

## 'BILLY' LEET HERE TO CONFER WITH HIS ATTORNEYS

Young Omahan, Who Recently Made Suicide Attempt, Hopes for Reconciliation With His Wife.

William A. (Billy) Leet, Omaha sportsman, who attempted to kill himself in San Francisco a few weeks ago, returned yesterday to confer with his attorneys in connection with his domestic difficulties.

He has been advised that his wife has accepted notice of his divorce action filed in the Douglas county court, alleging cruelty. The answer date in this case has been set for June 9 before Judge George A. Day. Mrs. Leet filed an action in San Francisco for separate maintenance, she also alleging cruelty. That case is pending.

**Hopes for Reconciliation.**  
In a conversation with one of his attorneys, A. L. Sutton, yesterday Mr. Leet reiterated his hopes that a reconciliation may yet be effected. He declared that he still loves his wife and also expressed the hope that he may be able to make an aeroplane trip from Omaha to San Francisco and land on the lawn of his estranged wife. He believes this manner of visitation would offer a pretty setting for a kiss-and-make-up scene.

Mr. Sutton, who rushed to San Francisco immediately after the news of Leet's unsuccessful attempt to end his life with a revolver, reached Omaha, also expressed the belief that a reconciliation may be realized.

The present Mrs. Leet is the second wife of the Omaha motorist, whose escapades have caused comment in Omaha and other cities. She was Martha Ruddy of Aurora, Ill., before her marriage a year ago last January.

**Says "Billy" too Frivolous.**  
Her chief complaint against "Billy" is that he is too frivolous in his ideas of life and that he travels too fast in his motor cars. Considering his former sensational exploits, Leet's friends aver that they would not be surprised to learn that he had attempted his proposed aeroplane flight from the Gate City to the Golden West. The date has not been set for the long aerial journey to his wife's home.

## Son of Automobile Dealer Runs Down Colored Woman

Wesley P. Adkins, Jr., son of W. P. Adkins, South Side automobile dealer, ran down Maggie Lackey, colored last night at Thirteenth and Pacific streets. Adkins took the injured woman to Lord Lister hospital and reported the accident at Central police station. He was not arrested. The injured woman lives at 807 North Forty-fifth street.

## 'Farmerettes' Leave New York to Work On Ranch In Nebraska

New York, May 27.—Three young women, the first of the army of female farm workers who expect to aid in the production of a record crop, have started for the west, according to announcement from headquarters of the National Woman's land army. These three pioneers are Miss Linda Schroeder, Miss Clara Sampson and Miss Anna H. Marshall.

They have been employed by the owner of a ranch in Dawson county, Nebraska. Miss Marshall is a stenographer; Miss Sampson, an English girl, was clerking in a business house before joining the land army, and Miss Schroeder also was a clerk.

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## Here Are First Two Prize Winners In Baby Contest



Yes, these are the first two prize winners of the Rialto theater-Brandeis store baby contest, James Weaver Noble, the son of Mrs. Emma Noble, 314 North Fifteenth street, and Dorothy Louise Hegelund, the daughter of Mrs. A. M. Hegelund, 546 South Twenty-sixth avenue, were awarded the first prizes. In today's contest babies from 1 to 2 years will compete.

More than 125 babies participated in the baby contest for infants from 6 months to 1 year of age at the Rialto theater Tuesday. First prizes were awarded by the audience to Thomas Charles Mustain, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Mustain of 4118 Grant street, and to Eunice Taylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Taylor, 409 North Forty-ninth street.

Both the audience and the babies seemed to enjoy the show immensely. Great bursts of applause greeted the more popular babies as they were held up for inspection and at each round of applause some infant insisted on crowing with glee at the disturbance he or she caused.

## Omaha Jews Protest Killing of Their Kinsmen in Europe

Thursday Set Aside for Day of Prayer and Fasting for Persecuted Semites of Poland and Other East European Countries—Mass Meeting Planned.

In protest against the slaughter of their kinsmen by the anti-Semitic forces in the countries of eastern Europe and especially in Poland, Jews of this city, will assemble Thursday afternoon at the Nineteenth and Burr streets synagogue to offer a prayer for their persecuted brethren. As their forefathers in days of old, they will again don the sackcloth and ashes and bow their heads before their Maker in prayer for aid in putting an end to the outrages.

All day the adults of the 12,000 or more Jews of the city will fast. At 4 o'clock in the afternoon places of business conducted by Jews will close in compliance with a request made by the arrangements committee. Every member of every Jewish club, lodge or organization is expected to participate in the monster protest.

A committee composed of 25 of the most prominent members of the Jewish race in the city is in charge of the details of the monster prayer and protest meeting. The committee is headed by Rabbi E. Fleishman. The committee met Monday evening to perfect plans for a mass meeting to which individuals of all creeds will be invited. This meeting is planned for the Auditorium either Sunday afternoon or evening.

Several nationally known speakers have been invited to be present and address the huge assembly which is expected to congregate. Resolutions calling upon President Wilson to exercise his influence in behalf of the Jews in the countries where they are being persecuted will be laid before the assembly for Taft will speak at Unitarian Church Next Sunday Morning

William Howard Taft will speak at the Unitarian church in Omaha Sunday morning, June 1, following his addresses at the afternoon and night meetings of the League to Enforce Peace, which will be held Saturday, May 31, in the Auditorium.

The former president also has been asked to speak before a Jewish mass meeting to be held Sunday for the purpose of protesting against the pogroms in Poland. Preparations for the monster mass meeting are going on fast. Scores of reservations for groups of delegates are being received from out in the state and everything is in readiness to register the local delegates Thursday. Booths will be placed in all the department stores, Chamber of Commerce, Athletic club and University club.

Anyone who registers and receives a badge, thus securing admittance to a special section in the Auditorium and making certain of having a seat.

Among the reservations asked for today was one by Douglas C. Cones of Pierce, Neb., for 15 seats.

**Mail Schedules May Be Shortened One Hour Between Here and East**

Omaha business men stand a fair chance of receiving their mail from New York and other eastern points before luncheon in the near future, according to R. S. Brauer, superintendent of the local division of the railway mail service.

Mr. Brauer will be transferred to the Chicago division of the service June 1. He has also been appointed to a committee which will endeavor to speed up mail service between the eastern coast and Omaha.

It is hoped by Mr. Brauer that the mail schedule from New York and Boston to Chicago may be shortened on hour, thus enabling the mail to reach Omaha from Chicago at 8:30 in the morning, or an hour earlier than it is now arriving. This will make the distribution of mail in Omaha before noon possible, Mr. Brauer believes.

J. H. Musgrave of St. Louis will take Mr. Brauer's place as superintendent of railway mail service in the Omaha division, when the latter leaves for Chicago.

## In the Omaha Labor World

Following the refusal of the M. F. Shafer and Co. to comply with the demand of 14 of their union printers for an increase in wages to \$33 a week, the union scale, the men walked out yesterday morning.

The demand of the men had been submitted to the officials of the company more than two weeks ago, declared Roy Hinman, secretary-treasurer of the Typographical union. The officials had refused to consider the demands and the strike followed.

Employees of the company had been receiving up to \$30 a week. Willard F. Bailey, advertising manager of the Shafer company, stated that the wage scale was not the matter at issue. He declared that the company objected to paying the union scale of wages to men whose work did not warrant the increased scale.

The Shafer concern conducts an open shop, according to Mr. Bailey.

Many of the striking boilermakers, who walked out more than two weeks ago after they had failed to come to an agreement with their employers, are leaving the city and seeking work in other towns ending the adjustment of the difficulties raised by their demands and the employers' refusal to comply.

The men ask for an eight-hour day and an increase in wages equivalent to the scale received by union boilermakers and helpers in other sections of the country.

The Drake-Williams-Mount Co., and the C. G. Johnson Boiler Co., which have been principally affected, refuse to meet the union representatives or to entertain their proposal, declares W. Y. Angell, international organizer for the boilermakers. The plants operated by these two concerns are shut down tight, according to Mr. Angell.

Numerous striking committees have waited on heads of the two companies but have been unable to gain even an audience with them, say the men.

The 80 or more strikers have the support of the local Building Trades council and the International body of the union. The men who have accepted no other work along other lines are now receiving the strikers' benefit from the international funds of the local.

They are determined to carry their demands into effect though it takes a long while to do so, asserted Mr. Angell.

No boilers can be installed in any building upon which union laborers are working by these two companies, said Mr. Angell. The Building Trades council would call off the union laborers if these two com-

panies were allowed to work in any building being erected by union men.

The growth of Painters' local No. 109, though not phenomenal, has been steady and marked, according to its secretary, J. P. Hansen.

Though the unsettled condition incident to the war affected this local, as it did all others, its present membership is larger by 10 per cent than at any previous time in its history. The local is at present composed of more than 400 men.

Men discharged from the service are given special inducements to become members of this local. Although the regular initiation fee is \$35, men recently discharged from the United States forces may gain entrance by a payment of \$5.

Many veterans, men who have seen hard service with the American troops, are taking advantage of this opportunity to become members. In the past month over 10 such members have been accepted.

As a shortage of painters exists in the city the men find it comparatively easy to locate jobs.

Of the 142 union carpenters who joined the colors at the outbreak of the war, more than 60 have already returned. Despite this a shortage of carpenters still exists, R. A. Wilson, business agent for the carpenters' local, declared. No reason can be assigned for this shortage, he stated.

Building operations on a large scale will soon be begun, many firms in this city having plans for the erection of buildings already perfected.

In the past three weeks more than 1,000 packing house workers have left their jobs and gone to work on farms. The majority of these men are experienced farm hands and can command higher wages on the farm than in the city.

During the winter and early spring months when farm help is little needed these men seek jobs at the packing houses. At about this time hog runs become tight and there is a great decrease in the work at the packing plants.

Believing that the scale of wages being paid in the states farther west was higher than in Omaha, about a dozen carpenters set out for Lusk, Wyo., recently. They intended to locate in that city permanently if they found that wages paid there were radically different from those paid here.

The men were not long in being convinced that this city is just as liberal, if not more so, in the matter of wages, than any other city.

Wages are higher, according to the men, in Lusk than in this city but the difference in the cost of living more than counter balances the increased wage. Although the established scale for carpenters in this city is 75 cents an hour, the majority of them receive from 80 to 85 cents an hour.

## My Heart and My Husband ADELE GARRISON'S New Phase of "Revelations of a Wife"

What Madge Faced When She Returned From Lillian's.

My relief at transferring the problem of the woman in the case to Lillian's capable hands was augmented by the knowledge, palpable to more inexperienced eyes than mine, that my friend's undertaking of the work was a godsend to her.

She had brooded so long over the tangled web in which her life and those of Harry Underwood and Robert Savarin were enmeshed that she sorely needed the stimulus of some outside and absorbing interest. This my father's problem gave her, because of her love and friendship for me.

I had no scruples about allowing her to expend her utmost effort in the matter, for I feared from the few words she had spoken concerning Robert Savarin, that she had lost all her usual poise and mental clearness in her judgment of him, and that if she were left to herself the consequences might be grave.

Since the artist's faltering words, "I tried to bring you definite news of him, but when I reached the prison camp he had gone." I had cherished no further doubt of his innocence of any attempt upon Harry Underwood's life. Lillian, however, I was sure, was still obsessed with the fear that there had been a tragic meeting between the two men.

It showed clearly in her emotion, her lined face, her haunted eyes. I hoped that this search for my father's Nemesis would remove her far enough from her own affairs to allow a sweeping breeze of common sense to blow away the mental cobwebs which were unmistakably woven across her mentality.

The hope was distinctly strengthened by Lillian's parting words to me when I left her to return to Marvin.

**Parting Advice.**  
"Now you're to stop worrying," she said, and I noted with joy that the old, capable ring in her voice, the old light of interest in her fine eyes.

"I'll be to everything at this end, and we'll save your poor father's pocketbook and peace of mind in spite of himself. Now remember your part. Don't be too scrupulous. Avail yourself of any piece of information concerning your father's dealings with the lady that comes in your way."

"You don't mean to open his letters?" I replied to horrified protest. "Look here, child," she said impatiently. "You know my opinion. I trust, of the person who opens another's letters. Ordinarily, we're dealing with a particularly unpleasant variety of reptile. I would have no more qualms at opening a

letter of hers than I would of crushing a cobra if it strayed across my path.

"If by hook or crook you can get hold of any trace of that woman's whereabouts you put that Puritan conscience of yours in the bottom of your trunk, sit on the lid, turn the key, and then freeze on to the information. Goodbye. You'll miss your train if you don't hurry."

She embraced and kissed me warmly, then fairly pushed me out of the door. I knew that she thus hastened my departure so I should be unable to protest further, and though all my instincts and graining rebelled against her dictum, yet my common sense, always the quality to which Lillian most forcibly appealed, told me she was right.

I had gone into the city directly from school, and had come home on an early evening train. Lillian had, of course, given me dinner, a generous portion of home dinner, covered in the warming oven of the kitchen stove, and Dicky was lounging around the house, distinctly sulky, but evidently relieved at seeing me.

**Why Dicky Knew.**

"Funny thing you can't stay at home," he began in a much injured voice. "I should think you were away enough all day and every day without rushing off to town even before you come home. I got home early tonight, thought you'd perhaps like to take a run over to Cresthaven—I see they have a mighty good program at that little movie place over there—and then get a bite to eat at that new inn that's just been opened on the Merriam road. Humberston, who lives out that way, says it's one tangerine of a place—but what do I find when I get here? No wife, no chance of a trip, no nothing? What's the answer, anyway?"

Now I had risked no argument with my mother-in-law over the telephone by telling her that I was going to Lillian's—I had simply informed her that I had been called to the city and would not be home for dinner. I knew that she was listening from her armchair by the fire, and partly for that reason, partly because Dicky's manner was so aggressive, I replied rather shortly.

"The answer is that I had important business in the city and attended to it."  
"Well it couldn't have been school business," Dicky returned hotly. "At any rate it wasn't so important that Miss Dean knew anything about it or your going in."

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