

EXPRESSES HOPE FOR NATIONAL THEATER

Lady Gregory, Before the Drama League, Gives an Idea of What Americans Can Accomplish.

PRACTICAL ADVICE GIVEN

Lady Gregory, Irish dramatist and with Yeats the founder of the Irish National theater, expressed the utmost confidence in the future of the American drama and urged drama league members to begin at once to found the American National theater.

"I believe you Americans will have your national theater," asserted Lady Gregory. "There is such a rush in your life, something looking for expression and the desire for helplessness is so strong with you.

"As Bergson said, 'The American spirit is so idealistic, so profoundly sentimental, and you are so curious about the inside of things.'

"People say to me, 'But we are a new country. We have not the rich folklore of Ireland to draw upon.'

"Exciting Work Here. "But you have a still greater influence, the emotion of the future palpating before you. You have such exciting work here. All the nations mix here. Your work is to digest, as it were, the nations. This you will do either by a natural assimilation, by the crash of a great war or the welding together through a great literature very likely drama.

"How will you have a national theater? Just by starting it; knowledge is not necessary. There was no one more ignorant than I when I started the Irish National theater.

"Here is some practical advice: Begin with a small theater, with a small, but trained company.

"Avoid expensive productions. Managers are often obliged to put on elaborate productions to please the largest number, but that class hasn't always the best taste. Expensive scenery is a mistake, because you can't keep up with the moving pictures.

"Maintain High Standard. "Here is where the moving pictures will benefit the theater in the end. They will distinguish between the audience that wishes to hear and the audience that wishes to see.

"Shut out foreign plays and players. It will encourage your own school of dramatists and you will find a strong affinity of characters in your own surroundings. Maintain a high standard. You won't succeed if you think of the theater as an amusement.

"A national theater requires an endowment, though not a permanent one. Let the American public realize the importance of the Italian noblemen of the Renaissance, whose pride in their cities brought many treasures to beautify their surroundings."

Lady Gregory's talk was interspersed with humorous accounts of the difficulties of establishing the Irish theater. The attractive personality of the speaker, coupled with her simple attire and quiet flowing lace cap, entirely won her audience, which packed the theater.

Miss Kate A. McHugh, president of the Drama League, introduced Lady Gregory.

Grows Big Plants in BacterIALIZED Peat

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.) LONDON, Oct. 29.—Jack's celebrated bean stalk is likely to be rivaled by Prof. W. B. Bottomley, who has astonished agriculturists here with plants grown in peat treated with bacteria. He believes that the same process can be applied to wheat growing as well.

Prof. Bottomley of King's college in the Strand, has been conducting his experiments on the roof of his college building in the very heart of London. The method by which he doubles and trebles the size of plants and their fruit was the result of a long line of experiments. He started inoculating the soil with a culture of bacteria obtained from the root of leguminous plants. Soil so treated, it was found, greatly increased the nitrogenous matter in the earth and produced more nodules on the roots. Peat was found to be the best medium for the bacteria.

From eighteen plants fed on the bacterIALIZED peat Prof. Bottomley cut seventy-two cabbages weighing a pound each after a twenty days' growth. Sixteen pounds of tomatoes were taken from one vine.

"There are thousands of acres of peat in Ireland which could by bacterial treatment be converted into a rich manure and at least double the productivity of the soil," said the professor. "Incidentally, it would give Ireland a new industry, for its practically inexhaustible supplies of peat would provide all that is required for the rest of the United Kingdom."

The government has made a grant for continuing the experiments.

DESERTERS FROM JAP ARMY SHOW LARGE INCREASE

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.) TOKIO, Oct. 29.—The frequency of army desertion, as well as suicide of some of the deserters, is causing some concern among the military authorities. Statistics show that during last year there were 262 cases of desertion, of which 28 per cent were common soldiers. Tokio leads other cities with 124 cases, while there were 112 cases at Osaka. Out of the total, 23 soldiers were brought before the military court and punished, while 68 deserters voluntarily surrendered before the three days' grace had expired.

The increase of suicide among deserters is believed to be due to the reduction of days of grace during the war from six to three days, the deserter sometimes preferring to kill himself than face the shame of court-martial.

Deserters who surrender before the three days expire are restored to the service with a light admonition. If they delay their return they become fugitives and are peremptorily punished on their arrest by the military court.

Culls from the Wire

Outlining the policies of the Illinois Equal Suffrage association, Mrs. Grace Wilbur Trout, president, declared against any alliance with either wet or dry factions.

Ogden Mills of New York was elected director of the Adolphus, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad for four-year term to succeed the late Thomas P. Fowler of New York.

From Our Near Neighbors

Avoca.

Dr. J. W. Brendel and wife were Sunday visitors at Seward. Ora E. Copes and wife were over Sunday visitors at Lincoln.

Miss Judith and Francis Straub were over Sunday visitors at Fremont. Mrs. H. J. Stutz was at Unadilla the first of the week visiting relatives.

Mrs. Florence Durham left last week for a visit with relatives at Farnam. The Congregational Ladies Aid society met with Mrs. Chris Nutsman Thursday.

William Steinhilber and family left Tuesday for a few days' visit at Smithfield. Mr. and Mrs. Louis Carsten have been spending the week with relatives at Adams.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ehlers of Bertrand are spending the week with relatives here. A. Zimmerman, son Adolph and daughter, Miss Mary, were here from Nebraska City Thursday.

Henry Thiele, wife and daughter of Alliance were visiting relatives here the last part of the week. Medamos Gus Ruge and William Maseman have returned from a several weeks' visit at Elizabeth, Ill.

W. H. Wright, a well known farmer, for his right hand and arm badly injured while operating a threshing machine. C. Marquardt, Joseph C. Zimmerman and Claud Pahnstock were at Omaha this week attending a meeting of the Cass county Sunday school convention.

Misses Verna Ward, Emma Marquardt and Goldie Maple were at Louisville this week attending a meeting of the Cass county Sunday school convention.

Springfield. Mrs. Thomas Addelman is visiting her daughter in Falls City. Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Stewart returned from California, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Harberg of Omaha are visiting the Roy. N. J. Christianson returned from a month's trip to South Dakota. Mrs. H. M. Tidwell of Council Bluffs is visiting Mrs. Frank Minturn.

C. E. Keyes went the fore part of the week to Reserve, Kan., on a visit. Mrs. and Mrs. Frank Begley of Omaha visited Mrs. D. J. Begley last Sunday.

Great Mrs. Harrison and Leon Stacy attended the bankers' convention in Omaha this week. Jake Startzler was called to Ely, Ia., to attend the funeral of his sister, Mrs. John Lingie.

C. W. Thornton and family have moved to a farm near Owego, N. Y., where they will reside. W. B. Salling returned from California last Tuesday. He visited the Panama exposition and returned home by way of Los Angeles.

Fire destroyed five stacks of oats on the farm of W. H. Davidson, Tuesday night. It is estimated that about 1,000 bushels were burned. L. C. Johnson, C. D. Martin, John Nottelman and T. J. Wright attended the Masonic lodge of instruction at Weeping Water last Tuesday night.

Gray Miller of Cherry county paid a visit to his parents here and left Tuesday for his home, taking with him his son, William, who has been attending school here. Mrs. Sarry county Sunday school convention was held last Saturday and Sunday in the Methodist church. W. H. Kimberly and Miss Margaret Ellen Brown, state workers, conducted the exercises.

Bennington. Mrs. Alice Leach was an Omaha visitor Tuesday. Mrs. William Labe and children moved to Omaha on Thursday.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Peterson on Wednesday. Fred Ohrt left Wednesday morning for a visit to his brother, later he will go to South Dakota.

Mr. and Mrs. Shultz, formerly of Washington, have moved to Bennington into the Clara Ott cottage on the west side. A party of men from the Twentieth Century Farmer, Omaha, spent Wednesday at the Grau farm photographing scenes of farm work and live stock.

Bennington now has better train service, No. 29 reaching here at 8:15 from the east, will run Sundays, as will No. 30 from the west, due here at 11:45. Miss Pearl Summer, teacher in District No. 34, gave a hallowe'en party at the school house Friday evening. It was greatly enjoyed by the pupils and their friends.

John Timperley and son, Charlie, Mrs. Hüllinger and Bernice, went with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Menking on a motoring trip into Iowa last week. They returned Sunday.

Prof. and Mrs. Odell gave a party Wednesday evening to the pupils of the advanced grades. Hallowe'en stunts and decorations were the features of the occasion. They were assisted by the Misses Johnson and Tholky.

Irvington. Mrs. Dein and Miss Dein visited friends in Florence Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Hinz of Blair visited at the Henry Spring home Sunday.

E. W. Harvey of Omaha visited at the S. R. Brewster home Wednesday. Mrs. Albert Anderson and Mrs. John Cameron motored to Pennington Sunday.

Albert Anderson and John Bleick went hunting on the Elkhorn a few days last week. Mr. and Mrs. John Bleick and children visited at the Carl Spring home in Benson Sunday.

Mrs. Rabbit and family of Keystone Park visited at the S. R. Brewster home Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Thompson and family visited at the Knutson home in Benson Sunday.

The Willing Workers met Wednesday to plan for their bazaar which will be held November. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Spring and Mr. and Mrs. Beals visited at the Carl Spring home in Benson Sunday.

Alan Hazard, Elmer Christopherson, John Bates and Archie Hazard went on a hunting trip in Cass county. Mr. and Mrs. Lue Hays of Omaha and Mrs. C. B. Williams of Pawnee, Colo., visited at the Williams home Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Purcell gave a social dance in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Custer of Central City, Neb., Monday evening at the Modern Woodmen of America hall. Twenty-five guests were present.

Weeping Water. Mr. and Mrs. John McKay were visiting relatives at Eagle and Palmyra Sunday. Mrs. H. E. Calkin of Waco is visiting at the home of her father-in-law, N. J. Calkin.

Misses Irene and Ruth Jones visited their sister, Mrs. Will Baler at Avoca, Friday. C. W. Fish and Thomas Murley attended the bankers' convention in Omaha this week. Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Jenkins returned Friday from Ohio, where they had spent the summer.

Mrs. John Lean and Mrs. Will Lettifer of Elmwood spent Thursday visiting at the Wash Bulls home. R. G. Glover was in Omaha, Tuesday, where he underwent an operation to have a growth removed from his eye. Mrs. Elizabeth Doty returned Saturday from Avoca, Okla., where she had visited her brother, Charley, and her sister, Mrs. Hy Stucker. Mrs. Lena Ralston of Council Bluffs spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. F. S. Barnes. The latter left the first of the week for a visit on the Pacific coast.

Funeral of Dominick Hughes at Gretna, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Brown spent Sunday with Miss Marion Brown and Karl Brown, at Lincoln. Miss Frances Empey of El Reno, Okla., left Wednesday for her home, after several weeks' visit with Mrs. G. P. Miller.

Miss Pearl Carpenter will entertain the Christian Endeavor society of the Presbyterian church at a hallowe'en social tonight. Mrs. E. S. Nickerson and Miss Eliza Wilson entertained the Woman's club Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Nickerson. Miss Ida Price read a paper on "Stories From the Opera," which she illustrated by selections on the victrola. Miss Fricks also gave a report from the convention at Norfolk.

Mrs. James Davidson and Mrs. T. J. Wright have a club to meet with them in Springfield in two weeks. Valley. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Howard were in Omaha Saturday.

Miss Waurora Cork spent the week-end in Lincoln with her mother. Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Eddy and children spent the week-end in Omaha with Mrs. Archer.

Mrs. Mary Hempstead and Mrs. McKibbin of Tilden, spent Sunday with Valley friends. Miss Freda Heinbach, who has been ill, is improving and will be able to return to her school near Hildes very soon.

Miss Pearl Hanna, Hope Murtz, Ethel Ingram, Myrtle Ganes, Gertrude Ingram and Miss Ingram, were shopping in Omaha Saturday. Miss Dorothy Hope Muts enjoyed a visit from her sister, Miss Maurie Muts, a member of the faculty of the state normal at Peru, Friday.

Mrs. C. H. Webb entertained the Kensington club at 6 o'clock dinner for her cousin, Miss Knowlton of Massachusetts on Thursday evening. Mrs. Nightingale came out from Omaha Tuesday evening, bringing with her, Mrs. Mortensen and the baby boy. They will remain until Saturday evening.

F. C. Kennedy went to Omaha Thursday to attend the meeting of the State Bankers' association. J. E. Nichols joined him for the banquet in the evening.

The regular meeting of the Woman's Missionary society was held at the home of Mrs. McDonald, Wednesday afternoon. A luncheon was served for Mrs. Arthur man, who will leave next week for her new home in Massachusetts.

The regular meeting of the Valley Woman's club was held Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. W. E. Eddy. Mrs. Eddy gave a biography of Beethoven. Mabel Johnson gave an instrumental selection from Beethoven, and Mrs. Kopp gave a paper upon "Settlement and development of Nebraska." The club voted to take the second year short-course in domestic science, June, 1916.

Five Other Cities Want Murderer of Cashier W. H. Smith

Police of five other cities at least want the murderer of W. H. Smith, general cashier for the Woodmen of the World. The man who killed Smith and outraged Omaha Saturday afternoon, even more shamefully in five other cities than the Omaha police now know of, though thus far Smith is the only man he has murdered.

Kansas City will pay \$500 for his arrest. Omaha will pay \$500, Denver, \$300; Wichita, \$400; Topeka, \$400; the Colorado penitentiary, from which he escaped, will pay \$200 and various citizens in the above named places have offered amounts which bring up the price on the murderous degenerate's head to \$4,000.

The man has been identified from photographs as Arthur Houser, a teamster, born in Kansas, but who for the last six years has had a criminal record. He was first sentenced to the Kansas penitentiary for highway robbery and criminal assault and was paroled. Later he was sentenced to serve fourteen years at the Colorado state prison and he escaped a little more than a year ago.

Since he has been at liberty he has terrorized Minneapolis, Wichita, Topeka, Omaha and Denver.

NOTE FOR \$58,000 HANDED TO BISHOP A. J. SCHULER

DENVER, Oct. 29.—A promissory note for \$58,000 was presented Bishop A. J. Schuler, at a banquet tonight following his consecration today as bishop of the El Paso diocese of the Roman Catholic church. The money was collected by El Paso parishioners and is part of a fund which will be used to erect a new cathedral in El Paso.

Child's Tongue Becomes Coated If Constipated

If cross, bilious, sick, feverish, or full of cold, take no chances.

"California Syrup of Figs" can't harm tender stomach, liver, bowels.

Children love this "fruit laxative," and nothing else cleanses the tender stomach, liver and bowels so nicely.

A child simply will not stop playing to empty the bowels, and the result is, they become tightly clogged with waste, liver gets sluggish, stomach sour, then your little one becomes cross, half-sick, feverish, don't eat, sleep or act naturally, breath is bad, system full of cold, has sore throat, stomach-ache or diarrhoea. Listen, Mother! See if tongue is coated, then give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," and in a few hours all the constipated waste, sour bile and undigested food passes out of the system, and you have a happy, playful child again.

Millions of mothers give "California Syrup of Figs" because it is perfectly harmless; children love it, and it never fails to act on the stomach, liver and bowels.

Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly printed on the bottle. Beware of counterfeits sold here. Get the genuine, made by "California Fig Syrup Company." Refuse any other kind with contempt.—Advertisement.

AMUSEMENTS. "OMAHA'S FUN CENTER" Daily Mat. 12-25-30c Evngs. 15-25-50-75c

Last Time, Mat. Today Peter Clark's "THE WOMAN NEXT DOOR" START-TONITE 8:30

And Continuing Eng. Next Sat. Mat. Billy Waison and Beel Trust Musical Comedy "Ladies' Dime Matinee Week Days."

Advertisement for Nebraska Clothing Co. featuring "The Best Fall Clothes for Men in Omaha Today!" and "Hand-Tailored Suits and Overcoats \$15-\$20-\$25". Includes an illustration of a man in a suit and hat.

Advertisement for Strand Theatre featuring "The Vampire" and "The Woman Next Door".

Advertisement for Boyd Theatre featuring "The Vampire" and "The Woman Next Door".

Advertisement for Hipp Theatre featuring "The Chorus Lady" and "Seven Keys to Baldpate".

Large advertisement for "More Rooms Wanted" with text: "Everybody can make use of their spare rooms during the next ten days. The Big Ak-Sar-Ben Carnival is drawing thousands of people to the city and rooms will be at a premium. Advance reservations at the hotels and regular rooming houses indicate there will be a scarcity of accommodations. Many private families are planning to throw open their homes and rent their Spare Rooms, but still more will be needed. It does not matter where you live, people will be glad to go long distances and pay good prices for places to sleep. See that your room is advertised in The Bee—get it in at once—Bring, Phone or Send Your Ad in NOW Tyler 1000"