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C. T. BROWN
Cresco, Iowa

NOT because it is an honored custom, but because of the sincerity of our appreciation we take this opportunity to thank you for the part you have played in our business prosperity the past twelve months, and we wish you a good old Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

F. C. Woellstein.

A Stirring Play.

"Big money is not made because of the law, but in spite of it. It is made by men who can afford to hire big lawyers to show them how to break the law. I went to jail for something I did not do. When I came out the police wouldn't let me earn an honest living. Well, now I'm making more than a living dishonestly--and my lawyer is showing me how to do it." Such is the theme of "Within the Law," by Bayard Veiller. With this play the new "Eltinge's Forty-second Street" theatre was opened last night. It is not merely one of the most vivid and stirring, but without exception the most satisfying melodrama ever written. For it is more than a play of suspense and situation. It has a real and vital theme, and it proposes a question absolutely unanswerable under present conditions. No more entertaining and exciting play has ever been seen here. But over and above this essential qualification of any dramatic entertainment "Within the Law" is profoundly moving. For a melodrama to achieve the effect of making an audience feel deeply and actually perpetrate a little thinking is a feat for which the author really deserves all credit.

Moreover, he has drawn a fascinating character in the central figure. As a girl she is arrested and wrongfully convicted--railroaded, to be precise. She is given an extra severe sentence because the proprietor of the department store pays a personal visit to the court and impresses upon the judge the necessity of making her a warning to the others.

Before she goes to prison the employer offers to make things easier for her if she will give any information to help him put a stop to the thievery that is going on. To his indignant amazement she says: "Yes--pay the girls a living wage. How do you expect them to be honest on six dollars a week." I cannot think of any more affecting, pitiful scene in the modern drama than this one. It is superbly acted by Dorothy Leverne as the girl and others of equal ability. It is the scene to wring the heart and make the blood boil of even the most callous. "If you want to know the name of the person responsible for the thievery, I can think of nobody but Edward Gilder--yourself." It will be seen at the Cresco on Tuesday, Jan. 4, 1916.

Married in North Dakota.

Mrs. Lillian Bowers and Alfred Anderson, a son of Anthony Anderson, formerly of Cresco, were married on Dec. 16th at Williston, North Dakota. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson arrived Tuesday night from Williston, and expect to return to Williston in a couple of weeks to spend the winter. A host of friends join with us in wishing them happiness and prosperity in their new home in Montana, a local newspaper mentioning them as follows:

Alfred, John and Alice Anderson, of Williston, and Lillian Bowers of Cresco, Iowa, were visitors here Thursday and Friday of last week. The party looked over the reservation in search of a homestead and were so well pleased with the prospects of the country and the land surrounding that they decided to locate here and cast their lot with us. John Anderson and Lillian Bowers acquired a nice half-section of land and will commence their residence on it in the spring. --Wolf Point Herald, Montana.

Married.

Gordon Sanders surprised his many friends here by coming with a bride the other day.

The marriage took place Friday, Dec. 10th, 1915, in Austin, Minn. The bride, Jessie M. Bronner of Granger, Minn., is a stranger here, but that makes no difference to us, we extend hearty congratulations and a welcome just as heartily as if she were an old acquaintance.

It is needless to say anything about "Bud" Sanders as he is familiarly known here. Everybody knows him and likes him. We wish him and his bride a happy and prosperous life together.

They will make their home in Calmar which is the home end of Bud's run between here and Austin as railroad brakeman. --Calmar Courier.

New Feed Barn.

The Lenth barn first door east of the Strother House is all remodeled and ready for business as a feed barn. Livery in connection. Your patronage solicited.

EDDY & PORTER, Props.

Farm for Rent.

A good renter for a good farm with modern improvements, 2 1/2 miles south of Saratoga. E. H. BARTELS, 9th Elma, Iowa.

Scores Triumph in the East.

The many Cresco admirers of the theatrical talent possessed by Mrs. Winnifred Webster Timm will be pleased to learn that their appreciation has been proven to be not simply loyalty to one of their own girls, and that in her new home in New England she has succeeded in pleasing a highly critical audience in the leading role in "The Progress of Mrs. Alexander," presented by the "Women's College Club" at the Auditorium at Concord, N. H. Of the performance, one of Concord's daily newspapers makes mention as follows:

"There have been few larger audiences in the history of the Auditorium than that which assembled on Thursday evening for the play given by the Women's College Club, of Concord, N. H., and there has rarely been an audience better pleased.

"The performance was so good that it was hard to realize that it was the work of Concord players. Amateur theatrical productions, even the better ones, are frequently lacking in what would be considered essential on the professional stage, but it would have been hard for the most exacting critic to have found anything wanting on Thursday evening. The play went off smoothly as if it had been rehearsed under the direction of a Henry W. Savage or a David Belasco.

"Mrs. Timm, as the name part, scored a pronounced personal triumph in a role that was most difficult and that might easily have been spoiled. Her interpretation of the character may well be reckoned among the good things that the Concord stage has seen."

A Novel Along New Lines.

"The Winning of the Valley," a novel by David Taylor Robertson. --Roxburgh Publishing Company (Inc.) Boston, Mass:

The author has written a strong story in which is set forth life in the cattle camps of the Colorado country in the early day. The reader of the story is allowed the privilege of using his own imagination as to description of the leading characters. The story is not burdened with a great amount of material which is usually passed over. If the reader prefers black, blue or grey eyes, he can suit himself. As to size, form and dress of the men and women who stand out in the story, you can please your own ideal. Some would criticize the story for failure to describe people and places, but to us here lies its charm.

The Garvin-Flinn Wedding

The marriage of Miss Mary R. Flinn and Charles J. Garvin took place at high noon Saturday, Dec. 18th at the office of W. L. Barker, the justice officiating. The attending witnesses were W. J. and Albert Walker. The bride was gowned in blue messaline with white lace with traveling coat and hat of black. The bride is the eldest daughter of John Flinn, of Oak Dale Twp. and has kept house for her father and brothers since the death of her mother. Charles Garvin, the groom, is the eldest son of John Garvin, formerly of Muscatine county and is a graduate of the Muscatine public schools and is a young man of sterling worth. The young couple left on the afternoon train for the south where they will spend the winter.

Married at Austin.

On Monday, Dec. 13, 1915, John J. Kubicek and Miss Mary Bolger were united in marriage at Austin, Minn.

The groom is the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kubicek, and the bride is the only daughter of Mrs. W. Bolger, of Cresco.

The bride was attired in a gown of white satin and carried a large, beautiful bouquet of white roses, while the groom wore the conventional black.

The bride was attended by Agnes Kubicek, sister of the groom, and Miss John Peacock, wife and babe, of Pocahontas, Iowa, have been visiting at the Wm. Birtwistle home since last Thursday.

Mary Foster who wore gowns of pink and blue silk messaline and carried bouquets of pink carnations.

The groom was attended by his brother, Frank Kubicek, and Charles Ranc.

The happy couple and attendants arrived at Cresco, Tuesday noon, and retired to the home of the groom's parents where a bountiful dinner was served to only a few relatives and intimate friends. All enjoyed a good time and departed at a late hour wishing Mr. and Mrs. Kubicek a long and happy married life. A FRIEND.

Alumni Banquet Tuesday, Dec. 28th

The first general Alumni banquet to be held in years is planned for Tuesday, Dec. 28th at 8 o'clock in the basement of the Cresco Opera House. It is urged that every Alumnus be there and bring wife or husband, best girl or best fellow even if he or she is not numbered among the Alumni.

It is the intention of the committee to have a toast program, to have stunts by the different classes and at the close an informal dance. This is an opportunity to meet your old friends. It comes at the time of year when you wish to meet them. Come and help make this a permanent organization. A short business meeting should be held to adopt constitution and by-laws. Remember the date, Tuesday, Dec. 28 at 8 o'clock. It may be that some did not receive invitations. Do not get provoked, but come any way. Let Rufus Culver know how many places you wish reserved as soon as possible.

The members of the committee are Rufus Culver, Reuben Moen, Mrs. C. W. Reed, Bess Davis and W. H. Tillson.

Many Indicted at Ottumwa.

Ottumwa, Ia., Dec. 19. The grand jury here has returned indictments against fifty-five men, including nearly every cigar store, drug store and pool hall owner in the city, on charges ranging from bootlegging to gambling by means of punch boards and slot machines.

The indictments are the result of an investigation conducted by G. A. Brunson and J. A. Risden, two of Attorney General Cosson's agents. Evidence secured by these agents in a six weeks campaign was laid before the grand jury. The latter returned forty-two indictments, some of them blanketed to cover a number of the defendants. Sheriff Cremer and his deputies spent a whole day in arresting the accused ones.

Bring in Your Logs.

I will have my saw rig set up at my place ready for spring sawing. Bring in your logs any time. 174 Frank Rink.

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BAKING POWDER
Absolutely Pure
Made from Cream of Tartar
NO ALUM NO PHOSPHATE

Methodist Notes.

This is Christmas week, the busiest, happiest week of the year; let us not forget why it is so. We wish you all a Merry Christmas. Next Sunday the pastor will preach at the 10:30 hour on the theme, "The Gift of a Son." The Sunday School will meet at the close of this service. The last Sunday School session of the year 1915. Let every scholar be present. The Epworth League will hold its devotional meeting at 6:45. You are invited.

At 7:30 there will be a Union service in the Congregational Church as a farewell service to Dr. Robertson, his last service as pastor in our community.

Friday evening the Sunday School will render a Christmas program with a Christmas tree. All are invited. Don't forget the "White Gifts," bring or send them, by some one or by mail to the pastor.

Baptist Church.

The usual services will be held next Sunday morning. Subject for the morning sermon, "Taking Stock or Locating Ourselves."

In the evening we will join in a union meeting at the Congregational Church, on the occasion of Dr. Robertson's farewell service.

Bible school and B. Y. P. U. meet at regular hour.

On Friday evening the Sunday School will have a Christmas tree at which time a program will be rendered.

Come and your children speak and enjoy a treat with them.
J. A. PETTIT, Pastor.

Congregational Church.

At 10:30 a. m., the pastor will preach his farewell sermon.

At 7:30 p. m., there will be held a Union fellowship service with short addresses by Revs. Kerwin and Pettit and a more extended address by Dr. Robertson as a farewell to the City and its people. All welcome.

For Sale.

Red Polled Bulls, one yearling and one four-year-old, good ones. Also, some Poland China Boars left. 161f H. A. WOHLSDORF, Cresco, Ia.

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Your liberal support is very encouraging and spurs us on to stand firm for Quality and Price.

We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Very truly yours,

MOTT & CO.