

PROHIBITION WILL BE NEXT DOMINANT ISSUE

\$600,000 ROYALTY GRAFT

WINNING PARTY MUST FRONT FOR THE WETS

Million Victims of Party Renegades
See They Were Double-Crossed.

PARTY LEADERS REALIZE MISTAKES

Chicanery and False Statements of Leaders in Old Parties Cause
Condition Now to Be Rectified—Easterners
See Result of Not Acting Early

The prohibition issue will be the biggest thing in national politics until the issue is settled definitely, one way or the other. That is very plain. The prohibition followers in both the false statements and underhand doings peculiar to the system employed by the prohibition element, have brought about an intolerable condition.

The party that fails to take cognizance of the present condition in its next national platform might as well get off the earth for all time to come. The party that recognizes the personal liberty rights of the people is going to win out in a walk.

Both the republican and democratic parties have had within their midsts a bunch of fossils who have hesitated at nothing to inject into their platforms things that this free government was never intended for. They have falsified every rule of decency and half stultified the parties with which they have pretended to be identified because they were able to collect a slush fund from the people who were foolish enough to believe that they were on the square. The result now is that both of these dominant parties are victims of playing to a crowd of gangsters who, while pretending to be rock-ribbed followers

of the principles formerly proclaimed by the old parties, have in reality been traitors within the ranks.

For fifty years the prohibition party carried on its propaganda honestly and the men who voted for its candidates were conscientious opponents of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors. When the brigands within the ranks of the old parties saw an opportunity to double cross their associates they quickly took up the bludgeon and began their work of destruction. The result of their efforts is apparent today.

In some of our western states we have been victims of this condition for a number of years, but the eastern states have gone along on the supposition that this bunch of traitors were harmless. Now that they have themselves become victims of the conditions from which we have suffered they are just coming to their senses.

Prohibition never cut much figure in the news columns of our big newspapers until a very short time ago. Now they are full of stuffed columns about the new conditions that confront our entire people as a result of what prohibition propaganda has done. In the past a million men in

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KANGAROO METHODS EMPLOYED IN SOUTH SIDE MORALS SQUAD DEAL

Victim Alleges Perjured Evidence Offered Against Him and
Shows Perfect Alibi, Backed Up by Parish Priest—
What Other Courts Do In Such Cases

Kangarooing by vice squads is becoming a rage all over the country and Omaha is not an exception. The latest one in this vicinity comes from the South Side where, it is alleged, a beastly bit of rotten work was accomplished by Officers Samardick and Peter Heller, with a third assistant. For a stool pigeon, a colored chauffeur from the police station named Hockley was used. Louis Clernt, a South Side automobile repair man, was convicted on evidence that looked as thin as water to those who heard it, and was fined \$100 and costs, from which decision he took an appeal.

In Clernt's absence from home, the chauffeur was given money and sent to Clernt's wife to buy intoxicating liquor. The place was under quarantine, two of the children being victims of scarlet fever. This did not, however, prevent a raid on the place. Incidentally a valuable silver pitcher, which was being temporarily used for a medicine receptacle for use of the sick children, was taken and has not been returned.

Clernt has an extensive automobile repair place and keeps a supply of wood alcohol for use in radiators. The officers swooped down on the place and took Clernt and everything loose to the police station. In police court the colored chauffeur testified that he had purchased two drinks from Clernt during the afternoon of a cer-

tain day. Clernt produced concrete evidence that he and the parish priest were in North Platte at the time of the alleged transaction and not near the Clernt home.

It was the worst case of shanghaiing that has come to the notice of the people of Omaha for a long time. It is, however, quite in keeping with other work of Samardick and his vice squad. It is quite along the line of illegal actions by which taxpayers' money is used to attempt to create criminals, for the simple purpose of "getting something on" people who are not in a position to defend themselves.

For this sort of crooked morals squad work an eastern judge has decided that the officers should be put on trial for "opening the door to blackmail." The South Side affair was one of the rottenest that has been pulled off in this city for a long time. Clernt, in this instance, offered to produce expert evidence that the liquid complained of was poison and that it was being kept legally but Judge Foster, who has made a record for jamming such unfortunates, gave the victim a fine of \$100 and a jail sentence.

It will be interesting to watch the result of the appeal and it is a safe bet that it will be dismissed before ever coming to trial in the district court for want of evidence.

NEBLE AND TOWL MEMBERS OF NEBRASKA NATIONAL

Sophus Nebel, county commissioner, and John W. Towl, president of the Allied Contractors, who were last week awarded a big road paving job for Douglas county, are members of the board of directors of the same bank, it is said. So far as known, however, Nebel is not a stockholder in the Allied concern, which is getting the big contract. By some a significance has been attached to their business relations and considerable talk about the matter has been heard recently.

DRUESDOW WILL AGAIN BE ON LEGISLATIVE TICKET

Rob Druesdow will again be a candidate for the legislature. He expects to file for the lower house on the republican ticket in a short while. Druesdow was one of the live wires in the last session of that body. He is an acknowledged authority on legislative matters and was chairman of

some important committees during the last term.

Two years ago Druesdow had a run-away at the fall election and says he anticipates no trouble at the coming primary, for which a large number have already filed. Douglas county sends twelve members to the lower house.

CONTRACTORS HANDICAPPED LACK OF SPECIFICATIONS

Contractors who bid on county paving let recently say there was a lack of duplicate specifications. Only one set was on file, that being in the office of the county surveyor. They think that duplicates should have been made in order that each contractor might have had a copy and thereby not be forced to send a corps of clerks to the surveyor's office. Nobody has complained about the surveyor but there is a feeling that much better results might have been had if bidders could have done their figuring in their own offices instead of having to take their turn in one public place.

SOCIETY WOMEN RECEIVE RETURN OF COATS STOLEN AT SOCIAL FUNCTION

Excitement Prevails in Exclusive Set When They Learn Thieves
Belonged to Their Own Party—Servant Girl
Has Some Pertinent Remarks

An exclusive set of Omaha's society women have been taking an inventory of themselves and their neighbors the last two weeks to learn just which of them pilfered two coats while they were holding a private meeting in the Chamber of Commerce rooms. Let it be known, too, that society was more than "shocked" over the affair because it has become known that these two seal skin wraps disappeared about the time two of the ladies, who were called away on important business matters, left the rooms.

The coats have been returned and every tongue is wagging. During this meeting two of the ladies present left early and when the meeting adjourned two valuable outside wraps were missing. Substitutes were found and the two women whose coats were missing were bundled into an automobile and sent to their homes.

"It was so strange," said one of them. "Nobody had access to the lockers except our own crowd," an assertion which was probably true. The coats did not turn up in the ordinary course of events and the police and some private detectives were put to work on the case. A canvass was taken of the personnel of the party. It is said the coats were located in the home of one of Omaha's wealthy and swell mistresses.

Some real scenes followed. Explanations were attempted but they never made an impression, either on the police or on the owners of the coats. And now two of Omaha's society women are in disgrace, but the owners of the coats have received their property back.

"I never could have believed they would do such a thing," is now heard in the back room seances between these women. "I guess it will be a long time before they will be invited to any more of our doings. I never thought we had thieves right in our own crowd."

The robbery and return of the coats has caused a sensation in society circles and only the prominence of the two women most particularly concerned has prevented prosecution, it is said. A servant girl who happened to be in on the whole thing had this remark to make: "If it had been a servant we would all be in jail now. I knew that woman was a thief but I never dared to say so."

In the meantime these two prominent society leaders who took it upon themselves to steal two coats from their friends while the meeting was in session at the Chamber of Commerce are at large. It is said publicity may later be given to the names of the guilty women.

Doings In Omaha Fifty Years Ago

One of our leading candy jobbing houses was out of business ten minutes one day this week because P. H. Steyer, the proprietor, choked on one of his own caramels.

A wireless from North Platte gave the information that Al Hastings, former political promoter of Charles Wooster at Silver Creek, is out of politics for good, which was considered a good thing.

Caustic remarks by Tom Dennison on the virtues and other things at the automobile show brought out considerable comment from one of our daily papers. George Yeager was there also.

Prohibition in our fair city threatened to reduce the raisin supply to such an extent that California would no longer be large enough to keep

the Omaha market normal. Poontang dealers predicted an increase soon in the price of that commodity.

Ole Jackson, North Side soda dispenser, announced he would be in the press gallery at the republican convention in Chicago.

Father John Kelly was giving away one of Lee Huff's Buick cars and assessed many of his friends for tickets to a St. Patrick's Day celebration of the event.

Hazel Johnston, who changed her name when she got married, denied the report that she would file for political office this year. Hazel has been out of politics for some time.

"Minne Lusa Breeze" is the name assigned to St. Colwell by some of his downtown friends who said St. had been telling tales out of school.

THAT IS CHARGED IN PAVEMENT CONTRACTS

State Laws Not Observed and Competition in Bidding Is Lacking.

BIGGEST SINCE THE LYNCH SCANDAL

Recital of What Douglas County Taxpayers Are Up Against If
They Do Not Get Into Action and Take a
Hand In Letting Contracts

Unless there is a modification of conditions and a broadening of the policy for letting paving contracts in Douglas county the taxpayers will become victims of the most cold-blooded robbery that has been perpetrated on them since the famous bridge deal a few years ago when a bunch of grafting officials were caught in the act of accepting \$27,000 in cold cash in the famous Lynch gymnasium of the court house. On paving already awarded there is a clean get-away by somebody of more than \$150,000, and the worst is still to come.

Can you imagine a public body, entrusted with the expenditure of \$3,000,000 of the people's money taking two hours to open bids and award \$850,000 of that amount, without making more than a cursory examination of the bids and what they meant. That is just what happened February 24, when bids were opened on county paving.

The Mediator has taken steps to go into this business very thoroughly and the discovery has been enough to sicken anybody who will investigate for themselves. The state law has been absolutely ignored in some instances and well covered up in others. No charges are to be made at this time but one thing is certainly true. If our county commissioners are willing to pass over this huge affair without even investigating the matter they are either not on the square or they are not fit to hold the offices to which they have been elected.

Under the state law, four kinds of paving material may be used in the building of public highways in which the state takes part in footing the bill. These are:

- Bitulithic.
- Sheet asphalt.
- Square yards concrete.

The state law provides that on the blanks furnished bidders for these materials the state or county engineer's estimate on the price shall be set opposite each of these four classifications. In the case of the recent bidding this was not done at all. Bidders were told they could have a verbal statement of these amounts, but, of course, such a verbal statement would not stand the acid test of the law. This failure of the commissioners invalidates the bids already received and the awards made. Those who inquired about these estimates learned that the estimate on brick was \$4.50 and on "bitulithic" was \$4.35 per square yard.

The bid of the Allied concern for brick was \$5.25 and on bitulithic \$4.35, both of which were low on the face of the bids. But, as a matter of fact there was absolutely no competition in the bidding. The Allied concern's bid was five cents lower on bitulithic than that of the Des Moines man. They are both agents for this material and keep out of each other's territory. The Des Moines man came over just to make the local agent's bluff good by putting in a bid five cents higher than the Allied.

This bitulithic stuff is a patent mixture, on which absolutely no guarantee is made. The man who owns the patent, Warren by name, takes a big royalty for every yard that is laid and he never turns his hand over. The city of Chicago refuses absolutely to let it be laid on traffic streets. A streak of it was laid on the Lake Shore boulevard there, how-

ever, and before the park board would accept it the contractor had to spend \$60,000 to put it in condition. The street maintenance and park departments are working separately on paving in that city.

Under the law the Douglas county commissioners might have asked for bids on what is known as "Topeka Mixture," a combination pavement upon which all contractors can bid and which would have made competition keen. The county would also have received a guarantee of five years on it had it been accepted and the price would have been much below that offered on this bitulithic stuff. The city of Omaha bars bitulithic paving from its specifications just as Chicago does.

The "Topeka Mixture" has been laid over hundreds of miles in Nebraska, Iowa and Kansas and has given perfect satisfaction. There is no royalty on it and the guarantee that goes with it is something that is not received on the bitulithic paving. Mr. Carey, when asked what guarantee would be given with the bitulithic paving replied:

"All the guarantee you have asked for, which is nothing."

Mr. Carey represents the Allied Contractors. He also has represented the Omaha Structural Steel company. John W. Towl is president of both of them. The Steel company has built a great many Douglas county bridges.

No royalty goes with the "Topeka Mixture" and there can be no collectors of graft. It is considered superior to the bitulithic and can be laid about \$1.25 per yard less than that material. State officials concerned in road building have understood these conditions. The law requires, therefore, that bidders on paving must be officially notified just what the royalty is on all patent pavements. When bids are to be asked on county roads, the law requires that the royalty demanded of bidders must be conspicuously posted in the surveyor's office. In this case that was not done. This duty, however, is not given to the state engineer, but to the commissioners.

In making the bid on brick paving the Allied people were 75 cents per yard over the verbal estimate given but not put on the blank forms. Apparently they did not want this brick contract, but, when the storms of protests came up, they were awarded.

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Prohibition May Split Parties

One of the men appointed to organize the big force of men Uncle Sam will employ to enforce prohibition in this country has recently stated that the liquor issue is a dead one and is buried for all time to come. Be that as it may, there is every indication that leaders of both of the dominant political parties of the country are considerably worried about the figure the wet and dry issue will cut in the next national campaign.

The big healthy leaders of both the republican and democratic parties are trying to figure out right now what stand, if any, they shall take in their national platforms on this issue. Wet leaders in both parties have intimated that any attempt to put prohibition planks in their platforms would result in an immediate split and the formation of a new party. This talk does not come from men who have been supporters of the liquor traffic, but from level-headed fellows who realize that a majority of the voters of the country are opposed to "bone dry conditions."

Governor Edwards, a staunch democrat and great leader, has always been an abstainer, but he is now out in the forefront as opposed to prohibition and indications are that he will secure a liberal plank in the next democratic platform. It is not at all unlikely that he will also be a presidential candidate on that platform, despite the abortive efforts of William J. Bryan to head him off.

In the republican ranks a similar condition exists, although it is not so pronounced at this time. There are thousands of good republicans, however, who are thoroughly opposed to a prohibition plank in their platform and there are indications of a possible split in the event of the "drys" trying to force the issue.

In both parties are hundreds of leaders who feel that 2,000,000 of our soldiers were double-crossed while they were in Europe and if indications count for anything at all these young men are going to cut a big figure in the contest for personal liberty from this time until the question is settled.

HOW ABOUT THAT PAVING?

There is a lot of explanation due on the manner in which contracts have been let for county paving and about how our county commissioners propose to spend the rest of that \$3,000,000 voted for permanent country roads in Douglas county. Last fall the farmers of the county voted the money for building what they presumed would be about 110 miles of permanent road building. From the contracts already let it would appear that they will get much less than half that amount.

The original idea was that the money voted for permanent roads would bring one of these thoroughfares within three miles of every farmer's home in Douglas county. From all appearances less than half the mileage promised is to be delivered and the taxpayers will soon be asked to again contribute a few million more dollars for the work.

Our city people have not bothered so much about the matter because they know little about road conditions in the country. They have well paved streets and use the country roads mostly for joy-riding. When the roads are bad they simply do not joy-ride. It is different with the thousands of farmers who have to use these roads every day. They have been putting up with all kinds of roads for fifty years and they were led to believe that with these bonds they could construct good roads for everybody. Their disappointment, naturally, is very keen when they learn that more than half of them are to lose out.

On the face of the contracts already let, there is going to be considerable question as to the wisdom pursued by our county commissioners in the manner they are going at the awarding of contracts. Doubtless it will all come out in the wash but most of our people are going to learn the truth of why only one contractor is able to land all this business and why competition has been practically throttled.

MONITOR FOR THE WORLD.

Our esteemed president Woodrow Wilson is having his own troubles in his attempt to become monitor for the entire world. The United States senate is putting a lot of crimps in his ambition these days and from all indications the peace treaty, when that body gets through with it, will not look much like it did when the president sent it to the upper house for final ratification.

The Lodge reservation to Article 10 has been the stickler on which the split has come. It has to do with the Monroe doctrine, which declares that the American continents shall always be permitted to pursue their own ways without European intervention of any sort. The treaty as sent to the senate, is interpreted by many of the big statesmen as leaving a loophole which might undermine the real meaning of this Monroe Doctrine.

The Lodge reservation is to the effect that the United States shall be the lone interpreter of the meaning of that doctrine. Not

in so many words, but in reasonably plain language, this reservation says that whatever other meaning the proposed treaty and League of Nations document shall have, they shall not in any manner deter this country from being the only nation with a right to determine how that doctrine may be construed. In other words, it means that Europe it still forbidden taking any hand whatsoever in controversies of any sort that may come up in the Western hemisphere, and is forever estopped from making any attempt to colonize any part of North or South America.

The senate body has already voted on this reservation and that vote was decidedly in favor of the Lodge reservation. There is no reason for doing otherwise. There have been a lot of European wise heads who wanted to have something in the peace treaty and in the League of Nations agreement by which their countries might inject themselves into the internal doings of American nations. The Lodge reservation puts an end to that ambition for all time.

Our democratic friends have attempted to "soften" the wording and have offered what they term "mild substitutes" but thus far the majority of our senators have stood out boldly against anything of the sort.

Mr. Wilson's efforts thus far have been to make himself a monitor for everything and everybody. There is no one man who is big enough for that job and the quicker his followers learn the truth about the matter, the quicker will we have a completed peace treaty. There will never be another opportunity to settle this question for good. Let us do it right and let the world know that we are not making treaties that will contain any agreement by which European nations may butt into the affairs of our American people.

COLORED PEOPLE FOR GENERAL WOOD.

Most of the colored people who have interested themselves in the presidential primary have come out squarely for General Leonard Wood as the republican candidate for the presidency, as against General Pershing and numerous others who have announced themselves as candidates for the place. General Wood has recently been visiting various parts of the country and in almost every city enthusiastic delegations of colored people have greeted him and promised their support. In fact he is considered the official candidate of that race.

Wood has an extensive press bureau at work in Chicago, from which is sent each week several columns of propaganda to the newspapers of the country. The headquarters of the "Leonard Wood Campaign Committee" has been located in the Congress hotel of that city and money is being spent right and left to further his candidacy.

The general is making political speeches these days, in which he asserts that the country is in need of a return to the high protective tariff. He says that with the return of more nearly normal conditions in Europe will come a demand for this protection and that American industries are still in need of them.

The Wood organization is being put on the job in nearly every state and special attention is being given to the west. Several governors have taken up the work of promoting this candidacy and have come out squarely for Wood. Although General Pershing has the active support of many Nebraska newspapers, Wood is maintaining an organization in Lincoln, from which is being put out much of his advertising.

In Omaha there is a general movement among the colored people to put Wood on the map and several clubs have been formed among them for the promotion of his candidacy.

SEVEN YEARS OF WILSON.

Today Woodrow Wilson begins his eighth year as president of the United States. His seven years of incumbency has been fraught with a greater variety of scenes than it has been the fortune of any other president to witness. He has gone through the greatest war the world has known, he has seen the country upset all precedents and adopt prohibition, he has traveled more than any half score of former presidents and has been the first president to leave his own country for any length of time during his incumbency.

In future years the doings of President Wilson will set precedents for many presidents and his actions will be cited as excuses for many things that a score of years ago were considered inappropriate and even incongruous. He is the first president to have an extended illness of a serious nature and retain control of government affairs. He has fired more cabinet officers than any other president and has consistently and persistently been president of his country from every standpoint.

Whether Wilson, in declining health, will be able to serve out his term in the same vigorous manner that has characterized the last seven years remains to be seen, but all prospect of his again becoming a candidate has passed. A fine coterie of statesmen and near-statesmen are now trying to get out in front and secure his job. From all appearances he will be ready to quit when the time comes.

While the country can hardly successfully criticize Wilson's administration, it is fair to say that a very large majority of them will be glad to see a new face in the White House chair a year hence, without respect to what his politics may be.

JUDGE COOLEY NOT TO BE CANDIDATE AGAIN

Julius S. Cooley will not be a candidate for office this fall. Two years ago he ran for municipal judge and was a close competitor with several other candidates for one of the places on the municipal bench.

Cooley says he cannot afford to give up his private law business to run for office, even though he were sure of election. "I don't need the job," is the way he puts it, and he says there are a lot of other fellows who are capable of caring for the work without him being drafted for the position.

RELIABLE DETECTIVE BUREAU BUSY PEOPLE

The Reliable Detective Bureau, whose display advertisement appears on another page of this issue, has been built up within two years to one of the real live institutions of its kind in Omaha. J. R. Musgrave,

formerly deputy sheriff, heads the institution, with George Townley, well known local operative as his partner.

Recently the Reliable has had some important work in the lines it represents and has secured results which proved its ability to meet all the demands placed upon it. This bureau has offices at 544 Railway Exchange building, where somebody is always on the job.

The Bowling Green.

Bowling Green is New York city's oldest park, says Gas Logic. It was leased by the city council in 1782 to John Chambers, Peter Bayard and Peter Jay for a "bowling green," at an annual rental of one peppercorn a year. The original lease was for 11 years.

Popular Way.

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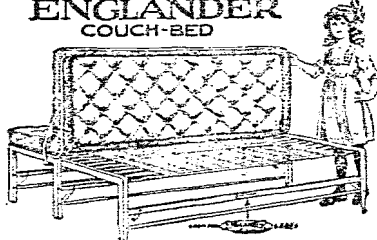
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the small towns and in the country have felt that they would always get all the booze and beer they wanted in some way, even if the "whole damned country went dry." Now they are learning something during the last decade which made the dispensing of intoxicating liquors a bad thing in many ways. Instead, however, of attempting to correct that condition, the country has been voted dry. It is hardly necessary to say that no country can exist without alcohol, because every sane person knows that it is part of our daily life, just the same as bread and butter. The prohibitionists will be the sufferers with those who are opposed to prohibition.

The trouble has been that thousands of persons have said to themselves: "I want a law by which I can get all I want myself, but there are a lot of my neighbors who should not have it. For that reason I am going to temporarily join the prohibitionists."

There is hardly a sane person who does not begin to realize the truth about how they have been double crossed by this bunch of professional grafters who have existed for years off the donations of sincere but misled people who have believed that there were nothing but honest people putting out this propaganda.

The big party that fronts openly against such renegades as W. J. Bryan in big politics and Elmer Thomas in our own small sphere at home, is the party that is going to sweep the nation. Big political leaders are beginning to take this view of the matter. The wet and dry issues will be foremost from this time on until the people of the country again realize what has been put across on them.

THAT IS CHARGED IN PAVEMENT CONTRACTS

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ed five miles of it anyhow, at their own price. The Allied people were very careful, however, not to get above the estimate on bitulithic.

It is estimated that, with the royalty taken off, this bitulithic paving, which is not guaranteed, can be laid for \$3.25 per yard. Thus, if the taxpayers of Douglas county are forced to take the 120,000 yards already let they will be cleaned up and robbed of \$150,000 right off the reel. This paving has seldom if ever proved satisfactory. It soon becomes full of holes and requires untold repairs within two years in many cases.

This pavement is officially known as the "Warrenite-Bitulithic," and is made in two grades, the Warrenite being the cheaper of the two. Government money is not to be used in the building of this road, which means there will be no government inspection.

tors. With these two grades of this patent available to the successful bidder, it is easy to figure out the possibilities. At the same time even the smallest taxpayer is going to ask who is going to get this \$150,000 "royalty money" and how many ways it is going to be split. We could look around and find a lot of fellows who have got rich holding office and who have had to do with letting contracts for the spending of the people's money.

If competition is wanted in bids for road building it is fair to the people that they be asked for on the various kinds of paving that are considered standard and not be confined to one kind where one man has the exclusive right to construct roads with a patented pavement on which there is nothing to recommend it but a big royalty and an utter lack of guarantee.

Without an opportunity for discussion the county commissioners let bids for \$850,000 of the people's money. Nobody had an opportunity to investigate the merits of the bids; newspapers had no opportunity to give the people information and this immense bundle of their money was put out within the short space of three hours.

Next Saturday another meeting will be held and it will be time for the taxpayers to get on the job. Another million dollars of bonds are to be put out soon. The total bonds authorized is \$3,000,000. If the present system of letting contracts continues there will be an opportunity for "royalty collectors" to secure something like \$600,000 of the people's money. Demands should be made at once for modifications of the specifications which will allow of competition and which will give the taxpayers some semblance of an opportunity to know where their money is going.

TONY RIZZUTO WANTS JOB AT COUNTY DETENTION HOME

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ARTICLE I.

Name.
The name of this corporation shall be PUBLIC SENTIMENT COMPANY.

ARTICLE II.

Place of Business.
The principal place of transacting the business of this corporation shall be Omaha, Douglas County, Nebraska.

ARTICLE III.

General Nature of Business.
The general nature of the business to be transacted by this corporation shall be:

1. To carry on the business of owning and publishing newspapers, magazines and other periodicals; and in connection therewith to secure and publish news and literary material for said periodicals, and to do all necessary things in the publication and distribution of said periodicals.

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ARTICLE IV.

Amount of Capital Stock.
The amount of the capital stock of this corporation shall be fifty thousand dollars, divided into shares of the par value of one hundred dollars each. All of said stock shall be common stock and non-assessable.

ARTICLE V.

Commencement and Termination.
The time of commencement of this corporation shall be the date of filing of these Articles of Incorporation with the County Clerk of Douglas County, Nebraska, and its termination shall be fifty years thereafter unless sooner dissolved by a vote of the stockholders or by operation of law.

ARTICLE VI.

Amount of Liability.
The highest amount of indebtedness to which this Corporation shall at any time subject itself shall be an amount equal to two-thirds of its capital stock.

ARTICLE VII.

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The first meeting of the stockholders of this corporation shall be held at the office of the corporation in Omaha, Douglas County, Nebraska, on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in March, 1920, and annually thereafter on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in March, for the election of directors and the transaction of business which may properly come before the meeting. Special meetings of the stockholders may be held upon notice in such manner as may be provided in the by-laws.

The Board of Directors shall have power to adopt by-laws for the management of the business of this corporation and to amend same from time to time. They shall have power to appoint subordinate officers to assist in the conducting of the business of the company, and to fill any vacancies in the offices of the Company or in the Board of Directors.

Immediately after the annual stockholders' meeting as aforesaid, the aforesaid, the Board of Directors shall meet and elect a president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer for this corporation. The office of secretary and treasurer may be held by the same person but not that of president and vice president. Each

officer shall be elected for a term of one year and until his successor is elected and qualified.

ARTICLE VIII.
Board of Directors.
The affairs of this corporation shall be conducted by a board of three directors who shall be elected by the stockholders. Each director shall serve for a term of one year and until his successor is elected and qualified. Said directors shall be elected at the first annual meeting of the stockholders on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in March, 1920.

ARTICLE IX.
These Articles of Incorporation may be amended at any regular meeting of the stockholders or at any special meeting called and held for that purpose, providing that notice of such meeting shall be mailed to the last known address of each stockholder as shown by the books of the company at least ten days prior to such special meeting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF WE HAVE HEREUNTO SET OUR HANDS this 28th day of February, 1920.

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A show which may this season be credited with creating a genuine sensation on the Columbia circuit is the 1920 edition of George F. Belfrage's organization, "Hip, Hip, Hooray," which on Saturday opens a week's engagement at the Gayety theater. This production has been produced on a scale of magnitude seldom even attempted outside of the ranks of the big Broadway musical comedies.

The vehicle bears the inviting title of "The Oil Hospital." It is in two acts and nine scenes and owes its authorship to Charles Horwitz, who has also written some most singable lyrics. The book has been termed "a comedy affair with musical trimmings" and that describes the production to a nicety. The musical trimmings have been added by Perrin G. Somers and are well calculated to catch the ear and retain its attention, and are interpreted by a large, beautiful and talented chorus. The musical numbers have further received attention from Billy Sharp, who has put them on in an unusually attractive manner.

The rich comedy of the production and the extensive acting opportunities fall into the hands of a high caliber cast of which Billy Mossey and Ben Pierce, "The Quaint Comedians" are the stars. These two famous artists give an excellent account of themselves in the comedy department and are supported by such acceptable performers as Helen McClain, Theima Seaville, Tillie Storks, Somers and Berry, Harry White and the Bernard Trio. There are many specialties during the progress of the show and the terpsichorean quality of the entertainment is exceptionally high.

Producer Belfrage has gone a sky high limit in securing scenic atmosphere, the environments provided for being an exterior of the doll hospital, an interior of the sun room of the hospital, a beach scene in California, the saloon of the good ship Hope, throne room of the king of Samoa, Chinese tea room in Peking, bull ring in Spain and interior of cafe in Paris. The wardrobe embellishments are in every way in keeping with the scenic magnificence. Ladies' dime matinee daily all week, starting Monday. The Sunday matinee starts at 3:00.

EMPRESS ATTRACTION.

Visions De Milo, who will appear at the Empress in a gorgeous spectacle, "Visions in Fairyland," as one of the feature acts of the show opening Sunday. She is a beautiful young woman who made the artistic world of Paris hum with praises of her incomparable figure, and who now returns to her native land as a vaudeville attraction of the first magnitude. She is displaying herself in a series of electro-scenic poses which will be especially pleasing to ladies and children. This production includes a number of exquisite drops supported by special music.

John eGiger, in the guise of a street musician, will introduce his "Talking Violin." He gives marvelous interpretations of the human voice and imitations of birds and animals. He also plays several classic selections, as a fitting finish to his number.

Joe Coffman, famous minstrel comedian, who was featured with Al H. Field's minstrels and Neil O'Brien's big minstrel show, will appear in a comedy blackface offering "The Porter's Troubles." Mr. Coffman will be assisted by Miss LaBelle Carroll a clever character impersonator. Slayman's Ali Arabs, Arabian whirlwinds, will perform startling

hand balancing and tumbling feats that are well worth witnessing.

The photoplay attraction for the first half of the week will be "Black Shadows" featuring Peggy Hyland. This is a mystery play which makes a peculiarly strong heart appeal, since it deals with unjust accusations against the heroine, who accepts the situation in order to shield the sister of the man she loves.

AT THE BRANDEIS.

Charles Dillingham will present "The Canary," one of the notable musical comedy successes of the season, starring Julia Sanderson and Joseph Cawthorn at the Brandeis theater for five nights, starting next Sunday night.

In "The Canary," Miss Sanderson and Mr. Cawthorn, two of the best known entertainers on the American stage, have a vehicle especially suited to their talents. Clever and charming Miss Sanderson has many opportunities to demonstrate her superiority when it comes to dancing, to wear the ravishing gowns for which she is famous, and to exhibit the delicate, well-bred restraint that is her special art. Mr. Cawthorn continues to send his audiences into rollicking laughter by his happy faculty of being genuinely funny.

Doyle and Dixon, eccentric dancers, are featured, and promise a high order of terpsichorean novelties, while Maude Eburne, character comedienne, in her role of Irish campfire is most amusing.

The Canary is just one song after another by Irving Berlin and Ivan Caryll, and the entire cast is kept on the dance by the lilting melodies. Costumes, settings and excellent cast and delightful chorus are among the attributes that have served to make "The Canary" so popular.

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From the time they used to entertain in the vicinity of the old yellow bridge on Indiana avenue (Indianapolis, Ind.), Salem Tutt Whitney and J. Homer Tutt, who head "The Smarter Set," which comes to the Brandeis next Friday and Saturday, March 12 and 13, with matinee Saturday, presenting their latest musical comedy, "The Children of the Sun," they have been successful as funmakers, and now head the only colored theatrical organization playing the leading theaters throughout the country.

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Next week the supreme favorites of vaudeville, Will M. Cressy and Blanche Dayne, come to the Orpheum in Mr. Cressy's new play, "The Man Who Butted In."

This will be one of the headline attractions, and another will be Nat Nazarro, jr., who comes assisted by the Atlantic Fleet Jazz band.

It will be recalled that the actor-playwright, Mr. Cressy, did not appear at the Orpheum last season. For during the war he was overseas to entertain the soldiers. In addition to appearing in his new play, he will give by special arrangement a talk regarding his experiences while with the expeditionary forces in France.

In his new character comedy he is to appear as a country storekeeper, another Yankee of the whimsical sort. Miss Dayne is to appear in the role of a widow with new ideas. The play is exceptionally amusing.

Mr. Nazarro formerly headed a company of exceptional acrobats. Now his work is composed chiefly of dancing and singing, although his performance now and again embodies a clever acrobatic trick. The members of the jazz band that come with him were bluejackets who served on war ships and were recently discharged from the navy.

The Marmein Sisters, Miriam and Irene, are to appear in a revelation of dance and music. With them comes the piano virtuoso, David Schooler. The musical interludes of this featured act are one of its distinct charms.

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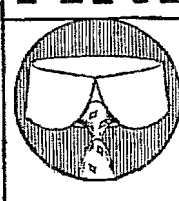
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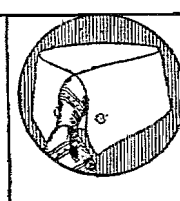
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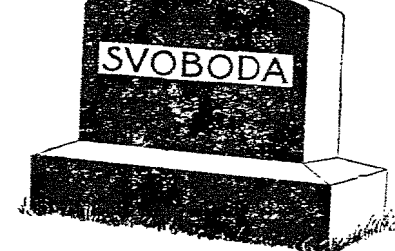
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