

READING ON WALL REVEALED

RECALL PETITION IS BRINGING OUT TRUTH

Churches Appealed to With View to Hiding Rotten Conditions.

CRIME RAMPANT IN CITY

City Officials Lay Aside All Official Business and Put Convicted Perverts in High Places; Churches of City Imposed on to Save Political Renegades.

WHAT Omaha Daniel has been reading to the Elmer Thomas-Dean Ringer clique the handwriting on the wall?

Several weeks ago followers of this faction, which is responsible for the unlimited number of ills the people of this city have been forced to suffer for the past year, including unchecked murder, rape, holdups and nearly everything else listed in the catalogue of crime, affected to attach little importance to the petition being circulated for the recall of Mayor Smith and Commissioners Ringer, Ure and Towl.

Today they are desperate. Heretofore they have been blind to public feeling. They have turned deaf ears to outraged justice and violated innocence. When the people demanded action on the part of the police department, pursuant to numerous murders and rapes, Ringer's only effort was to square himself with those he touches elbows with at divine worship on Sunday. He obtained the endorsement of a congregation and welcomed additional deluded members into the select circles of the Committee of 500. He let it go at that. Ringer devotes his week days to defending the criminal actions of men like Herdzina, Armstrong, Thestrup and others. Sunday he takes politics into the pulpit and his personal ambitions to the Lord in prayer. The Christian church is too great an institution to be thus imposed upon.

But a change has come over the spirit of Ringer's dream. Some one has read to the Smith-Ringer bunch the handwriting on the wall. It spells disaster. Mayor Smith and Commissioner Ringer realize that something must be done. They are losing ground. They know they are slipping. Some one has whispered in their deaf ears that "God helps them who help themselves."

As a last desperate effort Elmer Thomas and Paul Sutton have been called. They are working arm in arm for a common cause.

That cause is to save the scalps of Mayor Smith and Commissioner Ringer, against whom a universal protest has gone up. Arm in arm, this churchman, who every Sunday occupies a high seat in the synagogue, and this disgraced policeman are working night and day in the interest of Smith and Ringer.

No one is closer to Elmer Thomas, the churchman, than Paul Sutton, the grafter and conspirator. No one is closer to Paul Sutton, the grafter and conspirator, than Elmer Thomas, the churchman.

But Thomas' prayers in church and Sutton's work in the underworld will prove as a sounding brass and a tinkling cymbal. The scales have fallen from the eyes of the public. The handwriting on the wall is being read by thousands in Omaha as well as by the Smith-Ringer interpreter.

Sutton is filling the Detention Home with scores of innocent women. Thomas is drawing \$300 a month to

explain Sutton's rough work to the church people. Sutton has threatened to frame on every voter who signed the recall petition. Thomas is in on the arrangement. Mayor Smith and Commissioner Ringer, realizing that they are facing defeat, lend their endorsement.

A man who has been working for one of the largest business houses in Omaha for the past five years was arrested by Sutton several days ago in his home. He protested his innocence. Sutton explained to him that he was paying the price for signing the recall petition.

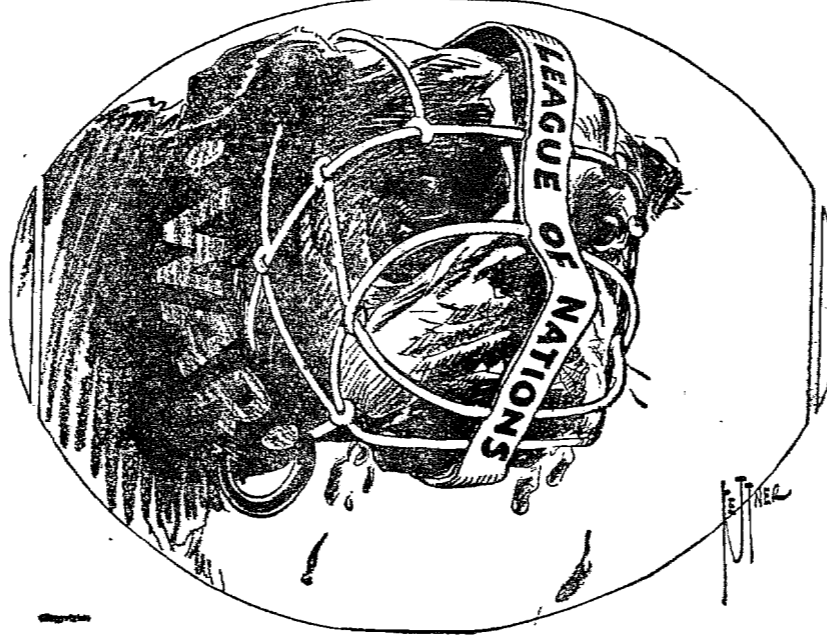
"You are not the only innocent man who is going to jail," Sutton is quoted as saying. "You signed the recall. This is the price. I have got my instructions to get all of you fellows and you have got to go. That's all there is to it."

Another man who has been employed by a railroad company for years was arrested in his home by Sutton. The policeman was asked to explain. "You have lined up with the recall bunch and this is your medicine," Sutton replied. "You are to be taken before Judge Foster in police court. You know what that means. Get yourself together and line up with the right crowd and things will be all jake for you."

Scores of women have been arrested by Sutton and sent to the Detention Home. They were told that if it had not been for the fact that their sympathy was with the recall movement

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He Has Had His Day



RECALL PETITIONS ARE IN HANDS OF CHECKERS

City Clerk Expected to Report on Sufficiency of Names Within Few Days.

City Clerk Hunter is still at work checking up the petitions recently handed in by a committee of recall workers. During the week there has been pointed out what appeared to be glaring errors in these petitions. New developments, however, give evidence that opponents of the recall have hired men to falsify petitions and "ring them in" with the regular petitions that were filed with the city clerk.

It has been found that the fine Italian hand of the Elmer Thomas crowd has been at work and several prosecutions in the courts may result. In at least three instances, it has been found where a renegade was picked up and put to work on this nefarious business. Long ago discarded by people supporting the law, and in the interests of society this fellow was blackballed.

It has been found that he was picked up by stealth and placed on the Thomas payroll. Those familiar with his handwriting declare he deliberately got up these false petitions and that they have been inserted in the regular list with a view to throwing suspicion on the legitimate petition.

Following Clerk Hunter's report steps will at once be taken to meet any such crooked work and upset the attempt to rob the people of Omaha of the fruits of their legitimate efforts to make important changes in the city commission.

OBSERVATIONS

Reliable reports from our market editor say that pork and beef are not the only commodities increasing in price. His recent quotations on whisky show an important bulge in those prices.

The Chicago Tribune has started a boom for William Jennings for presidential candidate. The Tribune does not hint that Henry Ford would get far on the republican ticket, however.

With two new battleships, the Iowa and Massachusetts, each of 43,000 tons displacement, in the building, it is evident Uncle Sam is taking no chances on disarmament. They will be the largest battleships afloat.

This has been a merry old month in police court. Assistant Police Commissioner Elmer Thomas and his boy Friday Ringer, together with Messenger Boy Eberstein, are helping direct affairs there.

President Wilson will raise the ban on booze September 1, it is reported from Washington. The internal revenue department is beginning to feel the loss of revenue already.

Nebraskans will have an opportunity to vote on the amendment to the national constitutional amendment to send the country dry, after all, if Judge Morning's decision is upheld, which it probably will be.

With the Detention Home filling up again, some of Mr. Ringer's grafting doctors will again have some easy picking.

Carnival of Crime Unprecedented

AS if working under license, a regiment of criminals have turned themselves loose in Omaha. They are plying their trade with the most reckless abandon, apparently with the feeling that they may continue unmolested. Their work is not confined to any particular line of action and includes everything from petty larceny to murder.

The killing of Merchant Shapiro by a trio of youngsters is the latest and one of the most serious of these crimes. While this carnival of crime goes on, a disorganized and shattered police force appears helpless to put an end to it. Instead of reorganizing the fine body of men on the force eighteen months ago. Mr. Ringer has taken on a clan of incompetents and disrupted the well organized and finely working organization that fell to him when he was placed at the head of the police department.

And while this is all going on, men thrown from office in disgust, after being convicted of crime, are being restored to the force and placed in responsible positions. Mr. Ringer has been heartily supported by a majority of the men placed in office at the last spring election. The odium, therefore, must be placed not only upon Mr. Ringer himself, but upon the men who are supporting his policies.

The present police head has taken it upon himself to disrupt the police force by permitting rank outsiders to dictate how the force shall be operated. Absolutely without experience in such matters, Mr. Ringer has taken it upon himself to execute every man on the police force who dared think for himself. He bungled the job badly and admits that he is incapable to handle the work that has been assigned to him. Under the cloak of reform, he continues to masquerade at the expense of all the best interests of the city, including the church itself.

It is time for action of a nature that will take the city back to normal and put our police force into a solvent condition before a higher court sends the Ringer system into the hands of government soldiers.

HENRY FORD AGENCY SCORES STATE PAPERS

Publicity Department of Millionaire Writes President of N. P. A.

SAYS FORD'S EXAMPLE GOOD

Intimates His Philanthropy Is Attacked Because He Has Been Success in Industrial World and Aided Humanity; Suggests Affair Be Made an Issue.

A NICE how-do-you-do is on at present between the Nebraska Press association and the Mount Clemens News Bureau, which represents Henry Ford, millionaire automobile man in publicity matters. Some time ago President O. O. Buck of the Nebraska Press association attempted in a lengthy letter to score the Mount Clemens bureau for what he considered an attempt by that institution to secure a considerable amount of free publicity for Mr. Ford and his business.

The correspondence all followed the closing of the trial against the Chicago Tribune for \$1,000,000 damages for alleged libel. The jury gave Mr. Ford six cents, which he accepted as an earnest that the jury did not believe he was an anarchist.

During the progress of the trial Mr. Ford employed the Mount Clemens Bureau and other means to give as wide publicity as possible to his case. Much matter was sent out in plate and otherwise to country newspapers by this bureau, without charge to the printers. Some of the matter was printed by The Mediator, from time to time.

Mr. Buck took occasion to resent publication, free of charge, by members of the Nebraska Press association, of which he is president. The Mount Clemens Bureau took Mr. Buck to task for his activity and in a sharp reply Mr. Buck said, in spirit, if not in words, that Mr. Ford should pay for his advertising and the newspapers would pay for their automobiles, all at the regular price. Incidentally, Buck also objected strongly to giving the Ford institution any free printing.

D. D. Martin, who edits the Mount Clemens News Bureau, made reply, in the following caustic manner:

MT. CLEMENS NEWS BUREAU Mt. Clemens, Mich., Aug. 18, 1919.—Mr. O. O. Buck, secretary Nebraska Press association, Harvard, Neb.—Dear Sir: The Mount Clemens News Bureau has received your reply to its open letter in which it answered your criticism of its aims and efforts. The bureau fears that you did not give its letter a careful reading. You continue to make the statement that the publication of the news of the trial was personal advertising for Mr. Ford and to repeat that we expected the newspapers to assist, free of charge, in promoting his interests. And you seek also to convey the impression that the bureau expected you and other publishers to do this because the Ford Motor company places a large contract yearly solely with newspapers, despite the fact that we stated in our first letter:

"We do not mention these facts in the hope of inducing you to publish the report we issue on the Ford-Tribune case. We bring them to your attention because you are obviously ignorant of the long-established advertising policy of the Ford Motor company, of the millions of dollars which it has spent, or directed spent, in the newspapers, and because we feel that such criticisms as yours should not be allowed to go unchallenged."

If you did not read our communication carefully, you should at least know, if you followed the case, that in the real sense, Henry Ford was not on trial. The entire proceedings were merely the gateway through which the concentrated antagonism of great interests towards Mr. Ford's policies was hurled in one supreme attack.

The profit-sharing plans of the Ford organizations were falsely represented (Continued on Page Four.)

Judge Morning's Decision Acts as Boomerang Against Demagogues

Invoking of Referendum in National Prohibition Action Gives Bryan Followers Something to Think About; People Should Vote on Ratification.

THE decision last week of Judge Morning that the action of the Nebraska legislature, ratifying the national prohibition amendment, is subject to a popular vote of the people is an important one. It opens up the way for intelligent action by the courts of the land, no less than of our own state.

When the politicians of the country got wild and flung all respect for national feeling to the winds and secured what they professed to believe was the popular wish of the people. In the way of a nation-wide prohibition, they did so in the belief that they were going to turn the world upside down. The result was that a lot of state legislatures, without even consulting their constituents on the matter, voted to adopt the proposed amendment.

The decision of Judge Morning and his remarks on the referendum are good reading, even for persons not in accord with him. Two years ago the people of Nebraska voted to do away with the saloon. Their edict was put into force. A clique of politicians took it upon themselves to vote national bone-dryness into the law without consulting them. Now has come the reaction. Judge Morning's decision that the people must, by referendum vote, approve of this legislative action has become a boomerang against the very

people who were responsible for making it part of our Nebraska law.

Mr. Bryan, more than any other person, was responsible for the referendum in Nebraska. Now his followers, seeing how it will work against their own political intrigues, are attempting to keep the people from invoking it in the prohibition issue.

It matters little whether or not we, who are already educated to a dry state, ever see national prohibition. But it will look better if it is done in a business-like manner. It is very possible that our people will oppose it if they are given an opportunity to vote on the action of the last legislature. At any rate they should have an opportunity to express themselves by popular vote.

If we are going to have a referendum law, let us use it unreservedly and not for some particular purpose. What is good for the goose is good for the gander. Judge Morning has doubtless seen the light and wants to see that Nebraskans are not buncoed into something they do not want.

If this referendum business is good for anything it is good at this time, and this man Morning is one man who apparently is willing to face for good law, without regard to whom it may affect.

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LET'S DO AWAY WITH CHILDREN

IT is time to put a stop to raising children. The country should put a limit on the number of children any happy married couple could raise, because they are a nuisance—so the apartment house landlord says. It would not worry the writer to have such a law passed because his two kiddies are now grown-ups.

This is really an important matter. It is a downright shame to force our tenement house landlords to worry over the presence of children in the community. And then, there is another feature to cutting off the supply of children. It would mean that the demand for homes would be much lighter and doubtless would result in a cut in rents.

There is just about as much sense to the above reasoning as there is to the arbitrary action now being taken by a crowd of real estate profiteers who are in the act of squeezing from the renter the last penny that he can earn to fill the pockets of these real estate gluttons. This business can be handled in a safe and sane manner and if our county attorney has a single care for the small renter he will take action. It is all right for him to pass the buck to somebody else, but if he has any backbone he can meet this condition and beat the thieving landlords, despite his declarations to the contrary.

This whole business is going to react on the very people who are attempting to squeeze the renter. It is a fine how-do-you-do when a bunch of such leeches can put a premium on the raising of children. Under conditions such as these landlords would impose it becomes a crime to bring children into the world, because many of them would have no place to live. We can conceive how the mother of a new-born babe might be sent to a county house with her child because a heartless landlord would not have the babe in one of his apartments.

If our city and county authorities are going to sit idly by while this monumental crime increases it is time to look them over and choose somebody for these places who have some conception of the importance of homes being found for children and the meaning of God Almighty's laws.

REDUCTION OF CURRENCY CIRCULATION

THERE is too much money in circulation, according to financial experts who have studied the situation. In many respects these arguments sound good, but the average man much prefers to see plenty of money, even though it is worth only 50 cents on the dollar when it comes to purchasing living commodities.

As a matter of truth, a bushel of wheat, worth about \$2.25, does not buy any more of some other staple of life than it did when the price was half that much. Under the arguments presented by some of our congressmen, the volume of currency is too great. Gold, the basic metal of our circulation, is practically out of existence. Although it is presumed that every dollar of our paper money is redeemable in gold, it would be pretty hard to go to any bank and secure any great amount of gold in exchange for paper. The gold is all hidden away in vaults, with every financial institution hold-

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The Preying Stock Gambler.
The Evil of Strikes.
The Misunderstanding of Labor by Capital.
The Wrong View of Capital Held by Labor.

ing on to all it has like a cat holds to a helpless mouse.

Fiat money has increased in amount until there is something like \$56 in circulation or in banks for every man, woman and child. Only a few years ago there was only \$36. With this fiat money so plentiful prices have become abnormal.

To overcome this condition well known students of economics tell us the reduction of the amount of money is the only solution. It will take a lot of education to make the average person believe it. They say, "Give us plenty of money and we will take our chances." Truth is, however, a new balance must be struck in the near future lest we get into the endless chain business and run into a wreck that will be worse than the worst panic the world has ever known.

Recall Petition Is Bringing Out Truth

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they would not have been arrested. A number of these women have declared they were anxious to tell what they know about criminal members of the police department, but as soon as they show a disposition to talk they are arrested and held prisoners in the Detention Home until they agree to keep quiet. They are threatened with further imprisonment if they do not keep their lips sealed.

Were it not for Dean Ringer's Detention Home there are a number of women in Omaha who would tell enough concerning the wicked operations of the police department to send at least a dozen of these outlaws to the state prison.

Ringer already has gone to bat before the very eyes of the public to defend three of his favorite detectives against criminal charges, without regard to the truth or the facts, which if brought under a fair and honest administration would spell prison for these crooked officers.

In spite of the Detention Home, in spite of the intimidating influences which are being brought to bear by officials at the city hall and in spite of all the lawlessness which is being encouraged among the members of the police force, the day of reckoning is approaching. Indignant and public-spirited citizens will register their sentiments at the appointed time.

Elmer Thomas and Paul Sutton are writing the final chapter.

Ed Smith and Dean Ringer have sowed the seeds. They will reap the harvest.

OMAHA JOBBERS' STOCKS FULL FOR FALL MARKET WEEK

Merchants in Omaha's trade territory, who visit Omaha during Merchants' Fall Market Week, September 8 to 11, will find this market well stocked with merchandise. Jobbers report full stocks of seasonable goods and say this market is in good condition for prompt delivery of merchandise. The committee having in hand the program of entertainment is working unceasingly in its effort to complete all the new thrills and surprises planned for the visiting merchants and their wives. The four days will be chock full of business and pleasure.

AK-SAR-BEN FESTIVITIES SEPTEMBER 24 TO OCTOBER 4

The board of governors of Ak-Sar-Ben announce September 24 to October 4 as the dates for the annual fall carnival and parades. The grand electrical parade will take place on the night of October 1; flower parade, afternoon of October 2, and the grand ball and coronation, the night of October 3. No expense is being spared in the preparation of floats for the electrical parade, and it is expected this parade will eclipse all previous ones.

TEACHERS TO GET REDUCED FARE FOR ANNUAL MEETING

President F. M. Gregg of the Nebraska State Teachers' association, which holds its annual meeting in Omaha, November 5-7, makes announcement that he has succeeded in securing a concession of one and one-half fare for teachers attending the meeting. This reduction in railroad fare will mean a considerable saving to teachers, and will no doubt increase the attendance materially.

STRONG MEN WEEP SAYS DR. DAVIS

Former Red Cross Commissioner Tells of Recent Trip to Poland.

FOUND CHILDREN STARVING.

American Jews Raising \$35,000,000 to Save Survivors—Plan to Aid Christians as Well as Own People.

"The tragedy of the next few months in Eastern Europe bids fair to equal, if not to surpass, that of the actual war years themselves. Words are utterly inadequate to describe the suffering from poverty, starvation, disease and other allied causes that is met on every hand. Literally hundreds of thousands of the unfortunate victims of circumstances are looking to America as their only hope, but it is a question if America has not heard so much of suffering in recent months that she is numbed and perhaps cannot fully realize the terrible crisis that now confronts vast numbers of people abroad."

The above gives in brief the carefully considered opinion of no less an authority than Dr. Haim I. Davis, well known neurologist of Chicago, who returned a short time ago from Poland, where he served for some months as American Red Cross commissioner and made an intensive study of economic, social and political conditions with a special view to determining America's present and future responsibilities. At the request of Louis Marshall, Felix M. Warburg, Jacob H. Schiff of New York, Julius Rosenwald of Chicago and other prominent members of the American Jewish Relief Committee, Dr. Davis submitted a special summary of conditions in Poland. This report, together with additional information secured from other commissioners abroad, forms the basis for the appeal which the above committee is making for \$35,000,000 this year to save the lives of war's victims in those countries where the situation is most dire. The headquarters are at 15 East 40th Street, New York.

"If America could be given but a glimpse of the childhood of Poland," says Dr. Davis, "the millions of dollars that are needed would be forthcoming instantly. The common lot of literally thousands of these youngsters, both Christian and Jewish, makes strong men weep and has actually been the cause of a number of investigators for various organizations leaving the country before their work was completed.

"Walk down the streets in certain sections of Warsaw, Vilna, Kovno and other cities in Eastern Europe and you will see mother after mother, themselves emaciated, carrying children who are apparently infants of a few months, but in reality are five to eight years old. For years they had no milk, and all the other food procurable has been sufficient only to keep them alive. Undernourishment has been so long continued that the little bodies are stunted, rickets being a common affliction, and many of them can never be restored to normal health and strength. "The lives of thousands can still be saved, however," the doctor told the Jewish Committee in his report, "if food is rushed over quickly.

"It is in the name of the pitiful children of Poland, the babies of Christian as well as Jewish parents, that I urge you to make your appeal to America for the funds that will restore their birthright to these little ones."

After a period of exhaustion there is likely to come a time of letting down. We must all be on our guard against a reaction from the ardent, high-souled patriotism of the last few years. Keep the flame burning brightly. Do not let yourself feel that now the war is over there is no particular call for patriotism.—Girl's Companion.

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AT THE GAYETY

The great "Star and Garter" show, presented by the W. & W. Amusement company (inc.) week starting Saturday matinee, August 30, at the popular Gayety theater, would pass muster on previous laurels, but is adding to its prestige this season rather than living on past glory. Not only is the organization larger than ever before, but there are half-dozen names in the cast any one of which would be sufficient recommendation to the average musical burlesque show.

There are also two new musical comedy burlettas with a farcical plot and euphoniously termed "La Belle Paree" and "Putting It Over," to exploit this aggregation of talent, and with a good array of novelty ballads, dances and song numbers. As a good measure the individual members contribute clever bits of their famous vaudeville turns throughout the piece at a suitable time for their display of talent. To those who recall Ray Read



RAY READ

Comic with the great "Star and Garter Show" at the popular Gayety, twice daily all next week. Grand holiday matinee Monday, Labor Day at 3.

mere mention of his name revives memory of hearty laughter. He is with the great "Star and Garter" show, better and funnier than ever, and equally laughable in his boisterous way is Charles Burns. Added to this great pair of laugh-makers is Bill Bovis, who has a style all his own, and others all contribute their share to the program.

In the selection of femininity the manager has been unusually fortunate this season. Heading the feminine contingent is the beautiful Australian singing bird, Florence Darley, with Vivian Roth and Paulene Hall, not forgetting Howard Paden, Bert Hall and the producer, J. Ward Kett, who takes the credit for writing both books.

There are many scenes in this year's production which will bring it up to the biggest of the burlesque productions and the complications in the stories are one scream of a laugh after another.

Ladies' dime matinee daily, starting Tuesday. The Sunday matinee and the grand holiday matinee Monday (Labor Day) will start at 3 o'clock.

AT THE EMPRESS

The Empress management announce a well diversified bill, with music predominating, for the first four days of the week, a colonial musical offering toplining the bill. With youthful beauty of face and figure, and bedecked with pretty costumes of the colonial period, the Virginia Belles will offer an instrumental and vocal offering that has been produced by Lew Cantor, the well known producer of musical acts.

Fox, Benson and company have evolved a screamingly funny comedy act.

Ferro and Coulter, two young chaps who hail from the sunny southland, have a line of gags and patter that is most laughable. Their songs are new and splendidly rendered.

Allen and Moore, an exceptionally clever couple who come to vaudeville with a record as musical comedy artists, will be seen in an offering combining comedy, songs and dances.

The photoplay attraction for the first half of the week will be "The Four-Flusher," featuring Hale Hamilton. It is a brilliant picturization of an original story written especially for this popular star.

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OMAHA WILL HAVE GRAND OPERA OCTOBER 20 AND 21

Music lovers of Nebraska will be given a rare treat when the Chicago Grand Opera association, under the direction of Cleofonte Campanini, appears in Omaha for a two-day engagement, October 20 and 21. Two of the most popular operas will be presented—"Aida" on Monday evening, October 20, and "La Boheme" on Tuesday evening, October 21. Such noted artists as Alma Gluck, Sophie Braslau, Myrna Sharlow, Rosa Raisa, Georges Baklanoff, Emma Noe, Alessandro Dolei and Lodovico Oliviero will have leading roles. The Chicago Grand Opera association carries an orchestra of sixty pieces, a large ballet and has a chorus of sixty. Information regarding the sale of seats may be procured at A. Hospe's music store, Omaha.

Henry Ford Agency Scores State Papers

(Continued From Page One.) ed and powerful newspapers seized upon these charges in an attempt to belittle the great step which the Ford company took when it returned to the workingman a fair share of the wealth which he helps to create.

The educational department of the Ford organizations was sneered at and denounced as un-American, paternalistic supervision.

No pains were spared in an attempt to destroy the impression and the example which Henry Ford laid down for all influential and wealthy Americans when he did hundreds of millions of dollars worth of work without profit and loaned millions of dollars without interest.

It was not, primarily, Henry Ford who was the object of the attacks in this case. It was the social and industrial principles for which Henry Ford stands. Faced by the impossibility of belittling these principles, the interests which dread their adoption and which seek to stem the growing demand for them, obviously attempted to gain their end in another way—the discrediting of Mr. Ford—hoping thereby to discredit the things for which Mr. Ford is the nation's foremost exponent. In this they hopelessly failed, as the verdict of twelve of the best men obtainable in this country has conclusively shown.

Knowing that Mr. Ford was but an incident in this case, that he was merely the means to the end sought by men who are opposed to the ideals of the social and industrial era towards which he is swiftly blazing a path, the Mount Clemens News Bureau was established, so that the people in the uttermost corners of the country, the people served by the small dailies and the small weeklies, might receive full and unbiased reports. The bureau honestly tried to render a truthful account of the trial and that it has succeeded is fully evidenced by the fact that it has received many letters from editors congratulating it on its work in reporting this case. These letters are now on file in this office.

Permit us to say that this bureau welcomes most heartily your making it an issue in your district meetings, as you promise to do, and trusts you will use all the correspondence. The bureau, however, will not permit to go unchallenged your wholly incorrect charge that Mr. Ford subjected the Nebraska Press association to "ridicule and opposition." We do not, and have not in the past, criticized the association in any connection or degree. We suggest that you bear this in mind. You opened this controversy with a letter in which you charged this bureau with being "space grafters" and of seeking "cheap publicity" for Mr. Ford. Despite the fact that you assumed to speak for a large body of intelligent men, it would appear that you had not fully informed yourself of the facts. The bureau called this to your attention in so doing seems to have injured your dignity. We regret, of course, having wounded your personal feelings, but we submit that this is not a sound basis for your official actions.

You are at liberty to print the full correspondence in your bulletin. As for your threat that the newspapers of your state will "handle the subject without gloves," we are very willing to rest our case in the hands of the publishers of your state. We feel sure that they will see that you attacked this bureau in a manner wholly unbecoming for by the facts and when answered took the reply as a personal affront.

We are mailing copies of this letter and of your communication to which it is an answer, to the editors of the papers in your state. Yours very truly, Mount Clemens News Bureau, D. D. Martin, Editor.

Rich Silver Coins.
In the republic of Honduras the silver currency was for years minted from Socorro bullion. This nearly always contains a certain proportion of gold, which used not to be separated before it went to the mint; so the Honduras silver coins prior to 1911 generally contain a certain proportion of gold.

Mexican Child Stealers.
Mexico's "child stealers" engaged in a regular business of stealing children and making them beg coins for them, according to a writer in the National Humane Review. The headquarters or central place of business for the biggest thieves are located in Gomez Farias street, Guadalajara. Here a regular market is held for the disposal of stolen children, either by outright sale or rent.

"After passing through the hands of this gang the innocent victim of this barbaric system is generally unrecognizable, and maimed or blinded carried or hauled around with its poor little hand outstretched for coins to support its fiendish master," according to the writer. "Such children are seen any hour of the day or night in Mexico City, hovering around the theater doors, sitting around the streets and often among the beggars that line the church doors. The pleasure seeker, the passer-by or the communicant who puts pennies in the outstretched hands does not realize how well he is co-operating with the fiendish industry."

Two Hundred Years Ago.
"And herein it is that I take upon me to make such a bold assertion that all the world are mistaken in their practice about women; for I cannot think that God Almighty made them so glorious creatures with souls capable of the same accomplishments with men, and all to be only stewards of our houses, cooks, and slaves." This advanced doctrine, which in its climax sounds somewhat as if it were uttered in a present day convention, was written, as is noted in a recent book on English literature, some two hundred years ago, by Daniel Defoe.—Outlook.

All to the Prussian.
"You'll have to keep your chickens out of my garden, Timpkins, or there's going to be some kind of epidemic among 'em pretty darn soon!"
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"In what way?"
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