

## RUSSELL SAYS COUNTRY STILL IN NEED OF HOGS

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Production.

E. Z. Russell, formerly of this city and now in charge of a bureau for the increase of hog production in speaking before the live stock group at the congress, said:

"I have been raised in the west almost all of my life and I want to say the prospects never looked better than they do at this time the country over. At the beginning of the war the farmers were asked to speed up the hog production and they responded most beautifully.

"We have use now for a great many hogs as the foreign countries are very short of hogs, in fact they have had a falling off of more than 50 per cent and those people must be fed. What is in the minds of the farmer mostly now is how much net profit can be realized from raising hogs. But that is something that no one can tell, and the department at Washington will in the future work along the lines of educating the farmer to raise a better grade of hogs. There is no farm so small but what some hogs should be raised."

Need More Wool.

J. M. Wilson of the Wool Growers' association of Wyoming said in his talk: "I was called to Washington on the wool question at the beginning of the war and I was told that the government was not interested in the wool problem as there was plenty of wool in the country.

"We were assured that the price would not be fixed on the raw product. But it was but a few days until I was called back at the request of Mr. Brookings of Washington and he said we need millions of tons of wool and the price was fixed on the previous year's prices, although the price had advanced from 15 cents to 17 cents per pound over the price at which it was fixed.

"The price of the wool was fixed on different grades of wool and the government was supposed to grade the wool, but in many cases that was not done and the producers suffered severely. The United States produce about one-third of all the wool used in America—that is in normal times—that does not include government contracts. The United States is the second wool producing country."

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## FLASHES from FILMLAND PHOTO-PLAY OFFERINGS FOR TODAY

WE rise out of our soft chair to remark that here's a guy wasting his talents. He's a press agent and wants us to believe that Fannie Ward's latest stunt is to play beanbag with the many, many diamonds she owns. O-o-h what a wrong business, he should be selling blue sky.

Louise Lovely has been engaged by Metro to play a leading part in "Johnny on the Spot" with Hale Hamilton.

George Walsh and his company of about 20 persons have finished making a movie in Miami, Fla., called "Never Say Quit."

"The First Man" is the name of Peggy Hyland's latest photoplay. Initial scenes were taken last week at Hollywood.

Dodging knife thrusts becomes a habit with "Smiling Bill" Parsons in "The Big Idea," his latest comedy. Blessed with a short nose, the fat funster, by twisting his head a fraction of an inch this way or that manages to escape close acquaintanceship with dirks, stilettos and just plain knives in a score of delightfully humorous incidents.

So now comes Al Ray, movie star,

## AT THE THEATERS

A STORY of "No Man's Land" is told in the playlet which headlines the new show at the Empress starting today. Lieutenant Merrill of the Royal Air forces is seen in the leading role, assisted by a cast of capable actors.

Ross and Le Due intersperse singing, dancing and comedy patter. Xylophone artists are Frederick and Van. They feature a four-harmony number and a big marimbaphone. Eddie B. Collins and Florence Wilmet present an offering on musical comedy lines. The photoplay attraction is "The Girl Question," featuring Corinne Griffith. The theme is handled in a new way.

A contest of wits between the Oriental and Occidental races, with the children of Hawaiian isles as the prize contested for, is carried on in "A Daughter of the Sun," now showing at the Boyd. This is one of the most delightful features of the romantic drama. It is all the more enjoyable because of the perfect Hawaiian atmosphere, carefully created by scenery and music, native dances and the like. The engagement is till after Saturday night.

Each day sees an increase in attendance over the preceding day at the Gayety this week, where comedian Jack Conway and "The Liberty Girls" are presenting one of the very best musical burlesque entertainments the Gayety has ever presented. Ladies' matinee daily at 2:15.

At the Orpheum this week Annette Kellerman is appearing in "An Intimate Revue." Although the aquatic star still does her expert swimming and diving in an immense tank of water, she gives a toe-dance, sings

## On the Screen Today

RIALTO—WILLIAM FAVERSHAM in "THE SILVER KING."  
SEN—TOM MIX in "HELL ROARIN' REFORM."  
MUSE—ANNETTE KELLERMAN in "QUEEN OF THE SEA."  
STRAND—CONSTANCE TALMADGE in "WHO CARES?"  
EMPIRE—CORINNE GRIFFITH in "THE GIRL QUESTION."  
LOTHROP—24th and Leavenworth. TOM MOORE in "JUST FOR TONIGHT." Bill Carson comedy and Pathe News.  
BOULEVARD—24th and Leavenworth. MAY ALLISON in "THE RETURN OF MARY."  
GRAND—24th and Leavenworth. ETHEL CLAYTON in "THE GIRL WHO CAME BACK." Pathe News.  
SUBURBAN—24th and Leavenworth. WARREN KERRIGAN in "THREE X GORDON." HAROLD LLOYD "TAKING A CHANCE."  
HAMILTON—4th and Hamilton. J. WARREN KERRIGAN in "ONE DOLLAR."  
ORPHEUM—South Side, 24th and Leavenworth. NORMA TALMADGE in "THE FORGOTTEN CITY."

and states that he is to go into "heavier" stuff, his first story with his own company being "Up Against It." And he wants himself called Albert in view of his new standing in the movie world. Oh, all right Al, we'll call you anything you wish, but it's a good bet you're up against it to make us change all at once.

an amusing song, offers a bit of humorous monologue, and performs on the tight wire. One of the most laughable features of the bill is contributed by the Hickey brothers, acrobatic dancers. The act called "The Miracle" is another of the current hits. On Saturday night the curtain will rise at 7:55 sharp and Miss Kellerman will be first on the program.

The biggest photoplay production of the age, "The Birth of a Race," will open a limited engagement at Boyd's theater, Sunday, February 23, coming from an exceptionally lengthy and successful engagement in Chicago at the Blackstone theater and Playhouse. Joseph Breil who composed the score for the "Birth of a Nation" and "Intolerance," also composed the musical score for "The Birth of a Race." A special orchestra will interpret this composition during its run in Omaha. Matinees daily at 2:15.

It is not within the recollection of present-day theater-goers when Omaha newspaper dramatic critics have been so unanimous in the high praise accorded an attraction as they were with "The Better 'Ole." The comedy with music which will close its engagement with a performance at the Brandeis theater tonight. Following its first performance at the exclusive Greenwich Village theater on October 19, last, all predicted the play had come to stay and five companies are now playing it. It is more than a scream. It is a saturation of joy. If you miss it you'll miss the best show of its kind ever seen in Omaha.

The Brandeis will present Julian Eltinge for six performances beginning next Sunday afternoon at the head of his own company in a production set forth under his own management. It is called "His Night at the Club" and it will reveal Eltinge in one of his most characteristically dual roles—charmingly feminine and boisterously masculine.

## South Side

### WAGE INCREASE MAY STAND TILL PEACE IS SIGNED

Secretary of Meat Cutters' and Butchers' Union Gives Idea on Decision of Judge Alschuler.

Dennis Rane, Chicago national secretary and treasurer of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workers of America, believes that Judge Alschuler's decision on the wage question is effective until actual signing of peace is accomplished.

In a communication to J. Davis, business manager of the local union on the South Side, he gives the following interpretation of Judge Alschuler's award:

Ten per cent bonus on all wages of \$20 and under from November 10 to February 15.

Effective February 16, all employees over 21 years of age, employed at an hourly wage, to receive an increase of two and one-half cents an hour, with an extra 10 per cent increase on and including wages of \$20 a week.

All wages to be increased 10 per cent, to and including wages of \$20 or less a week.

These increases, according to Mr. Rane, give labor receiving 40 cents a week and employed 48 hours a week an amount of \$3.20 a week or 15 per cent increase. Employees, mostly female, are to receive 30 1/2 cents an hour, giving them a \$2.78 increase or 12 per cent for 48 hours.

Mr. Rane believes that all increases will be effective until the signing of the peace treaty.

Sentiment in the union is said to be favorable to the award and it is hoped that an agreement with employers making the scale effective for a time period after the signing of peace may be effected.

### South Side Invalid Has Big Demand for Hatchets

Miss Selma Ohlfs, aged 38 years, 5607 South Twenty-fourth street, considers Washington's birthday a real godsend. Miss Ohlfs is an invalid lady, whose only means of locomotion is a wheel chair. She supports herself and her 78-year-old mother by sewing, and creating interior decorations. She is especially adept at making George Washington hatchets.

As the first president's birthday approaches the demand for these hatchets has increased to such an extent that in spite of a surplus of several hundred, Miss Ohlfs is continually busy making more.

### Idaho Hogs Shipped Here; Colorado Ewes Top Market

Colorado and Idaho stock were on the market at the South Side yesterday. A. R. Babcock of Moore, Idaho sold a load of 212-pound hogs at \$17.20. In commenting on the distance which he brought his stock Mr. Babcock stated that if the venture proved profitable he would

probably continue to ship to the Omaha market.

E. J. Schroeder of Fort Collins, Colo., had a load of ewes on the market which sold for \$11.65, the top price. The average weight was 110 pounds. Mr. Schroeder also topped the ewe market Tuesday with two double decks at \$11.50.

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The twenty-first annual hall of the Retail Association of the Union Stock Yard company will be held on Friday, February 21, at the Union Stock exchange building, Union music.

The Isabella club will give a grand ball military Thursday evening, February 20, at Rushing hall, Twenty-fourth and J. streets. Soldiers and sailors will be admitted without charge.

George P. Freeman of Des Moines, state president of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, spoke to the South Side Aerie last night. Mr. Freeman had a message of great import to the large audience present.

Mrs. R. Riley, stopping at the Grand standing in the movie world, said that two pairs of shoes, four coats and a hat, valued at \$250, which were stolen from her trunk which was not locked. She believes the thief acted on Saturday or Sunday.

### Principles of Nation Came With Pilgrims, Says Dr. Frank Smith

Four great principles which have been wrought into the life of the American nation came over with the Pilgrims in the Mayflower, said Dr. Frank G. Smith, minister of First Central Congregational church, at the "Pilgrims' Day" celebration last night. These principles are religious liberty, civic democracy, social equality and industrial opportunity.

The meeting followed a banquet at which nearly 200 were served. J. Delman Kuykendall of Plymouth church spoke on "A Chip of the Old Rock." Denton E. Cleveland of the Midwest Mission on "A Musketeer in One Hand, a Bible in the Other," and J. L. Blanchard of First church, Bluffs, on "The Pilgrim Mothers."

Dr. Smith called upon his hearers to enter with complete devotion into the task of reconstruction of the world in keeping with Pilgrim ideals. These ideals form the religious life, but of the civic life of the nation.

### Alexander Hartell Dies of Senility at Age Eighty-Four

Alexander Hartell, 84, died of senility at his residence, 1909 Capitol avenue, late Monday. He has been a resident of this city for the last 34 years. He had been ailing for some time.

Mr. Hartell was born in Cornwall, Ont., and lived at one time at Minneapolis. In the capacity of bridge engineer, he had done a great deal of work for the Canadian government. He came to Omaha in 1884 and located in the same house in which he died.

Three daughters survive him, Nina, Marie and May, all of this city. The funeral will be held at the residence at 10:30 o'clock today. Interment will be at Prospect Hill cemetery.

### Omaha Bond Men Go After Convention for Omaha

Omaha bond men, comprising Harry S. Byrne, W. Lincoln Byrne, H. K. Mansfield and Robert L. Horner, are attending the annual meeting of the county treasurers of Nebraska in session at Lincoln. They hope to bring the convention of 1920 to Omaha. There are over 95 delegates and these, with their deputies and families, mean a party of over 250. The convention of 1918 was attended by about 200 and pleasant memories are retained of the results. Many recommendations for changes in the laws governing taxing and collection of taxes are the results of these meetings.

### Dr. George Strayer Unable to Address Meetings Here

Dr. George D. Strayer of Columbia university, will be unable to address the public school teachers Friday, because of illness. Dr. Strayer was to address the Schoolmasters' club at a dinner in the evening. Superintendent of Schools H. B. Wilson of Oakland, Cal., will address the Schoolmasters' club in his stead.

### OBITUARY

LOUIS A. STEIN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul F. Stein, died in a local hospital Tuesday, aged 29 years. He is survived, besides his parents, by two brothers, Paul C. Stein of Omaha, and Fred A. Stein, now in service, and five sisters. Mrs. Wm. H. Hines of Omaha, Mrs. Harvey Rickford of Kansas City, Mo.; Mrs. A. Osterag of St. Paul, Minn.; Mrs. B. Olson and Miss Ruth Stein of Omaha. Funeral services will be held at Crosby's parlors, 2511 North Twenty-fourth street Friday morning at 10:30. Interment will be in West Lawn cemetery.

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in the future be under control of the foreign office, according to an unofficial dispatch from Berlin received here.

The report of the resignation of Captain von Selow, naval delegate, from the German armistice commission, is semi-officially declared to be unfounded.

## LOTHROP 24th and Last Times Today Tom Moore in "Just For Tonight"

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