

# Today

Hard to Kill. Is Daniels Bryan's Man? "Law and Order" at Work. Inside the Coffin. By ARTHUR BRISBANE

## Aged Woman Seeks Family Lost 4 Years

Husband and Two Sons Left in Omaha When She Went to Sweden Now Missing.

The old song, "Where is My Wandering Boy Tonight?" is a grim reality with Mrs. Karen Kyrstine Hansen, 84. She has sought for four years for two sons and her husband, Peter, whom she left in Omaha in 1916 while she went for a visit to Stockholm, Sweden.

In 1916 the contented family, made up of three boys, Arthur, Johnnie and Fritz, with their father and mother, lived at 4115 South Ninth street.



Mrs. Karen Kyrstine Hansen, who is seeking her husband, Peter, and two sons, Arthur and John, whom she has not seen in four years.

After a tangle of war tape had been unraveled, the visit of Mrs. Hansen to Sweden lengthened into years, and it was in February, 1919, that she landed in the United States again. Letters to her old home address in Omaha were returned to her.

Without funds, she started working her way across country to Omaha. When she got to Chicago she had located her son, Fritz, at 4604 U street, South Omaha.

"He is unable to help me," she related today to Chief Deputy County Attorney John Yeager. With moistened eyes and quivering lips, she continued:

"He is taking care of his mother-in-law and father-in-law and his wife. He is a carpenter and it takes all he can make to keep them. I guess. He can't help me. I must find work. Board and room must be paid. Now I'm staying at the Scandinavian home, but I must pay."

Seeks Husband. Her story, haltingly told in broken English, choked in her throat. She besought Yeager to find her husband and other sons, who she is sure will help her.

"The home where we lived is sold. I don't know who sold it," she said. The trees are big now—the ones I planted for the children—three of them—and strange people live there.

On the streets she walks, despite her 64 years, with sprightly youthful tread. Into the faces of strangers she peers, searchingly, in hope she will recognize her kin.

"I know they must be in Omaha—somewhere—and if I look I will find them."

County Attorney Powerless. Her first appeal to outsiders came yesterday when she visited the county attorney's office.

"Much as I would like to help her find her sons and husband," said Yeager, "there is no power in my hands to delegate a search. If you should find your husband and he refused to support you—then I could take action to make him," he told her.

"No, no—I—my boys would support me if I could find them—Good bye—I'll look some more."

GENEVA—Under direction of the Geneva Woman's club, a community Christmas tree will be decorated and lighted for the holiday season. On Christmas night a program will be given at the tree if the weather permits.

Victor Berger, only socialist in congress, describes republican and other radicals as "all dressed up and no place to go." They are dissatisfied and say so, but "have no program." That's a good description. Desultory radicalism doesn't produce great results.

On the other hand, all dressed up, radicals have one advantage over Mr. Berger. They haven't any cut and dried Marxian socialist program that ought to fit every condition, but doesn't. No program is bad, too much of a program is worse.

The "Fabian" doing what he can giving ground when he must, is the successful one.

## Married Fifty Years



Top row left to right: William C. Smith, Jr., William C. Smith, Donald C. Smith, George A. Smith, Jr., Lawrence N. Smith, and Lewis E. Smith. Bottom row left to right: Margaret Smith, Mr. George A. Smith, Janet Smith, and George A. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Smith of Long Pine, Neb., celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at the home in which they have resided for many years. Mr. and Mrs. Smith have taken an active interest in civic affairs in Long Pine, where they located on a ranch in 1882. They previously lived in Exeter, Neb., for five years.

Mrs. Smith was the first woman to serve on the Long Pine school board and held office from 1886 until 1891.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith have three sons: Louis E. Smith of Omaha, W. C. Smith and George Smith, Jr., now residing in Long Pine. There are also five grandchildren, Donald C. Lawrence N. Janet, Margaret and W. C. Smith, Jr.

A large family dinner was served and in the evening about 600 friends of the family called to extend congratulations.

## New York Trade Expert 'Plays Hookie' Here; Returns to Boyhood Scenes

O. K. Davis of New York City, secretary of the National Foreign Trade council, came to Omaha for the middle west foreign trade conference.

Yesterday morning his mind wandered a little from questions of international trade, being considered by a hundred prominent men from all parts of the country.

Wahoo, Neb., the town where he grew up, the town of memories, he hadn't seen for 33 years. He longed to see it. He consulted time tables and yielded to that impulse.

"I got off the train and went straight for the old schoolhouse on a high hill," he related. "But I found it had been torn down and a handsome brick school stood in its place. The hill didn't seem as high as it did in my boyhood."

"I wandered out to the old swimming hole. The water was rippling down the old stream just as it did in my boyhood, but the swimming hole also has shrunk, viewed from manhood's eyes.

"The town has grown so as to be scarcely recognizable. Paving, new buildings, automobiles, wealth apparent everywhere.

"The old familiar faces were gone. I met only one man who remembered my family. And when I mentioned O. K. Davis to some people, fondly thinking my 'greatness' might have resounded in the old home town, they only shook their heads and said they didn't know any such person. Such is fame."

In a little, humble restaurant, unrecognized, O. K. Davis of New York ate his evening meal and in the dusk he boarded a train for Omaha and his transportation problems last night.

"But I'm glad I went," he said. There are more works of art in Florence Italy, than in any other place of similar area.

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## Greeks Oust King 'for Good of Country'

Venizelos May Take Reins—Admiral to Be Regent While National Assembly Selects Regime.

By Associated Press. Athens, Dec. 18.—King George and Queen Elizabeth will leave Athens tonight for Rumania. It is announced by the newspapers here today.

By Associated Press. Athens, Dec. 18.—The government last night informed King George in writing that it considered it advisable for him to leave Greece until the national assembly had decided on the regime best befitting the country.

An agency telegram reports that a delegation representing the army and navy last evening informed Colonel Plastiras that the officers of both services regarded the removal of the dynasty as a national necessity.

Official Communique. The official communique issued after the cabinet meeting said:

"As the constituted assembly based on the election is about to meet to discuss the regime best suited to the country, the heads of the revolutionary government considered that with a view of assuring calm in the debate of this very important question, it was their duty to convey to his majesty the king, the opinion that he should leave the country until such time as a final decision has been reached regarding the regime.

"This opinion has been communicated to the king, who will make known his reply tomorrow." (Tuesday.)

Premier Gonatas and Colonel Plastiras signed the letter requesting the king to leave after they had been interviewed by the military and naval delegation and by representatives of political and the organization in the provinces. All of these urged removal of the dynasty. Premier Gonatas also received petitions signed by the officers and men of the Athens

garrison asking that steps be taken to remove the monarch.

King George II, eldest son of the late King Constantine, acceded to the throne on September 28, 1922, after his father had been forced to abdicate by the Gonatas-Plastiras revolution. It became apparent almost immediately that George was to be a monarch in name only, for the revolutionary regime gave Greece what was virtually a military dictatorship.

London, Dec. 18.—According to the Athens correspondent of the Daily Mail, the liberal victors in Sunday's election plan to urge the first meeting of the national assembly to authorize a plebiscite with a view to changing the present regime.

The party proposes also to start a discussion regarding the form of republic to be established, the dispatch add. If the assembly decides to adopt the French system, the noted banker, Sir Basil Zaharoff will be invited to become the first president. If the United States plan is accepted the post will be offered to Venizelos.

## Cockburn Must Return to Iowa

Jefferson City, Mo., Dec. 18.—Russell K. Cockburn, a patient in a veterans' hospital at Jefferson Barracks, near St. Louis, who is wanted in Des Moines, Ia., on a charge of embezzlement in connection with the alleged padding of city pay rolls in the amount of \$86,000, has been denied a writ of habeas corpus by the Missouri supreme court.

He was ordered into the custody of the sheriff of Polk county, Iowa. Requisition papers for Cockburn's extradition were granted by Governor Hyde November 2.

## Iowan Named General Counsel

Sioux City, Ia., Dec. 18.—Fred W. Sargent, formerly of Sioux City, has been made vice president and general counsel of the Chicago & Northwestern Railway company with headquarters in Chicago, according to advices received here.

Sargent succeeds James B. Sheehan, who has been obliged to retire from active service on account of ill-health.

## France Scouts Germany's Need of Foreign Loan

Says Solution of Food Problem Lies in Restoring Financial System—Rhur Body Soon Complete.

Paris, Dec. 17.—Germany's request for authority to pledge the resources of the reich as guarantee for a loan of \$50,000,000 to \$70,000,000 with which to buy grain and fats abroad was delivered in written form to the reparations commission today.

It received little support in French official circles where it was declared there was no conclusive evidence that food was lacking in Germany. It was remarked that the manifestations in Germany had been provoked not by a dearth of catches, but by the inability of a great proportion of the population to pay the prices demanded by the holders of foodstuffs.

Those close to Premier Poincare declared that the first thing Germany needed was a renovation of the financial system, after which in their opinion plenty of food will be forthcoming in the country itself. A foreign loan, they said, would avail nothing unless the food were bought to be distributed gratis to the inhabitants, because if the latter had to pay for the imported goods the same difficulty would arise that now exists; that only a few would be able to find the funds with which to buy.

The reparations commission will probably consider the request at Wednesday's meeting. It was regarded as likely in official circles tonight that Louis Barthou would oppose releasing the allies' pledges for the purpose of guaranteeing a loan.

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