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## Expects To Ignore Judge Soper Ruling

### SECOND ANNUAL CANINE SHOW ATTRACTING GREAT INTEREST

Sixteen Specialty Club Prizes To Be Offered Ranging From Medals To Cash And Cups

### GRAVERT'S HOUND, BOXBERG ENTERED

John Welch, Omaha Restaurant Man Expected To Have Several Entries—Chamber Of Commerce Offer Silver Vases For Best Dogs—Prominent Men And Women Of City Sponsor Show—Outsiders To Be Judges.

Preparations are being made to house more than 600 dogs in the municipal auditorium for the second annual Nebraska Kennel club dog show to be held December 4-6 according to L. C. Fauble, secretary of the club. Prizes are being offered by the Bureau of Publicity of the Chamber of Commerce, by the Nebraska Kennel club, by 16 specialty clubs and by numerous individual dog fanciers. Entries have already been received from all parts of the country and every variety of dog from Pomeranians to poodles will be shown. The premium list makes it clear that the show will be democratic and that a lack of pedigree will be no obstacle. The various contesting groups leave ample scope for everything canine. Among the judges will be Charles W. Quetsche, of Toledo, Ohio, the man who presented Laddie Boy to the late President Harding. Other judges will be James Cole, of Kansas City and Dr. Geo. W. Clayton of Chicago. In conjunction with the main event will be held the American Chesapeake club show and the Nebraska Field Trial club show. The Bureau of Publicity of the Chamber of Commerce is offering a silver vase for the best dog in the show and a similar prize for the second best dog. It is also offering 5 silver plates to the winners in various classifications. The Nebraska Kennel club is offering a silver trophy to the best dog of all breeds, special cash prizes to winners and reserve winners of all breeds, silver and bronze medals and additional cash prizes.

The sixteen specialty club prizes range from medals to cash and silver cups. Entries close November 19 and applications should be mailed to L. C. Fauble, 638 Securities Building. Officers of the Nebraska Kennel club sponsoring the show are: Mrs. W. C. Edminton, Ralston, president; John W. Welch, Omaha; C. N. Dietz, Omaha; F. J. Lefferdink, Hickman; J. C. Whitbeck, Co. Bluffs; and Mrs. Ruth R. Keefe, Hampton, Ia. vice-presidents; L. C. Fauble, Omaha, is secretary-treasurer. The veterinary committee includes: Drs. E. A. Moore, Council Bluffs, F. Perrin, Lincoln; G. R. Young, Omaha; E. E. Deeds, Lincoln and G. G. Miller, Council Bluffs. Among the prize dogs to be shown will be a wolf hound, owned and exhibited by Harry Gravert of Benson. This dog is considered by men specially qualified to judge dogs as one of the finest specimens of the wolf hound west of the Mississippi river if not in the entire country. Mr. Gravert will himself personally be on hand for the exhibition. Gravert is one of the best known lovers of fine dogs in the west. Another dog fancier to complete will be John Welch, the Omaha restaurant man. Mr. Welch also is an owner of several fine dogs, to say nothing of his chickens. The Kennel exhibit, taken as a whole is expected to be the greatest of its kind ever held in Omaha. Those wishing to enter their favorite dogs should do so at once.

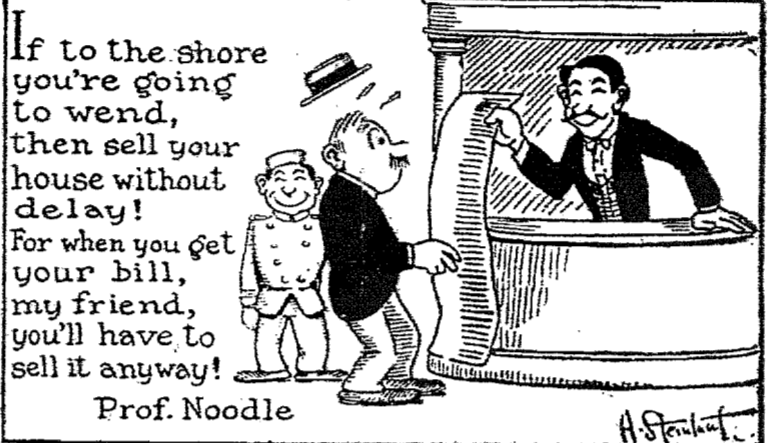
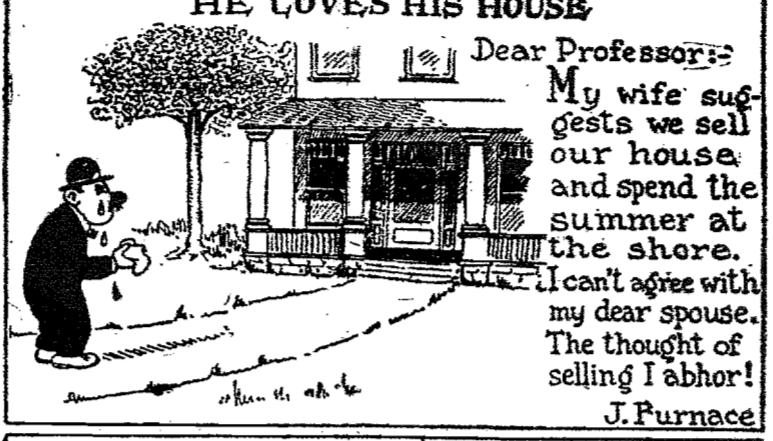
### CORNHUSKER FOOTBALL TEAM READY TO DO OR DIE FOR GLORY OF NEBRASKANS

Dawson's Cornfed Outfit To Battle Notre Dame Saturday In All Important Game—Both Teams Confident As Battle Nears—Creighton Ready For Oklahoma Farmers—Tech Simply Must Beat Beatrice High—Central And South To Meet.

The corn fed Cornhusker team representing the best in the west so far as football is concerned is scheduled to arrive in South Bend this evening and will be out on the Notre Dame field for a little warming up exercise Saturday morning at about the time the postman brings your Mediator to you. In spite of the fact that Nebraska meets some of the toughest intersectional football material in the East they always reserve their best efforts to defeat Notre Dame who in like manner give more thought and work in their effort to defeat the Cornhuskers than to any other team in the country. There is good reason why both should put forth their mightiest efforts when the two teams clash. Experience has taught the Rockne and Dawson tribes that it is a fight to the death when the two meet. Furthermore nearly every football follower in the country except the few eastern writers who can only see merit in the Big Three have come to the conclusion that Nebraska and Notre Dame represent the best "there are" in football circles. Notre Dame is the favorite this year with most supposed to be authorities but as the time draws to the playing point Nebraska's stock has gone up considerably. If Captain Ed Weir is able to get in the game and is himself it is an even bet that the Cornhuskers tie or beat Rochne's wonder team. Without the doughty Captain things look bad for the Nebraskans.

ball from the all but unbeatable Blue Eleven. While Creighton should experience no great difficulty in putting the agriculturists out of commission it is a cinch they will not have the easy time they experienced against North Dakota last Saturday. Coach Wynne has realized this and has been nursing his first string boys all week making it a point to see that they were neither overworked or put in scrimmage where there was a chance of injury. The Creighton mentor is well fixed when it comes to substitutes, one alumni authority going so far as to predict that the Blues could win any 1924 contest scheduled with their second string men, which may be stretching the point. It goes to show however the confidence Creighton followers have in this year's team. A very large percentage of the football enthusiasts of this city are hoping and praying that Tech will come through with a decided victory over Beatrice Friday as a clean cut victory over the outstaters will mean only one more hurdle to a state championship. If Drummond's pigskin workers come through this afternoon they can meet Central with that confidence born of victory and a determination to fight their way to a first state championship which they deserve through their fine work throughout the present season. Meanwhile Central is moving heaven, earth and other things in preparing for South that they may meet Tech on all but equal ground so far as scoring and victories are concerned when the rival teams meet one week from Saturday in the most important. (Continued on page 4)

### PROFESSOR NOODLE



### SOUTH SIDER IN GRIEF

A sensation that is expected to startle the business community is about to be sprung on the South Side. It concerns some of the workings of certain speculators and has many interesting details. One of these men about whom it is said to concern is a regular attendant at Grace Methodist Church. His brother was a red hot supporter of Dean Ringer, attorney and former police commissioner. It is said a woman in the case was assaulted on a lonely highway out Florence way and left to walk back to Omaha by this degenerate young man. He has a business with his brother on the South Side and his office, it is said, is prominently located. Although he has a wife and child, he is reported to be crazy about other women, which with hooch and chicken dinners are declared to be the cause of his present trouble.

### Corner Arrested Illicit Booze

Says Stuff He Was Drinking "Real Goods"—Samardick Claims "Bottled in A Barn"

What appears on the surface to be about the first pre-prohibition booze alibi that has been given in many a moon came to light last week when S. A. Corner attempted to tell prohibition agents that the stuff he and a bunch of drinkers were imbibing had been purchased when Volstead was in knee pants. Samardick told him to tell it to the marines or to the Federal judge. Bob's nose knows. Corner has been a rouser these many years and it hardly seems plausible he would have any old stuff left unless he run a distillery when the Eighteenth Amendment became effective. He has a sort of a coal yard but whether he imports any "Coal" from Canada is only known to himself and a few intimate friends. Samardick says the stuff he found was just hooch, aged in a barn and had no more pedigree than an Arizona jack rabbit. Corner told one newspaper man that the party was staged because it was his birthday. The arrest was made Saturday, his birthday was Friday but a little discrepancy in dates didn't make any difference to S. A. He said the guests were a day late in arriving but what is a day with a party that has the real old stuff, aged 10 or more years according to Corner, aged 10 days according to those whose business it is to know.

### LEGION MEET HERE NEXT YEAR SHOULD PROVE OMAHA BEST CONVENTION CITY IN U. S.

The splendid address delivered by national commander Drain at the Armistice day American Legion meeting should be an inspiration to the business and professional men of Omaha as well as the legionnaires to outdo every effort put forth by other cities in entertaining the Legion convention. This city lacks some of the natural advantages of others when it comes to entertaining convention delegates but that should be all the more incentive to organize forces in such manner that the final result will be so satisfactory as to place this city on the map as the best convention city in America. It can be done and it is going to be done.

### MORRIE FINALLY FLOORED

Morrie Schlafer, pride of the Fifteenth street rialto took one of the worst beatings of his young life up in Minneapolis last Monday night and in order to save himself from a complete knockout deliberately fouled his opponent according to the sporting editor of one of their local papers who acted as referee. He was boxing Jock Malone one of the toughest birds in the game. Many Omaha admirers who have seen the fighting fool in action believe that though he fouled his man it was unintentional.

### BUREAU OF SECURITIES HEAD SHOULD BE RETAINED IN OFFICE

A work well done is the best recommendation the worker can possibly have. That is no doubt the reason so many republicans as well as democrats and others without special political affiliations are recommending to Governor McMullen the retention of W. J. McNichols, present chief of the Bureau of Securities. Mr. McNichols a prominent lawyer of Lexington, Nebraska has made a record in office that has never been surpassed and perhaps not equaled. It would be a mistake to put him out of office for political reasons as he is a man who has never played politics while in office but has paid strict attention to the cares and affairs of this important office.

### THOMPSONS, NEW OWNERS OF THE HOTEL JEFFERSON MAKE IMPROVEMENTS

The Jefferson Hotel has recently changed hands. The new proprietor G. C. Thompson and his son Bob took over the place about two months ago since which time they have put the popular hostelry in first class condition. Mr. Thompson has successfully conducted the Merriam hotel the past twelve years. The Jefferson is now being operated in such manner as to attract the very best trade. It is the aim of young Mr. Thompson to attract the transient trade through the splendid service he is offering and at the same time make the rates just as low as is possible consistent with high class service. The restaurant has been opened under the direct charge of Earl Spencer, well known Omaha chef. Herman Metz is no longer in any way connected with the Jefferson.

### GOOD WORK

Dan Philipps head of the county morals squad has been doing some good and very effective work of late in nabbing some of Douglas County's oldest cheaters.

### ELMER THOMAS SAYS HE WILL DISREGARD SOPER DECISION

Nebraska Enforcement Official Declares in Effect That Judge's Opinion Will Not Go With Him

### LOCAL AGENT RAZED BY ROY HAYNES

Thomas, Whom We Believe Has Been A Reformer For Revenue Only Apparently Attempting To Make Showing To 5,000 Committee Contributors—Proof Falls On Government To Show One-Half Of One Per Cent Alcohol Intoxicating.

Elmer Thomas is running off at the mouth again. He running wild again, that is very evident, if we are permitted to use an old World-Herald expression directed at the Omaha Bee during the Rosewater regime. His latest expression and threat being to the effect that "He aint goin' to pay no 'tention atall" to Federal Judge Soper's decision in Congressman Hill's trial in connection with that solor's action in making cider containing more than one-half of 1 per cent alcohol. The judge in question is strongly supported in his contention and action by prohibition commissioner Roy Haines one of the most rabid prohibition officials in the service. Haines indirectly gave our local prohibition generalissimo an awful call down, unofficially, when he told the special correspondent of a local newspaper that Elmer Thomas spoke on the subject without occasion, which was a diplomatic way of telling the many sided Mr. Thomas to get a jump in the lake if we interpret his meaning correctly. We have had occasion to tell the public what we thought of Elmer Thomas as a reformer and still believe that we never gave him all that was coming to him for his stand on many of the important questions of the day. Every one has a right to their opinion and in this case we still believe that Thomas is a reformer for revenue only, always has been and always will be. His recent action in telling the world that a Federal judge's opinion is not worth two whoops in hell (writing in the lan-

guage of the street) should convince anyone that it is not law enforcement that he is so much interested in as it is "Thomas financial opportunity." Personal aggrandizement if nothing else seems to be the watchword of our present prohibition held in Nebraska. It has always been thus. For years he has been the literal head and the financial tail of the Committee of 5,000. That institution has been going to the various churches begging alms from the rich and poor alike, collecting during the early years huge sums of money under the supposition that it was to go to the cause of knocking Demon Rum for a row of outhouses. It would appear that the suckers failed to bite of late years, hence the inactivity of Elmer and his organization until very recently when they thought a new crop of the human finny tribe had matured to an extent that they could once more appeal for large gobs of dough for their much flouted sacred purpose. A new one being born every minute, the crop of '24 ripened to an extent that the ultra religious committee deemed it time to shake them down which they did to a certain extent, it is alleged. One must show some activity in the prohibition movement if he is to, in theatrical parlance, go over big. Thus Elmer thinking to make a ten strike tells his greatly reduced Committee of 5,000 and others that a federal judges ruling is the bunk and that he, like Ajax of old will defy the lightning as it pertains to judicial rulings. The head of prohibition en-

### COMMUNITY CHEST ORGANIZED FOR THE ANNUAL DRIVE AGAINST DIRE POVERTY

Scores Volunteer Their Services In Collecting Funds That Poor May Not Freeze Or Starve—Up To Every Man And Woman To Contribute—Success Means No More Tag Days—No More Personal Solicitation

Wednesday, November 19 a great number of Omaha's finest and most unselfish citizens will start out on one of the most splendid missions to which mankind could dedicate itself - the gathering of funds to help the poor in one single drive. They will come to see you on behalf of the Community Chest. This is as much your business as it is the man or woman who calls on you. Welcome them and furthermore make your contribution in as large amount as possible. Do it cheerfully with the knowledge that you have done a noble deed. More than that you will be relieved for the coming year of the continual solicitation that was usual until the city was "sold" to the community chest idea. If you are not thoroughly familiar with the working of this great community organization it is well to call your attention to the act that the Community Chest is an organization or a means whereby the various charitable or social service agencies of Omaha unite with each other in team work for better community, and through which they may finance their work by means of one campaign for funds each year. Before the formation of the Community Chest, each agency was required to collect funds for the support of its work independently of the others, and to compete for public support. This resulted in many tag days, several large campaigns each year, duplication of effort, excessive overhead costs, and the annoyance to the business men of the city by reason of constant solicitation. For example there were 48 tag days reported in 1922, almost one each week. The Community Chest is incorporated under the laws of Nebraska as

a corporation not for profit and without capital stock. No officer, or member of the governing board may receive compensation for services. It is governed by a Board of Governors numbering 25. Of these, the social agencies of the city, through their regularly appointed delegates elect ten at a meeting called for that purpose, and ten of the number are elected by the representatives of the givers to the Chest at a similar meeting. The twenty members so elected, with the Mayor of the city, who is a member ex-officio during his term of office, select from the citizens of the community the remaining four members. This method of electing the governing board removes effectually the possibility of any one group or clique of people securing the control for selfish interests, and requires representation of both the givers and those who have the management of the social agencies. The Omaha Chest was organized only about a year ago. In this one year of operation the Community Chest has fulfilled practically every promise made to the people of Omaha when they were asked for the first year's support. The Community Chest is an established factor in our community and will continue to be of ever-increasing usefulness both to the citizens who support social work and to those who, through it, receives assistance. The Community Chest idea has been successful nationally. There are now more than 150 Chests in operation in the United States, Canada and Hawaii. No idea or plan for the furtherance of social work, or the dis-

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### WANT IT REOPENED

The Japanese government is unwilling to have the American exclusion act remain a closed issue. According to reports from Tokio she intends, now that election is over and the possible politics of exclusion is eliminated, to present anew her case against the discriminatory legislation contained in the general immigration act.

With final decision in this matter in the hands of congress it would be obviously futile for Japan to reopen the case until after next March. The votes in favor of exclusion were so decisive in both houses of the present congress that there is not the slightest prospect of reversal or of any material change in American Japanese policy.

What the new congress might be induced to do, if the president took a definite stand in favor of more lenient treatment toward Japan, there is of course no way of knowing. There is, however, considerable indication that the new congress will have some regard for party discipline, and that the difference between the executive and legislative departments will be much less marked than they were in the old. There was also much to indicate that congress last spring took the firm stand it did against Japan not so much because so many members there saw no merit in the Japanese way of presenting the case.

A new method of presentation might lead to a more favorable outcome.

### Earliest Accounts of Trade Among Nations

From the time that men began to live in cities, trade, in some shape, must have been carried on to supply the town-dwellers with necessaries; but it is also clear that international trade must have existed, and affected to some extent even the pastoral nomadic races, for we find that Abraham was rich, not only in cattle, but in silver, gold, and gold and silver plate and ornaments (Gen. 13:2; 24:22, 53). Among trading nations mentioned in Scripture, Egypt holds in very early times a prominent position, though her external trade was carried on, not by her own citizens, but by foreigners—chiefly of the nomadic races. The internal trade of the Jews, as well as the external, was much promoted, as was the case also in Egypt, by the festivals, which brought large numbers of persons to Jerusalem, and caused great outlay in victims for sacrifice and in incense (I Kings 8:63). The places of public market were, then as now, chiefly the open spaces near the gates, to which goods were brought for sale by those who came from the outside (Neh. 13:15, 16; Zech. 1:10). The traders in later times were allowed to intrude into the temple, in the outer courts of which victims were publicly sold for the sacrifices. (Zech. 14:21; Matt. 21:12; John 2:14).

### In Something of a Hurry

Every trade has its stock of well-known yarns, but occasionally a new one does occur, only, alas, in time to become a classic. A certain well-known newspaper man was holding forth to a group of writers, among whom was a rather famous novelist. The journalist was saying that he had recently been engaged in revising the obituaries held in readiness by his paper. Turning to the novelist, he added jocosely: "I've just been writing you up."

But the novelist, apparently, had not been following very closely, and waking up with a start, he asked eagerly: "When is it going to be published?"

### Engelmann Spruce Valuable

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### Loaded Shells Spelled Doom of Shot Towers

Until the loaded shotgun shell was developed shot was sold to the jobbing trade throughout the entire country packed in bags, which in turn were purchased by the man having a muzzle-loading shotgun, who was obliged to reload his gun with powder and shot whenever the gun was fired at game or target, says the Detroit News. The loaded shot shell and the breech-loading shotgun sounded the death knell of the old type of shot tower.

The business of the ammunition concerns manufacturing shot shells grew by leaps and bounds so that the shot consumption of the country centered at the points where these shot shells were manufactured, notably in New England, and in the course of events these ammunition concerns began to manufacture their own shot, thus completely destroying the business of the many shot towers located throughout the country.

### Picturesque Whitby Abbey

Other of the ruined churches of England have a more picturesque magnificence, but none a more ancient fame than Whitby abbey, Henri Pickard writes in the Cincinnati Enquirer. There the first rude poetry of England was written more than twelve centuries ago. There, earlier still, was held the synod which decided that the British church should keep Easter at the same time as the rest of Christendom, a choice which meant that Britain remain within the influence of the civilization of Italy and Gaul. But the modern traveler who climbs the many steps which lead from the river to what was "high Whitby's cloistered pile" has seen nothing of the Abbey of St. Hilda. In the ruins on the hill there was no fragment older than Plantagenet times. But discoveries of great interest have now been made.

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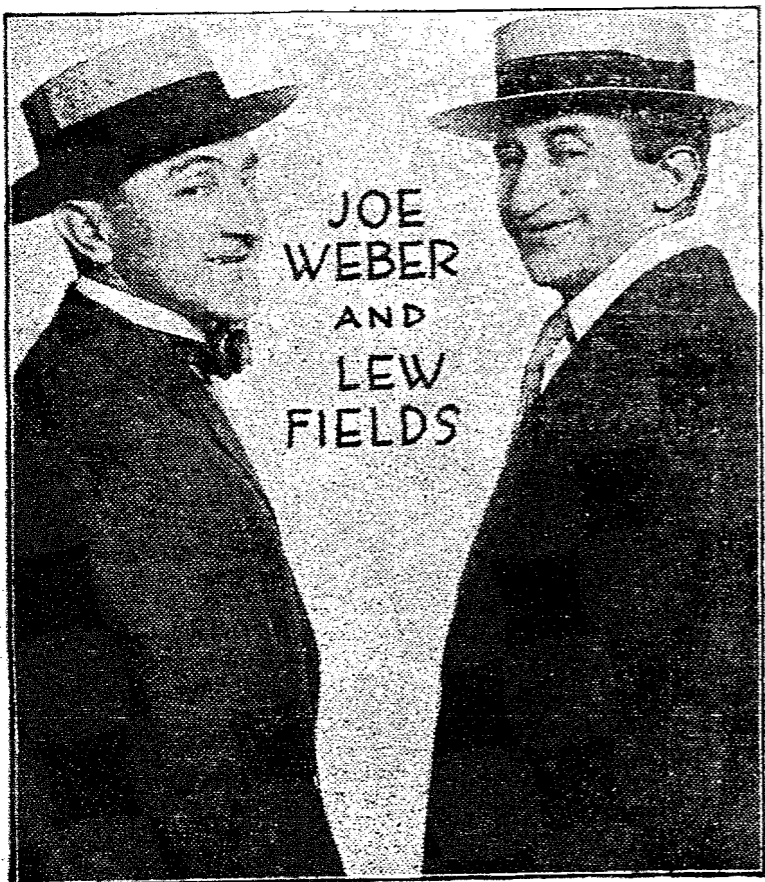
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**EXPECTS TO IGNORE JUDGE SOPER RULING**

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 enforcement says that Judge Soper's ruling strictly follows the law. If Thomas is quoted correctly he says he is going to ignore the ruling in his jurisdiction. If such an attitude appeals to any others except a few of his fanatical followers we would like to know just who they are.

Here is what Prohibition Commissioner Haynes said on the subject. "The ruling will not in any way interfere with prohibition enforcement. Anyone can ferment fruit juices and cider to an alcoholic content of more than one-half of 1 per cent for use in his home without violating the Volstead act, providing the product is non-intoxicating." This means that wine and cider may be manufactured containing any amount of alcohol up to the extent that it is actually intoxicating. After that has been reached then it is as unlawful to manufacture such concoctions as it would be to distill hooch or any other intoxicating liquor. Sooner or later the alcoholic percentage that is lawful will be established.

Mr. Thomas is registered as a democrat and has been active in democratic councils. He was appointed to office by a republican administration. Just what the purpose of President Coolidge was in the appointment is still a moot question. Republican leaders of Nebraska, who opposed the appointment, it is said, are now actively engaged in finding reasons why he should be dismissed from the service, giving particularly as their reasons, that Mr. Thomas has announced he will oppose anything the federal courts do that opposes his idea of what should be done. In other words he has made it plain to the world that he intends to read his own interpretation into the law.

**Police Department in Best Condition in History**

Everything Working Fine And Officials All Working in Perfect Harmony, Despite Work Of Trouble Makers.

Not in years, hardly in the history of the Omaha police department has that body worked in so much harmony as at the present time. A great institution like this cannot be operated in perfect order without some discord at times. Likes and dislikes come and go, but the present management of the police department is a decided success and Omaha's business men are pretty well satisfied with the way it is going. The Wheelers and Dudleys have been pretty well cleaned out and are not expected to return very soon. Wheeler took an extended trip after the late unpleasantness and Dudley dropped into the police station the other night and asked for lodging. Officers offered him money but he said he wanted to be locked up.

Not for many years has the department been in such perfect running order and Omaha's business is beginning to show its appreciation of conditions. Henry Dunn has been the big man in the whole business and he is just beginning to be appreciated. He has been an absolute success because he has run the department in businesslike manner.

**Only an Antique**

Leonia, a colored maid, had a taste for lofty ideas and high-sounding words. One of the members of the family in which she served was a tall elderly lady of imposing figure and fine carriage. "What is that?" asked Leonia in astonishment. The lady explained to her. "Well," Leonia burst forth, "if that is what you are now, you shoudly be a powerful indication of what you have been."—Youth's Companion.

**LAST CAR LEAVES**

Farnam Street Line	1:29
15th and Farnam for Dundee	12:44
Cuming Depot for Dundee	1:11
12th and Farnam for Depot	2:04
Harney Street Line	
33d and Parker to 6th St.	12:50
33d and Parker to Depots	1:40
6th and Center for 33d and Parker	1:16
Park and North 24th Streets	
16th and Farnam East Side	1:03
6th and Farnam West 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	
4th and Farnam for 42d and Grand	1:21
4th and Farnam for 42d and Grand	1:26
Dodge Street Line	
8th and Dodge (West)	1:25
8th and Dodge (East)	2:07
30th and Spaulding for Depots	1:48
Leavenworth and Deaf Institute	
5th and Farnam (North)	12:24
16th and Farnam (South)	12:37
16th and Benson and Albright	1:24
13th and Farnam for Benson	1:24
13th and Farnam for Albright	1:06
13th and Farnam for 24th and N.	1:25
Fort Crook Line	
14th and N Sts., South Omaha	12:50
Fort Crook	12:56
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 Vinton	2:45
16th and Farnam—north to 24th and Ames	3:20
16th and Farnam—north to 24th and Ames	4:20
10th and Mason to 46th and Cuming	3:52
30th and Farnam to 46th and Cuming	4:00
16th and Cuming to 10th and Bancroft	4:21
16th and Farnam to 10th and Bancroft	4:38
24th Street Cross-Town	
4th and Lake to 24th and Vinton	12:48
4th and Lake to 42d and L	12:55
42d and L to 24th and Vinton	1:15
Council Bluffs and Omaha	
Pearl and Broadway for Omaha	1:36
4th and Howard for R. I. Depot	1:24
14th and Howard for Pearl and Broadway	2:04

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## "MERTON OF THE MOVIES"

### A James Cruze Production Coming To Strand— Glenn Hunter Starred

There are several ways for a movie-struck youth to go to Hollywood, and Merton Gill picked one of the wrong ones.

Merton lives in his own little land of make-believe amid the drab settings of Simsbury, Illinois, and dreams of the hay when his pictures might adorn the lobby of the Bijou Theatre, his name be blazoned in the lights.

So he saves his grocery clerk's salary until he has railroad fare, and a Pullman porter brushes the dust of Simsbury from his shoes.

What happens to him in Hollywood—his trials, his earnest, awkward strivings, his cruel disillusionments and his final unsuspecting triumph—constitute one of the really great epics of the stage and screen.

It is told in "Merton of the Movies," the novel and play by Harry Leon Wilson, which is now a James Cruze Paramount production coming to the Strand on Sunday next. Glenn Hunter, whose success in the stage version was phenomenal, has the starring role with Viola Dana.

Hunter, as Merton Gill, the grocer's clerk of Simsbury, is the motion picture industry's one best patron. The Bijou theatre is his fairland and the famed Harold Parmelee his ideal. In his spare moments he practices the Parmelee technique on the lady clothing dummy in the general store. The gent's raincoat dummy is the villain of his little private drama, foiled at every turn by the Parmelee resourcefulness as absorbed and practiced by Merton Gill.

It is all right with Mr. Gashwiler, Merton's employer, until the eventful Sunday morning when Merton gets into his mail order tomboy clothes, mounts the ancient Gashwiler delivery horse and goes out into the backyard to have some pictures taken.

And it would have been all right then if the ancient animal had not happened to feel frisky, and had not dumped Merton in the dust in front of the church just as the congregation was coming forth. But that is what transpires, and in the interests of the motion picture art, Mr. Gashwiler sends Merton out into the great open spaces with his blessing and a puzzled shake of his grizzled old head.

And so Merton reaches Hollywood and starts his siege of the studios. Weeks slip by and he is no nearer his goal. Penniless, weary—but not dismayed—he attracts the attention of Sally Montague, known to all of Hollywood as "Flips." She is a comedienne and "gag man," and Merton loathes comedies. For a time he is indifferent, but she offers him her make-up box, powders his face and he stalks past the studio gateman and into the "lot" where Harold Parmelee, his idol, is at work.

The sights he sees, his cruel disappointments and his myriad strange experiences, constitute a story replete with comedy situations built upon a thin layer of tragedy—the tragedy of a boyish ambition that seems doomed to disappointment. The plot is woven around a peculiar love story which keeps the audience undecided until the final few feet of film.

DeWitt Jennings, Elliott Roth, Luke Cosgrave and Gale Henry are well cast in supporting roles.



FLOSSIE DE VERE

She's one of the many very good reasons why next week's big musical show at the popular Gayety is called "Take A Look"—and you couldn't blame the thousands who will do that very thing. Sunday's matinee starts at 3:00.

## "TAKE A LOOK"

That's The One Thing All Omaha Will Want To Do, Next Week.

There is a wealth of burlesque written into the lines of "Take A Look," the novel attraction coming to the popular Gayety theatre starting Sunday matinee. Clarence Marks, who wrote the book was given full range for his fancy and has chosen to go outside the every day run of comedy for the setting for his endeavor.

"Take A Look" is novel in that it has as its principal comedian a supposed gentleman of color who is forever getting into hot water and out of it with his witty sayings and drooleries. Added to this are unusual situations which go far afield from the laugh getters that burlesque audiences have previously witnessed and heard.

Cy Plunkett, long a favorite in vaudeville, is featured as the principal comedian. Plunkett can sing like Jolson and do the funny stuff that made the late Bert Williams a prime favorite. He has made the part he essays stand out as one of the notable roles of the year in Columbia Burlesque.

Evelyn Ramsay is the featured among the ladies of the cast, bringing to burlesque a fine reputation as a vaudeville headliner and a dancer of surpassing pep and agility. And in addition to these gifts she is one of burlesques prettiest girls.

Chief among those who assist Plunkett in the laugh factory that has been gotten together to grind out grins is George Schreck, a pantomimist of great promise and an acrobatic dancer with few equals. The twain put on a sketch called "The Brave Coward" which promises a scream of merriment from the action that will be wrought.

Other leaders in the company, assuming essential roles will be Flossie De Vere, a beautiful girl, and Helen Mason play roles as ingenues and there will be a chorus of 20 singing and dancing beauties of face, figure and voice.

Charles Harris, a clever straight man; Salvatore Zito, an Italian character actor and Perry and Perry, two boys who sing, dance and play various musical instruments, will do specialties and assist Cy Plunkett in his comedy scenes. Beautiful costumes will be featured by the ladies of the chorus and the principal girls will be garbed in the latest modes. For the ladies who now make attendance upon Columbia Burlesque a daily matinee practice, "Take A Look" will have special appeal in its many beauties and sartorial picturesqueness. Sunday's matinee starts at 3:00.

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## EMPRESS

The story of a fighting parson with plenty of comedy a half score of song numbers and a background of country girls is "Clouds and Sunshine" the musical play at the Empress theatre this week.

It is doubtful if the Empress Players have ever offered a musical comedy which will elicit heartier response than this famous story. Originally a well known novel "Clouds and Sunshine" is said to make one of the most appealing of stage plays.

Bert Evans appears in the role of "Rev. Jos Tucker" the pastor of a church in a small rural community. Whitey Holtman plays the part of the pastor's brother, a shiftless, worthless, bit of humanity that believes the world owes him a living. Ed Wilhoit in the role of an ex-convict has a powerful role. "Susie Green" a school girl is the characterization of Helen Burke and Olga Brooks as the school teacher are the particular objects of enmity among the scandal mongers of the little town.

The newcomer makes her appearance with the company this week. It is Lillian Bessent, a blues singer and ingenue. Miss Bessent has been playing with the most prominent musical comedies on the Pacific coast the past four years and is said to be one of the most versatile of comedienne.

## Samardick Makes An Awful Killing

Government Sleuth Arrests Fifty-four Bootleggers, Including Grady's "Lunch Stand"—More To Follow, He Says.

Robert Samardick certainly made a killing last Saturday. He took nearly half a hundred bootleggers and other thirty ones, who lingerer too long over the jug. Bob is a regular guy, when it comes to putting bootleggers away. He has taken a lot of them during recent months, and several hundred Wops have fallen by the wayside. Samardick has a great sense of smell. It is said he has trained his nose to the nowadays hooch. At any rate he senses a bottle a long way off and he plays no favorites. Mr. Endres' squad might get some valuable lessons from Robert and his manner of delivering the goods. There would be no person then standing with his handout. Lots of things happen of which it has been suggested that Sheriff Endres is entirely ignorant.

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## COMMUNITY CHEST ORGANIZED FOR THE ANNUAL DRIVE

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charge of community responsibilities has been so universally adopted as the Community Chest.

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On account of the large amount and the great value of the volunteer service which the public spirited citizens of the community give without thought of remuneration, the cost of operation is very low. The annual campaign generally costs about two and one-half per cent of the total fund. The cost of collection and distribution to the agencies of the fund during the balance of the year, together with the cost of the Social Service Exchange is about four and one-half per cent of the fund. The employed staff is small. There is a full time Director who is a trained social worker, and an experienced Chest executive, a Secretary for the social Service Exchange, and the necessary bookkeeping and clerical assistance. No other salaries are paid by the Community Chest.

The goal of the campaign is \$402,000.00—the same as last year. Much more is needed, and the budget committee says to you that each and every agency represented in the budget could profitably use more than has been allotted to it. This amount is the lowest possible amount on which the agencies can function and render to the community a reasonable portion of the service which is expected of them.

## FORMER AK-SAR-BEN QUEEN SUCCEUMBS TO FATAL ILLNESS

It was with deep regret that the hundreds of good friends of Helen Murphy learned of her not altogether unexpected death Thursday morning. Miss Murphy, daughter of the late M. R. Murphy, popular stock buyer was an ex-queen of Ak-Sar-Ben, having been crowned in 1919. She was about to take the final vows in a cloistered sisterhood at Lake Forest when ill health prevented. She returned to Omaha and was thought to be progressing favorably when she took a sudden cold last week that terminated fatally. No more popular queen ever reigned in the Kingdom than Miss Murphy who is being mourned today by her scores of personal friends and thousands of acquaintances.

## CORNHUSKER FOOTBALL TEAM ARE READY TO DO OR DIE

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tant event of the season. The "Intellectuals" have some fine football material this season but have had more than their share of bad luck. The worst calamity that befell Central this year was the severe injury to the reliable and beefy Kurtz, playing center. He is out for the season, no doubt about it. However the elimination of Kurtz is no worse a calamity for coach Schmidt than that was the recent injury of Olson, South's big fullback who will no doubt be unable to get into action Saturday.

Rooters for Iowa were down at the mouth today as they read of the many unmendable injuries of first string Jawhawkers. It looks bad for our neighbors Saturday when they are to meet Wisconsin at Madison. They should take courage in the slogan "Looks are often deceiving."

## English at Home

"When I was cycling through England," writes R. B. W., "I started off one morning to ride from Clacton to St. Osyth. After a while I became uncertain about the road and meeting a laborer I inquired, 'Am I right for St. Osyth?' The man looked puzzled and said he never heard of any such place. 'A second wayfarer whom I asked was equally ignorant. Then came a third. This fellow scratched his head, but presently a look of comprehension dawned upon his face. 'Ar, to be sure. I have it now—it's 'Snosey ye mean!' —New Haven Register.

## "PONY EXPRESS" RIDES AGAIN FOR ZANE GREY HIT

Many Obstacles Overcome Filming "The Border Legion"

The "pony express" rides again!

In the isolated Northern mountains where Zane Grey's "The Border Legion" was made into a Paramount Picture, the old frontier system of communication was revived so that members of the company could, to some degree, keep informed as to happenings in the world "outside."

Yet because of the great volume of outgoing and incoming personal mail, relayed telegrams and containers of motion picture film, the company received only one newspaper in three weeks, and that was nine days old!

When Director William Howard led his company into the wilderness, they traveled approximately 100 miles from the nearest railroad point, over rough mountain roads and along narrow trails between the towering pine trees.

At strategic points along the route he engaged and stationed veteran cowboys, gaining each three horses. A system of meeting places and times was worked out, so that the relay system would cover the 100 miles in a day and a half.

With this thin link between them and civilization, the company began its operations under almost primitive conditions, living and sleeping virtually in the open and traveling dozens of miles by horse for unusually beautiful locations needed for backgrounds to make the completed picture a true presentation of the widely read novel.

And every day and night, sleeping in "cat naps" and eating when opportunity afforded, the cowboys rode the length of their lonely patrols carrying on the work of the "pony express."

Occasionally they carried in heavy parcels of raw motion picture film, consigned from the Paramount studio in Hollywood. More frequently they carried one exposed, but undeveloped film of scenes in which Antonio Moreno, Helene Chadwick, Rockliffe Fellowes, Charles Ogle, Gibson Gowland and some 100 other players participated.

Film fans who see "The Border Legion" at the Rialto Theatre next Saturday, November 15th, and for one week following will readily agree that no matter what disadvantages Paramount might have put its players to in bringing this finest of all Zane Grey stories to the screen, no matter what expense might have been incurred in its production, both were more than justified, both were more than justified in the splendid results obtained.

## Orpheum

ORPHEUM CIRCUIT VAUDEVILLE

At last Omaha theatre goes are to be given the opportunity of passing judgement on the internationally famous Harry A. Yerkes Flotilla orchestra. This much acclaimed organization comes to the Orpheum Sunday for a weeks engagement. The musicians are directed by no less a musical leader in jazz than "Dick" Barton known to just about every phonograph owner in America.

Julius Tannen, generally known as "The Chatterbox," is a prospector for laughs. For years Tannen cherished the ambition to become a character actor. When the opportunity arrived he withdrew from the two-a-day to appear as Mawruss Perlmutter in "Potash and Perlmutter." Recently he appeared as principal comedian with Nora Bayes in her musical skit, "Her Family Tree."

Miss Edith Clasper, assisted by Talbot Kenny and Paul Yocan, will offer one of the finest terpsichorean productions of the season.

Personality is one hundred per cent asset to any stage favorite, and Ruth Budd, who is known as "The Girl With the Smile," possesses personality to the ninth degree. Miss Budd has only just completed an extended engagement with Ziegfeld Midnight Frolic, where her smile and ability proved to be one of the most welcome things New York has had in a long time.

Hayden, Dundar and Hayden will be seen in a medley of comedy, music and dance. "Artistic Oddities" is the title of their act and it lives up to both claims.

Tableaux Petite features twelve art studies of physical loveliness, all of whom have been artists' models.

## COMING EVENTS

The first of three splendid concerts to be given by Omaha's own symphony orchestra this winter, will be presented at the Municipal auditorium the night of November 20. Miss Florence Van Hoven, dramatic soprano, will be the soloist in this concert and Engelbert Roentgen, associate conductor of the Minneapolis Symphony, who conducted the initial concert of the orchestra last spring, will return as the guest conductor of the 1924-25 series. Season tickets are being sold for \$3, including reservations.

Enthusiasm for the Nebraska Good Roads association building program that proposes the expenditures in six years of \$48,000,000 for building a connected highway system through all parts of the state, was evidenced at the state-wide good roads meeting held in Omaha, October 30. Business men from every part of the state attended the meeting.

More than 250 farmers and live stock growers are expected to attend the convention of the Nebraska Farmers Grain and Live Stock association which will hold its sessions at the Hotel Rome, Omaha, November 18 to 20.