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APPEARS IN FEW CLOTHES

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FLASHED ON SCREEN LABELS
EACH AS PRESENTED.

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—(Special.)—Ger-
trude Hoffman, whose art has in past
times invited the close attention of the
police, deserted "Salome" today and pro-
duced at Hammerstein's an East Indian
dance, "Rahda," for which she freely
gives credit to Ruth St. Denis.

Miss Hoffman's costume differs from
that which attracted attention to her
Salome, but it would be hard to say
that it had gained in amount. It consisted
of a golden yellow skirt and a pair of brief
tights of the same material.

Rahda, it seems, is a top-lofty Hindoo
delti, the wife of Kristina, in fact, and
Miss Hoffman makes her first appearance
squatting on an altar, while worshippers
bring her offerings of fire and wood.
Moved by them she slowly comes to life
and in pantomime teaches the lesson that
all sensual pleasures must give way to
the divine.

Represents Five Senses.

She starts with the dance of the five
senses with pearls for sight, tinkling
bells for hearing, flowers for smell, a bowl
of wine for taste and a kiss for touch.
One by one these are exhausted and the
dancer plucks a lotus flower from her
bosom and passes back into introspective
trance from which she came.

It is only fair to say that much of this
information was gathered from signs
which were flashed upon a screen before
Miss Hoffman began to dance. Perhaps
the pantomime would have been plain
without that advance knowledge.

Miss Hoffman is aided by half a dozen
darkeys in white turbans and by an extra
sized orchestra and handsome scenery.
It would be difficult to describe her dan-
cing as beautiful. Picturesque might be
the more fitting word.

Peter, the monkey, is still a prime fa-
vorite. He first appears wearing more
clothes than Miss Hoffman and even when
he is ready for bed he shows less bare
skin than she.

BOY CONFESSES TO MURDER
COMMITTED LAST MARCH

Alleges Stepfather Attempted to Kill Him
and Declares Act Was in
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MOTOR HARVESTERS
AWAIT RACE SIGNAL

Entrants in Speedway Events
Sharpen Record Mowers, While
Experts Nurse Defects.

INDICATIONS POINT TO THROG

Attendance Speedometer Will
Register Influx of Spectators
From Every Direction.

Instead of a harvest of 400 acres of rich,
flowing grain to be reaped this fall on the
site of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway,
there probably will be the biggest har-
vest of records ever mowed down by auto
reapers. Nearly all day long yesterday
the five miles of white glistening track
was like an artery flowing with a torrent
of thundering machines and daring hu-
man life.

Fresh from the greatest factories of
this and other countries cars were put
through their tuning processes prepara-
tory to the speed battles to be waged
Thursday, Friday and Saturday. During
these three days this new Hooker race
course, the first of its rank to be con-
structed this side of Brooklands, will be
initiated and dedicated to the "God of
Speed."

Drivers Conduct Practice.

The entire racing world is rushing to
Indianapolis. The cars and drivers are
already here and, judging from the re-
sults of the first crude attempts to fathom
the powers of speed on the track, world's
records will fall by the wayside when the
signal is given Thursday.

Many auto club runs, from not only all
over Indiana but adjoining states, are as-
sured. Chicago leads the list. More than
400 rooms have been engaged by the in-
vaders from the Windy City. George
Dickson has planned a reception party of
motorists who will greet this party of
overland riders Wednesday night. They
will disband at the Circle. Every city in
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The confession was secured by George Brand, who three months after Carragher's death married the latter's widow. The only witness of the deed was Helze's younger brother, who has since died.

In his confession Helze declared that his stepfather, while drunk, attempted to kill him. He discharged the contents of a shotgun into Carragher's breast and then crushed his skull with an ax.

Helze has been arrested, and his trial has been set for Aug. 31.

FRIEND GOES; SO DOES CASH.

Pittsburg Detective Loses Valuable When Roommate at Hotel Disappears.

CHICAGO, Aug. 16.—Thomas D. Stewart, a former coal merchant of Pittsburg, and now the head of a private detective agency in that city, reported to the police here tonight the loss of money and jewelry to the value of \$500. Mr. Stewart came to Chicago Saturday night and registered at a downtown hotel. He had with him a man who gave the name of Frank Farrell. The detective and his companion took the same room at the hotel, and in the morning Farrell was gone and so was the jewelry and the money.

SPEND HONEYMOON ON FARM.

Former Representative Landis and Wife Will Not Visit Porto Rico.

LOGANSPOBT, Ind., Aug. 16.—Instead of going to Porto Rico or taking a long wedding trip, former Representative Fred Landis and wife are spending their honeymoon at the country home of the bridegroom's brother, two miles from Delphi. Landis has one of the most fertile farms and picturesque homes in the state. When Mr. and Mrs. Landis were married they left the city with the announcement that they would not return until Oct. 1. The impression was given out that they were going to visit his brother in Porto Rico.

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A few months ago—surprisingly few, when considered, what has been accomplished since then—Carl Fisher and his associates drove out to the quiet farms and, pointing to the grain-covered fields, predicted that before long that spot of land would be the object of the entire motor world's attention. Not only the sporting world, but all mankind in general, because the achievements of the automobile is linked close to the interests of every branch of pleasure and commercialism. Today the dreams are realized. The track is completed and the grounds surrounding it present a gala appearance. More than \$650,000 has been spent in order to crystallize those dreams.

Forty-one buildings, including grand stands, garages, aerodomes, clubhouses, machine shops, repair buildings, oilhouses and refreshment buildings are being occupied. Flags, representing all nationalities, are floating from the roofs. The white track is beautifully contrasted against the thick coat of green sod that covers every inch of the parking space and outer banks of the curves.

The track is covered with car loads of gravel and crushed stone, which was dispatched to the scene by special trains and spread and tamped by a double force of men who worked all last week twenty-four hours round. Gas light aided the army of workmen who labored, stripped to the waist, during the dark hours. Carl Fisher personally superintended the work. The gas burners are placed every twenty feet around the course and turn night into day, making it possible to put on twenty-four hour endurance races on this new track.

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 tators promise to be a big factor in the
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 and De Witt, all stars in the Buick fam-
 ily, pushed the noses of their low racers
 on the course and defied the winds to out-
 run them. Barney Oldfield, seated behind
 the wheel of his stars and stripes car,
 Old Glory, presented a picturesque sight,
 as the fire from his monster National shot
 forth belching noise and signaled his
 approach. Stoddard-Daytons, Marmons,
 Marions, Americans, Chadwicks, Jack-
 sons, Peerless, Chalmers, Christie, Lozier,
 Knox and Appersons fairly flew yester-
 day. Hearne is the latest driver to arrive,
 getting on the site of motor competition
 just after the Buick squadron.

With such brands as here represented,
 arrayed against one another in the Speed-
 way arena, the anxious public is assured
 of the greatest race sight of the twentieth
 century.

The element of danger to human life and
 the bravery of the fearless men who
 strain their muscles hour after hour while
 the earth reels off faster than a mile a
 minute beneath them add spice and in-
 terest to the spectators who never fail
 to respond to such sights. The danger of
 this new day sport erases all doubts of
 the decreasing courage of men.

Besides the laymen who will take so
 much interest in the contests as to travel
 many miles to see them, there will be the
 expert builders and factory men from all
 the big concerns.

It will be "school days" for the fac-
 tories. As an example the Stoddard-Day-
 ton Company of Dayton, O., will send
 more than 12,000 men to witness the
 events, so that they may be better ac-
 quainted with what their own and other
 men's work and skill produce. All auto-
 mobile industry in Indianapolis will be at
 a practical standstill while the thousands
 employed here may get the benefit of the
 object lessons in motorism.

Three More Cars Enter.

Three more cars were registered yester-
 day for the events. They are a Stearns,
 Ford and an American. This raises the
 total to sixty-five. Following are the
 officials who will manage the events:

- Management—Carl G. Fisher, president; A. C. Newby, first vice president; F. H. Wheeler, second vice president; J. A. Allison, secretary and treasurer.
- Honorary Referee—Lewis R. Spear, president of the A. A. A., Boston, Mass.
- Referee—F. B. Steen, A. C. A., Rome, N. Y.
- Starter—F. J. Wagner, New York.
- Announcer—E. A. McGross, Automobile Club of Maryland.
- Board of Judges—F. H. Elliott, secretary A. A. A., New York city; C. H. Hecker, president of the Detroit Automobile Club; Frank Remy, Anderson, Ind.
- Board of Timers—E. H. Warner, Frank Trezo, G. M. Cobb, F. C. Donald.

IF IT'S USED IN AN OFFICE
BURFORD
 THE AMERICAN HAS IT INDIANAPOLIS

AFRICAN BILL ADVANCES

PASSES ITS SECOND READING

CONSTITUTION MEASURE FOR COLO-
 NIES MEETS GENERAL APPROVAL IN
 BRITISH HOUSE OF COMMONS,
 SUPPORTED BY BALFOUR.

LONDON, Aug. 16.—The House of
 Commons unanimously passed the second
 reading of the South African constitution
 bill tonight.

In the debate former Premier Balfour
 said that the House, in dealing with the
 question of a constitution for the federa-
 tion of South African colonies—the
 Transvaal, Cape Colony, the Orange Free
 State and Natal—was discussing one of
 the most important events in the history
 of the British empire.

This bill, he declared, was a most won-
 derful issue from all the controversial
 battles, bloodshed and difficulties to peace
 and he believed the world could not show
 anything like it.

The race problem, Mr. Balfour said
 was but a fractional part of the great
 questions Parliament was now deciding.

Draws Line on Rights.

He strongly denied that it was intended
 to give the colored races equality with
 Europeans, declaring that so far as the
 government, society and the higher forms
 of civilization were concerned it would
 be impossible to give equal rights to the
 colored races without threatening the
 whole fabric of civilization.

In the opinion of Mr. Balfour, the best
 hope for the solution of this great prob-
 lem was to place absolute and implicit
 confidence in the representative institu-
 tions the South Africans are now creat-
 ing, and for the home government not to
 meddle with it.

He added that he desired to do nothing
 that would hamper the government in
 carrying out a measure so essential to the
 future of South Africa.

EDITOR NAMES COMMITTEES.

Chooses Men to Direct Postal and Legis-
 lative Affairs of Association.

CHAMBERSBURG, Pa., Aug. 16.—A.
 Nevlin Pomeroy of this place, president of
 the National Editorial Association, today
 made the following appointments:

- Committee on Postal Laws—Col. B. B. Herbert, Chicago; L. A. Sherman, Fort Huron, Mich.; William C. Hammer, Ashboro, N. C.; Henry B. Hale, Hartford, Conn.; Col. R. R. Herrick, Winchester, Ky.
 - Committee on Legislation—G. E. Horner, Denver; F. L. McKenzie, Tallahassee, Ala.; S. M. Wells, Crete, Neb.; W. L. Black, Elgin, Ill.; James A. Metcalf, Glendive, Mont.
- These committees will prepare sugges-

Barney Oldfield,
 Stars and
 Stripes "Old
 Glory" National
 racer.

Louis Chevrolet,
 Eddie Hearne,
 Chadwick, Lozier,
 Apperson,
 Stoddard-Daytona.

Fred Wagner