

### FEARS ARREST? TRIES TO DIE

Carbolic Acid Chosen as Means of Death by Oscar Sakowich When Father Swears Out Warrant.

### SISTER THWARTS DEED

Girl Knocks Acid Bottle From His Hands—Both Sustain Slight Burns in Brief Struggle.

Oscar Sakowich, twenty-six years old, living with his parents at 1127 Fulton street, attempted to commit suicide by drinking carbolic acid about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, after his father had sworn out a warrant, charging him with the theft of twelve dollars.

When Sakowich took the bottle from a shelf, his sister saw him. As he raised the deadly potion to his lips, she rushed to him and dashed the bottle from his hands, after a brief struggle. Sakowich succeeded in drinking a small quantity of the poisonous liquid, but most of it was spilled on the floor. Some splashed on his face and on the sister's hands. The police were immediately notified and Drs. C. A. Dimond and F. B. Dorsey Jr., were called. The young man was given a stimulant and an emetic was administered to cause him to throw up what little had passed his throat. This morning his condition was reported to be normal, except for slight burns about his mouth and throat.

Several reasons are advanced for the rash act. The young man refused to assign any causes for the deed. It is supposed, however, that he tried to die, fearing arrest for the alleged theft of twelve dollars from his father, Emmanuel Sakowich, a peddler.

Sakowich swore out a warrant charging his son with petit larceny yesterday afternoon, and the police were on the watch for Oscar, at the time he took the acid. This morning the father withdrew the charge.

Other reasons are also assigned, and it is possible that all contributed to the young man's rash act.

A brother-in-law of the boy told a Gate City reporter that his brother had been out of work, and that might have been the reason for his taking the acid. He said his brother gave no reason for the rash act, and the family had no idea why he did it.

### AMUSEMENTS

"The American Beauty" Pleases at the Grand.

Myrtle Stedman in a new Pallas-Paramount picture, "The American Beauty," appears at the Grand tonight for the last time. Pleased audiences, almost capacity houses, enjoyed this excellent photoplay at the Grand last night and were unanimous in their words of praise. An exceptional cast, besides the superb Miss Stedman, also included Elliott Dexter and Howard Davies. It is one of the most magnificent, lavishly produced pictures ever filmed.

On the same program at the Grand tonight are Hearst's Weekly News-pictures—always fascinating, but especially interesting this week.

In "The American Beauty," Paul Keith (Elliott Dexter), an American artist, is seeking the ideally beautiful woman, whose soul will inspire him to a great picture; this picture is to compete in an international contest of feminine loveliness. Keith paints several disappointing pictures before he discovers in Ruth Cleave (Myrtle Stedman), in a most unexpected way, the beauty of soul that he has been seeking.

The love story of the beautiful model and the young aristocratic painter has many tangles and unexpected turns. Ruth becomes enmeshed in the snare of Lorrimer, multi-millionaire art patron, in the latter's Oriental magnificent studio-palace. This leads Keith to cast aside all the barriers of his aristocratic upbringing and propose to Ruth. Ruth most unexpectedly refuses him.

Why, and of the results—this story relates with a thrilling charm.

Douglas Fairbanks, in a new comedy-drama especially written for this very popular star, appears at the Grand tomorrow. His picture is called "The Good Bad Man." On the same program is a rapid-fire 2-act Keystone

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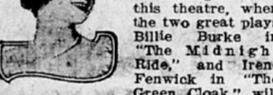
farce, "The Snow Cure," featuring Ford Sterling.—Advertisement.

Harold Lockwood Tonight. Harold Lockwood, the supreme screen star, and beloved idol of millions of play enthusiasts, is starred in the latest "Metro" wonderplay, "The Masked Rider," which is to be shown at the Hippodrome theatre tonight.

"The Masked Rider" is the photoplay that all critics acclaimed as Mr. Lockwood's greatest work. It is a stirring story of a revenue officer's adventures in the wild haunts of a gang of moonshiners, of a beautiful mountain girl who found a parson not all he seemed and of the exquisite romance that befell.

May Allison, the charming and beautiful artiste, adds new laurels to her already many successes as the wild mountain girl, in support of Mr. Lockwood in "The Masked Rider." In conjunction with "The Masked Rider" will be shown a Metro-Drew comedy entitled, "The Schemers," starring the famous pair of comedians, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Drew.

Billie Burke Tomorrow. A program of unusual merits is to be offered to play goers of this city tomorrow by the management of this theatre, when the two great plays Billie Burke in "The Midnight Ride," and Irene Fenwick in "The Green Cloak," will be the attractions offered at the regular 5 and 10c price of admission.—Advertisement.



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### MEXICAN FIGHT CASE IS HEARD

Charge of Assault and Battery Will be Filed in Place of More Serious One.

The preliminary hearing of Benito Reyes, the Mexican who was charged with assault with intent to inflict great bodily injury, was held yesterday before Justice James S. Burrows. The court, after hearing the testimony, and on motion of Attorney Frank Oertel, ordered the charge reduced to assault and battery, and the county attorney so drew the information. Hearing will be held on Saturday on this charge.

Under the statutes, if a public offense is charged which is not tryable on indictment but on information only, and if the presiding magistrate believes the guilt of the party under the lesser offense, he may order the papers withdrawn and the lesser charge filed.

This was done in Reyes' case. Charles Hernandez, the prosecuting witness in the case, seemed to have a lapse of memory when brought into court and was unable to tell who hit him, so he told the judge. He told the court that Reyes was his assailant, but evidently his memory went back on him in court, Reyes and Hernandez have been in jail together awaiting the hearing.

Eddie Coulon Wins. ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 23.—Eddie Coulon, New Orleans, bantam, with choppy lefts and right hooks, earned a victory over Jack Douglas, San Francisco, in twelve rounds last night.

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### ABSENTEE ACT BEING INVOKED

Petition is Filed Asking to Have Guardian Appointed for Hugh Hammond Under This New Law.

### IS THE FIRST TIME HERE

Additional Grounds of Being Spendthrift Are Alleged in This Particular Case.

The first petition under the absentee act, passed by the last legislature, to be filed in this part of the county, is on file in the district court. In the petition Edna Fletcher asks that a guardian be appointed for Hugh Hammond, on the grounds that he is an absentee and a spendthrift. The petition for guardian is made because of the fact that they have jointly inherited property.

Under the absentee's act passed by the last general assembly, it is possible to ask for a guardian for one who has been absent for three months or longer. So far as is known, Hammond has been absent from this city for a great deal longer time. The absentee's act provides that where a petition is filed, notice shall be served on all of the relatives, of the alleged absentee, and also on the county attorney, who will appear to defend the absentee. The notice must be published four times before hearing. All of these provisions are being complied with by the applicant for guardian.

The additional grounds of being a spendthrift are also being added to the petition in this instance. Hammond formerly lived here but has left Keokuk and nothing has been heard from him directly for several years.

### WIFE BRINGS DIVORCE SUIT

Mabel F. Duffy Wants Marital Ties Dissolved—Petition Filed.

In a petition filed in the district court today, Mabel Duffy asks for divorce from J. R. Duffy on the grounds that he has become an habitual drunkard; that he has been guilty of cruelty to her; that he has called her vile names, implying infidelity; that he failed to provide her with medicine while she was ill and "leaving her at home evenings."

The Duffys were married February 20, 1915. Plaintiff wants a divorce and right to re-marry.

### SCHOOL BOARD MEETS TONIGHT

Session Will Commence Promptly at 7:30 O'clock—Special Business Comes Up.

There will be a special meeting of the board of education tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the office of the superintendent. This will be the last meeting of the board before school commences and several matters which are to come up in regard to the opening of school will be considered at this time.

One of the matters before the board is that of the request presented by H. R. Collins to allow a certain residence district west of the park to send their children to either Garfield or Torrence schools.

### AFTER TRAP SHOOTING BELT

Not Content With Winning Singles Championship, E. M. Troch, Washington Champ, Enters.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 23.—With the national trap shooting championship at single targets safely tucked away, E. M. Troch, state champion of Washington, today entered the same event at double targets which will be shot this afternoon. Troch broke 99 out of a possible 100 birds in annexing the title. E. B. Eaton, Missouri holder, was runner up, getting 98. M. H. Hootman, Ohio; Allen Hill, Pennsylvania, and C. B. Platt, New Jersey, with 97 each, were next in line.

C. G. Burmeister, Illinois champion, was off target and broke only eight of the clay birds.

U. S. Mexican Commission. WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—Meetings of the joint United States-Mexican commission to adjust border and other differences will begin as soon as the Mexican members can reach the United States. It was indicated at the state department today Interior Secretary Lane, Judge George Gray, of Delaware, and John R. Mitt, of New York, named for the commission last night, will be ready to take up their duties immediately, it is said.

Secretary Lansing was to confer with Mexican Ambassador Arredondo today to fix the time and place of meeting. A Jersey coast summer resort probably will be selected. The question of withdrawal of the American expedition from Mexico will be quickly disposed of, it is believed. In view of General Funston's opinion that withdrawal will not endanger the safety of the American border.

Ground to Pieces. DUBUQUE, Iowa, Aug. 23.—James Horner, of Potosi, Wis., was ground to pieces under a St. Paul train here today. Death was instantaneous. He stepped out of the way of one train into the path of another.

### BIG LECTURE COURSE HERE

Arrangements Completed for Bringing Famous Musicians and Speakers to Keokuk This Winter.

### IDA TARBELL IS COMING

Famous Woman Journalist Will Deliver Lecture—Widely Known for Writings in Magazines.

A big lyceum lecture course is to be held in Keokuk this year, under the auspices of the Y. W. C. A. and Y. M. C. A. It was announced this morning. Several well known musicians and speakers will be brought here for the entertainment and benefit of Keokuk. The affair is in charge of a committee, composed of the presidents and secretaries of the two associations, J. O. Boyd and Mrs. Winona E. Reeves.

Sarah Wilmer, the famous reader, will render the "Sign of the Cross," the famous selection, by which Wilson Barrett gained fame as an author. The Hampton court singers will give a musical program. There are five in this company, and it comes with the best of recommendations from all the cities where it has given entertainments.

The Lyceum Arts Conservatory orchestra of Chicago is composed of eight young women, students in Chicago. This orchestra is one of the best known in the middle west, and is famous for its beautiful interpretation of classical and modern music. The star member of the company is Miss Beulah Truitt, whose brother was a reporter on the Constitution-Democrat for a time last year.

Ida Tarbell to Speak. Ida M. Tarbell, however, is the name on the program, of greatest interest to Keokuk people. Known over the world as "America's greatest woman journalist," her articles in McClure's and the American magazines have had a tremendous influence in bringing about reforms and in stimulating popular interest in questions of social and political welfare. The degree of Doctor of Humanities, or L. H. D., as it is abbreviated, has been bestowed upon Miss Tarbell by the trustees of Allegheny and Knox colleges. She was associate editor of McClure's magazine from 1894 to 1907, and since that year has held a similar position with the American magazine.

The last number will be a demonstration of magic and sleight of hand tricks by the celebrated French magician, M. Mario. Three assistants will accompany him and aid in performing mysterious deeds.

Season tickets will cost \$2, but members of the two Christian associations will be permitted to buy tickets at a reduced rate. Single admission charges will be 50 cents for each performance except the Tarbell lecture, for which tickets will cost \$1.

### SIXTY CASES OF TYPHOID

Investigation of Epidemic at Elgin Shows More Patients Than Expected.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Aug. 23.—There are twenty cases of typhoid fever at Elgin in addition to the forty cases already reported. This information was contained in the preliminary report of Dr. E. S. Godfrey, state epidemiologist, to the state board of health today. Dr. Godfrey states it is his belief the cause of the outbreak lies in the water supply at the watch factory. State board officials were very reticent today as to whether the sanitary engineering force would be sent to Elgin against the protest of Dr. A. L. Mann, city physician of Elgin.

When asked when the sanitary force would be sent, the board officials declared the time was not for publication. It is believed, however, the force already is on its way to Elgin and will make its examination quietly without apprising the city authorities of its presence.

Dr. C. St. Clair Drake, secretary of the state board, got into communication by long distance telephone with the officials here today. Though the officials refused to make known his orders, it is expected he is sending more men to Elgin.

Drawn Into Machine. PERRY, Iowa, Aug. 23.—Charles Godfrey was thanking his luck today for being alive after having a narrow escape from death when his clothes caught in the shafting of a corn sheller and he was drawn into the machine. Prompt action by another member of the crew stopped the machine, but not before Godfrey's right leg was broken, the ankle dislocated and a bad gash cut in the left leg.

Seven Ribs Broken. PERRY, Iowa, Aug. 23.—J. Rohner, a wealthy farmer living south of here suffered seven broken ribs and minor injuries when the automobile in which he and three others were riding, got beyond control of the driver and overturned into a ditch Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Barrett and S. Garner were painfully bruised, but continued the trip home. Rohner is in the Kings Daughter hospital today.

Army Bill Passes Senate. WASHINGTON, Aug. 23.—The \$267,596,530 Army appropriation bill, which pays for Uncle Sam's increased land force, passed the senate today. The bill included the senate's original revision of the article of war which hadn't been changed for 100 years. In place of Representative Hayes' revision which exempted retired army officers from courtmartial and which made President Wilson veto the measure last week.

Senator Underwood's amendment providing that no one under twenty-one years should be allowed to enlist without consent of his parents was beaten, 25 to 23.



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