

### RINGER DIRECTS VICE CRUSADE IN ORDER TO POLICE

Rigid Instructions Given to Enforce Laws Against Bootlegging, Gambling, Vagrancy and Immorality.

City Commissioner Ringer's instructions to Chief of Police Dempsey have been transmitted to the policemen by the chief in a general order which directs that vigilance shall be exercised in enforcement of laws against bootlegging, gambling, vagrancy and immorality.

The general order, address to the captains, reads: "You will instruct all members of the police department under your respective commands to exercise all diligence in securing evidence against persons suspected of violating the laws relating to intoxicating liquors, gambling and prostitution, with a view to eliminating the bootleggers, gamblers and prostitutes from the city."

War on Violations. "It is the order of Superintendent Ringer that those violations must be stopped and the violators driven out of the city, and we must use every possible means to carry out this order."

"Whenever you find a bootlegger or vagrant or anyone else who refuses to work, arrest him and take the matter up with the county attorney and see that a complaint is filed in each and every case. In this way we ought to be able to eliminate bootleggers and gamblers from the city."

The State Sedition Law. Attention of the policemen is directed to the provisions of the state sedition law. It is the policy of Mayor Smith and Commissioner Ringer to file complaints under the sedition law against persons who are within the meaning of the following section of the sedition law:

"Being physically able to work and not engaged in any useful occupation, refuse employment or remain habitually idle when useful employment is obtainable. Any person so offending will be guilty of sedition."

Interstate Scout Conference Will Open in Omaha Friday

Interstate conference of Boy Scout officials will be held in Omaha Friday with delegates from Iowa, Missouri, Kansas, South Dakota and Nebraska. Headquarters have been established in the Patterson block.

The convention will open with luncheon for delegates at the Young Men's Christian association, followed by addresses by Mr. Boardman of Lincoln, Dr. Sowerby, Scout Executive of Kansas City; L. L. McDonald, camp director national council, and Lorne W. Barclay, director Department of Education. Scouts will give an exhibition of games under the direction of C. H. English, scout executive of Omaha.

The convention will close Sunday evening.

Former Saloon Keeper Given 60-Day Sentence by Judge

Emil Talbot, 1277 South Eleventh street, former saloon keeper, was sentenced to 60 days in jail Thursday by Police Judge Madden upon conviction of having intoxicating liquor in his possession. Officers of the morals squad testified that in response to a "tip" from federal authorities a trunk shipped from Kansas City and delivered to Talbot's home was found to contain nine quarts of whiskey and seven pints of beer.

Mary Miller, housekeeper for Talbot, testified that she thought the trunk contained the wardrobe of a new roomer. She was discharged.

Wheat Men to Probe Alleged Hoarding in Nebraska

The food administration is going after G. W. and James Bailey, who live near Carleton, in Thayer county, and who are reported to have 8,500 bushels of wheat which they have not marketed. The report is that they said "if the government wants this wheat, let it come and get it." And so Uncle Sam's men are going after it. Notices have been served through H. B. Harding, county food administrator. If these notices do not bring the wheat some of Uncle Sam's men will go after it, haul it to the nearest station and market it, charging up all expense to the owners who refused to let loose.

Mayor Smith Outlines Plan for Cleaner and Better Omaha

Mayor Smith emphasized his desire to have a cleaner and better Omaha, in an address before the Concord club Thursday noon at the Henshaw hotel. He also gave an outline of various activities on which he wanted the support of the club and mentioned that the council was to make an effort to cut down unnecessary expenses to the city by eliminating useless offices.

### Boy Scouts in France and Omaha Join Hands Across Sea to Seal Partnership In Redoubled Warfare Against Kaiser

Photo of Mershon Welch, Omaha Boy Scout and fac simile of letter he received from French Boy Scout :: :: ::

La Rochelle - Charente inf.  
April 25, 1917  
Dear friend,  
Major things gave me your letter. He was sure that a French boy-scout will be very glad to write to an American boy-scout, and that is real. Indeed, I'm a boy scout from twenty months. All patrols of the region made recently a competition. There were four matters: 1- receive a message which sent by means of an arm alphabet (2) 2- receive another message sent by means of the alphabet used for sending telegrams. 3- make 7 knots. 4- make two dressings: one for a wound of the leg and another for a wound of the arm. The wounded in the leg was carried on a letter made with two long sticks and two boy-scout's shirts. Besides all good actions, all the participants of the boy-scouts had were numbered for this challenge. I hope that my patrol will be at good place.



MERSHON WELCH.

I am learning English, so I don't write correctly, but I'm sure that you'll excuse me. I am twelve years old, and you? Please tell me all what the boy-scouts make so that I can tell that to my friends. I'll also tell you what the La Rochelle Boy-Scouts make. Do you speak a little French? Before that I can see you, I remain my dear affection your sincere friend. Christian Moussieq 13 rue de la Cloche La Rochelle - Charente Inférieure France

Omaha Boy Scouts have joined hands across the sea with Boy Scouts of the French republic. Christian Moussieq, 13 Rue de la Cloche, La Rochelle, Charente Inférieure, France, presents the greetings of the La Rochelle Boy Scouts to Mershon Welch, Omaha Boy Scout, in a letter characteristically French and effervescent with courtesy and companionship. It is the first lap in a friendship between the far-divided units of this organization that will outlast even the memory of the mutual enemy—the Hun.

The Omaha Scout wrote a letter some time ago to Major H. L. Akin, formerly a physician in Omaha and now a member of the American corps in France, requesting him to give it to a French Boy Scout. The major turned the letter over to Christian. The missive, written in English, typifies the principles of helpfulness and friendliness instilled for future democracy, for the Scouts of today are the soldiers of tomorrow.

"I am learning English," writes Christian in a half-apologetic manner, "so you will excuse me if I don't write correctly." But the letter, as a whole, would not divulge the fact that Christian is just beginning the mastery of the English language. Christian acknowledges he is only 12 years old—but he derives evident pleasure in announcing the fact that he has been a Boy Scout for 20 months.

Mershon Welch, son of John W. Welch, prominent Boy Scout commissioner, is one of the most representative of Omaha Scouts. He is both a star and a life member and belongs to Troop No. 36. His sister, Gertrude, is often the nurse, or the patient, in first aid work. The Welch Red Cross police dog, awaiting to be called to Uncle Sam's service, is the third member of the patriotic trio.

### LANGFELD LEADS IN RACE TO LAND CITY HEALTH JOB

Physician Is Endorsed for Place by Special Committee Representing Omaha Medical Society.

The appointment of a new health commissioner is narrowing down to Dr. Millard Langfeld, city bacteriologist and an eminent member of his profession.

The doctor was graduated from Johns Hopkins and has been in professional service in Omaha for 20 years. He has served as city bacteriologist for many years, and has been on the faculties of Creighton Medical and Dental colleges.

"Who's Who in America," refers to him as having been identified in professional capacities with St. Joseph's hospital, Nebraska school for deaf and dumb, Omaha Milk commission, Nebraska Medical society, Douglas County Medical society, and Douglas county hospital.

He has been endorsed by a special committee representing the Omaha Medical society. Dr. Ernest T. Manning also has been recommended by the Omaha Medical society. He was graduated from Knox college, Galesburg, Ill., in 1901, and from Rush Medical college in 1904. He practiced four years in Illinois and has been 10 years in Omaha. The doctor has been a member of the Omaha Medical college and is now on the teaching staff of the University of Nebraska College of Medicine. Last September he was appointed as supervisor of medical inspection in the public schools.

### EIGHT HOTEL MEN ARE HELD IN VICE CRUSADE BY CITY

Eight hotel proprietors were arrested Thursday, charged with keeping ill-governed houses. They included: Abe White, Keystone hotel; Phil Nathan, State hotel; Louis Ackerman, Globe hotel; A. M. Quealey, Albany hotel; Louis Renthrow, Neville hotel; Harry Ackerman, Northwestern hotel; William Hill, Park hotel, and Grace Roberts, Reio hotel.

### Oh, Harry! Rush Out the Duster; This Hurricane Blows Like Blue Blazes

City Commissioner Zimman, new superintendent of the fire department, responded to a ring of his office telephone and heard the voice of a woman. "I wish you would send the fire department out to our block and sprinkle the street. The wind is blowing like the very dickens and the dust is spreading over everything in the house," was the feminine importunity.

"But, madam, the fire department is for extinguishing fires. Suppose we were sprinkling the street and your house should be afire, what would you say then?" the commissioner asked. A few minutes later a general alarm of fire was sent in and 17 houses were destroyed.

### Women Arrested in Prawitz Case Discharged by Judge

Mrs. Irene Walters, 514 South Twenty-second street, and Mrs. M. P. Shoemaker of the Rivard hotel were discharged in police court Thursday morning. They were arrested Wednesday afternoon on warrants charging them with keeping ill-governed houses. The arrests grew out of testimony offered by Mary Prawitz, who stated that on several occasions she had taken soldiers to the Walters home and to the Rivard hotel.

### Police Arrest Eight More Men in "Clean Up" of Idlers

Police arrested eight more alleged idlers Thursday morning. The total number of arrests made since Mayor Smith issued an order to "clean up" is 48, the greater number of whom chose to go to work immediately rather than go to jail.

### IMPOVERISHED MEN AND WOMEN Quickly Regain Health, Strength, Energy, and Ability by Taking 3-Grain Cadomene Tablets. The Very Best Tonic. Sold by All Druggists.

### Stack & Falconer Move to Their New Establishment

Stack & Falconer, undertakers, who recently purchased for \$50,000 the Hall residence, Farnam and Thirty-third streets, moved Thursday to their new home from Harney and Twenty-fourth streets. While the new place has not been completely remodeled, the firm is doing business there, and later will announce a formal opening.

### Former Bee Reporter Made Insurance Officer at Dodge

Captain Ralph S. Doud of Omaha, former reporter for The Bee, has been made acting division insurance officer at Camp Dodge, in the absence of Captain Paul R. Morrissey, Captain Doud was previously an assistant adjutant at Camp Dodge. He won his commission as captain at the first officers' training camp at Fort Snelling.

### IRRITABLE NERVOUS Was Condition of Indiana Lady Before Beginning to Take Card-u-i, the Woman's Tonic.

Kokomo, Ind.—Mrs. H. Hankemeter, of this town, says: "I look so well, and am so well, that it does not seem as if I ever needed Cardui. But I was not always this way... I think I have taken a dozen bottles... before my little girl came. I was feeling dreadfully bad, had headache, backache, sick at my stomach, no energy... I was very irritable, too, and nervous. I began taking Cardui about 6 months before my baby came. As a result all those bad feelings left me, and I just felt grand, just as if nothing at all was the matter, and when the end came I was hardly sick at all. Since that I have never taken Cardui at all... It has done me good, and I know it will help others, if they will only try it."

Many women have written grateful letters like the above, telling of the good that Cardui has done them. Why should it not help you, too? If you suffer from any of the ailments so common to women, and feel the need of a safe, reliable, strengthening tonic, we urge you to begin today and give Cardui a fair trial. Your dealer sells Card-u-i, EB 10

Scott Held for Federal Grand Jury on Harrison Act Charge J. C. Scott, 529 South Twenty-fourth avenue, arrested May 3 on a federal complaint of selling opiates, has waived hearing before United States Commissioner Neely and was held for the federal grand jury, which convenes here next week. Scott's bonds was fixed at \$2,000.

Burlington President Here Says Rail Business is Good Hale Holden, president of the Burlington road, was in Omaha today on a tour of the company's western lines. Mr. Holden asserted that, owing to the fact the government has taken over the operation of the railroads, there is nothing to say concerning their future. "Business is good," he said, "but aside from that there is nothing to say."

PHOTO PLAYS. ALWAYS A GOOD SHOW. TODAY and SATURDAY JEWEL CARMEN in "THE BRIDE OF FEAR"

Over the Top - With - Sergt. Arthur Guy Empey (Himself) Assisted by an All-Star Cast: James Morrison, Lois Meredith, Mary Maurice, Arthur Donaldson, Julie Sevayne, Gordon and Betty Blythe and 7,500 American Soldiers. A Vitagraph Production. AUDITORIUM Commencing SATURDAY MATINEE, MAY 18 Matinee Daily, 2:30; Nights, 7 and 9 p. m. Admission, Any Seat, 50c. Children 25c

Strand 18th & Douglas Presents ELSIE FERGUSON in The SONG OF SONGS

SON Today and Saturday Henry B. Walthall - In - "HOOPS OF STEEL"

BRANDEIS THEATRE Today Mat. 2:30 Ev'ng. 8:20 All Week Authorised Film Version of AMBASSADOR GERARD'S Startling Book of Facts, 'My Four Years in Germany' It is Your Duty To See It. Daily Matinees, 25c and 50c. Evenings, Balcony, 25c to 50c. Orchestra 50c and 75c; Boxes \$1.50. Reserved Seats.

EMPRESS LILLIAN KINGSBURY & CO. Present Dramatic Sketch "THE COWARD" SILBER & NORTH - In - "DASHFOOLERY" Comedy Skit With Songs HOWE & BARLOW Comedy Novelty Acrobatic Act WALTERS & HASTINGS The Entertaining Duo "OUR ALLIES—THE TANKS" Official Government Picture, Showing Tanks in Action With American Army. NEW IRON WAR MONSTERS Going "Over The Top" 3 Days, Starting Today HAROLD LOCKWOOD "THE LANDLOPER" Colorful Story of Romance and Adventure

LOTHROP 24th and Lothrop TODAY AND SATURDAY WILLIAM FARNUM in "WHEN A MAN SEES RED" AMUSEMENTS. Orpheum "Camouflage" Foster Ball; Will Oakland & Co.; The Stantons; Allan Shaw; Regal & Bander; Thos Weber Girls; Orpheum Travel Weekly.

MUSE George Walsh - IN - "Brave and Bold" "The Eagle's Eye"

BOYD At the Boyd Theater today and the rest of the week. Continuous show from 1 p. m. until 11 p. m. Admission 25 cents.

Francis Ford's First Production Berlin Via America BOYD Berlin or Bust

HAMILTON 40th and Hamilton Today—JACK PICKFORD in "TOM AND HUCK" SUBURBAN 24 & Ames Col. 2841 Today—WILLIAM S. HART in "THE PATRIOT"

Answer the Call DON'T DELAY Headquarters Red Cross War Fund Drive Keeline Bldg. 17th and Harney Sts. SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS Be sure to get your copy of the special window poster, entitled "We Hear You Calling Us," when you make your donation. Put this in the front window of your home. It shows you are helping the Red Cross. Business houses who contribute to the War Fund will be given a similar poster of a large size, to show that they are helping to save a soldier. Wear the new Red Cross button. It shows that you have answered the call for help from the Red Cross. It will remind others to do the same. Take a personal interest in the Red Cross War Fund Drive. Every little boost you give it may bring back another soldier to his mother when the war is over. Remember the special Red Cross programs in the city parks next Sunday at 2:30 o'clock—Music and Speakers. Select the most convenient park and go. Hanscom, Fontenelle, Miller, Kountze Elmwood, Riverview—a band will play in every one. Watch the hospital on the court house grounds grow next week.