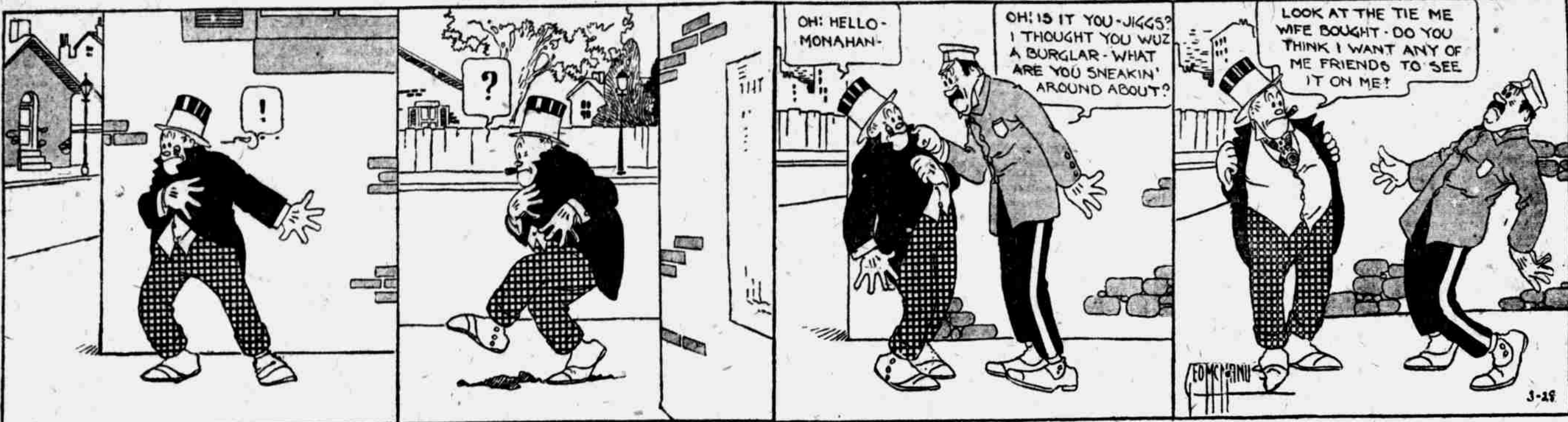


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AT SPRING CAMPWild Bill Enthusiastic Over  
Training Camp Showing of  
Both Veterans and New  
Recruits.

Early reports from Waxahachie, Tex., the training camp of the Detroit Americans, have brought the cheerful news that Manager Jennings expects to have a real pitching staff this season.

"Wild Bill" Donovan is in charge of the twirlers and the former manager of the New York Yankees has become enthusiastic over the showing of a couple of the recruits. Daus, James, Mitchell and Boland of the regular hurlers are getting into form; Harry Coveleski is trying to stage a comeback and George Cunningham hopes to have a real season.

Donovan Works Hard.

Donovan has been devoting much of his time to the youngsters. Erickson, who formerly pitched for Detroit, but was sent to the Pacific coast partly because he could not get along with Manager Jennings, has impressed Donovan and newspaper men are predicting that the smiling Swede will get another chance in the big league. Joe Finneran of St. Paul, who was in the National for about 10 minutes, and who also twirled for the Federals, is being closely watched.

One of the recruits attracted immediate attention before he broke a curve over the plate. This man is Doty Blades, who twirled for Sherman, Tex., in the Western association last season. Blades is a rangy left-hander and he has simply murdered the ball in batting practice. Regulars of the club declare he bats more like Babe Ruth and any pitcher they have ever seen. If Blades can continue his sensational hitting, it is quite certain of an extended tryout even if his pitching ability is doubtful.

OMAHA BOY WINS  
WRESTLING TITLE  
AT GREAT LAKES

That the middleweight wrestling championship of the Great Lakes naval training station is held by an Omaha boy was the news brought to the Gate City by Charles F. Stephenson, who is home on a 10-day tour.

Stephenson himself is the title holder and possessor of a belt offered by the Knights of the Bath, a number of Chicago Athletic association enthusiasts who have taken an interest in athletics at the naval station.

Stephenson learned to wrestle at the Omaha Young Men's Christian association three years ago. Tom Ray and Fred Selee were his instructors. Three months ago he enlisted in the navy and resumed his wrestling there. In a short time he had captured the middleweight championship.

The Omaha boy will represent the Great Lakes school at the national amateur wrestling tournament, which is to be held at Chicago, starting April 12, and the sailor boys believe he will bring home the middleweight title with him.

Beselli's Kids Move Into  
First in Farnam Tourney

The Beselli's Kids went into first place by a four point margin last night in the Farnam Alley Handicap tournament.

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**SINGLES**

Lindsay	657
Lundgrat	636
H. Hansen	626
Mitchell	612
Maurer	607

Murphy-Did-It Cage Quint  
Claims Junior State Title

The junior state championship of Nebraska is the distinction the Murphy-Did-It basketball team now claims for its own.

The Murphys recently won the Class B championship of Omaha. Then Tuesday night they played the Dundee community center five and, scoring a decisive victory to the tune of 24 to 13, decided that they had a claim to the junior state championship.

Willard Goes to Baltimore  
To Talk Fight With Police

Baltimore, Md., March 27.—Jess Willard, world's champion heavy-weight fighter, with manager Colonel Miller arrived here today. They will stay three or four days. While they are here to dispose of horses left over from Willard's circus, both said they will talk with police officials about the possibility of holding the fight here between Willard and Fred Fulton on July 4.

Wielding  
the Hammer

By FRED S. HUNTER.

"DAZZLING play by Medill gives local checker players thrill," is the startling news reported by the Denver Post, thus affording us an opportunity to slip the scenario scribbled by the field thrills no longer is confined to tumbling airplanes, crashing railroad bridges, dynamite mines, runaway automobiles and breaking wild brones, untamed women and the like. Ah—just picture the suspense and the subsequent triumph as Harold Lockwood, threatened with immediate defeat, suddenly, by a daring and sensational many-sided maneuver, sweeps the board clear and rescues the heroine from under the very clutches of the villainous Theodore Roberts! Then will life be worth the living and the dime well spent.

**The Soul of Truthfulness.**

EVEN though a mere business office vegetable—of the common, garden variety, too—Harry Watts is the acme of truthfulness, honesty and integrity. Which may explain in a way the following conversation between Mr. Watts and Louis Lanyon, the only box office artist in the world who ever overcharged a customer, at the Orpheum box office a short time ago.

Mr. Watts—Gimme a couple 'o seats for tonight.

Mr. Lanyon—I have only the first and 15th rows. Which do you prefer?

Mr. Watts—What! With the Morgan dancers on the bill?

**Jess the Pupil.**

THERE is a suspicion that Willard, himself, not Colonel Miller, is the real promoter of the Willard-Fulton fight. This is owing to a statement by the champion that he would never again fight for "The Forty Thieves." Showing that "The Forty Thieves" are at least good instructors and Jess an apt pupil.

**Improved Surgery.**

PRIZE FIGHTER undergoes operation on his head; screams a headline. And thus does the marvelous science of surgery extend its field of operation to researches in Portland cement.

**Footballness.**

JOE STECHER will wrestle Steve Savage at Sioux City on April 1. That's the proper day for Joe to wrestle Steve Savage.

**American Athletes Win High Praise in France**

Famous American athletes serving as airmen in France receive the highest praise from the Petit Parisien, French newspaper. Quotes from the paper say:

"Ted Meredith, holder of the world's record for running, is finishing his training in France. Hobey Baker, the famous foot ball and hockey player, is at the front and has two victories to his credit. Sergeant Putnam has been at work longer and is credited with three successes. We can have confidence in the American pilots. Soon 2,000 of them, fully trained, will take their places in the allied army."

**Joe Harris Spends All His Time in Army Camp Hospital**

Joe Harris, the hard hitting first baseman of the Cleveland Americans, who is a member of the 320th infantry, Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va., is having his share of tough luck. He has been in the base hospital since his arrival at camp, with the exception of three days. Inoculation was his first enemy. Soon after recovery he was again sent back suffering with neuralgia.

There are plenty of players in camp to make some of the big league teams hustle to win a game from them, writes Harris. One of his opponents in camp is Ed Klepper, his teammate on the Cleveland club.

**Cincy Reds to Spend 16 Straight Nights on Train**

The Cincinnati Reds, upon their return from the training camp, will be obliged to spend 16 nights in Pullmans. They have one of the most extensive training trips ever listed for a major league team.

**National Amateur Rowing Regatta Off This Summer**

No regatta of the National Association of Amateur Oarsmen will be held this year. The annual Memorial day regatta of the New York Rowing association will be held.

**Omaha Man Accidentally Shot While on Fishing Trip**

Nebraska City, Neb., March 27.—(Special Telegram.)—Dewey Houston of Omaha was accidentally shot in the arm near here today while fishing. He was taken to Dr. Feger's hospital for treatment.

**Today's Sport Calendar**

Horse shows: Opening of annual show of Riding and Driving club of Camden, S. C.

Beach shows: Opening of annual show of Chicago Kennel club, Chicago.

Yachting: Annual meeting of Yacht Racing association of Long Island sound, at New York City.

GROOM FINALLY  
HITS CLEVELANDVeteran Hurler Purchased by  
Same Club Which Turned  
Him Down Ten Years  
Ago.

Lanky Bob Groom, the latest addition to the Indians' roster, nearly became a member of the Cleveland ball club ten years ago.

At that time he was pitching for Portland in the Pacific coast league, which had a working agreement by which Cleveland had first call on its players.

Walter McGredie, then Portland's manager, sent word to Cleveland that he had a wonderful young pitcher on his staff named Groom.

"I know he'll make good in the majors," Walter predicted, and he fairly begged Cleveland to take him. He was so insistent that Tommy O'Brien, then a Cleveland base ball scout, was sent to look over the young hurler.

O'Brien came back with an unfavorable report. "He's not big enough for fast company, and he never will be," said the scout.

For Groom was a sliver of a lad, built very much like Fred Coubme when he first joined the Indians.

On that report Cleveland turned down "Lanky Bob," and McGredie was forced to look elsewhere to market his pitching marvel.

The Washington ball club took him in 1908, and he has been in fast company ever since. His marvelous curving ability enabled him to make good from the start.

Groom is noted for control, but, like every other pitcher, has an occasional day when the home plate isn't on his map.

The story is told that one day in Washington he passed the first three men after having been presented with a bunch of roses by admiring fans before the game. Joe Cantillon was managing the Nationals in those days.

He fumed and stewed as Groom kept up the parade, but he stood it till a fourth pass forced in a run. Then Groom was yanked. As Bob walked off the field, a rooster in the bleachers yelled:

"What kind of flowers were those, Bob?"

Groom grinned and called back: "Wild flowers, of course."

**Columbus Fans to Name Hour to Start Ball Games**

Patrons of the Columbus club of the American association are to decide at what hour the games shall start since it has been voted to move the clocks of the nation ahead one hour during the summer months.

Joe Tinker, president and manager of the club, is willing to abide by the decision of the fans. Some favor starting at 4 o'clock, others at 3:30 p. m. If the games are started at 4 o'clock it will allow just as much daylight as when the battles were begun at 3 p. m.

**Girls to Sell Peanuts At Columbus Ball Park**

Joe Tinker of the Columbus club announces that girls will sell tickets, score cards, pop and do all the rest of the selling work around the ball park this season. Joe thinks they will do just as good or better work, and says it is almost impossible to hire men or boys to do this.

**Ty Cobb Admits Faber Has Captured His Goat**

Ty Cobb says he would rather bat against any other pitcher in the American league in preference to "Red" Faber of the White Sox. He has more confidence facing Walter Johnson any time, he says, and admits that Faber's delivery "has his goat."

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Hickey Ticked to Death  
With 1918 A. A. Schedule

President Tom Hickey of the American association has gone to Florida to spend a month and get ready for a strenuous season, after first putting the finishing touches on the association schedule. He is proud of that schedule, by the way, for he says it gives every club a square deal and is a great mileage saver. Under the new and short schedule each club will save several thousand dollars and it is planned to curtail hotel allowances all around so as to save quite a bit more.

**Wagner's Record.**

Honus Wagner clouted out just 100 home runs in the 21 years he played in the major leagues. His average on singles, etc., was considerably higher.

**AT THE THEATERS**

**Promises of the Press Agents.**

Orpheum—While there are various bits on the bill over at the Orpheum this week the sort that go to give vaudeville its popular appeal, the one-act play holds the position of distinction. There are two headliners on the program of the Orpheum, the short dramatic sort, widely divergent in style and effect. Nellie Fisher presents "The Choice of the Rebels," from the pen of Clara Kummer. It shows the daily touch of the feminine pen. Alan Brooks presents the other, "Dollars and Sense," which shows the masculine virility. Darts of satire play on the ribalds and clash of wills that become very tense, are interestingly set forth by Mr. Brooks and his company.

**Boyd—The joy of youth, optimistic, fervent and undimmed bubbles all through the farce-comedy, "Mary's Annie," now being shown at the Boyd by a company whose individual and ensemble work has won for it many friends. People are going back to see the piece the second and third times, which will give some notion of how popular it has become.**

**Brandels—Today opens the last half-week program for the Brandels Hippodrome, headed by the greatest of acrobatic performers, Mr. Cornelia. The six Cornelia's present an act sensational and extraordinary. The greatest of acrobatic performers, Mr. Cornelia, promises to electrify the audience. Lee and Miller and Pauley are pro-girl-and-boy acts, the advance agents promise to be above the ordinary. With the diving seal, with his almost human face, and the Bertha brothers, he accomplishes unusual, the program promises excellent entertainment. The latest Heart Pathe News and the all-time funny Sidney Dwyer comedy close the offerings for the last half of the week.**

**Empress—Aaron Hoffman is the author of "The Unappealed," a sketch which heads the new bill at the Empress theater for the last three days, presented by Henry Thorne and a competent cast who help him to make the performance a vaudeville treat. Dave Turbury, on this same bill, shows his ability as a singing comedian and English dialect comedian. The rest of the bill includes Mae and Billy Earle in their singing and talking sketch, "Love Me, Love My Dog," and the Aerial Butteryfly, presented by Lillian Kincaid and company.**

**Gagety—The automatic methods of the king of the Island of Never Was, as depicted during the second act of "The Liberty Girls," at the Gagety this week might truthfully be likened to what the much despised Kaiser would do to us had he his way. Jack Conway, as "Tim Reilly" is placed on the throne, then do things, assume a different complexion, every courtly ruling being the signal for a burst of laughter. To entertain the court and incidentally the audience, Paxton and Green are presenting a most marvelous acrobatic novelty which wins them a tumult of applause. Ladies' matinee daily all week.**

**In the Silent Drama.**

**Strand—In "Stella Maria," the Artercraft picture now at the Strand, the work of Mary Pickford as Stella Maria is overshadowed by that of the character of Unity Blake, a homesy girl, uncooth and misshapen, who creates big moments in the photoplay, and whose emotional work is a revelation. The superior work of Unity Blake is apparent in scenes where Unity and Stella Maria appear together on the screen. Mary plays both parts herself. The final role is made possible by clever photography, and Miss Pickford is seen talking to herself, and walking off the scene with herself.**

**Sun—J. Warren Kerrigan will be shown at this theater for the last times today in the Paralta play, "The Turn of a Card." It is full of action and has plenty of comedy in its makeup, while a dandy love story is told. A practically all-star cast is in the support, with the result of a pleasing entertainment. Friday and Saturday comes Taylor Holmes in "Uneasy Money."**

**Muse—Edith Storey will be featured at this theater for the final times today in the Metro picture, "The Eyes of Mystery," in which the star has a role that permits of some splendid acting. The story itself is based on lines that hold the interest well throughout. Friday and Saturday comes Gladys Brockwell, in "The Devil's Wheel."**

**Empress—Just because they called him "Broadway Bill" was no reason to think he didn't have the right kind of stuff in him. He proved that he did when he joined a lumber camp and licked the boss bully. Incidentally he won a fight with John Barleycorn and was thus able to win out in a love affair that meant much to him. You'll find the way Harold Lockwood plays the title role in the Metro feature, "Broadway Bill," at the Empress theater for the last three days of the week.**

**Hipp—Gladys Hulette will be featured at this theater today in a Pathe offering, "Over the Hill." This dimpled star is here shown in a pleasing role in a breezy and delightful romance, full of surprises and clever situations. Friday and Saturday comes Harry Carey in his latest Butteryfly picture, "Thieves' Gold."**

**Hippodrome—H. B. Warner will be at this theater today in "Wrath." In it he portrays the roles of two characters in a remarkable manner, while the story is intense. Friday, eleventh chapter, "Venetian and the Woman," and Norma Talmadge in "Just Show Folks." Saturday, Anita Stewart in a timely picture, "The Message of the Moons."**

**Grand—George Walsh, in "Jack Sparlock, Prodigious," is the attraction at this theater today. It is a fast comedy-drama of youthful days that will be thoroughly enjoyed. Friday is Jack Pickford and Louise Loring in "What Money Can't Buy," and "Fatty" Roscoe Arbuckle in "A Reckless Romeo." Saturday comes one of William S. Hart's best pictures, "The Cold Deck."**

**Bohlf—Olive Thomas will be shown at this theater today in a Frohman production, "Betty Takes a Hand," a comedy-drama that should please in a Paramount Cooper in a R. A. Walsh directed picture.**

**Alhambra—Alma Rubens will be the featured player at this theater today in a Triangle play, "The Dawn of Destiny." It is a play that is said to be of absorbing interest and in which the star is said to be shown to splendid advantage. Friday is Mary Pickford in "Hulda from Holland." Saturday, William Fox kiddies, in "Treasure Island."**

**Apollo—Dustin Farnum and practically an all-star cast, headed by Winifred Kingston, Herbert Standing and Myrtle Stedman will be at this theater today in a Paramount production, "The Call of the Cumberlands." It is a picture that cost the company a great deal of money to produce, as it is held in the time of the Atee Indians. It tells of a white woman who is ruler, and later falls in love with a Spanish explorer (Wallace Reid), and causes the downfall of a mighty people. Friday and Saturday will be Harold Lockwood in "The Square Deceiver."**

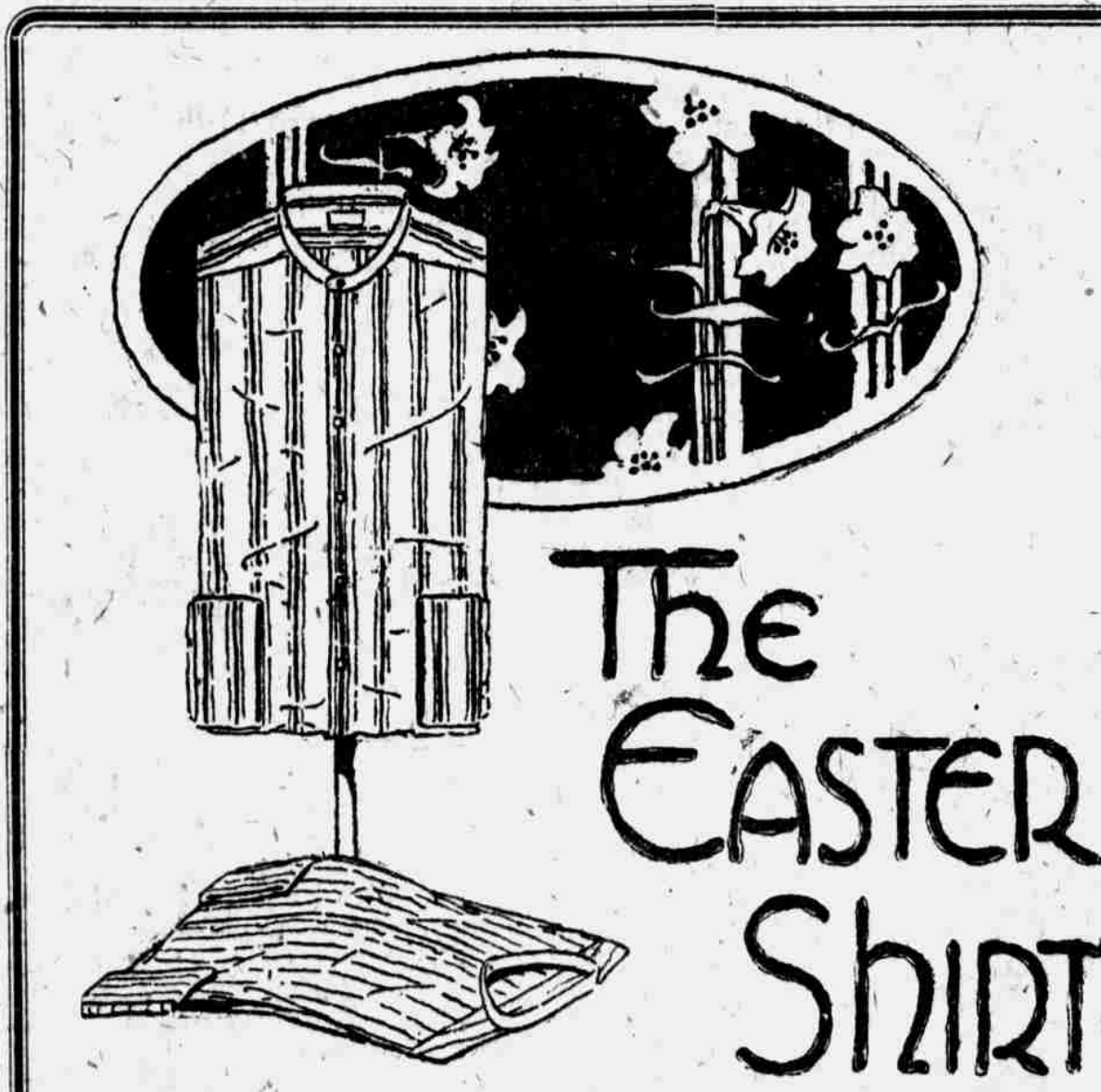
**Hamilton—Harold Lockwood will be featured at this theater today in "The Square Deceiver." It is a play written especially for the star's personality. Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Drew will also be on the bill in a comedy offering. Friday and Saturday is Rhea Mitchell and Orrin Johnston in "Weather Thou Guest," and a William C. Hart subject.**

**Suburban—Jack Pickford and a splendid cast of players will be at this theater today in the Paramount play, "The Spirit of '17." It is a story written by Judge Willis C. Brown of the juvenile court of Chicago, and tells the manner in which a small boy and some civil war veterans catch some German spies in a small town. Other good pictures will also be shown. Friday comes Douglas Fairbanks and Bessie Love in "The Good Bad Man."**

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