

## WIFE DIES FOUR HOURS AFTER HE GETS DIVORCE

George Gifford Now Urges Judge Day of the District Court to Set Aside Decree.

Four hours after Judge Day in district court signed a decree of divorce in favor of George Gifford against Susan Gifford, the husband received a telegram stating that his wife had died at the home of her daughter, Geraldine Bacon, Los Angeles.

### Wants Decree Set Aside.

Mr. Gifford then asked his attorney to request that the judge set the decree aside, which matter the court has taken under advisement. It is not probable, however, that the decree will be filed by the plaintiff-husband, in view of the circumstances.

Gifford filed his first petition for divorce on the grounds of desertion, August 5, 1917, and then withdrew that filing. He filed another petition in 1918 and Mrs. Gifford filed a formal answer denying the allegation, but on December 23, 1918, her daughter wrote to Mrs. Gifford's attorney here to drop the case as far as she was concerned.

### Charged Desertion.

When the husband appeared before Judge Day to obtain the decree, he alleged that his wife had deserted him. In his petition he stated that during the last 10 years of their married life his wife had been away for nine and one-half years.

The Giffords were married in Northfield, Vt., in 1887. Mr. Gifford has lived in Omaha 14 years and is in the commission business. Five years ago he went through bankruptcy court.

August 18, 1918, Judge Sears issued an order allowing the wife \$50 temporary alimony, and in his decree just signed Judge Day allowed the same amount as permanent alimony.

## Nebraska Lutherans Will Raise \$500,000 for Devastated Europe

Co-operating with Lutherans throughout the United States, the Lutherans of Nebraska will inaugurate a drive for the purpose of raising \$500,000 for reconstruction work in the war zone of Europe. The church in the United States has set its mark at several millions of dollars. The apportionment for Omaha is \$9,000. The drive for raising the money is to be February 15-26.

Monday a number of the Lutherans held a preliminary meeting and laid the groundwork for the drive in Omaha and Nebraska. To give the movement impetus and bring it before the people of the city, a mass meeting has been called for Tuesday night, February 11, at the Immanuel Swedish Lutheran church. At this meeting Rev. Lars Larson of Washington and Rev. Mr. Mees of Brooklyn will be the principal speakers.

The executive committee for Nebraska, which will have charge of all details in connection with the raising of the money, consists of Rev. Luther Kuhns, Rev. Emil G. Chalmers, Rev. T. L. Jensen, Rev. S. W. Jensen, Rev. R. Uhrved, Omaha; Rev. Paul Boehringer, president Hebron academy; Rev. G. Kreebs, Syracuse; Rev. G. H. Michelman, Grand Island; Rev. S. E. Yerman, South Omaha; and Rev. Roy M. Badger, Lincoln.

### Men Accused of Stealing

#### Tires Jump from Train

"The two men got away with their hand-cuffs on, but I've still got the woman," telegraphed Sheriff Walker of Bloomington, Neb., to Omaha police.

Walker came to Omaha Sunday and was given custody of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Waterman and John Rose of Lincoln, Neb., accused of stealing an automobile at Macon, Neb. They were being taken back there for trial.

The Watermans and Rose were arrested in Omaha early Saturday morning when a patrolman found them in possession of an automobile filled with tires supposed to have been stolen. The car was found to belong to a farmer near Macon. The two men escaped from a train.

### Nebraska Has More Banks

#### Per Capita Than Any State

According to the report compiled by H. H. Milliken, chairman of the publicity bureau of the Chamber of Commerce, Nebraska is not only one of the leading banking states in the union but has more banks per capita than any other state.

Mr. Milliken has gathered the figures from all the states, but uses only 11 in making the comparison. In the following table, first is shown the number of banks and then the per capita per bank. The figures are:

Iowa	1,210	Nebraska	2,122
Nebraska	3,207	Illinois	4,228
Kansas	1,448	Ohio	1,355
Missouri	1,423	Pennsylvania	4,138
Missouri	2,215	New York	10,465
Indiana	2,784		

### IN THE DIVORCE COURT.

Jay D. Rindge has filed a petition for divorce from Elizabeth Rindge, whom he charges with adultery in 1915. The husband states that he believes his wife and daughter, Lorene, are now in Kansas City. The Rindges were married in Butler county, Nebraska, September, 1913, and the daughter is 12 years old.

Madie M. charges Louis Johnson with having struck her and two small children. They were married in Falls City, Neb., May 23, 1918. The wife has applied for a decree of divorce.

Nathan N. Horton is charged by his wife, Nellie, with extreme cruelty. The wife has applied for a decree of divorce and for the custody of one child. They were married in Blair, August 28, 1917.

Louis A. Adams has filed a divorce petition, charging his wife, Alice, with desertion while they were residing in Burlington, Colo., in 1915. They were married in Council Bluffs, March 12, 1914, and have an infant.

## Auto Rustling Trust's Master Mind High-Up in the Insurance World

Sioux City Insurance Adjuster Relates How He Made \$10,000 in Two Years by Co-Operating With Police—Local Thefts in Past Year Reached Almost \$1,000,000 Mark.

That the activities of the gang of automobile thieves operating in a chain of middle western states the last year, and whose operations have grown so bold the last few weeks as to demoralize the police departments of a half dozen cities, are under the direction of an executive head in either Chicago or Indianapolis is now generally accepted.

This is the firm conviction of business men and members of a private committee investigating thefts in Omaha which in one year alone represent the loss of approximately 1,500 cars valued at nearly a million dollars.

And, further than that, it is believed the master mind of the organization is in the employ of one of the automobile insurance companies.

Because of his official connection, it has been pointed out, he is in position to engineer the collections on policies covering the loss of automobiles by theft, furnishing false affidavits and proofs when actually there has been no loss. This system is said to be no incentive for thieves to hide away cars until a reward has been offered and collected, sometimes from the owners and frequently from the insurance companies. In the majority of cases, where the company has paid a reward and the owner has refused to offer to pay for the return of the automobile, the car is disposed of at one of the numerous "fences" located in the small towns in the middle west, it is said.

### Made \$1,350 on Own Car.

To illustrate the system, C. J. Woodbridge, an insurance adjuster of Sioux City, who recently was arrested for alleged swindling in connection with his business, told his headquarters in Sioux City, is believed to have operated extensively in southern Iowa and eastern Nebraska. The prisoner has revealed many secrets concerning the operations of the theft syndicate, of which he was a self-acknowledged member, but it is thought he has held back a great deal of information he could furnish, throwing additional light on the activities of the gang of thieves in this section of the country.

### Made \$10,000 in Two Years.

Woodbridge told an investigator that his share of the plunder during the past two years had amounted to \$10,000. He also declared that he was working in connection with members of the Sioux City police department, adding that other police departments throughout the larger middle western cities were in collusion with the thieves.

### Omahan to Question Woodbridge.

It is said a representative of Omaha automobile interests will go to Sioux City to question Woodbridge.

The insurance companies proper are not believed to have had any knowledge of the dealings of their representatives in the field. "We expect to prove," said a member of the local investigating committee, "that some one and perhaps several persons at the headquarters of the various insurance companies, possessed criminal knowledge of these activities."

A sample of the work, which has come to the notice of Omaha automobile men, is given in a recent case here. A car was stolen from the owner and \$800 was paid to him to cover the loss. Later the insurance men obtained possession of the machine from the parties who committed the theft. Representation was made to the insurance company that the automobile

### Government Warns Against

#### Fake Income Tax Experts

A warning against fake income tax experts has been received from Washington, at the internal revenue office in the federal building.

Employees, temporarily in the revenue office at Washington, have gone throughout the country, assuming the duties of authorities in questions of the income tax. In this way they have imposed upon the people of the country and often misinterpreted the reading of the law itself.

To protect the people throughout the United States, the government has provided a committee of bureau that will explain and give official information regarding the intricacies of the income tax in each city or district.

### People "West of Benson"

#### Organize Improvement Club

The people residing west of Benson will organize an improvement club at a meeting called for Wednesday at 8 p. m. at the Benson city hall. The call for the meeting is signed by P. J. Flynn, J. W. Welch, J. F. Barton, Geo. W. Hamilton, Arthur Thomas, Edw. C. Schindler, Reno Rosenfield, I. E. Crandall, Reno Mathiasen, Peter Hansen, Thos. F. Rhoy, E. W. Norris, Hal E. Howes, John M. Anderson, J. E. Barton, H. H. Peckham, Ben C. Roe, C. A. Wallace, H. A. Rasgorshak, W. May, F. E. Stanley and C. H. Bowley.

### Miss Anna Ryan to Tell of

#### War Relief Work in France

Miss Anna Ryan, one of the 16 graduates of the Smith college, which formed and equipped a war relief unit, will address the University club Wednesday at 1 p. m. and tell of the unit's work "over there." The Smith college relief unit has been commended for its splendid work. Its members did among the soldiers.

## MONUMENTS FOR SOLDIERS TO BE CONGRESS ISSUE

This and Many Other Questions to Come Up at the Trans-Mississippi Readjustment Congress.

"Shall municipalities erect monuments for those who served in the recent war?" will be one of the questions discussed by the mayors of the principal cities west of the Mississippi in the civic group meeting at the Trans-Mississippi Readjustment congress in Omaha, February 18 to 20.

Mayor Ed P. Smith of Omaha is chairman of the civic and public health group and has extended an invitation to the mayor of every leading city west of the Mississippi to attend and participate in the discussions. A plan of action will be formulated for presentation to the general assembly and the machinery created for carrying it out.

### St. Louis First to Answer.

Mayor Henry W. Kiel, St. Louis, was the first mayor to accept the invitation and will head a strong delegation, which will also participate in the waterways and foreign trade groups.

Other problems which will come up for serious discussion in the civic group are:

How to hasten work on public improvements to the end of employing surplus labor.

What shall be the attitude of municipalities toward public service corporations as regards rates, extensions and improved service?

Should municipalities encourage gardening and what assistance, if any, should be given to the marketing of produce?

Should municipalities co-operate with civic agencies in home owning and home building campaigns to the end that home owning will prevent bolshevism?

### Nebraska Mayor Asks

#### Smith to Write His Speech

Mayor Smith's reputation as an orator has spread to such an extent that he received a request from the mayor of a Nebraska town to write him a speech to be delivered at an occasion in the near future.

The mayor replied, declining the invitation, but telling the secrets of the orator's art, and advising his fellow mayor how to go about preparing his speech and delivering it with telling effect.

## Starving in the Midst of Plenty

Acid-Stomach Steals Strength and Good Feelings From Millions

One of the worst features of acid-stomach is that very often it literally starves its victims in the midst of plenty. And the strange thing about it is that the people with acid-stomach seldom know what their trouble really is.

No matter how good or wholesome the food may be, or how much they eat, they do not gain in strength. This is clearly explained by the fact that an acid-stomach cannot properly digest food. Instead of healthy, normal digestion, the excess acid causes the food to sour and ferment. Then when this mass of sour, fermented food, charged with excess acid, passes into the intestines, it becomes the breeding place for all kinds of germs and toxic poisons, which in turn are absorbed into the blood and in this way distributed throughout the entire body. And that is exactly why it is that so many thousands of people eat and eat and keep on eating and yet are literally starving in the midst of plenty. Their acid-stomachs make it impossible for them to get the full measure of nourishment out of their food. And it doesn't take long for this poor nourishment to show its ill effects in a weakened, emaciated body.

You may say: "My stomach doesn't hurt me." That may be true because many victims of acid-stomach do not actually suffer stomach pains. Then again, there are millions who do suffer all kinds of aches and pains—headaches, rheumatic twinges, gout, lumbago, pains around the heart and in the chest—who never dream that an acid-stomach is the real cause of the trouble.

Naturally, the sensible thing to do is to strike right at the very cause of this trouble and clean the excess acid out of the stomach. There is a quick, easy way to do this. A wonderful new remedy quickly removes the excess acid without the slightest discomfort. It is EATONIC. Made in the form of tablets—they are good to eat—just like a bit of candy. They literally absorb the injurious excess acid and carry it away through the intestines. They also drive the blot out of the body—in fact you can fairly feel it work. Make a test of EATONIC in your own case today. Get a big box of EATONIC from your druggist. See for yourself how surely it brings quick relief in those painful attacks of indigestion, bitter burping, belching, disgusting food repeating, that awful bloated, lumpy feeling after eating and other stomach miseries. Banish all your stomach troubles so completely that you forget you have an acid stomach. Then you can eat what you like and digest your food in comfort without fear of distressing after effects.

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IT'S NOT YOUR HEART; IT'S YOUR KIDNEYS

Kidney disease is no respecter of persons. A majority of the ill-afflicted people today can be traced back to the kidney trouble.

The kidneys are the most important organs of the body. They are the filters of your blood. If the poisons which are swept from the tissues by the blood are not eliminated through the kidneys, disease of one form or another will claim you as a victim.

Kidney disease is usually indicated by weakness, sleeplessness, nervousness, despondency, backache, stomach trouble, pain in loins and lower abdomen, gait stones, gravel, rheumatism, sciatica and lumbago.

All these derangements are nature's

### Brief City News

Royal Sweepers, Burgess-Grandon Co., Have Root Print It—Beacon Press. Judge Troup is ill—Judge A. C. Troup of district court is confined to his home on account of an ear affection.

Holcomb Visits Omaha—H. H. Holcomb, freight traffic manager of the Burlington, is over from Chicago for the day.

Mayor Talks at Beatrice—Mayor Smith will go to Beatrice to deliver the address at the annual banquet of the Beatrice Chamber of Commerce this evening.

Son of Judge on Jury—Wallace Troup, son of Judge A. C. Troup, of the district court, was accepted for jury service in Judge Estelle's court, where a street railway damage suit is being heard.

To Talk Poultry—A public meeting will be held this evening at 8 o'clock, at the City hall in Benson, for all who are interested in poultry raising. Lectures and talks will be given by government agents.

To Speak at High School—Dr. Guernsey Jones of the State university will deliver the second of a series of lectures at the Central High school this afternoon at 4 o'clock. His subject will be "The Social Revolution in Germany."

Comes to Spend Summer in France—R. Charles, supervisor of physical education in the public schools, who is doing Y. M. C. A. work in France, has called that he will not be home before the latter part of the summer, but will be here in time to resume his work next fall.

May Operate Plant for Month—Fertilizer was given the Mid-West Fertilizer company by city council to operate the plant at Twenty-fourth and Dorcas streets for a month in order to use up its supply of raw material preparatory to moving to a new location where disagreeable odors will not trouble neighbors.

Craemer Goes to Truck Show—C. A. Craemer, manager of the local branch of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber company, left Sunday evening for Chicago to attend the Motor Truck show. The Goodyear people are much interested in the performance of big pneumatic tires and their use in connection with heavy motor trucks. Mr. Craemer intends to give much time to this phase of his work.

Service Flags Are to Be Demobilized February 22

The Iten Biscuit company on February 21 celebrates the demobilization of their service flags.

The idea, fostered by the War Camp Community Service, and the singing under the direction of Harry Morrison, is being taken up, not only by Omaha, but letters of inquiry have come from Iowa, Kansas and neighboring states.

A program of music and speaking has been arranged by Iten under the direction of Penn Fodera, which will be in the cafeteria, if the weather prevents the outdoor assembly.

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