

# AIRING POLICE SCANDAL

## REORGANIZED FORCE HAVING ITS GRIEFS

Ringer and Eberstein Kept Busy With Many Apologies.

## TWO ARE CHARGED WITH ROBBERY

Hijacking Methods Employed by Some of Ringer's New Men and Others Associated With "Dope" Rings—Woman Robbed at Point of Gun of Officer

Superintendent Dean Ringer of the police department put on his big inspection parade the other day and, in a speech to the force, said he had thoroughly reorganized the police body and that it was about the finest thing in existence, despite what "some newspapers" had said about it.

Almost before his remarks got into print the city was informed that a score or more of his "reorganized" force were being placed on the carpet for grafting and other crimes and that the federal grand jury would be asked to take action in a dozen or more of their cases. The county attorney also has been asked to take cognizance of conditions in this "reorganized" body, in order to stop their hijacking methods.

In former years the saloon was given credit for being a very rotten institution, where police officers were debauched and the great public was being wrecked. Now comes the information that "dope" and home made booze are the cause of all our troubles. Whatever may be said of these two evils, however, we were given to understand long ago that this "reorganized" police force would meet the new conditions and that it would be easy sailing from now on.

It has required Uncle Sam's federal agents to dig out the rottenness in Mr. Ringer's "reorganized" body but they have confined themselves to cases of federal law violation. Chief Eberstein told his official organ, the Daily News, that he knew nothing about the matter. It is very possible that neither Ringer nor the chief knew of it, because they apparently have not been keeping up

with the police game.

The hijacking business has not been confined to the common herd by any means. Several recently appointed officers already are on the stand for being concerned in this business and a lot of them have been at it who have kept into the clear thus far. One instance which has not been mentioned in the daily press is that of an officer who stuck up a private home on the pretense of searching for liquor. Not being able to locate any liquor he deliberately went into a dresser drawer and took \$50 in money from the woman who was at home alone.

Scared to death because of what has recently come to light, this particular police robber is said to have attempted to make amends to the victim of his work.

This condition has apparently been brought to the notice of Ringer and the police chief, because they have given an order, it is stated, prohibiting police officers, either of the morals squad or of the uniformed force to enter private homes on pretense of looking for law violations.

The cases of three other officers, Raff, Wilkening and Alexander, charged with robbery, were among those reported during the week. Raff is alleged to have taken \$100 from a South Side woman at the point of a revolver, while Wilkening and Alexander are charged with accepting a "gift" from an Izard street woman who was charged with having had some intoxicating liquor in her possession. After receiving the "gift," the woman was not arrested, but the squeal came out and the two

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## HIJACKERS MEET BURGLAR ALARM WHILE RAIDING SCHEIBLE'S HOME

Church Leader Uses Precaution to Protect Private Liquor Stock and Saves Valuable Bottled Goods—Sleuths Fire Shots Through Floor

One of the recent attempts at hijacking, which proved a failure, and was not reported to the newspapers, occurred out in Florence last week, when the home of L. W. Scheible, assistant cashier of the Nebraska National bank was visited. Mr. Scheible lives in Florence and is one of the big church workers of the city. He did not fail, however, to stock up his cellar, it is said, when everybody else was doing it.

Some of the hijacking squad received a tip on the Scheible home and decided it would be a good place for operations. They made the visit, but found conditions somewhat different from what they anticipated. The booze was placed behind a heavy door, to which was attached a burglar alarm. The hijackers, however, paid no attention to this condition and went to work on the lock, about which they apparently had some information in advance. They bored a ring of holes around the lock and it fell off the door. But when the lock fell off it set off the burglar alarm.

In the house were two fellows who were supposed to keep cases on the wet goods. When the burglar alarm went off they got cold feet and refused to enter the basement. They fired two shots through the floor, however, which was sufficient to

give the hijackers notice that it was time to leave.

Some distance from the Scheible home a truck had been placed which was to have been used to carry away the liquor. The two shots from Scheible's sleuths caused the hijacker to beat it and in making his get away he lost his cap and received a bloody face when he ran into a tree. He swabbed off the blood with his handkerchief and threw it away. As a memento Scheible is said to be retaining both the cap and bloody handkerchief.

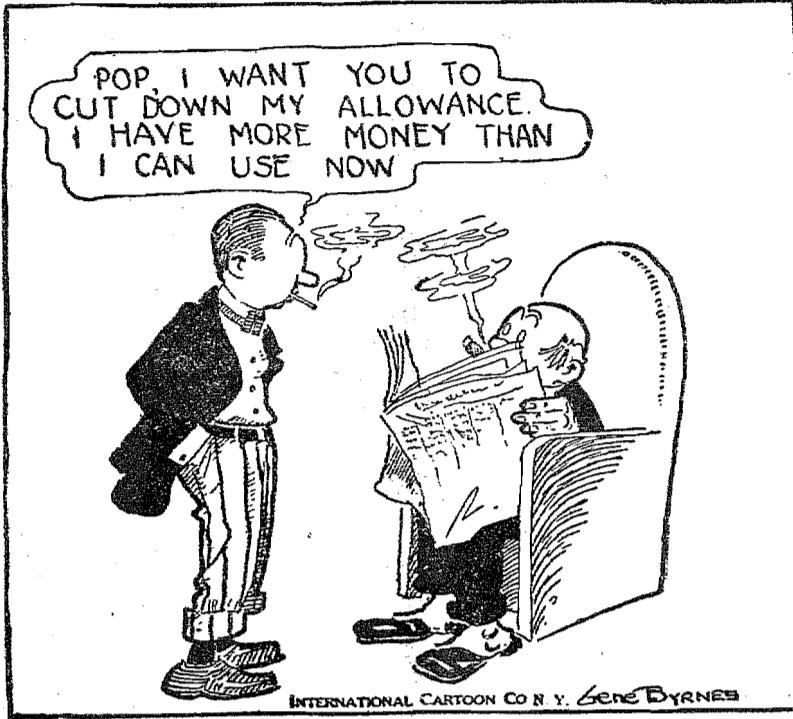
Companions of the hijacker were on hand to help him get to the car and they all beat it while the beating was good.

Mr. Scheible, it is said, has not been advertising to the world that he had been the intended victim of hijackers. It is said he did not wish to have his neighbors know what kind of stock he kept in his cellar and of course the church people might also raise a big rumpus.

It is said the Scheible stock is among the best in the Florence suburb of the city and friends who learned of his good fortune in scaring away the hijackers are offering their congratulations.

Incidentally, it is said the hijackers are now making a further study of their vocation.

## THINGS THAT NEVER HAPPEN



## Doings In Omaha Fifty Years Ago

Inquiries from Verdon, Neb., were received by John Peterson's friends about the state of John's health. Replies to the effect that he was improving were promptly made.

Gus Romstedt, operating an east end box factory, was still able to draw his salary once a week and take a Sunday bracer.

The season for wild ducks and muskrats being closed, John Q. Holmes, one of George Koster's assistant game wardens, was busy running down poachers. John comes to Omaha occasionally, accompanied by George.

Frank Bandle announced he would continue his vacation for another two years. He often gave signs of human intelligence.

### PERIGUE'S PLACE IS HOME OF ROAST BEEF

Bert Perigue, one of the best known caterers in Omaha, has named his new place at Sixteenth and Cumming streets, the "Home of Roast Beef," and adds that his soups are of the sort that are approved by connoisseurs of that dainty morsel. He formerly operated the Allegette cafe and has been connected with some of the best eating places in the city. He is best known for the very fine steaks and other cuts of meat that he prepares.

### SCHNECKENBERGER GOES INTO TRANSFER LINE

Charles Schneckengerger, for many years connected with Omaha brewing interests and later agent for the Lemp company's soft drinks in this city, has organized the Hub Transfer company, with offices at 1018

With the opening of the spring season, B. J. Jewell, a Florida winter bird, was expected to return to his old roosting place in the W. O. W. building.

Unusual as it appeared, nobody was accusing Tom Dennison with being responsible for either their election or defeat. Bob Smith was glad some people could be neutral.

Reports from Los Angeles stated that Hugo Bilz, formerly an Omaha wet goods merchant, was having troubles of his own. He always did have them.

Julius S. Cooley gave a lot of people a bad scare primary day, whether he got anywhere or not.

Judge Fitzgerald was an also ran.

North Sixteenth street and will operate a line of moving trucks of all sizes.

Schneckengerger has been successful in everything he has ever started and expects to soon build up a thriving transfer business. He will operate along "gasoline lines" entirely and will use no horses. He has recently purchased four trucks for the business.

### TRAPHAGEN STARTS IN AWNING BUSINESS HERE

Nate Traphagen, who is one of the expert baloon men at Fort Omaha, has started in the awning business as a side line. Traphagen is one of the greatest experts in his line in the country and his new line will be something of a diversification, although he will retain his place at the fort. He is a specialist in awning construction.

## Important Federal Court Decision

An important court decision has been given by a federal judge in Michigan relating to search and seizure by federal agents of intoxicating liquors. The decision is to the effect that the present prohibition legislation in effect repeals all former internal revenue laws not consistent with the new conditions and that they must be set aside.

Search and seizure by federal agents is now illegal, Judge Sessions declares. The decision also says that the setting up of distilling apparatus is not in itself illegal although its use for making intoxicating liquor is indictable. This will let down the bars for much illegal manufacture of spirits because it will be hard to reach the manufacturer.

With the power of search and seizure gone, federal agents will have little opportunity to secure conviction, since this decision declares that evidence secured by search and seizure can not be used in court against the alleged offenders.

In cities like Omaha this decision will have an important bearing on the conviction of persons charged with illegal manufacture and sale. It is estimated that more than 100 liquor stills are in operation in the county and that corn and fruit liquor is being put out in immense quantities. Thus far there have been few arrests or convictions in the federal courts. Hijackers have been doing a thriving business almost without molestation.

It all means that the country will soon be suffering from the work of thousands of law breakers of this kind with little chance of their being convicted, while the government will be a very large financial loser as a result of the prohibition law.

## MANY UPSETS RESULT FROM PRIMARY VOTE

Women Raise Big Disturbance for Political Leaders.

## BRYAN LANDS ON SEN. HITCHCOCK

Wood and Pershing Easy Victims of Hi Johnson—Many Local Favorites Lose Out—Jim Dahlman Wins on Water Board—Still Counting Police Judge

For professional politicians, the upset last Tuesday was about the biggest that has been seen in Nebraska. The surprise ran all the way from presidential preference to the smallest places on the long ballot. Woman, so long barred from polling places, is given credit for most of the disturbance. She took her pen in hand and made a lot of marks that upset all the dope that was out about who was going to be nominated.

Incidentally, union labor, for the first time, cut some figure in the results, and that result appeared in about every department where union labor took a hand. It was particularly noticeable on the legislative ticket, where several avowed labor candidates were well up in the voting.

Bill Bryan put the fixings to a lot of people who thought he was a dead one by butting in and getting the job of delegate at large to the democratic national convention at San Francisco. Bryan is conceded to stand for nothing but he inserted a personality into the campaign that could not be overcome by even such great political bosses as Senator Hitchcock and Jerry Howard. Bryan will be a delegate to the convention and he may be expected to cut quite a figure out there and to carry his prohibition plank in his pocket when he goes.

Local offices concerned our Omaha people more than anything else, although they took a big hand in voting for presidential preferences. Hiram Johnson spent a few days in our fair state and walked away with the presidential preference of republican voters, just like falling off a log. Despite the efforts of Mr. Updike's great religious newspaper and the efforts of Leonard Wood's millions, Johnson received nearly as many votes as both Pershing and Wood put together and Nebraska republicans will cast their vote for the California governor at the big doings in Chicago a few weeks hence. Incidentally, the Pershing votes were to have been cast for Lowden after the

first two or three ballots, but Hi Johnson will get them all the time because he proved the popular idol.

Dick Horton, running for the office of public defender, lost out and there are indications that some of the other favorites were in the same boat. The places on the police judge ticket are uncertain, because the votes have not been counted yet. The Daily News received returns from thirteen out of 168 precincts and promptly gave Judge Foster a place on the republican ticket for the place. There is every indication, however, that Foster will not be placed when the full vote is counted. Henry W. Dunn and Julius S. Cooley are leaders on the ticket in numerous precincts and wise ones predict they will have the two places on the republican ticket when the vote is all counted. Frank Keegan and Frank Dineen were leaders on the democratic ticket when the few precincts counted were reported.

Bob Smith, opposed by two of his own party members, received more votes than both of them put together. He is running for clerk of the district court, an office valued at \$10,000 per year with its fees. He will be opposed by Peter Elsassner, who received the democratic nomination. Smith has held the office fifteen years and has built up a great machine.

Although Senator Hitchcock and his newspaper were able to secure approval of his own candidates in the second congressional district, he was not so fortunate in other parts of the state. He received the presidential preference vote, about 100 to 1, however, which will make him feel good whether Billy Bryan votes for him or not. The Nebraska delegation will be split half and half for Hitchcock.

Arthur Mullen, who has been democratic national committeeman for a long time, has lost his job to W. H. Thompson, who was supported by Bryan, which is considered Bryan's biggest victory. It is said that the

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## PREPARING ROURKE PARK FOR BIG OPENING DAY TWO WEEKS HENCE

Lelivelt Will Bring Athletes Home for Eighteen Straight Games, With Opening Celebration May 5—Much Expected of This Year's Club

With the opening of the Western league season in the Southern hemisphere, Omaha base ball fans began setting up to take a few notices of what was going on. Down at Base Ball Headquarters on South Fifteenth street the returns are gathered by rounds for the bugs who crowd the lobby of that interesting place.

Out at Pa Rourke's headquarters at Rourke park things are being put in ship-shape for the opening game which is still two weeks away. This year is expected to be a premier season for the big national sport and Omaha will have its share of boosters when the local bunch come to town to open up the business for our Omaha people.

The Rourkes are expected to make a good showing this year. Although the season is only a few days old, reports say that Manager Lelivelt is getting his bunch rounded into shape and he expects to reach home with at least half of his games won on

foreign fields. When they reach Omaha early in May it will be for a series of eighteen straight games, at which some idea may be gleaned of the proportions of the organization.

Tulsa will be here for the opening game May 5, with Oklahoma City, Joplin and Wichita following in order. Fans will find several pleasant surprises at the Rourke lot, where the work of putting the field and stands in shape is now going on. The plant will be very much up to date with every accommodation for the comfort of the crowds brought up to date.

Although only a few games have been played, the Rourkes are showing up satisfactorily and they are expected to be right in the running all through the season. There is perfect peace in this base ball family, it is said, which has much to do with the workings of a successful base ball club. Lelivelt is a popular manager and knows the game as well as any man who ever wore a uniform.

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## STARTING THE OTHER WAY.

Financial conditions over the entire country are beginning to concern the big money interests and steps are being taken to curb the upward tendency of everything that is being offered for sale. The first step has been taken by the banking interests, which have "tightened up" money being loaned for commercial purposes. The price has gone to 10 per cent, whereas 6 per cent was once a good price.

On the announcement of this raise in the price of money comes a corresponding notice that the prices for stocks and grains are taking a tumble. In other words, it appears that the fellows who have been running the big game have decided that it has gone about as far as they can let it go with safety. The volume of business the last year has increased materially in dollars and cents but in volume of other commodities handled it has had a big decrease. People have spent more money than during the previous year but have received considerably less for it.

Labor all over the country has received more dollars for work but in most instances has received less for its money. The big business interests are beginning to take cognizance of the fact that a balance must soon be struck and conditions restored to something near the normal.

This country has witnessed the effect of big panics in the past and if we are wise we will take an accounting before it is too late and get onto a basis where a dollar is really worth 100 cents. If we get over the present year safely we will do well. Time was when owners of buildings were willing to give them over to tenants for just enough to keep them filled. That same condition may be expected again unless good business judgment is used all along the line by those who are able to stabilize conditions and get us back onto a normal basis.

## MILITARY MAN?—NO.

The voters of Nebraska made it very plain last Tuesday that they do not want a military man for president. It is a safe guess that the same feeling prevails over the entire country. Nebraska was probably the only state in the union where two military men will be candidates for the popular vote of approval for that office, but that is sufficient. Had the democrats had a military candidate in the field it is a safe bet that he would have received the same drubbing that was administered to Pershing and Wood.

There has been a very considerable sum spent by the promoters of Pershing and Wood booms in Nebraska. Of course neither one of these gentlemen furnished the money, but truth is that the voters got a hunch that it was not being spent just for the fun of the thing. General Wood's friends came in and opened a barrel. Although Pershing's admirers had intended to spend a reasonable amount in behalf of the general's candidacy, they were forced to raise the bet when the Wood barrel was opened.

Then came the big advertising campaign. This newspaper, like nearly every other one in the state, received liberal amounts of this advertising, for which they were all thankful. It may be said, however, that the money spending business was overdone by both of the contestants. It is doubtful whether Governor Hiram Johnson spent to exceed \$500 in Nebraska but he had a walk-away in the voting.

The soldier vote in Nebraska, just as it is in other states, had much to do with the primary election. The result of the Nebraska primary election will be a hunch for the leaders in the national conventions at San Francisco and Chicago. It means that the soldier vote in particular and a big share of the non-soldier vote is opposed to a military man for president and the party that puts a military man in the race is sure of defeat in November.

## HANDWRITING ON THE WALL.

The wise politician will see the handwriting on the wall, following last Tuesday's election, so far as the woman vote is concerned. That vote cut a big figure in the primary election, just the same as it is going to cut a big figure in future elections of all sorts.

In Omaha this condition will be particularly noticeable. Of course, this was the first opportunity the Nebraska women have had to vote. They have been restless for a long time and they have been ready to vote for any sort of a change. In this instance, they have voted for changes, without respect to the party with which they happened to affiliate. They let Bryan in and turned Pershing and Wood out. Both Bryan and Johnson have as their chief asset a lot of talk and the women fell for it.

This condition may be expected to continue for a considerable length of time. But whatever may be said of conditions generally, it will be admitted by those who have seen the handwriting on the wall that from this time on the women will cut a big figure in the affairs of government. A considerable number of them

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will be candidates for office in another two years. They will appeal for the votes of their sisters and some of our gentlemen politicians will be astute enough to boost the matter along.

The fellows who have said the women had no business in politics are going to realize from this time on, whether they like it or not, that the female is going to cut a big figure in the voting. Of course, politics will always be politics. There are good and bad men in politics. The same condition will prevail so far as the women are concerned. The politician, however, in marshaling his crowd of supporters, will not fail to make an appeal which will interest the woman voter just as it affects the man voter if he expects to get anywhere.

The women are out for changes and campaign manipulators will do well to figure out well in advance how the women are going to vote before they make their plans.

## MANY UPSETS RESULT FROM PRIMARY VOTE

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Bryan-Thompson victory will be about the last straw to destroy the democratic organization in Nebraska.

Jim Dahlman, who was a candidate for the Omaha water board, was an easy winner, his vote being a run away, which is taken as evidence that he will be a strong contender for return to the mayoralty of Omaha next spring. Dahlman is expected to "come back" at that time in the most approved form.

Least and also last, the editor of The Mediator was defeated for the nomination as a candidate for the lower house of the legislature.

## REORGANIZED FORCE HAVING ITS GRIEFS

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former officers are under \$1,500

bond to answer to a charge of robbery.

Much was said by the "500 Committee" before the last city election about police conditions. It is a fact, however, that in thirty years previous to the present city administration there has never been such a disgraceful condition as is now on among the members of this "reorganized" police force. It is also a remarkable truth that not a single one of the old members of the force have been implicated.

It is charged that Raff took his woman victim into a bed room and poked a revolver into her abdomen and, opening her bosom, took \$100 in money from her. This is the sort of crimes Mr. Ringer is winking at and which are being condoned by even some of our good women who have made pretense at being interested in Ringer's reform methods.

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Total number of delegates indicated by county chairmen's preferences: Wood, 352; Lowden, 209; Coolidge, 35; Senator James E. Watson, 30; Senator Hiram W. Johnson, 36; Senator William E. Borah, 8.

BABIES HELP PAY FUR WAR

Even Talcum Powder Has Been Levied Upon to Meet Expenditures Due to Slaughter. The postbellum H. C. L. has hit the babies. In the Home Sector William G. Shepherd says: "About \$3,000,000 will go into Uncle Sam's coffers from the pockets and purses of soda water drinkers in 1920. Folks who like bowling or billiards or pool will give about a million and a half to Uncle Sam. People who play cards will give him two and a quarter millions. Automobiles and motorcycles will bring him in 50 cents a head from the whole 100,000,000 of us. We'll give him about \$55,000,000 for going to theaters and movies.

"Every one of the 106,000,000 of us, indeed, will give Uncle Sam an average of two cents a day, directly, for pleasure and conveniences, with baby paying tribute for his talcum powder, mother and sister paying tribute for their perfumes, father paying tribute for his cigarettes and athletic club dues, all the kids paying tribute for the movies and their trips to the corner soda fountain. "The war did it all, too. We're paying just ten times more to Uncle Sam in internal revenue this year than we did in 1914. We paid so little then—one-tenth of 7 1/2 cents a day—and we paid it so indirectly that few of us realized that there really was such a person in the world as Uncle Sam. At last the old party has found us. Since then a lot of us have fought and died for him. And if he's worth dying for he's worth supporting."

MAY DEVELOP GUM MARKET

Opening of Mesopotamia to Civilization Likely to Add Largely to the World's Supply.

As law and order come into the wild and unsettled mountains of Mesopotamia, especially when new roads and the eventual railway connect the northern Kurdish country around Mosul with the rest of the world, many a now useless tree and shrub will doubtless be put to service as a contributor of gum. The gums of Mesopotamia have many commercial uses, and the unsystematic tapping and trading that now brings the product on pack animals to Suleimanya, where merchants buy it from the Kurds and sell it again to other merchants in Bagdad, is a mere suggestion of the industry that may be developed by enterprising promoters who may have observed the extent of this natural resource in Mesopotamia and looked further afield than Aleppo and Bagdad for markets. Now that British occupation has opened the land to western ideas, it would not be surprising if the gum industry grew to be a source of considerable national wealth, and an important factor in creating a new Mesopotamia.

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Georgian Who Served Under Wood in Philippines Is Sure of His Nomination.

Leonard Wood is now, since the death of Theodore Roosevelt, the greatest living American, according to Thomas Reed of Atlanta, Ga., who served under Wood in Cuba and the Philippines. Reed was in business in the Philippine islands while Wood was in command there. Consequently he had opportunity to observe the general from the position of a soldier and a business man.

"Since the death of the great Colonel Roosevelt," Reed writes, "it is my opinion that there is no doubt whatever of his nomination, and that means his election. I merely recite all this to show that I am in a position to know the great character of General Wood."

CRIPPLED INDIAN HONORED

Invited to Ride by General Wood, Who Hears Him Tell of Fighting in Russia.

Menominee, Mich., April.—Peter Koscheck, a Menominee Indian who served with the Three Hundred Thirty-ninth infantry in northern Russia and was wounded twice by the bolshevists, arrived here with the party of Leonard Wood. Koscheck hobbled four miles over country roads to meet the general's train at Harris. When Wood heard of this he insisted that the soldier ride to Menominee so that he might talk to him.

"Every overseas man is for General Wood," said Koscheck, who is intelligent and well educated. "They know that he will be the best man for president."

LEONARD WOOD AS A SURGEON

Leonard Wood's taste ran to surgery. He became attached to a lieutenant who was a good football player. One day he asked the young officer: "I understand you are a married man and that your wife is ill. Where is she?" The lieutenant told Wood his wife was in a Southern sanitarium suffering from a malady that baffled the physicians. He described the symptoms.

"Sounds like necrosis of the bone," said Captain Wood. "Bring your wife home. I'll guarantee that I'll have her walking within six weeks after I perform an operation." He did, for the lieutenant's wife was dancing six weeks after the operation was performed by Wood.

WASHINGTON FOR WOOD

Seattle, Wash., April.—Sentiment is strong for Wood in this state as against Lowden or Johnson. This is indicated by every poll which has been taken. A poll of 104 members of the legislature for their first, second and third choice shows a total of 94 for Wood, 79 for Poindexter, 60 for Lowden, 37 for Johnson. This reflects the real Wood sentiment in the state. A majority of the Poindexter vote would favor Wood as against any other candidate.

The city of Seattle, which comprises the First congressional district, is being thoroughly organized and shows an overwhelming sentiment for Wood.

WOOD REPLIES TO BORAH

Chicago, April.—Before he started for his Ohio tour, General Wood gave out the following signed statement:

"I wish to say in reply to Senator Borah's charges and insinuations as to excessive and improper use of money that such charges are false and that such insinuations are unwarranted. The charge that the national convention can be bought or controlled by money is an insult to every member of the convention and to the nation at large. LEONARD WOOD."

INDIANA CAMPAIGN ARRANGED

Indianapolis, April.—District managers of the Wood organization in Indiana plan a tour of the state by the candidate and an intensive campaign to give him a smashing majority in the primary on May 4. Wood forces with petitions signed by 23,000 persons and hundreds of other volunteers will have the greatest force in Indiana's history for primary day.

PASTOR DEFENDS SOLDIER

Tells Lowden Rooter Leonard Wood's Reputation Was Gained as a Civil Administrator.

Chicago, April.—Rev. Jesse B. Burkhardt, pastor of the First Congregational church of Boreford, S. D., has made public his reply to Johnston Myers of 2320 Michigan avenue, Chicago, who wrote asking him to support Governor Lowden for president. After enumerating the strong points of Governor Lowden, Mr. Myers asks: "Are we not tired of militarism?" In his reply Mr. Burkhardt says:

"Since in the whole of his thirty-odd years in service General Wood has never led more than a brigade in battle and never engaged in anything that in this war would be called a battle. I cannot feel weary of his slaughtering. And when I think that the work for which we remember him and other nations honor him was that of a civilian administrator, I feel that your insinuation is unfair and unworthy."

WOOD FAVORS INDIANA WOMEN

His Managers Indorse Legislation That Will Give Them the Right to Vote.

Chicago, April.—District managers of the Leonard Wood campaign in Indiana have gone on record in favor of giving the women of their state the right to vote in the primary May 4. The meeting was called for the purpose of discussing this question by Harry G. Hogan, Indiana manager, and was attended by Frederick A. Joss, vice chairman of the Wood national committee and national committeeman from Indiana. The meeting also recommended that a special session of the legislature be called between now and the date of the primary to give women the ballot.

Plans for General Wood's visit to the state late in April were discussed and efforts will be made to persuade him to spend a week in Indiana.

WOOD DECRIES PATERNALISM

Tells Michigan Audience People Must Not Depend on Government for Everything.

Escanaba, Mich., April.—Leonard Wood, addressing a large audience here today, declared "that paternalism in national government is fatal to American progress."

"No man can run the whole show," he declared, "and the higher most men get in the world the more they realize it. You can't run the world by verbal message, and the people who depend on the government for everything from the price of sugar at the corner grocery to the regulation of industries soon will grow helpless. "People must rule in order to learn how to rule," he said.

WOOD AT M'KINLEY'S TOMB

Makes Pilgrimage to Last Resting Place of Martyr President in Canton, Ohio.

Canton, O., April.—Leonard Wood made a visit to the tomb of William McKinley here Friday. He appeared to be deeply moved during his brief pause at the last resting place of the martyr president. It recalled the intimate relations which existed between the two men while Wood was McKinley's physician. It was President McKinley who recognized the military genius of Wood and confirmed him in the rank of brigadier general, to which he was promoted on the field of battle.

LEONARD WOOD'S RULE OF LIFE

Eric Fisher Wood, a biographer of Leonard Wood, but not a relative, says in his book, published by George H. Doran company:

"The author once asked General Wood his rules of life. He replied: "Always volunteer, no matter how dangerous or unpromising the task."

"Once you have volunteered, never stop fighting. Do things, and don't talk about them. During the process you are likely to discover opportunity; eventually you can win through to success." His face widened out into its characteristic aggressive smile. "And then you will have the pleasure of hearing unenterprising men, who would never take a chance, allude to your achievements as due solely to luck and influence."



EMPRESS ATTRACTIONS.

Of the two featured acts of the new show opening at the Empress Sunday, one will be the elaborate musical tabloid "A Night in Venice," with Little Caruso and company. The other featured act will be provided by the Stratford Comedy Four, who give a new conception of a school room act. In "School Frolics," as presented by this quartet of joy and harmony dispensers, patrons of vaudeville will find a replica of their own school frolics in their childhood days.

One of the interesting contributions to the bill will be the offering of the Rosa King Trio, marvels of the wire, who specialize in this particular line. They are favorably known for their artistic presentation and remarkable ability.

As an entertainer, Andrew Copeland, who will provide one of the important attractions, is known as one of the most popular on the circuit, and is a welcome addition to any bill. Whether singing, talking or dancing, his ability and exuberance of good humor is apparent in everything he undertakes.

The photoplay attraction for the first four days of the week will be the delightful comedy, "Molly and I," based on the successful novel, "Molly and I and the Silver Ring," by Frank R. Adams, with Shirley Mason as the star. The picture is described as a comedy with a heap of wholesome fun and just enough of pathos to make it doubly entertaining.

"HELLO, AMERICA!" AT THE GAYETY

Dash, ginger, wholesome and refined comedy, tuneful melodies, an exceptionally clever cast and a scenic spectacle of unusual splendor have combined to make "Hello, America," Joe Hurtig's patriotic musical revue, the greatest fun festival which has ever come to the popular Gayety where it will be presented during the coming week. There are so many incidents of spectacular interest in the attraction, that it is almost impossible to enumerate each single one. Let it suffice to state that "Hello, America" has been a record breaker all along the line, and if the box office activity of the local burlesque house is any criterion at all, the engagement in this city will mark another triumph for the exceptionally clever company.

Lewis and Dody, those two premier merry-makers, who are the particularly bright stars of the attraction. These clever entertainers are too well known as to require an introduction anew, for they have been the big features of the country's most prominent vaudeville houses for many years. Their entry into burlesque marks another step forward in this particular branch of entertainment. It would be much easier to stipulate what they don't do, than to itemize all their drolleries and stunts. Margaret White, the sweetest girl in burlesque, is a strong favorite of "Hello, America." She is ever in evidence except for the time required to make a change of costume.

Billie Hill, a classy and much talented prima donna; Elizabeth Barringer, a bewitchingly pretty comedienne; Shaw and Lee, the boys with the funny feet; Sam Bennett, a most impressive young player and others make up the bulk of the solid fun show. But there are a great many others and also a male and female chorus, which comes to its best in the many melodious and dancing ensembles. The girls look most attractive and are adorned with the most gorgeous gowns ever created by the consumers of note. Ladies' dime matinee daily all week, starting Monday. The Sunday matinee begins at 3:00.

ORPHEUM OFFERINGS.

For the stellar attraction next week Martin Beck is to present the Marion Morgan Dancers. They are to appear in a striking dance drama of the time of Atilla, the Hun.

This striking pantomime, which has an elaborate musical setting, was created by Marion Morgan. It will be recalled that she is one of the most intelligent of American sponsors of choreographic dancing. She has given to the stage a group of exquisite musical pantomimes; but this, her latest work, is by far her most ambitious offering.

Including Robert Hurd, the musical director, there are fifteen people with the Morgan Dancers. The dance story has to do with Atilla's invasion of northern Italy. The barbarian hordes ravished the country



BILLIE HILL

Prima Donna With "Hello, America!" at the Popular Gayety Twice Daily All Next Week.

but were compelled to retreat before the gates of Rome.

In vaudeville, the Marion Morgan Dancers is the greatest artistic success of recent years, the artistry, the technique, the quality of imagination and beauty, the stage decor, being comparable in every way with the most finished productions of the Imperial Ballet. Had the act come from Europe, it would have been hailed as an inspiration of artistic genius from abroad, and a pattern for our producers. As it is, this exquisite dancing feature is the result of Martin Beck's ambition to prove that nothing is too good for the vaudeville public, provided that it is offered in an artistic sincerity. Mr. Beck has always stood for distinction in vaudeville. As a showman, he has provided entertainment for millions knowing that the mission of the theater is to entertain, but as an artists-showman he has maintained that the best, the most artistic, the most highly esthetic features were appreciated by the public in proportion to their excellence.

The coming of the Marion Morgan Dancers is an event that will be registered at the head of the list of artistic achievements on the theatrical calendar for the passing season.

Movies Aid the Styles.

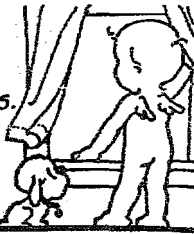
A prominent designer and importer of women's gowns has stated that the films have had an important effect on the demand for certain styles, particularly gowns of simple classic lines and "intriguing fabrics." A druggist reports that the sale of cosmetics has increased 25 per cent since the movies became popular.

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