

# BIG AUDIENCE SEES OPERETTA

### Standing Room and Chairs Accommodate Late Comers at Opening of "Gypsy Rover."

### PLAY IS REPEATED

### Three Love Stories Included in Plot of High School Play.

**The Cast.**

Meg ..... Miriam Rauworth  
Zara ..... Laura Leonard  
Marto ..... Harold Shaffer  
Sinfu ..... Earl Armstrong  
Rob ..... Gerald Pringle  
Lady Constance ..... Pauline Hirt  
Lerd Craven ..... McKinlay Kantor  
Sir George Martindale ..... Dean Swanson  
Nina ..... Helen Ash  
Captain Jerome ..... Wyatt Busing  
Sir Toby Lyon ..... Donald Fear  
McCorkle ..... Lyle Fairfield  
Lacey ..... Howard Furman

With the "S.R.O." sign in demand long before the overture started, and torrid spectators seated on chairs forced from other parts of the building, the operetta, "The Gypsy Rover," was given for the first time in Lincoln high school auditorium Thursday by the boys' and girls' glee clubs of the school. The play was repeated Friday evening.

"The Gypsy Rover" is a story of undying love and its ultimate requital. The main thread of the narrative is the love story of Rob, the Gypsy Rover, and Lady Constance, daughter of an English nobleman. Two contributing romances have been woven into the story by the writer who, apparently, agrees with Kipling in that "The governor's lady and Mrs. O'Grady are sisters under the skin" for the methods of the artful Gypsy maid in dallying her love-ridden swain are very like those of the society debutante who amuses herself and the audience by keeping her army captain in hot water. Neither of these affairs is followed to its conclusion but that conclusion seems obvious enough, despite the coquetry of the young women involved.

**The Characters.**

On Gerald Pringle, in the title role, Pauline Hirt, as Lady Constance, McKinlay Kantor, as Lord Craven, and Dean Swanson as Sir George Martindale, father of Constance, fall the burden of the main complication, although Miriam Rauworth, as Meg; Laura Leonard, as Zara; Harold Shaffer, as Marto; Earl Armstrong, as Sinfu; Helen Ash as Nina, and Wyatt Busing as Captain Jerome, had opportunities, both musical and histrionic, and made the most of them.

Gerald Pringle, as Rob, was especially effective. His stage presence was good and his acting convincing. Miss Hirt, as Lady Constance, had a difficult part to play and played it exceedingly well. She was consistently an English lady, and did not wander from her characterization even when opportunity afforded for so doing.

**The Hold-Up.**

McKinlay Kantor, as an English fop, did some clever bits of acting and won some good laughs, especially as the hold-up victim of Marto and Sinfu who, incidentally, were rather a tidy pair of rascals and brandished a pair of wicked knives with reckless abandon.

Sir George Martindale was an austere country gentleman who approved not a bit of his daughter's infatuation for a Gypsy fellow. Dean Swanson carried this part well.

**Many Musical Numbers.**

As for musical numbers, the piece had rather more of them than is often the case and all are tuneful. Several of them fell to Rob, who acquitted himself well in their rendition. His duets with Lady Constance were especially pleasing. "It's Just L-O-V-E" was one of these; "Listen, Lady Fair," was another. "Fairytale," a solo number by Rob, was also a catchy melody. It was repeated at various times during the three acts of the play.

"We Are Merry Robbers," was rather a rollicking number by Sinfu and Marto. "Moon, Moon, Moon," by Nina and Jerome, assisted by the chorus, was a favorite with the audience, as was "They Say Girls Can't Keep Secrets," which was sung by Lady Constance and the maidens of the society chorus.

**Chorus Numbers Good.**

All the chorus numbers were good. The big glee club was divided into two groups, a Gypsy chorus and a society group. These furnished a number of musical and dance numbers which were extremely effective. All accompaniments were by Miss Hoot.

The play was produced under the general direction of Miss Georgianna Huff, with the assistance of Miss Lola Hughes, of the public speaking department, and Miss Bernadine Shanor who trained the dance numbers.

Following the first act, Miss Helen

## Jottings About the County.

**You Tell 'Em.**

Ellsworth News: We don't get any particular comfort out of saying this but there are at least ten businesses here that are doing next to nothing towards keeping a newspaper here, and at least five more that are only doing about half or less what their business demands to keep themselves before the public and keep the local paper rustling. It's up to you.

**A Lesson in Politeness.**

Jewell Record: When the newspaper reporter civilly and in the proper conduct of his business, approaches a citizen about to take train out of town and inquires as to his destination, and that citizen replies, "none of your business," he is not hurting the feelings of the reporter a particle, neither is he hurting the paper. He is merely displaying his own ill breeding and his lack of manners. A civil question always merits a civil reply—and always gets a civil reply from ladies and gentlemen. If for some reason one does not care to have mention of himself made in the paper, it is merely necessary to say so, civilly and such mention will always be omitted.

**Organize Creamery Association.**

Williams Enterprise: The stockholders in the new creamery building met at the city hall Friday to perfect their organization. Seven directors were nominated and elected, namely: L. W. Ball, Earl E. Johnson, Harold Sterling, Julius Roy, Wm. Foran, L. E. Pound and T. E. Blodgett.

The directors held their meeting immediately after the stockholder's meeting and elected the following officers: President, Harold Sterling; vice president, Earl E. Johnson; secretary, Julius Roy; treasurer, L. E. Pound. Following the election of officers the directors discussed several different names to call the organization, and finally decided on "The Williams Creamery Association" as the one best fitted for it.

**A Congressional View.**

Jewell Record: Tuesday's Des Moines Register reported that F. J. Lund, of Webster City, has asked for nomination papers for the office of congressman from the tenth district. In the judgment of the Record, Mr. Lund is one of the finest fellows in the world. But we do not believe that he has one chance in the world of defeating the present incumbent, Congressman Dickinson. Lund is not as able a man nor as well qualified for the place as is Dickinson; he does not enjoy as large an acquaintance over the district as does Dickinson. And, in the opinion of the Record, he could not defeat Dickinson even if he were as able and as well acquainted as neither could anybody else. Dickinson has been in congress only two terms and has grown to a commandingly important position there. He is fast becoming one of the real leaders of the lower house and Iowa would be making a big sacrifice were the district now to oust him just at the time when he is becoming most valuable and now has ahead of him many years of good service to the district and to the state and nation. And Dickinson is, and always has been, absolutely right on legislative matters. He has supported prohibition legislation, he has supported loyally all soldier legislation, he has given valuable support and leadership in legislation in behalf of the farming interests. In the lower house he has occupied the same position that Kenyon held in the senate in respect to agricultural legislation, being one of the active heads of the agricultural bloc in the house. The tenth Iowa district would be making the political mistake of its life were it now to oust Mr. Dickinson in favor of any other man whatsoever.

**Goes to Fort Dodge.**

Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson, who has been in charge of the ready-to-wear department of the Shipley-Black store in this city since it opened, will go to Fort Dodge in a few days, where she will be given charge of the ready-to-wear department of the new Shipley store there—formerly the Russell Dry Goods company store.

**Asks Divorce.**

Charles Oscar, in a petition just filed in district court, asks a divorce from his wife, Edna E. Oscar. He charges desertion and improper conduct.

A son was born Thursday to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Knight, at Emmetsburg. Mrs. Knight is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Filer, who live northeast of this city. They formerly lived here. The little one is their first child.

**Desmond gave a Gypsy dance in costume.**

Twelve children from Miss Stark's room gave a folk dance, "Looky Lou," between the second and third acts. The children went through their steps with out a hitch and seemed to enjoy the dance almost as much as the audience did.

## POLICY ON ROAD WORK FOR 1922

### State Highway Commission Senses Feeling of Public Against More Taxes.

### MAPS OUT PROGRAM Favors Draining and Graveling With Funds now on Hand.

The current issue of the Iowa State Highway Service Bulletin outlines the general policy of this commission on road work planned for the year 1922. It will be of general interest to the public to know that the commission opposes further taxation and that it favors the grading and draining of roads this season with funds now on hand which can be expended for no other purpose. The commission sets forth its policy as follows:

"Not for many years have the people of Iowa been so critical of expenditures involving public funds as is the case today. There is a universal feeling that tax levying and tax spending public officials must do everything within their power to curtail expenditures and reduce taxes to a level more nearly proportional to the wealth producing ability of the taxpayers. Any public officials who have not sensed this situation, or having sensed it, are indifferent or unmindful of it, are unworthy of the public trust that has been committed to them.

**Program Conservative.**

"The State Highway commission is not unmindful of, nor indifferent to this feeling on the part of the public, and is wholly in sympathy therewith. Consequently a conservative program of road improvement work is recommended for 1922. Township and county officials responsible for the levying and expenditure of road and bridge funds raised by direct taxation, are urged to keep their expenditures from such funds within the limit of funds available, and where possible, to so plan future construction programs that the present rate of taxation for road and bridge work may be reduced. This is not the time to increase expenditures that must be paid from direct taxation, but rather to decrease such expenditures and to strive to secure the maximum amount of road improvement for the expenditures that are made.

**Funds Available.**

"The program of improvement for the primary road system consists largely of grading, draining, bridging and gravel surfacing work. Practically all of the expenditures incidental to the carrying out of this program will be paid from the primary road fund—a fund made available by state and national legislation, which no state or county officials have power to diminish or increase. Funds are available for the program as outlined, and can be spent for no other purposes. Prices on grading, draining and gravel surfacing are down to pre-war basis, and on bridge work and paving work are as low as existing material and transportation costs will permit. The State Highway commission, therefore, feels that the welfare of the state will be best served by going ahead with a conservative road improvement program as herein outlined, using funds that have been made available and which can be used for no other purpose, and providing needed employment for a large number of men now unemployed."

**Davis-Markwardt.**

Friends here just learned of the marriage of Mrs. Rika Davis and Mr. William Markwardt, both of this city, which was solemnized at Jewellburg, Colo., Wednesday afternoon. Both are well and favorably known in this community. They will make their home in the Markwardt residence on Bank street.

**A Testimonial.**

E. D. Welp, Kamrar, Iowa, says: Dear Sirs: In reply to your inquiry regarding my success in the use of your liquid medicine. In the fall of 1920 pigs got sick with necrotic enteritis and lost nearly all of them. Last fall the same thing re-appeared, and I tried several different remedies with no success. I then started to use your medicine and they soon quit dying, and commenced to straighten up. From now on I will feed several feeds a week as a conditioner and preventive for that dreadful intestinal disease.

Yours truly,  
Signed E. D. Welp.

We have made a specialty of hog diseases for the past 6 years. Send for further information.

Federal Chemical Company,  
1027 West Broadway,  
Fiji Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Pretty new fringed pongee draperies have been hung in the office room of the Star Laundry.

## BRIEF NEWS NOTES.

(From Friday's Daily.)

Mrs. O. L. Gilbert, of Kamrar, visited friends here yesterday.

Mrs. Conrad Rigter, of Kamrar, was a visitor here yesterday.

J. W. Gleason, of Blairsburg, is in Webster City today on business.

N. C. Nelson, of Kamrar, is a business visitor in this city today.

H. J. Caruth, of Ellsworth, is attending to business matters in Webster City today.

Mrs. J. M. Herbst went to Ames this morning for a few days' visit with relatives.

Mrs. Eunice Kellogg, who has been in Sioux City spending the winter with her sons, Dr. Roy and Howard Kellogg, returned home this morning.

Mrs. F. H. Rutledge, of Blairsburg, was a visitor here yesterday.

Mrs. Edwin Kallen, of Ellsworth, visited friends here yesterday.

Paul Cordes went to Fort Dodge yesterday to take the government medical examination.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Fayant went to Iowa Falls yesterday afternoon for a week's visit with friends.

Mrs. J. B. O'Connor, of Jewell, visited here at the E. G. Snyder home yesterday.

Miss Gladys Larson, of Radcliffe, who has been here visiting Miss Doris Mallow, returned home yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. John Newhall, Mrs. George Newhall and Miss Alma Newhall, all of Radcliffe, were Webster City visitors yesterday.

Mrs. Violet Clay, who has been here for the past few days visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Read, returned home to Ames this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Weedman and daughter and nephew went to Stanhope this morning to spend the week end with relatives.

Mrs. Geo. Yans and little daughter, Dorothy, went to Iowa City yesterday afternoon, where Dorothy will take treatment for a few days at the children's hospital. Their little son and brother, George, accompanied them as far as Waterloo and will remain there with relatives for a few days.

(From Saturday's Daily.)

Miss Gertrude Latchaw went to Denison this morning to spend her vacation with relatives.

Miss Bess Lyon went to Lake City this morning to spend a week with friends.

Miss Helen Swiney went to Duncombe this morning to spend the week's vacation with her parents.

Miss Edith Welch went to Yankton, S. D., this morning to spend a week visiting relatives.

Miss Leone Linahon went to Barnum this morning for a week's visit with her sister and family.

Mrs. Bert Fellows, of Ellsworth, is here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Neel.

Roy Allen, formerly of this city, now of Sacramento, Cal., is here for a few days' visit with his sister, Mrs. Chas. Wiltsey.

W. F. Kidder went to Sioux City this morning to join his wife and daughter in an over Sunday visit with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Cook arrived home yesterday afternoon from an extended trip through California, Oregon, Washington and other western states. They were gone nine weeks and had a delightful time. The winter on the coast was rather severe, but not so cold as to be noticeable to Iowans.

Mrs. C. C. Rorem, of Ellsworth, was a Webster City visitor yesterday.

Mrs. Clifford Porter, of Blairsburg, is a visitor here today.

Mrs. Carl Bauer, of Kamrar, was a visitor here yesterday.

Mrs. Fred Thompson, of Jewell, was a business caller here yesterday.

Robert King went to Iowa City yesterday for a few days' visit with Howard Sheldon.

Mrs. C. R. Hunter went to Dexter this morning for a few days' visit with her mother.

Mrs. W. E. Gossard and daughter, Miss Miriam, went to Ames yesterday afternoon to spend the week end with their daughter and sister, Miss Erma Gossard.

Mrs. Mabel Gilmore went to Jewell yesterday afternoon on a short business trip.

Miss Metta Robinson went to Des Moines this morning to spend the week end with Miss Ruth Tuttle.

The Rev. and Mrs. L. E. Viets this morning for their new field of labor in Boone.

G. C. Mills, president of the National Association of Builders Exchanges, and E. F. Stokes, secretary of this organization, will leave tomorrow night for Chicago to attend a conference of representatives from the various national construction industries, which will be in session Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Herbert Hoover, secretary of commerce, and E. T. Tring, of Philadelphia, will be among the distinguished guests at the conference.

J. E. Burnstedt is in Sioux City today on business.

## BUTTER AND ICE CREAM FACTORY

### Harry E. Forrester, of State Food and Dairy Department, Coming to City.

### MAKE IN QUANTITIES

### To Establish Big Butter and Ice Cream Plant Here.

Harry E. Forrester, of Gladbrook, now connected with the Iowa state food and dairy department, has organized a company to be known as the Webster City Cream Company for the manufacture of butter and ice cream in this city. The company will be located in the Sketcheley building on Seneca street and will wholesale and retail butter and ice cream. Its principal trade, however, will be the wholesale business.

The Webster City Cream company expects to be in operation in about five weeks. Meantime the most modern machinery will be installed and everything put in readiness to make a thoroughly modern and sanitary plant. H. W. Gleim, of the Western Pedigree Company of this city, was instrumental in getting Mr. Forrester to locate his plant in Webster City. Mr. Gleim had in mind to give the farmers a more stable market for their butter fat, while Mr. Forrester came chiefly because he feels that there is a field here for that kind of a factory. Some 25,000 gallons of ice cream are shipped from outside points to Webster City annually. Mr. Forrester believes he will merit all this trade and be able, as well, to do a big wholesale business out of here. He believes there is a real opportunity to start a big and growing plant here. He plans to move here with his family and make this city his permanent home.

His son, a graduate of Ames, who is now the manager of an ice cream factory at Iowa City, will join his father here and will be foreman of the local plant. Mr. Forrester will be the active manager and give his whole time to the operation of the plant.

Webster City will welcome the Forrester family here in the firm belief that the new cream company will be an asset to the city and will prove a paying venture for those who are establishing it.

**Card of Thanks.**

We wish to thank the many friends and neighbors for their kindnesses and the floral tributes, given during the illness and death of our mother.

Fred Buettner and Family.

This office has another supply of scratch pads. Different sizes and kinds of paper.

## SCHOOLS URGED TO EXHIBIT AT FAIR

### Letter to Superintendents Asks all to Make Displays.

Mrs. E. E. Snow, who is acting again this year as superintendent of the school exhibits at the county fair, has sent a circular letter to school superintendents of the county urging all town schools to have entries in the school exhibit at the fair.

The letter, calling attention to the fact that only Webster City, Randall, Stanhope and Blairburg were represented last year, states that it is hoped to have entries from every town in the county this fall. It says further that one or two of the superintendents have already planned exhibits and have started preparations looking toward the fair.

Discussing the exhibit, the letter says: "Each town school will be allowed to enter five articles in manual training. The material used in any one article not to cost more than \$3. You will also be allowed to enter five pieces from your domestic science department (sewing), the material used in any one article not to cost more than \$3.

"You are also asked to enter historical maps of the United States showing succession of territory. These are to be made in either the seventh or eighth grades or both, one map to be entered from each grade. The size, construction and other details of these maps

is left to your judgment.

"No premiums are offered for art work in schools, since but few of the towns teach art. However, we would be very glad to have you enter an art display if you are having the work in your school. It may be that you have done some other work in your school that would be of general interest. If so, enter the same at the fair even though no prize is offered. We found last year that the school display attracted a great deal of attention. Show what you are doing."

**Real Estate Transfers.**

R. E. Jones and W. J. John Ely—lot 4 blk 25 W. F. & Co. Add W. C.—\$150.

Henry Teget and wife to State Bank of Williams—lot 7 blk 8 Lawn Hill Add W. C.—\$500.

Lorena Turpin and husband to F. C. Ruegnitz—lot 5 blk 2 Lawn Hill Add W. C.—\$400.

Annie J. Parker to City of Webster City—a strip 2 rods wide on s of nw sw 1-SS-26—\$500.

**Buy's Store at Pomeroy.**

W. C. Burleson, proprietor of The Metropolitan store in this city, has purchased another general store in Pomeroy. Mr. Burleson will employ a manager who will have charge of the Pomeroy store.

**Card of Thanks.**

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for so much kindness shown us in our late bereavement, and for the beautiful flowers; also to thank minister and singers.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Thoma.

Calling cards at this office.

## HOUSE, LOT AND FARM AT AUCTION

I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, the following described property, on

### SATURDAY, APRIL 8th

Commencing at One O'clock P. M.

### My House and Lot

Located in Rosses Addition to Stratford, Where Sale Will be Held

### Also 84½ Acres of My Farm

ONE MILE NORTH OF TOWN. This would make a splendid dairy and poultry farm as it is located right and has plenty of grass and water; or it would be alright for three or four prairie farmers to pool for pasture use, as it is the best kind of pasture. And there would be plenty of timber for making posts to be used to good advantage for their prairie farms, and also would furnish plenty of fuel.

Immediate possession will be given to house and lot and farm. Terms will be made known day of sale and they will be easy.

### ALBERT DIXON

McGlynn & Ritchie, Auctioneers. State Bank of Stratford, Clerk

## Seymour Eichman

CORRECT DRESS FOR WOMEN

### More Community Day Specials

Several Extra Specials will be Offered for Thursday's Selling

<b>Coats</b>	<b>Suits</b>
Large selection of coats in sport or fancy wrap styles, all colors—See our values at	Wonderful assortment of pretty spring suits—navy tricotine in all sizes 16 to 46.
<b>\$10 \$12.50 \$15</b>	<b>\$25.00</b>
<b>\$19.50 \$25</b>	

### The Store is Loaded with Values

Children's 50c Mercerized Hose...29c	Women's \$1.25 Fiber Silk Hose...69c
Black, Brown	Black, Brown
Women's Genuine Philippine Gowns special \$2.00, hand-made gown...\$1.93	Women's Philippine Chemise, special \$3.00, hand made chemise...\$1.98
The New Check Gingham Blouses made of imported Gingham...\$1.98	Women's Muslin Gowns, special values...98c
Kayser's Chamousette Gloves, strap wrist style...98c	Pretty Muslin Aprons, crotone trimmed...98c
Women's Pongee Blouses, \$3.98 blouses...\$2.48	Women's Gingham Dresses, made of imported gingham...\$1.98
Serpentine Crepe Kimonas...\$1.48, \$1.98, \$2.98, \$3.98	Women's Muslin Teddys, special value...98c

"A CITY STORE, AT YOUR DOOR"