

# FEDERAL AGENTS DIRECT ARREST OF SPELLBINDER

## Omaha Authorities Charge Speaker at Friends of Free Russia Meeting With Violating Espionage Act.

Chief Eberstein of the federal bureau of investigation and Deputy United States Attorney Saxton have ordered the arrest of Harry Ginsberg of Chicago, who lectured in Omaha in the Swedish auditorium Sunday night.

He will be charged with violating the espionage act. Federal agents attempted to arrest Ginsberg late Monday, but found he had already left the city. Instructions were sent to the federal authorities in Chicago, ordering his arrest there. He will be brought back to Omaha for arraignment.

Ginsberg came to Omaha as the chief spellbinder of a meeting which was held under the auspices of the Friends of Free Russia in celebration of the first anniversary of Russian "freedom." The organization is a union of various labor organizations, socialist, Jewish Workmen's circle, Russian Progressive club of the South Side and other clubs.

**Officers Present.**

Forewarned of the meeting, Chief Eberstein gave orders that the speaking should be in the English language. Several police officers and Special Agent Hansen of the bureau of investigation were present, ready to arrest those participating if they overstepped the bounds of the law.

A large quantity of Industrial Workers of the World "literature" was distributed among the 600 persons present. Samples of these leaflets, pamphlets and newspapers are now in the hands of the United States

attorney. Copies have also been sent to the attorney general's office in Washington.

One of the papers distributed has a cartoon showing a benevolent human figure labeled "Bolsheviki" looking up over the edge of the globe and regarding several cities where Industrial Workers of the World prosecutions are pending. One of the cities is labeled "Omaha."

"We will deal promptly with any people violating the espionage act," said Mr. Saxton. "That law means what it says and its enforcement is of utmost importance at this time."

Chief Eberstein has given orders that only the English language may be used in public meetings in Omaha.

## Grocers' Substitute Order Will Be Enforced to Letter

The grocer who has not the necessary substitutes to sell with wheat flour must not sell the flour at all. This is the order of the food administration, and E. M. Fairfield, who is head of the enforcement division of the Nebraska food administration, says the rules regarding substitutes will be strictly interpreted and strictly enforced.

The purchaser will not be given credit for substitutes he may say he has purchased elsewhere or at another time. The substitutes must be sold at the time and place the purchase of white flour is made.

Substitutes that may be sold with wheat flour are hominy, corn grits, corn meal, corn flour, edible cornstarch, barley flour, rolled oats, oat meal, rice, rice flour, buckwheat flour, potato flour, sweet potato flour, soy bean flour and feterita flour.

## Springlike Weather Prevails Throughout the State

Railroad headquarters report warm and springlike weather over Nebraska and all the territory east of the Rocky mountains. Monday night the state was without precipitation and Tuesday morning temperatures started in at 24 to 50 degrees above zero. The ice is now all broken up and in most of the streams it has run out, with the exception of a few places in the upper stretches of some of them.

## Clearing House to Speed U. S. Compensation to Roads

Washington, March 12.—One of the first acts of the railroad administration after enactment of the pending railroad bill will be to create a financial clearing house to facilitate the government compensation of companies on the basis of the average annual net income of the last three years, provided by the bill.

This clearing house method, it was explained today at offices of Director General McAdoo, will enable roads to file directly most of their receipts for ordinary expenses and to turn over to the government fund each month only the surplus of income over the amount of the government guarantee. On the other hand roads whose actual income is less than the guarantee will receive credit from the government fund.

## Team Leaders Vie for Honors In Omaha Ad Fund Campaign

The team headed by F. W. Thomas has thus far obtained the largest total of subscriptions to the \$50,000 fund for the bureau of publicity of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce to advertise Omaha. This team has \$1,870 in subscriptions to its credit. The total reported for the first day of soliciting was \$5,080.

These subscriptions were obtained by the following teams and in the given amounts:

Team 1—C. L. Gould, captain.....	\$1,000
Team 2—F. W. Thomas.....	1,870
Team 3—R. E. Sunderland.....	294
Team 4—George E. Bagrow.....	199
Team 5—L. A. Medlar.....	75
Team 6—Dr. I. S. Cutler.....	72
Team 7—H. E. Milliken.....	420
Team 8—Harry Tostevin.....	724
Mail subscriptions.....	602
Total.....	\$5,080

## Airplane Mail Service To Capital Is Delayed

Washington, March 12.—The start of the airplane mail service between New York, Philadelphia and Washington will be delayed probably as late as May 15 because landing fields at Philadelphia and New York have not been found. The service was to have been begun April 15.

# POLITICAL SHRAPNEL

Number of Voters in Service Will Offset Increase By Annexations.

Politics is politics in the Knockers' club trench at 1619 Farnam street. During the noonday confab S. Arion Lewis began spouting about a candidate he did not like and he proceeded to indulge in prolixity over these dislikes.

"Never knock a candidate. If you can't say something kind just keep still," admonished Joe Morrow. "You don't have to vote for him, but what is the use of knocking him?"

"I do not say anything against a candidate unless I know what I am saying is the truth and in this instance it is the truth and the very truth," added Lewis.

Whereupon Harry Foster reminded the disputants, innocent bystanders and others that the club is a knockers' club and that knocking is permitted.

The Tekamah Herald has launched a boomlet in behalf of Judge Day of Omaha for the state supreme court. "To our way of thinking," states the Herald, "there is not a better qualified man in the state for this position. He made an excellent record as deputy attorney general and his record as one of the supreme court commissioners is without a flaw. For more than 10 years he has been judge of the district court in this district and has won respect and confidence of all who know him."

The judge was champion foot runner while in college in Iowa and his friends believe he can run as fast in politics as he could upon the college campus.

How many votes will it take to nominate at the city primary on April 9?

Here is the statistical material to work with: At the city primary three years ago 17,146 votes were cast. Since that time South Omaha, Dundee, Florence and Benson have been taken into the municipality. The voting strength of the annexed territory is approximately 6,000. It is estimated

that the number of men who have gone from Omaha on account of the war will at least offset the increase which otherwise would have been by reason of the annexations. The lowest primary vote of the nominees three years ago was 2,300 and the highest was 8,040. Now get out your paper and pencil and figure it out.

George Kapinski and R. J. Sutton have filed petitions for the city primary. The former is on the socialist ticket and the latter is former member of one of the exemption boards.

Dr. Harry A. Foster and Ross L. Shotwell warn all concerned that they are going to file as candidates for the

"Let George do it" is a catch line used by George B. Dyball on his campaign cards.

## First Ten Days of March Show Excess of 88 Degrees

March, so far, is one of the warmest on the records of the weather bureau in Omaha. For the first 10 days there was an excess of 88 degrees in temperature, or 8 degrees a day.

But the forecaster points out it is by no means safe to assume that the cold weather is over. He points to the records. For instance, on March 14, 1880, the thermometer fell to 7 below zero. March 14 is a cold day in many years. In 1895 the thermometer touched zero and in 1897 it reached 3 below on that day.

The highest temperature ever registered in Omaha in March was 91 above zero on March 25, 1907. A maximum of 64 was reached here yesterday.

## Morphine Habit Led to Forgery, Prisoner Says

Morphine caused John Blair, 4100 Chicago street, to forge checks for more than \$100 and pass them at 10 Omaha retail stores, according to a confession he is alleged to have given the police. Blair admits he has been in the habit of using more than \$2 worth of "dope" a day and that his wages as a cook were not large enough to supply him with the drug.

## Man Falls Into Elevator Shaft; Fractures Two Ribs

Joseph Hopkins, laborer, 26 years old, employed at the Pioneer Paint company, fell into an elevator shaft Monday morning and fractured a leg and two ribs.

# THOMPSON, BELDEN & CO.

The Fashion Center for Women

## Newest Silks for Every Purpose

A visit to the Silk Shop is so helpful in suggestions for Milady's Springtime frocks of charming originality.

**Hindu Crepe**—is a rich novelty silk—quite unlike any others of the present season in weave and pattern. Many of the beautiful colors and designs are exclusive with us. Now the selection is complete. Iris Silk is a lustrous taffeta like fabric it is not, however, to be confused with taffeta. Iris Silk is almost unequalled for wear and is shown in the newest shades for dresses. (36 inch) \$2.50

These two numbers are indicative of what you may expect of Thompson-Belden Silks For Newness-Quality and Fair Pricing.

## March Veils

Smart in appearance and very serviceable these windy March days. A wide range of choice is permitted this season. To be fashionably dressed is to be veiled, to be correctly veiled is to visit Thompson-Beldens. Circular veils with chenille dots and embroidered borders are shown in taupe, brown, navy purple and black. Veiling—both plain and fancy meshes comes in all fashionable shades.

## Silk Combinations

Women will enjoy these lovely glove silk Combination Suits—They are pure silk of a very good quality—tailored Band top, \$4.75. Hemstitched top \$5

## A Fashion Service

That Accomplishes Unusual Results

Mr. Robert Nicoll, our personal representative in New York City, is in Omaha, at present.

He returns after weeks of closest contact with the American Fashion Center and the specialty shops of Fifth Avenue. His knowledge of correct fashions is necessarily unlimited and it is now at your command.

A consultation with Mr. Nicoll is almost certain to solve any apparel problems that may be bothering you.

This Superior Fashion Service is reflected in our Spring showings of

**Tailored Suits - Coats - Dresses and Blouses**

They are singularly distinctive

## Distinctive Gingham Dresses

Correct for shopping-motoring and porch wear. Beautifully fashioned from ginghams of extra quality. They meet with the approval of every woman who sees them.

**\$3.50 \$4 \$4.50 \$5 to \$10.25**

—sold in the Basement housewear—

**For the home**      **For the camp**

# \$20 for this genuine Victrola

There is surely nothing else you can buy for \$20 that will give so much pleasure to your family or to your soldier boy in camp.

The fact that this instrument bears the famous Victor trademark and is a genuine Victrola guarantees to you the same high quality and standard of excellence so well established and recognized in all products of the Victor Company.

This portable Victrola is equipped with all the exclusive Victor patented features and will play for you any of the more than 5000 records listed in the Victor Record catalog.

There are Victor dealers everywhere and they will gladly demonstrate this portable model of the Victrola and play any music you wish to hear.

**Victor Talking Machine Co., Camden, N. J.**

**Important Notice.** Victor Records and Victor Machines are scientifically coordinated and synchronized in the processes of manufacture, and their use, one with the other, is absolutely essential to a perfect reproduction.

New Victor Records demonstrated at all dealers on the 1st of each month.

"Victrola" is the Registered Trade-mark of the Victor Talking Machine Company designating the products of this Company only.

# 200,000,000 Chickens

It is estimated that the scraps thrown away from the tables of America are enough to feed 200,000,000 chickens.

Instead of being turned into garbage, all of these scraps might be turned into eggs.

A great saving of food and money could be made if the people of America would keep more small flocks of chickens.

A campaign is being launched to interest the city and town dweller who owns a backyard in the possibilities of keeping a few hens. If you have a family of four, you can feed eight hens on the scraps from your table, and you should average four eggs a day from your flock.

The Federal Department of Agriculture has published a handsome illustrated booklet on the possibilities of backyard poultry-keeping. The book gives full, expert directions for how it should be done.

You can have a copy of this book free. Write for it today, and see if your circumstances will not allow you to keep a few chickens in your own yard.

Address The Omaha Bee Information Bureau, Washington, D. C., and enclose a 2-cent stamp for return postage. Ask for The Poultry Book.