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DR. PORTER MADE DEFENDENT Prohibition Can't IN DAMAGE SUIT BY MILLINER

Mrs. Louise Heitman Alleges Doctor Attacked Her, Causing Physical And Mental Suffering

ASKS 110 THOUSAND DOLLARS DAMAGES as long as there is a demand there will be a supply.

Suit Brought By Milliner Because Of An Unprovoked Attack On Her Previous To Porter's Second Marriage.Doctor Says "He Doesn't Remember" .-- Defendant Is One Of Omaha's Prominent Physician.

Already he has spent a huge sum of age. But in that, this Dr. Porter money, some \$337,000 at the game. This sum is not charged to the high cost of living, but the high cost of loving. But if Mrs. Louise Heitman, proprietor of the Heitman Hat Shop. at 1720 Douglas street, is successful in her suit for damages and heart balm, the popular doctor will have to pay up to the sum of \$110,000 more.

Mrs. Heitman filed suit against Doctor Porter last May charging breach of promise. She and the Doctor had been chummy for some time, he dining nightly in her apartment, Mrs. Heitman says. This continued right up to the time of his marriage to Miss Nellie Hollinbaugh. Because of this Dr. Porter laid himself liable to the \$100,000 suit.

But later developments have shown just what kind of a man this Dr. giving her \$1500 a month. The last their characteristic pig-hearted and Porter is: On April 23 last, Mrs. few months before their divorce he hog blind manner, they shoved this is to be commended on this annual Heitman was summoned to the Doctor's office. There he attacked her, her a permanent alimony of \$250,000. which has cost the tax payer untold beating and choking her, she alleges. So you see this Dr. Porter isn't a no- millions. Now it is being given up In her own words, "He beat me about the head and face with his fists, cut- to have used his best judgement in Andrews himself, admits it is a hopeting and bruising my lip and bruis- playing his cards this time. So his less case. ing my face. He knocked and threw only refuge is a lax memory. The me to the floor, and then seizing, hold- only statement, he would make was ing and twisting my arms, and while "I don't remember", much as a child awake to the real cost of attempted I was in a prostrate and helpless posi- will say "I don't know", when caught prohibition, and any further action ning on his job with the city of Philation on the floor, he choked and bit in a forbidden act. Poor memory has on the part of the dry forces will reme. He also lacerated my face and aided many people, but it will fail to sult in a rush to the polls and an But it seems that the Mayor had sted and bruised and injured my get Porte

Dr. Elmer R. Porter is in it again. | would not object to his coming marriover stepped himself, and as a result of this nasty bit of work, he is going it as "childish". Be that as it may, to dig down in his pocket for an addi- this reaction which swept this countional ten thousand. For now Mrs. Heitman, after recovering from the Act was only natural and normal. It severe mental and nervous shock, as was the protest of the millions who well as her physical injuries, her at believe in the cause of liberty and torneys, Jamieson, O'Sullivan and the freedom of the individual. If Southard have brought the new suit those who so zealously fought for for the ten thousand damages.

Dr. Porter knows what it is like to heart that they were doing the right lay out the cash. He was divorced thing, instead of seeking publicity or from his first wife in December, 1923. political honors, some good might He gave her property worth \$250,000, have come from the passage of such including the St. Regis apartment a law. But as it is, those who had house. He also agreed to pay \$100 never touched liquor before, now per month for the support of their drink in open defiance of the law. A two minor children. For the last five study of the pschycological aspects of

reduced this to \$750. He also gave country head long into prohibition, vice at the game. But he seems not

Be Enforced Says Christmas has come and gone, and still the miners in the anthracite **General Andrews** region are idle. 165,000 miners are losing one million dollars a day in wages

Until the people of the . United due to the shut down. Conferences States want prohibition, the Volstead and proposals have been to no avail. Act cannot be enforced! So says Asdrews, in an inspection trip along the southeast coast. In other words

For people who really want prohiway.' The American people can be lead. They can not be driven.

General Andrews commented on the reaction of the people to the Eighttry upon the passage of the Volstead prohibition had the conviction at

separate apartments at the St. Regis to accomplish what they desired. In as a bad job, for even the dry czar,

> After this costly experiment, the people of this country are more wide

while operators are losing millions Bread lines and soup kitchens are al- an attack made by Dr. James A Crain, sistant Secretary of the Treasury An- ready a familiar scene in the mining executive secretary of the Omaha towns. Just how long the miners can suffer for the necessities of life remains to be seen.

A message from London states that bition, which constitute a small minor- there are 12,000 women in that city ity, Andrews advises the best way to looking for mates. While the divorce secure it is through education, not rate is declining, there are more and legislation. This is the only logical more men desert their families and are never heard from again. London is the largest city in the world, and

it is not an outstanding fact that there are twelve thousand unmarried eenth Amendment. He characterized women there. Thrice that many could be found in any one of our big eastern cities,

It is reported that this Christmas was the gayest since 1914. Free dinners for the poor, with toys for the children, not to mention parties and balls of the wealthy, brought cheer to every one. Ernie Holmes, proprietor of the Holmes Billiard Parlors. furnished a free dinner for 1070 men who were unable to get a meal. The invitation was city wide, and the only admission was an appetite. It was the duty of every one present to eat all he could. Father Flanagan's Boys Band furnished the music, and years of their married life the Doctor the case would prove that the "re-avers that he and his wife becupied formers" started at the wrong end for the entertainment of the crowd. Condition and does not stop it. Such whole-hearted giving shows the true Christian spirit, and Mr. Holmes

> custom. Brigadier General Smedley T. Butler, nemesis of all violators of the law in Philadelphia, has served his two years and will be back with the

marines January 1. The old boy nearly played his cards wrong when he sent his resignation to the marines, plandelphia, as director of public safety. something to say, and that was to the effect that Butler's services were they will continue their pursuit. It is quite possible that there are sportstatement. She has left everything to knees, and it only takes a consolidated no longer needed. So these was only ing houses in Omaha. And it is also one thing for Smedley to do, and that was to try and beat his resignation posible that there are women who to Washington. He failed to do it, but ! work the streets. But Omaha can be the venerable Major General Lejeune proud of the fact, that by efficient refused to open it. So General Butler enforcement, this city is fifty percent cleaner than the majority of (Continued on page 3)

army and navy. To this end he broke

through army traditions and regula-

tion by disregarding his superior offi-

cers, doing many things he knew he

would be forced to account for.

for then he could tell what he knew.

without fear or favor, and his mes-

press to the entire nation. And now

did, against the advice of his coun-

sel, and he was promptly disregarded,

being told he knew nothing of value

But if Colonel Mitchell's efforts

elsewhere. Already he has been of-

fat salary. But he can't accept them,

in this case.

him in the service.

News and Comments Dr. Crain Attacks **City Administration** Says Police Very Lax

Charges and counter-charges have Council of Churches, on the administration in general. He condemns the board of directors of the Ak-Sar-Ben for permitting betting at the races. He raps the police force by saying sporting houses are running open even in the business district of the city. And when these charges are denied, he comes forward with an idealistic plan for doing away with the supposedly nefarious conditions which now exist. Dr. Crain plans to bring about this change in the city's moral status in been arrested at the instance of the National Bank. two ways, first, by the redemption, or county attorney, who charges him with moral and financial assistance to all women of the streets who care to take of a story that appeared in this paper advantage of the offer; second, by

demanding strict enforcement. Surveys of this character in other cities shows that a very small percent of these women care to have their life opened to a group of con- leges. demning, "holler than thou" persons. They have made their bed, and they are willing to lie in it. Many others are not sufficiently self confident to better themselves if aid were offered them. So it appears that this part of Dr. Crain's plan would prove a flop. Such conditions have existed since time, and always will. Assistance or enforcement only tends to scatter this

More strict enforcement than is now provided by the police force could not be asked. The force should not be blamed if things are going on of

way of finding out without throwing were wrong. If these open houses are being operated, any citizen of it. The police are only too anxious to referred to, even though his con- ly because of a story under the headget rid of this kind of vice, but the people of the city must offer a little assistance. As long as business men, that his investigation discloses that nothing to do with any one concerned as well as others, will harbor these the story in question did not refer to in the present suit. women, and cover up their activities,

EDITOR DENIES RECENT STORY **REFERRED TO WALTER HEAD**

been flying around the city, following Huntley Says Does Not Understand Why Head **Takes Exception And Seeks To Punish**

PUBLISHER IS UTTER STRANGER TO HEAD

The Story As Printed In The Issue Of December 11, Had No Bearing On Mr. Head, Or His Activities, And Huntley Does Not Know Him-Detailed Imformation

Made Public.

The editor of The Mediator has Walter Head, or to the Omaha

Not being acquainted with Mr. Head nor his individuality, neither criminal libel because of a paragraph the writer of the story nor the editor gave the matter a thought, and at this in the issue of December 11. The time does not understand what has county attorney declares his action happened to cause all this trouble. was taken at the instance of Walter However that may be the editor at Head, who has been libelled, he al- this time wishes to declare his inno-

The editor of The Mediator does not know Mr. Head. In fact the editor, him to know him in his life. The article about which complaint is made does not mention Mr. Head and Mr. Huntley says very specifically that his investigation disclosed that the story does not refer to Mr. Head, led with the view to acting as a medieither by inference or in fact. In fact the editor is at a loss to know why he is being subjected to this trouble.

The editor of this paper, once and for all time, now denies that the article referred to Mr. Head, and it exblamed if things are going on of presses grief that Mr. Head should even tenor of its own way. ..., nethemselves liable if their suspicions tor is a great family newspaper read the extent to which Mr. Head feels intent to do him harm. Omaha who knows it should report hurt, by assuming that he is the party

Tom Quinlan

Soon Hits Real

Estate Sales Peak

Old Time Merchandise Man Goes Into

Game With A bang And Finds

Self One Of The Leaders

In Short Time.

cense of any intent to in any way injure Walter Head. The business of running a news-Mr. Huntley, declares he never saw paper is a pretty hard proposition, especially directing its policy and deciding what it shall say at all times. The Mediator was started about twenty-five years ago and has been successful from the beginning. It start-

ator or buffer between capital and

labor. It has had the persistent and

consistent support of many of Omaha's best business men. Thus it will be seen that The Mediator is going along all the time in the was not named therein. The Media- manner injured Walter Head the paper expresses its sincere regret once by many people, and it realizes fully more and wants to assure him of no

The libel suit culminated apparentscience is clear in the matter. But ing "Love Nest of Prominent Business once for all time the editor insists Man Discovered in City" which had

arms with his knees upon me, and bruised me in numerous places on and about my body and limbs".

. The significance attached to the torture and punishment meted out to and that is, independence and a per-Mrs. Heitman by this one who calls manent income for life, which is small himself a man, is that he tried to inti- pay for what she suffered at the midate and brow beat her so she at the hands of Dr. Porter.

Dry Agents Spends One Thousand Dollars To Secure Evidence

collected through these channels ag-That the prohibition law is a mill gregated \$1,770,000. stone around the neck of the American tax payer, is evidenced by the to be used in legitimate expenditures, fact that money is thrown right and left in a supposed effort to enforce Nebraska's roads and improvements would rank among the best in the the law. A case came up in Wash-United States. And if the state ofington a short time ago which astounded many people to learn of the ficials really wanted to aid the memanner in which evidence is secured. tropolis of Nebraska, it would be the Omaha is to keep abreast of the times. A dry agent registered at the May- matter of but three or four years un- she must promote commercial flying. flower, one of the finest hotels in til free bridges would be built and Washington, under the name of one paid for at every important point on representatives, is laying before the of the leading members of Congress. the Missouri. He proceeded to stage big parties But it seems that instead of trying ligible, so constructed that it can use with lady friends, and buying "Old to aid, they are trying to pass the either hydrogen or helium. The diri-Smuggler" whiskey to impress on the buck. It was recently announced that gible has been much in disfavor bemanagement of the hotel that he was Governor McMullen would be only too cause of recent disasters, but the a "good sport". This was all being glad to act. IF the people REALLY world is due for a surprise now that done on the government's expense, wanted a free bridge. Since that time Henry Ford has branched into that however. Any way it took him one conventions of county commissioners line. His commercial freighters have month and \$1000 of government have passed resolutions in favor of proved a distinct success, which are money to secure his evidence against the plan, the Rotary Clubs, Kiwanis operating between Detroit and Chithe chef and his assistant. They were Clubs and many other clubs have been cago. It does not require much of a later released.

When the matter was brought to is quiet in the capitol. ... Assistant Secretary of the Treasury It isn't a matter of money, it is a tion, moored to her mast at the Oma-Andrews, prohibition field marshall, matter of politics. While the people ha field, with derricks loading tons of he denied any knowledge of the case. of the state continue to pour money freight in her decks, consigned to New It is time that the officials in charge into the state in the forms of taxes York or San Francisco, which will sage would be broadcast through the shrewd manipulations, and skillful done right here in the swim. They of every kind, all kinds of promises reach its destination in less than ference is they got caught. the return is. One man enjoys the yet everyone is paying their toll. It fancy, just as the auemobile was twenluxuries of a big hotel and has his isn't only true in this bridge case, ty-five years ago. If such service booze parties with the pretense of but in general mangement of state would not be beneficial to a commundoing a government service. This is projects throughout the state. Con- lity, state, and nation, it would have just one of the foolish extravagant tractors are gravelling roads for nine to be proven why. In case of an incases of unlicensed expenditure. When and a half cents per yard. Figure for vasion of a foreign foe, these same the tax payers get tired of seeing your self how far a million dollars ships could be used for defensive purtheir money thrown around in this would go using this construction. Pay- poses, carrying tons and tons of high

vote to repeal the Eighteeth Amend- we buy a gallon of gasoline is like emy. ment. If the American people are buying some merchandise, paying the given a chance to their opinion at the mer hant, and then having him put it Omaha is awake to the future possipolls, the returns will prove conclus there on his sh lves. The merchandise bilities in this field. As long as such sively that prohibition is an idle the gas-tax is collected for is never delivered. dream of a vicious minority.

overwhelming defeat. Mrs. Heitman refuse to issue any Prohibition is getting weak in the

her attorneys, and she is sitting back blow from the voters to score a waiting for that she certainly merits, knock-out.

STATE TREASURY SWELLED

BY TWO CENT GASOLINE TAX

An average of \$45,000 per month is

being poured into the state treasury

through the two cent gasoline tax,

If this total amount of money were

NEW COMMITTEE FORMED TO PROMOTE AVIATION

COLONEL MITCHELL The aerial transportation committee SUSPENDED FROM SERVICE of the Chamber of oCmmerce at a meeting Tuesday afternoon, named a

sub-committee composed of Eugene Holland, William Ritchie, Jr., and W. L. Pierpont to confer with the Omaha which became effective last April 1. chapter of the National Aeronautical Uu to December - the total amount association, the Greater Omaha committee, and other organizations, to

formulate plans to develop aviation in Omaha. The city now has a municipal air field, and much can be accomplished along this line. Aviation is making rapid strides the country over, and if At present Henry Ford, through his

government plans for an all-metal dir-

pushing the project, but every thing stretch of the imagination to see a giant dirigible of all-metal construc-

in as has ever been expended. And realized that aviation is in its in-

manner they need only cast their ing an additional two cents every time explosives to be dropped on the en-It is altogether commendable that

progressiveness is shown Omaha is bound to grow and prosper.

places its size.

Omaha is not as filth, as rotten, as low in morals, as the picture that has FOR FIVE YEARS, NO PAY been painted of her. In fact, a cleaner, more progressive or finer city Because he told the truth as he saw cannot be found. It remains only to keep it this way. And this cannot t, Colonel Mitchell, a thorn in the

be done by knocking. side of both army and navy officials,

has been relieved of his post, suspended from the service for five years without pay, and in the belief of many publicly disgraced. This was the sentence passed on him by the court martial which has been in session for lifty-two days.

Colonel Mitchell's obsession is flying. He knows more about aviation and air defense, perhaps, than any other man in the country. Still, when his views do not coincide with men who know nothing about aviation, he is made the goat of their ignorance

Opportunity however knocked at his personal income, which was oc- his door from another direction and This matter has never been permacasioned by supplying rotogravure he opened the portals, where he found nently settle due to the fact that it new and still greater possibilities and is taking perfectly proper advanman, but the Internal Revenue Agents tage of them. He has been actively gress, and a vote of the people of ontguessed him. He knew that the associated with the Metcalfe Realty both Iowa and Nebraska. So this afcontract he entered into with the newspapers would be a losing proposition. But he figured that as long business just as fast as he did in the makers instead of those directly afas the government would take fiftymerchandise line of endeavor. six per cent of his personal income, Tom's well pleased real estate cus-

Nevertheless, he saw great possibili- he might as well lay out the cash and ties in a court martial proceedings, develop his newspaper enterprise. In other words Hearst is just one of many "big money" men, who by short.

juggling of figures, has defrauded This might serve as a gentle reare only following the footsteps of are being handed out in return. Three twenty-four hours. A great many he has been called to testify regard- the United States government out of minder to several of Omaha's "bigthose above them, and the only dif- times as much money has been taken people boo the idea, but it must be ing the Shenandoah disaster. This he millions. And while the big fellows boys". It isn't only in New York that get away, an additional burden is this game is being worked, but right thrown on the little fellow. It is here there are plenty of wealthy who simply a case of the strong preying are shouldering their share of governon the weak. If our laws and statutes ment expenses on those who can't

amount to any thing at all, such constand the load. No doubt much inre not valued in the army, they are ditions as are being brought to light terest would be aroused, should a should be remedied. Is it any worse check up he made on the tax returns fered numerous positions with a nice to defraud the government by fraudu- in our city. If such action is taken lent tax returns, than it would be to then we will see how patriotic some unless his sentence is changed. He is rob a government mint? Each is a of these boys are who put out a flag also proposed as Chief of Police for criminal act, but if one of the "upper- every decoration day.

New York City. The time will un- crust" pulls it, legal battles, etc, endoubtedly come when this country'sue, and the culprit is not punished. Athletic are interfering with study will wish they had heeded Mitchell's But if a little fellow, or the under advice, and had ten more men like dog does anything like that, he gets a trip to Leavenworth.

CHRISTMAS CHEER KILLS LAUN-DRY WORKER: CHLOROFORM

A bottle containing a liquid similiar in appearance to the "real thing" caused the death of Herman Lausch Christmas morning. Seeing the bottle, he decided to drink a toast to his fellow workman. He took a long drink, caught his breath, remarked as to the potency of the liquid, and fell to the floor. The bottle contained chloroform. All efforts to revive him failed and he died shortly afterwords.

The end of the year finds Thomas Lausch was employed at the Excel-(Tom) Quinlan permanently intrench- sior Laundry, at 118 North Fifteenth ed in the real estate business and gostreet. Two men who were present ing like a house afire. Tom essayed say they thought the victim had a botto do his stuff right here in Omaha the of liquor in his coat and they didwhere he has lived just about as long n't notice he was drinking from the as he has been on earth. He likes wrong bottle until it was too late.

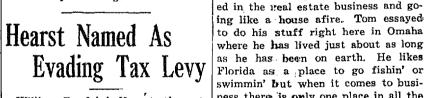
EAST OMAHA TRIES swimmin' but when it comes to busi-

ness there is only one place in all the **TO SECEDE FROM BLUFFS** world for him and that is Nebraska. Council Bluffs business men will Quinlam was with the Brandeis fight any action on the part of East stores so long that he was really a Omaha to secede from the Bluffs, is senate. It is contended that Hearst guide post about the great store and the report sent out this last week. For many years the Iowa-Nebraska boundary line has been the source of great dispute between the two states. would take action on the part of both state legislatures, an act of Concompany now for some months and is fair looms up as a complicated promaking friends in the real estate ceeding, to be fought out by our lawfected

It is claimed that Council Bluffs has spent many thousands of dollars tomers are so enthusiastic in their improving the plot of ground, consistrecommedation of him that he finds ing of nearly 1200 acres of ground, twenty-four hours for a day is all too known as East Omah. Fire and police protection, paving, water, sewer, etc., constitutes these expenditures. Schools have been built, yet many people bring their children to school in Omaha. And some of them have to travel forty miles to vote. Altogether the arrangement is unsatisfactory, and some thing must be done to remedy matters.

The residents are just as firm that they are going to join with Omaha as the city Dads of the Bluffs are that they are going to keep East Omaha under their wing.

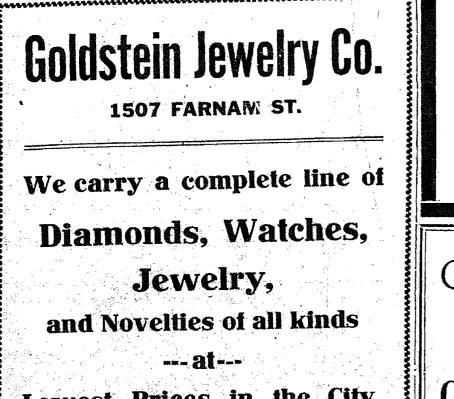
Nevertheless, members of the Carter Lake Club have voted to join the trustees of a large land-holding company in an effort to effect the sesays one of oud college presidents. cession. Around this union as a The three R's of today seem to be nucleus, other land owners are gat-Rah! Rah! Rah!--Boston Transcript. | hering and a good battle is promised.



William Randolph Hearst, the not ed publisher, was one of a score of tax dodgers made public by the Couzens investigating committee in the

had escaped the payment of 151 seemed to be an inegral part of the thousand dollars in taxation in 1818 institution. and vicious intent that everything be by deducting a loss of \$301,000 from done as they say, whether they know what they are talking about or not. Many think that he went about it sections for a chain of newspapers. in the wrong way to secure his ends. Hearst may be a shrewd business His ruling motive is a unified air service, entirely separate from both the







he remembered with their former associates, Morris and Campbell, and Bronson and Baldwin, two of the most popular teams in vaudeville. They have incorporated into their skit the some excelent comedy patter. Miss "Baldwin is a peppy exponent of "blue" songs. Mr. Morris was featured in

All the dance steps known to the so well known, will be found in the

collection.

Jean Boydell is known as the unique fascinating personality.

pion bicycle rider. He has a unique mechanical device which answers as a track for his stage performance. This device is a huge wheel, the rim of which is two feet wide. As the wheel revolves on an axle Mr. Mauss can travel at any speed he may wish. He loops the loop and gives other exhibitions of his remarkable wheelman-Mr. Mauss has been in this ship. country but a few months and is making his first tour of the United States

who is responsible as an exceedingly clever magician. His remarks on magic and illusion are interspersed with quiet witticism and comedy sallies. So popular has he been in eastern vaudeville theatres that bookings for-the past three years have pre-

a versatile pair who combines an exhibition of lariat throwing with their singing and dancing. Mr. Ward gives imitations of Will Roger's rope stunts and Fred Stone's famous lariat dance.

Making motion pictures down in the bowels of the earth was one of For more than a week the company

written by Reginald Morris.

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