

# MAKE INSPECTION OF MOTOR BOATS

Federal Officers Will Come to Keokuk and go Along River to North This Summer for This Purpose.

## OWNERS GIVEN WARNING

Motor Boat Act of June 1910 Providing for Equipment and Pilot Rules to be Enforced.

A federal inspection of motor boats at Keokuk and from Keokuk to the Minnesota line, along the Mississippi, will be made this coming summer, according to information received from C. A. Niemeyer, collector of customs at Des Moines. The inspection is for the purpose of enforcing the motor boat act of June 9, 1910, which requires the carrying of certain equipment and the pilot rules on vessels.

During the past two seasons inspections have been made by this office, resulting in the imposition of penalties ranging from \$50.00 to \$450.00 in each case. In the season of 1914 this office was obliged to report 165 of these cases to the secretary of commerce, and in 1915 there were 62 cases so reported.

It is the hope of this office that few, if any, motor boats will be found on the river this year which are not equipped as required by law, as the imposition of these penalties is obligatory, but very unpleasant to this office. This act is not by any means intended as a revenue producer and the secretary of commerce, as well as this office, will be much more pleased to find owners of motor boats complying with requirements of the law than to be obliged to impose penalties.

## AMUSEMENTS.

**The Garden of Allah.** Frequently the morning-after impression of a play compels one to wonder why they were led into the applause and why one was permitted to be impressed by big scenes and big stage effects. With "The Garden of Allah," coming to the Grand Friday, March 31, it will be different. On the morning after seeing this big stage spectacle, one will stop to pay tribute to the man who staged and directed such an elaborate story.

# LOSS OF APPETITE

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A brief synopsis of the story told in the play, is that of a monk, who for nineteen years lived behind the walls of a monastery and then walked out to face the strange things of the world. How he does not fit into these things until he meets and declares his love for a woman. Then after she and he have married and lived upon the desert together, he tells her that he is a runaway monk, and the wife takes him back to the monastery.

There is not much given to the audience by way of words, so that it is the word pictures and the pictures created by the magic of the electrical effects and backgrounds, that stand out so strongly when one recalls the play.—Advertisement.

Pauline Frederick in "The Spider," Tonight.

Pauline Frederick in two roles in the same production! This is the first time that the great Famous Players star, who recently appeared in "Zaza" and "Bella Donna" has ever been on the screen in widely different characterizations. In this Paramount picture, "The Spider," Miss Frederick plays Valerie St. Cyr, a notorious Parisian beauty, and her abandoned daughter, Joan Marche. The one has fled with a profligate nobleman, leaving her little baby with its sickly, poverty-stricken father. The baby grows up to be a beautiful girl who is employed in a flower shop. She becomes engaged to Julian St. Saens, a young artist of very puritanical principles who is drawn to her by the girl's total unsophistication and her rare beauty.

Thus Miss Frederick is called upon to portray characters that are diametrically opposed to each other and must suggest the care-worn, weary woman of the world who is tired of her foolish bargain while in the other instance she is the innocent epitome of exuberant spirits, pulsing with the mere joy of living. Though the interpretation of such exacting roles would be a difficult task for the average actress, no one who has seen Miss Frederick's previous performances on the stage or on the screen will doubt her ability to enact both characters with distinction.

See the concluding incidents at the Grand tonight. "The Spider" will be the feature attraction at the Grand tonight and Monday.—Advertisement.

—Read The Daily Gate City, 16c a week by carrier.

# MAY REAP RESULT OF POWER FAMINE

Eastern Plants Said to be Handicapped by Niagara Failure and Keokuk May be Gainer Thereby.

## ATTENTION IS CALLED

Writer in Technical Magazine Sees No Reason to Worry as Long as Keokuk is on the Map.

According to some of the eastern engineers, a power famine is threatening the users of Niagara Falls power.

Why worry? The Keokuk dam and power plant is still in operation. A certain town up the river has not annexed it, a certain inland town has not taxed it off the map, nor has a certain congressman legislated the project out of existence.

A short time ago there appeared in one of the technical magazines a discussion of the water power question at Niagara Falls, and the conclusion was drawn that there was a power famine existing here. A writer in the Metallurgical and Chemical Engineering magazine in the March issue seems to take the view that there is little need to worry about this so long as water power plants like that at Keokuk still exist.

He says: "And then what is the matter with the other water powers. Is not the Mississippi Power company at Keokuk, Ia., looking for business?"

The Keokuk Industrial association probably will take up this matter of a power famine in the east, if there is any opportunity of offering these plants locations at Keokuk. It would seem that there might be a chance to bring plants here, especially steel plants.

An expert in the east in speaking of the Niagara famine says that large manufacturers of steel are dependent on Niagara power by reason of its requirements in ferro alloys. There is plenty of opportunity and room on the Daley tract for steel mills and electric power can be taken from the dam here. Besides, there is a plant here to make an alloy used in steel manufacture.

# KEOKUK'S SHARE WILL BE LARGE

City Will Receive Part of State Automobile Tax on April 1. Date of Distribution.

## THE DATA IS FURNISHED

Keokuk Has Ninety-three Miles of Unimproved Streets—Wolcott Bluff Owners in Protest.

Keokuk's share of the state automobile tax will be considerably larger than last year, if reports from Des Moines to the effect that over a million dollars has already been collected from auto owners for licenses, are true. This money is to be paid on April 1 and Keokuk's share will be based on the ratio of the mileage of its improved streets and roads to those of the county.

City Engineer Winters has computed that there are ninety-three miles of unimproved streets, roads and alleys in the corporate boundaries of the city of Keokuk and this information has been sent into headquarters so that Keokuk's share of the tax can be computed.

Last year Keokuk received \$185 as its share of the state automobile tax and it is believed this amount will be greatly increased this year. Against Keokuk's 93 miles of unimproved streets are 39 miles of street and roads that have been paved or improved in one way or another.

**Owners Make Report.** Certain owners of land in the Wolcott Bluff addition to Keokuk, which was ordered opened yesterday by the city council, as a result of the petition of property owners in the vicinity, protested to the council today against the opening of the addition. The argument brought forward was that the signers of the petition did not own property in the addition. The council announced that the protest would have to be lodged with the signers of the petition and that if they were willing to withdraw the petition, the city would revoke its order.

**The April Woman's Home Companion.** In addition to a large amount of good fiction the April Woman's Home Companion has a number of interesting special articles. "Give the Girl a Chance" by Ida Tarbell discusses the failure of our educational system in regard to young women and urges the necessity of training girls for married life.

"Isle at Home" by Johanna Gaski, the famous opera star, gives an intimate account of the life of a great prima donna when off the stage. "The

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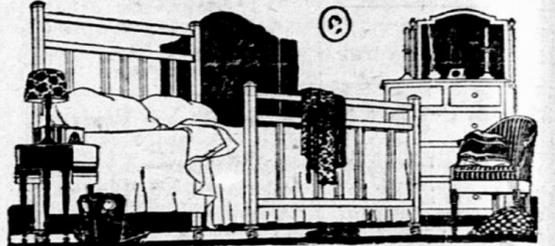
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# LITERARY DIGEST POLL PUTS ROOT AHEAD



Hughes, Root, Burton, Borah. One of these four men is the probable next Republican nominee for the Presidency, according to the indications of the country-wide poll recently taken by the Literary Digest, published by Funk & Wagnalls Co. of New York city.

Justice Hughes seems to count himself out by his determination not to draw the Supreme Court into politics. Borah, because he is a far Westerner, is being discounted by eastern political observers. This leaves the Republican pre-convention campaign a contest between Elihu Root and Theodore Burton, both former United States Senators.

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