## THE OMAHA SUNDAY BEE AUTOMOBILE SECTION AUTOMOBILE SECTION PART THREE PART THREE VOL. XLIX-NO. 8. SINGLE COPY FIVE CENTS OMAHA, SUNDAY MORNING, AUGUST 10, 1919. 1 -C BUTTERMILK Death of "Big" Nell Recalls **BRITISH FEAR** BUSINESS OF The Alley Garage Famous Police Gun Battle DISAST DRUNKS ARE CITY ALMOST Greed of Underworld Character Brought on Last Dis IF I WINA play of Notorious Yeggman's Desperate Courage POSSIBILITY DOUBLED IN PRICE FEW MORE GAMES WON'T HAVE TO in Which He and Detective Were Both Killed. THIS IS SOME BUY ANY GAS POKER HAND\_ FOR A MONTH SAYS EXPERT I'D BET MYLAST By FRANK LYMAN. of the change or I'll wreck the SIX mannes In "Big" Nell, a character well joint!" TIRE ON IT Chicago Mayme took a hand in YEH! I S'POSE YOUR'E known in Omaha's underworld of a the scene. From a divan where she decade ago, died last week in Kan-GONNA TAKE A CROSS had louuged she approached the sas City. had Word of her death was brought yegg. COUNTRY RUN ON US NOW LEMME KEEP High Wages and Increas Eating Flour Will Also Pro-GUYSI Threaten to Call "Cops." by a woman formerly a "sister" in THIS STRAIGHT\_BURT Production Cost May Main "Get out or we'll call the cops, markable Increase in Popduce Desired Result in the Mother Lee rescue home in OWES ME FIVE GALLONS, PLAY AL he warned. Omaha. JOE OWES ME EIGHT **English Competition In** IS SHE SLACKIN ulation and Various In-Curtain's answer was to snatch a Most Arid Region of "Big" Nell's death recalled the fa-GALLONS \_ AND AL diamond locket suspended from a mous gunbattle police staged with dustries of Omaha. Coal Impotent. OWES ME TWO chain around Chicago Mayme's Prohibition. Jack Curtain, last of the professional safe blowers who made the middle neck west their field of operations. He lurched toward the door with By FLOYD MACGRIFF. westfield, Mass., Aug. 9,-Most It was she who by her greed brought on the last display of the his prize. Mayme and two other International News Service Staff C YES! AND JOE OWES ME THREE women threw themselves at him. foods contain alcohol, and if a man spondent. With the screaming courtesans yeggman's desperate courage which ame period of 1918. could distend his interior worker so London, Aug. 9 .- "Dearer wound about him like the tentacles proved in the end a liability instead that he could eat several barrels of GALLONS ALSO means disaster." of an asset. She was a barmaid in of an octapus he made his way to flour, he could get a fine satisfying an underworld resort in Omaha. the street. He paused long enough That headline, carried by jag in the most arid area in this to beat one woman off with a gun, prohibition republic, according to Killed Defying Capture. Daily Express over the most heat Then came the first result of the edly debated subect in England to Prof. Lewis B. Alfyn, a resident of You may find the story of Jack barmaid's greed. Policeman Smith attracted by the screaming women day, sums up the opinion on al' Curtain in the police files, but itthis place. Of course, Professor Allyn couches will be chronicled without detail rounded the conner. He saw Cur-tain's descending arm as he struck Big Big British business men sav i his expressions in professorish and will merely state the fact that phraseology-but that is his exact the was mortally wounded in defymeans disaster for industry which the woman with the butt of the gun. rst six months of 1918. meaning. Hear him: ng capture. cannot meet foreign competition, Smith reached for his pistol. But Appended to the report of Cur-Population Now 225,000. Alcohol in Foods. especially that by America and Ger the sense which warns an animal of tain's capture will be the statement the approach of man must have warned Curtain of the policeman. "Wherever there is sugar or many that Policeman Smith was killed. Radical labor leaders say it means starch, and there are few articles of Curtain shot him. Before the officer could fire Curtain disaster for the coalition govern food in which one or the other is But it was a woman's greed that had dropped him with a single shot. ment. not present, alcohol is almost a cercaused the death of both men on a Flees to Railroad Yards. Anti - nationalization plugger tainty," said Professor Allyn. "The slightest fermentation prorisp January night in Omaha 11 hope it means disaster for the min-The women relaxed their hold at ears ago. the sound of the shot. Curtain fled duces alcohol. There is a trace of it ers' campaign to force state owner-Curtain was a yegg. Also he was ship and operation of the coal east to the railroad yards. in bread-not enough to intoxicate in bread-not enough to intoxicate unless one were capable of eating known as the "High-hat" band, and Thoroughly sobered by the occurmines rence he picked his way near the And the poor consumer, who will the equivalent of several barrels of the one that boasted "Half-a-hand" have to pay \$11.25 a ton for his smelter and then attracted by the flour at a single meal, but still a dis-tinct trace." The blue eyes of the be considerably more than this. Kelly as a member. are light on the Douglas street coal, besides higher prices all around Celebrating Latest "Job." bridge cautiously approached it. for everything else, is very certain noted food expert twinkled as he SPAYTH He found the steps and mounted Early in the evening of the night it means disaster for his own peradded: "As for total abstincnce. Early in the evening of the night 'there ain't no such animal.' It is that Curtain received his death them. Reaching the top he brushed sonal finances. past two muffled figures before he heard the cry 'halt.'" RAIN OR SHINE THE ALLEY GARAGE GANG -ALWAYS MANAGE TO KEEP BUSY \_ EACH GAME TODAY practically a physical impossibility." Professor Allyn holds no brief for wound and Policeman Smith was Increased Charge \$292,950,000 killed. Curtain sat at a table in "Chi-

the brewers, nor does he imbibe in cago" lively a repugnance as any man for the evils existing from alcoholism, and has even gone so far as to exordinary intoxicants. He has as

ago" Mayme's underworld resort. Two steps more brought the He had been throwing off in an "zing" of a bullet past his head. Cur-

tectives Heitfeld and Devereese. The increase authorized has to

The increased charge on coal which the government asserts is necessary to meet higher wages and shorter working hours for British miners, will be some \$292.950,000.

MONTHS C. of C. Figures Show Re-

Omaha's business has almost

oubled during the first six months of this year in comparison with the

The (bureau of publicity of the 'hamber of Commerce has comleted the compilation of some data howing what Omaha did in a business way during the first six months of this year and for the sake of comparison, he has procured figures that tell the story of the same lines of business and industry during the

To begin with, it is estimated hat at the end of June of last year the population of Greater Omaha was\_around 180,000 to 190,000. A survey of residences, apartments hotels and boarding houses furnish es pretty conclusive proof that the opulation of the city at the end o' une, this year, was not far from 225,000. By some it is believed to

During the first six months er last year 124 new industries and ines of business came to the city During the corresponding period of this year there were 523, an in crease of 322 per cent.

High prices of labor and materia had a tendency to retard the build ing operations, but notwithstanding this, during the first six months of this year, 988 permits to build were

Many Real Estate Transfers.

this year, transfers of city real es

,245 for the same period of last

year. This year's transfers indi-

months of last year aggregated \$9,-

461,295. The gain of this year over

Bank clearings are said to indicate

the condition of the business pulse

of the city. Grant this to be a fact.

the business pulse of Omaha is fully

up to normal, for during the first

six months of the present year the

clearings aggregated \$1,442,509,154,

as against \$1,380,701.715 for the cor-

responding period of 1918 or a gain

Postoffice receipts for the first half of this year totalled \$1,168,987.

or 5 per cent more than during the

corresponding period of one year ago when they were \$1,109,494.

Banks Show Big Gain.

And while the bank clearings and

That there were large sums of

last was 84 per cent.

of 5 per cent.

During the first six months of

Drink had made Curtain hoisterpose the sale of liquors manufacous. His hilarity, in a resort where tured without grain and containing poisonous matter.

## **Prohibition Won't Prohibit.**

But, viewing the subject as a scientist and with the knowledge the table. that the production of alcohol from fermentation is so easy, he asserts that any one craving alcoholic drinks is not likely to be prohibited Then he blinked unsteadily at a by prohibition from indulging his tastes. "Hard" liquors may be rather difficult to make, but the drinker

of beer and light wines is by no means necessarily placed in the camel class through prohibition.

"Roughly speaking, some one in vents a new substitute every hour, said Professor Allyn. He laughed outright as he continued: "The most tion in the place. promising substitutes for alcoholic drinks seem to be those which contain a liberal percentage of alcohol ed for the barmaid. -due of course to the unfamiliarity of the inventors with the law of fermentation. threateningly at the woman.

"The presence of alcohol in many foods leaves no reasonable doubt that it is a food. The point to determine is this: At what point does it cease to be a food and become injurious. This point may be Breath of Romance About the smallest fraction of 1 per cent. or it may be a larger figure. It is something I would not attempt to determine myself."

## Fresh Vegetables Clear.

Concerning the percentage of al cohol in every-day articles of food and drink, Professor Allyn said there is none in fresh vegetables. There is none in fruit as canned in the average household and hermet-ically sealed, but once a can of fruit s opened fermentation sets in, and if allowed to stand 24 hours a small quantity of alcohol is present. most instances buttermilk contains more than the one-half of one per cent of alcohol permissible under the law.

The public has little idea of the number of products which are being groomed for popular favor, Professor Allyn says. Some of the most remarkable concoctions are offered for sale in states in which state prohibition has been in effect. In some cases the base is a dry, powdery sub-stance which is labeled "non-alcoholic" in conspicuous letters. In more modest type it is explained that the preparation can be made to produce a drink with a real kick in At present such preparations are within the law in most states.

Federal Judge Scores

Criminal Who Fainted in southeastern Russia.

Picture Fires Imagination. Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 9 .- When The picture he brings back of this Peter Weimer, former patrolman at ee-striding Amazon with the bur- | she says, her people have tried every Evansville, Ind., who was fined \$100 ished hair, herself directing the and sentenced to six months in jail in federal court for "winking" at the handling of machine guns at drill lution and have discovered they can and correcting one of her under-officers when he made an incorrect pass all. "Father" Makhno, a clever peastransportation of liquor from Kentucky, he "fainted" in the approved in exemplifying the deadly code of ant, enjoys the position of dictator. film way.

the bayonet, is one to fire the imagi- though none will admit he's more "Don't pick him up," said Judge A. B. Anderson to the deputy mar- nation of the tale writer. "Sister Manusha" she is to all her more people of the republic. The shal. "He's just acting; others have done it before. This man is a soldiers and to the strange citizens army of 10,000 is used not to spread of this republic without laws. She the anarchist doctrine, nor to plungood play actor. His name is good play actor. His name is of this republic without laws. She the anarchist doctrine, nor to plun-German, too. Great play actors speaks English and French; she cats the neighbors, but just to warn away black bread with her soldiers at boys, the Bethmann-Hollwegs, the mess hour and plays Grieg's "Anit- Berdiansk has found one spot of Hindenburgs and Mr Weimer here ra's Dance," with swift and sure sunlight in the gloom that shrouds are all great play actors. Greatest fingers after nightfall and when the Russia and is contented to remain dickering light from a single candle there while the clash of war dins on in the world. Weimer soon recovered. casts shadows on the keyboard of an i all sides.

hilarity was the usual, was marked. drink he had been about to lift to ing figure half concealed by the his lips was replaced untouched on girder. The bullets sounded like the table But suddenly he was silent. The

Curtain, his face flushing to an angry red, leered at the painted woman seated across from him.

small scattering of change lying before him. The change was a few cents short.

Habitues Take Notice.

A few habitues of the resort, fire. startled by Curtain's sudden silence,

'She's jammed, damn it!" watched him with almost rapt at- heard Curtain sob. "Throw it down!" ordered the de tention. He was known by reputatective.

The weapon clattered to the ice: The piano tinkled its syncopations Reserves called by the toll-house with a brassy tinge. Curtain bellowkeeper had already arrived. Cur-"Nix on the circus stuff," he snap- tain was found to be mortally

ed. "Don't short-change me." wounded. He died His tone was ugly. He glared later in a hospital.

gongs as they struck the iron.

"Yer change is right," the maid Devereese recovered. Smith's name is on the honor roll of the eplied stolidly. men killed in action, but few on "You lie!" Curtain exclaimed, ris-ing unsteadily to his feet. "The rest a woman's greed caused his death.

Pride of Russian Womanhood is Anarchist Leader Be-

out Any Government at All.

Staff Correspondent Universal Service. | ters.

This is the description of Col. Man- mance,

usha Nikifrovna, the girl comman-

casian girl colonel in command of

of Utopia bounded by the unchar

tered seas of Bolshevism somewhere

return to Copenhagen.

London, Aug. 9 .- She's tall, hero-

cause She Believes That Russia is Off Better With-

heart frie as a gull.

An Anarchist-But-

She's an anarchist, because,

lowed a succession of others Devereese crumpled to the ice en crusted planking. Heitfeld in the throughout the war which has pracopen, emptied his gun at the crouchtically doubled the cost of coal. Responsible big business men see

British industry sorely handicapped with these immediate prospects: Heitfeld was now striding toward American coal interests will supthe yegg, braving the vicious spurts nly Spain, Italy, Mediterranean and flame from Curtain's gun. Bandit's Revolver "Jams."

South American markets which beretofore got their coal from Great Britain, the 1013 exportation A few feet still separated the two amounting to 77,000 000 tons. men when Curtain's firing stopped Heitfeld could see the crackman's American iron and steel interest

will undersell British companies in hand still working the trigger of the weapon, but the gun failed to every market of the world, includ ing the British home market.

American textile interests will have a greater opportunity of meeting British competition.

American shipbuilders will have an advantage over British yards, not only in construction, but in operation. because of cheaper American British steel will be increased coal. wounded. He died a few hours 35.50 a ton, and the price already is

## higher than in America. Increase in Freight Rates.

In addition to, these and other advantages reacting toward American industries. British concerns will be further handicapped by increased freight rates, the government having decided to take off the \$300,000,-000 annual subsidy and substitute increased rates. On to this huge sum Golden-Haired Girl Colonel will be added a further sum equal to the increased cost of coal used by railroads.

Then the British factories will be by steadily increasing wage faced demands, for the worker will have to pay higher transportation fares, higher prices for food and other necessities, the increase in the gas rate being about 10 per cent.

By ROBERT WELLES RITCHIE | ancient piano in her officers' quar-If any British export trade is diminished at this time when it is A girl 'in the garb of a manso essential for Great Britain to inrough boots to her knees and belted crease steadily and quickly her forically molded, with competent span blue tunic buttoned to her full, round eign business so as to meet her war of shoulders and the depth of bosom throat, candle-light glinting from debt charges, then disaster is ahead, and generous curve of hips that the silver insignia on her shoulders, For decreased foreign trade means mark the primitive woman destined from the low wave of raw gold dropunemployment at home, when every to be a mother of men. Her eyes ping over her forhead, flying hands effort is now being made to ge are blue as the Calspain ruffled by that fit like pale bats up and down some 700,000 men and women back wind and the color of the great the yellowed ranks of keys-ah, the masses of hair she wears coiled un- Danish doctor brings back a picture into industry and thus eliminate the government unemployment dole.

der an Astrakhan cap is crude gold from the Never-Never Land of Ro-The government has guaranteed every mine operator a profit of 261/2 How "Sister Manusha" became cents a ton on coal, though well der of the anarchist republic of Ber- warrior, how a colonel, Dr. Broendsituated mines may earn far more. On the basis of a production of 217. diansk, which Dr. Broendsted, a sted does not know. She is not a Danish physician, gives upon his woman of the peasant class, he says; 000,000 tons for 1919, this would something higher and less earthy mean a guaranteed profit of \$57. The Danish doctor met this Cau-than that. Of kin she has none; of lovers a plenty, but the colonel sim-505 000

Frank Hodges, miners' secretary her troops away off in a little island ply flashes at these latter a chal ites figures certified to by Sir lenging glance from her mocking Arthur Lowes Dickinson before eyes, and strides on her way with a the coal commission, that during the war the government and the coal operators between them received \$810,000,000 in taxes and profits from the coal industry, which was form of government since the revo \$125,000,000 more than the total prewar capital invested in the business. And Hodges declares the miners' increased pay and shorter hours can be continued without adding any further charges on the than a "father" over the million and consumers' bill. And he cites the fact that a 60 cents' per ton increase authorized a year ago to aid poor producing mines simply resulted in three-fifths of that charge going into the state treasury as exuse profits and in making a free

rift of some \$6,000,000 to already prosperous mines Thus some \$75,non non was taken out of the con sumers' pockets without cause.

Girl Walks for Blocks on Bottom of the Sea this year, 988 permits to build were issued, as against 467 for the corresponding period of one year ago responding period of one year ago. The cost of the structures repre-Without Diver's Suit; Watches Submarine The cost of the structures repre-081,815 last year. Inventor Catch Fish 22 Feet Below Sea Level

LOSTS A LOSER A GALLON OF GASOLINE

Ears Hurt When Human Beings Enter Diving Chamber of Submergible to be tate numbered 5.253, as against "Pumped Into Neptune's Dominion-With Aid of Simon Lake's Latest Undercate the value of the property sold sea Vessel, One Can Salvage the Raw Materials Sunk During War-Estimated to have been \$17,441,361, whereas at 22,000,000 Tons of Cargoes and Ships at a Value of \$6,000,000,000. the total of the sales for the six

on local papers.)

By RUTH BYERS.

Universal Service Special Correspondent.) Bridgeport, Conn., Aug. 9.-I am the first girl who ever walked on the floor of the seas without a I was actually in the diving comdiver's suit. Down on the bottom partment. We could feel the waves of Long Island sound, the incred- surge around us as a boat passed ible thing happened a few days ago. over our heads. A tiny electric In my bare feet, with a pair of

seas, Simon Lake, its inventor, and sauntered at will over the smooth, cool bed of the sea. down beneath the waves. The en- and peace. Out through a narrow

awful bump if you don't."

A cold, damp wave of air hit me me. Compressed air filled the narsuddenly looking over my row chamber. Louder and shriller it screamed in my ears, while everystood, dark and cool-right into the | with a fog that choked me and beat against my eardrums until they ached. Great drops of water stood out on my forehead."

"Swallow; then it won't hurt your

ears," Mr. Lake cautioned. One of the engineers stepped to shrilling blast of air stopped. Another engineer stooped down, raised the ocean! No water came in. down in the submarine that this were 22 feet under the sea, half the would come true. diving floor was opened out into the sound and not a drop came in. The pressure of air absolutely balanced the pressure of the water out-

side hand, leaned over the opening. "Look," was all he said.

mounds. Tiny oysters, clinging to called out unexpectedly. "Stop minute and look. A round hold just big enough to

admit a man's body opened out of shells everywhere. We saw some Scrambling onto the floor of the the sunlight

(Editor's Note-Miss Ruth Byers, the writer of this article, is a former Omaha girl. She is the daughter of Mrs. Emma byers, for several years general secretary of the Y. W. C. A. under wnose manage-ment the present Y. W. C. A. home was ment the present Y. W. C. A. home was built. 'Miss Elvers is a graduate of Omaha High school and did her first reportorial work on local papers.' heels, laughing at my amazement. for me. I'll get the next one. And he did. There was a short,

"This is the entrance to the diving chamber," he said . "Come in." sharp struggle. A wee mound of sand suddenly scattered itself in the Down a narrow passageway,h

waves, and Mr. Lake triumphantly through a door of cast iron or steel, held up a wriggling, flopping fish. "Fishing-new style," I ventured. down a few steps beyond that-and 'Just slip upon the fish, catch them by their tails and take them home for dinner.'

Mr. Lake grinned back. "That's the way," he assented. Nice way to get crabs, too. Watch me get that ellow.

the postoffice receipts were show-Up he came, fighting with all his ing substantial gains, the same was claws, struggling desperately to get true with the bank deposits. Dur-There were other fish we away. ing the first half of last year depos didn't catch (this is a true story) its aggregated \$114.666.763, while and always back of everything there during the first half of this year was the wonder of the clean, gleamthey climbed to \$123,765,708, a gain ing sands. It looked as if they had of 8 per cent. been swept and garnished for our coming. Holding to the sides of

noney deposited with the building the boat, we walked over their shinand loan associations is apparent ing coolness for blocks. No human for during the first six months of foot had ever stepped on those tiny this year, the dividends on such one hammered it into place. Be, shells, bedded loosely in the firm, investments ægregated \$841,938, as clean ocean bed. The man behind against \$805.890 at the end of June, me, walking along with me, said nothing of all this-but I listened one year ago. Everything considered, Chamber

to him with wonder not unmixed of Commerce and other business with awe. He had conquered the sea in such a simple way. Down thing around me grew indistinct through the centuries men have

> and failed. The ocean kept its secrets guarded well.

Down there today we walked along easily enough. The pressure the telephone and ordered the sub-marine lowered two feet. The really stepped into the water. And then it was that we suddenly knew that this one man, of all who had the bottom of one-half the diving tried down through the years, had compartment floor-and there was caught and made practicable the We dream Jules Verne knew some day Simon Lake's submarine cas bring

back, the raw materials sunk during the war. The steel, iron and cotton-these things can be reclaimed It was a staggering thought that Mr. Lake, a fishing spear in his came to me as I walked those 'blocks" of smooth sand on the ocean bed-22,000,000 tons of car-And there before us unrolled the goes and ships went down during

magic pageant of the sea. As we They represented more the war. passed slowly over the bed of the than \$6,000,000, and now they ocean, only a foot above the sands, could be-

we saw a new world slip past our The telephone rang. "They want you to come back You have been down 55 minutes." ewildered eyes There were crabs down there, huddled in sleepy little

The engineer broke the spell that We were getting back to normal. larger shells, long since empty and held me. I didn't want to go back. Then a second door opened and we useles and scraggly razor back but I knew the time had come were on the stairs, climbing back to

Atlanta. Go., Aug. 9.-American Red Cross workers in Palestine report, among other findings, an unfailing observance of manners of oriental children. One youthful citizen of lerusalem was taken to an American dispensary and castor oil was prescribed. He watched solemaly as the dreadful dose was measured out. Then he swallowed heroically. Then he gasped-and then he said: "Thank you!" Bear-

ing in mind the customary howling of American childhood confronted D. S. C

by this treatment, the small Hebrew might be rewarded as deserving the diving chamber. I hurried into the entrance way The great door swung into place. Once again fog filled the air and my ears hurt terribly.

men are enthusiastic over the strides made by Omaha during the first half of the present year and dreamed as Simon Lake dreamed have no hesitancy in predicting years ago-of recovering treasure that the pace is to be maintained hidden under the waves. They tried for a long time. **Hebrew Takes Castor** Oil, Saying "Thank You"

Suddenly a door banged. Someboy,' some one sung out as I drop-ped out of sight. "You'll get an fore I was fully aware that we were shut tight in the diving compartment a shrill rush of air deafened

poured a blaze of light that stopped abruptly just where the tube dropped into the ocean. "You'd better back down those stairs," Mr. Lake's voice was reas-

suring. "The men were right about keeping your head down. Slowly my hand slipped along the railing on either side as I crept into

just at first, it came to us who went thing that we were doing was an epoch-making event. Here, in our regular work-a-day clothes, we were literally climbing down to the floor

teel ribbings steadied our clutching

at intervals revealed great drops of water covering everything. "Now you are down," Mr. Lake

stepped out of a salvaging subma-

trance way yawned black and for-

in between two jutting sides of the mother ship.

ped out of sight.

shoulder, I saw the stairway slip-ping back from the place where I

sea. Above my head the hot sun

the darkness back of me., No one spoke for a few minutes. I think,

of the sea as a nonchalantly as we would climb down from a hay loft. The railing stopped abruptly and

fingers. The stairs sloped steeply now and the metal, as we touched it, was cold, damp and clammy to the touch. An electric light hidden away

light showed still more machineryoveralls rolled up to my knees, I but that did not interest me. Only one thing caught and held me rine with that wizard of the under- breathless. It was the sea. It was all around me. Over me, under me-everywhere. The beauty

and mystery of it brought something It was just noon when we started closely akin to profound quietness slit of glass about a foot from the bidding as I started to descend. Mr. floor, I could see the waves, green, Lake showed me how to catch a grey, ceaselessly moving. Twentyoothold in the opening which swung two feet under the surface of the sea-it was so perfectly normal I

forgot to be afraid. "Keep your head down, Fritzie

But I was too excited to notice.