

### "BINDING BANDIT" HAS CLOSE ESCAPE

Dr. John O. Wilson Has Culprit in His Power, but Lets Him Get Away with Glib Excuse.

THEN HE FINDS HE WAS ROBBED

After having the "Binding Bandit" in his absolute power for nearly half an hour, Dr. John J. Wilson, dentist in 506 Brandels Theater building, allowed him to escape on the strength of a glib story. All the while the bandit was standing before the dentist, fervently manufacturing a barefaced fabrication, he had nearly all of Wilson's dental tools and most of the gold and silver in his pockets.

Dr. Wilson returned to his office Saturday night unexpectedly, and as he opened the door, which he found unlocked, he bumped squarely into a young man coming out.

Wilson had his overcoat on and his right hand in the pocket. Straightened out his forefinger, as though he had a gun covering the man, the dentist demanded that the other explain his presence, all the time keeping him under cover of the "gun."

Looking for Doctor. "Why, the door was unlocked," answered the stranger. "I'm looking for the doctor."

"I'm the doctor, and I'm sure I locked that door before I left."

"I came up here to get my tooth fixed. It hurts something awful, doc," protested the stranger.

Dr. Wilson was still unconvinced, and he called the elevator conductors and the night watchman.

The stranger became nervous, but stuck to his story.

"Why, doctor, I'm a respectable citizen," he blustered. "I've lived in Omaha all my life. One of your good friends sent me to you." He gave Dr. Wilson a telephone number and residence address, and finally, though reluctantly, Dr. Wilson pulled his hand from his overcoat pocket and allowed the man to depart, which he did without haste.

"I was going to let you fix my teeth, but I won't now," haughtily exclaimed the man as he left the office.

Has Big Hunch.

A few minutes later, Dr. Wilson got a big hunch. He looked over his supply of gold and silver used for dental purposes. Then he looked over his case wherein he usually kept a supply of valuable and portable instruments.

Then he stood squarely in the middle of the floor and invited the watchman and the two elevator conductors to kick him.

Tools and gold were gone.

Further investigation showed that the man had gained entrance over the transom.

Dr. Wilson told his story to the police and gave a minute description, which was instantly recognized as that of "the Binding Bandit," whose name has been widely spread about Omaha during the last two months.

Engaged in Burglary.

It is, however, the first intimation the authorities have had that the "Binding Bandit" has been engaged in burglary in addition to his peculiar method of stickups.

In the last two months the "Binding Bandit" has entered a dozen business places, mostly in broad daylight, and upon finding only a single person in charge binds and gags them at pistol point and then pilfers at leisure.

In no case did he ever trouble to mask. He is described as an apparently well-bred, cultured young man of good manners and careful dress. He is about 25 years old and about five feet ten inches in height. He looks more like a neatly-dressed clerk rather than a bandit.

His operations as a gunman during the last two months have netted him only several hundred dollars and a few articles of jewelry, but from the story of Dr. Wilson police think he has been doing most of the "good" jobs of house and office-protection and that his income from this source may be estimated at several thousand dollars.

### Grain Stocks in Omaha Elevators Are Below Average

Grain stocks in storage in Omaha elevators at the beginning of the present week are 1,141,000 bushels less than on the corresponding date of one year ago. The big falling off is in corn, which has dropped from 5,988,000 to 1,600,000 bushels, this decline being due to the increased demand coming from the cereal mills and the feed lots.

In bushels, the grain in storage now and one year ago:

	Now	Year Ago
Wheat	1,182,000	182,000
Corn	1,600,000	5,988,000
Oats	982,000	1,122,000
Rye	1,000	2,000
Barley	28,000	65,000
Total	3,802,000	4,671,000

Receipts were light for a Monday, there being sixty-five cars of wheat, 125 of corn, and fourteen of oats. Following Chicago, there was a general decline in prices, wheat selling at 85 cents to 85 1/2 cents per bushel, a drop of 1 to 2 cents from Saturday.

Corn slumped 1 to 1 1/2 cents, selling at 51 to 50 1/2 cents, and oats 2 to 2 1/2 cents, the prices ranging from 25 to 42 1/2 cents per bushel.

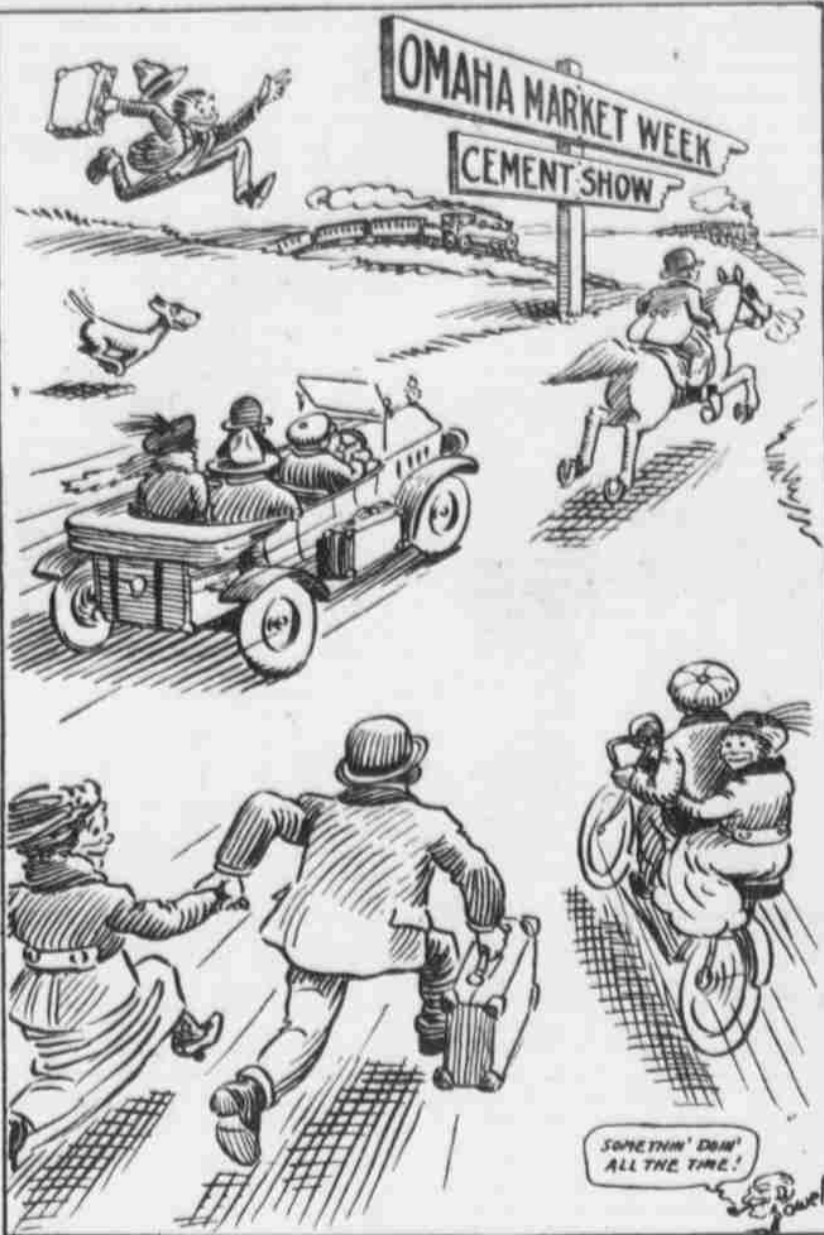
### J. Howard Declares War On King George

The British government is in for some bitter criticism from Jerry Howard. According to Jerry the British government opened a letter he sent across to a cousin in Ireland and took out a money order for \$5 which Jerry sent his cousin. Jerry has a cousin for whom he was godfather about thirty-three years ago. This cousin is now a sister in a convent in Ireland teaching French, German and other languages.

At Christmas Jerry sent her a post-office money order for \$5.

He has just received a letter from her stating that the mail was rifled and that when it got to her all she received was an envelope postmarked "Omaha, Neb., U. S. A." that it had been opened and when it reached her contained neither letter nor money.

### Any Way to Get There



### CRACKSMEN BLOW C. W. HULL SAFE

Professional Yeggmen Successfully Apply "Soup" Process and Escape with \$600.

HAPPENED SUNDAY NIGHT

The large safe in the office of C. W. Hull company, 316 Omaha National Bank building, was blown open after 6 p. m. Sunday by professional cracksmen, who made their escape with \$600.

C. C. Morgan, vice president of the company, reported to the police that he was in the office for a few minutes just after 6 o'clock, tarrying only long enough to get some papers he needed. While in the office he observed that carpets and rubber mats had been thrown over the safe, which articles he at the time thought had been thrown on some convenient place by the scrub-women.

The police believe the "yeggmen" were hiding in the office at the time Mr. Morgan made his hurried visit. The massive door of the safe was blown from its hinges and the inner door was forced with cold chisels. The robbers found \$600 in a small box. Nobody in the building heard the explosion.

The burglars used an explosive known to the police as "soup," which is made of nitroglycerine, the liquid being poured into crevices through a soup cup. This is the usual procedure of professional "yeggmen."

The thieves had hours start before the police got on their trail.

Besides the cash and a lot of checks of the Hull firm there were a number of checks payable to the Knights of Pythias, as one of the office force of the Hull company is treasurer and had collected these from members.

Amelia Droplinsky, a charwoman in

### WHY HAIR FALLS OUT

Dandruff causes a feverish irritation of the scalp, the hair roots shrink, loosen and then the hair comes out fast. To stop falling hair at once and rid the scalp of every particle of dandruff, get a 2-cent bottle of Danderrin at any drug store, pour a little in your hand and rub well into the scalp. After a few applications all dandruff disappears and the hair stops coming out.—Advertisement.

### Children Hate Pills, Calomel And Castor Oil

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Look back at your childhood days. Remember the "dose" mother insisted on—castor oil, calomel, cathartics. How you hated them, how you fought against taking them.

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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 on each bottle. Beware of counterfeits sold here. See that it is made by California Fig Syrup Company. Refuse any other kind with contents.—Advertisement.

### WOOL GROWERS ARE GETTING BIG PRICE

Five Cents More a Pound for Their Wool Than They Received Last Year.

HAND BOUQUET TO RAILROADS

"The twelfth annual convention of the Wyoming Wool Growers' association, held at Casper, and which adjourned Saturday, was the largest and most enthusiastic gathering of the kind ever held in the west, at least so far as I know, and I have attended most of the western meetings," asserted W. H. Jones, division freight agent for the Northwestern.

Mr. Jones says that the Casper convention was attended by 300 flockmasters, they coming from all parts of Wyoming. They reported the lightest winter losses in the history of the sheep-raising business. The winter has been open and with little snow sheep have been on the range most of the time. Already buyers are in the field making offers for the clip that will be taken off this spring and contracts at 50 and 51 cents per pound have been made for wool, this price being about 5 cents better than last year.

Relative to the railroads, the flockmasters changed front and instead of fighting them, as has been done so many times in the past, by a unanimous vote adopted the following resolution:

Whereas, The increase in the effective service rendered by the railroads of the state in the live stock interests has resulted in financial gain and harmonious relations between the railroads and the live stock interests, and

Whereas, The railroads have repeatedly demonstrated by the service rendered by them in bringing hay, grain and other food products to the ranges for use of the sheepmen in time of storm that they have the interests of the sheepmen at heart. Now, therefore, be it resolved, that we do hereby tender to the railroads of the state the sincere thanks of this association for the efficient service rendered and cordial relations promoted by the management of these railroads.

### Moving Picture Men Denied Order by Judge Leslie

Judge Leslie yesterday denied the injunction asked by twenty-one moving picture show proprietors to restrain the health officials from enforcing the order to keep children under 12 years of age from attending picture shows. The court holds that the order is clearly within the powers conferred on the department of health by the statute.

Health Commissioner Connell stated that in two weeks he expects to remove the order against children being admitted to motion picture shows. He notes a gradual improvement in the scarlet fever situation and is confident that before March 15 there will have been much abatement.

### EMMA CALVE WILL SING AT ORPHEUM IN TWO WEEKS

Emma Calve, the world's most famous Carmen, will be heard at the Omaha Orpheum, week of March 12. Calve has been heard in grand opera and concert in Omaha a number of times, but her coming to the Orpheum will be especially welcome for prices will make it possible for many more to avail themselves of hearing the great Carmen.

### SPRAINS ANKLE WHEN HE SLIPS ON SIDEWALK

C. E. Williams, 2311 North Twenty-sixth avenue, slipped on a sidewalk in front of 2019 North Twenty-fourth street and suffered a sprained right ankle and was attended by police surgeons.

### Live Stock Comes Through Winter in Best of Condition

General Manager Holdrege of the Burlington has returned from spending several days at his cattle ranch near Madrid, Perkins county, this state, and is very enthusiastic over the live stock and crop prospects.

According to Mr. Holdrege, cattle have wintered well and are coming out of the winter in splendid shape. Relative to the crop outlook, he asserts that the ground is in first class condition, there having been a fairly good quantity of moisture and snow enough to protect the winter wheat from the winds.

### SOUTH SIDE 'PHONE TOLL PROPOSITION LAID OVER

The city council committee of the whole disposed of the Omaha-South side telephone toll proposition by laying the matter over for sixty days.

### FACE FULL OF UGLY BLOTCHES

Itching Almost Unbearable. At Night Could Not Sleep Good. Face Looked Bad.

### HEALED BY CUTICURA SOAP AND OINTMENT

"Large bumps broke out on my forehead and face. They were hard and red and festered. My face, for a long while, was full of ugly blotches and the itching was almost unbearable. At night I could not sleep good and my face looked so bad I was almost ashamed to go to school. The trouble had lasted about four months before I began to use Cuticura Soap and Ointment. After the first application I began to notice a difference in the appearance of my face, and after three months' treatment with the Cuticura Soap and Ointment I was healed." (Signed) Miss Anna Shepherd, R. F. D. 3, North Manchester, Ind., Aug. 17, 1915.

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