

Today

4 to 1 on Coolidge.
Wheat, \$1.51.
What About Cotton?
A "Sweet" Prison.
By ARTHUR BRISBANE

Betting is now 4 to 1 on Coolidge, up from 3 to 1. Betting against La Follette is 9 to 1, it was 6 to 1 in New York state, where Al Smith is running against Theodore Roosevelt's son for governor, the odds are 14 to 10 on Smith. You probably could get 14 to 1 against Davis as regards New York state.

Because of the religious fight in the democratic convention, it is believed that Davis will have a vote in New York state much less than that for Cox in the last election.

Stock speculators and investors were happier yesterday. Interest on "call money" which speculators use, dropped back to 2 per cent. Stocks moved up, plus signs were scattered all through the lists. That's connected with the increased odds in favor of Coolidge.

Wheat is cheerful. December deliveries at Chicago closed at \$1.51; May, \$1.54. If you read this column you may remember that when wheat sold for \$1.17 you were told that it would go above \$1.50 and that the Coolidge vote would go up with it.

But what about cotton prices broke to "new low levels" yesterday? What about the \$200,000,000 more than half of it from here, sent to Germany? Wouldn't that help the price of cotton? Cotton around 22 cents is not a fair price for a price good for the country.

The new Sing Sing prison is ready for tenants. Each prisoner will have a writing desk in his cell. Each cell will have a view of the Hudson river and the sun shining behind the Palisades. Those are different from the cells that old reporters remember.

Some will say, "You encourage crime petting and pampering your criminals." Others will reply: "Those below follow the example from above. If government acts cruelly criminals will be cruel. While the government with its electric chair kills men, criminals will kill men. The good example of kindness and mercy must come from above."

What's your opinion?
Mr. and Mrs. Carl A. Sutter of Boston, seeking excitement and perhaps free advertising into the Maine woods, without any clothes to prove they could keep alive in primitive fashion, as our ancestors did.

They succeeded more or less, rather less than more, but now back in civilization the lady is suing the gentleman for divorce on the ground of infidelity. It is hard enough to get along in a furnished flat with hot and cold water, without wandering off into the woods to imitate the squirrels and chipmunks.

You have read warnings by those that don't know, or don't care to tell the truth, about bad management of Wisconsin, due to La Follette's political power there. Here is what Solomon Levitan, state treasurer of Wisconsin, elected and re-elected, told a crowd listening to his speech in Wall street:

"I became state treasurer of Wisconsin because I am a banker. Under the old party idea I would have had to be a politician with no special knowledge except about drawing my salary."

Whoever knows Solomon Levitan of Wisconsin knows that he is very able, in addition to being absolutely honest. He has made some enemies by distributing state funds as far as possible among country banks to encourage loans to farmers. That didn't suit some big banks as you can guess.

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Chinese Singer Heads World Bill

Ben Nee One Returns With His Quaint Oriental-Occidental Mixture.

One of the vaudeville features on the new bill at the World theater is Ben Nee One, Chinese comedian and singer, who has appeared on several occasions before Omaha audiences. His act has the stamp of individuality.

The musical feature is offered by the De Musica five, a melody combination of positive merit. These vocalists offer a program of solo numbers as well as ensemble selections. They were in high favor at the opening of the new bill on Saturday. The Rose Kress quartet of roller skaters have an act that is recognized as distinguished in its class.

These skaters are speedy and they introduce several novel ideas. Markell and Hay are whirlwind dancers. Art and Lucille Davids have an act which they style "Saying It By Wire." Mae Robinson and "Ed" are seen and heard in a melange of chatter and song, some of their quips and vocalizations arousing hearty laughter. "Racing Luck" with various laughing features, is the screen play "Wide Open Spaces" is also shown on the screen, with another edition of Pathe Review. Arthur Hays is playing "June Night" on the organ this week.

WESTERN STORY IS EMPRESS BILL

Theatergoers enjoy a snappy western story in the book, on the screen and also when presented through the spoken word. "The Western Girl" is the title of a musical play which was given its local premier on Saturday at the Empress theater by the Empress players. The story is a mixture of love, laughter and adventure. It is the best production yet offered by this organization of entertainers. Saturday audiences received it with considerable enthusiasm.

The screen feature for the week is a society melodrama, "Restless Wives," which is a striking presentation of the lives of many women in this age of go-getters and gasoline. In this screen cast are Doris Kenyon, James Rennie, Montagu Love and Edmond Brown, all known to the movie world. Miss Kenyon has a strong role, in which she delineates the restless wife with artistic finesse. The fifth story of the "Into the Net" series is offered this week. This combination of musical comedy by the Empress players and the screen play offerings comprise a program of unusual appeal. Week-end attendants appeared to be pleased.

On Omaha Screens.
Rialto—"The Silent Watcher." A story of love and loyalty, with Bessie Love, Glenn Hunter and Hobart Bosworth.
Sun—"His Hour." An Elinor Glyn story with John Gilbert and Alleen Pringle in the leading roles.
Strand—"The Covered Wagon." A return engagement of this story of pioneer days with Lois Wilson and J. Warren Kerrigan.
World—"Racing Luck." A thrilling auto story with Monte Banks and Mario Bianco in the title roles.

Empress—"Restless Wives." With Doris Kenyon and Montagu Love. Also "Into the Net," episode No. 5. Moon—"Against All Odds." A western story featuring Buck Jones.

RADIO

Program for Monday, October 20. (Courtesy of Radio Digest.)
WGBR, Buffalo, (1919), 4:30, music; 4:50, news; 5:15, news; 5:30, news; 5:45, news; 6:00, news; 6:15, news; 6:30, news; 6:45, news; 7:00, news; 7:15, news; 7:30, news; 7:45, news; 8:00, news; 8:15, news; 8:30, news; 8:45, news; 9:00, news; 9:15, news; 9:30, news; 9:45, news; 10:00, news; 10:15, news; 10:30, news; 10:45, news; 11:00, news; 11:15, news; 11:30, news; 11:45, news; 12:00, news.

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A Wife's Confessional REVELATIONS OF A WIFE

How Madge Won from Dicky Amused Praise.

At my mother-in-law's permptory call Dicky glanced wildly around the room, and I knew that some fantastic idea of secreting himself was obsessing him.

Our voices had been so low that his mother could not possibly have heard us, but if I opened my door and saw Dicky my little scheme for persuading her to accept my escort instead of her son's would have no chance at all.

With an implacable grin, Dicky pointed to the clothes closet and dived into its recesses, closing the door noiselessly after him, as I peeped through the closed door to his mother.

"He isn't in his room, mother," I said making the process of unlocking the door a laborious and noisy one, and reflecting that after all I was not actually telling a falsehood.

"Anybody think you had him hiding under the bed?" she retorted crossly, "the bother you're making with that door," but just then I threw it open and she walked majestically in, looking around her as if in truth she expected to find her son in some absurd hiding place.

"Have you looked in this room?" I asked.

She turned upon me the withering scorn I deserved for so banal a question to any one determined and resourceful as my mother-in-law.

"Sometimes, Margaret, I wonder whether you're more of a fool than you sound, or sound more of a fool than you are," she snapped, "Did I really rather sleep with Mrs. Durkee, or—me, than to go with Dicky? You know how impatient he gets."

"As you've been married to him only a few years and I have known Dicky all his life, you don't imagine that his news to me, do you?" she queried acidly, "I'm not anticipating any pleasure trip, but it's altogether too much for you to drive me in so early after working as late as you'll have to on these clothes of his."

"Well, in that case," she capitulated, "Do you mean that you'll go shopping with me in the city?" "I'd love to," I returned, temporizing, "but what would we do with Marlon and Junior?"

"I Miss My Guess" "Why are you going to take them along? What's the matter with Katie and Jim all of a sudden?"

I permitted myself a sly grimace at her inconsistency. If I had proposed leaving her idolized grandson with only Jim and Katie, faithful guardians though they are, she would have been up in arms in a moment. But old-fashioned "contrarieness" is personified by Mother Graham.

Not to her, however, could I confide my discovery of footprints on the veranda floor, following Marlon's hysterical declaration that she had seen a queer face looking in at my window. But I knew that I must conjure up some excuse for taking the children with me, for it was unthinkable to leave either Lillian's daughter or my own small son at home with those fantastic spying footprints fresh in my memory.

"Nothing is the matter with them," I returned mildly, "But they can't be everywhere, and I have seen so many queer-looking men lately hanging around that house across the road. I'm sure they're making whisky there again, and if they are those men are likely to be drunk."

"You needn't explain any further," she said quickly, "Of course they'll have to come along. But I can't be bothered with them shopping. We'll start early and you leave me at Mrs. Durkee's. She'll go in with me. Better get to bed as soon as you can. I'm going to bed."

She turned and walked out of the room closing the door after her. I slipped over to the door and locked it noiselessly, as Dicky stole out of the closet.

"If Machiavelli isn't writing around in his grave with envy," he declared enthusiastically, "I miss my guess."

PRESIDENT COOLIDGE SAYS: Each man is entitled to his rights and the rewards of his service be they ever so large or ever so small.

MOVIES

At the Sun.
A colorful, exotic romance is pictured in Elinor Glyn's "His Hour" at the Sun theater this week. Unlike "Three Weeks," the best known of Mrs. Glyn's work, this picture involves no transgression of the moral code, although the first phrase that comes to mind is that it is "typically Glyn stuff." Mrs. Glyn wrote the story and personally supervised the filming of it. King Vidor, however, did the directing.

The story concerns an English woman whose beauty and apparent coldness fascinated a Russian prince who has been the principal in a good many affairs of love.

The settings of Russia before the war are striking. John Gilbert as Prince Grizko is a striking nobleman of the old school. His characterization is a bit starchy, but feminine fans will probably find him adorable. Alleen Pringle as Tamara is not far behind in creating a character of distinct appeal.

At the Moon.
"Against All Odds," the film at the Moon for the first time since the week, is Charles Glyn's newest feature. It is a western picture that gets away from the general formula and introduces an unusual amount of melodramatic situations.

The star appears as a cowboy who in seeking to clear a pal of a murder charge, visits a haunted house help to keep up the thrills. There is the inevitable romantic angle, and as the girl is the fiancée of the leading villain, this adds to his difficulties.

Charles Jones capably handles the leading role, which gives him good opportunities for physical action, including some good fights. W. N. Baily is well cast as the polished villain. Dolores Rousse is attractive as the girl and Ben Hendricks scores as a good "heavy."

At the Rialto.
With the eyes of the amusement world still focused on Frank Lloyd's "The Sea Hawk," it is only natural that a keen interest should be aroused over his first effort since that masterpiece, "The Silent Watcher" gives full justification to that interest. In this, his latest picture, Bessie Love and Glenn Hunter have the leading roles.

Taken from Mary Roberts Rinehart's "The Altar on the Hill," the story has been laid against a dramatic background that has as its basic theme the subject of loyalty.

TEN HORSES DIE IN BURNING BARN
Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Bloomfield, Neb., Oct. 19.—Fire of unknown origin destroyed the barn, chicken house and other outbuildings on the John McClain place, nine miles northeast of here, at an early hour this morning.

Ten head of horses were in the barn, but the fire had made such progress at the time it was discovered that none of them could be saved.

The farm is owned by C. C. Reynolds and Chris Schrader of this city. Loss on buildings and contents is partly covered by insurance.

KUHN FOR MORE STRINGENT LAW
"We need more stringent Sunday laws," said Rev. Albert Kuhn, pastor of Bethany Presbyterian church, in his sermon Sunday morning on "The Sabbath."

"By this I do not mean that we should have more 'blue laws,' I am for either an enforcement of the present laws regarding commercial amusements on Sunday or their entire repeal. Laws that nobody pays any attention to and that no effort is made to enforce are worse than no laws. They benumb the civic conscience."

NEW CORN CRIBS ARE BEING BUILT
Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Newcastle, Neb., Oct. 18.—Farmers here are building new corn cribs and repairing old ones in preparation for the big crop of corn which will begin rolling in northwestern Nebraska this week. Samples of early and late corn which have been gathered show that a larger percentage is good hard corn than at first reported.

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