

# THREE VERY STRANGE BEDFELLOWS

## PROHIBITION PROVES A MISERABLE FAILURE

Thousands Die Like Rats, as the Result of Phoney Substitutes

## 33 ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS KILLED

Three Deaths This Week in City Charged Against Prohibition—Old Saloon Days Seem Tame Now—Bootleggers not to Blame—Demand of the People Responsible—Officers Do Their Best—Light Wine and Beer the Way Out.

What hath it profited the Anti-saloon league, though they have gained prohibition, if the people have lost all respect for law and law enforcement. Some statistics have been recently printed on the result of prohibition that would make any less a reputed renegade than Wayne B. Wheeler go in sack cloth and ashes the rest of his natural born days. The result of attempted prohibition has been nothing less than murderously criminal.

Thirty three dry agents and stool pigeons have been murdered within a comparatively short space of time but that figure is as nothing compared to the thousands that have given up their life on account of outlaw hooch and other home made concoctions. Right here in Omaha this week, three have died as a direct or indirect result of prohibition. It is safe to say that in the state of Nebraska with its less than a million and a half inhabitants, more than one thousand people have gone to an untimely grave through some infraction of the "Thou shalt not" law. If not that many, the number is probably quadrupled if we were to include those that have been wounded or seriously incapacitated through the influence of poisoned liquor.

Arrests for drunkenness and for other causes directly traceable to drink has been many times that under the regime of the open saloon in Omaha. The government is doing all that is possible in this city and elsewhere to curb the unnecessary evil but in spite

of the many raids, arrests and convictions they are getting nowhere in particular. The county, city and state are doing what they can to assist the government but to little if any avail. True, they are able to take the heart out of many bootleggers but what real good has it done? They are like flies. You can kill them off in the winter but when spring comes, you have to get out the fly swatter and do the job all over again. They are as thick as ever and it is not the fault of the enforcement officers nor is it the fault of the bootlegger. The fault, if it be a fault, should be laid at the door of the people where it belongs.

Folks demand their beer, their wine, hooch or alcohol, and are going to get it, cost what it may in money, trouble or time. If the many arrests of the cheaters had any effect on demand it may be said that in the end enforcement will prevail and prohibition will become a fact instead of a farce. But the facts seem to justify just the opposite view. The demand is growing stronger every day with most of the recruits coming from the ranks of mere children.

We would like to ask any reader of this paper or of the World-Herald, Bee or News, if they can remember the time when they have picked up their favorite paper and failed to find from one to a dozen stories all based on moonshine and its results. One day a murder or two, next day a suicide and on the same dates inconspicuous stories of from ten to fifty

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### OMAHA MAYOR NOW HEAD OF FASCISTI OF AMERICA

Nebraska's most popular man, James C. Dahlman, mayor of Omaha, has accepted the office of grand dictator of Fascisti of America, a new organization with headquarters here in Omaha. He has donned the black shirt and is all ready to assume his new duties.

A broad minded man in every sense of the word, Mayor Jim is ideally suited for this important position. Such a man must be one hundred per cent American, and no one ever accused the head of our local government being otherwise. The organization is against race hatred and obnoxious religious prejudice, and with such ideals as a guide it is sure to become a power for good in the life and activities of this country.

### JOHNNY DENNISON

IS AFTER POLICE  
Johnny Dennison is after the police department but in a bit out of the ordinary way. He wants nine of their alleged ball players to meet a bunch of his umpires in a regular game. It will be a red hot one if they allow Charley VanDusen to umpire behind the bat and Johnny to look after the bases.

### BANGTAIL FOLLOWERS WANT TO SEE THE PONIES IN ACTION

Everybody that is in any way interested in the bang tails is anxiously awaiting the call for the first race of the spring season which opens on June 2nd. Scores of enthusiasts are driving out to Ak Field looking over the ponies that are already on the grounds. Billie Neselhaus and Irwin already have their string in the stables. The former says watch my plug "Reardon" during this meet. However, most of the boys will bet on his still more famous galloper, Adonis, when he struts in front of the wire.

### HE MADE A GOOD BET

A well known state official bet a prominent business man, the best hat that could be bought in Omaha, that McReady and Kelley would be successful in their cross continent non-stop flight from Roosevelt field to San Diego.

### GOTTA GIVE IT TO OMAHA

During the months of January, February, March and April, 975 building permits have been issued in Omaha, totaling nearly \$5,000,000, over twice the amount as compared to the same period a year ago.

### YOUNG OMAHA MAN TO FILE CHARGES AGAINST CONVICT CAMP

O. W. Gangestad, son of E. G. Gangestad, prominent Omaha Realtor, is to file charges against the head of a North Carolina prison camp charging them with brutal treatment he received while there. The people in that part of the country seem to forget that the days of slavery are past, in fact the lumber and convict camps in some parts of the south are in this day and age much worse, if reports are true, than at any time previous to the civil war.

## Doings In Omaha Fifty Years Ago

The Mediator had received letters from all parts of the country thanking the paper for the information about Omaha contained in its Omaha special number.

The last issue of "Street Car Topics" had an interesting little note telling how twenty-one thousand people had to buy a car check each day to pay the company's taxes each twenty-four hours. All is not quicksilver that looks quick.

A local taxi driver got in dutch when he started trifling with a fourteen year old girl. His friends said he was taking on no beauty under forty-five since the affair.

## STATE LEAGUE OPENS SEASON TODAY

The State league opens its season today with a schedule that calls for 140 games. Dick Grotte, acting president, and other officials of the league predict a record year for the various teams, financially and otherwise. Dick declares the teams are much better balanced this year than formerly and does not believe it will be necessary to have a split season.

Fairbury and Norfolk would appear to have the edge at the opening of the season, but both of last year's leaders may find trouble in subduing Lincoln and Beatrice or even Hastings this year. Never was there so much baseball enthusiasm shown out in the state as is apparent this year and if the various teams stay anywhere near bunched during the race they are bound to play to record crowds.

One out state fan was in the office Wednesday and wanted to bet the editor the shirt off his back that Norfolk would cop. The funny thing about him and his funny idea was that he has lived near the Kansas line for twenty years.

## OMAHA BEE'S BETTER HOMES EXPOSITION IS DECIDED SUCCESS

The Better Homes Exposition now being held at the Auditorium under the auspices of the Omaha Bee is attracting large crowds each night. The exhibition is well worth seeing and the Bee is to be congratulated on the success the enterprise has attained. The many furniture exhibitors and others who have contributed to its successes are no less to be praised for their work and interest in the exposition.

## WATER POWER DEVELOPMENT BILL MEETS ITS WATERLOO

The legislature in its closing hours turned down the unfeasible, unworkable, water power development bill, sponsored by senator-elect R. B. Howell. This is a second defeat for the bill and it is unlikely that the proposition will be brought to light again for many moons.

## THIS SORT OF THING OCCASIONALLY HAPPENS

It looked like justice inadvertently slipped a cog when William Lambrecht and Hans Kauffman were arrested and fined for speeding and resisting an officer of the law one week ago tonight. Both admit that for a couple of blocks they were driving a bit too fast but were ignorant of the fact that those giving chase were officers of the law as they were in plain clothes. When the men were arrested they were both perfectly sober according to many who saw them. Mr. Lambrecht is a relative of one of the police officers. Kauffman is a retired city fireman, who was last attached to the station at Sixteenth and Izard streets. Both are well known in the city and are respected citizens.

## WILL BE INTERESTING IF IT SHOULD HAPPEN

A divorce scandal in high society is brewing and may come to a head before the week is over. The man in the case is prominent in club life while his wife's chief hobby is her charities. Of course, there is a woman in the case. The couple have two children, who have served the purpose of keeping the parents out of the divorce court on at least two occasions.

## DAN BUTLER, RINGER AND THOMAS IN TIE-UP

Hold Star Chamber Session in City Hall Last Friday Afternoon

## TRIO PLANS TO BEAT DAHLMAN

If the Best Laid Plans of Mice and Men Go Not Agang, Butler Would Be Mayor—Thomas Would Be Chief Lieutenant—Ringer Would Be Janitor or Something—Commissioner Playing Both Ends from the Middle.

The campaign for next year's city election has been launched. In fact the deed was perpetrated in a star chamber session held in the office of Commissioner Butler last Friday afternoon, at which time plans were made for the conduct of the campaign as well as a part of the tentative plans completed for the personnel of the ticket. This, however, applies to but one side, those who wish and expect to eliminate Mayor Dahlman and others from running.

At this all important meeting, three men, well but not necessarily favorably known, are presumed to have been the only ones present. They were: Dean Ringer, whom the people of Omaha once tried and found woefully wanting; Dan Butler, new police commissioner, of whom it might be said is now on trial before the public; and Elmer Thomas, head, tail and guts of the Anti-saloon league and one man power of the Committee of Five, sometimes called the Committee of 5,000.

For more than an hour and a half these self appointed protectors of the City's morals delved into details and generalities concerning the next campaign and it is presumed that everything is all cut and dried for the big cleaning to take place next Spring. A long way off, but these gentlemen have all read about how Mark Twain's frog took a long run before attempting to jump, but possibly overlooked the fact that lots of frogs are filled

with lead and tire themselves out before they make the leap. However, they seem to be well satisfied with themselves.

Should the curlicues of fate swing in their direction the result will be that Dan, whose quality of sporting blood has never been questioned, will be Omaha's next mayor. His chief lieutenant will be no less a personage than Honorable Elmer E. Thomas, who has worked hard all his life (on other people's pocketbooks) and for himself. Elmer is the boy who thought he had the job of state sheriff cinched, yes the same lad also thought he had Judge Sears' job all tied up in a knot for himself. The very same Elmer that asked a prominent member of the Dundee Presbyterian church, why it was that after so many well known church members had signed his application as head of the state morals squad and for District Judge, he was turned down on both applications. This lady suggested that Elmer might change his politics, which if he done would be no credit to the party to which he changed over. Others have suggested that a change of policy would be better than a switch in politics, but that is neither here nor there.

Should the slate go through, Dean Ringer would be with us again. The walls of the historic old city hall did not disclose just what Dean wanted but it is thought unlikely that he was

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## HUNDREDS OF COWPUNCHERS OUT TO LASSO SIX THOUSAND MEN

Boss of the Ranch and His Foremen Have Ordered Their Men to Rope Every Worth-while Maverick in the City—No Chance to Escape as Every Puncher an Expert in His Line—Round Up Starts at Once.

Were you ever out on the bounding prairie, scores of miles from the nearest sign post of civilization at a time when a storm was on the wing headed straight in your direction? Out in the cattle country, that big stretch of outdoors God set aside for the beasts of the field. Out there in the path of a thousand cattle when the storm broke? There was no chance to escape. As the orchestra of thunder and lightning played vividly the accompaniment for the blinding rain and the longhorns started a stampede in your direction, you were like a child in a desert sand storm, lost. Just as hope and even faith were at lowest ebb, you saw at a distance what appeared to be a company of cavalry headed in your direction. As they have close you discovered they were a bunch of round-up cowboys doing their duty. Saved, bigosh, just in the nick of time.

Well, what has that got to do with the story? Ask James E. Davidson, the governor under King Ak who has charge of this year's round up, or call up Charley Gardner, one of the best cow punchers in the kingdom of Quivera. Either of these Royal Nibs will tell you, so will several hundred other bosses, foremen and cowpunchers who were grubstaked at the Fontenelle chuck house last night.

To begin all over again, the Governors of Ak Sar Ben have decided on an entirely new system of getting members for the organization this year. They are going after six thousand good Omaha Indians, going after them in genuine cowboy roundup

fashion. And the only way you can escape a storm like that referred to in the first paragraph, is to grubstake one of the cowpunchers that will call on you, with a ten buck note. Otherwise they will let the steers trample you down in an inglorious ostracism, whatever that is.

At a largely attended and wildly enthusiastic banquet and meeting of several hundred boosters at Hotel Fontenelle Thursday evening, plans were completed for the membership campaign. Instead of the officials being designated as Governors and such, they will be known as the big boss, the foremen and cow punchers. Of the latter there are more than three hundred who are to get busy instantly. These men will call on you individually or, if necessary, collectively. They are out after six thousand members this year, they should and will get them. To join is simply a duty one owes to himself and to his city.

When the campaign books are closed and the necessary members are enrolled, it will have paved the way for easy sailing during future campaigns. The idea is that next year the Ak Sar Ben association will simply bill their members for the required ten dollars, thereby saving hundreds of busy business men much of the valuable time they have been giving to this splendid civic organization.

Members enrolling this year are in fact joining a club that will furnish throughout the season more genuine entertainment than could be purchased for one hundred dollars in any other manner.

## BARNEY BURCH'S FENCE BUSTERS THRILL THOUSANDS; LEAGUE PARK

Bufs Bat Out Several Victories in Spite of Mediocre Pitching—Outfield Class of the League—Great Crowds Continue to Gather at Famous Old Lot—Rods Should Be in Front by June 1.

The very uncertainty of the thing is what makes baseball the great game that it is, makes it in fact the national pastime. Everything pertaining to baseball is more than ever uncertain this year except the interest displayed by the one hundred million, more or less, fans and the crowds that have been and are sure to keep on attending the games.

The winter dope sheet has been badly upset in every league with the exception of the "snow" on the two New York major league teams. However the season is only its infancy ever the season is only in its initial stage and it is probable that most of the stove league favorites will be well up toward the front row when the month of roses is born, four weeks hence.

Here in Omaha followers of the local team have no kick coming at all, this in spite of the fact that at the present writing Barney's sluggers are for the time being trailing Tulsa, Wichita, little old St. Joie and Oklahoma City. Their position in the statistics column is no criterion whatsoever of their playing ability. That sounds like old alibi stuff but it is as true as gospel in this particular case.

Burch has in his outfield the class of the league and never a day passes that does not record some sensational fielding stunt pulled off by O'Connor, Bonowtz, or Griffin. Neither is it an uncommon occurrence to see all three pull big time stuff in a single afternoon's play. Manager Konet-

chy has nothing to worry about over his receiving department. Both Hale and Wilder play a bang up game. Their pegging to second is improving and they are handling the pitchers better than the slab men are handling themselves just now.

The infield is not showing quite so well as was expected of them, however it cannot honestly be called a second rater. The fact remains that Wilcox is sufficiently recovered to get back in the lineup regularly now. This will bring the infield up to what was expected of it when the season opened. Koney is, of course, playing his old reliable game at the initial bag while De Fate is handling his difficult position in a very creditable manner.

The pitchers have been a disappointment after a manner. Doing in and out stunts for the most part. But better days are coming for the slab men and the fans won't have to wait very long to note the improvement. Speece is the big sensation just now. May has been going good. Cullop, Odenwold, Speece and Okrie are sure to turn in more than their share of victories before the season closes.

After all is said and done, these hectic days of hooch, long distance dancing and the fast ball, people go to the park to see the heavyweights knock 'er outta the lot. There is where Barney's boys out-shine 'em all. Every mother's son is a wallop from wallpapersburg. No team boasts a sextette of sluggers that has

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## WHY IS THE OCEAN SO NEAR THE SHORE?

The Atlantic and Pacific are again wet according to a recent ruling of the United States Supreme Court. It would probably be better put to say, still wet. We have no reference to the water to be found in these two big ponds as there always has been a considerable quantity of acqua pura in the ocean. Red licker can once more be purchased on American ships as soon as the three-mile dead line has been crossed, according to the ruling.

So Uncle Sam will probably go back to bootlegging on a large scale. Personally we think it all right, looking at it from strictly a financial standpoint. Men buy ships for the same identical purpose that other men buy a dry good store, open a drug store or start a factory. They go into the business to make money. A fine chance one has to make sailing the briny pay if he cannot offer equally as good accommodations as does his competitor. People who wish to go to Europe, the Orient or where not, have an appetite and a thirst equal to any home loving landlubber and most of them are better equipped to pay for what they want, when they want it.

When the shipping board was ordered by Wayne B. Wheeler or some one else under the influence of Anti-salooinism to stop selling contents of the cup that cheers, it spelled disaster not only for government controlled ships but private vessels as well. The theory was 100 per cent good, the practice was 100 per cent bad. Patriotism received a deadly wallop then and there. The great mass of travelers wrapped up their civic sentiments in cotton, put a few moth balls in the coffin of pride and sailed away on a foreign ship, thus leaving "home talent" ships to dry-rot in their docks.

These people, hundreds of thousands of them, thought more of their personal liberty than they did of any alleged civic duty. One must not forget that these thousands of travelers were not a set of outlaws, I. W. W.'s or hyphenated Americans but just ordinary citizens of these United States who through thrift or other reasons had been able to accumulate enough money to travel as they saw fit. They were typical Americans who believe as do the vast majority of people in this country, that if they want to travel abroad, see America first or stay at home, they have the right to do so in their own way. They want to live as they formerly knew life, as their fathers and forefathers knew life. If they wanted a stimulant they wanted it and so long as it was taboo on American ships they did the next best thing, bought tickets on ships flying a foreign flag.

Thus, in the language of the street, American shipping went on the bum. Now the supreme court finds that the congress never meant it that way. What they did mean according to the interpretation of the highest court was that inside the three-mile limit Americans bottoms were not allowed to load up, at least open up cases of Old Crow and other favorites but after they passed the ocean's Mason and Dixie line, it was perfectly all right to dispense liquid joy. Then some people wonder why the whale and other deep sea fishes don't come near the shore, while other people wonder why "The Ocean Is So Near the Shore."

## BARNEY BURCH'S FENCE BUSTERS THRILL FANS

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one little thing on O'Connor, De Fate, McDonald, Bonowitz, Griffin and Boss Koney. When it comes to that, no one can kick on Hale, Wilder or Aperson's work with the bludgeon.  
The attendance out at Burchland park has been truly wonderfu, and if they continue Barney will be kept busy counting his surplus mazuma all winter. If ever a man was entitled to do that very thing it is Burch as he has worked his head off and spent plenty of dough to give Omaha a real team.

## DRIVES BALL OVER TRAIN

Miss Glenna Collett, the national women's golf champion, played a unique shot at Belleair Heights, when she drove over a moving railroad train, which afforded her a new kind of a hazard. Miss Collett was at the tee just as the train came along. One of the players in the Knox Foursome asked her if she minded the train across her path. She replied almost instantly by hitting her tee shot straight and far down the fairway, clearing the train by a wide margin.

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## Boy Spared as Lightning Kills Cow He Is Milking

Glasgow, Ky.—Arn Vaughan, son of Hiram Vaughan, farmer, of Prewitt Knob, this county, had the most remarkable escape from death ever recorded in this county.

The young farmer was milking a cow in his father's barn when a bolt of lightning struck the barn, killed the cow he was milking and six large hogs nearby, and literally burned one of the youth's shoes off his foot.

Young Vaughan was unhurt and declared he felt no pain or shock from the bolt.

## Give Convicts Chance to Enjoy Radio Music

Cleveland, O.—Prisoners in the Ohio penitentiary at Columbus soon will be able to enjoy radio concerts. This became known here when Edwin F. Kumer declared that he had permission from Warden P. E. Thomas to set up a radio apparatus. Kumer, who is under sentence of three to five years for automobile stealing, is here to testify in the trial of R. E. Schatz, his alleged partner.



## DAN BUTLER, RINGER AND

## THOMAS IN A TIE-UP

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after the janitor's job or seeking a place as an elevator man. It is likely he could fill one of these places but you couldn't make most people in his city believe it. A job as pound-master might be available and appropriate.

But if all is well that ends well, according to their plans we will sure have Butler for mayor—maybe. In that case we could forget Richard Mansfield and his great play, "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde," could even forget the author, Robert Louis Stevenson. We would have him, or them, right at the head of the city government, if what the World-Herald said about him some time ago was true. At that time they said he was doing a Jekyll and Hyde act. Now it looks like the words were not said in jest. When he ties up with Elmer Thomas and Dean Ringer it looks like he was playing the K. of C. against the A. P. A. or vice versa. Possibly both of them against the middle.

The campaign is on, let's go.

## Fish Whose Flesh is Poison.

No known land animal has naturally poisonous flesh. There are, however, several fish whose flesh is deadly.

## Early Public Library.

A public library was in operation at Athens in 357 B. C.

## HAVE PENNANT WON

The Yankees may lack several things, but confidence is not one of them. The other day the six regular and veteran pitchers formed a pool, each contributing \$25. The \$150 will go to the pitcher who wins the most games this season, and each of the six was willing to bet a lot more that he would win 25 games. Six times 25 is 150, which means that the Yankees would lose only 4 of their big league schedule of 154 games during 1923. It looks as if somebody is slightly exaggerating.

## Miss Ida Schnall



Miss Ida Schnall of Brooklyn, N. Y., all around woman athlete champion, who has won numerous championships at swimming, diving and other sports and who has decided to enter the fist game. Miss Schnall would like to arrange a match with the French woman featherweight champion Jeanne La Mar in a decision contest for the women's featherweight championship.

## LAST CAR LEAVES

Farnam Street Line	1:22
16th and Farnam for Dundee	1:22
16th and Farnam for 46th and Cuming	1:48
Depot for Dundee	1:19
13th and Farnam for Depot	2:04
Farnam Street Line	
33d and Parker to 6th St.	12:50
33d and Parker to Depots	1:40
6th and Center for 33d and Parker	1:15
Park and North 24th Streets	
16th and Farnam, East Side	1:03
16th and Farnam, West Side	1:23
16th and Farnam for Florence	1:12
16th and Farnam for Kansas Ave.	1:31
16th and Farnam for 24th and Ames	2:03
South Omaha and 42d and Grand	
14th and Farnam for West Q.	1:21
14th and Farnam for 42d and Grand	1:25
Dodge Street Line	
16th and Dodge (West)	1:29
16th and Dodge (East)	2:07
30th and Spaulding for Depots	1:48
Leavenworth and Deaf Institute	
15th and Farnam (North)	12:24
15th and Farnam (South)	12:33
Benson and Allbright	
13th and Farnam for Benson	1:24
13th and Farnam for Allbright	1:00
13th and Farnam for 24th and N.	1:23
Fort Crook Line	
24th and N Sts., South Omaha	12:00
Fort Crook	12:30
Owl Cars	
16th and Farnam—south to 24th and Vinton	1:50
16th and Farnam—south to 24th and Vinton	2:30
16th and Farnam—south to 24th and Vinton	4:20
16th and Farnam—north to 24th and Ames	2:45
16th and Farnam—north to 24th and Ames	3:30
16th and Farnam—north to 24th and Ames	4:20
10th and Mason to 46th and Cuming	2:52
16th and Farnam to 46th and Cuming	4:00
46th and Cuming to 10th and Bancroft	4:21
16th and Farnam to 16th and Bancroft	4:38
24th Street Cross-Town	
24th and Lake to 24th and Vinton	12:43
24th and Lake to 42d and L	12:35
42d and L to 24th and Vinton	1:15
Council Bluffs and Omaha	
Pearl and Broadway for Omaha	1:30
14th and Howard for E. L. Depot	1:20
14th and Howard for Pearl and Broadway	2:06

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# NORMA TALMADGE STARS IN "WITHIN THE LAW" AT STRAND

"Within the Law," which began an engagement at the Strand theatre last night, makes even more secure the leadership of Norma Talmadge as a dramatic star.

A classic of the American stage, in which Jane Cowl made her biggest hit this Bayard Vellier play is now a classic of the silent drama, with Norma Talmadge winning fresh laurels. Love, romance and thrills combine to make it as fascinating and as exciting as a motion picture can be. Much credit, of course, must go to the genius of the director, Frank Lloyd, and to the splendid support of an unusually fine cast.

Norma Talmadge, in the role of Mary Turner, a department store girl who is railroaded to prison for a theft she did not commit, is a heart-stirring figure. On the completion of her prison term she vows to "get square" with the store owner who was responsible for this miscarriage of justice, but determines to stay always "within the law."

Thus does she become the head of an organized band of blackmailers and home breakers and entraps Dick Gilder, the son of the merchant, only to learn that she herself loves the young man.

A stool pigeon endeavors to get Joe Garson, accomplice of Mary Turner, into a frameup to rob the Gilder home though Mary refuses on the grounds that it is "outside the law." Garson goes ahead with the plans.

She follows to prevent the robbery. The son, Dick Gilder, is horrified to see Mary, whom he had secretly married, with these crooks. The stool pigeon becomes terrified and is about to blow his whistle for the police when Garson shoots him. Mary stays on the scene with her husband, but the others flee. The police inspector doubts Mary's story that Dick did the shooting in defense of his own home. He has them taken into custody and also ferrets out Garson. When he accuses Mary of murder Garson confesses in order to save the woman he loves.

The tangled threads of the powerful plot are straightened out. Acquitted, Mary and Dick start home with a letter that removes the stigma of theft from Mary's past.

Jack Mulhall gives a fine performance as Dick Gilder and Lew Cody makes an admirable Joe Garson. Eileen Percy has a strong part as Aggie Lynch, a blackmailer befriended by Mary in prison. Dewitt Jennings distinguishes himself as Inspector Burke. Others who contribute their histrionic talents to this unusual production are Joseph Kilgour, Arthur S. Hull, Helen Ferguson, Lincoln Plummer, Thomas Ricketts, Warde Crane and Catherine Murphy.

"Within the Law," a First National picture, will remain at the Rialto through to and including Saturday, May 12.

# FISHERMEN LOST WEEK ON OCEAN

One Pie and Raw Potatoes All They Have to Eat While Adrift in Storm.

## TELL EPIC OF THE SEA

New York.—The two Freeport (L. I.) fishermen who disappeared a week ago have returned with an epic of the sea. Caught in a snowstorm that isolated their little motorboat 20 miles to sea from Freeport, their compass went wrong and they began a drift that ended when a schooner from Nassau picked them up 65 miles southeast of Ambrose.

Capt. Bergen Smith, an 180-pounder, and Harry Matthews are the two men who spent five days adrift. They were landed at Long Beach by the schooner Catherine M., which had picked them up after the men had drifted for a week.

### One Still Sleeping.

The men went home to Freeport in a taxi from Long Beach and straight to bed. At noon Matthews was still sleeping, but Smith was up and told the story of the terrible week.

Smith said he and Matthews went fishing. They started back at 10:30 a. m., when something went wrong with their compass and they found themselves heading out to sea. Soon they realized they were lost. Then they



Let the Boat Drift.

stopped their motor and let the boat drift. It drifted until Friday afternoon throughout a great blizzard.

Suicide Pact Suggested. The only provisions they had were some raw potatoes, a gallon of drinking water and a pie. For three days before they were picked up they had no food nor water. Matthews drank sea water and became delirious. While in this condition he tried to persuade Smith to split a bottle of iodine in a suicide pact. At least one ship passed every day, Smith said, but always too far away to hail until the schooner passed Friday afternoon.

The boat began to leak badly before the men were picked up by the schooner and they took the linings out of their overcoats to cork the seams.

**DARES LION FOR HIS SISTER**  
Lad, Aged Fifteen, Enters Beast's Cage to Earn Money to Pay for an Operation.

London, England.—The happiest, proudest boy in London is fifteen-year-old Alfred Garcia, the son of an omnibus conductor.

Alfred recently was offered \$250 if he would enter a cage of circus lions with the trainer. For two days the boy considered the offer, his thoughts constantly turning to the thirteen-year-old crippled sister, who would be benefited immeasurably by the operation the money would make possible.

"Lions or no lions, I'll do it," he decided, and engaged a first-rate surgeon. Then he fulfilled his part of the bargain.

The surgeon, however, learned of the circumstances and insisted upon giving his services without charge, whereupon Alfred promptly turned over the \$250 to his sister.

**Youth, 14, Kills Tormentor With Stone.**  
Chester town, Md.—Thrown to the ground twice by Floyd Frisby, colored, fourteen-year-old John Wilson, a white boy, killed his tormentor by hitting him with a stone. A coroner's jury returned a verdict of death caused by Wilson. The boy surrendered to police and is in jail.

**Two Killed Trying Out New Motorcar.**  
Baroda, Mich.—Trying out a new motorcar, Harry Smith and William Nimtz were killed when their automobile was struck by a train.

## IT DIDN'T SHOW

By CORONA REMINGTON

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JOSEPHINE MACLANE took two soapy hands out of the dish water, dabbed them against her fresh gingham apron, picked up a stubby pencil and scratched off the last item on the list that hung just above the sink with some nice items as follows:

Peel apples; pick beans; sweep house; clean house; clean stove; get corn; make soup; fix hash, wash dishes.

"Almost washed away," she said as she plunged back into the water and scanned the memorandum once more. "Then I guess I'd better gather the vegetables. It'll soon be so hot. Oh, dear, I wish—"

At this point in her musing Josephine glanced at her reflection in the distorted little cheap mirror, also over the sink, and saw a rather serious oval face with big brown eyes that seemed to hold a perpetual question, and soft brown hair done up severely on top of her head.

The face was almost Madonna-like in its sweet simplicity—even she could see that.

Her glance strayed over to the nickel alarm clock hanging on a nail by the door. It was getting late and so much yet to do. Soon it would be dinner time, and she must be punctual today, for Mr. Waring, their one boarder, taken on to help with the grocer's bill, might revolt. He had been so patient and never a murmur of complaint. He had been with the MacLanes for over three months recuperating from an almost fatal attack of pneumonia, and never once had he made a single complaint. At the thought of him Josephine's face clouded. There it was again, he was simply the nicest man she'd ever known, but his manner toward her was as impersonal as if she'd been the coal hod or the cook stove or any other bit of kitchen furniture. Often he'd even come out in the kitchen and help her serve the meals and laugh and joke with her, but never a single little thing like:

"Oh, you look so tired. Let me do it while you sit down," or "Come on, let's take a walk after supper. Won't you?"

Why shouldn't he like her a little bit? She wasn't dolled up enough. That was it—bitterly.

Then if that's all men want, why not give it to them? At first the idea seemed so preposterous that Josephine felt as if it were some one else daring her to try it, but as she thought it over it seemed more and more reasonable and less and less preposterous. Why shouldn't she look as pretty as possible just like other girls? She should, and she would!

With feverish eagerness she hurried through dinner and the dishes afterward, then rushed upstairs to experiment. For an hour she worked over her hair and the result was worth while. She was prettier and softer looking and more girlish—more feminine, she decided at last. That was the word that exactly covered it. Then she put on her one little frilly organdie dress that a cousin had sent her and that she had been keeping for great occasions. The effect was amazing. As she pirouetted in front of the mirror she smiled at her own reflection.

"If you weren't Josephine MacLane I'd think you were awfully pretty," she said.

At supper that evening Bill Waring stared at Josephine as if he'd never seen her before.

"You—you're lovely," he said, quite naturally. "But why so dressed up?" he laughed.

"Oh, not so awfully dressed up," she answered. "Lately, I haven't had time to take care of myself," glibly, "and this morning I just decided to turn over a new leaf if the dust got knee deep in the house."

It was a fib, but there were some things that the other sex simply must not know.

"Good for you! Just to celebrate the new leaf, let's take a walk after supper. I'll help wash the dishes."

It was the day of days for Josephine. The evening was cool and fragrant, with the moon casting a light of mystery over all. The man by her side was quiet, but it was a pleasant quiet—the quiet of congeniality.

"Do you know, Josephine," he said after a while, "you're the girl of my dreams. You're sweet and feminine and womanly, yet you're not light and flippant and empty-headed. You're efficient, but it doesn't show."

Josephine laughed a happy laugh. "What a funny idea—efficient but it doesn't show."

"I mean it. So many capable women are bossy and dictatorial and severe looking. You know the type, but you're—you're—" he swept her into his arms. "You're adorable," he said breathlessly.

On the way home while he was talking to her as men should talk to girls, she was singing a little song inside her, "Efficient but it doesn't show—efficient but it doesn't show."

### Improvement.

"How's your mother today, Willie?" "She's much better."

"I'm glad to hear it."

"Yes. She remembered this morning it's been a week since I had a bath."

### Pretty Swell Dish.

Wheeze—Who's the snappy little English girl?

Breeze—She's a lady in waiting at court.

Wheeze—Chicken a la king, eh?

## ADDED ATTRACTION AT RIALTO

That old question about how far up in the air a young man can get about a young lady—any young lady—is described in Buster Keaton's own way in "The Balloonatic," which will be seen for the first time at the Rialto theatre Sunday. "The Balloonatic" is Buster Keaton's latest First National comedy.

Through an accident Buster falls owner to a balloon and by the time he discovers his acquisition, finds himself rubbing elbows with the clouds. Buster, it appears, might have gone on sailing skyward had it not been for a little accident to the gas bag, which was induced when Buster attempted to shoot roosting birds from off the sides of the balloon.

His next fall is for a young sports-woman who goes down to the old mill stream for trout and hauls up Buster on the end of the line. Buster takes the fall, hook, line and sinker. You can best understand his baiting when you learn that Phyllis Haver is the cause of the fall. It seems that Phyllis has temporarily deserted the Sen-net management to appear with Mr. Keaton, and her appearance in this comedy accounts in no small way for its excellent qualities.

There's a revelation to people who are fond of boating, in the scene which introduces Buster coupling his balloon with a canoe. The advantages of this arrangement, while not immediately apparent, provide no end of good amusement.

As usual, Eddie Kline is associated with Buster in the direction and writing of the story. Oh yes, Buster is one comedian who has a story to tell in his comedies. Maybe that's why he is going over so big.

## EMPRESS PICTURES

Beginning Sunday the Empress will show Supreme Photoplays exclusively during the summer months. The reduced prices will be 10, 20 and 30 cents. The photoplay for the coming week is to be "Chicago Sal."

The story is woven around a young

girl who, while she remains in the city, is a criminal. But when circumstances take her away into the open spaces of the country she becomes a changed woman and soon love and peace transform her.

"Chicago Sal" was a product of her environment. She knows only crooks and the life of the cabarets. It was not a clean environment. On the other hand Steve McLaren knows only the good, honest environment of the country. He had been reared in the pathway of virtue. So the two met one day in the country, and Sally found redemption. She had found the real environment.

Alice Lake gives one of the most compelling performances of her career and Milton Sills in the opposite role demonstrates again why he has a sure place in the esteem of the picture-going public. These players are supported by a popular cast which includes Gertrude Claire, Ralph Lewis, and Richard Headrick. Harvey Gates wrote the story, which is an accurate slice of present day life—in the underworld of Chicago and the open countryside. It palpitates with human touches and tugs at the emotions and its qualities are so definite, so certain, that it is good for any audience. Don't miss it.

### And Is Lucky.

Health hint writer asks: "How do you eat your meals?" Well, usually one at a time.—Reading News-Times.

### Unprofitable Occupation.

We lose the peace of years when we hunt after the rapture of moments.—Bulwer

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# RIALTO THEATRE TO SHOW INCE'S "SCARS OF JEALOUSY" NEXT WEEK

The Rialto theatre has booked two unusual pictures for the week commencing Sunday, May 6. The feature picture to be shown is entitled "Scars of Jealousy," a Thomas H. Ince Super-production. The comedy is to be a Buster Keaton feature, appropriately named "The Balloonatic." A short synopsis of "Scars of Jealousy" is given here that patrons may get an inkling of what is in store for them.

There is a splendid inspiring theme in the battle between the lawless forces of the Old South and the law-abiding citizens of the New South in Thomas H. Ince's great spectacular drama, "Scars of Jealousy." In his latest production, jammed as it is with thrills and sensations, Mr. Ince has smashed home a moral lesson which is obvious to all. It has its significance for both rich and poor.

"Scars of Jealousy" is the story of two transposed lives. The illiterate son of a cajan hill billy of Northern Alabama is adopted into a wealthy Southern family when the son of the old home goes "wrong." The cajan boy, of splendid ancestry, proves that the proper environment was all that he and his kind needed to become the equal of the proudest families of the South.

Jeff Newland, son of Colonel Newland, on the other hand, is kidnapped by the moonshining cajans and made to slave in the corn fields for six months. When he won't work a crashing fist makes him buckle to. And when he tries to escape a rifle shot quickly brings him back.

Jeff, the spoiled son of a fine father, learns to eat plain substantial food, to work hard, and to carry a man's burden. Hard knocks make a man out of him.

Mr. Ince in "Scars of Jealousy" plainly shows that poverty on the one hand can result in the regeneration of a degenerate type while riches, on the other hand, are often needed to assist those who are in the sloughs up into the sunlight of progress.

In broad strokes he shows the effect of improper environment on good human material. And again he touches upon the effects which modern jazz living has upon those who are too well supplied with the means to gratify their appetites.

He tells, in a masterly manner, the story of the upward flight of two souls, in vastly different stations of life, and in the flames of a great reform fire he works out the dual redemption of these wayward souls in a manner which indicates the "Ince punch" is as effective in pointing a moral lesson as it is in providing spectacular historical instruction and old-fashioned hair-raising thrills.

at 1:40, 4:00, 6:40 and 9:00 P. M., there will be displayed for the first time in Omaha the powerful photodrama, "Bucking the Barrier," in which Dustin Farnum carries the leading role. It is a tense story of the regeneration of a woman's love and a man's faith.

Starting Monday and continuing through Wednesday "Abie's School Days" will be staged at 2:40, 7:00 and 9:00 P. M., and the feature picture shown as occasion necessitates.

Sunday the performance will begin at noon. On week days it begins at 1:00. It is given continuously until 11:00 P. M.

The last half of this week the Gayety will be occupied by the Junior League for the presentation of their annual musical revue.

## PROHIBITION PROVES MISERABLE FAILURE

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people being jailed for selling booze, inmates of a booze joint, reckless driving while drunk, attempted rape and other numerous crimes. The same thing happened in the days of the saloon but in a far less number of cases.

People, too, should remember that Omaha is or has been much more free from all kinds of crime growing out of prohibition than most any other metropolitan city in the United States. The answer is that prohibition is a failure and there is but a single remedy: restore the lighter drinks, wine and beer, to the people and allow the country to get back to normalcy.

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