. Because of his wealth he keeps only the best associates. The son is said to be falling from grace.

This story is too long for one edition and the names, which will make it very interesting will be printed later.

MADAME PASQUALI DIES VICTIM OF PNEUMONIA

Madame Bernice de Pasquali, coloratura soprano, formerly of the Metropolitan Opera company of New York, who became ill when she came to Omaha to fill an Orpheum engagement during the week of March 15th, died at 4:10 this morning at Lord Lister hospital.



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BUFFALOES FAST ROUNDING INTO FOR IN THE SOUTH

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Gibbons who is getting better all the time while Dempsey is no doubt somewhat deteriorating.

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The managers of the American Amateur Baseball league held their final meeting before the opening of the league the other night at the city hall. A schedule was drawn up and the Goldsmith baseball was selected as the official league ball.

Play in this loop will start on April 26, just one week after the opening of the other Sunday leagues. The managers of this loop went on record as being in favor of some penalty for players who sign more than one contract. President Krill of the league was instructed to bring this question before the board of directors of the Munn association at their next meeting.

DOINGS IN OMAHA TODAY THIS WEEK AND "FIFTY YEARS AGO"

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present time. A stranger has as much chance of getting a drink in this man's town as the devil has of holding high mass. Scores of cheaters have either gone out of business or have closed up like the proverbial clam. It is even hard for the "regulars" to horn in on a drink. The skies may clear in the not far distant future.

JAIL DELIVERY IN BLUFFS HALTED

An attempted jail break at the Council Bluffs city jail proved futile Wednesday night. Thursday morning Charles Crum, deputy city marshal, found the lock on the cell of Dwight Miller, held for larceny of poultry, neatly broken off.

Police believe the lock was broken by Richard Keeney and Walter Myers, St. Louis, who were imprisoned in the jail bull pen. Miller's cell opened into the pen, and it is believed the two St. Louis men desired Miller's aid in attempting a break from the jail if opportunity offered.

Keeney and Myers were arrested Wednesday by Lee Shubert, district court bailiff, after they had refused to pay fares or leave a street car which they boarded at South First street and Broadway, Thursday morning they were sentenced in police court to serve 10 days in county jail.

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LEWIS TO Munn

Billy Sandow, manager of Ed "Strangler" Lewis, claimant of the world's heavyweight wrestling championship, Thursday signed an agreement with Floyd Fitzsimmons, Michigan City, Ind., promoter, for Lewis to wrestle Wayne "Big" Munn, also claimant of the title, at Michigan City on May 30 for a purse of 60 thousand dollars.

Fitzsimmons posted a 30 thousand dollar forfeit in a Chicago bank. Munn has not yet been signed, but Fitzsimmons said he expected to close a contract by Monday with Gabe Kaufman, Munn's manager.

Following from Kansas City:

Wayne "Big" Munn, world champion heavyweight wrestler, will not meet Ed "Strangler" Lewis, former title holder, at Michigan City, Ind., Decoration day Gabe Kaufman, Munn's manager, said here Thursday night, Kaufman stated that he preferred a match in Kansas City if one were to be arranged.

Commenting on reports that Floyd Fitzsimmons, Michigan City promoter was seeking to sign Munn for a 60 thousand dollar match with Lewis, Kaufman remarked that it was "just another offer."

Kaufman, who promotes matches here at Convention hall, besides managing Munn, said he intended to promote a Lewis-Munn match himself.

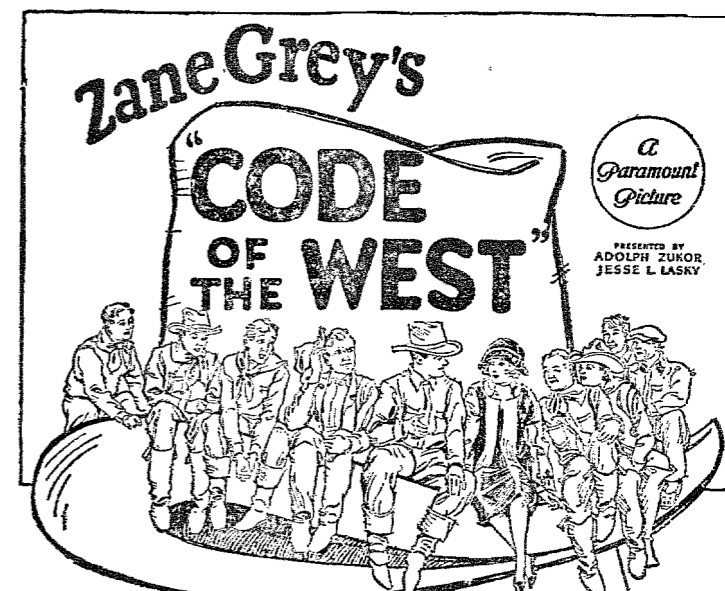
JEAIDLOCK LEADING TO DISMISSAL REMINDER OF STORY

Tony Penessi is temporarily at liberty again after a jury deliberating 48 hours were unable to bring in a verdict, the jury standing 8 to 4 for conviction, on the last ballot. It was a cinch some one was holding out for the accused but in an honest manner.

All of which reminds us of the following story: A gangster in St. Louis who had killed his man in plain sight of twenty five eye witnesses was being tried for the deed. His lawyer knew that the only possible "out" was to fix one of the jury men. He finally succeeded in getting to a Dutchman promising him scads of mazzuma if he would hold out for a ten year sentence until hell froze over. As a last resort the Dutchman was to demand the prisoner get not more than life.

After the trial the bribed jurymen came rushing to the attorneys office for his money which he got readily enough. The criminal had escaped with a ten year sentence, The Dutchman in explaining his efforts said to the council for the defense: "Mine gott how I work and vorked mit dem dam fool jurymen in order to get yer man ten years. De oder eleven men wanted to free him."

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