

## South Side PRICE OF HIDES TAKES BIG SLUMP ON MARKET HERE

### Lack of Export Outlet and High Shoe Prices Given as Chief Cause.

According to reports of several managers of Omaha hide and fur companies, there is a big decline in the price of hides on the Omaha market, which is said to be due to a lack of export outlets.

According to one manager, light packer cow hides that were 50 cents a pound two weeks ago are bringing only 35 cents a pound, with little demand. That the majority of tanners were compelled to close on account of the coal shortage is given as another reason for the decline, as the market was burdened with a heavy accumulation for which there was no steady demand.

Another item that conduces to the low price of hides is said to be the declining demand for footwear, caused by high prices, which has compelled the public to engage the services of repair cobblers. It is said a great many shoe merchants have been compelled to resort to cut-rate sale of footwear to reduce to their stock.

### South Side Brevities

Hundreds of our customers received their Christmas money this week from the Savings Club. Join our Economy Club today. Live Stock National Bank, Twenty-fourth and N streets.

Lester H. Brown, 416 South Twenty-first street, and Miss Mae Miltmeyer, 2708 D street, were married Saturday evening at the Grace Methodist Episcopal church, parsonage by Rev. C. C. Wilson. The happy couple will at home to their friends at 416 South Twenty-first street.

Walter Duckett, negro, 116 South Twenty-sixth street, was arraigned Wednesday morning in police court that Joe Dempsey had stolen his coat and vest. After hearing the statement of both men the judge said he couldn't see how he could make a "suit" out of just a coat and vest, and continued the case until December 23.

A quiet wedding was solemnized Tuesday evening at the parsonage of the Grace Methodist Episcopal church by Rev. C. C. Wilson, with Greg Prosser, 2612 Q street, and Miss Carrie Au Buchon, 2928 South Twenty-third street, the contracting witnesses. The newly married couple left Wednesday morning for Kansas City, Mo., on a honeymoon trip and to visit with relatives.

D. J. Russell, 3881 L street; R. C. Stillman, 3215 Patterson avenue; Joe MacJewell, 4323 J street; Stanley Labinski, 1132 L street; and Thomas Kanery, 417 S street, were the persons charged Wednesday with vagrancy on complaint of Police Officer E. J. Stewart. The judge said the men had been spending most of their time the last two weeks in pool halls. The case was continued.

## English Women Conquered By Tobacco Will Not Stop

### Lady Violet Greville Explains Gradual Advance of Smoking Among Fair Sex—Public Use by Girls Makes Certain Its Permanent Use.

London, Dec. 24.—"Has tobacco conquered women altogether?" asks the Daily Globe.

And Lady Violet Greville answers, in the same paper, as follows:

"Gone are the golden glories of my Lady Nicotine, the idol and solace of the wiles, the dangers and the company of women. Men smoked, women talked in those days. The parlor and the smoking room, the hall and the housekeeper's room, were divided by a kind of wire entanglement that no one could pass over.

Habit Grew Gradually.

But the modern Eve has compassed it. Gradually, gently, but firmly she crossed the boundary, joined the males in the billiard room in fascinating tea gown, lingered behind the ladies in the dining room, puffed at a cigarette here, nibbed at another there, and finally blossomed into a full-blown smoker, innocent of all camouflage.

At first the practice stamped a woman as being rather fast, which gave her a special charm in the eyes of the boys of the original Bohemian, finally as one of a common crowd. Since the little flapper of the shop and the government office took to smoking some men have even given up the practice.

They smoke in bed before breakfast, during the bath, in the lounges of hotels, in railway carriages, finally they have begun to smoke in music halls. Independence can go no further.

Ignore Doctor's Orders.

One anticipates the time when elderly men and women will press a half crown into the hands of the billiard guards in the vain attempt to find a non-smoker on the train, and the acceptance of a lover depends on his nice taste in Turkish tobacco. Dull and tiresome husbands will refuse to pay their wives' tobacco bills.

Disraeli said "tobacco was the tomb of love." Has it proved so? Does the cigarette-tainted breath appeal and seem to the man as the breeze of Eden? Nerves were always the appanage of woman. Much of her charm lies in her character, character makes destiny. What will be the destiny of the smoking women? Men smoke from various motives, chiefly for rest and refreshment. The smoking habit is essentially unsocial, and even among friends silence often prevails. A man slips on his oldest coat and slippers, sits in his easy chair by the fire, takes out his pipe, thinks of nothing or everything, and is happy. The flapper's ideal is noise, company, a jolly time, brocaded cushions, a rowdy supper and lots of chatter. But the true smoker is happiest alone.

"Tea for Three" is also highly recommended for that "day after effect," and if you are experiencing something of lassitude following the joys of Christmas the comedy now being presented at Boyd's will be a certain pick-me-up. It is a delightful brew and can be thoroughly enjoyed under any circumstances. Another matinee will be given on Saturday afternoon.

On Sunday evening "Fair and Warmer" will be on in our again, this time at Boyd's, where it will be played by a selected cast of farceurs. It is Avery Hopwood's best, and as such is just as good now as when it was first seen.

One element giving special distinction to the dance performance of Albertina Rasch and her assistants at the Orpheum this week is the beautiful music. Her company includes Louis Wolff, Holland's celebrated violin virtuoso. One act that scores a decided surprise is the offering of William Ebs, most astonishing of ventriloquists. Each act of the show is announced by James I. Morton, who raises as much laughter as any offering of the show. Harry Breen, the singing comedian and rapid fire song writer, is proving popular.

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Twelve I. W. W. Reported in Custody in Nebraska Jails.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 25.—Gov. Samuel McKelvie has informed Attorney General Palmer, in answer to an inquiry, that there are 12 I. W. W. in custody in Nebraska, and that they will be prosecuted in due time.

Governor McKelvie has complied with the attorney general's request by sending a copy of the Nebraska law against syndicalism and the law on sedition. Mr. Palmer also asked the governor to inform him of any violations of the federal laws in this state that he may co-operate with Nebraska authorities in prosecutions.

MOON—The doctor reported that old Woodruff was dying, when his staunch friend and attorney insisted upon introducing into the household Dorothea. It mattered but little that she was not the child of the invalid's daughter for whom he had been calling in his delirious ramblings, for he had never seen her. After you have seen the first reel of the "Follies Girl," starring Olive Thomas at the Moon, it will puzzle you, too, until the end of the last reel. You must see this picture to find out just what happened, and how Olive Thomas unknowingly establishes another reason why women should have the vote.

## FLASHES FROM FILMLAND

**OMAHA HAS LOST ITS HEART TO**

# THE GIRL FROM OUTSIDE

YOU SIMPLY MUST SEE IT!

REX BEACH'S Greatest Photodrama TODAY AND SATURDAY

OMAXE

NORMA TALMADGE in "THE FORBIDDEN CITY" The Most Equivocal Oriental Story Ever Filmed.

Comedy—"Tailor Maid" Temperate Cody "Bucks the Trust"

## AT THE THEATERS

"LA LA LUCILLE," the musical farce by Fred Jackson, which comes to the Brandeis New Year's week, had its premiere at the Henry Miller theater in New York. After five months' run at that house it moved to the Crittendon theater, when capacity audiences continued to greet it until previously made contracts forced this laugh-compelling hit on tour.

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## Complete Plans For Actors' Benefit Fund Performance Today

Billy Byrne of the Orpheum theater, general manager of the big actors' benefit show to be given at the Boyd theater this afternoon for the Actors' Benefit fund, has completed his bill for the performance. The show will take nearly three hours to present.

Norman Hackett, starring in "Tea for Three," at the Boyd, will give the prologue of his show, and a little more. The entire second act of "Chocolate Soldier," at the Brandeis, will be presented, chorus and all.

All the Orpheum bill, with the exception of Miss Robbie Gordone, whose act can't be moved, will be there. This includes the famous dancer, Albertina Rasch.

Dan Holt & Co., from the Empress, will perform in this show. The big performance will start at 2:30 p. m.

This benefit show, the only one ever given in Omaha, is sponsored by the Elks lodge. Joseph Barker is chairman of the committee in charge.

Manager Byrne says the show will be the finest variety show ever presented in Omaha.

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## Prohibition Worker Dies

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 25.—Horace F. Carson, for eight years superintendent of the Nebraska Anti-Saloon league, died here Sunday. He was nationally known as a prohibition worker.

## BRANDEIS TONIGHT AND SATURDAY

RALPH DUNBAR Presents "The Chocolate Soldier" The Great Comic Opera with the Best Singing Cast Heard Here in Months.

Night—50c to \$2; Mat—50c to \$1.80

Week Beginning Next Sunday, Dec. 28 Matinee New Year's and Saturday

THE SEASON'S SNAPPIEST MUSICAL PLAY

# LA LA LUCILLE

—With—

A SMART CAST AND A PEPPERY CHORUS

Evenings and Matinees—50c to \$2.00 Except New Year's Eve, 50c to \$2.50 SEATS NOW ON SALE

## DANCING! PRAIRIE PARK

Twenty-sixth and Ames Aves. TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS AND SATURDAYS By the Ben Hur Dancing Club Colfax 4923.

## BOYD TEA for 3

Next Sunday, One Week

Mrs. New Year's and Sat. AVERY HOPWOOD'S GALE OF LAUGHTER

# FAIR and WARMER

In 3 Acts and 3 Scenes THE COMEDY HIT OF THE AGE SWEET NEW YORK CAST

Not a Motion Picture

## EMPRESS

TWO SHOWS IN ONE DAN HOLT & CO. CANTITES BROS. & BEATRICE, KINGS OF HARMONY, MILLER & RAINEY.

Photography Attraction, "The Prince and Betty," featuring Wm. Desmond; Mack Sennett Comedy.

## NORMAN HACKETT

In Prologue from "Tea for Three" Act II of "Chocolate Soldier"

# FIVE ACTS FROM THE ORPHEUM

## DAN HOLT & CO.

From Empress Theater

# DOC WAGNER'S SAXAPHONE JASS ORCHESTRA

ALL IN ONE BIG SHOW

# Boyd Theater

Actors' Benefit

Friday Afternoon, December 26 \$2.50 (No Tax)

## HOLDS UP STORE IN BUSIEST HOUR AND SHOOTS TWO

### Youthful Denver Bandit Wounds Woman in Arm During Chase.

Denver, Dec. 25.—During the busiest hour of the Christmas eve, a youthful bandit held up a delicatessen at 1089 South Broadway, robbed the cash drawer of its contents, then shot two persons, a man and a woman, who joined pedestrians in a chase after the robber fled.

The wounded are Mrs. Alice Rensink, shot through the arm, and Walter Oakes, shot through the leg. Both are seriously wounded, but will recover, according to physicians at a local hospital. The bandit escaped.

The robber entered the shop and began to work systematically and calmly, according to Mrs. Ruth McClod, the proprietor. Clerks and patrons were lined up against the wall while the bandit sought the cash drawer. Finding the till, he pried it open, pocketed \$40 it contained and left the place.

The clerks spread an alarm and several persons joined in a chase. Mrs. Rensink and Oakes were in the lead when the fleeing bandit stopped short, pulled his gun and fired.

## Wants Moorhead Reappointed Election Commissioner Here

Petitions are being circulated by J. M. Harding and Dr. C. B. Atzen, fellow members of the Rotary club, asking Governor McKelvie to reappoint Harley G. Moorhead as election commissioner for Douglas county. Mr. Moorhead was appointed to this position as a democrat, but the current petitions already have the signature of R. B. Howell, national republican committeeman for Nebraska.

## Hotel Ground Lease Brings \$105,000 at Court House Auction

The ground lease of the Harley hotel, northwest corner of Twentieth and Farnam streets, was sold Wednesday by Lawrence Brinkler, referee, at the east door of the court house for \$105,000, as part of the settlement of the estate of Jane Keeline. The ground was purchased by Harry Tukey, who bid it in for a client.

The lease has 44 years to run and carries with it an option on the whole property for \$125,000 to \$150,000 at the end of the lease.

Bidding on the property was lively, starting at less than \$75,000 and going up rapidly.

## Judge Discharges Negro Who Was "Watching" Wife

When he said he couldn't stand a jail sentence because his wife needed watching, William Sayles, negro, Fourteenth and Davenport street, was discharged by Central police court Wednesday by Judge Foster. He was arrested Tuesday night, when he was caught peering into the windows of a house at 218 North Seventeenth street.

## Omaha Rotary Club Plans Big Meeting for Next Week

Omaha Rotary club held no meeting Wednesday, but is making plans for a "big show" next Wednesday night at the Hotel Fontenelle. An effort will be made to make the last meeting of the year a record-breaker for attendance. "Why the world didn't come to an end as predicted" will be explained at the meeting.

## Strands of WALLACE REID

Supported by LILA LEE-HARRISON FORD

# HAWTHORNE of the USA.

Pathe Review Pollard Comedy Pathe News Silverstra

Sounds like a war play—doesn't it, but it isn't at all. Just the sort of a happy play for Christmas of two young red-blooded Americans who, after breaking the bank of Monte Carlo, "right-see" Europe, and restore a kingdom.

## The Bee's Free Shoe Fund

- "Dear Friend I am a little boy 9 years old I can't go to school or go sled riding because I haven't got on shoes I would like to have you help me if you can."
- That's one of the many letters received by the fund, copied verbatim from the writing of the little boy.
- Every cent received by this fund is used to buy shoes for such little waifs.
- Profusely acknowledged: \$824.18
- A. Friend, Benson, Neb. \$8.00
  - Ladies Aid Society, Labor Lutheran Church, Wamsb., Neb. \$2.00
  - A. Friend \$1.00
  - V. A. \$1.00
  - Omaha Woodman Circle \$5.00
  - Ida V. Wilson, Oklahoma, Neb. \$5.00
  - C. W. S. \$2.50
  - Miss McAnally \$2.50
  - Margaret McAnally \$2.50
  - A. Friend \$1.00
- Total \$872.18
- Address your gift The Free Shoe Fund, care of The Bee

# Olive Thomas in The Follies Girl

## Thousands and Thousands Saw This Show Yesterday

Why it was the talk of the town! If you like Olive Thomas, and we know you do (who don't?), you delight in the role she plays in this production—that of a chorus girl who masquerades as a trained nurse. The patient gets well, of course (we should have said "of chorus.")

ATTEND THE MATINEES

Third Big Show Under the New Moon Policy

OVERTURE NEW MOON ORCHESTRA DIRECTION ROBERT CUSCAOEN

FEATURING EDWIN STEVENS ORGANIST

THE MOON BEAMS FOR YOU

# Charles Ray

IN "Crooked Straight"

JUST a simple lad from the country, with a boy's eager dreams of the great things he would do—some day.

Then "life"—a false friend—the dream shattered—and the boy was a crook.

But when his pal was "croaked" one night, the boy didn't forget that even a crook can be white. And so the pal's kiddies found a new dad, and a girl in the little town—

Whoa there! You haven't guessed the end at all! For Ben Trimble had another safe to crack, another jaw to pummel, and you'll be glad when he does both jobs.

A picture deeper, more powerful, more varied, than any other in which Charles Ray has appeared. With all the wonderful Ray charm, sympathy, appealing humor and almost uncanny tug at your heart. Don't miss "Crooked Straight."

# RIALTO

A. H. Black

December 26, 27

We Wish You a Merry Christmas