

A RIOT OF VICE AND CRIME

LUIS FIRPO TO FIGHT HERE NEXT FRIDAY

Bull of the Pompas Signs Up for Scrap
With Homer Smith

WILL DRAW CROWD OF 15,000 FANS

Giant South American Who Is to Meet Dempsey in September
Signed Up for Bout Here by South Omaha Legion—Will
Meet a Tough Nut in Smith—Preliminaries
to Be of the Highest Class

Luis Firpo, Champion Jack Dempsey's opponent for the world's title, will show Omahans his much vaunted right hand, when he tackles Homer Smith, a tough youngster, in the main event of the South Omaha Legion post's card of thirty rounds at League park next Friday night.

Firpo, the most colorful figure in the pugilistic world today, will arrive in Omaha Sunday and will train at the ball park.

His opponent will work out at Johnny Ford's Business Men's gymnasium.

The sensational rise of the Giant South American is as interesting as fiction. He landed in the United States a little over a year ago and received \$68 for his first fight. For the next three he got but little more but he advanced so rapidly that the public paid nearly a half million dollars to see him kayo Jack McAuliffe. Then followed his great victory over Jess Willard for which he received \$85,000.

In twenty-two battles he has won nineteen by the kayo route.

Ring experts say he's the hardest hitter the game has ever known, not excepting Jeffries, Sullivan, Dempsey and others.

Few Omahans will be able to see him tackle Dempsey in New York where it is expected all attendance and money records will be broken, but they will have the opportunity to

see this same "Bull of the Pampas" in action here.

Ever since boxing became an established institution in Nebraska, Omaha fight fans have been crying for a champion or near champion. The opportunity is to be presented next Friday night at League Park when Dempsey's challenger steps under the calcium to acknowledge the plaudits of the assembled multitude.

The public here is not kidding themselves into believing that they are going to see a near championship fight. The promoters of the match do not advertise it as such but just the same Douglas county fight fans are sure to witness a tough scrap as the mighty Firpo is to meet no less a mauler than young Smith who tips the scales at 190 pounds in his B. V. D's.

While it is generally understood that Firpo will do his training in private, wise acres say that he will give several semi-public exhibitions of his wares before the big scrap.

So far as the preliminaries are concerned they must of necessity be more than up to snuff as the state boxing commission insists that every boxer be a top liner in his class and weight to be eligible to take part in the fray.

Only this morning we sat in Pat Boyles' beautifully upholstered office in the Daily News sanatorium while

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JUDGE MUNGER SETS NEW PRECEDENT IN INTERPRETING LAWS

Noted Judge Deals Out Justice According to Law—Says State
Must Prove Liquor Sold as Beverage—Elmer Thomas Peeved
—Rohrer Says Anti-Elmer Done Bum Job With City
Cases—Many Cases Dismissed

Judge Munger, terror of the bootleggers, has been on the job a week now and has commanded the respect of all law abiding citizens and even the bootleggers themselves through his knowledge of law and its application. There has been one outstanding figure that he has not pleased, the Honorable Elmer Thomas, who it would appear has little respect for law unless it be dealt out according to his personal wishes. Elmer, who is supposed to be the principal out of limburger in the Committee of 5,000 cheese, fears enforcement of the dry law may be weakened if Judge Munger's ruling that it must be proved, liquor found by officers was meant for beverage purposes.

To the layman the ruling of the judge seems to conform strictly to law which is supposed in the first place to be based on common sense.

Suppose that a morals squad raided the home of Elmer Thomas, like Carpenter or any other man in town and should happen to find a quart of suspicious liquor. Suppose that in the home raided they found a member of the family very sick. Suppose that a good reliable doctor had advised Elmer or anyone else that may have been raided that he should by all means give a certain amount of whiskey to the patient so many times a day. Say that the man or any of the household raided hated the very thought of whiskey for beverage purposes and had never taken a drink in their lives for social purposes. Should Elmer be sent to jail for violating the Volstead

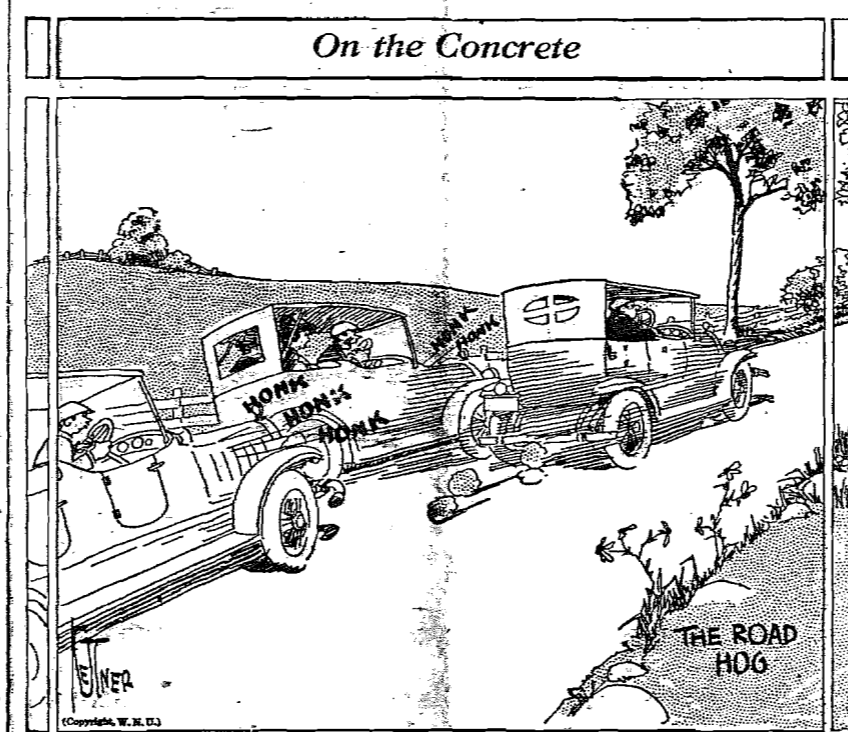
law? We wot not, and furthermore believe that Thomas would be the first one to fight the case to the last ditch.

Putting it this way may be stretching the point but it could and does happen thousands of times a year. It is not a hard matter for enforcement officers to gather sufficient proof of intention during a raid. If they go to a place and find a man in the act of selling booze, find a bunch of drunken men and women reeling about the place, a brawl or fight in progress, it is self evident that liquor has been sold as a beverage for profit. Such evidence before any judge would be convincing. But when the purity squad goes on a rampage to earn their money and make a showing before their superiors, prejudice, not to say downright graft, sometimes steps in, to the great injustice of the unfortunate raided.

In that case the worst criminal in the world would be entitled to protection of the law as interpreted by Judge Munger, who however much his personal opinion may be concerning prohibition will not allow such an opinion to interfere with the law as he sees it. The judge believes in law and law enforcement and like most judges who have gained fame and honor stands unafraid to deal out justice, according to law, in spite of criticism by individuals or the press.

A large number of cases now being tried before Judge Munger is attracting nation-wide attention because of the unusual pleas of attorneys in the

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CURED OF LOCKJAW THROUGH ALCOHOL

An Omaha physician who recently sent a patient to the hospital suffering with lockjaw had a remarkable experience with his patient while the latter was under the doctor's care.

It became necessary to remove a front tooth, in order that food might be administered through a tube. Alcoholic rubbing also was prescribed for him. During the absence from his room of nurses and others the patient decided to administer a dose of medicine to himself. The nurse had thoughtlessly left the alcohol bottle at his bedside. Grasping the bottle and the tube, he began to administer the medicine, inwardly, draining the whole bottle before he stopped. When the doctor dropped in to visit his patient he found him dead drunk.

The physician was at a loss to know the cause of the patient's intoxication, but after repeating efforts finally brought him out of it. The patient at once began to talk, his speech being restored and his jaw entirely unlocked.

This doctor is now a believer in the saving and healing qualities of alcohol, although he has heretofore been an enthusiastic advocate of prohibition.

ENDRES' SHOOT TO KILL ORDER NOT VERY POPULAR

Sheriff Mike Endres is out with a "shoot to kill" order concerning auto speeders. While it is unlikely the order will be actually put in force, the very suggestion of it does not set well with most people. Commissioner Henry Dunn thinks the order foolish and points out that when a man is in civilian clothes and jumps out into the middle of the road and waves his arms, the motorist thinking he is to be held up, generally steps on the gas.

SOME ONE WAS A BUM SHOT

Bill Sudenberg was almost shot Wednesday night. The report was hardly out until a committee from the Bootleggers Union was out soliciting subscriptions to pay for a floral offering.

SWIMMING CLASS TO COMPLETE COURSE SOON

The first Red Cross swimming class for beginners will complete its course this week and will be given tests in Krug park pool Friday and Saturday at 9 a. m. to determine members eligible for Red Cross beginners' certificates.

The class which completes its course this week is comprised largely of Omaha grade school teachers, club women and children. Anyone who can successfully pass the tests regardless of whether he has had previous Red Cross instruction, may enroll in the advanced class, which will start at 9 a. m. Monday, July 30, at Krug park pool.

CHARLEY ORGANIZING CLUB

Charley Chapman is a busy boy these days. He may be seen most any day talking to customers in various institutions, urging them to join the Imaina club. He says it only costs two bits.

THREE NEW STAR DIVERS AT KRUGS

"Snow", Only Diving Horse to Do Somersault Dive, to Leap Sunday

Three equine celebrities will start performing at Krug Park the coming Sunday. They are Snow, the only horse ever trained to make a somersault dive; Kaltawa, the only horse to dive 100 feet, and Ted, a famous nose diver, who splits the water with the tip of his nose.

Snow, known as the marble horse, leaps from the 55-foot tower and turns a complete somersault in mid-air.

Dr. W. F. Carver, the pioneer Nebraska plainsman and joint owner with Buffalo Bill of the original Buffalo Bill show, organized at Columbus, Neb., in 1883, spent several years teaching Snow the thrilling dive.

The contingent of horses, accompanied by the original "Girl in Red," arrived in Omaha this week. The new acts will start Sunday.

The original Girl in Red, who is unable to ride astride horses any more as a result of injuries sustained at Detroit recently, will make a somersault dive and Snow will duplicate her dive.

Miss Vivian Karls, an Omaha young woman, will then make a 55-foot leap on Kaltawa or Lightning. Ted, the nose diver, whom no girl has ever been able to ride except the original "Girl in Red," will be called upon to do his stuff occasionally. Kaltawa has made many dives from a hundred foot tower. He is 19 years old and has been diving 16 years.

HARD FOR PEOPLE TO GET MARRIED IN NEBRASKA

You better get married before next week or you may never get that way, in Nebraska. After next Thursday one will have to give ten days notice with a full description of his life.

If you are bug house or afflicted with a venereal disease the stuff is off. That makes it tough on about half of the people. But then Council Bluffs is not far away.

EX-SERVICE MEN TO PICNIC AT KRUGS

Ex-service men of Douglas county will be guests of the Douglas County Legionnaire at Krug park today at the first big picnic held for the soldier boys since their return in 1919.

A varied program of athletic events and novelty contests has been arranged, and valuable prizes, furnished by Douglas County Post of the American Legion, will be offered.

The picnic is free to all service men and their families, and tickets for admission to the park, ballroom, bathing beach and rides may be obtained at the American Legion offices in the court house.

A feature of the picnic will be a baby show for the children of service men. This baby show is in charge of the nurses division of the Douglas County Post, with Miss Elizabeth Bradford in charge of arrangements.

Prizes will be awarded in three different groups.

BUTLER REFUSES AID TO INVESTIGATORS

Many Immoral Places About the City Running Hog Wild

MINISTER GIVES IMPORTANT FACTS

Commissioner Refuses to Send Police to Places With Anderson Who Would Point Out Places of Gambling, Vice and Bootleggers—Some notorious Resorts Given the Once Over—Other Joints to Be Exposed

At no time in the history of Omaha has there existed a condition such as is prevalent within the down town city today, notwithstanding the assertions of Commissioner Butler. Mr. Butler declares he has placed padlocks on places of iniquity since he has been in his present position. If that is true 500 have sprung up in their place. The city is flooded with women of questionable reputation, and nightly scenes that put to shame famous old Ninth Street in its heyday may be witnessed.

It is said some outside investigators have been at work in the city, looking matters over in the interest of certain church workers. These people will be in bad with the administration, it appears certain, and the church people will get all the worst of it, because one of the men searching for evidence has already been arrested and charged with a high crime. This arrest has apparently been made to discourage investigators. Their work has been along the line of our W. C. T. U., without the women taking any part. Taken all together Commissioner Butler apparently has fallen down woefully on the job.

Prostitution in all its horrible aspects has Omaha in its clutch even though Dan Butler, the reformer, is at the helm of the police department. Practically every prostitute in town sells hooch or beer or both. In a large number of cases they have one or more mac's, pimps in plain language, who help in more ways than one to get the money.

Most of the down town joints have a pimp who either works as a bell hop at one of the prominent hotels, drives a taxie or is just a no good bum who makes no pretense at earning a living and like a leech saps the life blood,

financially speaking, out of the fallen woman that has taken him under her desolate wing.

Today we are citing several specific cases wherein a bunch of lewd women are peddling their wares in violation of all law and as yet Butler has taken no action. These women and their pimps think they are super wise and owe nothing to law and decency.

This is the beginning of a series of articles which will expose every case of prostitution and bootlegging that comes to our notice without fear or favor. Representatives of this paper (continued on page four)

SENATOR CUMMINGS GIVES INSIDE VIEW OF THE RAILWAY SITUATION

In Masterful Speech Before Iowa Legislature, Goes to Bottom of Railroad Troubles—Shows How Government Failed Miserably in Attempt at Public Ownership—Final Check Shows \$2,000,000,000 Loss—Public Foots Bill

(Continued from last week.)

Section 15a, to which your resolution refers, was an important part of the plan adopted to accomplish this result. We knew, of course, as everybody knew, that freight and passenger rates must be increased, but it is a grave mistake to assume, or assert that this section of the ct has been the cause of the increase. Dates have been advanced simply because the cost of maintenance and operation have more than doubled, since the pre-war days, while railway rates, taken as a whole, are now about 54 per cent higher than they were before the Government took over the railroads at the beginning of the year 1918. It is my deliberate judgment that, while the section under consideration has strengthened the credit of the weaker railroad properties, and thus enabled them to live, that the rates themselves would have been higher without Section 15a than with it.

That Section is Not a Guarantee With these preliminary observations I turn to the section itself. It consists of eighteen separate and independent paragraphs. I assume that you are familiar with all these paragraphs, because you have asked me to eliminate all of them from the Interstate Commerce Act, and I know that you would not have done so without the most careful study of their various provisions.

I have never heard any specific criticism of the section, except as to paragraphs (2), (3), (4), (5) and (6), and it may surprise you to learn

that the objections urged against these paragraphs are urged with equal emphasis and earnestness by the leaders who claim to speak for and represent the farmers of the country, and by the most powerful and influential of the railway corporations of the country. I do not question the sincerity of these opponents of Section 15a, but it is to me somewhat remarkable that with their diversity of interest, they can find a common ground from which they can deliver their attacks upon this part of the law. I intend to read these five paragraphs in your hearing, making such comment upon them as I proceed as may assist you to understand my view of their purport and effect.

Paragraphs (2) and (3) are as follows: "(2) In the exercise of its power to prescribe just and reasonable rates the Commission shall initiate, modify, establish or adjust such rates so that carriers as a whole (or as a whole in each of such rate groups or territories as the Commission may from time to time designate) will, under honest, efficient and economical management and reasonable expenditures for maintenance of way, structures and equipment, earn an aggregate annual net railway operating income equal, as nearly as may be, to a fair return upon the aggregate value of the railway property of such carriers held for and used in the service of transportation: Provided, That the Commission shall have reasonable latitude to modify or adjust any paragraph (continued on page four)

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SHOWING UP THE GRAFTERS

The indictment in New York of one of the Anti-saloon League's thousands of officers, who exist on money collected from well intentioned but poorly informed people, with more money than common sense, gives some idea of the immensity of what kind of business these leeches have been doing for many years. It remained for the state of New York to run them down, although there is not a single state in the union, not excepting Nebraska, where these people have not got in their work.

It is estimated that these people have appropriated ten millions of dollars in New York state alone. That state was considered prolific ground for their business and they were out early and late. It is possible, although hardly probable, that the activities of these people will be halted, at least temporarily, in the event of a conviction of William Anderson, against whom the charges are directed. It was Anderson's system to secure large contributions from gullible persons, and, instead of directing the money to what the Anti-saloon League called a righteous cause, appropriated it to his own use. He has been caught at last.

Omahans will do well to take notice, because Omaha people have in the past and are still failing for this graft. A few years ago an Anti-saloon League leader by the name of Leidy was in the same business. He made an awful bluff and many of the good people were falling for him. He became very obnoxious to one particular crowd of politicians. The way to stop his activities was discussed pro and con. Finally one of the men said, "We will buy him off." He was laughed at for his remark, but he insisted, "You can leave that to me."

They left it to him and he began negotiation. One night late he took a drive to the outskirts with a pocketful of bills. He met this man Leidy at an appointed place and delivered. That was the last seen of Leidy.

But the work has been taken up by others and the system of grafting goes right along. Elmer Thomas, who now has the job in Omaha, says he is a lawyer, and if reports are true he once went to law school. Nobody ever heard of him working at the business, which is an honorable profession. Is it possible that he is existing off the same kind of money that the preacher took? A lot of people would like to know. Even Dan Butler has been charged with associating with Thomas, but nobody has charged Butler with being associated with him in anything of that sort.



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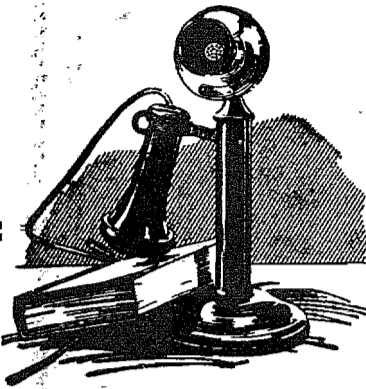
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The Receiver Must Be All the Way Down

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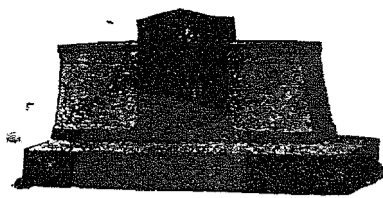
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Bell Company to Spend Over Million This Year in Nebraska and South Dakota

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The Bell System will spend more than \$1,150,000 in Nebraska and South Dakota this year for improvements. Increase in population in the states and continued reliance on the telephone make this expenditure necessary.

Notable among the improvements is the addition in the two states of 1,362 miles of long distance wire.

Many men have been added to the construction forces in Nebraska and South Dakota to build the new lines, and work is being rushed to completion to care for the extra number of calls which are always made during the grain-moving season.

The company expects more than 4,000 telephones to be added to its system in Nebraska and South Dakota this year.

Telephone repeaters, which reinforce the voice over long distance circuits, are being installed at Grand Island, McCook and Valentine, Nebr., and Pierre, S. D.

Just a few of the larger long distance projects in Nebraska and South Dakota this year include new lines from Holdrege to McCook; from Philip to Rapid City; from Presho to Philip, and from Trenton, Nebr., to Wray, Colo.

MAN SAVES FAMILY OF SIX FROM FIRE

Prompt action by Wheeler M. Blair, telephone man living at Grand Island, Nebr., saved the lives of Mr. and Mrs. John Marsh and their four children when the Marsh home was destroyed recently by fire.



W. M. Blair

Blair, awakened early by a storm, discovered his neighbor's home ablaze, and attempted in vain to rouse the family by shouting and pounding on the door. Forcing open the door, he groped his way through the smoke-filled rooms and awakened the family who had to flee in their night clothing.

The Northwestern Bell Company, for which Mr. Blair works, has a plan for awarding Theodore N. Vail medals in honorary recognition of noteworthy services performed by its employees in behalf of the public. Mr. Blair's deed entitles him to consideration for one of such medals. The Vail medal is awarded in memory of the late Theodore N. Vail, a former Nebraska telegraph operator, who was for years president of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, the parent company of the Bell System.

The investment of the Bell System in plant and equipment, including construction in progress, was shown by the books on December 31, 1922, to be \$1,758,000,000.

Copper on the Leviathan

From the tiniest brass screws to the 16 1/2-foot bronze propellers, the copper and brass industries have played a most important part in the reconditioning of the Leviathan, the world's largest ship. More than 25 miles of copper tubing, 250,000 pounds of it, were required for the heater coils in the staterooms. The heating coils exceed by 50,000 pounds the weight of the 200,000-pound statue of Liberty.

The lighting system required 745,000 feet of copper wire. All salt water lines are copper, according to Skillings' Mining Review. In the condensing system, 20,346 pounds of admiralty brass tubing were used. Where German engineers had used iron in the lubricating system, copper was introduced.

His Experience

"Well, I'll tell you, Ellick," confessed Gap Johnson of Rumpus Ridge. "I hung back right sharply about getting married. You see, I kinder got to thinking about the monotony of living with one—p'tul—person all my life."

"When you got married how'd it work out?" asked Ellick Onken.

"Never had a chance to try it, skurely. I've got fourteen children, three brothers-in-law, a father-in-law, mother-in-law, several other kinfolks and a couple of fellers that I never did find out perselzely who they was, hanging around more or less generally."—Kansas City Star.

A New Make of Car

Fred A. Wetherby, who lives in Martinsville, has taken an unusual interest in a bright four-year-old boy of one of his neighbors, and this interest has elicited some very amusing remarks by the youngster. The other day Mr. Wetherby drove into his neighbor's place and stopped near the place the four-year-old was playing.

"I'm going to get me a car when I get big," the boy announced emphatically.

"You are," encouraged Mr. Wetherby good-naturedly. "What kind are you going to get?"

"A Rhode Island Red," replied the youngster.—Indianapolis News.

Canadian Wheat Holds Its Own

During the last season wheat from Argentina has been a serious competitor of Canadian wheat and has supplied a large part of the requirements of Great Britain. However, Canadian wheat has sold readily whenever tonnage could be secured at rates sufficiently favorable to enable Canadian wheat to reach the British market even at a slight advance over the Argentine product. Shipments of Canadian wheat to the Orient are approximately one-third of the amounts shipped during the season of 1921-1922, when Japanese crops were very light.

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14th and Farnam for 42d and Grand	1:25
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16th and Dodge (West)	1:29
16th and Dodge (East)	2:07
30th and Spaulding for Depots	1:48
Leavenworth and Deaf Institute	
15th and Farnam (North)	12:24
15th and Farnam (South)	12:33
Benson and Albright	
13th and Farnam for Benson	1:24
13th and Farnam for Albright	1:00
13th and Farnam for 24th and N.	1:23
Fort Crook Line	
24th and N Sts., South Omaha	12:00
Fort Crook	12:30
Owl Cars	
16th and Farnam—south to 24th and Vinton	1:50
16th and Farnam—south to 24th and Vinton	2:30
16th and Farnam—south to 24th and Vinton	4:20
16th and Farnam—north to 24th and Ames	2:45
16th and Farnam—north to 24th and Ames	3:30
16th and Farnam—north to 24th and Ames	4:20
10th and Mason to 46th and Cuming	3:52
16th and Farnam to 46th and Cuming	4:00
46th and Cuming to 10th and Bancroft	4:21
16th and Farnam to 10th and Bancroft	4:38
24th Street Cross-Town	
24th and Lake to 24th and Vinton	12:48
24th and Lake to 42d and L.	12:35
42d and L to 24th and Vinton	1:15
Council Bluffs and Omaha	
Pearl and Broadway for Omaha	1:30
14th and Howard for E. L. Depot	1:20
14th and Howard for Pearl and Broadway	2:04

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ANDREE LAFAYETTE REWARDS SEARCH FOR THE IDEAL TRILBY

SYMMETRY OF FEET AND BEAUTY OF FORM AND OF
FEATURE COMBINE IN PERSON OF
FRENCH ACTRESS

Not more than a score of years has passed since Du Maurier's "Trilby" burst upon the literary horizon with an unprecedented éclat. Nor was its vogue short-lived, for "Trilby" has taken its place among the immortals novels. Its appeal to the imagination prompted an almost immediate dramatization and the finest of the then contemporary players aspired to roles in its various productions. No lesser stars than Sir Herbert Beerbohm Tree in England, Wilton Lackey in America, and Tyrone Power in Australia, vied with each other in respective characterizations of the sinister Svengali.

There was an even greater lure in the title role, and certainly no lack of histrionic talent in the persons of those who won the honor of first presenting it—Vivian Harned, Blanche Walsh and Lady Beerbohm Tree—nor yet perhaps in those who later played the role. But it was not until Richard Walton, Tully, America's leading playwright-producer, dedicated himself to the task of producing a matchless "Trilby" for the screen, that deliberate thought was given to presenting the world with a Trilby who lacked naught of histrionic talent and yet possessed the attributes of Du Maurier's heroine "from the ground up."

The vernacular is employed for its literal expression of the thought in mind. It will be remembered that Trilby was, first and most important of all, an artists' model in demand chiefly for her perfect feet. Yet she was more than that, and it was no small task which Tully undertook in finding one who in face and form and symmetry of feet, and in demeanor combined the qualifications of his ideal Trilby—always bearing in mind the searching, all-revealing eye of the camera.

But his diligence was crowned with success, as those will know who witness presentations of Richard Walton Tully's screen production of "Trilby," a first National attraction, which Manager Watts of the Rialto Theatre announces for a week's run, commencing Sunday, for in "Trilby" American audiences will have their

first glimpse of Andree Lafayette, the Trilby of Tully's dreams, the Trilby Du Maurier described in his famous novel—a rather tall, slender girl with golden hair, a fair skin, deep blue eyes, a rather large shapely mouth which, when she smiles, discloses perfect teeth, and—perfect feet.

Mis Lafayette is not of the type popularly conceived at the mention of the magic word: Paris. She is not the rashing, vivacious, coquettish girl of the boulevards. She lacks not of vivacity, however, albeit being inclined toward reserve and seriousness; perhaps she might best be described as an unusual combination of girlish joyousness and mature wisdom.

Her early education was received in a girl's school in St. Germaine-en-Laye, about eighteen miles from Paris. At the age of fifteen she was sent to a finishing school in England. Thus it is that this little native of Normandy has a fluent command of English. It was during her stay in England that she conceived the desire to become an actress, a desire which met with parental objection. But mademoiselle read of a beauty contest which was being conducted at Aix-les-Bains, and secretly sent in her photographs. She won the contest which carried with it a part in a French cinema production, a fact which so flattered the family pride that objections were withdrawn and Andree embarked upon her career. This was a little over a year ago. She is now nineteen.

WORLD'S WISEST MEN ONCE CALLED FOOLS

Dangerous to Call Any Man With An Unusual or "Crank" Idea Foolish, Says Claude Gillingwater

"The fools of the world are always its wise men."

Claude Gillingwater, well-known character actor of the stage and screen, is particularly fond of dropping paradoxical bombs in the conversation, for, no sooner did he finish with this, than he went on to say:

"It's gotten to the state where it's dangerous to one's intellectual reputation to call anyone a fool. Because history has such a strutting way of repeating itself. Time and time again we find that the fools of one generation are wise men of the next.

"I don't know of any more pertinent example than that of poor old Columbus. He was hooted and laughed at and called every kind of a fool, yet there are none among us today who do not hail his wisdom.

"Robert Fulton, played with his noisy steamboats until people covered up their ears and called 'Fool, fool' when his smoking monstrosities chugged up the river. But a very few years afterwards his name was classed with others in the Hall of Fame.

"Marconi is no longer called foolish and despite the derision heaped upon Alexander Bell and the Wright Brothers there is no one now who doubts their wisdom. Even the irritating telephone service cannot detract from Bell's glory.

"In motion pictures, notwithstanding the recentness of their advent, there are changes which some may call foolish. Witness these talking pictures. At the present time they seem utterly foolish, but I wouldn't go on record as saying that, because although I don't see how they will ever amount to anything, yet it wouldn't surprise me if they did.

"The average reaction to stereoscopic pictures is one of bewilderment. We've all been used to grandmother's album and stereoscope on the front parlor table, but the prospects of having these depth-giving lenses handed to you as you enter a picture house raises a hearty laugh from most of us. And those putting forward the theories are hailed as fools. But who can say what other title they may acquire by another thirty years?"

Gillingwater is well qualified to discuss wise fools because he appears as one in King Vidor's screen adaptation of "Three Wise Fools" which comes to the Strand theatre next

Sunday for an engagement of seven days. Gillingwater played the same role in John Golden and Winchell Smith's production of the Austin Strong play on the stage for over two years.

VIVIAN KARLS INJURED IN HIGH DIVE AT KRUG'S

Vivian Karls, Krug Park dare devil, was injured last night while making a high dive. Vivian or the horse made a miscue last night which may have proved fatal. She was rushed to a hospital where her injuries were found to be internal. Did that stop the girl in red? Should say not. In spite of what her physicians had to say the girl insists that she will ride tonight and furthermore will positively ride Dr. Carver's famous double somersault performer on the coming Sunday.

Only one woman in the world has ever successfully negotiated this feat, but Vivian is going to take a chance.

MUNGER SETS PRECEDENT IN INTERPRETING LAWS

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various cases. Many men and women alleged to be operating stills are before the court. They were indicted on nine counts under an old law made fifty years ago. That law appears to be in flat contradiction of the Volstead law. These alleged distillers were charged with failure to display openly a distillers license and other such evidence to openly advertise the fact that they were manufacturing liquor. The Volstead law says that no one shall advertise by sign, in the newspapers or in any way, that they are making the stuff. What the fine points of the law are we do not know. It is inconsistent to say the least.

RIOT OF VICE AND CRIME

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have been threatened with injury or death if we dare print the articles that are to appear commencing with this issue. To all such pimps, leeches and other police characters, we say here and now, go ahead. If you kill one or a dozen staff men on The Mediator, you will not injure The Mediator itself and will only make it stronger. We are going to call all such rotten bluffs right now and are willing to take the consequences. Fire away, you rats after reading this.

Now, readers, we will call your attention to a few cases that no one will have the nerve to deny. Let us start on Fourteenth and Chicago streets. On the west side of Fourteenth street at about 404, 406 and 408 are located three yellow cottages which are run very

much openly and seem not to be afraid of the law as it is administered under Butler. Personally we have not been there but have a preponderance of evidence that even a child could get much less the police department.

On the alley of the same street is a brick flat where prostitution flourishes as it did in the "Good old days", only more so. This has reference to the south half of the building which we believe is numbered 410. They do so much business here that the rounders say they actually have to use a double shift.

Another notorious place or places is located at 1314 and 1316 Capitol avenue. Two separate cottages. These houses do a land office business, one of the inmates, Rude Livingston, having a car of her own to help out.

At 1320 1/2 Capitol avenue, upstairs, is another place that should be investigated if the police department is really trying to stamp out vice in this city.

There is a grocery store located at 14th and Cass street, just back of it is a "cubby hole" where it is said one may get all the girls he wants and in addition can load up on liquor.

Other places will be given the once over in future issues of the paper.

LUIS FIRPO TO FIGHT IN I NOMHA NEXT FRIDAY NGHT

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that dignitary was hearing the sad news that one certain bout would not do as a preliminary but it was intimated that if Pat would get a near world beater to meet his own protegee they might consider the matter and let his boy go on. This refers to Kid Schlaifer, who may after all be one of the scrappers if a suitable opponent is found.

The South Omaha Legion has certainly picked a plum and if they arrange the right kind of preliminaries, let Firpo show his mug in advance, occasionally, and see to it that the public is given a square deal, they are sure to play to the biggest mid-western audience on record. Applications are pouring in from all over Nebraska and western Iowa for reservations, which indicates a record gate.

Seats will be arranged for 20,000, four times more than have seen a ring battle in Omaha. Seats will be on sale at the usual places.

SENATOR CUMMINS GIVES INSIDE OF RAIL SITUATION

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ticular rate which it may find to be unjust or unreasonable, and to prescribe different rates for different sections of the country.

"(3) The Commission shall from time to time determine and make public what percentage of such aggregate property value constitutes a fair return thereon, and such percentage shall be uniform for all rate groups or territories which may be designated by the Commission in making such determination it shall give due consideration, among other things, to the transportation needs of the country and the necessity (under honest, efficient and economical management of existing transportation facilities) of enlarging such facilities in order to provide the people of the United States with adequate transportation: Provided: That during the two years beginning March 1, 1920, the Commission shall take as such fair return a sum equal to 5 1/2 per centum of such aggregate value, but may, in its discretion, add thereto a sum not exceeding one-half of 1 per centum of such aggregate value to make provision in whole or in part for improvements, betterments or equipment, which according to the accounting system prescribed by the Commission, are chargeable to capital account."

It will be noted that the proviso in Paragraph (8) which, for the period of two years, directed the Interstate Commerce Commission to take 5 1/2 per centum upon the aggregate value of the railroad property as a fair return, with a discretion to add one-half of 1 per centum to be invested in improvements, betterments, or equipment, and charged to capital account, expired by its own limitation on March 1, 1922. I have never heard it alleged that 5 1/2 per centum upon capital was more than a fair return under the conditions which existed in 1920 and for two years thereafter,

and I pause only to observe with respect to this proviso that is is not in any possible sense a guarantee. I shall speak presently of that part of our system of government which deals with a fair return. I repeat that neither in words nor in effect is this proviso a guarantee.

The net operating income of all the railroads in the United States for the year 1920 was about one-half of 1 per cent upon the value of the property rendering the service, as fixed by the Interstate Commerce Commission, in 1921 it had advanced to a little more than 3 per cent, and in 1922 it had advanced still further to about 4 per cent. It has never been claimed by anyone, however much given to misrepresentation, that the Government is in any wise responsible to the railroads for the difference between these net incomes and the fair return as fixed in this proviso, or as subsequently fixed by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

With that point out of the way I ask your consideration of Paragraph (2). You will not overlook the reaffirmation in Paragraph (2) of the principle that the rates prescribed by the Commission must be just and reasonable; nor will you, I am sure, forget that under the repeated decisions of the Supreme Court of the United States, rates which do not earn a fair return upon the value of the property which renders the service are neither just nor reasonable. These provisions of the paragraph are neither new or strange.

Happily we live under the protection of a constitution which all men ought to respect, and which all of us who hold public office have sworn to obey and defend. It is the Constitution of the United States which prohibits Congress, or any state legislature, or any administrative officer from fixing rates for a public service rendered by a private corporation or individual, that will yield less than a fair return upon the value of the property which renders the service. However it may be in other countries, in our country confiscation is a proscribed policy.

The statute to which I am referring simply recognizes the Constitution as the supreme law of the land, and does no more than state in the very language of the Supreme Court, in repeated instances, its interpretation of the Constitution.

(TO BE CONTINUED NEXT WEEK)

Disease Makes Her Talk Almost Continuously

Parsons, Kan.—Talking almost continuously since last Thanksgiving, and still going strong, is the unique record of Miss Mildred Spencer, twenty-year-old schoolma'am of this city.

Miss Spencer, while visiting her home in Baldwin for the Thanksgiving vacation, prattled incessantly of "cabbages and kings," but the family thought she was only overjoyed to return. But when she awakened her mother night after night to continue the talk-fest, the family became alarmed.

Several weeks ago the patient was brought to a local sanitarium, where physicians diagnosed her malady as "talking sickness."

Miss Spencer is widely read and has a wealth of material upon which to enlighten attendants. She rarely repeats herself.

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Arrested for Speeding, Has Latest in Alibis

Woodlawn, Cal.—J. R. Lemon of Sacramento has been awarded first honors for offering alibis in the local justice court.

When Lemon was overhauled by Officer George Sharpneck recently he was doing 45 miles an hour.

Lemon wrote to Justice of the Peace W. H. Scott as follows:

"I could not help my speed for the suction of a passenger train passing through Davis drew me along."

Child Found Lurching on a Stick of Dynamite

Mrs. C. E. Brewer of Kansas City, Kan., was amazed to find her three-year-old daughter seated on the step of a rear porch complacently chewing on a half-pound stick of dynamite. She separated the baby from its "lunch" and called the police.

Other children, who had been playing in the yard, explained that the baby found the explosive in a bunch of wire. No ill effects followed the dynamite menu.

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