

**SOCIETY MATRON AS GODDESS AT BALL**—Mrs. Thomas appeared as "Artemis" in the Gods of Greece division at the Ball of the Gods, given by the Society of Beaux Arts Architects in New York last week. The divinities of mythology were impersonated by the leaders of society in a gorgeous pageant.



MRS. LEONARD THOMAS.

**NO "FREAK" AUTOS AT OMAHA DISPLAY**

Every Machine Exhibited at Omaha Automobile Show Will Be of Tried and Standard Make.

**RACING MACHINES TO BE SHOWN**

There will be no "freaks" exhibited at the Omaha Automobile show this year. In past years there were a few automobile manufacturers who built freak machines for show exhibition purposes and nearly every show had an exhibit that was purely for the purpose of sensation.

But auto men have come to realize that an automobile show is strictly a business proposition, is essentially to increase interest in the motor car and is not a sideshow. Thus it is the day of the "freak" has passed.

But in saying there will be no "freaks" on display does not mean there will be a lack of the unusual. For the Omaha show this year will include an extraordinarily large number of unusual cars.

But these unusual cars are all standard machines, they have been tried and tested and have been found to contain merit.

**Exhibit Speed Cars.**

For instance, there will be at least two exhibits of speed cars. These powerful machines are capable of eighty and ninety miles an hour upon the road and have even been known to cover the distance at a faster rate when pushed. This will be the first time that such speed machines will be exhibited at an Omaha show.

But while these machines are built for speed and are of the low, racy type, they are so constructed that they can be placed in general use in town or country. They can be throttled down to a speed of two or three miles an hour as easily as they can be pushed up to fifty or sixty.

**Most of the New York and Chicago exhibits will come intact to the Omaha show. All of the cars of standard manufacture shown at the national shows will be in Omaha.**

The show opens Monday at the Auditorium and continues all week.

**North Bend Night Watchman Kills Self**

NORTH BEND, Neb., Feb. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—Frank Strayer, city night watchman, was found dead on top of ice in Street's icehouse at 8 o'clock this morning with his own gun in his hand and a large hole through his head. He had been at the Union Pacific depot in the same vicinity at 5 o'clock and his brother-in-law, Jesse Hoyer, who talked with him, noticed nothing unusual. He went home last night for midnight lunch, but did not return for breakfast. His wife became alarmed and search had begun when he was accidentally found by Mr. Street. Mr. Strayer had been in poor health for some time. He leaves a wife and four children from 2 to 9 years old. Strayer is a brother of Mrs. Arch Ferguson, who with two children, jumped from a bridge into the Platte river last spring. The bodies were found several weeks later.

**Delay Inquest Over Death of Auto Pilot**

No inquest will be held inquiring into the death of James Murray, 46 years, who was killed Thursday morning as a result of a street car-truck collision on the Douglas street bridge, until Motorman C. O. Crane recovers from his injuries. Crane is confined to his home and it may be several days before he is able to get about. It has been learned that Murray came to Omaha from Seattle, where he had been a member of the Walters' union.

**Double Patriotic Celebration is to Be Held Tuesday**

The military and patriotic societies of Omaha will celebrate Washington's and Lincoln's birthdays at court room No. 1, Douglas county court house, next Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. The following program has been arranged:

- Call to order by the president of the Monument association, Major R. S. Wilcox.
- Song, "America," by audience.
- Invocation, Rev. E. H. Jenks.
- Introduction of chairman, Senator Norris Brown.
- Song, "Red, White and Blue," by audience.
- Address, "Washington," Hon. J. L. Kennedy.
- Song, "Battle Hymn of the Republic," by audience.
- Address, "Lincoln," Hon. John Lee Webster.

The public is invited. Following is the committee in charge: R. S. Wilcox, C. E. Adams, F. W. Simpson, Jonathan Edwards.

When all other ways fail, try a Bee Want Ad.

**Little Bobbie's Pa**

By WILLIAM F. KIRK.

I may have to talk a little run over to the other side, sed Pa to Ma last nite. The other side of the street' said Ma. Oh, no, sed Pa; the other side of the oshun. Columbus demands that I shud go, sed Pa. I can see her sweet, distressed face & hear her calling me, sed Pa.

You don't say so, sed Ma. Oh, yes, sed Pa, I hear the call. If you ever noticed, sed Pa, every time there is a grate crisis in this country sum man springs up, sum strong cur-asus man like me, that knows not the meaning of the word fear. All that I have, my heart, my munny, my job, sed Pa, I owe to my country. Therefore I hark to her call.

You do? sed Ma. Well, while you are barking hark a little to the call of Friend Wife. You owe me something, too, & you owe little Bobbie something, too. Doesn't he have to tell everybody you are his dad? You are not going abroad. Do I make myself perfectly plain to my fat hero?

But I really shud go, sed Pa. I doant think Kernel Mouse can git along very well without me. "Him & me has the salt ideas in a way, sed Pa, only my ideas are moar clearer & better de-fined. & dear wife, sed Pa, remember, if anything shud happen to me while I am in the War Zone, tell little Bobbie that his father died a soldier's deat. Fare thee well, & if forever, sed Pa, then forever fare thee well. My hart is bursting even now, sed Pa.

I guess it is yore lungs that is bursting, sed Ma. Talk off that overcoat. Do I hear correctly, sed Pa. Are you to stand between me & duty? You never heard more correctly in yore life, sed Ma. Talk off that overcoat. I dident raise my husband to be a soldier, sed Ma. It ain't in him. Talk off that coat.

So Pa took off his overcoat & set down in the chair at which Ma was pointing at. That is better, sed Ma. You look moar like yureself sprawled out at ease, she sed. If the soldiers was all like you, she sed, there wud never be anything except the softest kind of dove-like Peace. Now look pleasant & keep still till I finish this new novel by Gertrud Google-eye. It is a gripping story. Maybe I shall read it aloud to you. It is called The Redemshun of Rita Ruffstuf.

I doant want to hear it, sed Pa. Surely a husband has sum rise. The only rita husbands like you deserve is the last sad ones, sed Ma. Sit up strater in that chair! Then Pa sat up strater. This is a grate novel, sed Ma. It deals with the eternal problem, the problem that is as old as the world. I used to be good at problems, sed Pa. I think I wud have been a grate riter if I had went to college insted of learning the printing business. One thing sure, sed Pa, if I was a riter I wud be a fearless rascal. I wud see the truth & tell it. I wud be bray.

**Welcome Omaha Auto**  
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