

Bold Front of 'Dude Rancher' Fades in Jail

Alleged "Wallingford" Claims Intimacy With Many Notables But Erred in Using U. S. Mails.

Get-Rich-Quick Wallingford "got by" with a "good front." Not so did Stephen Demmon, who claims most of the great men of the land as his personal friends but who, nevertheless, lies in the county jail and is so devoid of money that Federal Judge Woodruff had to appoint an attorney Thursday to defend him.

When Postoffice Inspector Coble went to Wyoming to bring him back after his arrest, Demmon said he would return voluntarily. "My friend, Mr. Stone, will take care of this," he exclaimed indignantly. "Do you know Mr. Stone?" "The attorney general of the United States," asked Coble. "Exactly. And my very good friend."

None Has Written. Coble returned to Omaha, took witnesses to Wyoming and Demmon then quickly waived the legal process. Assistant United States Attorney George Keyser has heard much of Demmon's influential friends. But none has ever written to Mr. Keyser.

Demmon blew into Omaha some months ago and was so expansive that he was well received. One doctor gave him a guest card to the University club. In appreciation, Demmon presented him with four blooded goats, the doctor paying the freight when they arrived and the shipper of the goats, Elmer Price of Tama, Ia., waiting for his \$60.

"Cottonwood Ranch." Demmon wrote many letters in a large hand, the words beautifully traced on bond paper. Some of these are included in the Federal indictment. They are all dated "Cottonwood Ranch," but the ranch was located at different points. In one letter it is at the Union Stockyards; in another it's at Ashland, Neb., and in another it occupies a most valuable site at 1904 Harney street.

He claimed to be "in the dude ranch business in the Wind river country of Wyoming, south of Yellowstone park." He wrote to the San Gabriel ranch, Arizona, offering to deliver eastern tourists who "would pay \$50 to \$100 a week to live on the ranch and ride horses." The San Gabriel people, it is alleged, sent him \$75 advance expenses for delivering the "dudes."

Another letter to a Mr. Rogers, offers to sell thoroughbred horses for polo and jumping at around \$100. The horses, the letter says, are 14 1/2 to 16 1/2 hands high.

Demmon wrote that he was a member of "Harvard '97." He knows by name a surprising number of prominent men.

A Chance Meeting. "I hear some one coming," said little Red Ridinghood to herself as she trotted along the winding path that led through the woods to her sick grandmother's house. "I wonder who it can be." Just then Mr. Wolf came into sight. He was dressed in his very best and looked quite dignified and gentlemanly. "Good morning," he said politely, tipping his hat.

"Good morning," answered little Red Ridinghood, looking admiringly at his black coat, his gray hat, and his bright blue trousers and waistcoat. She remembered what her mother had said about not speaking to any one, but surely her mother would think it all right to talk to some one who looked so fine and spoke so politely as Mr. Wolf did. So she made him a deep curtsy.

"Thank Goodness the Flapper Is Disappearing and in Her Place Stands the American Girl," Ziegfeld

Our Girl of Today Is Like a Golden Orchid; Sun of Little Flapper Has Set.

By FLORENZ ZIEGFELD, Creator of "The Flappers." New York, Jan. 16.—One day in 1917 the American girl forgot to powder her nose and rouse her cheeks and today she bobs her hair and shortens her skirts and leaves the corset on the shelf.

But I was speaking of 1917. You remember those gray days—days when the American boys, hundreds of thousands of them, were herded on trains and sent across country to embarkation ports, bound for their great adventure.

They had it—gallant lads that they were. But the American girl also had her great adventure of the spirit.

Flapper Is Disappearing. We honor the American youth who offered to make the supreme sacrifice; we are too prone to forget the American girl who served as valiantly. Many a time I went to the pier to say farewell to some lad, and there I would see a hundred American girls in uniform, beautiful, lovely girls, working until ready to drop in their tracks.

Their reward was merely the knowledge of work well done for the U. S. A. After the war, reaction, of course. That brought the flapper to the fore—the girl who really was too young to do more than pray in those days leading to the armistice.

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Thinks for Herself. Just a few years ago our high school girls were 15 or 16 years old. Today they are much younger. It seems that their very brains have been quickened in this lively age through which we are passing.

The war girl was a flaming iris. Our little flapper who followed was a frivolous sunflower—and her sun has set.

Plan to Improve Road Is Endorsed

Louisville Meeting Approves Plan to Gravel Omaha-Lincoln Route.

Omahians attending the good road association meeting at Louisville, Neb., Thursday night were enthusiastic over the prospects for another gravelled road leading into Lincoln from Omaha and the bringing of more retail business to the city from the southeastern part of the state.

Walter S. Jardine, W. B. Cheek, John Hughes and A. G. Whitney of Omaha and Roy Cochran, state engineer, also were among those attending the meeting.

Changes in Laws to Be Discussed

Returns in Questionnaire to Be Submitted to County Attorneys' Meeting.

Grand Island, Jan. 16.—Bert Hardenbrook, of Ord, president of the Nebraska County Attorneys' association, has just compiled the returns from a questionnaire put out following the 1924 meeting of the association, along the line of desirable or undesirable changes in the Nebraska laws, and will submit the result to the association at its meeting at Lincoln next week.

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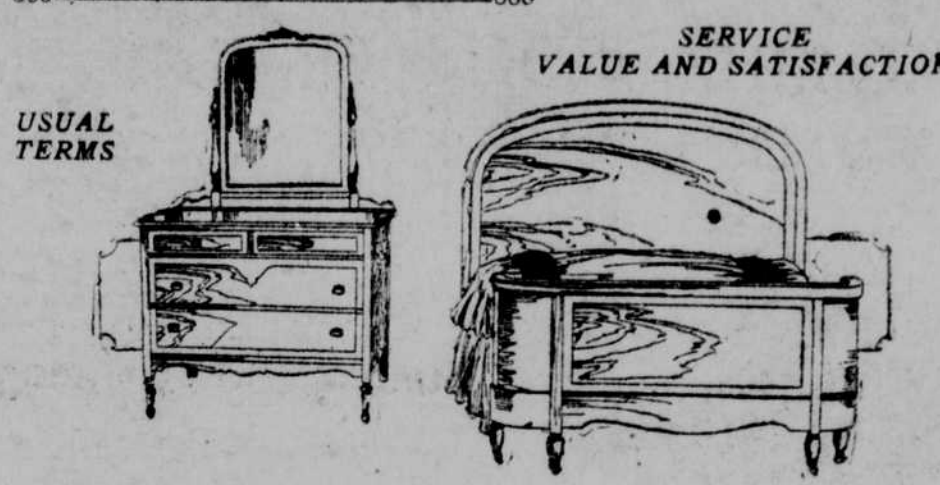
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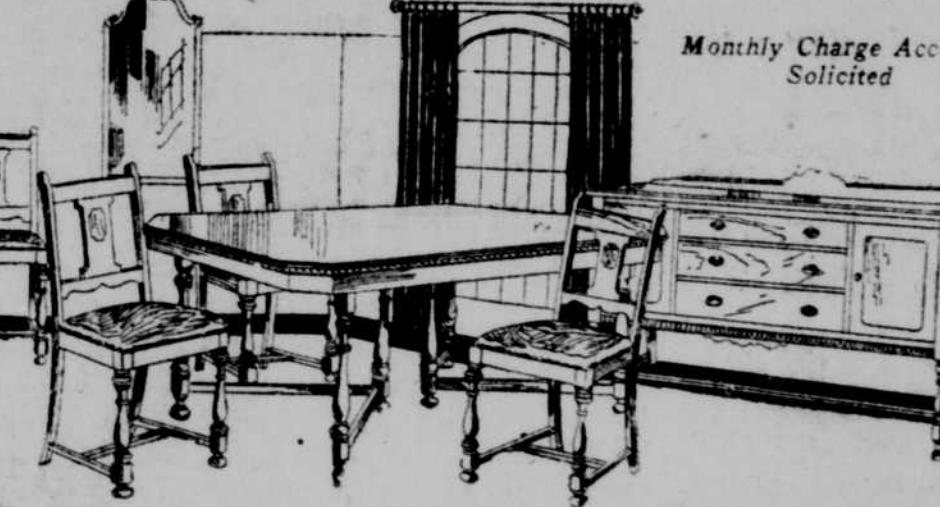
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