

### "CARMEN" BRINGS RECORD CROWDS

Ellis Company Presents Great Work in Fashion Worthy of the Piece.

#### STARS AND ALL ARE GOOD

By HENRIETTA M. REES.

Grand opera upon a stupendous scale of magnitude and magnificence was presented to the mis-loving public of Omaha Monday evening, when the second season of the Omaha Retailers' course opened with the Ellis Opera company in the ever melodious music of "Carmen," Bizet's masterpiece, and one of the most popular of grand operas of all time. The people hereabouts know when the merchants give an opening of any sort it is well worth attending and they flock to it whenever and wherever it may be. It was the same last year, for when the merchants got together and gave a series of concerts such as they sponsored, they, the people, were right with them from the beginning, and last night at the opening of their second series, it seemed as if everybody was there, for the Auditorium was full clear to the top row in the gallery, with only here and there a vacant seat, while downstairs a great many extra seats were filled with people a way at the back of the building.

#### Performance Exceeds Promise.

"In the production of 'Carmen' last night the Ellis company proved that its promises and glowing reports of the stars and the presentation of the opera were based upon absolute fact, the stars were all that had been claimed for them, the chorus and orchestra were far beyond any that have formerly visited Omaha, and the costumes and scenery were upon a lavish scale, both beautiful and artistic, and added to the general effect.

The opera with its tragic story is well known. How Carmen the gypsy, after leading Don Jose to desert his regiment and follow the life of a smuggler, for her, soon tires of him and turns her interest to the torador. Jose meets her on the public square before the circus where the bull fight is being held and in a fit of jealousy kills her.

The soldiers the gypsies, the sweet forgiving character of Michaela, the intense, selfish willfulness of Carmen, and the exultant torador furnish many contrasts as they intertwine with swift action with a dramatic whole, and they give an opportunity for music which is masterful, essentially Spanish in its rhythms, its rich color and melody, true to the action which it intensifies and portrays.

#### Farrar a Willful Gypsy.

We had heard Geraldine Farrar in concert last year and we knew that she was a wonderful singer. But we did not know what a remarkable actress she was until we beheld her last evening in the title role. She presented a vivid and forceful Carmen, consistent in her inconsistency, and fascinating at all times. Her aria in the first act, the card scene, and in fact all of the many vocal and histrionic feats that fell to her share were given with the skill and savoir faire of a great artist.

Lucien Muratore as Don Jose, was magnificent. His voice is of excellent quality and his acting was superb. Aroused applause greeted the scene with Michaela in the first act, his delivery of the beautiful aria in act two, and the tremendous climaxes to which he rose in the third and in the last act. The dramatic ostentation of the booklet quite took one's breath away.

Helen Stanley displayed a lyric soprano voice of great purity and sweetness as Michaela, and charmed by her beauty and unassuming manner as well.

Clarence Whitehill, as Escamillo, deserves his share of the fame. He has a big, opulent voice, and sings and acts in a way that proves him well worthy a place in such a galaxy of stars.

#### Lesser Roles and Chorus Charm.

The other members of the company were without exception excellent in the smaller parts. The quintet in which Alma Peterson, Geraldine Farrar, Rita Fornia, Constatin Nicolay and Octava Dua took part was admirable sung and awakened great applause. Nor must the duet with the cards pass unmentioned, in which Mme. Peterson and Fornia took part.

The chorus of sixty, not only sang the concerted parts, but sang them well. The women's chorus before the cigar factory, the great climax with the torador's song, and other highly effective numbers were to their credit.

To Signor Campanini, the director, too much praise cannot be given. He dominated the situation at all times, and to him a great portion of the success of the evening was due. The orchestra played the beautiful overture with great musical charm and won applause for itself on each of its purely orchestral numbers. Throughout the opera it never obtruded, yet gave support when needed.

The ballets and solo dancing of Albertina Rasch were on a par with the general high plane of the performance.

Several times the audience interrupted the action of the opera with enthusiastic and prolonged applause, and certain calls were numerous and persistent after each act.

Although the opera was not over until near the witching hour of midnight, hardly a person left the Auditorium until the close, which is in itself a tribute.

#### Protestants and Jews Will Try Slayer of Anti-Catholic

Galveston, Tex., Oct. 24.—Eight of the twelve men who will try John Copeland, a bank cashier of Marshall, for the killing of William Black, an anti-Catholic lecturer, in that city on February 3, 1915, were secured today. It is thought that the jury will be completed by noon tomorrow. Taking of testimony in the first of the three cases resulting from the killing of Black then will be begun.

Self defense will be one of the pleas made in Copeland's behalf. Six of the jurors selected today are Protestants and two are Jews.

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### Thousands of Dimes in Endless Chain Roll Into Mill City Office

But the Men They Are Addressed To Have Decamped and Dead Letter Office Gets the Dimes.

#### 25,000 COME IN ONE DAY

Minneapolis, Minn., Oct. 24.—Thousands of letters, each containing 10 cents are pouring into the local post-office daily from women in various parts of the country who have joined in an "endless chain" scheme promoted by the so-called National Brokerage exchange.

Federal agents are searching for officers of the "exchange" who are charged with using the mails to defraud. A room in a local business block, to which all the letters are addressed, was suddenly vacated three weeks ago, the authorities say.

Every woman who would send ten cents in silver and write five friends urging them to join in the chain, the "exchange" promised a "new, 1917 model silk petticoat."

#### Commission Will Fine Ball Players For Barnstorming

New York, Oct. 25.—President Tener of the National league takes issue with David L. Fultz, president of the Players' Fraternity, who has protested against the contemplated action of the National commission in fining ball players for barnstorming after the league season is over.

Mr. Tener said that in each contract signed by the player there is a clause in which the player agrees not to play after the season without the consent of the commission. This clause was inserted, he said, to protect territorial rights of the different clubs.

The National league president declared that the commission has power to fine players for any such infraction of the rules, but would not say that such fines had been levied against the Boston American players for participating in a game against New Haven a few days after winning the world's series. He asserted that the New York Nationals and Philadelphia Nationals and several other individual players also had violated their contracts in this respect and added, "There undoubtedly would be a general disciplining."

#### Pancho Villa Spends A Few Days Visiting On the Hearst Ranch

El Paso, Tex., Oct. 24.—Pancho Villa spent several days on the Santa Ana ranch near Namiatiqua, one of the Hearst properties, before he and his band suddenly left a week ago Sunday, according to a letter received here today from the manager of the ranch. They were there, the manager said, hunting for caches of ammunition, which they seemed unable to find, and made their visit a costly one to the Hearst estate by slaughtering 600 beaves and turning their horses loose to feed in the cornfields.

Villa was fighting on his own property Sunday, it is learned here. His ranch at Fresno was acquired by purchase from a German.

#### Lieut. W. W. Waddell Returns With Bride

Persistent rumors of the marriage of Lieutenant W. W. Waddell, officer in charge of the local naval recruiting station, were confirmed yesterday when that gentleman returned from San Diego, Cal., after a month's leave of absence, accompanied by his bride, formerly Miss Lucille Leovy, daughter of George J. Leovy, of the exposition city. The ceremony was performed October 10, at Coronado, Cal., by the army chaplain there.

Lieutenant Waddell's marriage is the culmination of a romance which began several years ago while he was attached to the Battleship San Diego, formerly the California. It was while he was connected with the Pacific squadron that he met Miss Leovy. Lieutenant and Mrs. Waddell have taken temporary apartments at the Hamilton.

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### RIDE TO DEATH IN WATERS OF RIVER

Four Settlement Workers Are Killed as Car Runs Over Open Draw Into Chicago Stream.

#### TWO WOMEN ARE RESCUED

Chicago, Oct. 24.—The body of Hugo Warner, an advertising man, who, with three other persons, was killed last night when the automobile in which they were riding plunged headlong through an open bridge into the Chicago river, was recovered early today by the police. They continued their search for the bodies of the others by dragging the river. Two other occupants of the car who were saved had been fully revived today.

Warner, who is 31 years old, was advertising manager and director of the firm of Lord & Thomas. He was master of boy scouts of the settlement. The others, who were drowned, were: Sylvan Kusel, 20 years, law student, teacher of English to the foreign class at the settlement; Miss Lillian Kausner, social worker in Maxwell settlement and Hull House, and Miss Jennie Klausner, her cousin, teacher in the Jewish Normal training school.

Mrs. Henrietta J. Warner and Miss Sarah Bernstein, both of them settlement workers and sociologists, were rescued. They escaped from the closed car and were thrown against piling, where they clung.

The bodies of the drowned have not been recovered. The rescued women were so chilled, it was several hours before they were able to talk to identify themselves and the other members of the party.

The bridge had been open to permit the passage of a boat. The women agreed that they did not hear the warning signal and that no chains had been stretched across the roadway. Without warning, until ten feet from the bridge, the automobile rolled down a slight incline and skidded when Warner realized the danger and applied the brakes.

#### German Hughes Club Organized in Lincoln

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

Lincoln, Neb., Oct. 24.—(Special Telegram.)—A German Hughes club was organized here this evening at the Lindell hotel. About forty were present and the members reported more ready to join. Officers are: Nicholas Reas, president; Joe Hintersreuter, secretary; Fred Springer, treasurer; and R. Boehmer, corresponding secretary. Six vice presidents were elected.

#### Eight Thousand Hogs Burn To Death in St. Louis Fire

St. Louis, Oct. 24.—(Special Telegram.)—Eight thousand hogs burned to death in a \$100,000 national stock yards fire in East St. Louis tonight.

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### PATRIOTIC SOCIETIES ASK BAKER TO QUIT

Secretary's Reference to Washington's Men Results in Call for His Retirement.

#### PETITIONS BEING SIGNED

Washington, Oct. 24.—The Legion of Loyal Women, a local patriotic organization, held a special meeting tonight and endorsed the action of its president in signing a resolution calling upon Secretary Baker to resign because of his alleged comparison of Mexican revolutionists to Washington's continental army in a recent speech.

Officers of several women's societies, including some of those of the Daughters of the American Revolution, signed the resolution, when it was circulated here yesterday. Today Mrs. William Cumming Story, president general of the Daughters of the American Revolution, authorized a statement that the society had taken no action in regard to the remarks attributed to Mr. Baker and that she had never heard of the resolution until she read it in a newspaper.

#### Parker Eats Lunch With Wilson and Talks Politics

Long Branch, N. J., Oct. 24.—Alton B. Parker of New York, former democratic candidate for president, took lunch with President Wilson today, and discussed with him the political campaign in New York state.



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## Prohibition Evils Ruin Boys

If state-wide prohibition HAS saved the boys of Kansas, then we want prohibition for Nebraska. If, on the other hand, the official records show that in Kansas many more boys and young men were found guilty of committing some serious wrong or crime and sentenced to state institutions, than were sentenced in Nebraska, then we certainly do NOT want state-wide prohibition.

### The Record

<b>KANSAS,</b>	sentenced inmates Oct. 1, 1915:
	Reformatory .....
	Boys' Industrial School.....
	<b>594</b>
<b>NEBRASKA,</b>	sentenced inmates Oct. 1, 1915:
	(No Reformatory) .....
	Boys' Industrial School.....
	<b>199</b>
	<b>Total for Nebraska..... 199</b>

**Three times as many young men and boys sentenced to state institutions in Kansas as were sentenced in Nebraska!**

The promises made by advocates of prohibition that "Prohibition will save the boys" have not come true in Kansas. WHY have they not come true? What is the temptation that causes so many young men and boys to go wrong in Kansas?

### The Alley Joint Evils

So-called "joints" are part of every day life in prohibition states. In these "joints" liquors of the vilest sort are dispensed to men and boys by dissolute characters, both male and female, spreading crime and debauchery to every part of the state.

These "joints" are "schools of crime" and with their insidious temptations have wrecked the lives of countless Kansas boys and young men.

The fearful evils that follow in the wake of prohibition constitute a menace to every home in Nebraska in which there is a boy. The fathers of Nebraska can avert this calamity by refusing to adopt prohibition.

**HOW TO VOTE AGAINST PROHIBITION\***

The squares shown below will appear at the TOP of the ballot. An X marked in square 301 is a vote AGAINST PROHIBITION.

Yes		
300	<input type="checkbox"/>	} Shall the above and foregoing amendment to the Constitution be adopted?
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