

## CLEANING UP ODORS IN POLICE AFFAIRS

More Extensions Result From High-  
ing of Morals Squad.

### PATTULLO MADE POLICE INSPECTOR

"Executive Session" of Council Committee Decides to Clip Wings  
of Supt. Ringer—Generally Rotten Conditions Force Three  
of Commissioners to Act—Towl Has Few Words.

The naming of Andrew Pattullo as police inspector for the city will generally meet with the approval of the people of Omaha and especially of those who have the pleasure of his acquaintance. At the same time the action of Chief of Police Eberstein in suspending such offenders as Officers Sutton, Samardick and Stolley will also be generally approved.

All of which, too, means that Superintendent Dean Ringer has been called off his high horse by some of his associates in the city council, as the result of an "executive session" recently held. At that session, it is said, at least three other city commissioners decided that a continuance of conditions as they had been running under Ringer meant rot for the whole crowd. They also decided that something simply must be done to remove the general bad odor that was going out from the city council chamber.

It could not be agreed just how it should all be done, but it was admitted that Elmer Thomas should be told to keep his nose out and that there must be some understanding had and more common sense used. Mr. Ringer went east "for his health" to remain while some of this reform should be instituted. Pattullo's appointment was made in Ringer's absence, although it was not announced until he returned. Three highjacking morals squad men were canned without Ringer being consulted.

General rotten conditions are said to have caused the desperation of the commissioners who decided that the changes should be made. In fact, it is really stated, Mr. Ringer would have been given some other assignment if anybody except Zimman could have been induced to take the job. Zimman is too wise a bird for Ure and the may-

or to permit to become superintendent of police. In fact, were he to take on that position, it would blow up a lot of things that have been worked out by them to fatten up their own pocket-books and thinks like that. Towl, who has been permitted to draw his salary, not because he was head of the engineering department, but because he was superintendent of that job, acquiesced in the general movement in order to keep himself in strong. Towl is hardly to be blamed, because he admits he would not have the job a minute if he could not run his own business on the side.

But the whole thing has resolved itself into a general shaking up. Ringer is said to have made his peace with one section of the colored population of the city, but has increased his persecution of the other section. Business interests of the city have taken up this matter it is said, and some new developments in the general situation as it affects the negroes is expected in the near future.

During the week there have been some spirited arguments in open council which have enlivened matters. Commissioner Butler, who works from 8 a. m. until 5 p. m. every day, told Commissioner Towl he ought to keep on his job instead of giving almost his entire time to private business and Towl said something about not giving a tinkers damn about what Butler thought about him.

As a matter of fact, some of these sessions of the city commissioners have been little less than farces. If good audiences were to visit the council chamber at each meeting they would have an opportunity to learn just how some of the commissioners carry on. They would also get an inkling as to just how little this "reform" bunch really amounts to.

## RELEASING RAILROADS BY UNCLE SAM MAKES HIT WITH POLITICIANS

General Public Also Likes Change—Getting Back to Good Old  
Times—Action of President Sure Sign War Is Over—  
"Service" Back in Dictionary.

It is quite apparent that the war is over after all. The president has finally decided to give up the operation of American railroads March 1. There has been a lot of peculiar doings in connection with the operation of the railroads since the government took hold of them.

The arrangement under which the railroads were operated made it a very convenient way for the stockholders to collect dividends. Uncle Sam made a guarantee to the stockholders and they drew their dividends every six months without worrying about how their men were working nor where the money came from.

When the railroads come under private control again March 1 the public will quickly find it out. About the first word to go out will be one of those old orders for retrenchment or something of that sort. Traffic men for the next two months will be kept busy preparing new rate schedules and the operating departments will at once begin to figure on how they can dispense with the services of supernumeraries who do little except draw their salaries.

It is expected the wage schedules on the various railroads will be closely inspected and that there will be a revision downward wherever that is found possible. To a certain extent the railroad business for the last three years has been getting into a rut, similar to what we see daily in the postoffice department. About the first thing the owners will do when the roads are turned back will be to put a lot of new "pep" into their business and "make a cleaning" from stem to stern.

From a public standpoint government operation of the railroads has been an abject failure. The word

"service" has been removed from the railroad dictionary. Every person who has found it necessary to patronize railroads during government control has felt called upon to apologize for asking the railroads to sell him a ticket or haul his freight. There has been no such thing as competition. Railroads have been run just like the postoffice department.

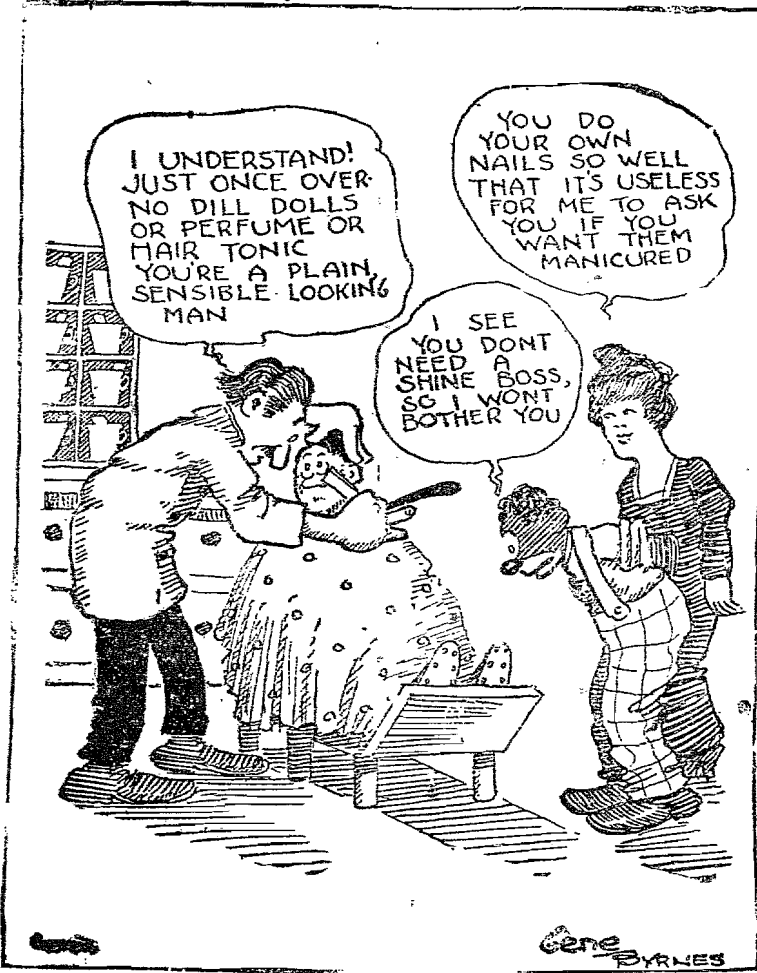
When the roads are turned back March 1 a semblance of the old progressive system will be at once inaugurated. Stockholders will insist on everybody going to work. Railroad officials will be forced to show a bank balance regularly and will, therefore, go right out after business. After things get to moving again it will be possible even to get some accommodation from railroad officials and others with whom the public finds it necessary to deal once in a while.

In Omaha there will be a general scouting around by a dozen or more big railroads to secure city ticket and freight offices, similar to those they occupied before the war. It will be possible to make a sleeper reservation without swearing your life away and it will also be possible to tell the traffic man where he gets off if he does not get your car of lumber or coal on your house track when you want it.

Of course, railroads will again be dickering a little with the politicians, but those are the things that make business good. All the money in sight will not be used for war taxes and many of the ambitious politicians will have an opportunity to "deal" a little to make things interesting. Even the dear public will have an opportunity to offer suggestions without being told to go to Hades.

## THINGS THAT NEVER HAPPEN

By GENE BYRNES



## Doings In Omaha Fifty Years Ago

Willis Crosby was asked to move, but he did not take his neighbors seriously. Crosby always had an alibi.

Butch Ames was loafing again. It was awful hard to keep Butch at work at a regular job.

Jack Lewis was keeping out of print temporarily. His friends were looking for him to break loose any moment.

Amos Abley was still putting out a lot of that old stuff about not profiting, but some of the boys caught him at it.

George Green sent holiday greetings from Kenosha, Wis., where he still has a horn band, but that is all he did send.

### JOHNNY LYNCH AGAIN BEFORE DIVORCE COURT

Johnny Lynch, former county commissioner, is again before a divorce court. His second wife has sued him for permanent separation and maintenance. Although John has always been considered a popular ladies man, his experience as a husband has been almost sensational.

Lynch came to the front in meteoric style. When he reached the pinnacle of fame he decided he could get along without his friends. He double-crossed some of the best friends he ever had. Most of them had been influential in electing him and keeping him in office. When the blowup came he found himself almost alone. His fine young wife had divorced him because of his attentions to other women.

Following his dismissal from office, Lynch was sent to a federal jail for violation of the Mann act. Later he was married in Idaho to the woman

Luke McDermott was still hanging around absorbing other people's heat. Some of his friends threatened to send him home.

Joe Heil was again looking over the political calendar. He noted several prospective changes in the near future.

Larrey Dwyer swore off on attending funerals. He nearly had one of his own after the last one he attended.

Charlie Jacobsen gave away a box of cigars during the Christmas holidays. Charlie was no tight wad.

Gus Romstedt was sticking to his job at the box factory. Gus said somebody had to work once in a while.

who has just sued him for divorce. She is said by her friends to be a very estimable lady who had hoped to restore him to renewed good standing in the public's eyes, but was unable to accomplish the desired result.

### MILLER DURKEE BUSY DURING THE HOLIDAYS

Pittsburg Plate Glass Man One of Live Wires When Santa Needs Him.

Miller Durkee, whom Frank Judson says is one of the best friends Santa Claus ever had, has been putting in long hours during these recent holidays. Durkee has a lot of friends to remember and, as he told a friend, needed a boost in salary to keep up with the spirit of the times.

Durkee is one of Judson's right hand men at the Pittsburg Plate Glass company's big local plant. Dick O'Kane knew what he was talking about. Dick and Miller were great "Shrimp" friends in their time.

## ROCKAFELLER'S HUNDRED MILLION

John D. Rockefeller, billionaire, has given a Christmas present of \$100,000,000 for higher education. It is a very fine thing for this money to go into educational work, but the public has come to the point where Rockefeller donations are little more than insult. The news item telling of this last gift says that it makes a total of \$450,000,000 he has given for educational purposes.

There is no reason why any living man should be able to give that much money away. It is said Rockefeller is not at fault because he controls so much of the world's wealth and that he could not stop it if he wanted to. That is all bunk. Carnegie had no trouble getting rid of most of his wealth. Some day John D. Rockefeller will die. Perhaps his immense wealth will get into the hands of men who care even less for the world than John D. himself.

It is men like Rockefeller that are responsible for anarchy and bolshevism. Rockefeller with his wealth can do anything except commit murder. He has more influence in the world in a minute than the president of the United States has in a year. For Rockefeller it has been said that he was a wise dispenser of wealth. That all depends on the view point of the person who makes the assertion.

The hundred million he has just put out might be duplicated for the uplift of mankind in other ways. If it was controlled by more than one man it might be more broadly dispensed. There are men in Omaha who have given away a hundred thousand dollars that has done humanity more good than the Christmas gift just given away by Rockefeller.

The mention of Rockefeller is a signal for nausea.

## "OPEN SHOP" LATEST NEWSPAPER IN CITY

Indicates Movement to Curb Pyramid-  
ing Omaha Wage Scales.

### BUSINESS MEN'S OFFICIAL ORGAN

Union Labor Leaders Expect Movement to Import Large Number  
of Colored Workmen to City—New Factories May Be  
Established—Trade School to Be Opened.

"The Open Shop," a small newspaper, published by the Business Men's association, recently made its appearance in Omaha and its appearance is already a disturbing element in the local labor situation. It is also stated that there is a general movement on that will prevent pyramiding of wages among laboring men and women of Omaha.

It appears that the movement is a big one, but no person has thus far been found who will stand sponsor for it. From all indications, however, the city is to again become the center of activity on the part of both sides to the labor question. It is even said that a renewal of warfare begun several years ago when hundreds of colored laborers were imported into the city, may be expected the coming spring and summer.

The movement on the part of employers appears to be intended to bring about a condition by which membership in a labor union is not necessary for a man to secure and hold a job in the city. So far as the colored people are concerned, the movement seems to be gaining considerable momentum. An organization known as the Colored Commercial club is already in existence. Its purpose is said to be to secure employment and generally fair working conditions for the colored people.

This new institution is said to be affiliated, in a manner, with the Commercial club of Omaha. At least it is receiving the active support of those interested in the labor problem, as it effects general business interests. This little newspaper, "The Open Shop," is being mailed to thousands of unorganized workers. It proclaims openly against the "closed shop" and explains why labor unions are not a good thing, in the estimation of the writer.

It is said also that a trade school for colored people is to be a feature of the movement against the closed shop. Two or three factories are to be erected in the north end. It is said, where the colored people will be offered employment with the understanding that they keep out of labor unions.

All of which has started a big movement among union labor leaders to meet the issue. Union labor is pretty well organized in Omaha and most of the leaders are pretty well educated in the labor movement. Since the European war started union labor has been able to make many new and

favorable contracts for the services of their members. The increased cost of living has naturally been one of the results of these higher wages, but the union member has been forced to stand his share of the high cost.

All of which gives promise of a very spirited labor war during the next few years unless there is a general adjustment of wages and living expenses. Although there has been a very material increase in the amount of money labor has been receiving during the last two years, savings bank accounts hardly show the increase that would naturally be expected from them.

One labor organ, speaking of the new anti-union newspaper, "The Open Shop," has this to say:

"This paper is published by the Business Men's Association of Omaha, and as nearly as can be learned is distributed among the unorganized workers, mailed out to high school pupils, and in some cases sent to members of organized labor. The propaganda disseminated in this publication is along the lines of the old and exploded ghost stories that were told to influence the public mind against labor unions in the past. The chief distinguishing characteristic is a distressing lack of originality in the make-up of these 'arguments.'"

### WORLD-HERALD FALLS FOR ANONYMOUS NOTE

Great Religious Daily Paper Has Editorial on County Jail Crapshooters.

Up in the county jail, where a score or more negroes are at present spending their winter vacations, craps has become a big game. Recently they took to shooting for their food. One of them is said to have almost cornered up the food supply. They got into a game for bread. One of them had his meals mortgaged for three days and almost starved before his mates would even look at him.

During his hungry hours this colored gent wrote a letter to the World-Herald denouncing the jail authorities because they would not reimburse him with food to make up for what he carelessly lost in the craps game. The World-Herald fell for the story, as usual, at the same time trying to hand Sheriff Clark a knock, just as if the prisoner's story had been true. That is a great family newspaper.

## Commissioner Butler a Busy Man



DAN B. BUTLER  
City Commissioner

Dan B. Butler, member of the city commission and superintendent of the Department of Street Maintenance, has been holding a city office nearly fifteen years. His first election was that of city clerk, in 1906, the year that Jim Dahlman became mayor of Omaha. Butler has been on the job ever since.

At the last election Butler was the only member of the old body to be re-elected and his vote was the high-

est of any man elected to office that year. He has been in the minority since he was elected but that has not prevented him from keeping on the job all the time. Being in no wise responsible for the policies of the majority he has been free to say about anything he wanted to say and has not refrained from doing so at all times.

Butler has devoted his entire time to his business as a city official since he was first elected. He never interested himself in any outside business which took any of his time. He has had more experience than any man on the commission, with the possible exception of Zimman, so far as city affairs are concerned.

One of the features of his services as street commissioner, has been that he has kept within the funds allowed him for his work. During the recent storms he has been forced to treble his street force but will end the year well within the money allowed to him. Mindful of the men in his department, whose work is generally of the most menial sort, Butler has done much for their comfort while they were clearing the streets in cold and stormy weather by sending hot coffee around to the workmen twice daily. He also manages to get all over the city at intervals and keep track of the condition of the streets from Albright to the Florence water works.



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## GENERAL PERSHING HOME AGAIN

General John Pershing is back to his Nebraska home for a few days after returning from Germany, where he sent the kaiser to Holland and put the German army out of business. "Black Jack," as he is familiarly known, is having some of the same experiences that befell Admiral Dewey when that great hero returned after the Manila bay incident.

Pershing is being touted for president, but the biggest interest his home friends have in him is to see the conqueror of Germany back home just as a visitor. Like other men of his calibre, he was not cut out for talking but rather for action. He has lived up to that reputation admirably.

They are talking about nominating Pershing for president. They also talked about Dewey for president. Grant was president twice after the Civil war. With all respect to that great general, he never accomplished much as president. He finally died partially of a broken heart.

It is possible Pershing would make a great president. He certainly would make a good one. It is a serious question now, as it always has been, whether this country wants an army man for president. We have seen enough of militarism in politics. That is what caused the European war. General Pershing has already stated that he favored a big militarist program. If he is elected president we may expect just such a thing.

What this country needs is not a big militarist program but a big peace and commercial program. General Pershing apparently is not as much elated over the prospect of becoming a presidential candidate as are some of his friends and others. It is probable that he could serve his country better as head of the army.

## THE NEXT PRESIDENT

There is a lot of jockeying by the leading political parties these days about whom they shall select as candidates for president of the United States. The next national election is going to be an interesting one and it will give us an opportunity to see how the rank and file feel about the way the war was run and how they feel about what should be done in the future for the good of the whole people.

There is a strong disposition on the part of many politicians to put up army men for the presidential nomination. The republicans have particularly seemed to favor such a man as Leonard Wood or General Pershing. Wood is apparently receptive and there is nothing to indicate that Pershing would not consider favorably such a nomination. The presumption has been that both of them are republicans and that there is a division of thought among republican leaders as to which one of them they want.

The democratic leaders have indicated that Pershing might be satisfactory to that party if he could reconcile himself to a democratic platform. But what of the host of ordinary citizens who want to get into the game for the big job? There is Hiram Johnson, Governor Lowden, Governor Cox and our own Senator Hitchcock, all of them ready to make the race for the place. McAdoo has been mentioned and it is also said that former President Taft will be an active candidate for the republican nomination.

The platforms of both parties should be interesting. Just now the political leaders connected with the American Legion are taking a prominent part in the activities in both parties. It is a safe bet that the platforms of both parties will have strong planks favoring doing something for our returned soldiers, which, of course, is perfectly proper. The question is who shall be trusted, if either party, and will the high private in the ranks be relegated to the rear as soon as the commissioned officers get into office.

There will not be much of a wet and dry issue. The men formerly interested in such matters have gone out of business. A lot of them have gone broke by reason of confiscation of their business and about everything they own by laws already on the statute books. But it is a safe bet that the party that hints at a reasonable dealing with light wines and beer will receive the undivided support of millions of voters who feel that their personal liberty has been taken away from them.

To those who are interested in how our government shall be run for the next four years it is time to look over matters seriously. There will be plenty of ranting against the democrats and President Wilson. The democratic leaders will undertake to show that the republicans, during the last two years, have well nigh broke up our government because they refused to make peace with Europe possible.

Grape Juice Bryan will be on the job from this time on. He will continue to work that fine Italian hand of his and to keep him-

self well in the limelight if possible. Democrats of Nebraska will do well, however, if they sidetrack him as a delegate at large to their national convention and let the whole world know that Nebraska considers him little less than a non-resident.

Nebraska republicans will have a good scrap of their own this year. They believe they are going to whip the democrats to death at the coming national elections. For that reason they are already fighting among themselves for party leadership.

So the time is ripe for the common people to look over affairs before they decide in favor of any candidate or permit themselves to be guiled into supporting anybody whose first interest is not in doing things that are for the rank and file of the people and not for a bunch of political renegades who seek only political preferment.

## NO LAW VIOLATED—WE JUST QUIT

The packing house owners of the country have been forced by the government to running their packing houses. One of them, apparently spokesman for them all, says they quit because Uncle Sam wanted them to do so. In the same breath he admits conditions were getting pretty hot for the packers.

For many years the packing house ring has been securing control of about everything in the way of terminals, trackage, stock yards and other big interests that gave them complete control of the American dinner table. In their greed, they were already sending prices sky high to the consumer. Even the little fellow who ran a butcher shop could hardly say his life was his own. Any attempt of a butcher to maintain a slaughter house of his own was quickly put on the pan by these big fellows and run out of business.

During the course of their financial girations they managed to secure control of the manufacture of something like 95 per cent of everything in the way of meat food and subsidiaries. For the last ten years they have been sole owners of the American dinner table.

When President Wilson started his fight on them they smiled and indicated that the investigation would amount to little or nothing. When they learned, however, that the whole American people was heart and soul in the movement they began to back up and look for an easy way out the back door. They secured it by accepting the terms laid down by the government that they get out of everything but the packing house business.

The victory of the people will doubtless be reflected in the government instituting proceedings against other lines of business where there have been attempts successfully made to control every subsidiary to various industries by the wealthy owners who manufacture other necessities of life.

## MID-WEST IMPLEMENT DEALERS' SHOW JAN. 6-8

The Mid-West Implement Dealers' Association will hold its annual convention, Implement and Tractor Show in Omaha, January 6 to 8 with the Hotel Rome as headquarters.

Oscar Rystrom of Stromsburg, Nebraska, is president of the association, and James Wallace of Council Bluffs, Ia., is secretary.

The machinery and tractor exhibit at the Municipal Auditorium will be the biggest in the history of the association. Tractor space was all sold more than six weeks ago; space on the main machinery floor has all been sold for two weeks.

Governor McKelvie and O. G. Smith of Kearney, president of the National Farm Congress, are among those scheduled to speak to the implement men on the big problems of the day.

## PROMINENT CLUB WOMEN WILL VISIT OMAHA SOON

Mrs. Josiah Evans Cowles, president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs; Miss Georgie A. Bacon, first vice president; Mrs. Thos. G. Winter, second vice president; Mrs. Adam Weiss, recording secretary, and Mrs. Mary O. Wood, corresponding secretary, will all attend the meeting of the board of directors of the General Federation in Omaha, January 6 to 8.

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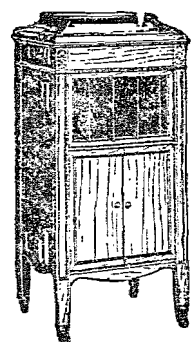
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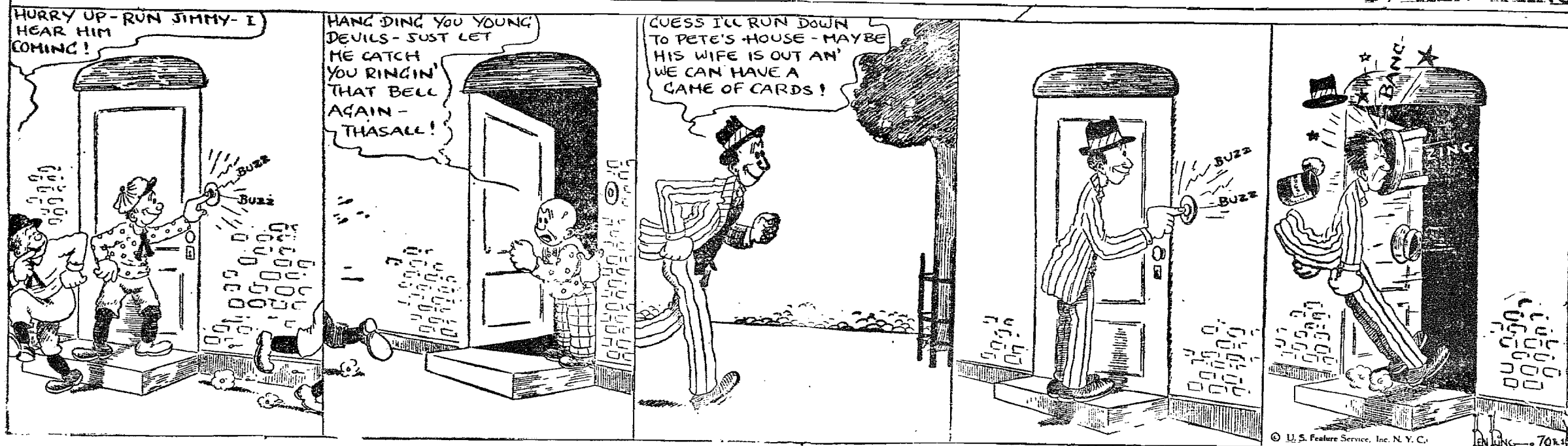
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## HANK and PETE

HANK CAME AT THE WRONG TIME

By KEV KLING



## WORLEY INAUGURATES THRIFT WEEK FEATURE

J. M. Worley, director of sales and publicity for war savings stamps, is some hustler and he manages to get about everything before the public in the way of advertising his lines that could be asked for.

Mr. Worley has been preparing for "Thrift Week," January 17 to 24. At that time he hopes to inaugurate the aid of insurance companies, trust companies, real estate dealers and merchants in general. He will have a "Pay Your Bills" day on January 24.

Worley thinks war savings stamps are among the best investments that can be found, and they are, too. During that week he hopes to put out, with the assistance of the concerns mentioned, an immense amount of war savings stamps and has asked the commercial world to aid in the movement.

## MORGAN WRITES STORMS BAD IN CUSTER COUNTY

A. J. Morgan, rancher of Arnold, in Custer county, writes The Mediator that the recent storms in western Nebraska, were the worst in thirty-three years. He says December 6 was like a summer's day. On the 7th it began to rain, which turned into a blizzard of snow. His letter dated the 12th says the storm was still on. It took just a week for the letter to reach Omaha.

He says you can not go in a car, drive a wagon, ride a horse or walk into the country and there is only a little coal left. Fence posts are being used freely, he says, to keep the people warm. In many instances two and three families have moved into one house together to keep warm. In fact coal there is a thing of the past, Morgan declares.

Incidentally, Mr. Morgan, who visits Omaha frequently, is a Mediator subscriber and he sent his check for a year's renewal of his subscription.

## STATE LUMBERMEN INSURANCE MEN MEET

The annual meeting of the Nebraska Lumber Dealers' Association and the Nebraska Lumbermen's Mutual Insurance Association will be held in Omaha, January 14, 15, 16, 1920. Hotel Rome will be headquarters and meeting place of both organizations. F. C. Krotter of Palisade, Neb., is president, and E. E. Hall of Lincoln, secretary.

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13th and Farnam for 46th and Cuming.....	1:41
Depot for Dundee.....	1:45
13th and Farnam for Depot.....	2:06
Harney Line.....	
33rd and Parker to 6th Street.....	12:47
33rd and Parker to Depot.....	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.....	1:32
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.....	2:03
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14th and Farnam for West Q.....	1:21
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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 2nd Nat Institute.....	
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.....	12:11
13th and Farnam for 24th and N.....	1:26
13th and Farnam for 13th and Vinton.....	2:26
Fort Crook Line.....	
24th and N Sts., South Omaha.....	12:00
Fort Crook.....	12:30
14th and Howard for Pearl & B-way.....	2:00
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.....	3:30

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

H. H. CLAIBORNE, Attv.  
441 Paxton Block  
NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT DEFENDANT

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 to said suit, to-wit: The northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter (ne¼ of se¼ of nw¼) 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, 1919.

PETER J. ROONEY, Plaintiff.

12-12-19-4t-1-2-20

WILLIAM F. WAPPICH, Attorney.

301 Omaha National Bank Bldg.

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 wilful desertion from the home and abuse of the plaintiff for more than two years.

You are required to answer said petition on or before the 19th day of January, 1920, or said petition will be taken as true and default taken against you.

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CHARLES M. SPEED, Plaintiff.

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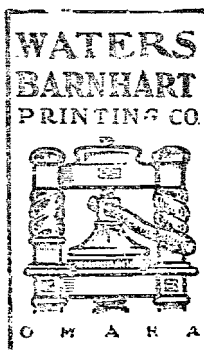
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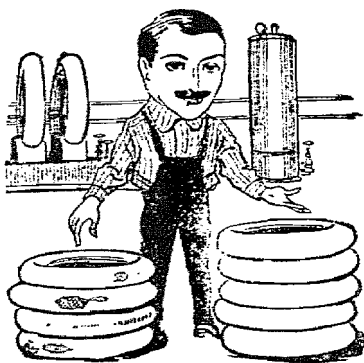
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#### MIDNIGHT SHOW AT GAYETY

An attraction which will cause a great deal of comment and curiosity appears at the popular Gayety theater next week and known as the Liberty Girls with Jack Conway' everybody's favorite. This attraction contains many new novelties to burlesque.

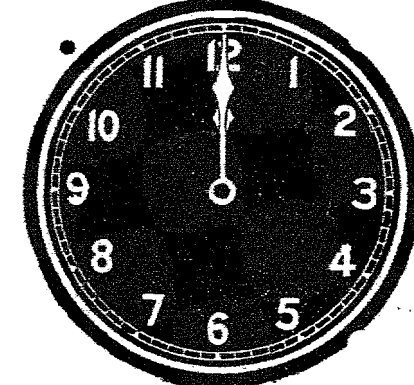
The scenery was designed and painted by one of America's greatest artists. The costumes are new creations from Paris, the electrical effects are gorgeous in their entirety and nothing has been spared to make this attraction the best in the burlesque field today.

Jack Conway set to work and wrote the two-act, ten-scene laughable musical melange, entitled "Manless Isle," and that he has succeeded will be attested to when the entertainment is over.

To present the screaming farce, the management has engaged a cast of unusual qualities, and besides Jack Conway, the versatile character comedian, includes Vic Plant, eccentric comedian; James J. Collins, burlesque favorite straight man; Monica Redmond, a stately prima donna with a charming voice; Helen Stuart, a character woman of note; Pauline Harer, a charming ingenue; Harold Boyd, Thomas O'Brien, James Oliver and Joseph Dunn, and a chorus of twenty pretty young ladies who are bedecked in gorgeous and elaborate costumes.

Another great feature will be an elaborate spectacular march by the famous Liberty Girls beauty chorus, done with beautiful scenic effect and with a lot of real clever marching.

Specialties will be introduced by the Runaway Comedy Four, late of Head Over Heels Co., and others.



The usual New Year's eve watch meeting performance—now an established annual feature at the Gayety—will start at 11:30 Wednesday night, half an hour after the termination of the regular performance starting at 8:30. The extra show will be given in its entirety by Jack Conway and The Liberty Girls and just at midnight at the death of 1919 and the birth of 1920 some novel stunts, typical of the occasion, will be presented in the Gayety's customary nifty manner. All will be out and over at 1:45 Thursday a. m., January 1, 1920, in ample time to catch "owl" cars home. It is well known that the Gayety is the originator of the midnite matinee stunt and that this feature as presented at the Gayety differs from all others having in it the novelty, kick and punch which all others lack.

Ladies' matinee daily all week. The Sunday and holiday matinee New Year's day starts at 2:00.

#### BOYD THEATER

Avery Hopwood's "Fair and Warmer," one of the farce successes of last season; comes to the Boyd Sunday night next for one week with matinees New Year's and Saturday. Selwyn & Company are said to have kept the piece up to their usual fine standard for this season's presentation.

The tale begins with a scene of family disagreement which progresses even to the plans for divorce. Laura Bartlett complains that Bill, her husband, is too good for mortal woman—too faithful, too prosaic, too utterly

unromantic. In a word, she will have none of him, and she is going that very night to the opera with an old admirer and leaves Billy to the peace and quiet of his home. Just as she is leaving, Jack and Blanny Wheeler enter and it transpires that Jack is going out leaving Blanny to the peace and quiet of the Wheeler home.

Through some indiscreet admissions, neatly dovetailed by Author Hopwood, the angelic Blanny Wheeler and the innocent Billy Bartlett, discover that they are both being outrageously treated by their giddy marriage partners, and instantly they are left alone they plan a revenge.

But Blanny and Billy find it easier to plan to sit up all night than it is to do—for they both get sleeper and sleeper, and nobody shows the slightest sign of coming home. Then Blanny remembers dimly that Jack had once told her that a cocktail or two kept a late party going, so she suggests to Billy that they make one and try it.

What happens then is the famous cocktail scene in which Blanny and Billy get equally and beautifully "lost," and Billy falls asleep on a couch, while Blanny tucks in under a bearskin till the philandering husband and the giddy wife come home and find them.

This is the point at which Hopwood begins unwinding the tangle he has created.

#### AT THE BRANDEIS

"La La Lucille," the season's snappiest musical play will be the New Year's attraction at the Brandeis, opening with a performance tomorrow evening. It comes here direct from the Colonial theater in Chicago where it has enjoyed a prosperous engagement. It has been hailed by the critics as a melodious and lively musical play, full of action, with a snappiest dialogue that few musical books can boast of. It is the kind that is suitable for the holiday season, having pep and ginger, thereby making everyone forget all troubles. The book is by Fred Jackson, the music by George Gershwin and the lyrics by Arthur J. Jackson and B. G. DeSilva. The large company includes Sam Hardy, Henrietta Brewster, J. Clarence Harvey, Marjorie Bentley, Tom Collins, Eleanor Daniels, Charles J. Stine, Cordelia MacDonald, John Love and a large and handsomely gowned chorus. The matinees will be given on New Year's day at 3 p. m. and on Saturday. There will be no matinee Wednesday.

#### ORPHEUM OFFERINGS

Henry Santrey, the gifted baritone, comes with his Society Jazz band as the stellar attraction next week at the Orpheum. He and his instrumentalists are among the leaders in acrobatic music. It is not often that a real vocalist lends himself to jazz; hence, Mr. Santrey, who comes heading his own hilarious organization, should prove a decided novelty.

A featured act of the bill is to be the comedy, "The Man Hunt." The offering was written by Harlan Thompson. The chief character is a girl who walks in her sleep. The part is played very effectively by Isolde Illian. The attraction is one of the most unique little plays of the season.

Bert and Hazel Mann are expert funsters. They are to appear effectively in a collection of amusing antics called "Nonsensical Nontinities." Their offering should prove one of the most entertaining acts of the bill.

Frank Marion and Dan Maley are to offer an Italian character skit called "Push 'Em Up." Their eccentricities and their singing produce unending laughter. It is likely that no act on the bill will prove more entertaining. "A Quiet Evening" is a pantomime comedy offered by Billy Fern and two assistants. Their offering is a combination of fun and clever feats.

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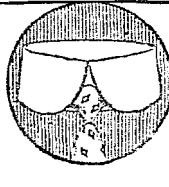
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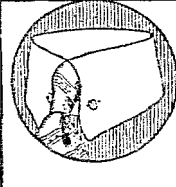
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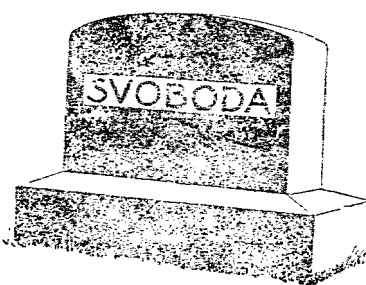
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