

CRIME CARNIVAL IN OMAHA IS UNABATED

Citizens Arm Themselves as Protection
Against Robbers and Thieves.

RINGER VACATION GIVES BIG RELIEF

Officers Sutton and Stolley Hit Breakers When Eberstein and Mayor Take Hand in Affairs—Former Mayor Dahlman Suggests Omaha People Learning Good Lesson.

The carnival of crime that has been going on in Omaha for the last year continues unabated. The high-jacker, the burglar, the hold-up man and the ordinary small thief have all increased their activity from day to day until not a twenty-four hours pass without reports of from one to a dozen important robberies or similar law violations. The police force has been reorganized and increased 75 per cent, but the amateurs who have been put on to catch law violators have been a hindrance rather than an asset in reducing disorder.

Marshall Eberstein, our recently appointed chief of police, has had a little vacation while Superintendent Ringer was away for a week, during which time the chief has been running his job to suit himself. Eberstein took an awful chance last week when he suspended Paul Sutton and his partner Stolley. It has been predicted that when Ringer returns he will fire Eberstein and put Stolley and Sutton back to work.

During the week several of the "new" men on the police force have fallen by the wayside. At the same time new recruits have been picked up from the highways and byways in an attempt to further "reform" the badly demoralized force. Announcement has been made that all of the old sergeants and captains are to be pensioned and that an entire new force of Ringer-made men will take their places in the near future.

The people of Omaha are, in the meantime, arming themselves tooth and toenail to protect themselves against robbers and thieves. They feel that it is simply a matter of self-protection against the most abortive attempt to put Omaha off the map that has been made by self-styled reformers.

Inside information is to the effect that Superintendent Ringer took a week off the job simply because he could not stand the jam of being panned every day. Some unkind person has even declared that Elmer Thomas, Ringer's confidential adviser, asked Ringer to beat it for a while in order that a respite might be had from the continual adverse criticism. Incidentally, it is also stated that Thomas has realized that he was head

over heels in a losing game. The "Committee of 500," whose committee on political contributions has got off the job, apparently has run out of ready cash. Elmer Thomas will not work unless there is money in sight. His loss of revenue as representative of the Anti-Saloon league has also put a crimp in his financial affairs, it is said.

With all of these adverse conditions staring our great "reformers" in the face, it is no wonder, it is stated, that crime has become rampant. The people of Omaha, of course, are still patient, as they have always been. They are simply waiting for another election time to roll around.

Reports of more internal strife within the city commission itself are being heard. It appears that the activity of Mayor Smith in insisting on the suspension of Stolley and Sutton has created a bad mess. Other commissioners joined in a combination to hold up further proceedings in the matter until Ringer's return and the mayor, it is said, is in bad with some of the other majority combination, which may later cause a general break in political affairs.

Meantime, Officer Sutton, under suspension, is said to be ready to "tell a lot of things" unless he is reinstated. Probably he could tell more than anybody else who has been a victim of conditions natural to the election of men like Ringer to be police superintendent. He has been an "inside" man, with Elmer Thomas as an adviser. Naturally he has learned considerable about the Ringer system. For that reason, it is said, the police superintendent will not dare let his suspension finally result in his discharge.

Incidentally, former Mayor Dahlman, seen on the street the other day, was asked what he thought about Omaha conditions generally and replied: "I guess none of the wise birds are surprised. But I am out of city politics for the present. The people have got just what they voted for. I presume the lesson will be a good one. Omaha is a fine city and it is a shame for our people to be made the goats for such a crowd, but they will use their experience to advantage at the next city election."

MAYOR DISAGREES WITH OTHER DAVIS WITNESSES

City's Chief Executive and Davis Friends Have Different Sorts of Testimony.

In the trial this week of Fred Davis, charged with attempting the life of Mayor Ed P. Smith, there has been a pronounced discrepancy in testimony offered by the prosecution and defense. The mayor positively identified Davis as the man who assaulted him, while a dozen witnesses on the other side were even more emphatic in their statements that Davis was at home with a party of friends during the evening.

The presence of the mayor on the stand brought out a big crowd. Attorney E. D. O'Sullivan did not mince words in cross-examining the mayor and unhesitatingly referred to physical debilities attributed to the chief executive. The result of this trial will be watched with more than ordinary interest. It will give an idea of how a Douglas county jury acts on cases resulting from the riot and will show how they view the disputed testimony of state witnesses.

COLONEL JEWELL REAL HARD-BOILED KIDDER

Colonel B. W. Jewell, sovereign adviser of the Woodmen of the World, is the hard-boiled kidder. He is down in Florida, where he does not have to worry about coal and coal bills. Just to spread it on a little thicker the colonel writes to the editor of The Mediator as follows:

"I have just been reading in The Mediator about the coal strike and the danger to you folks who stick around

good old Omaha in the winter. It must be awful to be cold.

"Come down here where the mercury ranges from 75 up and we sit out on the porch enjoying the warm sun during the day and the soft air in the evening; the finest climate in the world, Ed, down here in Florida.

"Here is blowing warm air to you when your stipend of coal gives out."

The colonel is a very fine fellow or we would be inclined to bawl him out a little. He spends all his winters in Jacksonville and makes it part of his annual business to see that The Mediator goes to his Florida address all the time he is there.

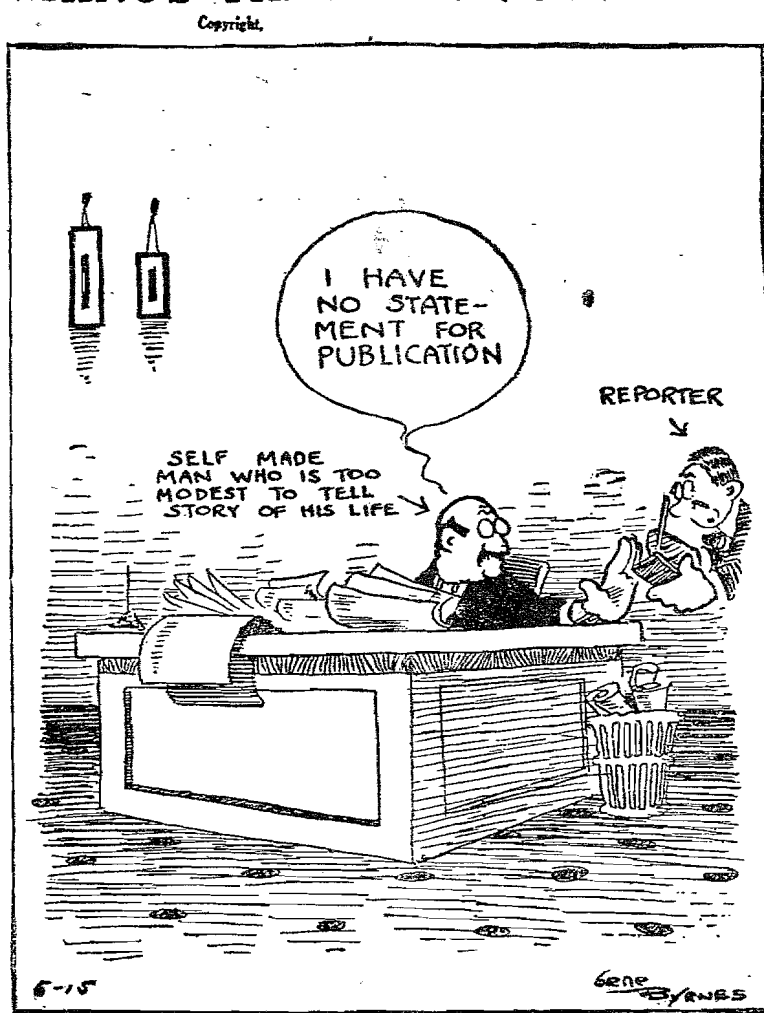
GEORGE VOLZ FAVORS VARIETY IN BUSINESS

Popular Tailor Says a Little Change of Pasture Is Often Good Thing.

George Volz, well known and popular Securities building tailor, believes a change of scenery in business and otherwise is not a bad thing at times. He is one of Omaha's real busy business men, but he likes to visit the barber shop often. He likes to see the manicure girl in action and watch the porter brush down the customers.

Volz says there are many styles in manicure girls, but he believes the blondes are the most popular. Up in his tailor shop, however, he does not discriminate between blondes and brunettes. It is said he has numerous calls, business and otherwise, from Fourteenth and Farnam streets. Several good barber shops are located in that vicinity, including one in a hotel lobby.

THINGS THAT NEVER HAPPEN



Doings In Omaha Fifty Years Ago

Joe McCann, one of our well known and leading dentists, still maintained that he was the champion pinhole player of the city. He said he knew some other games, too.

Joe Wright had a fellow paged whom he thought had borrowed his grip and found him in Dundee. But Joe did not need it bad because he was not doing any traveling.

Emanuel Thomsen, who never overlooked any bets, paid up his subscription to The Mediator. He knew a good thing when he saw it.

Tom Dennison was spending a few days in Chicago. Some of his friends suggested he better stay in Omaha for fear another riot might occur in his absence.

Bill Hunter, our genial city clerk, had an awful time of it finding new alibis for the absence of the superintendent of police. He was a resourceful guy.

Gene O'Sullivan was showing his friends some fast work at the court house. He had the mayor doing some big guessing for a while.

John Neal, part owner of the Tobacco Trust, spent a few days in our fair city. John had not lost any diamonds recently.

Jimmy Silk, well known druggist of the north end, fired up his big heating stove after the coal strike was called off, but his partner had already bought a new pair of overshoes.

Hugh Murphy, Jr., one of our leading street improvers, denied that he

expected to take a vacation during the Christmas holidays. He expects to be kept busy at home.

Fred Meyers was still spreading on that old stuff about being an honest man. He got so he almost believed it himself.

Ray Abbott was kept busy dodging would-be newspaper interviewers, regarding the Kirk case. He said nobody ought to tell all they knew.

J. L. Kemp, well known scenery pusher at the Orpheum, nearly lost his job when he dropped a sand weight on Charlie Gorr's bald head.

Tom McVittie put out the standing room only sign, but his old friends said he had no trouble taking care of the holiday trade.

E. B. Demarest was spending his money betting on the races again. He was a great sportsman in his time.

GOLDSTEIN SAYS HIS BUSINESS IS REGULAR

Proprietor Goldstein of the jewelry business at 1510 Farnam street, says his Christmas auction is quite in line with the general business of Omaha merchants to make holiday sales of their lines of stock. He has been an Omaha business man for more than twenty years, formerly having had places on Douglas street.

For him, it is stated, no goods are exchanged because that is the system adopted by all merchants disposing of holiday goods. The auction will continue until next Wednesday night, it is stated, with nothing reserved.

Sheriff Clark Uses Good Judgment

Sheriff Mike Clark did not wait for anybody to tell him what his duty was when he discovered that one of his deputy sheriffs had been a party to the high-handed business in which Police Officers Sutton and Stolley were engaged when they searched without a warrant a residence in the north end of the city. The sheriff called John Lee, the guilty deputy, into his office, talked to him very plainly and gave him an order on the county treasury for his salary to date, and told him he had lost his job.

The action of Chief of Police Eberstein in suspending Sutton and Stolley will be cheered by every fair-minded citizen. Their unwarranted action in going through the Nehleen home without warrant and insulting members of the household was quite in keeping with what has been the apparent policy of the Ringer administration. It was only natural that rebellion against such methods should be heard in no uncertain manner.

Mr. Ringer's absence from the city has been an enigma to everybody except a few insiders. It is said he is down east looking for a new chief of police. It will be interesting to see what action he finally takes on the suspension of Sutton and Stolley. It will also be interesting to see how far the influence of Elmer Thomas will go in this matter.

In the absence of Ringer, it appears that Mr. Thomas' influence was handicapped because he could not hold down others like he has held down Ringer. If Mr. Eberstein would go after this business like Sheriff Clark has gone after it there would be a quick end of it. The city commissioners have had an opportunity to learn from the sheriff how to put an end to employees who deliberately overstep themselves by imposing on the sacred rights of respectable people.

FEDERAL GRAND JURY PROBES COAL COMBINE

Will Investigate Startling Allegations
Against Operators and Labor.

CONSPIRACY TO ROB PUBLIC CHARGED

Federal Judge Tells Jurors Reported Mine Operators and Labor Leaders Parties to Attempt to Raise Coal Prices to Everybody—Miners Themselves Duped.

That Indianapolis grand jury, which has begun to investigate the recent coal strike, may bring out something worth while if they get on the job as Judge Anderson has instructed them to get onto it.

This grand jury is specifically instructed to investigate alleged violation of the anti-trust laws and of the Lever fuel control law. It has been charged freely that coal mine operators conspired to limit production of coal, in order to increase prices, and that leaders of the United Mine Workers' organization has been a party to that attempt. The investigation is to be nation-wide and people interested in the coal business will watch it closely.

The recent strike of coal miners threw a scare into about everybody in the country. Hundreds of thousands of persons suffered from the cold before it was settled. Even now the business of keeping warm is not very easy. It has been charged that President Lewis of the big union has been in conspiracy with mine operators to keep down the amount of coal mined and increase the price.

There is more than an iota of truth to these charges from all appearances. A very large number of mines in different parts of the country are operated by non-union miners. The owners of these mines, no less than the employees have been the objects of attack from the combination of operators and union men, according to charges made. Recent experiences in the coal strike bear out the charges.

From all appearances President Lewis came to an "understanding" with the operators. That "understanding" meant that if Lewis would agree to a reduction of coal mined the operators would fight to secure them a fabulous increase of wages. The miners themselves did not understand the business very well but they were willing to take Mr. Lewis' word for the whole business, even if their families starved and they themselves froze half to death.

In other words this has been a deliberate attempt to freeze the entire country with a view to increasing the

already inflated coal prices. For their part in the conspiracy union miners were promised increases in wages. It may be well for the underpaid miner to secure an increase in wage, but the operator was undertaking to use that excuse to rob the entire people. While such an increase would mean from \$2 to \$3 more per week for the individual miner, it meant that the operator would benefit by the individual miner's work ten times that sum.

This special grand jury will go into this alleged crooked business. The miner should benefit, because he will learn how there has been an attempt made to use him as a means to little less than highway robbery. The miner has had some good lessons himself. The operator paid him about sixty-five cents a ton for digging the coal. The operator put the little coal car on an elevator and sent it to the top of the pit, where it was dumped. If the miner wanted the coal he had just mined he was forced to pay \$2.75 per ton for it just where it was dumped.

The average coal mine operator has been the greatest profiteer in the world. Without turning his hand over he has found it easy to make millions out of his product. He has attempted to make the individual miner a party to this robbery. He has enlisted leaders of the unions to help him in his nefarious robbery, probably handing out a very considerable piece of bribe money to influence the labor leaders who permitted the miners themselves to get only enough of it to keep them from kicking.

This recent war has developed more highway robbers in the United States than the whole world ever boasted of before, and they pose as public servants and benefactors. We hear the story of the "poor coal miner" and the labor leaders are trying to help him. As a matter of fact, most of his distress is the result of the madness of the men he has been taught to believe are his friends.

It has been a big catch-as-catch-can game, with the leaders getting their share of the big hauls being made by the operators, while the miner himself has been glad he was alive.

IMMENSE GRANITE DEPOSITS WILL BE DEVELOPED BY OMAHA DEALERS

Frank Svoboda Will Head Two Million Dollar Corporation to Mine
Granite From Recently Discovered Oklahoma Beds
—Owns 2,000 Acres.

A new corporation, with a capital which will probably reach two million dollars or even more, is soon to be formed by Omaha men for the development of Oklahoma granite beds which have recently been brought to light by them in that state. The leader in the movement is Frank Svoboda, well known monument dealer at Thirteenth and Pierce streets.

On a trip to southern Kansas two years ago Svoboda became interested in granite beds by seeing there specimens of granite that had been found near Mountain Park, Okla. He visited the place and at once realized that the possibilities were very great for securing a very high grade of fine granite that might be used for monument and building purposes.

Svoboda is an expert in his line and at once took steps to have tests made of the volcanic formation of granite in that vicinity. The result of his findings was that the beds were composed of granite that would take a polish higher than any that have thus far been brought out in the entire world. He then began the work of securing possession of them. He purchased numerous small farms and other property in the plain at the foot of the mountain, securing in all more than 2,000 acres of the choicest granite beds.

Svoboda, who has been in the monu-

ment business on South Thirteenth street for fifteen years, is now completing arrangements for the formation of the new corporation. He is also dickering with the Frisco railroad, which runs directly past his holdings, for spurs and sidings. The tracks are so close to the granite beds that a single crane can be used for lifting the granite from the mines and loading it on cars.

Heretofore most of the granite used throughout the west has been mined in the vicinity of St. Cloud, Minn. Although there are large deposits in that vicinity, the grades are considered inferior. Most of the deposits are from three to five miles from railroads, which makes it very expensive to mine and market the granite.

Shortly after the first of the year Svoboda expects to put his house in order and organize the new corporation. His Omaha business has grown to very large dimensions and he has numerous salesmen in different parts of the west disposing of Omaha products. From ten to twenty marble and granite cutters are employed, all of them receiving from \$40 to \$65 per week.

The samples of Oklahoma granite in Svoboda's office are from surface diggings. He says that after he has gone down from twenty to fifty feet these

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CONSOLIDATING COUNTY AND CITY

The publicity department of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce sends out each week a resume of news which concerns the commercial interests of the city to the weekly newspapers of the state. One of these recently referred to the proposal to consolidate the city government of Omaha and the Douglas county government into one government.

That little news item says "Omaha has petitioned the constitutional convention to make it possible." Just how this bit of "news" come to go out from the publicity department is not known. It is a fact, however, that "the city of Omaha" never made any such petition. There has been considerable talk about it, but as a general proposition nothing particular has come of it.

This consolidation business is a pet scheme of a few individuals who see in it an opportunity to further some of their financial interests and perpetuate themselves in office. Clerk Robert Smith of the district court and some other political office holders are behind it all.

The statement sent out says the consolidation would "save the taxpayers a great deal of money and one set of officers and institutions would be a duplication of effort."

As a matter of fact the taxpayers, at least of the city, would get the worst of it. Some of the men now in office, who hope to make themselves permanent fixtures in the proposed consolidated government, might do very well if they could get away with the increased salaries they hope to receive. A few of the present city officials would also get in easy and possibly perpetuate their political graft.

As a general proposition, Omaha is not ready to become a county nor is Douglas county ready to become a metropolitan city.

SMALL NEWSPAPERS PRINT PAPER VICTIMS

The general public is not showing much interest in the proposed legislation to govern the use of print paper, but it is a mighty big question, just the same. Five years ago this newspaper could buy "ready prints" for \$4.16 per thousand. These "ready prints" were of eight-page dimensions, four pages being printed for that amount. The other four pages were for regular advertising and local news. These papers now cost about \$10 per thousand. This condition has forced hundreds of weekly newspapers to either reduce their size or circulation or both.

The weekly papers are the real sufferers from the print paper shortage. The print paper used by the Nebraska daily papers for colored supplements is sufficient in itself to furnish stock for every weekly newspaper in the state. The average weekly newspaper owner does not find it convenient to contract for his print paper by the year, even if he is sufficiently wealthy to do so.

The big daily newspapers have shown a disposition to "hog" things wherever they had an opportunity to do so. In fact some of them would print four pages of dime novels every day if they thought they could absorb print paper sufficiently to put some of their competitors and certain weekly newspapers out of business.

It is not necessary to reduce the volume of advertising, because there are other ways to save print paper. The public has become educated to a whole library in one edition of a newspaper. That is all wrong, just as other things are wrong that have been overdone.

It is up to the big newspapers to take cognizance of conditions as they really exist and accept these restrictions voluntarily before they are forced upon them.

SUPREME COURT FOR PROHIBITION

Down in New York, in Kansas City, St. Louis, Chicago and a lot of other big cities it was all figured out that prohibition would not really be effective until January 16, but the supreme court quickly put an end to that figuring. The decision of the court settles the whole business unless President Wilson proclaims that the war is at an end. We make the guess that Woodrow Wilson makes no such proclamation. There is no reason why he should assume the responsibility, but it would please a lot of people if he would.

With 75,000,000 gallons of perfectly good whisky in store, on which Uncle Sam could collect \$6 per gallon, a total of something like four and a half billion dollars, it would appear that the owners should at least be given the privilege of exporting it. But the chances are that no such opportunity will be given. That four and a half billion would pay 20 per cent of the war debt.

The general public is just beginning to realize what it means to be entirely without intoxicating liquors. Of course all of the old drinkers will have to become used to the new condition. There will always be plenty of moonshiners and there will be a limited amount of rotten whisky. But the new conditions are here to

stay until most of the present generation have gone where prohibition is an assured fact.

The one big thing being kept in mind is that perhaps the supreme court will decide that 2.75 beer is not intoxicating liquor. That would be a very fine thing for about everybody. The supreme court, however, does not appear to be in a very good mood for considering the general public, and especially the fellows who are inclined to flirt with anything intoxicating. Experts say 2.75 beer would amicably settle the whole prohibition question. If that is true it would be a fine thing. If any readers of The Mediator have any influence with the United States supreme court they will be doing a big favor to a lot of people we know by using it in favor of this concoction of 2.75 beer.

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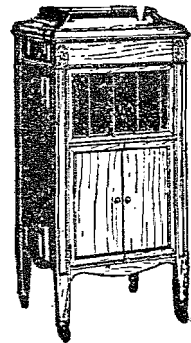
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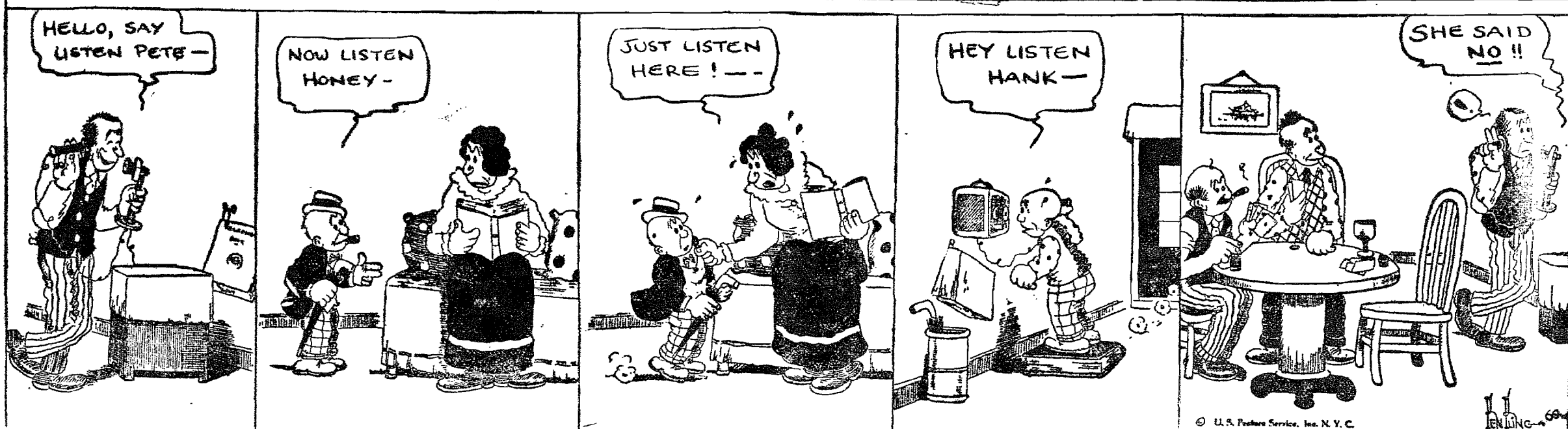
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HANK and PETE

PUZZLE - WHO'S THE BOSS IN THIS PICTURE

By KEN KLING

IMMENSE GRANITE DEPOSITS
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BY OMAHA DEALERS

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mines will produce finer grades of granite than even those of Europe, where the business has been highly developed for many centuries.

The new corporation will be in action within a year, Mr. Svoboda expects. He already has had a proposition to take an order for the first million dollars of his product. Several large and wealthy institutions have attempted to purchase a share in the business, but thus far he has not accepted any offers. He expects to develop the business himself and to make it the biggest thing of the sort in the United States.

Some of the land Svoboda bought remarkably cheap. He says the owners had no idea of its value. One old fellow, who spent his time whittling on the steps of the corner grocery, owned five acres. He wanted \$4 per acre for it. Svoboda told him he would give him \$25 for the piece if he would vacate at once. He made the deal and got the land the same day.

BRODEGAARD STORE HAS
USUAL CHRISTMAS RUSH

Old Established Place Keeps Big Force of Clerks Busy Waiting on Trade.

From early morning until the doors are closed for the night the big jewelry store of Fred Brodegaard at Sixteenth and Douglas streets is a beehive of activity. A large force of additional clerks are kept busy waiting on the holiday trade.

In this old established store patrons are on hand to purchase their substantial Christmas gifts because they know they are getting their money's worth. For thirty years Brodegaard has been known for his fair dealing. This year he is putting on an unusual display of fine jewelry with several other lines of Christmas merchandise. He laid in, among other things, a big stock of victrolas, many of which are going out every day.

The Brodegaard store is the largest of its kind in the city and the stock is the most widely assorted to be found in the west. Fred says the people will continue to be given the same fair treatment for the holiday trade as at all other times.

TWELVE THOUSAND BOYS
AND GIRLS WANT PONIES

Four Lucky Youngsters Draw Lucky Numbers in Big Santa Claus Skirmish.

More than 12,000 Omaha boys and girls left their names and addresses with the Brandeis stores during the holidays in the hope of drawing one of the four fine Shetland ponies given away by the big firm last Monday. The four lucky ones were all boys except one, Miss Gretchen Patterson, 817 Pine street.

Ervine Brandeis himself was on the job to see the big crowd of youngsters and their mothers who jammed the Brandeis theater when the drawing took place. He expressed the hope that the new owners of the ponies would see that they were royally treated because, as he explains, that is the way they have been raised.

The ponies themselves were the finest specimens the Brandeis people could purchase in the west. They have been on exhibition at the big store for two weeks.

SIMPLEX RIM COMPANY
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The new rims will come through as regular equipment on the 1920 Buick cars.

A Farnam street location has been arranged for by the new company and dealers distribution plans are in the formative stage.

Bob Encell was reported in bad at home. It is said cigarettes was the cause of the whole thing.

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NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT DEFENDANT.

To Rose Speed, non-resident defendant: You are hereby notified that on the 12th day of July, 1919, Charles M. Speed as plaintiff filed his petition in the district court of Douglas county, Nebraska, against you as defendant, the object and prayer of which is to obtain a decree of absolute divorce from you upon the grounds of willful desertion from the home and abode of the plaintiff for more than two years.

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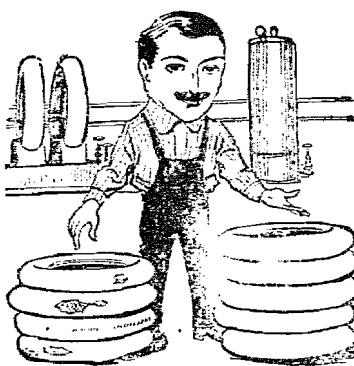
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Marion will delight with his popular new character which will be seen in entirely new situations—for this is a brand new show, and it may be said without exaggeration, so it is reported, that Mr. Marion has never been funnier than he is this season.

The comedian-producer is surrounded by a cast which, for brilliancy of talent, is unparalleled in the history of burlesque. Among the notables who will be found supporting him are Babe La Tour, who needs no introduction to the devotees of burlesque, and who has returned to her favorite field this season after an absence of four years in the varieties; Will H. Ward, Agnes Behler, Ines De Verdier, Sid Gold, Joe Argus, John Willard, Ray Magruder, Conn & Whiting, Thomas Duffy, Joseph Rooney, Roy Conry, Bobby Roberts and Billie Renaud.

This cast is augmented by a chorus of superbly beautiful girls and a male quartet. The production is further given the advantage of an unusual scenic and costume appointment.

The week's engagement opens Saturday matinee. The Sunday matinee and the grand holiday matinee Christmas day start at 8:00. Ladies' dime matinee every week-day.

AT THE BRANDEIS.

The principal tenor of "The Chocolate Soldier" who sings and enacts the part of Alexius, the egotistical "hero," is Jack Phillips who played the Chocolate Soldier role in the first company that went on tour playing Shaw & Straus' great comic opera. Mr. Phillips' career is indeed interesting, he being a Baptist minister's son who has a high place upon the lyric stage by reason of his excellent voice and pleasing personality. He played leading parts in "The Rose of Panama," "The Alaskan" and with Alice Reilison in "Kittie Darling." He was principal tenor for one season at the Trivoli in San Francisco, and has appeared in every American city where first class comic opera goes, and is a recognized favorite.

Another feature with this production is the chorus of singers which is carried. Mr. Dunbar, as a result of his many years of theatrical activity, believes that every person on his payroll must deliver to the people that rally to his standard, his very best contribution to musical art, and besides must have that subtle grace which we call personality. The result is a company of cultured young people who sing gloriously in such numbers as "My Hero" and the stirring strains of this most tuneful excerpt lingers long with every music lover. "The Chocolate Soldiers" looks like a big holiday week at the Brandeis theater.

"La La Lucille"

Eleanor Daniels, of the cast of "La La Lucille," which comes to the Brandeis theater for a week, commencing December 28, started out as a tragedienne, then she switched to Scotch dialect roles, scoring a real hit in "Kitty Mackay." In "La La Lucille" she has an eccentric role—that of a janitress.

BOYD THEATER.

On Sunday night next for the week the Selwyns will offer "Tea for Three," the brilliant comedy by Roi Cooper Megrue, recently shown at the Curran theater, San Francisco, where it appeared directly from an engagement of over a year at Maxine Elliott's theater, New York.

Mr. Megrue, who wrote "It Pays to Advertise," "Seven Chances," "Under Cover," and other popular plays, has, it has been said, seemed to combine in his latest work all the scintillating wit of dialogue, the charm and pathos of romance, and the dramatic intensity of his previous writings. It is generally agreed that his biggest bid for fame has been his work in "Tea for Three."

The Selwyns have provided an elaborate and artistic stage setting, including three changes of scenes. There are three acts and a prologue.

The story is based on the triangular friendship of a man, his wife and his friend, which through the jealousy of the husband dis in danger of violent disruption. The plotting and planning of the wife and friend to convince the husband of his foolish and unfair viewpoint form the situations of the

play. It is the unique manner in which the author has developed his idea that creates and holds a breathless interest from beginning to end. The atmosphere is smart and refreshing, yet very clean and wholesome in tone.

Norman Hackett in the role of the friend proves his fine versatility and mastery of the technique of the stage. Matinees Christmas and Saturday.

EMPRESS ATTRACTIONS.

Coming as the featured act of the new show opening at the Empress Sunday, the Three Murani Brothers, specializing in character and harmony singing, have a real treat in store for theatergoers. Each member of the trio is a tried soloist and each has the opportunity of demonstrating his ability individually and collectively. Their program embraces all the latest songs and ballads as well as a list of old time melodies so dear to the hearts of the American public.

One of the pleasing features of the bill will be the appearance of Billy Scott, who calls himself "The Versatile Scot," and rightly too, because there seems to be nothing in the calendar of amusements he cannot do. During the course of his performance he plays stirring Highland melodies with bagpipes, dances in the Scottish way, juggles and gives various exhibitions of feats of strength.

John Orren and Lillian Drew are an exceptional couple in the field of entertainment who will present their strictly original novelty which they label "A Barnyard Episode." In conjunction with whistling solos, imitations of animals, mechanical contrivances and sounds that are more or less familiar to the average man or woman, are given by this duo of clever artists.

Edmunds & Rogers, in their offering, "The Two Black Hawks," have a line of talk that is snappy and cross-fire. Their songs are of the class that are tuneful and melodious.

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To Louis D. Hopkins, non-resident defendant:

You are hereby notified that Peter J. Rooney has filed a petition in the district court of Douglas county, Nebraska, in an action against you, the object and prayer of said suit being to recover the sum of two hundred seventy-five dollars (\$275.00) with interest thereon at the rate of 6 per cent per annum from the 23d day of January, 1918, that the following described real estate has been attached in said suit, to-wit: The northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter (nely of sec 4 of nw 1/4 of section nine (9) township sixteen (16) north range thirteen (13) east of the 6th principal meridian, Douglas county, Nebraska, except a strip thirty-three feet wide taken from said tract for a road; that unless you answer said petition on or before the 19th day of January, the allegations of said petition will be taken as true and judgment rendered accordingly, and said attached property sold to satisfy said judgment and costs of action.

Dated at Omaha, Nebraska, this 10th day of December, 1918.

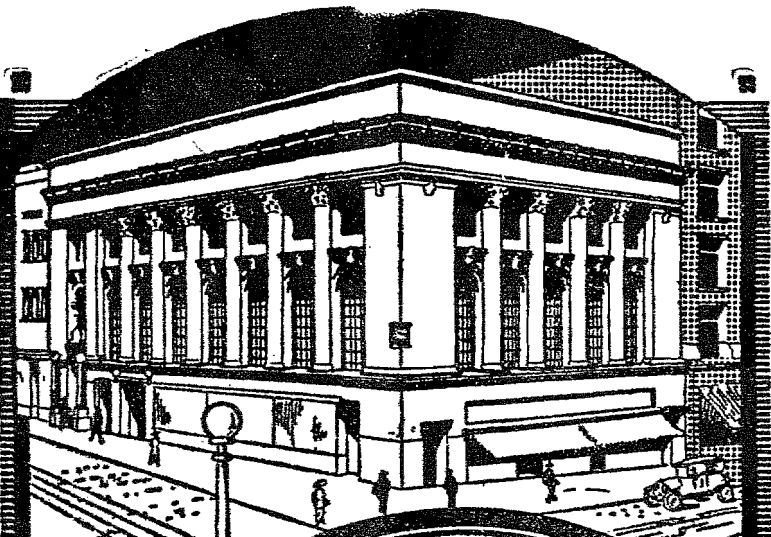
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LAST CAR LEAVES

(Corrected March 10.)

Farnam St. Line.
16th and Farnam for Dundee.....1:30
15th and Farnam for 46th and
Cuming.....12:51
Depot for Dundee.....1:13
13th and Farnam for Depot.....2:06
Harney Line.
33rd and Parker to 7th Street.....12:47
33rd and Parker to Depots.....1:41
6th and Center for 33rd and Parker.....1:14
Park and North 24th Streets.
16th and Farnam, East Side.....1:03
16th and Farnam, West Side.....1:23
16th and Farnam for Florence.....12:24
16th and Farnam for 30th and Fort.....1:12
16th and Farnam for Kansas Ave.....1:31
16th and Farnam for 24th and Ames.....2:06
South Omaha and 42nd and Grand.
14th and Farnam for West Q.....1:21
14th and Farnam for 42nd and Grand.....1:23
14th and Farnam for 24th and Ames.....2:23
Dodge Street Line.
13th and Dodge (West).....1:20
13th and Dodge (East).....2:01
30th and Spaulding for Depots.....1:45
Leavenworth and Deaf Institute.....1:45
15th and Farnam (North).....11:55
15th and Farnam (South).....12:15
Benson and Albright.
13th and Farnam for Benson.....1:20
13th and Farnam for Albright.....12:41
13th and Farnam for 24th and N.....1:26
13th and Farnam for 18th and Vinton.....2:26
Fort Crook Line.
24th and N Sts., South Omaha.....12:00
Port Crook.....12:30

14th and Howard for Pearl & B-way.....3:00
Owl Cars.
16th and Farnam—south to 24th and Vinton.....1:50
16th and Farnam—south to 24th and Vinton.....3:30
16th and Farnam—south to 24th and Vinton.....4:20
16th and Farnam—north to 24th and Ames.....2:20
16th and Farnam—north to 24th and Ames.....3:30
16th and Farnam—north to 24th and Ames.....4:20
10th and Mason to 50th and Underwood.....3:52
16th and Farnam to 50th and Underwood.....4:09
50th and Underwood to 10th and Bancroft.....4:20
16th and Farnam to 10th and Bancroft.....4:39
24th Street Cross Town.....12:25
24th and Lake.....12:25
44th and L to 24th and Vinton.....1:00
Council Bluffs and Omaha.....1:30
Pearl and Broadway for Omaha.....1:30
14th and Howard for R. I. Depot.....1:30



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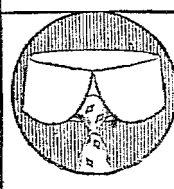
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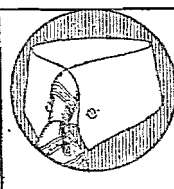
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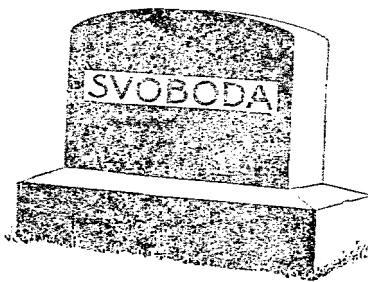
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