

# POWYS TALKS ON D'ANNUNZIO TO DRAMA LEAGUE

Vivid Description of "Genius of Italy" Enjoyed by More Than 600 Omahans.

A picturesque figure, in academic gown, with a British tang to his speech, illuminating gestures and a vocabulary to give just the shade of meaning desired, John Cowper Powys gave his brilliant lecture on "D'Annunzio, the Genius of Italy," before the Omaha Drama League at the Hotel Fontenelle yesterday afternoon. More than 600 people heard him, the women being in the large majority. Mr. Powys' own personality was soon lost sight of in the vivid description he gave of that Italian who "represents the supreme Latin element in human life."

"D'Annunzio is a man of action," declared Mr. Powys. "Most of our modern men of letters are of sedentary habits. Only few books out of 25,000 produced during the war will live. If their writers went into the trenches the shock would be too much for them. If they stayed back at a safe distance they produced terrible outcries against the atrocities of the Huns. But they did not produce literature."

Still Keeps Identity. "D'Annunzio has never lost his identity. I suppose he alone of all men of letters, possibly of all men, enjoyed this war, regarded it as his own element. He drew Italy into the war for the sake of Latin ideals and the Latin race. When he has to give up the ghost it will be one last romantic gesture, accompanied by rhetoric. We must regard him as an orator, as a master of magnificent, cruel, voluptuous rhetoric. His rhetoric has the ring of the ancient world, a finality—no finesse, no light or shade and no humor.

"Whatever we may be, we are barbarians," Mr. Powys ventured; "at any rate, we have the saving quality of humor, and humor never enters where humanity is obsessed by the drunken fanaticism of one idea. It depends for its existence upon a sense of proportion and contrast."

And D'Annunzio's one idea is beauty—physical beauty. He would reduce everything to a desperate search for physical beauty. The bodies of men, women, children, trees, delicate flowers, burning jewels, pillars, palaces, fabrics, tapestries and silk, statues and games in their historic settings are of overpowering significance to D'Annunzio and nothing else matters. The league of nations is nothing to him. It is an abstract idea, a well-weighted business proposition. From his point of view, war is part of that great aesthetic spectacle which is life.

Recommends Two Books. The two books which Mr. Powys especially recommended were "The Triumph of Death," perhaps the great writer's masterpiece, and the speaker's favorite volume, "The Flame of Life."

"He won't hurt your morals," concluded the speaker, "and we need his aesthetic conscience. Though he is shameless, unscrupulous, formidable and audacious, he is honest. He has kept the integrity of his own personality intact, and how many of us could say that? We have no personality except when it comes to money. D'Annunzio stands as one great threat, one great defiance, one would say, 'I stand for Italy, Fiume and Beauty! Beauty is truth! Beauty alone is love! Beauty alone will save the world and you have profaned it until you are no longer worthy.' Truth is beauty! That is all we know on earth and all we need to know."

## City Council Recommends Approval of Officers' Bonds

The city council committee of the whole yesterday recommended approval of 40 bonds for new policemen, these bonds having been approved as to form by the city legal department.

In this connection City Commissioner Butler again expressed himself in favor of the council adopting a policy of requiring that new policemen shall first appear before the council before they are appointed to the department. He raised objection against the bonds on the grounds that the names of these new policemen have not been submitted to the council.

## Westerner Chosen as New Commissioner of The Omaha C. of C.



J. David Larson

That J. David Larson, the new commissioner of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce, will prove to be one of the most valuable assets possessed by that organization appears certain from the high encomiums that have been paid him from commercial interests in all parts of the country since the announcement of his engagement was made. The latest is a telegram sent by the Salt Lake City Commercial club which intimates in its regret at losing Mr. Larson that the Omaha chamber has found a gold mine.

## Mayor and Coal Men Discuss Future in Event of Walkout

Acting Mayor Ure conferred yesterday afternoon with 10 representatives of local coal firms and J. M. Metcalfe, secretary of the Associated Retailers, on the coal situation. The meeting was an executive one, and no formal action was taken.

"We discussed the situation, and the consensus of opinion was that serious developments will not result," said Mr. Ure. "In view of the president's strong position in this matter, the coal men are hopeful that there will not be a coal strike. The coal miners are to submit their statement on Wednesday, and if the situation warrants, we will hold another conference after Wednesday. The city government and the coal dealers will co-operate in the distribution of coal on a fair basis. Those who may not have any coal ahead will be served before those who have been able to buy coal during the summer. Coal hoarding is to be prevented if the situation should become serious. Coal dealers are experiencing a heavy run of orders on account of the threatened strike."

## Congregation Honors Pastor on Twentieth Anniversary in Omaha

A reception in honor of Rev. Edwin Hart Jenks, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, thirty-fourth and Farnam streets, will be given by the congregation tomorrow evening from 8 to 10 to celebrate Rev. Mr. Jenks' twentieth year as pastor of the church.

Before coming to Omaha he was a pastor of the large churches of California for 14 years. He was born in Janesville, Wis., and educated in the state of New York. Rev. Mr. Jenks graduated from the Whitestown seminary and later took a course in Hamilton college. He then entered the Auburn Theological seminary and received his degree of doctor of divinity at Coe college, Cedar Rapids, Ia.

"Hard work is the secret of success in an endeavor," says Rev. Mr. Jenks. "To achieve success one must put his whole heart and soul into it."

The Tickle Makes You Cough. HAYES' HEALING HONEY Stops the Tickle by Healing the Throat. 30¢ per bottle—Adv.

## Skinner's the Best Macaroni and Spaghetti made of Durum Wheat

## First Snow Flakes Of the Season Make Appearance in Omaha

Omahans who thought they saw snow on the streets early yesterday morning were mistaken, in the opinion of L. A. Welsh, federal weather forecaster. Mr. Welsh believes it was frozen rain or sleet. The first snow flakes of the season to be seen in Omaha made their appearance about 1 yesterday afternoon.

Snow or rain had been expected to reach Omaha for several days, on account of the heavy snows and zero weather in the Dakotas, Colorado and Wyoming.

The United States Bureau of Mines have adopted a number of substances that produce offensive odors to be pumped through the ventilating shafts of mines to warn miners of danger.

## Installing Board In Auditorium to Throw Voices of Teachers

A huge sounding board of the latest type is being installed at the auditorium for the state teacher's convention next week. The installation work is under the supervision of J. M. Gillan, head of the industrial bureau of the Chamber of Commerce.

The board, which is conical in shape, is expected to throw the voices of speakers to the farthest parts of the auditorium. It is large enough for a quartet of singers, and will be used at the auditorium whenever possible.

By making two films at the same time from slightly different angles an inventor claims to produce motion pictures with the appearance of solidity.

## Will Enjoy Hallowe'en Frolic.

Hallowe'en will serve as the basis for the monthly meeting of the Omaha Rotary club Wednesday evening at 8, when the members and their families and friends will gather at the Happy Hollow club house to enjoy a number of surprises promised by the October group of the club, which is in charge of the party.

## Widow Says Stock Salesman Threatened to Kill Her

C. G. Morganthaler, stock promoter and salesman living at the Hotel Fontenelle, was fined \$50 and costs in Central police court yesterday on a charge of drunkenness. Mrs. E. Peterson, a widow, 3517 Webster street, appeared against him, Morganthaler visited her Sunday afternoon and threatened to kill her, she testified.

**Progress**

*It has been our purpose and endeavor ever since the beginning—so many years ago—to serve, to the best of our ability the people of this community. To establish and maintain the quality of the merchandise we sell—to tell the truth about it—at all times—in order that we may merit and hold the confidence of those who favor us with their patronage.*

To this policy we owe our growth and from it there will be no deviation.

**Thompson-Belden & Co**  
1866-1919.

### Stamped Embroidery Pieces for Christmas Gifts

Pillow tops, scarfs, centerpieces, luncheon sets, pillow cases, scarfs—all the dainty things that are to be ready by Christmas must be started soon.

Come and see our assortment, a finished model of each article is on display, and lessons are given when materials are purchased here, in every sort of needlework.

You'll Enjoy a Visit to the New Needlework Section on the Second Floor.

## Fabric Values

The like of which one finds but seldom these days.

**Embroidered Voiles**—Beautiful all silk voiles embroidered in tinsel and silk figures and stripes. A number of exclusive patterns

Which have sold as high as \$10 a yard, offered Tuesday for **\$3.89 a yard**

**Velvetina**—An especially fine erect pile fabric that does not mar easily and wears excellently.

The \$5 quality, 36 inches wide, is priced Tuesday only **\$3.65 a yd.**

**Satin Raye**—The best value of all, a rich, lustrous satin in seventy-five of the season's approved shades.

A \$4 quality, priced during this sale **\$3.49 a yard**

The Fabric Sections—Main Floor.

### A Gilet

Otherwise known as a vestee, or a waistcoat, is quite essential to the woolen frock and a delightful addition to the silk one. Alternating rows of sheerest organdy, finely shirred, and val insertion go all the way up the front to the roll collar made in the same charming way, but edged, as a final triumph, with fillet lace. The result is a vest of sheer and dainty charm that is quite a find

for **\$3.75**

—Neckwear Dept.

### Silk and wool union suits

Ankle length suits of fine ribbed silk and wool, with varying neck lines, either low, Dutch or high. Come in all sizes and are priced for

**Tuesday, \$3.75**

### Black silk hose for \$2.75

Every piece of wearing apparel that you buy these days presents a problem, yet nothing more than the silken hose you so delight to wear. So often the texture is right, and the price as well, then a single imperfect stitch—and their beauty and their usefulness are gone.

A black silk hose, an extremely fine quality of heavy black silk, full fashioned, with an extra elastic, specially fashioned top, with a high spliced heel, a double sole and toe, and scientifically reinforced tops and soles of fine list thread. A really wonderful value for \$2.75 a pair.

"Teddy Bears," a large assortment, for **\$3.50**

Nainsook, cambrie and batiste envelope chemise, with the most charming lace trimmed tops, a splendid variety of styles that are exceptional values.

At **\$3.50**

—Second Floor.

## Redfern Corsets

Just what is it that makes many figures so unattractive? It is the bulging at the top of the corset in front, the enlarged diaphragm, the bulging at the shoulder blades, the curved hip line, or the round back.

Correct these faults and rejuvenate the wearing, not by discomforting pressure, but by clothing the figure in the Lines of Youth.

If you have developed figure faults from wearing ordinary front lacing corsets, come and be fitted in a Redfern front lace. They are perfected.

Priced **\$12.50 pair**

# Thompson-Belden & Company

## Smart street gloves

Reasonably priced

A single clasp glove of heavy leather, plique sewn, comes in tan, gray, brown and beaver, for **\$3.50 a pair.**

Slip-on gloves, either tan or field mouse, with the soft little folds at the wrist so desirable this season, are to be had for **\$3.45.**

Vary swagger gauntlet gloves, fastened with a neat strap about the wrist. Come in brown, tan and gray, for **\$4.75 a pair.**

## A sheer fine handkerchief

That will please the woman who loves the finer, plainer things is of sheer Irish linen, beautifully and simply hand hemstitched, that is priced **\$1.**

A hand embroidered pure linen bit of daintiness may be had in any degree of flowered decorativeness from 50c up.

## Stationery

A good quality of paper and envelopes, 24 of each to a box, priced for Tuesday,

**25c a box**

## The Superior Beauty

... of these ...

# Suits, Coats and Dresses

for **98<sup>50</sup>**

Is at once apparent. In them one sees the style, reliability and tailoring, which, combined, are the components of true satisfaction in clothing. An especial effort was made to secure a group of splendid values at this specialized price. An extensive and varied assortment is being shown.

The fine, soft duvetyns, peachbloom, and the like, that are the approved suitings, combine handsomely with furs.

The coats are characterized by graceful flowing lines and the showing of brown, in all its subtly graduated tones, is remarkable.

And as for dresses, both woolens and silks are so fine in texture, so varied in hue, and so altogether distinctive in style that you will surely find the collection an interesting one.

Apparel Section—Third Floor.

## Thirty-third Anniversary Offerings from The Men's Shop

### A Splendid Blanket Bargain

All wool and wool mixed blankets in a large assortment of plaids in almost every desirable shade, including pink, blue, gray and tan. Also a few plain grays and whites with borders in colors. Three-quarter and double bed sizes.

Sold Up To **\$18 a Pair**

Tuesday Only, **\$12.50 a Pair**

—Second Floor.

### Palm Olive SOAP, 8 1/2c a cake

This special low price is for one day only—Tuesday.

**Shirts for \$3 are exceptional**, particularly such shirts as you will find in this group. There are crepes, percales, madras, oxford cloth, rep cloth and soisettes. Patterns for young men and for older men. Splendid colorings. Soft or laundered cuffs, as preferred. Collars attached or detached. Made by Manhattan, Eagle, Arrow, Earl & Wilson. Sizes 13 1/2 to 18. We can recommend every single shirt at this price.

**A tremendous line of new neckwear priced at \$1.** All silk ties, made with slip easy bands. Widths vary from the rather narrow Cheney tubulars to the wide flowing four-in-hands. Silks and satins of every description, with patterns and colors too numerous to mention. The bat wing ties at this price are very pleasing. It's not often such good neckwear is offered for one dollar.

**A pure Irish linen handkerchief in several styles for 75c.** The most particular men can find nothing to criticize about this value. We imported these ourselves and know how fine they are in comparison with similar offerings in other shops. Plain linen, with three widths of hems. Cord and tape border styles, in many patterns. Also linen, with a touch of color, besides two different styles and sizes of embroidered initials. Also an extra size handkerchief at this price measuring twenty-three inches.

The Men's Shop—a step to the left as you enter.

## Bags and Suit Cases SPECIALLY PRICED

### Walrus Bag \$15.00

This handsome, leather lined WALRUS Bag, snap catches, sewed on corners, strong frame, 18 inches long. Special at—**\$15.00**

### Fiber Suit Cases

Fiber Suit Cases are strong and good looking (very much like leather in appearance), yet they are very much cheaper than leather ones. We show them at **\$3, \$3.75, \$4 and \$5**

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