



CAL STEWART
THE MAN WHO MADE
MILLIONS LAUGH
**"UNCLE
JOSH"**
WILL BE AT
**The "Cresco"
Opera House**
March 9th

AND AT

CLEMMERS PHONOGRAPH SHOP

In the Afternoon to meet you. Call and see him and talk with him and hear his records. All his newest records obtainable at **Double Face 65c**

**Charles Breckenridge
STOCK COMPANY
OPERA HOUSE ALL THE WEEK**

**FRIDAY NIGHT
"He Came From Virginia"
SATURDAY NIGHT
"AN INDIAN'S LOVE"
SATURDAY MATINEE
"For Humanity's Sake"**
HIGH CLASS VAUDEVILLE—OUR OWN ORCHESTRA
Night Prices—15c, 25c and 35c. Matinee—10c and 20c
Seats on sale at Lomas' Drug Store

**BLOW STAGGERS
LIQUOR DEALERS**

**House Passes Bill Prohibiting
Shipments.**

AFFECTS THIRD OF NATION

**Measure Establishes Ironclad Barrier
Against Importation of Intoxi-
cants into Dry States.**

Washington, Feb. 23.—Absolute prohibition legislation took its longest forward stride in the nation's history when the house, after two hours of uproarious debate, approved by a four to one majority a senate measure which would raise an ironclad barrier against importation of liquor into prohibition states.
It is expected to receive the ap-

proval of President Wilson within a week, adding immediately to the "bone dry" territory about one-third of continental United States.
The provision is regarded as the most far-reaching that could be enacted by the federal government and as sweeping as would be possible under any method short of a nationwide prohibition amendment.
It would cut off entirely liquor importations, amounting now to millions of dollars annually, into the large number of states which have forbidden manufacture or sale but have permitted importation for personal use.
Advocates of prohibition divided among themselves over the expediency of the step, some friends of the cause declaring so drastic a law would have a reactionary effect.
In the same way those who have opposed prohibition were not unanimous.
A provision barring liquor advertisements from the mails in states that prohibit such advertising is included in the measure.
Her Excuse.
Her Horrified Mother—Maude, I should like to know why you allowed that presumptuous fellow to kiss you. The daughter—1-1-1 thought, mother, no one was looking.

Market Street Market. Phone 546.

Mrs. J. H. Hospodarsky was up from Ridgeway Saturday.

A plush robe found by John Miller awaits an owner at this office.

Mrs. Irene Bentley of Ossian was a business visitor in Cresco Monday.

Get your order in early at Martins' Market Street Market. Phone 546. 14tf

Rooms to rent over Al Hall's barber shop. Enquire of Al Hall. 25-tf

Rufus Culver, of Iowa City, was an over Sunday visitor at home.

For Bargains in town dwelling, see Andrew Smith, Cresco, Iowa. 29tf

N. A. Blackburn, Lawyer, office over Field's furniture store. Phone 455.

HOUSE FOR RENT—Enquire of 274 THEO. MARTIN, Cresco, Ia.

FOR RENT—The center apartment of the Maples. Enquire of G. L. GILL.

John Mertens left Monday on a business trip to Farmersburg and Elkader.

Wash ice delivered, ton and one-half, \$1.50. H. J. SALISBURY. Elma Toll 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Nichols left last Friday for an indefinite stay at Waterloo.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Shields left Saturday to spend a few days in Minneapolis.

Mrs. Kathryn Hoy left yesterday for a visit with Mrs. Sonnkab at Postville, Iowa.

Miss Mary Reicks of Festina was a guest at the John Lefferink home last week.

Mrs. Jerusha White went to Lime Springs Tuesday for a visit with Mrs. Buck.

Miss Elizabeth Byrnes was up from Decorah for an over Sunday visit at home.

Mrs. Everett Phillips and babe visited in Lime Springs, Wednesday, between trains.

Theo. Shimek, from near Lime Springs, was in Cresco on business last Saturday.

Mrs. Ray Glass and little daughter left Tuesday for a visit with relatives in Austin.

Bern, to Mr. and Mrs. John Nolan, a little girl, Sunday morning, weight nine pounds.

Mrs. A. J. Brekke and Miss Olea Bergan of Ridgeway were Cresco visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Leslie Mitchell went to Elma, Tuesday for a visit with her sister, Mrs. Leo Biber.

Mr. Bratner and daughter Mrs. Verna Schultz were down from Lime Springs Monday.

BORN—On Tuesday, February 27th, to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bateman, a 12-lb. soldier boy.

S. S. Culver was a business visitor at McGregor and Prairie du Chien, the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rakow went to Austin, yesterday, for a visit with their son Will and wife.

Billy Bickford and Virgil Wheeler left Wednesday for an indefinite stay at Waterloo, Iowa.

Wednesday was a busy day in the horse market; over seventy-five head were bought by the different buyers for shipment to the various markets.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Ostlie, who have been visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Brandt, returned Saturday to their home at Clermont, Ia.

LOST—A pocket book containing quite a sum of money. Reward for its return to this office.

Mrs. Dr. Will Plummer and Mrs. Lloyd Horton were down from Lime Springs last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Crawford went to Le Roy, yesterday, for a visit at the Frank Fuller home.

John Kelley of Decorah visited the latter part of last week with his sister, Mrs. Nellie Clark.

Miss Margaret Clark left last Saturday for Belmont, Ia., to visit her sister, Mrs. J. N. Jensen.

LOST—A pair of gold frame nose glasses. Return to Clemmer's drug store and receive reward.

Miss Kate Cannon returned yesterday to her home at St. Paul, after a two weeks' visit at home.

Mrs. Guy Pollitt and daughter Vera returned Monday from a visit with relatives at Eagan, S. D.

Mrs. L. G. Fiske and little daughters went to Chester Saturday to visit her mother, Mrs. Thomas.

Miss Sarah McCaffery, of Spangler, Pa., is a guest at the home of her cousin, Mrs. Fred Thayer.

Arthur Smith, of Elliott, Iowa, was an over Sunday visitor with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Smith.

H. L. Hoopman of Chester visited at the home of his brother, G. J. Hoopman last Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. Dr. Allen and son Edward visited the latter part of last week at the R. J. Baker home in Ridgeway.

Miss Leone Lusk went to Lime Springs Saturday for an over Sunday visit with her sister, Rollo Jones.

F. G. Snow, of Kankakee, Ill., and H. H. Sanders, of Rudd, Ia., were business visitors in Cresco, yesterday.

C. Studer, who has been visiting at the Dan Kapler home, returned yesterday to his home at Benedict, Iowa.

Mrs. Frank Schneider went to Lime Springs Monday to spend the afternoon with her brother, John Kohla.

OPEN BARBER SHOP—Under Milz & Edminister Drug Co. Come in. 2842 L. R. KENNEDY, Prop.

FOR SALE—8-year-old mare in foal, weight 1400 lbs. ERNEST FLEISCHER. 27t5

FOR RENT—The James Krall 80-acre farm, in Saratoga twp. Good buildings. Cresco Union Savings Bank. 2t

Mrs. A. Kummer and babe, of Spring Valley, Minn., are guests at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Thuerk.

FARM FOR SALE—160-acre farm one mile south of Schley with all new buildings and fences. For price and terms, enquire of A. J. MIKESH, Protivin, Iowa. 27t3

GLAD TO HAVE YOU COME
to
Both Services Next Sunday at
10:30 and 7:30 at the
Congregational Church
The pastor will preach.
Special music under the direction of Mrs. J. P. Thomson, Director.

FOR SALE—Two second-hand Victrolas, nearly new, at a big reduction. 24tf CLEMMER'S PHONOGRAPH SHOP.

Mrs. H. Barrett of Chester was a guest at the home of her uncle, I. L. Eaton from Wednesday until Monday.

Mrs. A. E. Marsh of Lime Springs visited the latter part of last week with her daughter, Mrs. A. Marshall.

Mrs. Hugh G. Jones, Mrs. H. W. Owens and Mrs. R. W. Hughes, of Lime Springs, were Cresco callers, yesterday.

Mrs. F. A. Paul, of Lime Springs, spent the first of the week visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. F. D. Mead.

The John Walker family, who have been residents on the Upton farm, moved Monday to a farm northeast of Lime Springs.

FOR SALE—A Heinze piano and a Diabolo cream separator both nearly new. Call on Mrs. G. W. Morgan, 302 First East.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Colby and daughter Marjorie returned Monday to Lime Springs, after a week's visit with Cresco relatives.

Mrs. N. W. Porter and children, who have been spending the winter with her daughter at Watertown, S. D., returned Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Brandt and babe of Ft. Atkinson were guests last week at the home of the former's brother, John Brandt.

Mrs. Anton Riehle returned last Friday to her home at Ft. Atkinson, after visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ed Herold.

Mr. and Mrs. I. A. Courtney, of Le Roy, were guests at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Dr. Plummer, the first of the week.

Mrs. James Townsend of Canada, who has been visiting relatives at Ossian, was an over Sunday visitor with Mrs. Steve Taft.

O. A. Schall, the well known expert piano repairer and tuner will be in Cresco next week. Leave orders at the Strother House.

Frank Hunting of Fairmont, Minn., visited a few days last week with his mother, Mrs. Mary Hunting and brother Will and family.

Mrs. Carl Mohs and little sons, of Chester, have been guests the past week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. Timmerman.

Mrs. Owen McGruder arrived Sunday night from Minneapolis, called here on account of the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. John Ferrie.

Miss Minnie Grimm, who has been visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Dan Kapler, returned Wednesday to her home at Lime Springs.

Mrs. E. E. Griffith and little daughter came down from Lime Spring Wednesday for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Sanborn.

Miss Rosa Tillman and brother Hubert, who have been visiting at the John Lefferink home, returned Saturday to their home at Ft. Atkinson.

Jack McCormick and wife, who have been spending the past two months with Cresco relatives, left Monday night for their new home at Mason City, Ia.

Friends of Mrs. Ben Briery will be glad to learn that she is recovering nicely from an operation which she underwent at Mercy hospital the latter part of last week.

P. J. O'Brien, who has been blacksmithing in Cresco for the past year or so, concluded to return to farming and this week moved onto a farm out on a rural route from Decorah.

Albert Butz, of Hope, N. D., who was called to Ridgeway recently by the death of his mother, was a Cresco business visitor on Tuesday, making the Plain Dealer a pleasant call.

Mrs. Geo. Weist and little daughter returned Saturday to their home at Ft. Atkinson, after visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilde, and at the F. A. Miller home.

James McCourty of Acme, was a Cresco visitor on Tuesday, principally to see Dr. Jinderlee and have him remove a particle of chaff from his eye which was causing him considerable pain.

The annual election of officers of the W. O. L. C. I. A. will be held Monday, March 5th, at 3 o'clock p. m., in the basement of the Library. All ladies interested in the improvement of Oak Lawn cemetery are earnestly requested to be present.

Notice.
Notice is hereby given that the Trustees of Paris township will at their annual meeting the first Monday in April, 1917, let the road dragging of Paris township to the lowest responsible bidder. Meeting to be held in Lourdes at 1 o'clock.

P. W. NORTON,
Clerk Paris Twp.
27-8t

Seed Potatoes
Genuine Red River Ohios. For delivery in March. Order now and be sure of your seed. M. M. Graf. 13-t

**MAY PROVE
OVERT ACT**

Two Americans Perish on Laconia.

LIFEBOAT IS SWAMPED

Act Viewed as Serious Disregard of American Rights.

London, Feb. 27.—It has been definitely ascertained that two Americans were lost on the Laconia, according to the Daily Chronicle's Queenstown correspondent.

The names are variously given here as Mrs. and Miss Foy Simers and Miss Hoy and Mrs. and Miss Hays of Chicago.

The Queenstown dispatch says that Mrs. and Miss Hoy were drowned by the swamping of a boat.

The dispatch says that many survivors suffered severely from exposure.

All hospitals and hotels in Queenstown were prepared for the reception of the survivors and plenty of warm food, clothing and beds were available when they arrived.

VICTIMS ARE FROM CHICAGO

Wife and Daughter of Physician Lose Their Lives.

Chicago, Feb. 27.—Mrs. Mary E. Hoy, who, with her daughter, Miss Elizabeth, are thought to have been lost when the steamer Laconia was torpedoed, is the wife of Dr. Albert S. Hoy. Dr. Hoy and his son Austin are in London, where the son is a representative of a manufacturing company.

Dr. Hoy and his wife lived in Chicago for many years.

Dr. and Mrs. Hoy came here twelve years ago from Racine, Wis. Their daughter is about twenty-five years of age.

SERIOUS DISREGARD OF AMERICAN RIGHTS

Washington, Feb. 27.—The sinking of the big Cunarder Laconia, apparently without warning and with twenty-six Americans on board, loomed up as the most serious disregard of American rights since the ruthless German submarine campaign began. Government officials here made no attempt to conceal their concern.

Consul Frost at Queenstown reported to the state department the sinking of the vessel and the loss of one life, but gave no details.

Officials pointed out that, while final reports may show that no American lives were lost, the fact will remain that the twenty-six Americans on board were illegally assaulted on a peaceful mission and escaped death only by good fortune.

The United States is concerned in the sinking of the Laconia also because a large amount of official diplomatic mail was lost.

READY TO MEET ATTACKS

Germans Said to Be Abandoning Weak Positions.

Washington, Feb. 27.—"The German general staff is preparing for a gigantic allied offensive. They undoubtedly expect it to be launched in the next few weeks, just as soon as spring opens.

"In preparing for the offensive they are tightening up every possible gap in the lines, drawing in all forces which have been holding exposed positions and concentrating tremendous forces at vital points. This is the explanation of the occupation by the British of Serre, Miraumont and other points."

This statement was made by an American military expert of national reputation.

ENGLAND'S NEW LOAN IS \$7,564,750,000.

London, Feb. 27.—England's "win the war" loan subscriptions totalled £1,312,950,000 (approximately \$7,564,750,000) of new money, Chancellor of the Exchequer Bonar Law announced in the house of commons.

French Greet American Ship.

Paullac, France, Feb. 27.—The entrance of the Orleans, one of the first United States ships to sail for Europe since Count von Bernstorff was sent home, into the Gironde Estuary, was a triumphal one. The American vessel was saluted by the whistles of other craft and the dipping of their flags as she cast anchor.



CAL STEWART
The Man Who Made Millions Laugh
The "Uncle Josh" of Victor Fame

NOT A PICTURE, BUT
CAL STEWART
HIMSELF, WILL APPEAR AT THE

**Opera House on
Friday, March 9th**

Come in and hear him on the Victrola.
We have his records in stock

"Uncle Josh" will make his Headquarters at

Kellogg & Son's Music Store

while in the city. Come in and meet him on Friday, March 9th