

ATHENO IS HIMSELF AGAIN

Back from the World of Spirits to T... Vale of Tears.

AWAKENS RIGHT ON SCHEDULE TIME

Kansas City Claimant for the Auto-Hypnotist Vanishes and Sensational Denouncement of His Fails to Eventuate.

Upon the first stroke of the hour of 9 there was a mighty convulsion throughout the frame of Atheno, the hypnotic sleeper; at the second he made as if to leap from the rostrum, and at the third he struggled so violently with the four strong men who sought to restrain him as to hurl one of them from the stage and send another spinning into a corner.

When he went to sleep six days ago it was with the understanding that he was to be awakened Saturday night by the going of a clock sounding the hour of 9. There was something rather theatrical about the scene suggested by the "magic clock of ebony" referred to by Poe in his "Masque of the Red Death."

Its pendulum swung to and fro with a dull heavy monotonous clang, and when the minute hand pointed to the hour of the face and the hour was to be struck there came from the broken lungs of a stout and deep and exceedingly musical, but of no peculiarly attractive voice, the most melodious and sweetest of notes, and the more aged and sedate passed their hands over their brows as if in contemplation of a revelation.

The paroxysm passed in a moment, leaving the subject to speak that he was a dead weight in the arms of his two brothers.

Healey Sounds the Word.

P. C. Healey, the undertaker, presided at the resurrection, enacting the paradoxical role of the Angel Gabriel. In lieu of a trumpet he used a cathedral chime clock, and instead of a judgment there awaited the sleeper a glass of hot milk and some cheese wafers. It was thought at one time that an enraged wife, supported by a posse of officers from Kansas City, would be there to blast him with her accusations as soon as he came out of the trance, but this arrangement was declared off about an hour before the awakening, and a horrible suspicion is now lurking in the minds of the Omaha police that this was all a press agent scheme.

"Were the police and the newspapers of both Kansas City and Omaha duped by this trick?" they are asking themselves. "Is the wife in Kansas City a myth, the desertion a snare, the warrant for Atheno's arrest a delusion?" Was it all a clever ruse to give the affair the dignity of a legal status, to add a complication and an element of intrigue so seductive to the reporter's pencil? Have the police departments of two cities been used to boost the graft of a band of traveling mountebanks? Is it that the student press notice is lured from its outside?

To the man on the latter it looks as if most of the foregoing questions can be answered in the affirmative. In any event the irate wife from the city by the Kaw melted away opportunely and the sleeper awoke in the arms of his mother, a serene, sweet-faced woman, who appeared upon the scene from her home in Kansas a few hours before the resurrection.

Matter of Freezing.

After the struggle in which Atheno hurled his attendants so promiscuously about the stage it was announced by Gabriel Healey that the late sleeper would make a speech.

"My brothers tell me," said Atheno, in a weak voice, "that I was dug up three days ago at the instance of a woman's club whose members feared I would freeze down there in the ground. That was a great mistake. Those same women put their house plants down in the cellar to keep them from freezing during the winter, and I was much safer, then, was I under six feet of ground, entirely shut off from the open air? By digging me up from the uniformity of the temperature was broken and it has made me weak and nervous." The speech closed with the usual remarks for post-mortem.

Within twenty minutes Atheno had regained his normal spirits and was talking and laughing with the crowd. The Atheno (or McManigle) family will stay at the Schiltz hotel until arrangements are made for another exhibition in another city. They declare themselves well pleased with their Omaha engagement from a financial standpoint.

HYMENEAL.

Bornero-Griffin.

DAVID CITY, Neb., Dec. 14.—(Special.)—John Bornero and Miss Emma Griffin were married yesterday afternoon at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Albin, Rev. H. H. Harmon of the First Christian church officiated. Mr. Bornero is a member of the firm of Bornero Bros., fruit dealers of Lincoln. Miss Griffin is a niece of J. F. Albin, editor of the People's Banner of David City. Mr. and Mrs. Bornero left this morning for Lincoln, where they will live.

THE FEAR OF HUMBAG

Prevents Many People from Trying a Good Medicine.

Stomach troubles are so common and in most cases so obstinate to cure that people are apt to look with suspicion on any remedy claiming to be a radical, permanent cure for dyspepsia and indigestion. Many such people, themselves, are their acute sense in never being humbugged, especially in medicines.

This fear of being humbugged can be carried too far, so far, in fact, that many people suffer for years with weak digestion rather than risk a little time and money in faithfully testing the claims of a preparation so reliable and universally used as Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

New Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are vastly different in one important respect from ordinary proprietary medicines for the reason that they are not a secret patent medicine, no secret is made of their ingredients, although they are sold by all druggists under protection of trademark, but analysis shows them to contain the natural digestive juices, pure pepsin, bismuth, hydrate and gum. They are not cathartic, neither do they act powerfully on any organ, but they cure indigestion, the common cause of pain of digesting the food, eaten thoroughly before it has time to ferment, sour and cause the mischief. This is the only secret of their success. Cathartic pills never have and never can cure indigestion and stomach troubles, because they act entirely on the bowels, whereas the whole trouble is really in the stomach.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets taken after meals digest the food. That is all there is to it. Food not digested or half digested is poison, as it creates gas, acidity, headache, palpitation of the heart, loss of flesh and many other troubles which are often called by some other name.

HOLDUP ARTIST WILL SHOOT

South Omaha Saloonkeeper Recieves Probably Fatal Wound Re-sisting Robbers

Three men attempted to hold up a saloon at Twenty-seventh and X streets, South Omaha, about 10:15 last night. The proprietor, Henry Hakanholz, who was probably not one of the 200 persons who would be robbers draw a revolver and fire at him. The bullet passed through his right lung. The intruders then took to their heels without waiting to secure booty.

Several persons who had been attracted by the sound of the shot entered the saloon about this time and arrangements were made for taking Hakanholz to his home, Twenty-seventh and Jefferson streets, where a physician attended him. It is thought that his wound will not prove fatal.

Though the marauders wore no masks and apparently made no attempt to conceal their identities the police have a very poor description of them, and there is little hope that they will be captured.

HITCHCOCK RESERVES ACTION

Secretary of Interior Hears Arguments on Land Leasing for Mining Purposes.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—A case on which hangs the leasing of Indian lands for mining purposes was given a hearing by Secretary Hitchcock today. The case is that of the Florence Mining company for 440 acres of land on the Uintah Ute reservation in Utah. The congressional delegation from Utah already has protested against the leasing and today a delegation of the Indians presented their side of the case, urging the approval of the leases.

Commissioner of Indian Affairs Jones, Assistant Secretary Ryan, Assistant Attorney General Vandewater, Indian Agent Myton of the Ute reservation, Senator Kearns and Representative Sutherland took part.

Secretary Hitchcock reserved action, allowing ten days more for the filing of additional papers.

OMAHA SUBURBS.

Benson.

James Walsh is erecting a new barn on his home property.

"Grandpa" Crawford was stricken with paralysis last week and is very ill. Mr. Benjamin Morten has been ill with typhoid pneumonia and is not yet out of danger.

Mrs. James Walsh returned on Monday from a few days' visit with relatives in Elkhorn.

Mr. Sotman's brothers of New York and Iowa visited him at his home from Friday till Sunday.

Services will be held in the Methodist church today at 11 a. m. The topic, "Secular Socialism."

Christina, 9-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Peterson, died at noon Wednesday, after a short illness.

William Moran was kept to his home, a few days last week with the grip, but is able to be out again.

The meeting of the Literary society was not held last Friday evening, on account of the extreme cold weather.

Alex Soper arrived in Benson from Kansas City Friday evening and is at the home of his sister, Mrs. Morten.

The new officers of the Odd Fellows are: V. G. R. Williams; N. G. J. D. Homer; treasurer, C. Steiger; secretary, E. A. Stiger.

Officers elected for the Modern-Woodmen camp are: W. A. Phillip Mergen; V. C. Shilly; banker, Ed E. Hoffman; clerk, E. G. Hills.

The members of the Benson Odd Fellows' lodge went to Council Bluffs Tuesday evening to attend the degree team contest of Council Bluffs.

Miss June and Master Harold Grove entertained a number of Junior friends at the home of their parents Monday afternoon, in honor of Harold's birthday.

The Young People's meeting was held at the Methodist church last Thursday evening. The Epworth league topic, "The Universal Dominion," was discussed.

At the meeting of the F. U. A. lodge Wednesday evening these officers were elected: P. M. Mrs. J. A. Morgan; treasurer, J. Miller; secretary, Lorez Jorgenson; stewards, A. Hollenback and Johnson. After the business session refreshments were served.

Florence.

Miss Harriet Hunt passed Saturday and Sunday in Omaha.

Mrs. Robert Elliott left Saturday morning for a month's visit with her daughter, Mrs. Thomas Foulk, of Ireton, Ia.

C. L. Nethaway of Wahoo arrived Wednesday with his family and will make his home, living on one of T. E. Price's place.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Smith gave a party at their country home Friday evening in honor of their daughter Fay's 18th birthday anniversary.

A telephone representative has been here the past few days making arrangements and getting subscribers preparatory to opening a telephone exchange.

Miss Olive Prudence Tracy, postmistress of this office, attended a party in Omaha Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Cane in honor of Mr. Cane's parents of Brooklyn, Ia.

Mrs. G. J. Hunt and daughters, Harriet and Julia, Mr. and Mrs. Weber, Jr., and Mrs. Mary J. Griffin and daughter Millie were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Smith Friday night.

The Women's guild of St. Mark's church met at the home of Mrs. Weber, Sr., Wednesday evening. Arrangements were completed for their annual sale of fancy articles at Wagon hall Tuesday evening, December 17. All money derived from such sale goes for the benefit of St. Mark's church.

Dundee.

Mrs. E. R. Rush returned last week from her trip to Hamilton, Mo.

Mrs. Stoncupphug has been a visitor in Dundee the last two weeks.

The Round Dozen club will meet Wednesday with Mrs. E. V. Heaford.

Mrs. Patten is at home again, having recovered from her recent illness.

The Dundee Woman's club met Wednesday with Mrs. Tallafiero. Mrs. Fannie Perry had charge of the program, which included the restoration and the delectable feast of the Stuarts of the English throne. The new Presbyterian church at Fifteenth and Underwood avenue is to be dedicated this morning. The sermon will be delivered by Rev. E. H. Jenks at 3:30 and by Rev. Dr. Wheeler at 7:30. The music is in charge of Mr. Lighton. The Dundee Harmonic society and Young Men's Christian association quartet will sing at both services.

Not Guilty of Contempt.

The officer of the Plattsmouth Telephone company and C. O. Fuller of the Postal Telegraph company were found not guilty of contempt by Judge Estelle after a hearing Saturday afternoon. They were cited for contempt by Judge Estelle after a hearing Saturday afternoon. They were cited for contempt by Judge Estelle after a hearing Saturday afternoon. They were cited for contempt by Judge Estelle after a hearing Saturday afternoon.

SCHOOL CHILDREN MAY HELP

Their Aid in Erecting the McKinley Monument is Solicited.

SUGGESTION OF A NEBRASKA YOUNGSTER

Proposes a One-Cent Subscription From Each Pupil and is Met with a Counter Proposal by Committee.

It was a Nebraska boy, James Albert Sherman Edwards of Fremont, who was the first to suggest a plan to bring every child attending the schools in the United States into closest cooperation with a great monument to the memory of the late President McKinley.

Master Edwards, who attends the Fremont public schools, upon reading the announcement of the formation of a Nebraska McKinley Memorial society, wrote to E. Rosewater, secretary and treasurer of the society, in which he outlines a plan by which each child could contribute a small amount, which in the aggregate would be considerable, in the construction of the monument which is to stand in the town where the chief executive passed the greater part of his life.

In this letter Master Edwards said: "I have read in The Sunday Bee of the organization of a McKinley Memorial association and that subscriptions will be received for the purpose of carrying out the object of the association, I, a pupil in the public school of Fremont and am interested in the matter. As a means of raising a fund I suggest that a fund be started which will be composed of 1 cent from each of the pupils in the schools of the state. If this fund is started I would like to have it opened at Fremont, so I could contribute the first cent."

Suggestion of Secretary Ritchie.

When Mr. Rosewater received this letter he forwarded it to Ryerson Ritchie, secretary of the McKinley National Memorial association. Mr. Ritchie did not approve the plan as to the amount, but he did consider the suggestion excellent, as the following letter will show:

CLEVELAND, Dec. 11.—Hon. E. Rosewater, Omaha.—Dear Sir: Senator Fairbank has referred to me your letter to him of December 11, with copy of a letter from a lad of Fremont, Neb., suggesting a one-cent subscription from school children of the United States. Had it not been for my absence from the city, attending a meeting of the trustees of the school in Washington, this letter would have had an earlier acknowledgment.

While the suggestion made by Master Edwards is an excellent one, it is very difficult to carry out and the collection of 1 cent is not much of a sacrifice for the purpose such as the erection of a tomb for the memory of our late great president. The contribution of 1 cent would be a liberal offering from children of poor parents and would be as readily accepted as 1 cent from children of wealthy parents. Nevertheless, the expense of collecting about 2,000,000 of people is such that the result would not be a highly creditable expense. A 5-cent subscription has been started in Washington, and even that is burdensome to handle. A better suggestion has been made by Mrs. Buchanan of Washington, and that is to have a cent in each class in the several schools throughout the entire country make a contribution in such a manner that it will be given the class and no distinction be made.

Superintendent Jones of this city has adopted a plan which is very good, that of giving to each child a brightly colored slip upon which they were to write their name and address and enclose their contribution. Whether the plan is to be carried out or not, the humiliation of the poorer children and the interest of the school children. The reports submitted to the trustees from all sections of the country were indeed very gratifying. Your interest in this work in your city and the cooperation of the executive committee can be brought together a plan to cover the entire state will be adopted. Blank forms of subscription are being sent to all newspapers in the state by the national association and these will probably be followed up by direct appeals by the state association.

At the organization of the society an address was prepared to the people of the state signed by the officers, as follows:

To the People of Nebraska: The McKinley National Memorial association, organized after the untimely death of our nation's honored president, has at its members the presidents of each state and territory and leading citizens from the country at large. Its president is Hon. William B. Day of Canton, O.; the vice president is Marcus A. Hanna of Cleveland, O.; the secretary is Myron T. Herrick, the secretary-treasurer is Ritchie, all of Cleveland, O. The undersigned have been appointed as the Nebraska branch of the association. The object is to raise a fund for the erection at Canton, O., of a grand monument to the grave of William McKinley, and after an appropriation of a certain amount for such purpose for the erection of a suitable memorial at the national capital. The contribution should be the people's offering to the noble dead and should be a popular tribute. The state association, having this object in view, suggests the following as the course to be pursued in Nebraska: We do not attempt to fix the minimum of contributions the committee suggests that \$3 from any individual citizen is sufficient and that collection need be considered too small to be bestowed.

We ask that every newspaper in the state shall publish this appeal and supplement the action of the association with the power of the press. We further ask that every editor, teacher and postmaster in Nebraska shall act as the agent of the association to receive contributions and forward the same to Hon. Edward Rosewater, treasurer, Omaha, Neb., who will acknowledge the same. To these contributions blank forms will be sent by the secretary. The name of every contributor will be carried upon the record of the national association and the receipt of the sum acknowledged. There are about 2,000 school children in the state of Nebraska, and we appeal to each teacher in the state to aim to collect 1 cent from each child as the tribute of the youth of the state, showing their affection for the departed chief executive, who stands today as an ideal American.

Benefit at the Boyd.

The first enterprise to raise funds for the association will be the appearance of Gertrude Coghlan at Boyd's theater on Thursday evening, December 20, when she will present a new comedy by Henry Guy Carlton. It is stated that this entertainment can be made to net \$1,000 in the fund and this will be used as a nucleus around which the contributions of generous Nebraskans will be placed and sent to Canton, where the memorial is to be erected.

Elevator at Dell Rapids Burns.

DELL RAPIDS, Ia., Dec. 14.—(Special Telegram.)—The largest elevator belonging to the Dell Rapids Elevator company burned to the ground last night. The cause of the fire is unknown, but spontaneous combustion is believed to be the cause. It is the largest elevator in the city, of which there are five. Grain loss over \$25,000; insurance about \$18,000. It is the biggest fire Dell Rapids has had in many years.

CONTESTS COME IN JANUARY

Seven of These Cases to Settle, of Which Lentz is the Most Controversial.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—The hearing of contested election cases will begin early in January before the various committees of the house. There are seven of these contests, including that made by Representative Lentz of Ohio against the sitting member from the Seventh Ohio district, Representative Tompkins. One of the contests begun by General Walker of Virginia for the seat from the Ninth Virginia district, has been terminated by the death of the contestant after the testimony had been taken and the brief filed. The remaining six cases are: Seventh Alabama, N. B. Spears against Representative Burnett; Third Kentucky, J. N. Moss against Representative Rhea; Twelfth Missouri, W. M. Horton against Representative Butler; Third North Carolina, J. E. Fowler against

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