

Railroad Notes

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comes to know him well, comes from Omaha to Alliance to take the place vacated by Superintendent Weidenhamer. "George," as he is known to his hundreds of friends, was chief clerk in the general superintendent's office at Alliance only a few years ago.

From the chief clerk's chair Superintendent Griggs went to the position of yardmaster in the Alliance yards. He then went to the Sterling division as trainmaster and then to Omaha in the same position. His next promotion came as superintendent of the Sheridan division, then to Wymore in charge of that division and then to Omaha in the same capacity.

Superintendent Griggs says that he is glad to be back among old friends at Alliance. His many friends here are glad to welcome him again and hope that he will be a permanent fixture here for years to come, although in these days of many railroad changes it would not surprise us to see him take up work of greater responsibility at no far date in the future.

E. L. Lawrence, accompanied by his wife, son and daughter, have gone to Lincoln, Mo., on a recreational trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Champ and Mrs. A. J. Cole have gone to Luther, Okla., for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Willis have gone to Denver to remain there for some time.

Mrs. E. C. McWinnon is visiting with friends and relatives in Des Moines, Iowa.

"Belgium and France must be delivered from Prussianism," says an Alliance newspaper in a big, black headline. We don't know just what "Prussianism" is, but if it is anything like "Prussification" we agree with the paper.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Herbert, accompanied by her mother, have gone to Omaha.

Mrs. Elias Nulen and son have gone to Kansas City.

Robert Baker has gone to Peoria, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. William Howard and daughter are on a pleasure trip to Denver.

The boys employed by the Burlington have shown in a very substantial form that they appreciated the many courtesies which former Division Superintendent Weidenhamer had shown to them during his years of service here. We understand that the firemen and engineers each contributed to a fund which was used for the purpose of purchasing a valuable farewell gift to Mr. Weidenhamer. As a capable official he was well liked by and had the respect of every man on his division.

Electrician Jack Hocott has been furnished with an assistant. H. Beer, of Grey Bull, Wyo., has arrived to help Jack keep the wires from getting crossed. Jack says that if that dog-gone balloon which got loose from Fort Omaha the other day had come tearing down over this district, tearing up telephone and telegraph wires by the mile, he would just naturally have got out his "gat" and "popped" the "bird in the eye."

The M. E. ladies are giving a food sale on December 15th. Remember the date.

High School

en of the senior boys have received class pins.

Practice has been started by the boys' basket ball team.

The raising of the flag at Emerson school occurred Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Principal Crawford is confined to his bed at home by a severe attack of tonsillitis.

A great number of the high school girls are taking an active interest in the Red Cross work and are putting all of their extra time knitting sweaters and wristlets.

Three more of the high school boys—Noel Young, Warren Lotzpeich and Jerome Fleming, have gone to Denver and enlisted in the navy. They are now on the Pacific coast.

At the meeting of the board of Miss Devona Dickinson, who will graduate at the Chadron state normal, was elected to take charge of the third and fourth grades of here during the second semester of the current school year. Miss Dickinson is a graduate of the Alliance high school and will be a graduate of the normal at the close of the present semester. She has had three years experience as a teacher—one year in the country and two years at Hemingford. In both of these situations she was highly successful.

Lunar Craters Not Volcanic.
Volcanic craters upon the earth are small, deep pits at the summits of lofty cones. The greatest is not more than seven miles in diameter. Lunar craters are saucer-shaped depressions in the surface of the moon. The two types are as unlike as possible. It is very difficult to see how such craters as we find on the moon could result from volcanic action.

WHAT COULD THEY DO?

By ELIZABETH SHIELDS.

It was just a country road, dusty and crooked. A tiny brook lazily flowed along on one side of it and a jungle of dense green banked the other. A tumbled rail fence divided the brook from the road. The still, sweet-scented air was unbroken by even the song of a bird. But, mingled with the gurgling melody of the brook, was the sound of a young girl's sobs.

A gally-colored sweater and woolen cap hung over the rail fence. A girl, slender and pretty, leaned wearily against the fence.

Wiping the tears away, with eyes bright and little head high, she turned toward the hill. Panting and breathless she hurried on to the little white house at the top. This road led directly from the little house occupied by Roland Jackson and his father, on the hilltop, to the small country estate of Mrs. Harris Harvey and her daughter, Myra.

Each morning for three days Myra had waited, at the bend of the road, where the brook formed in miniature falls, for Roland Jackson to come down the hillside. But Roland did not come.

When Myra and her mother rented the house in the farming section of Essex, they expected to remain only till late in September. But the red and golden days of October came and passed and they still lingered in the large, old house far back from the road, sheltered by avenues of tall tulip trees. With Roland as guide and teacher, Myra found a joy and beauty in nature of which she had only been vaguely aware before. The call of the city had never before failed in its appeal to Myra, but it did not reach her now.

As she trudged up the hill her mind flew to the events of her stay in the country, and she went white as she recalled and reviewed the last morning she had spent with Roland. The habits of a lifetime in the city had swayed her completely that morning, when Roland asked her to share his little hut on the hilltop. She had weighed the man by the flatest of standards.

Not being versed in the ways of woman, knowing nothing of their inconsistencies, Roland could not know that the next morning, Myra, after a wretchedly wakeful night, awakened no longer a laughing girl, but a woman, with a woman's desire for her man. After waiting three days for Roland to come to her, Myra went to him.

Coming out of a patch of dense woods, Myra turned into the lane that led to the Jackson house. Roland saw her through the trees and coming toward her with outstretched arms, his eyes smiled into hers with simple, happy confidence in her love for him. So, with the beginning of the love of Roland and Myra, began the days of sorrow and much confusion for Roland's father and Myra's mother.

Mrs. Harvey went about with quivering lips and red-rimmed eyes. She declared that nothing in the wide world could separate her from her only child, and in the same breath informed Myra that no power under the heaven could induce her to settle down to a life in the wild farming country.

One day Roland came to Myra and taking her in his arms whispered, in tragic voice, that his father was wasting away before his very eyes! He confessed that his father pointedly ignored their approaching marriage and with the passing of each day the older man grew more unyielding and sad.

"We'll elope," cried Roland.
"It's the only way," assented Myra. Thereafter so deeply absorbed were they in their plans to run away on the eve of Thanksgiving to the little parsonage in the village and return married, that the complaints of Myra's mother and the gloominess of Roland's father affected them not at all. The solace Mrs. Harvey found in telling Mr. Jackson about the utter lack of consideration daughters accorded mothers in those days, and the comfort he extracted from discussions with her on the neglectfulness of sons passed entirely unnoticed by their children.

Early dusk was falling on Thanksgiving eve, when Myra, wrapped in a long gray motor coat, with a scarf about her head, slipped out of the house into the shadow of the trees. She stole quietly down the path, expecting to slip into the waiting machine, pick up Roland down the road and then ride into the village. Half way to the gate she stopped and listened. Her mother! Her little figure rigid, a stubborn light shot into her wide brown eyes and Myra dodged breathlessly behind a hedge.

Two reasons suggested themselves to Myra for her mother's appearance. Overwrought nerves was sending her out in the dark, lonely night, or she was on Myra's trail! Then in the still night came the whir of the automobile going down the road. Myra gasped as the sound grew fainter. Stealing out of the shadow of the hedge she made her way to the gate. Then Roland came to her. His eyes were aglow with happiness.

"Everything is settled, darling," he told her. "We'll live up yonder and they'll live here!"
"Who'll live where?" gasped puzzled Myra.

"Your mother and dad!" Roland beamed. "I just discovered them eloping in your mother's big red car!"
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FUNDS WANTED FOR WOMAN'S COMMITTEE

Big Drive to Be Held on December 15th for Funds for Woman's Committee of Council of Defense

The Woman's Committee of the Nebraska State Council of Defense is in need of funds to carry on its work. December 15th will be the date of the big drive for funds.

What is the Woman's Committee of the Council of National Defense for? The purpose of so co-ordinating the activities and the results of the organized and the unorganized women of the country that their power can be immediately utilized in time of need. It supplies a new and direct channel of co-operation between women and governmental departments.

How is the Woman's Committee co-ordinating the Woman's power? By the organization of state divisions. In Nebraska the state division in turn organized the county units of all woman's organizations and societies without regard to creed, purpose or color. Its membership is always open to women not belonging to any organized societies. Any woman who believes in American principles and American institutions is entitled to membership.

What are the departments of work in the Woman's Committee?

- First—Registration for service.
- Second—Food production.
- Third—Food conservation.
- Fourth—Home economics.
- Fifth—Women in industry.
- Sixth—Child welfare.
- Seventh—Maintaining existing social service agencies.
- Eighth—Creating moral and spiritual forces (health and recreation).
- Ninth—Educational propaganda.
- Tenth—Americanization (naturalization of foreigners).
- Eleventh—Liberty loan.
- Twelfth—Red Cross and Allied relief.

What has the woman's committee of the Nebraska State Council done to merit support from the public?

First—It has registered the woman power of the state, necessitating an expense of over \$2,000 for registration cards, summary lists, express and postage charges. It has supplied through its registration service woman employes for industries that were short of help. It has put to work for the government and for patriotic service, thousands of women who had not done anything before this registration was taken.

Second—It has assisted very materially in two food pledge card campaigns under the direction of the food administrator at Washington. The first food conservation campaign necessitated the expenditure of a considerable sum for food pledge cards, express, etc. Some of this was borne locally, but in most cases it came out of individual subscriptions, by the women themselves. In the second food pledge campaign, the women gave great assistance to Mr. Wattle's work.

The Child Welfare committee is voluntarily guarding the youth of our state.

The Americanization Department has, by persistent and zealous work among the foreign element, brought about the naturalization of hundreds of foreign born women, and through them has influenced the men so that they, too, have taken out their papers and become bona fide citizens of this country.

The Educational Division is seeing to it that every school, public and parochial, conducts patriotic programs. That it expels from its books all undemocratic articles, and that an American flag waves over each school building in the state.

The department of health and recreation has given careful attention to the safeguarding of the moral and spiritual forces of the soldiers in the permanent and temporary camps in the state. This division provided the boys with many comforts and actual necessities with which they were not at first supplied by the government. All this came out of the funds of the earnest women who serve on this committee.

The department looking after the maintenance of existing social service agencies is seeing to it that the standard of work in all home charities in Nebraska is maintained.

The Liberty Loan committee, through its women assistants throughout the state, has raised approximately \$1,900,000 for the second Liberty Loan campaign.

The establishment of a speakers' bureau to fill the frequent calls for addresses to explain problems connected with the war and woman's part in it, is one of the projects the Council of National Defense rightfully asks our woman's committee to effect.

In addition to above, what has the woman's committee done?

It has organized practically every county in the state for woman's work. In each county, organizations of women are co-operating with the county council to push all patriotic and war relief work.

The Red Cross work is almost entirely in the hands of the women of our state. There are about 200,000 members of the Red Cross in our state alone; whereas, two years ago there were only 200,000 members of the American Red Cross in the United States.

How is the woman's committee supported?

The Nebraska State Council of Defense provides headquarters. It paid \$500.00 of the expense incurred by registration. The woman's committee members have individually financed hundreds of dollars' worth of work at their own expense; but the committee is many hundreds of dollars in arrears at the present time, despite the capable individual support. The chairman of the executive board of the woman's committee, Miss Sara B. Hrbkova, and all her co-workers, are giving time and strength to the defense la-

bers, wholly without compensation of any sort.

How is the woman's committee to be enabled to continue its activities? Only by the support of the public at large. The appropriation by the legislature has been so small that a public appeal has been necessary. The woman's committee appeals to the public in Nebraska to give support to this necessary co-ordinating work which is the backbone of all the war relief work among women. An especial day, the 15th of December, has been set aside for the campaign to raise funds for the Nebraska state division of woman's work of the Council of National Defense.

Will you help?

Body of Smith Boy Shipped
Ernest E. Smith, of Alliance, father of Madison C. Smith, the young soldier who was killed on November 20th in California by being run over by a train, received word on Tuesday that the body of his son was finally being shipped to Ravenna, after an unexplained delay of two weeks.

On Tuesday Mr. Smith received the following telegram from the field division surgeon at Camp Lewis, Washington: "Body of Madison C. Smith is at Yreka, California, awaiting disposal. Request you wire me from what state and town your son was drafted. We are trying to hurry the necessary records in order to be able to have body transported to you at place to be designated by you. Please state latter."

In answer to the above telegram Mr. Smith again wired, asking that the body be sent to Ravenna, via Alliance, which has been done. A daughter of Mr. Smith, sister of the boy who was killed, living in California, did not know of the death of her brother until she discovered the following item in the Sacramento Daily Bee:

Yreka (Siskiyou Co.), Nov. 29.—Coroner J. E. Turner has received word from the relative of Madison C. Smith, recruit, who was killed at Edgewood on the morning of November 20th by being run over by a train, to ship his remains to Ravenna, Neb.

Smith was drafted at El Centro, in the Imperial Valley, California, and was on his way to Camp Lewis, Wash., when he met with the accident. The father of the deceased is at present living at Alliance, Neb.

AT THE HOTELS FROM NEARBY TOWNS

Drake Hotel—Frank Kicken, Clair E. Wilson, Frank Johns, Lakeside; Mr. and Mrs. Wayland, H. R. Steinhaus, Gordon; Frank Reid, Bayard; Line Love, Ernest Lakens, R. H. Thurston, F. M. Broome, Gall Price, Ed Marion, Hemingford; W. S. Bostdos, Chadron; J. D. Scott, H. W. Jackson, Rushville; L. E. Ford, Marsland; A. A. Kearney, W. E. Baker, Morrill; C. D. Lewis, Minatare; Mrs. Anne Halliday, Bert Mills, Scottsbluff; L. J. Meltner, George Todd, O. L. Pitt, Crawford.
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New Officers Visit Alliance

Alliance was favored this week by the presence of two new army officers, both former residents of the city. Lieutenant Joe L. Westover and Lieutenant Lloyd M. Smith are both in the city, the former visiting friends and the latter visiting his parents. Both recently received commissions after going through the officers' training camp at Fort Snelling.

Lieutenant Westover reports at Camp Custer, near Battle Creek, Mich., on December 15th and will soon afterwards go to France by special order. Lieutenant Smith goes to Camp Dodge near Des Moines, Iowa, with the Eighth division.

Engraved visiting cards, wedding announcements and invitations, can be secured at The Herald office. Ask to see samples. Phone 340.

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