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## DUNDEE OVERRUN WITH BOOZE

### AK-SAR-BEN RACES START WITH MORE THAN 600 ENTRIES

Ponies From Nearly Every State In The Union, Canada And Mexico At The Race Track

### EVENT BRINGS MANY OUT-STATE PEOPLE

Secretary Trimble Has Secured More Than 600 Thoroughbreds for This Meet—Many of Them Last Year's Favorites—Scores of Eastern Bang-Tail Winners Here for First Time—Record Opening Attendance Expected.

Omaha's big booster institution, Ak-Sar-Ben, is planning a running race program this spring—May 31st to June 24th—that will be second to none in the west. In fact, with the advent of this, Ak-Sar-Ben's fourth season of racing, the Omaha track is established as a meeting place for stables from the four corners of the United States, from Mexico and Canada.

Advance reservations indicate that most of the states in the Union will be represented at the races in Omaha. The track is becoming more and more popular with the public. The steel and concrete grandstand, which seats 10,000 people, is considered one of the finest amphitheatres in the country. The layout of the Grand Stand, makes it possible for every movement of the horses on the track to be seen.

Some of the finest stables in the country will contest for the handicap purses. Following are the big events and the days on which they will be run: The Speed Inaugural, Saturday, May 31st; The Ak-Sar-Ben Queen's Plate, Wednesday, June 4th; The Ak-Sar-Ben King's Cup, Saturday, June 7th; The Omaha Chamber of Commerce Handicap, Saturday, June 14th; The Nebraska Handicap, Thursday, June 19th; and The Stock Yards Derby, Saturday, June 21st. There will be 21 days of racing, 6 or more races each day, purses total \$80,000.

Charley Trimble and his hustling associates have more than six hundred ponies out at Ak-Sar-Ben field waiting for the word "go" next Saturday. The track is so well established now that Trimble's greatest worry has been in keeping the number of

entries down to a reasonable figure. The growing reputation of Omaha as a racing center has been the means of making it possible for those in charge to bring to this city by far the best racing talent that has ever galloped over the course. That means something to racing fans in these parts as they well remember the high class talent that entertained them last year.

The purses this year are bigger than ever. It will take a heap of people and a big mutual play to pay out this big amount of money but no worry is necessary on that score if the weather is half decent on most of the racing days. One of the best indications of the interest taken in racing last year was the large number of eastern Nebraska and western Iowa people who came to town at least once a week for the sole reason of witnessing the races. When these out of town boys come for the races it means a great deal to the business interests of the city as they are good spenders and do not fail to distribute a large gob of dough with the merchants as well as with the fellows operating the mutuels.

At least one hundred of last year's favorite bang-tails are now out at the track and will no doubt get as heavy a play as they did during the 1923 meet. One of the interesting things concerning the coming meet this season is the fact that Mr. Trimble has secured scores of eastern track winners, some of them with an international reputation.

This should and no-doubt will create unusual interest down beneath the grand stand where plunger and piker alike spend their time between races. (Continued on Page 4)

### JOSEPH KOUTSKY HITTING REAL STRIDE AS HE STARTS MANY IMPROVEMENTS

Would Have Law Passed to Divert Auto Taxes Back to City for New Boulevard Work—To Start Widening and Opening of New Streets at Once—A Boon to Labor As Well As To The Public.

Joseph Koutsky right on the heels of his reelection to the city commission announces a progressive building program that will be of immeasurable value to the citizens of this city now and for all the time. The sap heads that went out of the way to fight Koutsky now realize their mistake.

The commissioner of public improvements has mapped out a building program that will greatly enhance real estate values throughout the city and give the people a system of boulevards second to none in the country. Mr. Koutsky is a man of broad vision and in planning the improvements he expects to make has kept an eagle eye on the future.

Furthermore he has evolved a plan whereby the citizens of Omaha will not be called upon to pay out a cent of taxes for new boulevards or the improvement of the present ones. It is a just one and should have the support of every man and woman in the city. He proposes that a law be framed and passed that will give back to the city half million dollars derived from automobile taxes, paid by Omaha car drivers.

It seems a shame to continue to take this half million dollars annually and turn it over to the county for road fund purposes any longer. This system was all right at one time but nearly all the main thoroughfares of the county have now been paved and the money should now be spent for the benefit of the people who pay the bill. In speaking before a public body Thursday Koutsky said if you have this law passed "You won't have to spend a dollar on river drives and

boulevards and Omaha can in years to come be the proud possessor of one of the finest boulevards systems in the country."

Mr. Koutsky will immediately start on his program of widening, opening and grading of important thoroughfares, the paving of boulevards and within a short time will make the radiant dream of the river drive a reality. During his present administration he is sure to at least start the creation of a new scenic boulevard to the north.

The first big job to be under taken will be that of widening and opening of St. Mary's Avenue west from twenty-seventh street. This is the first step in preparation for the Greater Omaha of tomorrow, in fact it is being a need now pressing.

A local daily very aptly says in speaking of the improvement policy of Mr. Koutsky that:

"We are laying the foundations today for an Omaha of a half million population, and more, that will be the home of our children. At comparatively little cost and trouble now it can be made a beautiful and adequate home. A short-sighted policy would make it cramped, unlovely, and surely stunt its growth. And even today, not to mention five or ten years hence, the city is handicapped and restricted, in both a business and artistic way, by lack of the improvements for which Koutsky is planning. Omaha's commissioner of public improvements, fortunately, is a man of vision, initiative and energy. During his first term he did much for the city. Now he is beginning to hit his real stride."

### JOE HEIL RECOVERS REVOLVER STOLEN FOUR YEARS AGO

A little incident rather unusual in Police circles occurred Wednesday when Detective Joe Heil recovered a revolver stolen more than four years ago from Gus Trahanis. A good detective never forgets and the world will tell you that Joe is a good one.

### STATE OF NEBRASKA COLLECTS HEAVY INHERITANCE TAX

The state of Nebraska benefited to the extent of more than 23 thousand dollars as a result of the inheritance tax paid by the estate of the late George A. Hoagland. The federal government collected 252 thousand dollars as their share of the tax on the same estate. His three children are still one-half million dollars each to the good.

### TUFF LUCK FOR THE BOOTLEGGERS

Elmer Thomas, our new prohibition enforcement officer is going to sell more than six hundred gallons of perfectly good alk without giving a single bootlegger in the city a chance to bid on it. But the boys should worry, they are now buying it at an extremely reasonable figure and selling it the same way on the days that Samardick is out of town or temporarily off the job.

### SATURDAY THE LAST DAY OF SCHOOL EXHIBIT—SEE IT

If you have not seen the school exhibit, made possible through the generosity and good will of the Brandeis Store and the World-Herald, you have missed the finest educational opportunity of a life time. This wonderful exposition of the artcraft of the rising generation will be open to the public one more day, Saturday. Those in charge will open the exhibit at nine o'clock Saturday rather than at noon as has been the custom before. This will enable several thousand more parents and others interested in school work to visit the splendid showing of the schools, on the eight floor of the Brandeis Store.

### KRUG PARK MUSICIANS TO TRAVEL BY ZEPPELIN

Fred Hamm and his 10-piece orchestra, which is booked until May 31, in Krug Park ballroom, will be the first musical aggregation to travel in a Zeppelin.

Hamm and his orchestra, who return to the Chicago Beach Hotel on June 1, for an engagement in the ballroom, are to make a two weeks' tour this summer in a government Zeppelin in an advertising stunt on which they will visit New York, Buffalo, Cleveland, Detroit, Duluth and other seaboard cities.

Hamm has one of the most widely known dance orchestras in the east. It played two seasons at the Marigold Garden, one season at the Chicago Beach Hotel and also at the Edgewater Beach Hotel, all of Chicago.

### PINE WOOD ORDERS INCREASE

Southern Pine Association Barometer for last week shows orders received increased 15.8 percent over previous week; shipments increased 7.4 percent, and production increased 0.3 percent. Reports from 132 mills show 77,288,256 feet ordered, 78,930,000 feet shipped and 76,184,096 feet produced. Orders on hand end of last week were 221,046,096 feet.

### KNOCKS AND BOOSTS BY THE OBSERVER

COMMISSION MAN in South Omaha, a manager for one of the largest firms on the market has a reputation of doing many unprintable things. One of his intended he-victims told us all about it. Its a hot though dirty and disagreeable story.

TOM BOWLES missed a drink, and has been pouting about it. Its an awful funny thing, because Tom does not miss many. He says they don't come like they used to, and, besides that, Tom can't wrestle any more. And besides that he lost about a million speculating the other day, which is enough to put even Larry on the bum. Forget it, Tom.

PAXTON BLOCK business and professional interests will be well represented in the Mediator in the next issue. Many of the firms and professional men and women have had their office in this, the City's best known block for a score or more years.

### Butler Receives Flowers From Bath House Queen

Lady Pal Responsible for His Nickname "Bath House Dan" Shows Appreciation.

It may be interesting to the friends as well as the enemies of the now fire commissioner, Dan Butler to know that this self spouting official received a magnificent bouquet of flowers from an old and intimate lady friend of his. Hundreds of readers of the Mediator have written to the paper during the past two years asking why Mr. Butler had received the cognomen, "Bathhouse Dan". The flowers is perhaps the best answer.

On the very best of authority it is stated that on the reorganization of the council that Dan received from his old bath house lady pal, Elsie Phelps, formerly known as the bath house queen a beautiful bouquet of Daisies. Elsie operated her famous catering to men only, bath house at Fifteenth and Harney streets, upstairs where it is understood Butler was one of, if not her best patron.

Not forgetting old friendships, Elsie, on receiving word that Butler was re-elected got busy and sent him a magnificent bouquet of daisies in appreciation of their former intimate friendship, no doubt. The card attached to the token read as follows: Mr. Dan B. Butler—Congratulations—from Miss Elsie Phelps.

### BLACK GOLD—RUNSTAR MATCH RACE SEEMS NOW ASSURED

In a last minute interview over the telephone with Charlie Trimble's secretary and main cheese of the coming Ak-Sar-Ben June races we are assured that it is more than probable that Omaha and the mid-west will be treated to the greatest racing event in history. At press time Charlie had not received definite answers from Mrs. Hoots, the famous Indian woman owner of Black Gold nor from Mr. Spreckless the Western sugar king, owner of what most Omaha racing fans believe to be the gamest and fastest bang-tail in America.

Should the racing association be fortunate enough to get these two wonderful bits of horse flesh together in a match race, the event will without a doubt bring to Omaha the greatest number of race followers in the history of the game in the western part of the United States.

### SMALL TOWN STUFF

Press association news writers sent out feature stories to the effect that more than 1 hundred thousands gallons of beer were dumped into the gutters of the Windy city. That is small town stuff. Here in Omaha fifty thousand beer guzzlers dump that amount into their stomachs every day.

### OMAHA MAY YET HAVE NEW FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BLDG

Word comes from Washington that it is possible, even probable that a new building will be erected in Omaha for and by the Federal Reserve Bank. This will be a bit of welcome news not only to officials and employees of the local branch but to the general business interests of the city as well.

BUTCH AMES got all heat up the other day. He was working for Jim Griffin, a business man of the North end. It beats the band what some of these policemen will do. Butch says he is in wrong with somebody.

RODEO WEEK has been a splendid success thus far while Saturday is expected to break all attendance records. Its a Legion show which means it is the best of its kind. If you haven't been out to League park yet make a bee line for the place this afternoon.

NATE TRAPHAGEN, whose Cadillac was lost recently, reports its return to his front yard. He reported its loss in The Mediator. When it came back, some of the gear machinery was missing, but otherwise it will run as well as ever. Nate buys a new car every month. He is not a bootlegger either, although he is said to be quite a consumer.

### ONE SOCIETY MAN IN BAD ON ACCOUNT OF FRENCH NURSE

Police Find His Cellar Flooded With Illicit Liquor On One Very Embarrassing Occasion

### NOTED BANK CASHIER HAVING TROUBLES

Sensational Stories Being Broadcast from Station D-U-N-D-E-E—One Going Rounds Say Prominent Automobile Man is Paying the Price for His Fun—French Nurse Gets Away With the Dough and Marries a Soldier.

Dundee, Omaha's cosmopolitan suburb, is the home of an enterprising place, where whisky and other things flow with all the freedom that characterized those good old times before Mr. Volstead began making home anything but a place to live in.

This handsome suburb, which boasts the best homes in the city and lays claim to being a suburb of quality and a nice place wherein to live, has apparently escaped the notice of Elmer Thomas, our industrious prohibition boss, who is said to reside in the neighborhood of these dare devils who dare to keep a supply of the prohibitive liquor in their homes. The question now is, whether or not Dundee is a selective place, quite distinct from the common rabble of Omaha, which must stand for an official raid on its homes at all times and under any circumstance.

Out in Dundee lives among other well to do and wealthy personages, a well known automobile dealer who commands the respect of most of the Omaha people, hundreds of whom are running his cars every day. He traffics in a popular high priced car and sells lots of them. He keeps abreast the times by keeping his cellar well stocked with liquors. Incidentally, he trifles on occasions, with some fine looking French brunettes.

One of these French ladies has been a nurse. She formerly was connected with the county hospital. That is where this automobile man first knew her, it is said. At any rate he got so well acquainted with her that for a long time she took up much of his time and created a large expense account, which finally all but wrecked this fine home. He asked an official of the law to keep an eye out to see

that there was nothing doing in that vicinity.

Once when the family was away and the automobile man was said to be entertaining the French nurse, officers were called in the belief that there were prowlers in the neighborhood. No prowlers were found, but the house was unlocked and the officers entered. A search of the place was made and in the cellar where one of them ventured, it was discovered that a large supply of liquor was stashed.

And this right in elite Dundee, the home of exclusive Omahans. It would really be a crime to tell who this man is because he does not entertain everybody. The French brunette, who by the way has a head of jet black hair, finally married a soldier. This does not, however prevent her from tarrying occasionally with the automobile man and with others who sought her blandishments while papa was soldiering. She has a sister who furnished her excuse for being away from home. She is said to have set the automobile man back a large sum of ready cash which he now owes to local banks, the notes being secured by a mortgage on this palatial Dundee home.

Meanwhile the French nurse is enjoying herself in style. The man who has been keeping her can not say a word for fear she will tell all she knows, which would put his business on the hummer for fair. The stock of wet goods in his basement is considerably depleted now, but there remains plenty to make life worth living for a long time.

This should be a tip to Mr. Thomas who has said or intimated that he (Continued on Page 4)

### SCORES OF PEOPLE SAY HALF NOT TOLD CONCERNING THE "HOUSE OF HOPE"

Community Chest Officials Say Life Membership Only One Thousand Dollars—Others Say It Is \$3,000 in Some Cases—Matron Won't Let People Visit Old People Is One Charge—Publicity Bringing Out Patent Facts.

The half has never been told. That is what one man, closely identified with the development of the House of Hope had to say about The Mediator's story last week about the conduct of that institution. The man referred to lives in Florence and is pretty well acquainted with conditions out there. He keeps abreast the affairs of the House of Hope, although he does not indulge in any extravagant talk either about the management or their manner of doing business.

From latest reports, it would appear that persons having an interest in these old people, forced by circumstances, to remain in this institution, are kept as far away from the inmates as it is possible to keep them. An informant tells about an attorney being called to make the last will of an inmate. He was not even admitted to the place. As a matter of truth the inmate was clearly within his or her rights in sending for this attorney. Even persons under a guardianship are entitled to make their own will and have it drawn and witnessed by whomsoever they wish.

This is only one instance of this sort of business. That is practiced regularly is the allegation made by those interested, who say conditions there, as they refer to privileges of inmates, are deplorable. When an old person enters the institution they practically are forced to abandon their own personality. Anything that has to do with their personal welfare is taken charge of by an official of the institution and the person interested is practically forced to turn

his or her affairs over to that party. The publicity given this place has been of great benefit, according to another woman. "It is necessary to air these things a little once in a while" she said. "We have several other places that need something of the same sort."

Reports of conditions in other places are being looked into it is said. They are all controlled by boards composed of good and reliable business men. The trouble appears to be that these men do not have time to devote to them. One place is mentioned where it is alleged large quantities of food was dumped into the sewers in order that other donations might be solicited. Several hundred cases of eggs, for instance, are said to have been peddled out of one institution's larder and the money pocketed by the peddler or divided up with other persons. These eggs had been donated by a wholesale produce firm presuming they were to be consumed by the inmates of the place.

With these conditions prevailing it is stated it is high time somebody was taking a peep behind the curtains. Persons who donated to the community chest also are intensely interested because most of these places received substantial donations. Who is getting this money is what they want to know and demand to be informed.

Last week we were informed that the top price paid for life membership was one thousand dollars. This week the claim is made that some pay as high as \$3,000.



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### PASSING BONUS MEASURE OVER PRESIDENT'S VETO

The action of both houses of congress in passing the bonus measure over the veto of President Coolidge was hardly a surprise to those who have feverishly watched the progress of this legislation from the start. That the measure as finally it became a law of the land is not at all satisfactory to either its supporters or its enemies is very evident.

The effect of its adoption as against the veto of the president will be very wide spread and of unusual interest in political circles. It would appear on the surface that the action of President Coolidge has definitely stricken his name automatically from the list of presidential possibilities. The part taken by his own party in turning him down on the bonus question appears to have been formal notice that they do not want him. At any rate his chances even of securing the nomination appear to be small, although up to the present time the republicans have tentatively accepted him as their choice of men to lead the party. It is now an accepted fact that in the event of him being selected as a candidate for president his defeat is a foregone conclusion.

The democrats will make plenty of political capital out of the episode, just as they have made capital out of the many other episodes that have come to their assistance recently, although they themselves are in considerable of a quandary as to who their own leader shall be. If they discover some man who is big enough to satisfy the voters, it appears, that they will win in November, hands down.

But the bonus question has long been a bone of contention. Hardly a family in the country that has not a relative who was in the world war, even though only to a small extent. There was, however, glory enough for them all. This fact makes the bonus question almost universal. It means also that the taxpayers must pay the bill. Already the ways and means committee of the house is trying to work out this feature. President Coolidge knew what the result would be and for that reason refused to approve the measure. In most business circles this feeling is pretty general. It is not a small matter. The payment of this huge amount, several billion of dollars, is something to be considered. The old saying, let the other fellow do the work and worrying, is bad business. The insurance plan is not a popular one, but it is a good one at that. It has even been said that these young men should have the cash and an opportunity to spend it. The level heads, however, know what is best.

The writer has in mind one youngster who spent the limit of time in the service and was overseas twenty-two times, being in the navy. He will have some thing like \$1,500 coming. If he got that money in cash it doubtless would last him about two or three months. No person would be the gainer by his spending the money either. There are many thousands in the same fix.

The men who served their country are entitled to something in the way of a bonus, at any rate, and in spite of all arguments. The business of giving them life insurance policies is about the best thing that could be done. Most of them will have two years in which to decide what they will do with them. By that time they will be wiser than they are now.

Meantime, some way must be arranged for paying this immensely huge debt. It will be the business of congress to arrange this matter, and that body is entitled to the support of the people in their efforts to legislate in a manner that will equalize the burden.

### ORGANIZATION OF CITY COUNCIL

Last Tuesday the city council was reorganized with one significant change. Commissioner Dan B. Butler, who has long had the department of Finance, was reduced to the position of commissioner of safety, heretofore held by Commissioner Hopkins, who was given Mr. Butler's position.

This change is not as important as it might appear, only that Mr. Butler will have nothing to do except attend to his own business. The remainder of the council will do the rest, including the work. It will relieve the fire commissioner of many of his official duties and give him an opportunity to think things over.

Mr. Butler's long service with the city thus ends its usefulness. He has been acting mayor in the absence of Commissioner Dahlman and has heretofore been entrusted with work and duties considered diplomatic. His retirement comes as a matter of expediency. It comes because he can not be trusted with the duties he has heretofore performed. To Mr. Butler's friends this will come as a distinct disappointment. Commissioner Butler heretofore has been considered perfectly capable of doing the things entrusted to his care, and until now he has done so.

The real cause of his trouble is his mouth, which he himself nor nobody else has been able to muzzle. It simply became necessary to put a halter on him, which the council has done, very gracefully. With the fire department Commissioner Butler will have an opportunity to reflect. The lesson is undoubtedly a good one and one which he deserved. It is hoped by the people that he will take it with the same grace that it was bestowed upon him, and that during the three coming years he will work right along with his associates and not get the idea that he is the whole thing in the city hall.

### Mother Watches Movie While Baby Dies in Lap

Enthralled by the fast moving action of a "movie" thriller, Mrs. Wesley Steed of Alto, Tex., clapped her hands with glee while her young baby died in her lap. The baby had been dead for an hour before the mother discovered that its body was cold. Then she screamed and fainted and had to be carried from the theater.

### Would Burn Corpses

Paris.—A law providing for the burning of corpses to prevent burial of living persons will be introduced in the French parliament soon by Andre Godard, a Paris scientist. One person out of every 200 is buried alive, Godard has declared.

### Both Are Satisfied

Chambersburg, Pa.—Mr. and Mrs. George E. Diehl ride about in a car which is gray on one side and blue on the other. "My wife likes gray, and I like blue, so we compromised," explained Mr. Diehl.

### Baby Freezes to Death

Stoux City, Ia.—Two-months-old Lillian Widgery died of the cold. The baby's hands and feet were frozen stiff. Officers found other members of the family huddled in their cold home, suffering from lack of warmth and food.



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Cuming for Dundee	1:34
16th and Farnam for Depot	2:04
Harney Street Line	12:50
16th and Parker to 6th St.	1:49
16th and Parker to Depot	1:51
16th and Center for 36d and Parker	1:53
Park and North 24th Streets	1:03
16th and Farnam, East Side	1:23
16th and Farnam for Florence	1:12
16th and Farnam for Kansas Ave.	1:31
16th and Farnam for 24th and Ames	2:03
South Omaha and 42d and Grand	1:21
16th and Farnam for West Q.	1:21
16th and Farnam for 42d and Grand	1:25
Dodge Street Line	1:29
16th and Dodge (West)	1:29
16th and Dodge (East)	2:07
16th and Spaulding for Depots	1:45
Leavenworth and Deaf Institute	12:39
16th and Farnam (North)	12:24
16th and Farnam (South)	12:39
Benson and Albright	1:24
16th and Farnam for Benson	1:24
16th and Farnam for Albright	1:24
16th and Farnam for 24th and N.	1:23
Fort Crook Line	12:09
24th and N Sts., South Omaha	12:09
Fort Crook	12:39
Owl Cars	
16th and Farnam—south to 24th and Vinton	1:56
16th and Farnam—south to 24th and Vinton	8:30
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
16th and Mason to 46th and Cuming	8:52
16th and Farnam to 49th and Cuming	4:06
16th and Cuming to 16th and Bancroft	4:21
16th and Farnam to 16th and Bancroft	4:33
24th Street Cross-Town	
24th and Lake to 24th and Vinton	12:49
24th and Lake to 42d and L.	12:52
42d and L to 24th and Vinton	1:15
Council Bluffs and Omaha	1:36
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Chicago.—With the arrest of three men the police began a roundup of a ring of more than fifty bank swindlers who are credited with having cashed \$100,000 worth of bogus checks in some forty Chicago banks in the last six months.

Aaron Mosheik, a twenty-four-year-old genius with the pen, who is credited with being the leader of the band, was found to have disappeared from his home when the police went there to arrest him.

**Told Banks He Was Coming.**

According to detectives, young Mosheik is the cleverest penman whose activities have come to the attention of the police in a decade. Bank experts have pronounced his forgeries genuine, it is said.

According to Norkett, Mosheik came to Chicago last August after he had succeeded in passing \$80,000 worth of forged checks on Los Angeles banks.



Two Hours Later He Made a Forgery.

He was so bold as to serve notice upon certain Chicago banks, it is said, that he was coming here to "gyp" them.

"And he has," Norkett said. "Dozens of suits have been filed against banks by depositors on account of his activities. He is so clever that it is almost impossible to obtain enough evidence on which to prosecute him."

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"The gang has been working hand in glove with bootleggers here. A bootlegger gets a check from a man with a large bank account and Mosheik needs only a hasty glance at the signature to duplicate it. Some weeks ago he was being questioned at the detective bureau, and to exhibit his prowess with the pen looked at a difficult signature for only three seconds. Two hours later he made a forgery that experts pronounced genuine. But we couldn't get enough evidence at that time to prosecute."

**Relative of Emerson Is Killed by Train**

St. Helens, Ore.—C. W. Emerson, eighty-two, a resident of St. Helens for 40 years, and who said he was a second cousin of Ralph Waldo Emerson, noted poet, died of injuries sustained when he walked into a slowly moving locomotive on the Astoria branch of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railroad.

Mr. Emerson was on his way from the post office in West St. Helens and, it is supposed, did not see the approaching train bound for Astoria. As it was passing over the highway crossing, ing about 50 feet from the depot, he deliberately walked into the engine and was struck by the piston head on the left side of the locomotive. He was thrown about 12 feet and died 20 minutes after being picked up.

**Cemetery Robber Jailed**

Atlanta, Ga.—Accused of digging coffins out of a cemetery here, Claude Maddox, colored, was sent to jail for a year. Maddox delivered the coffins to Sam Ware, also colored, who resold them, it is alleged. Ware is held for trial.

**Engineer Saves Boy**

Lebanon Junction, Ky.—W. R. Starke, Louisville & Nashville railroad engineer, stopped his train at Pottinger creek, near Gethsemane, and led members of the crew to the rescue of Jesse Brown, twelve, who was in danger of drowning after ice on which he had been skating had broken. The trainmen brought the boy to safety and then made a 20-mile run to this place in their icy-wet clothes.

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**Thieves Take Carpets From Two Churches**

Thieves stole the carpets from the floors of the Reformed and Lutheran churches, at Mainland, Pa. Nothing else was touched. The thefts were discovered when worshippers gathered in the churches for service.

**Kills Self After Fire**

Lyndonville, Vt.—Two days after fire destroyed his store and apartment, causing the death of eight persons, Albert Stern killed himself. He was suspected of knowing something about the blaze, having been seen in the store ten minutes before the alarm was sounded.

**"Dead" Man Returns**

Marion, O.—Mourning as dead for 38 years, J. A. Ryan, soldier of fortune, has returned to his boyhood home, at Marion, to visit his brother. Ryan now is a member of the regular army and is stationed in Texas.

**Operates as Flames Rage**

New York.—While a patient was undergoing an operation upstairs, firemen fought a blaze in the kitchen of Dr. Julius Lempert's hospital, at New York city. Not until the fire was out was the doctor informed of the fire.

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# Goldwyn Makes Thrilling Melodramatic Film of "Nellie, the Beautiful Cloak Model"

At last one of the prolific Owen Davis's popular melodramas, has reached the screen, and it promises to surpass in popularity the stage play. It is "Nellie, the Beautiful Cloak Model," which was produced in the heyday of such melodramatic sure-fire hits as "Across the Continent," "Bertha, the Sewing Machine Girl," "The Fast Mail" and other successes of the early years of the present century.

"Nellie, the Beautiful Cloak Model" sprang into instant popularity on the stage and was used on tour for many years. Owen Davis, the author, has of recent years changed his style of play-making and has written such dramatic plays as "Icebound" and "The Detour" and more recently the comedy success, "The Nervous Wreck," now running in New York, but his fame was first made with melodramas such as "Nellie, the Beautiful Cloak Model" which has now been made into a picturesque and thrilling photoplay by Goldwyn. It will be the attraction at the Rialto theatre on Sunday, May 25 and for seven days following.

Emmett Flynn, whose first Goldwyn picture was F. Marion Crawford's, "In the Palace of the King," was assigned to direct the Davis picture as his second production for Goldwyn. H. A. Van Loan, famous scenarist, was engaged to adapt the play to the screen and the continuity was prepared by Carey Wilson of Goldwyn's editorial force. While the picture departs in some respects from the stage play, it is nevertheless a vivid presentation of the Davis story. The villain is just as villainous in the screen version as he was in the stage play, and the good people are just as good, and have perhaps been made a little more human than they were in the original.

The great spectacular high-lights of the old melodrama have been retained in their entirety. One of the most thrilling moments in the picture is when the heroine, Nellie, is bound to the tracks of the elevated railroad in New York by the villain, who is next in line to receive the fortune that is rightfully hers.

The motorman dies of heart failure as the train is bearing down upon the heroine and it is finally brought to a stop by one of the passengers just in time to save the heroine from being mangled under the wheels of the train. Another spectacular scene is that of the fire at the brilliant fashion show in which the beautiful cloak model was the central attraction. The great fight between the hero, who is in love with Nellie, and the villainous Peck, is another dramatic high-light in the picture play.

The cast which appears in this production is one of the ablest of the year. Claire Windsor plays the part of Nellie, the beautiful cloak model; Mae Busch, that of her chum, Polly Joy; Edmund Lowe, the role of her lover, Jack Carroll; Raymond Griffith, the part of the taxi driver, Shorty Burchell, who is in love with Polly; Lew Cody is the villainous Walter Peck; Hobart Bosworth has the dual role of Robert Horton and Thomas Lipton, and other important roles are acted by Lilyan Tashman, Dorothy Cummings, Will Walling, Mayme Kelso, William Orlamond, Arthur Houseman and David Kirby.

The settings were designed by Cedric Gibbons and some of them are unusually beautiful. Lucien Andriot, the cameraman, has achieved some remarkably beautiful photography in this production, notably in the fire scenes and the sequence in which Nellie is tied to the railroad tracks.

## HARD WORK TO MAKE HAPPY COMEDY STAR CRY IN FILM

Constance Talmadge Was Feeling So Good the Tears Wouldn't Come.

### BUT SHE FINALLY DID

Phonograph Records of Old Time Songs Accomplish What the Orchestra Failed to Do.

Discovered: A sure way to make Constance Talmadge cry!

Jerome Storm, who directed Constance Talmadge in "The Goldfish" had Art Jell's orchestra play all sorts of sad music in order to coax a few tears from Constance. But Constance absolutely refused to cry. "I feel too happy today to cry," declared Constance. "Can't you film some 'glad stuff' instead?" Director Storm was adamant. "We've got to have some tears, Miss Talmadge," he said. "You see you have been divorced from your first and second husbands and your third husband, a multi-millionaire has just died. It is a very sad scene. Please cry a few tears."

"Tell you what," replied Constance, "send over to the bungalow for my portable phonograph. I have some old records there, too. Some mamma bought away back in 1904, 1905, 1906 and 1907. When I was a little girl they used to make me cry something awful."

Accordingly Storm stilled the studio orchestra and got out the phonograph. In turn he played "Won't You Come Over to My House?" "Honey, Stay in Your Own Back Yard." "I'm Trying the Leaves So They Won't Come Down," "Good Bye, Dollie, I Must Leave You," and "Don't Cry, Little Girl. Don't Cry." Soon the tears began trickling down Constance's face and Cameraman Ray Binger began "sneaking his scenes." Finally Constance, the tears streaming down her cheeks, could stand it no longer.

"Turn off the phonograph," she said, "my heart is nearly broken." "The Goldfish," a First National picture, will be shown at the Strand Theatre Sunday May 25 and for one week following.

## WASHLINE THIEF OUTWITS VICTIM GONE FOR POLICE

Takes His Departure While Daughter of House Is Seeking Officer.

New York.—Of late, almost every time the Denlys of Newark put the wash out on the line somebody came along between dusk and dawn and took the wash and line away.

William Denly, man of the house, got tired of this and picked one night as a good time to keep a vigil. He put out the kitchen light and stationed himself in the kitchen window, with a revolver.

The hours passed. Finally, at five o'clock in the morning, a man stole silently into the yard, beneath the light of the moon, if there was one, deftly clipped the clothesline and began to fold the wash.

"Halt!" said Mr. Denly, walking out into the night and brandishing the gat. "Thrup yer hands!"

He marshaled the gentleman into the Denly kitchen, summoned Miss



Sent Her for the Police.

Denly, his eighteen-year-old daughter, and sent her for the police.

The guest protested, pleaded, begged. He said he was a war veteran. Mr. Denly said that was no reason why he should swipe folks' duds. The guest said he would never do it again, but Mr. Denly was adamant.

Gone Long Time. And he remained adamant until he noticed his daughter was gone an awfully long time and there was no sign of her return. It was dark out. Maybe he shouldn't have sent her out alone at that time of night.

More time passed. Still no daughter, no police. The situation began to get on Mr. Denly's nerves. The gentleman of the clothesline was quick to perceive Mr. Denly's distress. Probably he felt genuinely sorry for the worried father, but it was late and doubtless time for him to be in bed.

He waited until Mr. Denly got properly agitated and then got up and started to leave. Mr. Denly, his thoughts taken thus suddenly away from the safety of his daughter, protested. He clicked the pistol. The darn thing wouldn't shoot. His guest chuckled softly, bade him a cheery good night, best wishes and so on, and departed.

Five minutes later Miss Denly came back with a cop, and her dad heaved—or is it heaved?—a sigh of relief.

### Three Children Burned

Boomer, W. Va.—While both the father and mother were absent, three children of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stone, were burned to death when fire destroyed the Stone home. Gas from a leaking pipe was ignited by an open fire, causing the blaze, it is believed.

### Senseless on Stack

New York.—Hanging in his harness at the top of a 50-foot stack, after he was overcome by furnace gas, Harry Seal, a steel-jack, was rescued by police. Patrolman Busse climbed hand over hand up a rope to rescue Seal.

### Fund to Teach Wives

Chicago.—A fund of \$100,000 to teach house-keeping to wives and unmarried women is left by the will of a woman at Chicago to the Northwestern university. The lessons are to be given to students of the university.

### Murderer Cheats Justice

Hollidaysburg, Pa.—While a jury was finding him guilty of murdering a companion, Giuseppe Gremaldo, of Hollidaysburg, hanged himself in a jail cell. Gremaldo used strips torn from a blanket to make a noose.

### Bath Traps Lady Burglar

Paris, France.—A bathtub proved the undoing of a woman burglar who broke into a house here. The woman was in the tub when policemen arrived. She was in no condition for flight, so she was captured.

### Dies While at Prayer

Mobile, Ala.—While kneeling in prayer in a Methodist church at Mobile, Mrs. Sarah Haas, ninety-six years old, fell over and died in a few minutes. Heart disease caused death.

## AK-SAR-BEN RACE START WITH MORE THAN 600 ENTRIES

(Continued from page 1) to emerge with a gob of dough or retrace their steps up the stairway, kicking themselves at every step because they did not follow some original hunch.

The main thing to remember now is that the first race will be run next Saturday afternoon and it is the duty of every racing enthusiast in the city and surrounding country to show up and do their duty. Why not make next Saturday's opening a record attendance day, one which will set a mark that managers of future local races will have an opportunity to shoot at?

## DUNDEE OVERRUN WITH BOOZE

(Continued from page 1) will play no favorites, despite the fact that he is gathering in the poor south end waps as fast as he can. It has been suggested that he will do well to look over his own neighborhood. This matter has been suggested to Washington, too.

In connection with this story, though not directly co-related is the one concerning a prominent downtown bank cashier or perhaps he is an assistant cashier. It is authoritatively stated that this socially prominent banker has his cellar overstocked with a splendidly assorted line of high grade wines, old scotch whiskies, home brew, as well as the garden variety of hooch and made over alcohol.

In this particular instance the joke is on the poor boob himself. While on the job, not more than a million miles from Sixteenth and Farnam streets, his wife is doing most of the dispensing of the aforesaid liquors and entertaining her gentlemen friends in the usual up to date methods. Here too, Mr. Thomas could no doubt find an outlet for his unusual talents as a rum getter. The careers of these two well known society men is unusually interesting and we know of no reason why the public should not be made acquainted with their social high jinks. There are several score socially prominent men and women of this fashionable suburb who are equally if not more guilty of breaking the federal as well as the moral law of the land.

The Mediator has been in receipt of a literal flood of letters and telephone messages as well as personal calls from reliable people who have given us what appears to be absolute facts concerning the rotten conditions that exist in this exclusive neighborhood. Those of greatest general interest will be punished from time to time.

**Pine Tree Pollen.** Yellow rain in the Yukon territory and red snow in Greenland with a peculiar fine yellow deposit, are usually found to be caused by the pollen of pine trees growing miles distant. The pollen is caught by the winds, carried away and then dropped. The red snow is "made" by wind-placed deposits of minute vegetable organisms, bits of seaweed which contain red spots.

## COMMUNICATED

To the Editor: As a little contributor (speaking in dollars) to the Community Chest, I would like to ask that you have the House of Hope, just for a little diversion, go before a policeman and take their hands out of their pockets and give the crowd a bit of inside information as per the following interrogatories herein gently propounded:

The Community Chest officials who reported your life membership rate as \$1,000 surely got an old price tag that Rev. Savidge left over, since \$3,000 is not far from wrong, including war tax, as I am informed and verily believe.

How many old people in the House of Hope?

How many of the number remaining since the Savidge regime Name and give rate charged each for original life membership.

How many on new life membership rate?

Name and give amount charged each person.

How many pay by the month?

Name and state amount charged opposite each name.

How many weekly boarders?

Name and quote rate paid by each.

How many charity inmates?

Name them.

How many persons suffering from dementia or other mental disorder?

Why?

How many deaths since June 1, 1923?

Why?

MOLLIE D. CHESNUT.

## Theater Afire, Patrons Demand Refund to Leave

New York.—A performance was in progress at a vaudeville and motion picture house in the lower East side, when smoke began to drift across the stage and into the audience. But instead of rushing for the exits a majority of the 1,200 persons in the auditorium at first refused to leave the building without assurance from the management that the price of admission would be refunded.

Finally, as the theater manager argued with the crowd from the stage, the smoke became so thick that the spectators reluctantly abandoned the demand for a refund and fired through doors and fire escapes to the street. The fire damaged the property room and first floor of the theater.

## Clothes Sewed On

Binghamton, N. Y.—With their clothing sewed on them by stout cord, Osmer and Otto Quick, fourteen and sixteen years old, were questioned by health authorities.

The boys wore the same clothes to school, at play, and in bed, they said. They lived in a filthy home, according to health officials, and will be committed to an orphanage. The boys' parents are living.

## Death Rather Than School

Sioux City, Ia.—Rather than go to school after he returned home from a runaway trip, Lyle Miller, nineteen years old, shot himself to death. When his father urged him to return to school, the youth said not a word but went into the cellar and fired the fatal shot.

## LOOKS LIKE A BIG PICNIC YEAR FOR KRUG PARK

Indications point to a record breaking Picnic Season at Krug Park which this year is making a specialty of catering to big picnic parties such as churches, lodges, clubs and business organizations hold. Although the picnic season is not yet in full swing more than a hundred picnics already are booked.

Among the larger picnics on the books are the Creighton Students Union, Paxton & Gallagher, McCord-Brady, Ralston Women's Club, Campfire Girls, Ivan A. Medlar Co., Skinner Manufacturing Company, Welch Restaurant Employees, Western Union Traffic Department, Mutual Benefit Health and Accident Association, Scottish Rite Women's Club, Petersen & Pegau Baking Co., Lions Club National Convention, Douglas County Pioneers.

Churches which have booked picnics are Holy Ghost Church & School, First Baptist Church and Lowe Avenue Presbyterian Church.

The first of school outings given by Mayor Dahlman for Omaha Grade Schools is booked for June 17th. Two outings will be given this season by Mayor Dahlman for each of the various school districts.

Krug Park has more than 2000 feet of new picnic tables and many acres of picnic groves fully equipped with stoves and cooking utensils for the accommodation of its guests. It also has employed a picnic superintendent who will give picnics excursions and picnic parties his personal attention.

## Steal by Schedule

Miami, Fla.—Admitting that he committed 15 robberies in a month, P. N. Harrington is in jail. Harrington spent his days in the water, napped during the early evening, then robbed. After each robbery he attended a dance, he confessed.

## Risks Life for Fish

Genoa, O.—When fire broke out in his home, Dr. W. W. Willing leaped from a second-story window to safety. Then he turned around and dashed back into the house. He came out with a bowl of goldfish in his arms.

## Record for No Marriages

Manchester, Me.—Fifty years of preaching without repeating a sermon, receiving a cent of pay, marrying one couple is the record of Rev. I. W. Hawkes, Quaker minister. He supports himself by farming.

## Kills Big Wolf

Richwood, Wis.—Armed with a ston club, James Soback, fourteen years old, of this place, killed a large female wolf caught in one of his traps.

## Peanut Fan Fined for Shell Pile in Street

Because he stood on a street corner and ate so many peanuts that the shells piled up to his knees, Alex Roussey of Frenchville, Pa., was fined a dollar. The fine was paid to a garbage collector to remove the shells.

## NERVY GIRL BANDIT LAUGHS AT POLICE

Escapes in an Automobile While Officers Wait.

New York.—Displaying utter contempt for Commissioner Enright's order to a squad of 250 plain-clothes men, issued a short time previously to "get her dead or alive," Brooklyn's famous bobbed-haired girl bandit, who has robbed dozens of stores, again made her appearance in her role as driver of a bandit car, and, with two confederates, escaped with \$200 taken from a Thomas Roulston chain store.

Thomas Egan, manager of the store, and Willie Ryan, fifteen years old, his errand boy, were the only ones in the shop when the two men entered. The bandits kept Egan and the boy covered with revolvers while they rifled the cash register.

With a curt command to Egan to "keep your trap shut or get ready to stop a couple of bullets," the two men backed out of the store. Around the corner was an automobile, over the wheel of which bent the bobbed-haired girl bandit.

She had the motor going and as the men stepped into the back of the car she threw in the clutch and the car sped away before any one had noted the number of the license.

The girl's daring has staggered the Brooklyn police. More than 150 extra men in plain clothes, some from the detective school, have been "planted" inside and outside of chain stores to catch the girl, but she always eludes them.

## Man 64, Braves Death to Save Dog in River

Detroit, Mich.—An eight-months-old Alfrede puppy, frozen to the ice in the Detroit river and howling for help, was rescued from death by a sixty-four-year-old man, who, risking his life on the treacherous broken ice, crawled to the dog, bundled him in a blanket and brought him safely to shore. The story was told by friends of Dr. R. Adlington Newman, to whom "Jerry," the puppy, owes his life.

Doctor Newman saw the dog falling in an attempt to cross the ice.

"I love dogs," Doctor Newman said, "and I couldn't endure the thought of watching this fine puppy die for want of human aid. I tied a rope around my waist and asked a policeman to hold the other end. Then I worked my way over the ice, pushing a skiff ahead of me, and at length reached and rescued the dog."

## Man Shot in Mouth as He Walks With Friend

New York.—While walking with a friend along Eighth avenue Michael Haines, twenty-two years old, complained of a stinging sensation in the roof of his mouth. When his companion, Joseph Clinton, saw blood trickling forth he took Haines to the Harlem hospital.

There it was found that a bullet, fired mysteriously, had lodged in the man's mouth, with a probability, physicians said, of fatal results. Both men denied having heard a shot and asserted that Haines had no enemy who might be suspected.

## Kills Own Father

Charleston, W. Va.—Thomas Knig't was shot to death by his son, Thurmond, in their home near here. The son was arrested. He told police he killed his father to protect his mother. The father was intoxicated, both the mother and son declared.

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