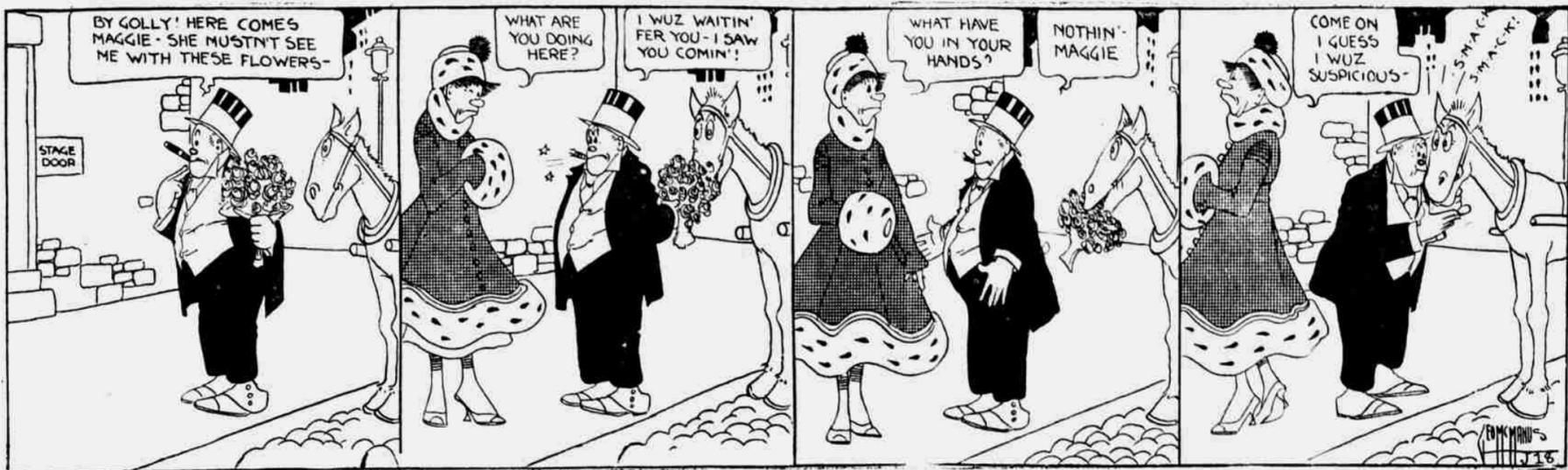


BRINGING UP FATHER

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PLESTINA TO MEET F. BEELL TONIGHT

Omaha Fans Will Get First Opportunity in Year to See Big Austrian in Action.

REYNOLDS MEETS MILLER

For the first time in over a year Omaha wrestling fans will have an opportunity to see Marin Plestina, the big Omaha Austrian, in action in the squared circle. He will wrestle Freddie Beell, the famous little Wisconsin wrestler, who so sensationally started the wrestling world a decade ago by defeating Frank Gotch and holding the world's championship for three short weeks. The event will take place at 8:30 tonight at the Boyd theater. Omaha grappling fans have been anxious to see Plestina in action for some time. The big Austrian made Omaha his home last spring and all summer he trained diligently. As soon as he got in shape he began to hurl challenges at everybody in sight, including such notables as Stecher, Lewis, Caddock, Cutler and others. He didn't get to first base; nobody seemed to care to take a chance with him.

Finally, however, Beell offered to give Plestina a tilt and Plestina wasted no time in accepting. Beell arrived in Omaha yesterday and looks to be in good condition. He declares he has lost none of his old-time skill and cunning—that skill and cunning which so aroused the enthusiasm of the wrestling fans a decade ago—and he insists Plestina will find he has run into a tartar.

And the Omaha fans who remember Beell agree with him. A decade ago Beell was a great favorite in Omaha. He appeared in one of his memorable bouts with Farmer Burns in this city. He wrestled a number of times here about the time he won the epoch-making match from Frank Gotch and held the world's championship for three weeks, at the end of which time Gotch regained his lost laurels. Plestina is a great wrestler—lack of desire on the part of other wrestlers to meet him has proved that—but Beell will give him a tough run for his money. Jack Reynolds, the welterweight, who describes himself as "the wrestler who claims no title, but will wrestle any one who does," will tangle with Joe Miller, the Scotch Side demon, in a preliminary go. Reynolds and Miller are old-time rivals and they promise to put up a real mill.

Ice Tennis Match to Be Held at Miller Saturday

Omaha sport lovers will get an opportunity to see some ice tennis at Miller park Saturday. Leland F. Wykert and Joe Wirtz, both good skaters and tennis players, will stage a game Saturday afternoon on Joe Hummel's pond providing the ice permits.

Ice tennis has become something of a craze in the east and many of the crack tennis players are playing the game. It is said to be rare fun. Wykert and Wirtz are the first Omahans to attempt the game.

Claude Williams Signs Contract With White Sox

Chicago, Jan. 17.—Claude Williams, the young left-hand pitcher of the Chicago Americans, today signed his contract, President Comiskey announced.

Danish West Indies Pass Under Sovereignty of U. S.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 17.—The Danish West Indies passed today under the sovereignty of the United States. Negotiations continued for over half a century came to a conclusion with the exchange of ratifications of the treaty of cession by Secretary Lansing and Danish Minister Brun.

Formal transfer of the islands, with the raising of the American flag will take place as soon as the \$25,000,000 purchase price is paid over—some time within the next ninety days. The treaty provides that meanwhile the Danish governor shall continue his jurisdiction and that a committee of one Dane and one American shall be appointed to arrange for further details. The form of government of the islands and their name is now in the hands of congress, with some doubt as to whether they will have a civil governor or be administered as a naval base, for which they were bought.

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Today's Sport Calendar

Wrestling—Joe Carr vs. Waino Ketonen, finish match, at Duluth. Boxing—Fatey Cline vs. Ad Wolgast, ten rounds, at New York. Eddie Moba vs. Al Doty, ten rounds, at Canton, O. Joe Eagan vs. Carl Herz, ten rounds, at Southbridge, Mass. Jack Malone vs. "Kid" Billings, ten rounds, at Superior. Speed Boat—Motor boat regatta to have opened today at Miami, Fla., postponed to February 15.

Cubs Who Fail to Report on Time Will Be Dropped by Club

Chicago, Jan. 17.—Charles H. Weeghman, president of the Chicago Nationals, today replied to the threat of David L. Fultz, president of the Base Ball Players' Fraternity, to call a strike of the Chicago players February 20, the date on which the club starts on its training trip to Pasadena, Cal. President Weeghman asserted that unless members of the club had signed and were on the train they would no longer be regarded as members of the club.

Creighton Tangles With Wesleyan This Evening at the Gym

The basket ball championship of Nebraska may hinge on a conflict which is to be staged at the Creighton gymnasium tonight. Tommy Mills' fast Creighton five and the quintet from Nebraska Wesleyan, which has held state supremacy for several years, will collide. The Wesleyan game was originally scheduled for Saturday night, but was advanced to tonight. Mills has been working hard with his flippers and believes they will give a good account of themselves tonight. The Wesleyan athletes may prove too fast, but local floor enthusiasts expect Mills' men to make the battle interesting, at least, and they have some hopes of victory for the home boys.

Alleged Rustler Who Broke Jail is Recaptured

Mohrbridge, S. D., Jan. 17.—(Special.)—Fred Pratt, an alleged cattle rustler, who sawed his way out of the Mohrbridge city jail, was captured by the Chief of Police Duane and Deputy United States Marshal A. W. Closson as he attempted to board a west-bound Milwaukee passenger train as it pulled out of the Milwaukee yards here. Pratt and a companion, Harry Saxon, were accused of stealing cattle from the D-Z ranch near Mohrbridge. Saxon, who broke jail with Pratt, succeeded in making a getaway. Pratt is held in the next term of federal district court at Aberdeen, the alleged theft having been committed on an Indian reservation.

Aged Missouri Man Invokes Unwritten Law

Mexico, Mo., Jan. 17.—A. R. Critchfield, 65 years old, was shot and killed last night by Solomon E. Fox, 70. Fox, is said, accused Critchfield of having invaded his home. Fox's wife is 45. The shooting occurred in a school yard. Fox when arrested admitted he shot Critchfield. He is in jail.

HYMENEAL Conrad-Avery.

Lizzie Avery of Clarksville, Ia., and William Conrad of Sabetha, Kan., were married by Rev. Charles W. Savidge at his office Tuesday.

Good Territory Open on Well Known High Grade Tire Line

Old established Tire company desires to make an Omaha connection with a concern capable of selling tires and establishing agencies throughout this section. The line consists of high grade pneumatic and solid tires. The pneumatic tires are guaranteed for 5,000 miles. This is one of the most liberal, attractive propositions on the market for a live business man. Call or write R. A. Lee, Room 1106 Fontenelle Hotel.

BRANDEIS QUINT TO PLAY HUSKERS

Local Independent Five Will Tangle With University at Lincoln Friday.

PLAY RANGERS NEXT WEEK

The crack Brandeis basket ball five, independent champions of Omaha, have undertaken a difficult task. The Brandeis are going to try to defeat the floor quintet of the University of Nebraska. The combat will be staged at Lincoln Friday night. Jake Isaacson, manager of the Brandeis, tried to bring the university team to Omaha, but could not quite make the grade so he agreed to take the local flippers to Lincoln. The Brandeis have two hard games carded for next week, too. The first is with the Oklahoma Rangers. This game will be played at the Omaha Young Men's Christian association Tuesday night. The Oklahoma Rangers have been playing basket ball for five years and they are known all over the country as one of the classic cage quintets in the game. They are just returning from an extended trip to the Pacific coast which has been highly successful from the standpoint of Ranger victories.

Thursday night the Brandeis will invade Nebraska City for a contest with the five at that point. The Nebraska City five is one of the strongest independent teams in the state and it is probable that the victor in this contest will be able to claim undisputed title to the independent championship of Nebraska.

On February 1 Doane college comes to Omaha for a game with the Brandeis. Two trips into Iowa are being planned by Isaacson. One will be an invasion of the western part of the state the last of this month and the other will be a trip through eastern Iowa the first part of February.

The chances of victory for the Brandeis over Nebraska were considerably lessened yesterday when Herb Stryker, who has been the best worker on the squad of late, injured his leg and probably will be unable to play. Bob Hager, assistant physical director at the Young Men's Christian association and a former Cornhusker star, has signed to play with the Brandeis. Ernie Adams is no longer a member of the team.

State House Notes

(From a Staff Correspondent.) Lincoln, Jan. 17.—(Special.)—It was John W. Wray of Anisley, Neb., who sold eggs five months old. He pleaded guilty to having disposed of seventy-two dozen of them and was fined \$100 and costs before Judge Ford of Broken Bow.

Under a separate bill introduced by Majority of Douglas, Lincoln will have a municipal judge, whose term is four years, and who will be first elected in 1920. It provides one such four-year judge in cities over 25,000 and three in Omaha.

With the supreme court decision Monday, holding the 1915 paving law valid, those three towns, having paving bonds aggregating \$142,000, had them registered Tuesday with State Auditor Smith. North Platte, \$39,000; Hastings, \$44,000; Kearney, \$59,000.

The United States Treasury department has forwarded to State Treasurer Hall the regular quarterly remittance from the government of \$7,500 for maintenance of United States agricultural experiment stations in Nebraska.

These are the persons who have registered with Secretary of State Pool as lobbyists since the first of the week. Frank L. Kinger, commissioner of the Nebraska Manufacturers' association, interested in manufacturing matters. Former Attorney General W. T. Thompson of Lincoln, chairman of the Nebraska Dry federation, interested in a law enforcing state-wide prohibition.

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Bills Introduced

House Bills. H. R. 152, White, Brown—Defines corporate limits of cities of second class and villages. H. R. 154, McAllister, Price and Cronin—Defines water power corporations and gives State highway commission regulatory powers. H. R. 155, Heggen, Platte—Changes time for making of railway commission's annual report. H. R. 156, Dalbey, Gage—Number plates for all cars used by dealer required under this act. H. R. 157, Fred Johnson, Adams—Makes mandatory the employment of deputy county clerk and fixes salary. H. R. 158, Jacobson and Johnson—Appropriates \$20,000 for payment of soldiers' fares to Vicksburg reunion. H. R. 159—Amends loan shark bill by eliminating forfeiture clause and providing \$25 to \$100 fines. H. R. 160, Richmond and Craddock—Repeals maximum levy clause of metropolitan school laws. H. R. 161, Ewing, Dundy—Appropriates \$5,000 for purchase of Benkenman fish hatchery by state. H. R. 162, Ewing, Dundy—Front and rear lights required on all horse vehicles. H. R. 163, Stubb, Hall—Creates office of county road superintendent and defines powers and duties. H. R. 164, Bulik, Douglas—Appropriates \$25,000 for monument to Buffalo Bill on Mount Lookout, near Denver, part of \$100,000 fund to be raised by three states and city of Denver. H. R. 165, Harris, Buffalo, and Greenwalt—Provides for appointment of visiting nurses by any municipality. H. R. 166, Cronin, Holt—Makes persons receiving Nebraska newspapers in the mails liable for payment of subscription prices. H. R. 167, Cronin, Holt—Requires bonding insurance companies to get permission of state insurance department before cancelling policies. H. R. 168, Douglas Delegation—Civil service system for Omaha city employees. H. R. 169, Good and Others—Appropriates \$35,000 for support of state normal schools. H. R. 170, Good and Others—Appropriates cash funds and miscellaneous receipts of state normal schools to their use. H. R. 171, Good and Others—Appropriates state normal library funds to their use. H. R. 172, LeMar, Saunders—Requires telegraph and telephone poles along public highways to be set on the outside boundary line. H. R. 173, Pulte, Furnas—Reduces certain fees of county judges. H. R. 174, Olson, Harlan—Provides that counties shall be liable for maintenance of insane persons sent to state hospitals, and relieves relatives of same. H. R. 175, Hopkins, Douglas—Raises pay of supreme court stenographers and clerks \$100 per year. H. R. 176, Anderson, Phelps—Empowers second class cities to purchase or accept by gift, buildings for their use, or to buy ground and erect them. H. R. 177, Anderson, Phelps—Makes it duty of school teachers to examine children for defective sight or hearing or for diseases of the eyes, ears, nose, throat, or lungs. H. R. 178, Stubb, Hall—Makes automobile stealing a penal offense punishable by \$100 fine and imprisonment for one month. H. R. 180, Prof Johnson, Adams—Raises limit of school tax levy from 35 to 45 mills in city districts of over 1,000 population. Senate Bills. S. P. 26, Oberlies, Lancaster—Provides for a study of Lincoln's life in Nebraska schools. S. P. 27, Samuelson and Scott—Relates to loss of death in mortgage matters. S. P. 28, Adams and Mattes—Forest areas may be established by counties, cities and villages. S. P. 29, Adams and Mattes—Provides for exchange of state school lands and forest preserves. S. P. 24, Gates, Hargy—Changes time on

THAW'S DOCTORS SAY HE IS CRITICALLY ILL

Patient in Stupor and Mental and Physical Condition Unsatisfactory. WEAK FROM BLOOD LOSS

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 17.—Physicians at the hospital where Harry K. Thaw, who attempted to commit suicide here last week by slashing himself with a razor is a patient, said today that Thaw was not recovering as rapidly as had been expected and expressed concern both as to his mental and physical condition. Lawyers representing the Thaw family, who were to have held a bedside conference with Thaw today to discuss plans for his defense against the kidnapping and assault charges made in New York by Frederick Cump, jr., the Kansas City youth, announced that the conference had been postponed for at least a week. Dr. Elwood R. Kirby, Thaw's physician, said early today that his patient was showing only slight improvement and was still in a stupor. "He doesn't seem to realize where he is or what has happened," said Dr. Kirby. "His depression is due partly to loss of blood and his general physical condition. It will be several weeks before he comes around. His mind is not showing improvement, as we expected."

Mrs. Mary Copley Thaw said she probably would issue a statement during the day outlining the stand she will take in the impending legal proceedings against her son.

Department Orders. Washington, Jan. 17.—(Special Telegram.)—Rural letter carriers appointed: Nebraska—Big Springs, K. Dewey, J. Root, Norman, Harry J. Jordan. Iowa—Auston, Joe C. Hansonmeyer, Chelsea, Orin H. Squires, Clutter, John J. Lusk, Jr.; Dorchester, John W. Dooda; Fayette, Raymond P. Grant; Grand Junction, Elvin A. Stirling; Hudson, Wallace W. Stokes; Marion, Ed V. Campbell. South Dakota—Addover, Theodore Totten; Brandt, Harry R. Tall; Butler, N. Lee; Rich, R. H. Rich; Claire City, Leslie G. Birdwell; Colome, Clarence E. Stewart; Lake Norden, Palmer F. Hodahl; Salem, Chauncey D. Miller; Wellington Springs, George E. Miller.

Scottsbluff Lawyers Appear in Irrigation Case

(From a Staff Correspondent.) Washington, Jan. 17.—(Special Telegram.)—Fred A. Wright, L. L. Raymond and A. R. Honold of Scottsbluff appeared before the supreme court in the case of the farmers' irrigation district against the state of Nebraska on the relation of Peter O'Shea. The issues involved relate to the water rights on the Tri-state canal in Scottsbluff and Morrill counties.

Four Hundred Chicago Flat Buildings Are Without Heat

Chicago, Jan. 17.—Occupants of approximately 400 flat buildings in the city were without heat today because of a strike of janitors who banked their fires last night and refused to return to work. An appeal was made today to the state board of arbitration by the Chicago real estate board and the mediation of the state officials was promised. The demand of the janitors was for an increase in wages of at least 10 per cent. The first deprecation reported was the withdrawal of water from the boiler of a large south side apartment, causing the pipes to burst.



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