

WHAT ABOUT "HOUSE OF HOPE"

MAY CIRCULATE PETITION FOR
RECALL OF DAN BUTLER

Seventh Placer On The Ticket Would Block All
Legislation Initiated By Other Commissioners

TIES UP WITH DISCREDITED POLICEMEN

People Voted By Great Majority For Square Six Showing They
Want City Run Along Same Lines as During Past Three
Years—Butler Elected Only By Grace Of Other Com-
missioners—Any Voter May Start Recall.

City Commissioner Dan B. Butler already shows a disposition which will, it is said, result in an early attempt to secure his recall.

Mr. Butler is inclined from the start to make as much trouble for the other six commissioners as is possible, by his vote and by a vigorous use of his mouth. One experience apparently was not enough for Butler. He was permitted to return to office by the over-indulgence of what he terms "the gang", and this same "gang" will be forced to take some action in the event of Mr. Butler starting something again.

In the handling of the police matter he has again butted in, not in the interest of either good government nor in the interest of the taxpayers themselves. He has taken up arms with those men, who have shown an inclination to remain on the police force, despite the fact that they have been discharged. Not satisfied with voting, alone, against their retention, he has joined them in their fight against the city itself. He has gone to an attorney with them, with the avowed purpose of attempting legal proceedings to prevent the discharge from the force of the men recently.

This action would result in a big law suit for the city, with consequent expense, without doing any good for them. These men, naturally sore heads, got into the political fight, and now they are unwilling to take the consequences, although they got nothing they could not have expected.

Any person, resident of and voting in Omaha, can start recall proceedings at any time. A lot of people are ready to do that very thing at any time. That is just what will happen in the event of Dan Butler continuing to be a disturber. There is not a shadow of a doubt what would happen if such recall were started.

The present city administration has been put back in office by vote of a decided majority of the people. They have laid out during the last three years many things for Omaha, for its

uplift, and for making it a growing city. These things they are determined to accomplish. The intent of Commissioner Dunn to have a harmonious, well working and efficient police force is one of these things. It is only one of the many things that are planned. If, Mr. Butler expects to remain in office, he must concur, not only in Mr. Dunn's activity, but in the activities of every other commissioner. That may be said right from the heart, because it is as true as gospel.

It is said that some shakeups may be felt in the fire department also. Those men on the department who are continually fighting their boss and who can tell you how everything on the department could be done better are said to be scheduled for dismissal. Mr. Butler will find it to his interests to join the "gang", if they will let him do so, and pull for Omaha.

The expense of a recall, together with things incident to such action, will be a big one for the city; but the men who control the affairs of the city will not have to stand for this "Oh, you better get along with him" stuff.

Mr. Butler, when he is in a normal frame of mind, is considered a fairly good man. He is very well educated and has been on the city payroll long enough to know what is expected of him. No threats are being made, but the wind is blowing in just one direction. That is for the recall of Dan Butler unless he decides to behave himself.

There is nothing else to do. The six commissioners who have been returned have been elected because the people like their way of doing things, which is plenty of excuse. They are not going to be hampered from doing their work by the whims of one man who was returned to office by the grace of their own permission.

This is pretty plain talk, but in reality, a "word to the wise is sufficient."

REV. SAVAGE TELLS OF HOW THE HOUSE
OF HOPE WAS FOUNDED 19 YEARS AGO

Tells Mediator Reporter He Was Kicked Out After A Years
Vacation When New Corporation Formed—God and Prayer
My Fortress, Says Minister—Institution Run As A
Business Proposition "Marrying" Preacher Claims.

After hearing of the many stories that have been circulated recently concerning the House of Hope a representative of this paper called up the Rev. Savage for information concerning the establishment and the conduct of the Home under his administration. How the institution was originally founded is an interesting story and is best told by Omaha's popular minister in his own words.

It may be of interest to readers to learn that the Rev. Savage named the place in honor of the first church with which he was associated. About 27 years ago Mr. Savage graduated from a theological seminary and assumed the pastorate of a church in St. Paul, Minnesota called at that time the "House of Hope."

Nineteen years ago the minister found a pressing need for some sort of a home where men and women bowed down with age could find a haven of peace and rest in their declining years. Such a home was not merely a hobby with this godly minister, but as he says, a heavenly inspiration. How he established this now most important home is history and well known to Omaha's religious and business interests. How he was kicked out is a story perhaps not so familiar. When the House of Hope was made a corporation Rev. Savage who had devoted many unselfish

years was given a years vacation after which he was gently grabbed by the seat of his pants, metaphorically speaking and given the air. Let us give you the story in his own words. The famous marrying preacher had the following to say on the subject:

"Nineteen years ago I established the House of Hope and gave it, its name said Rev. Savage, "If there ever was a man that was led by God to do anything I was led to start the House of Hope.

"I first bought a little cottage at 1713 California Street, then soon afterward, having filled the place with old people I bought the cottage next to it at 1715 California street and then when those cottages were filled, I was offered the Dexter Thomas mansion at 958 North 27th avenue. That was a building that had 30 rooms and God showed me and told me He would help me should I buy it. (Savage bought this mansion for \$10,000 and through some higher inspiration of authority was able to pay for it in ninety days). There he worked for years. "I had a friend at Bellwood, Butler County, Nebraska whose name was Mrs. Maria Williams, said Rev. Savage. "She was a rich woman and her property consisted mostly of fine farms. She was

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(Editor's Note:—We are today printing a number of stories concerning the House of Hope. They are printed without malice and solely in the interest of the poor old men and women who are spending their last days at this institution. From most reliable reports these semi-dependents have not been treated as they should have been until recently when an investigation was started. We especially want to stress the fact that in our opinion the Community Chest should be held altogether blameless for contributing to the support of this Home, as the officers of that organization do everything within their power to protect the moneys collected and aim to help only those charities in dire need of help and financial protection.)

Baxter Declares
"House of Hope" O. K.

William F. Baxter, a member of the welfare board, was intensely interested in the story told by Mrs. Chesnut regarding the conditions existing at the House of Hope. He made a special trip to the place last Tuesday to make a little investigation of his own.

"My observation is that quite the reverse of what Mrs. Chesnut says is going on is true," said Mr. Baxter. "I got there just as they were preparing the noon-day meal and, at the invitation of the management, took luncheon with them. It was by no means a banquet, but the food was of a substantial nature. I presume the help does get a little obstreperous at times, but that is to be expected. This Mrs. Chesnut is a trouble maker, it appears to me. I am sure that any serious trouble will be quickly overcome. I don't know anything about Mr. Stroud's affair with Mrs. Hart. I should say any person who fell in love with her has a poor conception of what I should call comely women."

Those who know Mr. Baxter have a wholesome respect for his judgment. He says he just dropped in at meal time, and that his presence at that time was not anticipated by the management. Taken altogether, he considers it a well kept place.

FRED HAMM'S ORCHESTRA TO
ENTERTAIN OMAHA FOLKS

One of the most widely known dance orchestras in the country is providing dance music in Krug Park ballroom. Fred Hamm, director of this renowned musical aggregation, is known in Chicago as the peer of dance orchestra leaders. He also is known as one of the greatest solo saxophonists and has many phonograph records to his credit.

The band has been booked in Krug Park ballroom until June 1, when a crack local orchestra will usurp the orchestra stand.

Fred Hamm and his orchestra have just completed a theatrical tour on which they appeared in Keith and Orpheum theatres as well as in a number of vaudeville theatres on the Interstate circuit.

The orchestra is composed of 11 pieces. The popularity of this orchestra with dance devotees is evidenced by the increasing attendance in the ballroom. Persons who do not dance but who appreciate high class musical ensembles crowd the dance pavilion each night.

KNOCKS AND BOOSTS BY THE OBSERVER

MAN JUMPED out of the second story window at the House of Hope, or is it soap, the other day. Bug-house perhaps. They seem to take in gobs of money out at that famous institution but can't spare enough loose change to properly take care of things.

DEAN RINGER discredited police commissioner is to be one of the main stems in the legal battle a bunch of trouble making fired policemen are going to make. Dan Butler is to head the big show and will get just about as far as he did with his own hand picked "gang" at election time.

BARNEY BURCH is a picker from pickersville. Last year he picked up Bryan Speece from out in the sticks and now the Commoner's namesake is playing on the big time. This year from the same State league Barney hooked Louis Koupal who is pitching like a veteran. Louie is sure the kittens fur.

BOBBED HAIR BANDITS are all the rage these days. Omaha which is nothing if not up-to-date now boasts of at least one. The old girl is said to be a regular he-woman and knows how to use a gat. Wonder who her gentleman friend happens to be.

SOME OF THE wise birds about town who thought they were saving the country and themselves by knocking the administration know full well where they stand now. Certain gamblers and bootleggers who worked for Butler knowing if his ticket was elected they could run hog wild are or will be having rough sailing. A word to the wise; The railroads run in all directions.

POLICEMEN to the number of twenty-one have already walked the plank and no doubt that number will be some what augmented later on. Had they been on the job walking their beats and keeping their traps shut instead of working the hammer all day in the hope of laying their boss down low, they would still be on the job.

BOB SAMARDICK must have been born under a lucky star. Thursday night several of the boys were out duck hunting and seeing Bob mistook him for some sort of a bird. They started pot shooting but their aim must not have been as keen as their intentions. Bob did a little shooting on his own account but no casualties were reported up to press time.

MANY NASTY STORIES BEING
CIRCULATED ABOUT PLACE

Claimed That Old Men And Women Ill-Treated
And Improperly Fed At The Institution

MANY INVESTIGATIONS NOW UNDER WAY

Tom Stroud, Badly Defeated Candidate Said To Be Very Friendly
With the Matron—Kindly Old Lady Locked Up With Crazy
Woman One of Many Charges — "Guests" Pay \$50 or
More a Month For Board But Community Chest
Asked To Contribute \$4,800.

Many good people of Omaha are now asking themselves the question; Is the House of Hope, a House of Hope or a home of graft? Recently, several people religiously interested in the welfare of the old men and woman who are spending their last days in this institution have been investigating conditions out at that beautiful place and their report is not all that it's supporters could wish.

If all the reports coming in to the Mediator are true then there must certainly be something radically wrong, not with the institution itself, but in its management. This information is to the effect that about 45 old people make their home at this place. The great majority pay at the rate of \$40 to \$50 per month for their board and room. Since the home was organized as a corporation and taken out of the hands of the Reverend Savage, it is understood that inmates who buy life membership are charged as high as \$1000 or all that the poor unfortunates are able to stand for.

It was different in the days of the Rev. Savage's regime. In those days, this good minister, who in his work in building this wonderful home had God only in his mind, not mammon, as would appear to be the case today. It was the original intention of the founder of the House of Hope to bring old and dependent men and women to the place at the very lowest possible cost to them. This great charitable work he always carried out while in charge. At that time dependent men and women were taken into the place whether they could pay their way or not. A few bought life membership for as low as \$500, or lower.

Let us examine conditions now. It is conservatively estimated that the House of Hope, as a corporation, under the directorship of Mr. Payne and Mr. Tom Stroud, the latter the worst defeated candidate at the re-

cent city election, has a monthly income from the inmates and others interested of more than \$1,500. If this estimate be accurate then why in the name of heaven should Tom Stroud or anyone else go before the Community Chest and demand and get \$4800 as an additional sop.

We have occasion to know that the Community Chest investigators have done and are still doing their utmost to prevent fraud of any kind entering into their work of charity distribution. If they have been gipped it is surely no fault of theirs or of those in charge of the chest funds.

We believe that any first class hotel could board and room 45 old and more or less disreped people for \$1500 a month and grow rich eventually, more especially if the building had been handed to them on a silver platter. How much more then can Tom Stroud and company make out of the House of Hope under much more favorable conditions?

However it is not only t. ags financial that should be of interest to Omaha folks in this particular case. It is now asserted by unquestioned authority that the old people in this home have not until very recently had proper or properly cooked foods; that during the cold weather they suffered from lack of bedding. Investigators say that persons sick in this institution have often suffered for lack of nursing and proper diet. They have had no night nurse until the last week or so when they put one on because conditions were becoming too hot through the immediate attention given the institution by a certain well-known business woman of the city and others who have interested themselves in the matter.

They did have one day nurse who possibly may have attended the dying but no service was available for the conscious living. Just a few weeks ago a Mr. Woden was found

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MOLLIE CHESNUT FLAYS CONDITIONS AT
HOUSE OF HOPE — CONDITIONS ROTTEN

Well Known Omaha Business Woman Who Has Visited Place
Hundreds of Times Avers "Guests" Mistreated and Improperly
Fed—Makes Signed Statement for Publication—Says
Things Better Since Her Complaint Made.

Our attention having been called to more or less alleged irregularities out at the House of Hope we used our best efforts in getting all the available data.

Among those interviewed was Mrs. Mollie Chesnut's, a public stenographer in one of the prominent down town hotels. According to Mrs. Chesnut story she has been a regular visitor to the institution during two and one-half years, seldom if ever missing a Sunday visit.

Mrs. Chesnut is generally known in her community as an ardent church worker and a true Christian woman whose happiness is brought about largely in doing something for those less fortunate. She claims to have had inside knowledge of the working of this place and has voluntarily over her own name sent a statement to this paper which she claims contains only absolute and unequivocal facts.

The Mediator has never known Mrs. Chesnut nor have had direct knowledge of conditions at the House of Hope until this week. We print herewith the public stenographer's statement without further comment not even presuming to know whether she or anyone else has any sinister motive in making public the charges contained in the various stories found in this issue. We do

however have reason to believe that conditions have been the better since this woman has made effective protests in behalf of the old men and women of the home in which she has greatly interested herself the past thirty months.

Mollie Chesnut's statement reads: Living close beside the House of Hope, I have been for about thirty months more or less intimately acquainted with the old people there. Little by little I have in a sense absorbed from my dear friends in this House a knowledge of their real condition, until I have come to feel myself in their several places and to contribute more and more of my personal presence and ministration to their service, for I love them. Slow as I have been, I at last became as super saturated with their troubles and set about to help them to endure them, or to correct them where I could, with the result that I have come almost to think of "The House of Hope" as being the house of the hopeless, for in many cases death only has been the relief, and others look forward with longing to the great emancipation.

But my purpose is not so much to write of conditions here at this time, as to appeal to the people to join us in demanding an investigation with a

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PEACE FOR THE POLICE

There is every appearance that there will be peace, for a while at least, in Omaha's police department. The shakedown made by Commissioner Dunn is a silent reminder to all those who are inclined to make trouble in the future. Some of the men dismissed have been considered good officers in times gone past. They have been good officers, but very poor soldiers.

The really good officer keeps his nose out of politics and keeps his mouth closed all the time. Most of the men on the Omaha police force and in the fire department keep entirely out of political controversies. Those who do not and have not done so may expect to be pruned off the tree most any time.

And that is as it should be. If you are employed to work for a man you are not employed by his enemies. Perhaps you do not like your boss. The remedy for that particular ailment is to get a new boss. And it is bad policy to fight the one you already have. He can not be a successful agent of the people unless he surrounds himself with faithful supporters. It often takes a severe lesson to learn these things, and it is very unfortunate that Commissioner Dunn has found it necessary to administer that lesson to the recalcitrant men.

Some of them have intimated they would show fight. It will be a very short scrap. Mr. Dunn was fairly elected and he was the people's choice. Whoever opposes him now will be a revolutionist and an avowed enemy of the people and any court of honesty will so decide if the matter is put up to that tribunal.

These men defend themselves by asserting they have every right of a citizen to engage in political encounters. That is true, but they have no right to be a police officer at the same time unless they expect to receive the medicine dosed out to them by their successful rivals.

This is just what has happened. If these men are wise they should be very careful just at this time and not throw any monkey wrenches because the other fellow has a sledge hammer.

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a dear friend of mine and often went to the House of Hope. She gave me a farm that the trustees sold for \$24,000 and put it into the House of Hope."

"I was advised to make a incorporate and take over the property and I called a number of business men whom I have known for years in Omaha. We met and did business but when the House of Hope at Florence was fully under way I saw that I could not work with my trustees in harmony. On the 19th of April, seven years ago, I rose at a meeting of the Board of Trustees and with tears streaming down my face said, 'Gentlemen we are not of one mind on this board.' I made an appeal to the people to give me money and I would build the House of Hope so there would be an open door for old people at as small a price as possible for at that time there was no door open except the jail or the poor house. 'Now,' I said to the trustees, 'we can not work together.' I started this house by prayer but you men do not pray much. You have put the price of admission higher and I will have to leave you,' and weeping I left the room. The board at that time passed a resolution that I should be given a years vacation and here is the remarkable part, when the year was up my name was dropped and I was kicked out of the organization. For seven years I have been thoughtful and silent."

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dead in his room without any particular medical attention or even the care of a nurse, a reporter for the Mediator was told. Another case called to our attention was that of another paid guest, Mrs. Chichester, who was kept in a room for a long time with a woman by the name of Mrs. Trane who it is claimed is decidedly demented, which was a source of constant worry to Mrs. Chichester and her friends of the church and community. She was one of the earliest life members.

After this harrowing experience this kindly old lady became almost broken in mind and spirit but still was very active until the past few months. Recently, during the old lady's illness, a well known Omaha woman carried breakfasts to Mrs. Chichester until she was forbidden to do so by the matron. This lady told the nurse that the breakfasts she had seen taken to Mrs. Chichester were not fit for a sick person to eat, and besides she could not eat anything alone, and this led to the nurse telling the lady to leave the room, and refusing to do so, said, "These are my friends and I am going to stay with them, whenever they need me," the nurse ordered her again to leave the room, but she refused and was forcibly ejected by the nurse, Mrs. Emma Kerr, who now stands subject to arrest. And after being told that morning that Mrs. Chichester was on diet, this woman says that the same evening the old lady was given a grease soaked doughnut and biscuit for supper.

"The breakfast I saw consisted of a piece of dry looking, brown bread with butter spread on it, a little tomato preserves on the plate, a dish with some corn flakes and blue milk on it and some coffee." "Another time she had pancakes, another time an egg, then in the tray left over from supper I saw a glass of milk, a dish of dry cooked lima beans, more tomato preserves and a dish of sauce which was the only thing that seemed to have been eaten. In fact Mrs. Chichester was not able to feed herself, nor even scarcely to take a drink alone, and has of a consequence been wasting away, a reporter was told by a well informed woman who should know of conditions.

Another permanent guest at the House of Hope is a Mrs. Barrett a refined and elderly lady who has crossed the threshold of the biblically time of life. Through defects incident to old age she is unable to eat any meat or sweets making it necessary for her to go hungry. This wonderfully refined woman although being a guest of the House of Hope of necessity lives for the most part on bread, though she craves garden vegetables that should by right be supplied her.

Another woman whose life is fading into the eternal midnight fastness, who by the way pays first class hotel rates for the privilege of living at the home is reported as having said, "We get tomatoes in soup and tomatoes in preserves and tomatoes stewed, until I never want to eat another tomato."

Other guests, or should we say inmates, complain that the coffee is not fit to drink, that the toast is tough and unpalatable and that the near-milk is sky blue.

Referring back to Mrs. Chichester, it is known that Dr. John Baptist examined the elderly lady and reported that there was no apparent organic trouble but that Mrs. Chichester's present condition appears to be the result of a hurt to her spine, also that her wrist was bruised and the skin broken which Mrs. Chichester claims was the result of being jerked about by an attendant. Others say the bruise came through breaking in a window.

The matron, who by the way has suddenly taken a vacation, Mrs. Hart's conscience must have led her to remark, "You can't touch these old folks without they bruise." The doctor's experiment in touching her hand seemed to disprove this statement however. Just Monday of this week Mrs. Sullivan, daughter of Mrs. Chichester, went to the telephone at about five o'clock at which time the nurse came rushing up to her saying, "I have been with your mother all afternoon and she is resting fine." Mrs. Sullivan replied, "I have been with her since 2:30 P. M. myself and I haven't seen you in the room." This sort of stuff seems queer to say the least.

One of the most interesting features coming out of the present investigation is the fact that Miss Wilcox, the superintendent, has been threatening Mrs. Sullivan with the removal of her mother to the poor farm in order to frighten the daughter out of action against the House of Hope management.

It is common talk in the neighborhood of the home and in certain other quarters that Mr. Stroud, who publicly claims that he tried to buy his election in numerous boogie joints, is more interested in Mrs. Hart's heart than in the Home or the poor devils who are forced to eat out of an existence at this place.

According to the reports we have received things look pretty rotten out in that supposed to be charitable institution. However the people of Omaha today have the satisfaction of knowing that no less a personage than Mr. W. F. Baxter has personally investigated conditions and his report will and should carry much weight. It is even though that the conditions existing there today are greatly improved, largely perhaps through the efforts of different individuals who have started the ball rolling in the right direction.

The Sans-Culottes.

The name Sans-Culottes was given by the aristocrats at the beginning of the French revolution to the democratic party in Paris, because they gave up wearing knee-breeches à la mode then among the nobility, and adopted trousers, or pantaloons, instead. The term was first applied in contempt; but was afterwards adopted as synonymous with "good patriots" by the popular party.

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But none of these ever pulled a play quite like the one told of by a man who coached in the West last year. Said this individual: "I had a play which I used several times with fine success. My quarterback, whenever he saw fit, would complain to the referee that the opposing team was offside or was holding and, therefore, deserving of a penalty. Of course, the official would take no heed of his plea. Then the player, apparently quite perturbed, would declare, 'All right, I'll take the distance myself.' Accordingly, he would begin pacing off the yards, and once clear would start a sprint for the goal."

The American Olympic tennis team has definitely lost the services of Mrs. Molla Bjurstedt Mallory, seven times national woman's champ. An official communication received by the United States Lawn Tennis association notified this country that Mrs. Mallory had been found ineligible by the international committee.

Why Catcher Gharrity

Quit Washington Team

Had Eddie Gharrity, catcher of the Washington Nationals, known that Donie Bush would not manage the team in 1924, he probably wouldn't have jumped to the industrial league in the West that offers such fancy salaries to discontented major leaguers. Bush, as manager of the Nationals last year, was strong for Muddy Ruel as catcher, seldom giving Gharrity a chance. Eddie felt that he was being discriminated against and jumped at the chance to quit the majors.

Dead Sea Fruit.

The apple of Sodom is the familiar name of a species of yellow fruit which grows on the borders of the Dead sea. It is extremely beautiful to the eye, but bitter to the taste and full of small black grains, not unlike ashes. This apple is often referred to as the "Dead sea fruit," and the expression used as a metaphor for hollow, unsatisfactory pleasures.

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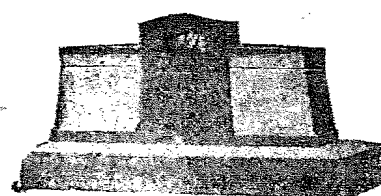
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"MEN" A GREAT TRAGIC STORY WITH HAPPY ENDING

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DIMITRI BUCHOWETZKI

Pola Negri's latest starring picture for Paramount, "Men" proves that a story may be a great tragedy and yet end happily.

The picture was produced by Dimitri Buchowetzki, who was brought to this country from Europe for the purpose, from his own original story. "Men" dramatizes the heartless persecutions which countless women suffer at the hands of the stronger sex. It also presents the retaliatory measures which women sometimes adopt in their battle against life.

"Cleo," the role which Pola Negri creates in "Men," is the cumulative effect of the many magnificent characters she has played since she first flashed, meteor-like, across the world's dramatic sky.

A waitress in a cheap restaurant of a French port, Cleo keeps a watchful eye upon her father, a decrepit musician who provides music for the guests. One night a handsome stranger attracts her attention, and for the first time the young girl experiences the emotion of love.

The Stranger bribes Francois, a penniless ancient who is on intimate terms with Cleo's father, to persuade the girl to go to Paris. There she is promised a career as a dancer. By a pre-arranged accident, the Stranger appears on the same train by which Cleo and Francois go to Paris. The love interest in the Stranger ripens in Cleo's heart. In Paris, Francois receives his money and disappears, leaving Cleo alone.

Frightened, Cleo accepts the

Stranger's offer to take her to his sister's home where she is introduced to an elderly roue but the sister is not in evidence. The Stranger dines luxuriantly, fills his pockets with cigars and leaves by the front door, vanishing out of Cleo's life forever.

The following morning, Cleo, carrying in her lustreless eyes the despairing expression of a lost soul, emerges from the house to which she was lured and wanders away, too stunned to care what becomes of her.

Years elapse and we find the girl has become the most famous dancer in France. Her beauty and her brilliance are universally admired. Many men contend for her favors but she is known as a woman who takes all and gives nothing. Finally, in a mood of desperate cynicism, she offers to auction herself away to the highest bidder. A wild scene follows in which some of the world's greatest fortunes are pitted against each other.

Sold by her own will to the richest of her suitors, she realizes when it is too late that she really cares for another. The battle between the man who won her with his money and the man who won her heart is a struggle which gives wide range for Pola Negri's superb art.

The picture, which comes to the Strand Theatre next Sunday for one week showing, is splendidly cast, with Robert Frazer playing opposite the star, and directed with the skill which made Buchowetzki famous in Europe.

MOLLIE CHESNUT PLAYS CONDITION AT HOUSE OF HOPE

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view to correcting conditions found inhuman by the removal of persons responsible. Why should I take the initiative? These are all my friends—and besides I am a friend to any dog or man that needs a friend. Relatives of the old people are afraid to speak lest they bring down the wrath of the sky upon the heads of their dear ones in the House of Hope under a life membership.

The only people that fare well in this place are those able to take care of themselves and who can eat of the general diet and not suffer therefrom.

In my helplessness I appealed first to the Welfare Board then to the Humane Society. An old man there begs to be taken away and I had hoped the Welfare Board could change conditions or change the man's location as he so desired. A member was sent out to investigate and my statements were doubtless confirmed by this man, but suddenly Mr. Wilson at the Head of the department ordered the matter dropped.

Following my report to the Humane Society, I rested from all anxiety, knowing full well the case was in strong hands—and strong hands they proved to be, so strong that they could even break the chain of evidence undisputable, and rise up and say, "I find nothing wrong there."

Any ten year old boy would know better than tell a burglar a trap was set for him, but that is exactly what Mrs. Rogers did, and Mrs. Rogers is supposed to be a true representative of the people and of the great society that owes its existence to the generous, kind and noble impulses of the people, its purpose thwarted at the hands of an ignominious salaried hireling. Upon receiving my report and request for investigation, Mrs. Rogers called a meeting of the Board of the House of Hope. Oh, Tea Pot Dome, boiled down! And all this in the face of every evidence offered, and the testimony of her associate Mrs. Dimond and in the office who said her own mother was in the House of Hope for awhile and removed for lack of proper food, though she was paying for her "board and keep" to the tune of \$50.

If anyone would ask why I take the initiative, I say that I can speak from my own knowledge of most things, and where there is suffering and injustice I am there for all that is within me. Relatives of the old people are afraid to speak lest they bring down the wrath of the sky upon the heads of their own fathers and mothers.

As a last resort I went to Mr. Preston of the Community Chest, fully confident of a hearing. He did hear and unheard. I told him of my experience with the investigation thus far, and that I had hoped not to disturb the Community Chest, explaining why the "inhuman" investigation had failed, and that if the Humane Society had acted in good faith they would have made the investigation and then had their little talk with the House of Hope. Mr. Preston said, "Maybe you can tell the Humane Society how to run their business but you cannot tell me". This was so simple it was funny. Nevertheless I went on with my

story covering a period of two and a half years' association with the old people in question, and when I had finished Mr. Preston injected this very brilliant question into space: "This is mostly hearsay, isn't it?" He told me that if I arrested the nurse that ejected me from the room (because I told her their breakfast were not fit for sick persons) she could and probably would sue me for slander. No doubt he too had been in session with the Powers that Be and betrayed their confidence. Mr. Preston in an official tone thanked me for reporting the affair to him and promised to make an investigation, but unsaid this again by adding, "I will act upon results of my own investigation, and not upon what any person tells me."

I replied, "So you would take your own opinion after one visit before the opinion of one who has known these people intimately this long while?" And referring again to his threat of suit for slander I added, "The people must know. Results at any cost."

MOLLIE CHESNUT
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Sporting Squibs

The boxing matches in the Olympic games will be held from July 15 to 20.

John L. Sullivan was 5 feet 10 1/2 inches in height and weighed 196 pounds.

In the announcement that Dempsey and Gibbons will fight again, just what do they mean by "again?"

The United States amateur golf tournament will be held at the Marlon Cricket club, Philadelphia, September 20-27.

The first intercollegiate regatta this season will be University of Washington vs. University of California, at Seattle.

Bulgaria will have teams entered in the Olympic games in athletics, fencing, association football, horsemanship and gymnastics.

Naval academy crews will row against Massachusetts Tech, Syracuse, and Princeton on the Severn river course this season.

The University of Princeton will broadcast the Yale-Princeton football game next fall from a broadcasting station erected on the campus.

Max Marston, national amateur golf champion, plans to compete this year in the national open championship for the first time in his career.

The government has issued a warning of the danger of automobile fumes in closed garages. But that's not where the automobiles are most dangerous.

The new world's record for indoor rifle shooting is held by Raymond C. Smith of Boston university. He made a perfect score of 1,200 at 50 feet distance.

Bobby Jones, national open golf champion, has settled down to business at the ripe old age of twenty-two. His office is in Atlanta and he is connected with the Adair Trust company of that city.

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The entire populations of two Algerian desert villages, Chetma and Sidi Okba, turned out to appear as atmosphere in certain scenes.

"A Son of the Sahara," a First National picture, will begin a week's engagement at the Rialto Theatre on Sunday.

MOVIES AN ADDED ATTRACTION AT KRUG PARK

Free motion pictures will be shown every night at Krug Park as one of the many new features inaugurated at the Park this season. The program, which will be continued throughout the 1924 season, will include all first run comedies, western photoplays and pictures depicting in a realistic manner the picturesque life of the American Indian.

The program will be changed twice each week, new pictures starting Sunday and Thursday.

The Indian Frontier series will be the first of the photoplay dealing with the drama of the Red Men's life. It consists of six two-reel subjects—each a complete, separate and dramatic story, each based on actual and authentic experiences. Paul Hurst, famous for his direction of Western dramas, directed the Indian Frontier series. These films are the result of Mr. Hurst's ambition of many years. He has associated with the American Indian since a small boy and knows and understands them perhaps better than his own people.

While the real Indians about whom the stories are told are pictured, well-known actors were also necessary and in important roles are Hedda Nova, Jack Mower, Edward J. Brady, Al Hallett, William Bertram, Johnny Fox Jr. and others.

The Indian Frontier series of pictures was made possible through an agreement with members of the great council of the Arapahoes, and this council is actually shown in the prologue of "The Man Who Would Not Die," the first subject of the series.

The first drama, "The Man Who Would Not Die," is told by Powerful Eagle, who went through just such an experience. The Second Subject proves that the general belief that the American Indian has no sense of humor is erroneous. The Indian carefully schools himself to hide any emotion, but his keen sense of humor is really very deftly portrayed in "The Man who Smiled." Left Hand, an Indian scout, who served in the U. S. Army, dispels this illusion.

The other four pictures of this unusual series deal realistically with the Indians and their picturesque early life.

An unusually interesting program will be maintained throughout the season and an open-air theatre has been installed at the Park with seats to accommodate nearly a thousand persons.

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This operation was made to clean up a bad job that had been left by another doctor, it is alleged, and Dr. Fields is taking the consequences. Dr. Fields' wife is behind the effort. She is proprietor of the Vanity Beauty shop in the Paxton Block, where she is industriously at work every day, trying to support herself and two children, both of them small. Mrs. Fields maintains that her husband is entirely innocent of any intentional wrong doing, and says she will stick to him until the parole is granted.

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