

## A NEW PROTEST ON STECHER Gov. Edwards Nebraska's Choice

### WRESTLER IS BARRED FROM ANOTHER CITY

Interesting Letter From Expert Who  
Saw Last Stecher-Pesek Match.

### LINCOLN BARS DODGE COMPETITOR

Truth Begins to Soak in on How Nebraska Sports "Framed" on  
Match Two Weeks Ago—Gene Melady's Friends Among  
the Fall Guys—Sucker Bets Paid.

Last week's story in The Mediator respecting the wrestling of Joe Stecher has brought out an immediate response from numerous sources, and in every instance it has been a spontaneous approval of the sentiments voiced in that story. Numerous letters have come to this office declaring the story to be exactly right and in one instance the statement is flatly made that Joe Stecher will not be again permitted to appear in one of the chief cities of the state, even though he claims Nebraska for his own habitat.

One of the latest letters on the subject comes from a sport critic well known to every sports reader in the state. It is so much to the point that the salient parts of the letter are reproduced. The writer says:

"Dear Mr. Editor: You and I have disagreed in the past as to the fairness of some of your comments on the 'rasslers' but I will say with complete frankness that you have hit the nail on the head in the recent Stecher-Pesek fiasco. I am firm in the belief that the good people of Nebraska—those who love square sport and paid their money to see a square contest—were flim-flammed. Unfortunately, daily newspapers of Omaha have not been fearless enough to expose the fraud that was perpetrated on the public in the guise of a wrestling match.

"The Sunday following the Stecher-

Pesek match the Lincoln Star gave notice that Lincoln was through with the heavy-weight wrestlers; that the heavyweights could not come to Lincoln and pull off their fakes. The same ban should be clamped on in Omaha. Let them go to New York, if they wish, but nix on the fakes in Nebraska."

This letter was written by a well-known Nebraska sportsman, who has witnessed every wrestling match of any consequence in Nebraska and cities of other states for the last twenty years. It shows how he feels about the Pesek-Stecher affair in Omaha two weeks ago, which he attended. He has been a critic whose opinion is worth the while and has refereed several matches in this city.

Ernie Holmes, who promoted the match, believed the men he was putting on the mat would come clean and give the fans a run for their money. Quite opposite, however, it was, as our correspondent says, one of the biggest fiascos ever perpetrated on a sport loving public. Mr. Holmes was as big a goat as anybody else, despite the fact that he was a financial gainer by the transaction. Holmes has a fine business of his own—the best of the kind in the state—and will probably not permit himself to again be the dupe of anything of this sort which will hurt his own private business in so many ways.

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### RINGER REFUSED ENDORSEMENT BY COUNCIL ON SOFT DRINK PROTESTS

Police Superintendent Becomes Joker Among His Own Associates  
—Is Put Down as Nutty Promoter of Alleged Reform—  
Just a Lunatic—That's All.

Superintendent Ringer, continuing his inexplicable attitude toward everybody and everything that does not happen to conform with his "reform" whims, attempted to put the ban on some soft drink parlors last week because the proprietors were suspected of being interested in intoxicating liquor or because some of their patrons are said to have been consumers, despite the prohibition ban.

As a matter of fact, there is no reason why the soft drink man should pay a license any more than the fellow who runs a grocery store. There have been a lot of bootleggers doing business in Omaha but it is a safe bet that not 5 per cent of them have been soft drink salesmen. It is to the credit of the other members of the city commission that not one of them supported Ringer in his protests. It probably will also put an end to Ringer's ambition to dictate how everybody shall do business.

Probably the best thing that happened in the council meeting occurred when the protests were offered by Ringer. The fact that the proprietors had been arrested for or suspected of being interested in intoxicating liquors formed ground for Ringer's protest. The mayor came to the rescue in this instance. He showed that a man for violating the traffic ordinances should not be permitted to own an automobile, according to Ringer's reasoning, if he was caught speeding. The mayor admitted he had himself been twice arrested for such a "crime."

Whether or not Mr. Ringer owns an automobile we do not know. It is a

safe bet, however, that if he does own one, he has fractured the city ordinances more than once, even though he might not have been caught at it.

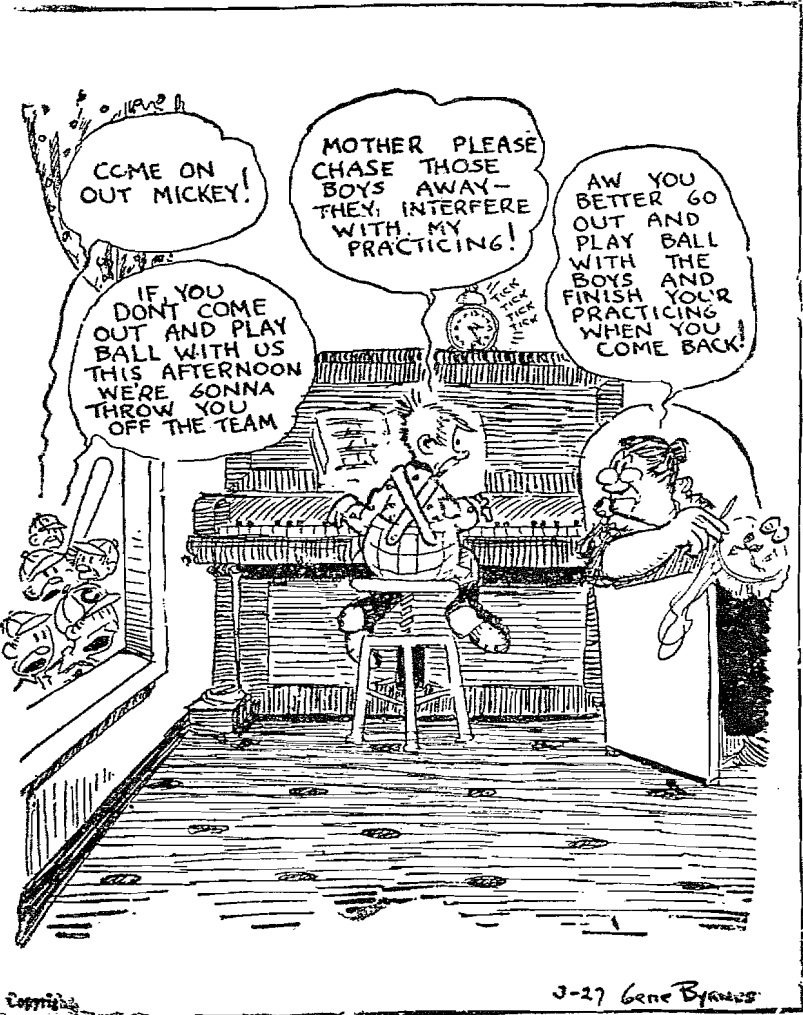
The same policy that exists in the Ringer office, so far as it concerns soft drink parlors, runs rampant in everything that has to do with either police or business affairs. There are a thousand business men in the city who should be under arrest and their business closed if the Ringer policy were put into effect in all their cases. And this is the man who has been entrusted with the public safety of the city.

Every time anything serious comes up Ringer sidesteps and asks to be given a clean bill. Within a week the chief of detectives has offered to show that certain members of the police force were in collusion with thieves. While a few would-be soft drink dispensers were recommended to be refused licenses, no action was reported on this report of the chief of detectives.

It would hardly be fair to Mr. Ringer to say that he was protecting such men as the detective chief reports to be in collusion with thieves, but it would make most people feel better if he would go after this class of criminals rather than be annoying the small soft drink peddler who might even have been guilty of taking a drink of bootleg whiskey and even going so far as to help a friend get some.

Uncle Sam is now looking after the violators of the liquor laws and he usually does a pretty good job when it comes to that sort of business.

### THINGS THAT NEVER HAPPEN By GENE BYRNES



### Doings In Omaha Fifty Years Ago

Orrie S. Hulse says a friend in need is a friend indeed. Orrie was threatened with the flu the last week.

Roy Perkins had several bad days during the cold spell, but was able to report regularly to his friends.

Mike Fish was still doing business at his old stand. He just received a new supply of peacock and chicken feed.

Some of the newspapers were kidding Dick Horton about his soft job at the court house, but he said he could afford to be kidded.

Carl Currie, north end business man, threatened to pay the sheriff that \$50 but had not done so up to last reports.

Charlie Lewis was certainly the hard luck guy. After being without booze two years the court gave it back. Then the highjackers came.

F. J. Vorwald had a bad day in an east end pinch game and refused to speak to his friends for a week.

Butch Ames was reported sick. Butch had not been seen around headquarters for a long time.

Several of our local druggists expressed satisfaction at recent orders

sent out by Commissioner Roper concerning the sale of certain lines of distillery products.

Barney McArdle spent several afternoons the last week visiting with old friends at Mike Gibson's Havana store. Barney threatened to go to work again, but nobody took him seriously.

### IDENTIFYING ANYBODY IS LATEST THING BY POLICE

The latest fad is to identify anybody who happens to appear as an alleged accomplice in some nefarious piece of business which the police are otherwise unable to unfathom.

The latest instance of this kind is the identification of Harry Porche as one of the men who robbed the Bank of Benson. "We don't know who Harry is," said one of the fellows who observed the story in the daily papers, "but it is a funny thing that, after identifying a bunch of fellows in St. Paul as the robbers, that they should now change their minds and give some Omaha man the credit for pulling off such a job."

Incidentally, it is said that W. T. Graham, one of our very fine reformers, was Porche's landlord until recently. It is even stated that Graham may be the next man to be "identified" as one of the Benson bank robbers.

### Panning Warden Fenton

It would be interesting to know who has attempted to turn the searchlight on Warden Fenton of the Nebraska state prison. It does not matter so much about Fenton as it does about the "system" by which somebody is trying to cover up something.

The warden of the penitentiary works under orders. He has a lot of bosses, speaking literally, and the biggest part of his job is to see that all orders are obeyed. Under him are many super-numeraries who are presumed to be responsible, but who, like other human beings, are subject to outside influence.

Fenton has successfully served under leaders of both political parties and has been a success. Recently there have come to the front some matters concerning the release of prisoners of the state prison in which promoters, with a view to saving their own scalps, have cast reflections on the warden. An unpleasant guard has gone so far as to make charges and then "jump the country."

The record shows that Fenton has been one of the most worthy servants the state of Nebraska has ever employed. This attempt to throw suspicion on him is worthy only of degenerate politicians who have come near getting their own feet in the trap and are looking for a goat on whom to throw the responsibility.

A bunch of crooked lawyers have received a bundle of money for their work and are trying to pass the buck when they got caught at it. There are some things the people will stand for, but nothing of this sort. The truth may yet be told.

### PETITIONS OUT FOR NEW JERSEY MAN

Promoters of Eastern Live Wire Will  
Soon Start His Campaign.

### NEBRASKANS REPUDIATING BRYAN

Local Democrats Preparing to Sidetrack Man Who Was Once Political Leader of State—Platform Writing Important  
Business at San Francisco.

The boom for Governor Edwards of New Jersey for president is on in earnest and the petition giving him a place on the Nebraska ballot will soon be filed in this state. Despite the "warnings" of William J. Bryan, discarded Nebraska citizen, our people are preparing to put the governor right out in front as a presidential candidate.

During the last week Edwards' candidacy has become prominent all over the country and those pushing it believe he will have a place right out in front in San Francisco when the democrats meet in national convention to select a presidential candidate.

It is not at all improbable that Nebraska will have a candidate of its own, in the person of John J. Pershing, who may be nominated by the republicans, which also makes the campaign of extraordinary interest in this state.

The question of whether or not the prohibition question is settled has been interesting leaders in both parties. For the democrats, it is said that intense opposition to Mr. Bryan and what he stands for will be a distinct issue within party lines. In his own state, it is not believed Bryan can again be selected to represent his party at the national convention. Bryan himself knows of the strong opposition to him and he is now out trying to do something to get before the national convention as a delegate.

The writing of the platform at San Francisco will be the most important thing to be done. Bryan will be there and attempt to secure a plank en-

dorsing nation-wide prohibition. On the other hand, many democratic party leaders realize that the party should at least declare for "personal liberty." There is a very general feeling that the "prohibition question has not been settled." In both old parties there is an immense opposition to bone dry prohibition and the party that recognizes that fact first is going to swing millions of votes that could not be secured by ignoring the question. For that reason prohibition still remains one of the big issues at this time.

Should the democrats decide to put a liberal plank in their platform it will force the republicans either to adopt the prohibition party as a whole or to join their democratic friends in accepting something that has in view at least a compromise.

Governor Edwards is said to have an immense backing on the platform he has put out. He was elected as chief executive in his own state on such a platform as would invite the votes of those opposed to bone dry prohibition. His name will be offered by several states and he will go to San Francisco with the approval of every liberal-minded citizen in the country, without respect to party lines. He is a man of standing, both in his own community and over the entire country.

It is estimated that at least seventy per cent of the people of the country are opposed to absolute prohibition. It is not an American institution in any sense of the word, and is directly opposed to everything contained in

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### CLYDE TROTTER AND HIS BLOND DISAPPEAR SPECTACULARLY

Friends of North Platte Wallingford Hold bag for \$80,000, While  
Clyde and Omaha Girl Beat It for Sunny Climes—Spends  
Huge Sums on Local Pleasures.

Clyde M. Trotter has been some fellow in his own home town, which was North Platte, Neb., until a few days ago. He was also known as a very normal and regular man, physically and otherwise. He divided his time between North Platte and Omaha. In our metropolis Clyde cut up some pretty lively capers, which were participated in by a dashing blond woman who was employed at one of our swell hotels.

Clyde was a spender, too, thank you. But he sure was crazy about the girls. His Omaha blond played him strong. When Clyde was in North Platte and his vampire in Omaha the vampire did a little trifling, but what Clyde did not know did not hurt him. He always left enough money with her when in the city to buy her meal tickets and other things until he got back. As soon as he would leave for North Platte she had the habit of telephoning her "regular" sweetheart who made it a practice of relieving her of a considerable amount of the accumulated Clyde Trotter purse.

Clyde began to run short some time back and made a "draft" on his financial backers to the extent of some \$80,000, just to cover current expenses and buy the blond a new coat or something of that sort. When he got the money he beat it for parts unknown.

There is, or was until recently, a

fairly liberal supply of "bottled in bond, saved in bond and drank in bond" wet goods and Clyde and the blond consumed their share of it. Roadhouse dinners were on their regular itinerary and taxi drivers and bell boys did a thriving business with Clyde. He is reported to have spent \$2,500 on one of his jamborees in the city, to say nothing of the contribution taken up by his blond associate in wickedness.

While in Omaha he usually had a visitor's card to the best clubs and put on a millionaire front. He could do this because he came recommended from his home town, where he sold more automobiles than all the other big dealers combined. As a distributor, he was trusted for the automobiles. Most of them were sold but he forgot to pay the manufacturer. Even the bankers fell for him. He could meet a friend on the street and borrow a thousand bucks easier than the ordinary fellow borrows a nickel. And he did a land office business in borrowing.

It is said the blond found it necessary to leave the city recently and Clyde's former associates believe she is hibernating with him somewhere in Cuba or other foreign clime, giving little worry about the ginks who are holding the sack in Omaha.

Talk of Wallingford financing, Trotter has them all beat and he apparently is well out of harm's way.



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## DILLON NOW CAPTAIN

The selection of Peter Dillon to be captain of police to succeed Henry Heitfeldt was not unexpected, although it is said considerable politics was concerned in the selection. Dillon is one of the oldest officers on the force, although his service is antedated by that of Sergeant Sigwart.

In many respects the selection of Dillon was significant and it indicates a change of front by some of the powers that be at the city hall. Dillon's knowledge of police affairs in general was sufficient to make him an available candidate for the position vacated by Heitfeldt, whose resignation came not from choice, it is said, but from a desire for self-protection. The World-Herald intimates there was some "sting" to the resignation of Heitfeldt, which is probably true.

Various changes in the police force in recent weeks give indication that Superintendent Ringer has been called off his high horse by somebody. That Ringer himself has been an abject failure became evident long ago. His pig-headed work has been a joke, even to those who got out and supported him for the place for which he was selected. Even those city commissioners who supported him have recognized his work as very crude.

The selection of Dillon to be a captain can hardly be considered as a Ringer choice, but rather is taken for granted that Ringer has been forced to back up from the policy he heretofore has pursued.

## LIQUORS FOR MEDICINE

Dispatches from Washington say Commissioner Roper has decided that physicians and druggists may dispense intoxicating liquors under restrictions, and that no "profiteering" will be stood for. It is believed that under the restrictions of the government liquors will only be sold for medicinal usage and that the government will be able to know everybody who is fortunate enough to secure a pint or so of the liquid that cheers.

Under the intent of the order there will be left quite a leeway for the sick man and it will overcome to some extent the scarcity of "flu" medicine. It is understood that all of the 100,000,000 gallons of whisky now in bond will be dispensed by the government in this manner. What will be done about making more of it when that is gone is a question still to be solved.

For some time physicians have been securing permits for the purchase of liquors, mostly alcohol, in regulated amounts. They and the druggists who secure such permits must put up a sufficient bond, never less than \$1,000. A record is made of all prescriptions issued, together with the name of the person who gets it. The government thus will be able to know all about the amount of liquor everybody consumes.

The result of Mr. Roper's order will remain to be seen. There are so many ways of dishing out liquids for medicinal use and there will be so much demand for prescriptions that some extraordinary conditions may be looked for. Many new drug stores will doubtless be started in the event it is found a sufficiently liberal interpretation can be placed on the new order to make the business profitable.

After all, as one old timer put it, the situation may not be as bad as it has been pictured. It is a safe bet, however, that Uncle Sam will be able to hold the liquor business down to a minimum of harmfulness.

## DEMPSEY'S WIFE BAWLS HIM OUT

All the explanations that the managers and promoters and others interested in Jack Dempsey's fistic career have gone for naught if what his divorced wife has said and written about him is true. Her name is Maxine and she declares that Dempsey was the most despicable slacker in the country during the war.

According to Mrs. Dempsey, Jack induced her to sign his questionnaire, in which she declared he should be in a deferred class because he was the lone support of herself and other members of his family. She says that as quick as she helped him out and kept him out of the fighting division of the army that he rid himself of her and has not sent a nickel for her support since that time. She says Dempsey threatened her with everything in the catalogue, including a beating, unless she signed up his questionnaire which would put him in a deferred class and keep him away from the fighting front.

Mrs. Dempsey says Jack wrote her letters asking to fix up the "deal" by which he would be exempted from active service at the front. These letters, she says, are still in her possession and will be given publicity unless Jack comes across and squares himself with her financially and otherwise.

Of course Dempsey's wife has plenty of reason for her action, if all she says is true. Doubts will be expressed in some quarters about how much dependence can be placed in her statements. But one thing is sure, and that is that the American Legion is going to put a crimp into the champion's ambitions unless he squares up some of the things that are hanging over his head at this time. And if that body of former soldiers goes after Dempsey hard he will lose a lot of popularity with the people of this country.

## PNEUMONIA TAKES BABE FROM EDITOR'S FAMILY

Baby Gorham, aged two years, son of Harold Gorham, department manager for the J. H. Green Co., died of pneumonia Friday morning. He was a nephew of Edwin L. Huntley, editor of The Mediator. The little fellow's mother died ten months ago, following the birth of a younger child. Mrs. Gorham was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Swan, formerly Omaha representative of The Associated Press, and at present editor of the Herman (Neb.) Record.

## SPEAKING OF SPORTSMEN HOW ABOUT JACK JOHNSON?

Jack Johnson, once premier prize fighter of the world, is experiencing the usual difficulties that come to men who violate the laws of Uncle Sam. Jack was convicted of violating the Mann act by paying the railroad fare of a woman from Pittsburgh to Chicago. He was sentenced to a year in the "stir" and to pay a fine of \$1,000. To avoid the sentence he left the United States, jumping his bond.

Now Jack wants to come back, but Uncle Sam says the only condition on which he may return is to surrender and serve his sentence. Jack was not a very good representative of the negro race. He married a white wife and she put him on the hummer. Jack had a bundle of money but spent most of it. Now he is lonesome and wants to get back. His white wife is gone. So is his money. Verily, Jack is paying the bill.

## "SCHNECK" LOSES OLD HOME WITH METZ SALE

Charlie Schneckenberger's old home, at Sixth and the railroad tracks, has been sold. It used to be Metz' brewery, and was considered a fine loafing place for many of the boys, including most of the old-time newspaper men who were regular customers.

Back in the "entertainment department" was a short bar. Artie Metz never overlooked his friends when they called. He had some of the Metz select stock on tap all the time. When the boys called they were always welcome. When Nebraska went dry the Metz brothers closed the place, not deigning to mix with what they call near beer. Now the buildings are to be utilized for a new line of business which will require the capacity of the entire old plant.

## BROWN AND GALLAGHER HAVE NEW TAXI STAND

Frank Callahan and his partner "Brownie" have a new taxi business at 315 South Fifteenth street, where they have installed a good business. Both of them are old experienced drivers. Both have new seven-passenger closed cars of the latest model.

The stand is just in front of Sam Jo's famous cafe and in close proximity to both the Orpheum and Gayety theaters. They are inviting their friends to call them at Douglas 5100, where a car is always available. On another page of this paper will be found their display advertisement, under the heading of "Black and White Taxi," and this paper takes pleasure in recommending their service.

## WRESTLER IS BARRED FROM ANOTHER CITY

(Continued From Page One.) Thousands who wanted to see the two Nebraska wrestlers in action paid big sums to witness the contest. Hundreds laid their money on the match from different angles, presuming that everything was on the

square. Most of them lost their money because they were beguiled into believing that Stecher would at least be on the square in his own home state.

At one of the large hotels numerous bets were placed. One of Gene Melady's friends was among those who lost. At the ringside all bets were declared off, the biggest farce of anything that occurred, and Melady's friend was a loser. He telephoned the hotel at one o'clock in the morning telling the stakeholder not to pay the bet. But the bet was paid, just the same, the ringside announcement going for nothing.

It is said that several of Pesek's best friends were trimmed up, because they were crossed in their financial transactions in the matter.

The Stechers, it is stated, have become hardened to the game to an extent which makes them impervious to the appeals of their friends. It is a financial proposition with them and they have utterly no regard for how their friends come out.

It is a great game and when contestants get to trifling with the public they have John C. Mabray backed clear off the map in handling big "transactions."

## PETITIONS OUT FOR NEW JERSEY MAN

(Continued From Page One.) the original draft of our national constitution. Certain elements attempted to corner up the sale and distribution of intoxicating liquors with the result that they all have lost out.

It is estimated that prohibition will cost the country not less than two billion dollars in revenue annually. Under normal conditions that is about all it costs to maintain our government. At the same time there will be no such thing as "bone dry" prohibition, because it is against every law of God and man.

With these conditions confronting the country general opinion seems to be that something must be done at once to undo what has already been done, even though it may require re-submission of the amendment which has closed the country against the purchase and sale of intoxicants.

Governor Edwards will be the leader in this movement and from all indications he has plenty of force behind him to carry out what he is attempting to accomplish.

## BOTH PRETTY AND DURABLE

Home-Knit Towel That Was a Favorite in the Days When Grandmother Was Young.

This is the kind of towel used by our ancestors, the directions for making it being copied from a Godey's Magazine, dated 1850.

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## In the Future.

Recently several airplanes were moving over the Circle, and the usual crowd had stopped to watch them. An old woman in the crowd began counting. "One, two, three, four, five," she counted. "Five of those things."

Then she turned to the man nearest her. "Did you ever see the like?" she asked. "Five of those things. Why, pretty soon the atmosphere will be just lousy with them."—Indianapolis News.

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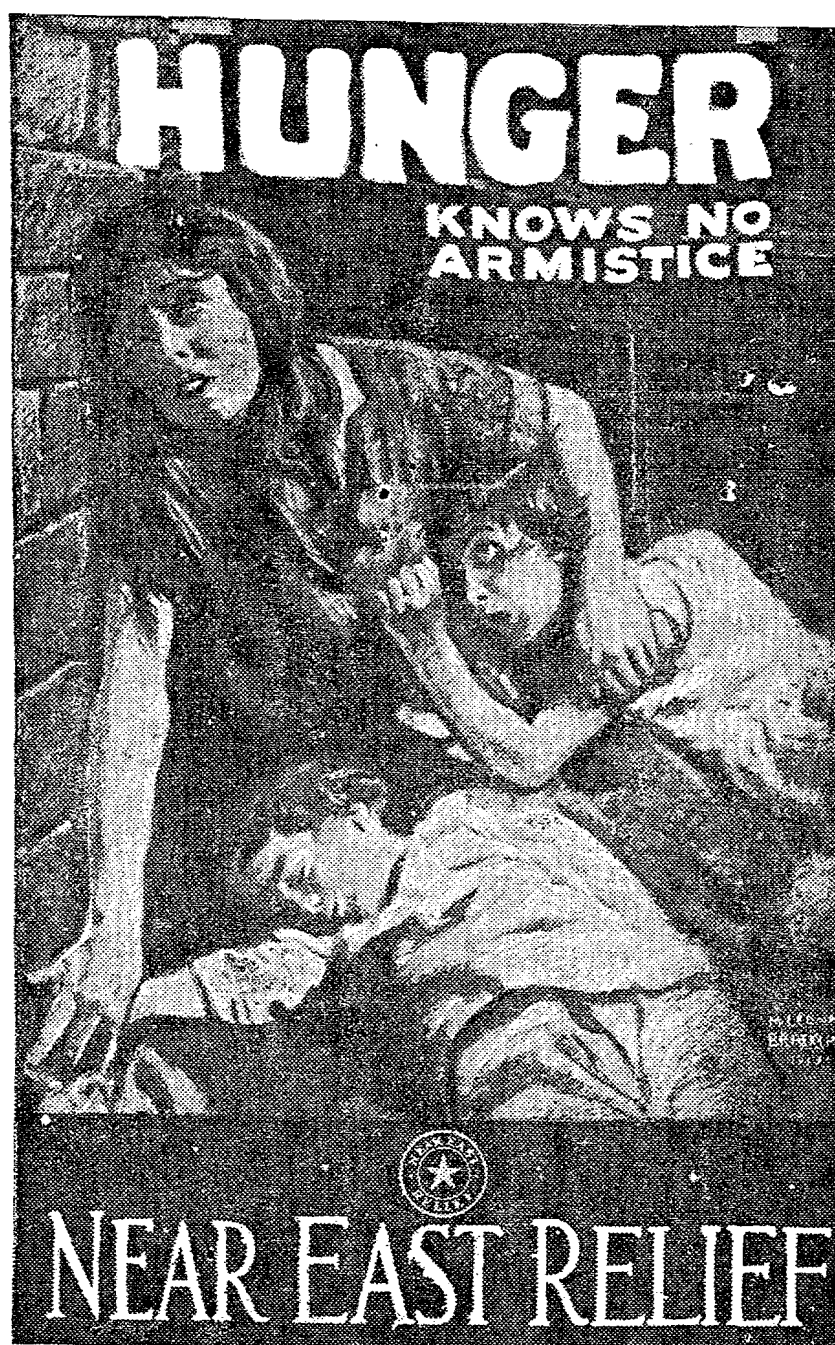
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## Poster Tells Dramatic Story



This picture, painted especially for the Near East Relief by M. Leone Bracker, vividly portrays what words fail to express—the horrible suffering of the women and children of Armenia and adjacent countries. Peace has blessed Europe and America for more than a year but in Western Asia conditions more frightful than any war time experiences of the martyred populations of Belgium and France still exist. Thousands of women and children escaped massacre by the Turkish soldiers only to face the terrible agonies of death by starvation. At the present time it is estimated that 1,250,000 adults and fully 250,000 orphaned children are completely destitute and in imminent danger of death by starvation and exposure.

The Near East Relief, 1 Madison Avenue, New York, is at present the only organization giving aid to these suffering people and lack of funds still prevents the reaching of more than a small part of the stricken people.

## "Before and After" in the Near East



"BEFORE."



"AFTER."

From misery to comfort and self-respect in five days' time, simply through the magic of an American ten dollar bill, is a transformation that is being wrought daily in Western Asia by the Near East Relief of 1 Madison Avenue, New York City. The group of five Armenian children shown in two pictures here have reason to bless the American donor of that ten dollar bill. With this money, the expert workers of Near East Relief in Armenia were able to rid the poor children of their loathsome rags and to clothe them with new garments of alaja cloth, woven in a Near East Relief Industrial plant and sewed into garments by the mother of the children. The mother was also paid a small fee for her services in making the garments.

This was a lucky family. There are thousands of others not so lucky in the Near East, simply because of a lack of other ten dollar bills. Near East Relief is asking the American people to contribute funds to save the starving in the Bible lands. It is estimated that over 1,250,000 adults are in desperate need, and 250,000 children are orphans and must be cared for. For the sum of \$180 a year Near East Relief can not only feed and clothe and shelter an orphan child, but can also give a course in education towards ultimate self-support and independence. Many of these orphans are being "adopted" by Americans, who are providing funds for the support of one or more over a given period.

## SAVED FROM HAREM



Armenian Girls Rescued from Turks Being Taken to Near East Relief Home.

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Cuming.....	12:51
Depot for Dundee.....	1:15
13th and Farnam for Depot.....	2:06
Harney Line.	
33rd and Parker to 6th Street.....	12:47
33rd and Parker to Depots.....	1:41
6th and Center for 33rd and Parker.....	1:14
Park and North 24th Streets.....	1:03
16th and Farnam, East Side.....	1:23
16th and Farnam, West Side.....	1:23
16th and Farnam for Florence.....	1:24
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
South Omaha and 42nd and Grand.....	1:21
14th and Farnam for West Q.....	1:21
14th and Farnam for 42nd and Grand.....	1:28
14th and Farnam for 24th and Ames.....	2:28
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.....	1:55
15th and Farnam (North).....	12:15
15th and Farnam (South).....	12:15
Benson and Albright.....	1:20
13th and Farnam for Benson.....	1:20
13th and Farnam for Albright.....	12:41
13th and Farnam for 24th and N.....	1:56
13th and Farnam for 13th and Vinton.....	2:26
24th and N Sts., South Omaha.....	12:40
Fort Crook.....	12:30
14th and Howard for Pearl & B-way.....	2:00
Owl Cars.	
16th and Farnam—south to 24th and.....	1:50
Vinton.....	3:30
16th and Farnam—south to 24th and.....	3:30
Vinton.....	4:30
16th and Farnam—north to 24th and.....	2:20
Ames.....	3:30
16th and Farnam—north to 24th and.....	3:30
Ames.....	4:30
10th and Mason to 50th and Under-wood.....	3:52
16th and Farnam to 50th and Under-wood.....	4:00
50th and Underwood to 10th and Ban-croft.....	4:20
16th and Farnam to 10th and Ban-croft.....	4:30
24th Street Cross Town.....	12:25
44th and L to 24th and Vinton.....	1:00
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## BOYD THEATER CLOSES.

With tomorrow's performance of "Maytime" at the Boyd theater that fine old play-house will end a career of thirty years. It has been one of the best places of amusement ever known to the theater-going people of Omaha. Every actor of any importance in the country has walked the boards of this theater and old stage employees can tell more stories of its history than of any stage in the country.

Until a few months ago an excellent big painted lithograph of James E. Boyd was one of the "props" of the stage. It hung in the rear, placed there more than two decades ago by the stage hands who for so long a time pushed the scenery around.

When the theater opened thirty years ago Governor Boyd occupied a box at the first performance with his family. For many years he was a regular attendant and the theater which bore his name was one of his hobbies up to the time of his death.

The Boyd theater will be replaced by a modern addition to the big Burgess-Nash stores, the work of wrecking the building being slated to begin within two weeks.



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## AT THE GAYETY.

With the reputation Jacobs & Jermon have already established as purveyors of burlesque entertainment, it may be conceded that anything they offer to the public has the stamp of worth upon it. Their latest effort, "The Burlesque Review," which is a big spectacular production, will be offered at the popular Gayety during the coming week beginning with a Saturday afternoon performance, January 31.

Along the lines of the big Broadway productions, this entertainment is far ahead of the average burlesque show. During the progress of the performance, bits from the big dramatic and comedy successes will be introduced in clever fashion by the members of the big cast. The latter include Billy Spellman, Ed Shubert, Harlie Mayne, Irene Meara, Irene Leary, Irving Gluck, Billie Clark and Harry Emerson.

In providing scenic and costume environment, the management have established everything new but the title, the scenery having been painted by some of the best artists in New York while the costumes were designed from plates imported from Paris and represent the outlay of a large amount of money.

It is quite probable that no other entertainment will be seen this season that will be so extensively talked about as the "Burlesque Review."

Ladies' dime matinee daily all week starting Monday. Sunday's matinee starts at 3:00.

## BRANDEIS THEATER.

The much-looked-for production of "Business Before Pleasure," the third of the Potash & Perlmutter classics, will be on view at the Brandeis theater for four days beginning Sunday night, February 7. The New York production and a specially selected company will give this excellent comedy in which Abe Potash and Mawruss Perlmutter are engaged in the "filum" business, having deserted the cloak and suit trade when adventure burned in their hearts.

As usual the sayings and bicker-

ings of the quarrelsome partners are excruciatingly funny. And when the vampire wrecks the happy home of Abe and the motion picture firm of Potash & Perlmutter is without funds, Abe has what is considered one of the funniest lines written into a comedy. He remarks casually:

"Mawruss, haven't we had an unusually busy day for a bankrupt concern?"

Montague Glass and Jules Eckert Goodman are the authors of "Business Before Pleasure." With A. H. Woods, who produced the play, Messrs. Glass and Goodman personally aided in the selection of the company. The players were picked from all parts of the world. Jules Jordan, who will be seen here as Abe, played in the comedy a year in England; Harry First, a vaudeville star, has been a Perlmutter for six years in other Potash & Perlmutter comedies, and Miss Jane Lowe, the vampire, comes from Ohio.

Others are Lizzie Wilson, William Macauley, Jane Fearnley, Charles Stanton, Walter Petri, Robert Kenyon, Edward C. Davis, Edgar F. Hill, Jack Grey, John C. Hickey, Howard Christie, Lillian Breyer, Gladys Kingsbury and Florence Pointer.

All the original scenic effects will be used here, including the motion picture interlude which created much comment when the play was first introduced.

## EMPRESS ATTRACTIONS.

"At the Turnpike," a brand new burlesque comedy sketch, in which Peggy Houlton, a comedienne of unrivaled reputation, heads the cast of five people presenting it, will be the stellar attraction of the new show opening at the Empress Sunday. Tom Powell, the celebrated producer of successful vaudeville novelties, is sponsor for this rural episode.

The scene wherein the happenings take place is the interior of the general store "At the Turnpike." The characters are The Girl, The Boy, The Proprietor and Onnie and Ezra, two old cronies who have endeavored to beat each other for forty years at the game of checkers. The Three Rubes make a splendid harmony singing trio, while Peggy Houlton, as the girl, contributes by aiding and abetting the others to the good time they all have singing, dancing and fun making.

The Esmeralda Webb Trio, who will present their musical and singing novelty offering, are a rare combination of talented musical artists who sing and play equally well. In the rendition of Irish melodies, folk songs and ballads with violin obligatos, they display exceptional ability. Esmeralda, one of our foremost lady xylophonists, presents a program of operatic numbers on the xylophone.

"Go Get 'Em" Fred Rogers, possibly the most unique colored man today in vaudeville, will introduce his blackface singing, dancing and comedy number. As a comedian he is equipped with all the essentials to keep the audience roaring with laughter. As a singer and dancer, he can be relied upon to go over big.

"At the Training Quarters," a comedy skit with amusing possibilities, is to be the offering of Jim Brown and Belle Jackson.

The photoplay attraction for the first half of the week will be "Flames of the Flesh," featuring Gladys Brockwell.

## ORPHEUM OFFERINGS.

Two stellar offerings and a special feature act will have place in the Orpheum show opening next week. One of the headline attractions is to be contributed by Maud Lambert, charming musical comedy favorite, and the popular composer, Earnest R. Ball. She has played the leading prima donna roles in two of the Winter Garden productions, and she was identified with Eddie Foy in "Over the River." In addition to her rich vocal endowment she has the ability to put a song over in a manner exceptionally pleasing.

As for Mr. Ball, he is one of the few song-writers now supplying the market with ballads. It was he who composed "Mother Machree," "Till the Sands of the Desert Grow Cold," "A Little Bit of Heaven" and "Love Me and the World is Mine." For his appearance at the Orpheum he has arranged a singing pianologue.

Another of the headline attractions will be Wilbur Mack, supported by his own company which includes Louie Holly and Earl Bronson. Mr. Mack is player, author and producer, and he has demonstrated time and time again his ability to be recognized as a distinct success in each of the three callings. His new act is called "Iwo is Company." It is a little musical comedy, or rather it is a comedy with song interpolations. It is the story of a country club flirtation, told in sparkling dialogue and clever lyrics. One number, a golfing song is probably the most distinct contribution to the stage of the season, distinct both as to lyrics and stage business.

Producer Mack is a pocket edition of David Belasco, that is he is a stickler for detail. Nothing escapes his attention and good taste prevails in everything he does.

The Rigoletto Brothers, assisted by the Swanson Sisters, appearing in their new act, "Around the World," are to be the featured act. The costuming represents nine different countries, including nations of Europe and of the Orient. The offer-

ing includes magic, character study, juggling, posing, acrobatic work, singing and dancing.

James H. Cullen is to make his eighteenth annual appearance at the Orpheum. Humorous stories, parodies and songs are his stock in trade. He is one of the most amusing personalities on the vaudeville stage.

With a dog having starred in a Broadway production, and many canines enjoying headline position in vaudeville, and with dogs doing man's work throughout Europe, there seems little doubt of the much discussed theory that dogs really have brains. One of the rarest examples of canine intelligence extant is demonstrated by Snoozer, a fine bulldog. Snoozer's accomplishments are really human and there is no doubt but what the animal really thinks for himself and that his sponsor is a tutor and not a trainer. Snoozer understands perfectly every word that is said to him, and for next week he will undoubtedly be one of the centers of interest.

Mirano Brothers are two of the most daring gymnasts in the amusement world. Their apparatus resembles the famous Eiffel Tower, and their perch is at its apex. They have the reputation of being an exceptional team of acrobats.

The Musical Hunters have a lively act which is handsomely staged and costumed. Mr. Hunter is an accomplished violinist. With various instruments Miss Hunter imitates birds, beasts and different sounds of nature. Their novelty is called "The Hunter's Dream."

As usual a screen feature will be amusing newspaper comments presented in "Topics of the Day." News events of the world are to be pictured by Kinograms.

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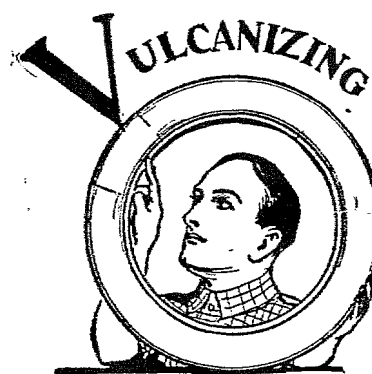
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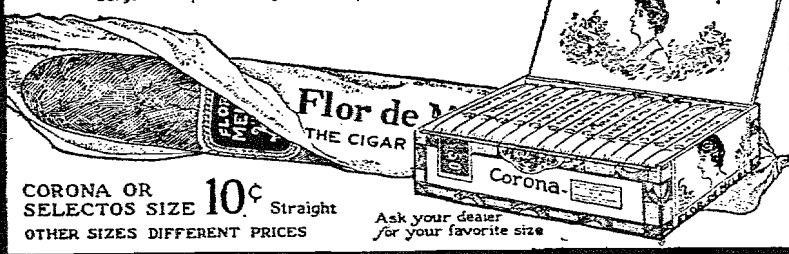
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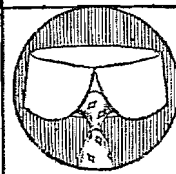
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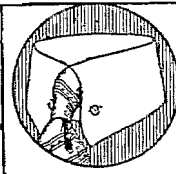
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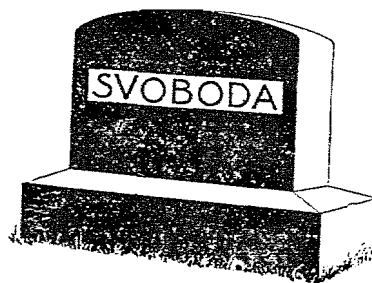
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