

# WILLMAR OPERA HOUSE, TUESDAY, MARCH 6th

**MATINEE AND EVENING**
**Manager Crosby announces engagement extraordinary of the entrancing Frohman film production of Augustus Thomas**
**THE MERRILL**  
**Milwaukee's Photo Palace**

 American Maid Film Co.,  
 451-452 Loeb Arcade,  
 Minneapolis, Minn.  
 Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 17, 1917.

 Gentlemen:  
 Replying to your favor of the 16th inst: Would like to say that it gives me great pleasure to state that in my opinion "The Witching Hour" is one of the greatest plays that I have ever seen. It is a picture that is full of tense gripping scenes and one that will hold the attention of the audience from start to finish. The acting, the scenes, the photography are all noteworthy, as they are superb.

As to the drawing power of this attraction, will say that we did a tremendous business the four days that we showed it, in spite of the weather being below zero last Sunday we held them out from 2 o'clock in the afternoon until about 10 o'clock that night. The balance of the engagement we did a capacity business and held them out on the last night of the performance.

Personally I cannot say too much for the "Witching Hour" and I can conscientiously recommend it to any exhibitor as a picture he should book if he is after the best obtainable.

 Yours very truly,  
 E. C. BOSTICK, Manager.

## "THE WITCHING HOUR"

**A STRANGE, SWEET STORY OF 1000 THRILLS**  
**Featuring C. Aubrey Smith, Marie Shotwell and Helen Arnold**
**YOU'LL SEE—**

 No nude women.  
 No capering of voluptuous vampires.  
 No maiden's virtue imperilled or soul sold.  
 No act or scene to cause a shrug or bring a blush.  
 No smoke of New Jersey battle—no field of carnage.  
 No loose-tipped allusion to the sacred subject of childbirth.

**BUT YOU WILL SEE**
**THE SCREEN'S TENSEST TRIUMPH**

Mr. Thomas has created in this drama a marvelously convincing illustration of the power of one mind over another, and has made use of a political situation in Kentucky, dovetailed into a plot of his own weaving, in portraying it. A young man has slain a companion because he has driven him to frenzy by the torment of compelling him to continually gaze upon a certain stone for which the young man has an hereditary aversion. Upon this situation the author brings to bear the theory of telepathy—friends influencing "the powers" for the prisoner; but the scales of justice are finally tipped and the boy given his freedom because a dainty Southern woman, long ago, loved the delicate odor of mignonette, and—a silver haired justice of the Supreme Court remembered.

 If you ever read the book you have not forgotten it.  
 If you have ever seen the play you have not forgotten it.  
 If you ever see the picture you never will forget it.  
 The film that makes you feel that you got more than your money's worth. If you don't see another picture this year, see this one and if you are disappointed get your money back.

**Adults 25 cents, Children 15 cents**

### CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

 Council Chambers, City Hall Building,  
 Willmar, Minnesota, Feb. 26, 1917.  
 Regular meeting of the City Council, Mayor Wellin called the meeting to order.

 The following members of the Council were present: Mayor Wellin, Aldermen Olson, Martin, Millard, Rasmussen, Norman and Erickson. 7 absent: Aldermen Johnson and Sperry. 2.  
 City Attorney Stanford was also present.

The minutes of the regular meeting held February 12, 1917, and of adjourned meetings held on February 13th, 1917, were read and the same were approved.

On motion, the Mayor was requested to appoint a Committee from the Council to confer with the Water &amp; Light Commission about reducing the light rate, and the Finance Committee was appointed as such committee, also the Mayor.

A communication from Dr. Rains, Health Officer, was presented and read about general sanitary conditions in the city, and he recommended that the City purchase a tract of land for "dump ground." The communication was ordered placed on file.

 The following bills were, on motion referred to the Finance Committee:  
 Northwestern Telephone Ex. Co., phone rent for one mo. \$ 2.50  
 Tri-State Tel. Co., phone calls 3.00  
 Police Dept., 3.00  
 Peterson and Sattergren, cash advanced for freight on fire hose, 4.00  
 J. A. Rowat, engineering w/k Peterson & Wellin, mds., 1.20  
 Aug. Sundling, labor sewers, 1.60  
 S. A. Rasmussen, sleigh made for hauling fire hose and repairs, and painting street signs, 2 bills, 38.15  
 Walter S. Booth & Son, election supplies, 2.50  
 Security Blank Book, Prig. Co., report blanks for Clerk of Municipal Court, 9.57

**WATER & LIGHT FUND.**  
 General Electric Co., trans- formers, 128.70  
 Hersey Mfg. Co., mds., 2.10  
 Warren Webster Co., mds., 15.19  
 Western Electric Co., mds., 3.00  
 National Meter Co., mds., 2.50  
 Wm. Bros. Mfg. Co., mds., 2.50  
 The Improvement Bulletin, Mpls., advertising bids for drilling well, 8.11  
 J. W. Higgins, Co., staples, 28.20  
 J. W. L. Dept., 3.30  
 J. H. Chard Lab. Co., cement, 15.42  
 J. A. Rowat, specifications, etc., for new well, 18.96  
 S. A. Rasmussen, repairs and supplies, .85  
 L. Fridlund, cash advanced for freight, express, post- age, etc., 23.81  
 Standard Lbr. Co., coal, 1,356.43  
 Standard Lbr. Co., cement, 31.90

**POOR FUND.**  
 Peterson & Wellin, mds. for poor, 8.45  
 Peterson & Wellin, mds. for poor, 5.00

**STREET FUND.**  
 The Finance Committee reported the foregoing bills approved and the report was accepted.

Alderman Erickson offered the following resolution which was unanimously adopted:

**RESOLUTION.**  
 Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Willmar that the City Clerk be and he hereby is authorized to issue warrants against the respective funds in payment of the foregoing approved bills.

 Approved February 26, 1917.  
 E. C. WELLIN, Mayor.

On motion the Council proceeded to consider bids for drilling well, as advertised.

Sealed bids of Matt Holland, Cannon Falls, Minn.; T. A. Tierney, Atwater, Minn., and McCarthy Well Co., St. Paul, Minn., were opened and read.

The bid of McCarthy Well Co., offering to put down the eight (8) inch well, including drilling, furnishing and test as per the specifications, for the sum of \$535 per lineal foot; each and every foot below the specified depth of 300 feet, as per specifications, for the sum of \$3.00 per lineal foot; for 8 inch strainer, "Cook" or "Johnson" make, as per specifications, for the sum of \$18.00 per lineal foot; for extra tests, per hour of acter test \$2.50; and for connections as shown on sketch and included in the specifications, with the exception of rigging, for the lump sum of \$200. The lowest bid was accepted.

Alderman Erickson presented the following resolution which was adopted by the following vote: "Ayes," 6; "Noes," none.

**RESOLUTION.**  
 Resolved, That the bid of McCarthy

Well Co. for drilling an eight inch well in the street outside of the Pumping Station in the City of Willmar, including the furnishing of all materials, supplies and labor necessary to complete said well, all in accordance with specifications therefor, be, and the same is hereby accepted, and the Mayor and City Clerk be, and they are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with said McCarthy Well Co. for drilling said well.

 Approved February 26, 1917.  
 E. C. WELLIN, Mayor.

McCarthy Well Company's contract bond was fixed in the sum of \$2,000. Alderman Rasmussen introduced the following resolution which was adopted by the following vote: "Ayes," 6; "Noes," none.

**RESOLUTION.**  
 Resolved, By the City Council of the City of Willmar, that in order to equip the Fire Department with efficient fire-fighting apparatus, it is necessary and expedient that the City purchase one triple combination, six cylinder, 70 horse power, automobile fire truck equipped with a pumping engine, chemical and with all necessary equipment and appurtenances.

 Approved February 26, 1917.  
 E. C. WELLIN, Mayor.

Chief Selvig of the Fire Department reported the estimated cost of such an auto fire truck at approximately Five Thousand (\$5,000) Dollars. Alderman Rasmussen offered the following resolution which was unanimously adopted:

**RESOLUTION.**  
 Resolved, That the specifications for the triple combination automobile fire truck prepared and presented to the City Council by the Fire Department, and now on file with the City Clerk, be and the same is hereby adopted as the specifications for said fire truck.

Resolved, Further, That the City Clerk, be and he is hereby instructed to advertise for bids for said fire truck, the same to be opened on the 28th day of March, 1917, at 8 o'clock p. m.

 Approved February 26, 1917.  
 E. C. WELLIN, Mayor.

Requisitions for supplies from the Water &amp; Light Dept. were presented and the Clerk was, on motion, instructed to order same.

 On motion the Council adjourned.  
 E. C. WELLIN, Mayor.

**RAYMOND NEWS**  
 Feb. 23.  
 Anton Thissen was a Willmar visitor last Friday.

Miss Alma Marquart was to Willmar Tuesday.

C. C. Reed returned from a business trip to Willmar last Friday.

J. H. Hamer visited business at the county seat Tuesday.

Benjamin Boersma came down from Willmar Tuesday, for a visit with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Flint accompanied by Frank Rademacher were passengers to Willmar Monday.

A baby girl arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. Topher, Tuesday, Feb. 20.

Mr. and Mrs. Tjark Ennenga on Monday, Feb. 19.

The directors of the First National Bank have awarded the contract to J. H. Olsen of Willmar for the remodeling of the south half of what is known as the McKinley block now occupied by E. E. Mankia as a restaurant.

Extensive improvements will be made both inside and out of the building, and when completed will be occupied by the bank.

The work will commence about March 1st.

**Junior Endeavors.**  
 The Junior Endeavors of the Presbyterian church will give a program and social in the church on Friday evening March 2, at 7:30. Everyone is invited to attend. Admission 10c.

 Following is the program:  
 Piano duet ..... Lylah Eckwall  
 Rec. .... Albert Taylor  
 Rec. .... Marian Danielson  
 Piano duet ..... Lois DeHant  
 Rec. .... Helen Peterson  
 Rec. .... Caroline Scott  
 Piano solo ..... Dorothy Scott  
 Rec. .... Dorothy Scott  
 Song ..... Dorothy Scott  
 Rec. .... Quentin MacDonald  
 Song ..... Eight Girls

Geologists say that Australia is one of the oldest existing lands.

The Sahara desert has an area of about 3,500,000 square miles.

Notice to Railroad Men: We sell the Pioneer Metal Grip, \$3.75, \$3.95, \$4.00 and \$4.35.

**HOAGLUND & DIFFENDORF**

### LOCAL AND PERSONAL

 Dr. Albert W. Odell, Dentist, Metropolitan Bldg. Phone 47.—Adv.  
 Dr. H. F. Porter, Dentistry, Carlson Block.—Adv.  
 Dr. C. E. Gerretson, Dentist, Loney Block. Telephone 199.—Adv.

 When you want (Candy) Kisses, go to the Boston Candy Kitchen.—Adv.  
 Mrs. Jane McDonald, private nurse. Phone 622; residence 514 4th St. S.—Adv.

 Get the DeLaval cream separator from Onaberg, Selvig & Co. Hardware Store.—Adv.  
 E. E. Smith of Sioux Falls, S. D., was the guest of friends in this city a few days last week.

 Tim Norling accompanied the high school basketball team to Benson last Saturday afternoon.  
 Edmund Curran came up from St. Paul Sunday to spend three weeks visiting with his parents in this city.

**SYVER IVERSON—Job printing, mail orders a specialty.** 311 Third St. City.—Adv. Feb. 7-1 mo.  
 Miss Tilda Eckwall of Murdock spent a few days last week visiting with her brother, Chas. and family in this city.

 Get the DeLaval cream separator from Onaberg, Selvig & Co. Hardware Store.—Adv.  
 Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Anderson went to Minneapolis last Thursday where the former attended the state dental convention.

Learn Telegraphy—Salaries \$72.50 to \$125. More calls than we can fill. Can earn board. Write for catalogue, Bar-ry's Telegraph Institute, N25, Minneapolis, Minn.—Adv. 11-18-101

Learn dressmaking and ladies' tailoring. Terms, six weeks to three months. Write Miss Mathilda Johnson, 198 E. Litchfield Ave., Willmar, Minn.

A woman worries until she gets wrinkles, then she worries because she has them. Every woman should take Hoidt's Skin Cream. It improves your looks. Bright eyes, complexion help a woman wonderfully.—Carlson Bros.

**MAJESTIC THEATRE.**  
 William Farnum Thursday.  
 On Thursday at this theatre, William Farnum will be started in one of his best pictures, "The End of the Trail." This is one of those stirring tales of the great north woods, giving this great actor all the opportunity he desires to show his marked dramatic acting.

 Douglas Fairbanks Friday.  
 Probably the most popular movie actor appearing in this city is Douglas Fairbanks and his appearance in "The Lamb" on Friday is eagerly awaited by his admirers. In the title role of "The Lamb" Fairbanks is ex- posed to the western wilds by the cold- ness of his sweetheart. He is more than a match for his Indian foes, and emerges from the struggle with credit to his red blooded Americanism. Of course, on his return to civilization, his sweetheart changes her mind, and says "Yes."

 Mrs. Vernon Castle.  
 Mrs. Vernon Castle, who a few years ago had the country at large agog over her dancing, is the star of the new serial, "Patricia," the first episode of which will be shown Saturday evening. She plays the part of Patricia Channing, an heiress to millions, and the largest munitions plant in the country. The story deals with her fight to save Amer- ica from its enemies. Each episode is filled with plenty of thrills, such as Patricia diving from the height of a steamer's deck and making her escape; a race for a crossing between an auto and a train.

 Alice Brady Wednesday.  
 On Wednesday of next week, Alice Brady is starred in the World picture, "The Hungry Heart." It is a society drama of more than ordinary interest.

**Bids Wanted For Automobile Fire Truck.**  
 Sealed bids will be received by the City Council of the City of Willmar, Minnesota, up to the hour of 8 o'clock p. m. March 28th, 1917, for furnishing one triple combination, six cylinder, 70 horse power, automobile fire truck, equipped with a pumping engine, chemical and with all necessary equipment and appurtenances.

Said bids to state price for fire truck complete f. o. b. Willmar, Minn. Specifications of said truck and equipment may be seen at the office of the City Clerk of Willmar.

All bids must be sealed, addressed to the City Council and marked "Bids for Automobile Fire Truck," and must be accompanied by a certified check, payable to the City Treasurer of Willmar, for at least ten per cent of the amount of bid.

 The Council reserves the right to reject any or all bids.  
 Dated Willmar, Minn., Feb. 27, 1917.  
**HANS GUNDERSON,**  
 City Clerk.

Have you brought up your storage batteries yet? If not, get busy. Hed- in and Erickson.—Adv.

 You must get your Stetson hat here if you want the new spring styles.  
**HOAGLUND & DIFFENDORF**

Want the best of everything elec- trical? We have it for you. Hedlin and Erickson.—Adv.

### LAKE LILLIAN.

Lake Lillian, Feb. 24.—Albert Wal- son of St. Cloud came last Tuesday for a short visit with relatives.

Arthur Eastman of Roseland made a business call here on Monday of last week.

The sale at the Ole Dundered place last Thursday was well attended and everything brought a good price. Col. C. H. Nelson of Olivia was the auc- tioneer, and he certainly did his duty.

Miss Helga Nelson spent the lat- ter part of the week at her home west of Svea. While there she also attend- ed the Johnson-Bouska wedding at the Johnson home on Thursday.

N. P. B. Nelson of Meeker county was seen here last week taking sub- scriptions for The Farmer at St. Paul. Lawrence Anderson and son, George, hauled hogs to Willmar Tuesday.

Miss Ruth Erickson returned home after a stay at the Peter Blomgren home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Julius served at their home the other Sunday at a farewell party given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Forsman who will soon leave for Willmar to make their future home.

Eddie Westling who has been visit- ing friends and relatives for the past two months received a telegram from his home at Inver, Alberta, Can- ada on Monday, informing him of the death of his father at that place. His father, Erick Westling is well known here. Eddie left once for his home to attend the funeral.

A number are at present busy haul- ing lumber from Willmar for a person- age to be erected at the Baptist church this spring.

Richard Julius was an Olivia visitor Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Erickson spent the week end with relatives at Will- mar.

Ole Nord reports that he will soon have the perpetual motion machine finished. It is twenty-four years and ten months since he thought of it the first time. But we understand he is a person that never gives up.

F. O. Berg and E. B. Borg became new subscribers to the Tribune last week. They say the Tribune is the only paper they need.

Alger and Walter Erickson assisted in hauling material from Willmar Sat- urday, for a silo which will be erected at the And. Hed place.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Borde were county seat visitors on Saturday.

A. O. Renstrom, Albert Lundgren, John Leberg, John O. Erickson, Ocar- lina, G. P. Erickson, A. G. Lund- dahl, Chas. Ostman, and Lars Erick- son paid the correspondent last week for the Tribune, in advance.

Raleigh Erickson returned Tuesday to his home at Willmar after a visit with his brother, Edner Erickson.

Services at the Fahln Baptist church next Sunday forenoon and eve- ning. Everybody cordially invited.

Em. Aspa made a call at several of his neighbors Friday.

Richard P. Johnson became a new subscriber to the Tribune last week. He subscribed for several years in ad- vance.

The correspondent spent the week end at Willmar.

Richard Rudbeck spent a few days at Willmar last week. He is busy buy- ing blooded horses and cattle and will start farming again.

Joseph Nelson and William Johnson made an important call at the county seat Friday.

Andrew Osberg of Canada left for a visit at Willmar. He visited here the past two weeks and will return to his home in Canada Friday.

Fred Berglund is expected to re- turn from Minneapolis in the near fu- ture to begin his work for a good crop of muskrats.

Joseph Nelson has rented the farm from William Johnson for the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Johnson and family of St. Paul are expected in the near future, and will start farming on the Charley Peterson place.

Mrs. C. F. Forsman made a call at the Chas. Nelson home Sunday.

Chas. Nelson is planning on erecting buildings on his farm this spring and will let the contract to the lowest bid- der.

John Olson is the news carrier for carrying the Willmar Tribune to Ole Nord, because the latter is not a sub- scriber to the Tribune. Mr. Olson is to share part of the money which is offered to Mr. Nord and Peter Kop- man when they get the everlasting machine working. The other day they tried the machine and it worked slow- ly but they found a few ball bearings need to give it more speed. It was also found that too much oil had been used on the floor of the kitchen at the Nord place.

"Bilkins says his wife is painfully literal."

"She must be if she was that way when he told me she went at him hammer and tongs."—Baltimore American.

### DOVRE.

Dovre, Feb. 27.—Mr. Albin Bjork and son, Clarence visited at the Peter Ol- son home Wednesday evening.

Elmer Ottersen called at his par- ental home Thursday.

Peder Sletten arrived home on Thursday after spending some time in Duluth.

Alma Syvertson visited with friends at Willmar last Wednesday and Thursday.

Mable Lind visited at the John Ot- tersen home on Saturday afternoon.

Manda Netland is at present assist- ing at the Bethesda Homes.

Quite a few around here attended the auction sale on the Johnson farm east of Willmar.

Mrs. Olaf Birkeland and son Roy visited at the Elgeros home Satur- day.

Joseph Ottersen called at the Albin Bjork home Thursday.

Thorvald Rykken visited at the John Syvertson home last Tuesday and Wednesday.

Miss Mabel Lind visited at the Mar- cus Sanderson home from Tuesday until Wednesday.

The Equity Society which was held in Dist. 76 was very well attended.

Mrs. Louise Birkeland visited at the Elgeros home on Saturday.

Mrs. John Syvertson, Mrs. Agaton Dokken, Mrs. John Ottersen, and Mrs. Peter Olson, helped Mrs. Ole Tveit celebrate her birthday Thurs- day, Feb. 22.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Holland and son, Albert, George Olson, George Otter- sen, and Mabel Lind visited at Albin Bjork's home Sunday afternoon.

Joseph and Gertrude Alvig were Sun- day visitors at Agaton Dokken's.

Miss Mabel McKintie, Sophie Con- rad, Helmer Hanson spent Sunday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Olson.

A shower was given at Gilbert Pet- ersen's Sunday afternoon in honor of Miss Ollie Peterson, a bride of this month.

County examinations were held in Dist. 97 last Tuesday and the follow- ing took the exams: Jennie Storie, Stella and Ruby Sande, Lillie, Laura, Daggy and Palmer Thorson, Dora and Conrad Hanson, Alice Jacobson, Sofie and Hilde Trygstad and Jennie and Alice Jones.

Mr. H. C. Hanson and son, Helmer, were guests of Mrs. H. J. Dragt.

We expect some new improvements in Hawick soon. Hawick surely needs them.

Our lumber and elevator men, Ar- thur and Jenks are to leave us and we wish them success in their new lo- cation.

H. C. Hanson had the misfortune of scratching his hand while out to- boggan sliding at Nedol Nelson's place last Sunday and Walter Olson sprain- ed his ankle at the same place while trying the experiment of using skis.

Mrs. Walter Olson is on the sick list, but we hope for a speedy recov- ery.

**Card of Thanks.**  
 We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to all who so kindly assisted us during the illness and after the death of our beloved father, the late Augustus Thomas. We are grateful for the sympathy shown us and for the beau- tiful flowers donated by the East Sal- em Ladies' Aid, from neighbors and other friends including those from Willmar.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Erickson, Mrs. and Mrs. Richard Holmgren, Edla Holmgren.

**Eagle Lake Ladies' Aid.**  
 The Eagle Lake Ladies' Aid will have their next meeting at home of Mrs. Ella Anderson, Friday afternoon, March 9th. Ladies please bring cake and sandwiches. Everybody welcome.

Want the best of everything elec- trical? We have it for you. Hedlin and Erickson.—Adv.

### FAHLUN.

Fahln, February 26.—Mr. and Mrs. John D. Johnson of Roseland were vis- itors here the latter part of the week.

Miss Edith Lindblad has been as- sisting Mrs. John Swanson with the housework.

Albert Lundquist of Whitefield, agent for the Playford Cement State Silo, called on a few farmers here last Tuesday.

Holm Bros. of Kandiyohi were seen in this vicinity last Friday, selling Panel silos to the farmers.

Oscar Lindblad was busy sawing wood for C. Christianson Friday and Saturday.

Russell Strandberg spent a few days last week visiting with friends in Willmar.

Miss Ellen Blomgren and Miss Ruth Erickson of Lake Lillian called at the Albin Fred home Monday evening.

Mrs. Louis Strandberg visited at her parental home near Svea Friday.

A few of the young folks called at the David Carlson home Monday eve- ning.

Arthur Fred of Willmar spent a few days here last week.

Nels Thellin's entertained a few relatives Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Lindblad of Roseland were the victims of a happy surprise given in their honor at the John Swanson home Tuesday after- noon. Mr. and Mrs. Lindblad will leave in a short time for Willmar where they will make their future home.

C. Christianson called at the J. A. Young home Sunday evening.

Mr. LaGrippe is a frequent visitor in this neighborhood. Anyway no- body bids him welcome.

It is rumored that the Minneapolis Gun Club will erect a clubhouse near the Kandiyohi lake the coming sea- son.

A number of the farmers attended the Wm. Johnson sale near Willmar Saturday.

Don't forget the oyster supper and program at the Baptist church Wed- nesday evening, February 28.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Franzen is reported to be seriously ill.

Miss Anna Linman has been on the sick list for a few days but is some- what improved at this writing.

John Lindblad and children of Roseland are visiting at the J. R. Soder- berg home.

H. Lundeen and R. Strandberg took in the Svea Farmers' Club meeting Friday evening. They report that it was the best meeting that they ever attended. We don't wonder.

Albert Johnson and family spent Sunday with friends near Roseland.

Fahln will be represented by ye scriber for a short time only. We will be unable to write in the future, as we will be busy somewhere else in Minnesota.

**ROSELAND.**  
 Roseland, Feb. 26.—Miss Grace Zul- dema spent the weekend at the home of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. William Van Buren at Raymond.