

SMITH CRITICIZES WILLIAM B. GRIFFITH OFFICIALS MAKING ARBIE LEECH WINS
ROOSEVELT GUILTY INSPECTION ORATORICAL

PROFESSOR THINKS FORMER PRESIDENT EXERCISED LIT-TLE TACT IN SPEECH.

Chicago, March 30.—Professor Nathaniel Smith, head of the department of oriental language and literature at Cornell university, just returned from a protracted residence in Egypt, Syria and Arabia, criticized former President Roosevelt's recent speech at Cairo at a luncheon given today by the Chicago association.

"There are plenty of Americans in Egypt and Arabia today," he said, "who have dealt more tactfully with those numerous questions which go to peace between nations than did an ex-president of the United States who spoke in Cairo the other day. The speech was rather uncalculated for, I think. Now, a German would say that Mr. Roosevelt was just right. It is the German policy to lay down the law and if necessary to lay on the lash. They would think it wholly proper that he should tell the Egyptians how to manage their affairs.

"But there is a question in my mind. I lived over there for a long time and I used to read the Egyptian nationalist newspapers every day. There is really a tremendous feeling. I think the truth is that the English policy of pouring money into the country and developing it commercially and at the same time allowing extreme freedom of speech, is the best one in the long run. You can't use force effectively on those people and whim them into amiable subjects. They have long memories. And as for freedom of speech, they've got to have it. It's in the blood."

JURY RETURNS VERDICT AGAINST COLORED EX-SOLDIER FOR SHOOTING LIZZIE JONES.

The case of the state against William B. Griffith, colored, charged with assault in the first degree for shooting Mrs. Lizzie Jones, was conducted yesterday afternoon and given into the hands of the jury. After being out for about one-half hour the jury returned a verdict, finding the man guilty of assault in the second degree and leaving his punishment in the hands of the court.

Yesterday morning was given over to hearing further testimony in the case, and in the afternoon arguments were made by County Attorney E. C. Mulrooney, for the state, and Attorneys George W. Reeves and Thomas N. Marlowe for the defense. The plea of the defense was that the man was simply protecting himself from Mrs. Lizzie Jones, his colored landlady, who is alleged to have been armed with a revolver at the time of the shooting. Mrs. Jones flatly contradicted the allegation of the defense. Griffith will be sentenced by Judge Webster at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon. He may receive anywhere from one to five years in state's prison.

WOULD INCREASE STOCK.

Albany, N. Y., March 30.—The American Telephone & Telegraph company has filed with the secretary of state a request to increase its stock from \$200,000,000 to \$500,000,000. This makes it the next to the largest corporation in the world, the United States Steel corporation being the leader.

CHIEF ENGINEER E. J. PEARSON AND PARTY SPEND NIGHT IN MISSOULA.

A special train, carrying E. J. Pearson, chief engineer of the Puget Sound and other officials of the road, arrived in Missoula last evening. The party is making a minute inspection of the track and general conditions of the road. Engineer of Bridges and Building C. E. Loveth will examine the proposed site of the new passenger depot during his presence in the city. The party left Butte yesterday morning and arrived in Missoula at 7:30 p. m. As they are making a daylight inspection of the road, the party stayed in Missoula over night and will go out this morning.

STOCKHOLDERS VISIT.

A party of attorneys and stockholders of the Amalgamated Copper company was in the city yesterday to attend to matters in connection with the merger of the Blackfoot Lumber company. In the party were H. A. Gallwey, Roy S. Alley, Coa F. Kelley, John Gillie, W. T. Bleick and L. O. Evans.

GOING TO RESERVATION.

H. N. Savage, chief engineer of the reclamation service in Montana, arrived in the city Tuesday night and left for the reservation yesterday afternoon on No. 3.

ENTERS HOSPITAL.

Harry F. Gray, a Missoula fireman, entered the Northern Pacific hospital yesterday. He is suffering with rheumatism.

UNIVERSITY SENIOR WINS ANNUAL BUCKLEY CONTEST FOR SECOND TIME.

A. E. Leech yesterday morning won the annual Buckley oratorical contest at the state university with his oration on "The Evolution of Conscience." Mr. Leech carried his audience with him from the start and it was evident by the applause which greeted him as he finished that he had made a strong impression with his hearers. He maintained this hold through the contest and the decision was greeted with cheers from the student body.

Millard Butlerdick with an oration on "The Call of the Age" won second place. He spoke strongly and well and his oration was full of genuine thought and oratory. His victory was a popular one and the announcement met with a burst of applause second only to that which greeted the winner.

Mr. Leech is a senior in the university and took part in the oratorical contest yesterday for the second time during his college course. He won the Buckley contest and the state championship when he was a freshman but since then has taken no part in this work. He will represent the school, however, this year in both the state and inter-state contests, the first of which is to be held here next month and the second of which is to be held in Eugene, Oregon, between the Universities of Montana, Oregon and Washington in the near future.

Professor W. A. Aber acted as chairman and the judges were: J. F. Thomas, Rev. Dwight S. Bayley and Miss Mary Stewart. The program for the morning was as follows: Selection University Orchestra "The Evolution of Conscience," A. E. Leech "The Sanctity of Law," R. W. Friday "Yellow Journalism," George F. Stone "The Call of the Age," M. R. Butlerdick.

ADDITIONAL TRAFFIC ON LAKE IS OPENED

Kalispell, Mont., March 30.—Traffic over Flathead lake, which was opened through the river and the Demersville port, was today also opened from Somers, and on Thursday the first large regular cargo of freight will be taken aboard the Big Fork for Polson. The freight is piling up at both ports, and promises a congestion before all the boats and barges are put into commission. Building material is the chief item of freight now, and is consigned to Polson and the claims about the foot of Flathead lake.

The Big Fork, which went down with a cargo of cement while trying to make the last trip of the year, after navigation had closed, today came to Somers, having been raised and repaired. The Montana today made the first regular trip from Somers to Polson and within a short time it is expected the Klondyke will desert the Demersville port on the river and run into Somers. Owing to the great shortage of docks, however, which was brought out at the railroad commission hearing here last week, the Klondyke may continue by way of the river although it nearly doubles the distance to be traveled.

BETTER DESTROYING MUCH FINE TIMBER

Kalispell, Mont., March 30.—(Special).—Devastation in the Blackfoot National forest is being worked by beetles of several varieties, according to the information brought down today by Ranger A. Reynolds, who has resigned from the service. Reynolds has been stationed about MacDonald lake, where he says the beetles are destroying thousands of acres of fir and pine and spruce, and working westward in such a way as to cover the hills that slope toward the lake, and which are clothed with a tremendously thick coat of timber. He has brought out some of the insects from the fir trees and will submit them to an entomologist, probably at the state university for classification. The local office has endeavored to sell a portion of the affected timber at a low price, but as yet it has not been taken, owing to deep snow and rough logging roads. Reynolds states that on the South fork great areas have been infected and are slowly dying.

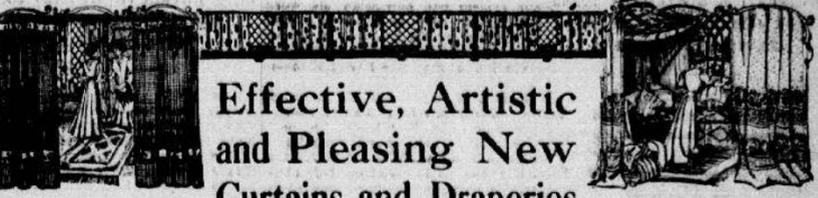
Foley's Kidney Remedy will cure any case of Kidney or Bladder trouble that is not beyond the reach of medicine. No medicine can do more. Garden City Drug Co., Geo. Freisholmer, Prop.

IN THE THEATERS

The Bijou.
 The change at the Bijou this week promises to be exceptionally good. The three pictures presented are all good and have made a decided hit wherever shown. The illustrated song is above the ordinary.

The Parish Priest.
 Miss Pringle and company will be seen the balance of the week in a splendid revival of The Parish Priest. Mr. M. F. Hogan will assume the role of "Father Whalen," played nearly 1,000 times. Miss Pringle, Mr. C. K. Van Auker, Laura Laird and the entire stock company will appear to splendid advantage. The Parish Priest will run Thursday, Friday and Saturday with a candy matinee thrown in Saturday.

Missoula Mercantile Co.



Effective, Artistic and Pleasing New Curtains and Draperies

NEVER have the women of Missoula had such abundant field for choosing their new spring curtains and draperies as is presented this season in the Upholstry Goods section over in the Furniture Annex. It seems that the world of curtains and materials for making them is centered here, so generous are the varieties. This department affords a chance, for the first time in Missoula, for one to carry out individual ideas in this branch of home adornment, to produce effects to suit each particular room.

In charge of this Section is a thoroughly experienced Curtain man, whose services are at the disposal of our customers desirous of advice on the artistic and most modern drapery effects. We have also facilities for handling special orders, making the curtains or draperies right here from materials selected from our extensive stock.

COLONIAL Drapery Fabrics

Much the largest assortment and variety of patterns in these inexpensive though beautiful drapery and upholstery materials to be found in town. Our spring shipment includes all the latest and most beautiful designs.

Casement Cloth, per yard	20c	50-inch Burlap, per yard	35c
Etamines, per yard	30c	Denims, per yard	30c
Groundsies, per yard	40c	Fancy Art Tickings, yard	35c and 40c
Cretonnes, per yard	10c		
36-inch Burlap, per yard	20c		
Fancy Figured Satens, yard	35c and 40c		
Chintzes and Dimities, per yard	35c		

Fishnets, Fancy Nets, Madras, Etc.

A wonderful array of these materials—some so fine as to rival the spider's web and ranging through to the heavy, almost opaque weaves. Materials of simple sash curtains and materials for rich over-draperies. Not in one or two colors, but in colors and tones.

Imported nets, in a wide range of patterns, in white, ecru, ivory and Arabian colors, per yard, 35c to \$2.00.

New things in drapery materials, woven so as to produce tasty open-work effects; very beautiful for doors; in various grades; up from, per yard, 50c.

Gauze silks for overdrapes, both in mercerized and real silk; in beautiful shades of red, green, brown, maize and changeable effects; the very newest thing for use when a light weight over drapery is needed; per yard, 75c to \$6.00.

Lace, Net and Scrim Curtains

Lace, net and scrim curtains, thin linen and muslin curtains and then curtains of other new materials, wrought in patterns as new as is the season, in allover, bordered, fillet and applied effects.

In the Nottingham you will find an entirely new and large assortment, in plain white, ivory, Arabian and two-tone effects; per pair, 75c to \$6.00.

Cable Net curtains, in new designs; the best qualities imported; per pair, \$3.00 to \$12.00.

Cluny and Point Arabie curtains, in rich effects; per pair, \$5.00 to \$25.00.

Very unusual in design are the new Antique Curtains, and they are among the season's latest creations; a very fine antique lace edge and insertion mounted on scrim or net; in white or cream; per pair, \$7.00 to \$18.00.

In the Point Olympic curtains we show the highest class, richest and most effective curtain to be had; per pair, \$13.50 to \$35.00.

Fine choice of Scrim Curtains, in both white and cream; some with plain edge, others with insertions in all widths. In the better grades the latest thing is in imported scrim with fillet insertion and edge to match. Prices, \$2.50 to \$12.00.

Pretty new effects in Bedroom curtains, in muslin with wide or narrow borders in blue, pink, green or yellow; per pair, \$1.25 to \$3.50.

Lace Curtain Specials

Odd lots to close out at half-price; all 2 1/2 to 3 yards long and from 42 to 54 inches wide; in white, ivory and ecru.

\$1.75 Curtains	80c	\$3.00 Curtains	\$1.50
\$2.00 Curtains	\$1.00	\$3.50 Curtains	\$1.75
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Couch Covers to Close

50 beautiful Oriental Couch Covers, in extra heavy tapestry, 79 inches wide and 3 yards long; regular price \$35.00. **\$1.85**

One lot of \$4.00 Couch Covers to close at **\$2.25**

One lot of \$5.00 Couch Covers to close at **\$2.50**

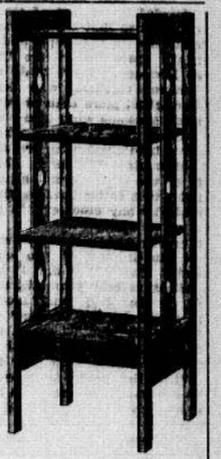
One lot of \$10 Couch Covers to close at **\$5.75**

Portieres at Half

About two dozen pairs of odd portieres to close at half price.

43 Portieres	\$1.50	38 Portieres	\$4.00
34 Portieres	\$2.00	39 Portieres	\$4.50
45 Portieres	\$2.50	31 Portieres	\$5.50

REGULAR \$6 Magazine Racks \$2.95. These racks, exactly like the cut, are 42 inches high with shelves 11x16 inches—large enough for full sheet music; very solidly constructed from solid oak and finished either in golden or early English. ONLY 50 TO SELL AT \$2.95



ONE of our important duties in this community is to point out to our fellow citizens the way to spend their clothes-money to best advantage. The reason we tell you to buy

Hart, Schaffner & Marx

all-wool, perfectly tailored clothes is not simply because we have them to sell, but because we really think they're best for you; and that's the reason we have them to sell.

It's fine when a business man or a business concern can do itself the greatest good by doing its neighbors the greatest good.

Hart, Schaffner & Marx clothes
 Suits \$22.50 to \$45 Overcoats \$20 to \$35
 Manhattan Shirts Slidewell Collars Montana Hats

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ALL IN READINESS FOR BASEBALL DANCE.

Hamilton, March 30.—The committee composed of E. Blakeslee, C. C. Chaffin and J. Powers has made all arrangements for the baseball ball to be given on Friday evening, April 1, and report that the preliminary sale of tickets has been unusually large. A crowd that will tax the capacity of Burns' hall is expected as the boys have aroused considerable interest in the event. The hall is being decorated in an artistic manner with streamers and banners. Hamilton has the material for the best baseball team in the state and should be given the support of a good attendance at this ball.

DEEDS ARE FILED.

Hamilton, March 30.—The following instruments of record have been filed with the clerk and recorder:
 Deed—Como Orchard Land company to Herbert Underwood, lot 21 in block 6, Lake Como Orchard No. 3.
 Deed—Bitter Root Valley Irrigation

GETS INTO TROUBLE IN CHINESE CAFE

Kalispell, Mont., March 29.—(Special).—Action looking to the taking away of the small daughter of M. J. Sullivan, formerly a justice of the peace for Kalispell, on account of the habits of her father, who is said to have frequently taken her into saloons with him and who is keeping her with him at a hotel without a woman's care, will be taken by the probation officer within a few days, as the claim to a brawl in which Sullivan became involved with two Chinamen in a restaurant last night or early this morning.

The Chinamen battered him badly and cut him with a large knife, and when rescued he is said to have been in danger of losing his life as the Chinamen were infuriated and were about to cut his throat.

FIGURES SUBMITTED.

New York, March 30.—Great masses of figures showing the freight business of the Southern Pacific railroad prior to its merger with the Union Pacific were submitted today at the hearing of the government's suit to dissolve the merger of the two companies. The taking of testimony nears its completion.

GOING TO MISSOULA.

Hamilton, March 30.—James W. Evans of Spokane, who is putting on the musical comedy "The Whirl of the Town" at the Lucas opera house, goes to Missoula Saturday to conduct the rehearsals for the minstrel show to be given by the Elks of that city.

LICENSE ISSUED.

Hamilton, March 30.—A marriage license was issued yesterday by the clerk of the court to William S. Freeman and Ethel Read, both of Victor.