

WIFE SHUT ME OUT ALL NIGHT

Pitiful Tale of A. W. Briggs, for Fourteen Years a Soldier.

RESCUED BY COMRADE MARSHALL

Briggs Denies Wife's Charge that He was Chopping Up Furniture with an Axe or Chopping Down the Family Cherry Tree.

Tuesday night was a bad night for a man to put in out of doors, yet A. W. Briggs, 633 North Thirtieth street, which happens to be on the boundary line separating Omaha from Florence, says that there is exactly where he whittled away the hours between bedtime and getting up time.

Also Mr. Briggs avers that this was thus forsooth, because Mrs. Briggs rendered it so.

The story runs about in this wise: Mrs. Briggs called the police station this morning to remark that she would consider it a personal favor if Desk Sergeant Marshall would detail a squad of his most energetic officers to the Briggs abode; that "my husband is on the warpath, having tried to chop up all the furniture with his little axe and then cut loose on the family cherry tree outside."

Officers Dillon and Riegleman were dispatched to the front and found Briggs, true to report, out in the yard where the cherry tree and other trees were, but he certainly was not doing any chopping when they have the man beating himself in a frantic effort to keep from freezing to death. They took him in.

Briggs tells his side. Colonel Briggs at the station related his side of the case, which follows: "I was sitting in my easy chair after supper last night when my wife proposed a friendly game of checkers. You'd better get the dishes washed up first," says I, genial like. "Say, officer, that woman cut loose and for thirty minutes by the watch, my watch, which I held on her, she blackguarded me. I stayed out in the cold all night, yes, but why? She didn't tell you that? Chopping down cherry trees, he-! I was trying to get in the house and trying to keep from freezing. She threw me out and locked the door on me and kept it locked."

Then Briggs confided to the police that some months ago he and his wife fell out and he sued for a divorce. He was to leave the place, which he did, but he had occasion to return one day for some clothing, whereupon she, he says, begged him to stay and make it up. He says he consented. But he hired a lawyer and he must see him. The lawyer suggested that he get the wife to sign a statement setting forth the truth of the husband's

charge. This Briggs says his wife did on January 20, as per stipulations, he dismissed the suit.

And then they went at it again.

He Also Was a Soldier.

Briggs, instead of being the man to desecrate a cherry tree, served his country in the army, just as did General Washington. For even a longer period, did he stand out in defense of the flag, fourteen years being the time of his service. And he has just been out of the military one year. At times, he says, he wishes that he were back. He is about 45 years of age.

At last accounts Briggs was sitting down at police headquarters, calmly smoking his friendly pipe, safely entrenched behind the breastworks of the police, where his wife could not get at him.

Mrs. Briggs appeared at the police station late in the morning and after a conference with Judge Crawford in police court agreed to appear against her husband Wednesday morning. Briggs was locked up.

Gasoline Goes Off, Causing Fire

Woman Demands Damage of Grocer, Saying She Asked for Kerosene—He Says Not.

Fireworks broke loose at the home of Mrs. John Roberts, 2308 Michigan street, Monday night when a kerosene lamp filled with gasoline went to pieces in an impulsive way. There was shocking damage to Mrs. Roberts' nerves and her coffee.

Mrs. Roberts called at the grocery store of Mrs. E. Longdon and announced that she was entitled to \$5 damage because, she averred, she had ordered kerosene and got gasoline.

"You got what you ordered," answered a clerk.

Then Mrs. Roberts left, announcing that she would sue the officer.

SILVER STOLEN AT A PARTY

Fine Ware Disappears While Mrs. Edward Johnson is Entertaining Her Friends.

When gaily pervaded the house and all was merry with guests at the home of Mrs. Edward Johnson, 3220 Woolworth avenue, a thief entered the house and stole the silverware.

Mrs. Johnson reported the loss to the police. The theft included an especially valuable silver spoon, which bore an initial "J" and the date 1896. The silverware was spread out on a table near to a kitchen window.

FARMERS TAKE UP CORN TEST

Make Experiments Themselves and Write In for Information.

CRUSADE BEARING LARGE FRUIT

Commercial Club Has Convinced Corn Growers of Nebraska of the Necessity for Selection of Good Seed.

Farmers all over the state are coming to appreciate the necessity of exercising the most diligent discrimination in selecting their seed to insure a good crop and are responding to the Commercial club's crusade.

The Commercial club is deluged with letters from all over the state asking for information and telling of the results of different seed corn tests.

An extensive farmer named Gibbs at Craig telephoned the club that he had been conducting some experiments in that section and that he, as well as many other farmers, had given up in their attempt to get good seed corn from the 1909 crop. He said the more corn that was tested the worse the situation became. He said that 200 bushels of the 1908 corn which had been saved in cribs had been sold for seed at \$2 a bushel.

The David Cole creamery and the Fairmont creamery have taken up the crusade and are sending out circulars to all their representatives all over the state asking them to urge the farmers to use care in the selection of their seed corn and to post the cards in conspicuous places telling how to test corn.

Union Pacific Helps.

The Union Pacific has not only asked all agents to post these notices, but the superintendents have been instructed by General Manager Moiler to see that the agents do all in their power to convince the farmers of the necessity of seed selection.

F. A. Comfort, 306 Dodge street, an extensive owner of Iowa land in Harrison county, has become interested by the campaign of the Commercial club and has gone to his farms personally to see that the corn is properly tested before a chance is taken of putting it in the ground.

That but 25 per cent of the corn of Nebraska is fit for planting was shown by the tests made by the Commercial club of corn from all parts of the state and this has given real cause for alarm. Heretofore it was practically known the corn was bad because of tests for moisture which had been made and by some scattering tests, but when corn from all parts of the state came in had it aroused the farmers to action and they are now scouring the country for good seed corn.

TWO OMAHA MEN WERE BOY FRIENDS OF CLAY CLEMENT

Dr. W. H. Dorward and A. H. Burnett Were to Greet Him at Brandeis in Seats He Engaged for Them.

Clay Clement, the actor-author, who died in Kansas City Monday, is mourned in Omaha by many admiring friends and especially by two friends of his boyhood, Dr. W. H. Dorward and A. H. Burnett. These three went to the same school together at El Paso, Ill. They lived a mile from the village. Dr. Dorward was born on the neighboring "40" to Mr. Clement, while Mr. Burnett lived about a mile distant. Mr. Clement's real name was Clement Geigley, but for reasons he had it legally changed.

Whenever the actor visited Omaha he always called his boyhood friends to his hotel for a luncheon and visit, where they talked over their school days together. Less than a week ago these Omaha men received letters from Mr. Clement, enclosing orders for tickets to see his performance at the new Brandeis theater, where he was to appear in a couple of weeks.

The last time Clement was in Omaha he, Burnett, Dorward and a newspaper friend dined together at the New Hanson, then in its bloom.

"Where'll we go?" asked Clement as they started out of the Merchants.

"Let's try the Hanson," suggested Burnett.

As they started into the beautiful restaurant, Clement inquired:

"Where are we? This is the prettiest little place I ever saw."

They sat down at a table upstairs in the front overlooking Sixteenth street.

"Oh here, boys, I don't like this location; it's too public. Can't we get out of the limelight, back in some corner where we can talk about robbing trains and things?"

And so they repaired to one of the booths in the rear of the apartment. The four men seated themselves and Mr. Clement expressed a preference that his should be "straight. I never like 'em mixed."

Whereupon the countenance of a very prominent Omaha clergyman peered over the partition.

"Two ministers our next door neighbors," whispered one of the party to Clement.

"Invite 'em over."

For stiff neck there is nothing better than Chamberlain's Liniment.

Along Auto Row

Gossip of Dealers and Auto Enthusiasts, Who Through Auditorium—Omaha Show is Better Than St. Louis Show.

"Billie Huffman has a stunning bunch at the show," said an admirer of the Interstate and Hippobile last night. Huffman has brought out the torpedo body Interstate which attracted so much attention at the Chicago show, and the chassis Hippobile, which is one of the nicest pieces of machinery exhibited.

The Buick pennants went like "hot cakes" yesterday. It is a pretty little felt piece with the word Buick on it, to be pinned on the coat. Mrs. Huff was in the booth most of the day assisting Manager Huff in the arrangement of the booth.

The Buick is in its new home on Farnham street. The garage is one of the largest in this part of the country. Six carloads of new cars came in yesterday. Four more are expected today.

Charlie Merz, the noted racing man, who is one of the firm of the Standard Auto company, is seen in the Standard booth, showing the good points of the National. This is the car that went over the track in Indianapolis so fast that when it went wide an inch or so it rolled off the speedway, killing Merz' mechanic and two spectators. Merz crawled out from the booth unscathed.

"Charlie Louk never was left. He never will be," said an owner of a Marmon yesterday. Louk is one of those silent Canadians who saw wood and say nothing. He is showing one of the prettiest Marmons ever brought to Omaha. His bunch of Halladays, Haynes, Fiat cars and Empires are getting their share of praise from the auto enthusiasts.

Drummond is showing one of the largest White steamers made. It is a duplicate of President Taft's car. It is a grand machine and is so powerful and fast and easily controlled.

Bert Murphy has set the whole pack after his bunch of trucks in the basement of the auditorium. He has a way of talking trucks, so that he sometimes sells a man a Fayer-Miller or Randolph who is bent on buying a pleasure car.

"There is no use—no use," said an enthusiast last night. "Guy Smith has a way with him. He showed one of the nicest booths last year and blame me, if he ain't doing the same thing this year, only a little better."

The Standard Auto company sold its first machine, yesterday, of the show week. It was a National and went to G. M. Garst of Watson, Mo.

That fifty-horsepower American is making the booth of Sweet-Edwards Auto company popular. The car is very pretty and is the only underlump frame in the Auditorium, and is provided with the highest wheels in the show. Both Sweet and Edwards are in evidence showing the cars. Nestman, who is said to know more about machines than the "man himself," never grows tired of telling you what wonderful cars are the Parry and the Moon.

C. E. Denzer, one of the managers of the White company, in Chicago, came here last night from the St. Louis Auto show and leaves today for the Minneapolis show. "Omaha show is far and way ahead of St. Louis," said Denzer.

"Your show is very much better than the show down in St. Louis," said Charles Horn of the Woods Electric company.

One of the most brilliant exhibits of cars is that of the Electric Garage company.

Dennis Barkalow has arranged the Packard in a fetching way. It looks better than the Chicago show.

Colonel Jim Delight is not in the flying machine this week at all. He may be found most of the time fondling that great Locomobile, that rears its powerful head above everything around it.

"The way the colonel loves the Stoddard-Dayton, though, is a sort of little sin," said one of his friends.

"Henry H. Van Brunt is one of the best men in the world," said an Iowa last night. "I'd go my neck on what he tells me about that Overland." Mr. Van Brunt is in the Overland booth about all of the time, while his sons, Harry and George, reel off the good points of the machine in the most interesting, clock work sort of way.

"Lewis Doty has a mighty lot of friends," said a Nebraskan. Doty is manager of the Maxwell-Briscoe Omaha company, and has arranged his booth of Maxwells at a fashion that draws like four or five acres.

Short Pursues from Short Weights

Bad Combination for the Ultimate Consumer is Discovered by John Grant Fegg.

Investigation has turned up another factor in the high cost of living.

Short weights in grocery stores have been making short purses and long bills, according to John Grant Fegg, inspector of weights and measures. Precautions began with the conviction of A. K. Nuckolls & Co., Fortieth and Cumings streets, in police court, where a fine of \$5 was imposed for short weights in potatoes. Other complaints have been filed and a whole series of actions is contemplated.

A frequent source of difficulty for grocers is the general use of a "wet" or liquid measure quart for the sale of dry commodities. There is a distinct legal and quantitative difference between a quart of molasses and a quart of shelled peas.

Complaints have been filed by Inspector Fegg against G. R. Baker, Twenty-fourth and Seward streets, for the sale of bread in loaves, weighing only fourteen ounces, two ounces under the legal weight. A similar action is directed against the Pure Food bakery, 1419 North Twenty-fifth street. H. Leisge, 201 Leavenworth street, is charged with the sale of twelve and a half pounds of potatoes for a peck, while a legal peck of potatoes should weigh fifteen pounds.

The case against H. Leisge was continued because of the illness of the defendant.

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H. F. Boers, 617 7th ave., Peoria, Ill., writes: "I have been troubled for some time with kidney trouble, so severely at times I could scarcely carry my grip. After using one bottle of Foley's Kidney Pills I have been entirely relieved, and cheerfully recommend them to all." Foley's Kidney Pills are healing and antiseptic and will restore health and strength. Sold by all druggists.



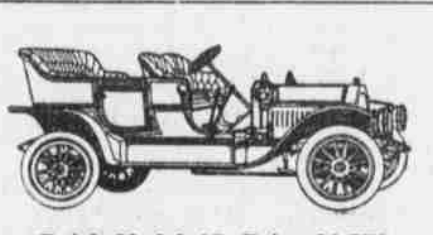
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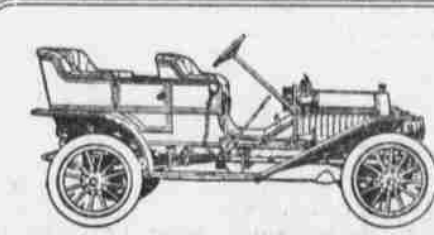
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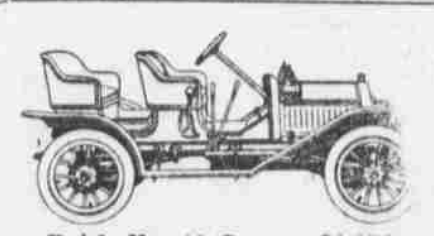
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