

FEDERAL MAN TO MEET WITH OMAHA RIVER LEADERS

Government Takes First Definite Step Toward Establishing Navigation on the Missouri River.

The first definite step on the part of the federal government looking toward establishing navigation on the Missouri river is the appointment of A. W. Mackie by the inland Waterways commission to report on the feasibility of using the river for freight transportation to and from Omaha.

Mr. Mackie, who was formerly in charge of the municipal docks at Kansas City for the Kansas City Missouri River Navigation company, will be in Omaha Friday to confer with Commissioner Manley of the Chamber of Commerce, Chairman J. W. Gamble of the executive committee and the directors and officers of the Missouri River Navigation league.

His object will be to find out what has been done and is being done on this section of the river and what those interested believe the government should do in the way of building terminals and leasing boats.

"There is a large government appropriation available now, at the discretion of the president, for improving inland waterways and establishing freight service on the rivers to relieve the railroad congestion," said Secretary Ellis of the Missouri River Navigation league. "We believe that the Missouri river has tremendous advantages. We have proved it to be navigable. We sent boats between here and Kansas City and we have maintained a freight service between here and Decatur for three years."

"The one thing needed is terminals. Terminals are more necessary than boats. Between here and Decatur there are no terminals worth mentioning. Even at Omaha and Decatur the terminals are of the crudest type with no machinery for loading and unloading. This causes the boats to remain idle in port too much of the time."

"We need facilities for quick loading and unloading, so that the boats will keep on the move. There is plenty of freight simply heaving to be shipped. Last year we could have moved hundreds of thousands of bushels of grain from towns between here and Decatur. Farmers wrote and asked us to handle it. But we had no docks of any kind at those towns."

"The federal government is building 24 boats and barges for use on

the Mississippi, and we hope it will lease some of these for navigating this part of the Missouri. The building of adequate terminals so that the boats can keep moving will provide quick transport of freight. There is no end to the possibilities of this great river. An engineer will be sent here within a short time by the government to make a report on the navigable condition of the river."

The Omaha-Decatur Missouri River Navigation company which operates the Elk and the Julius Silber between here and Decatur has just bought two barges from the Benton Packet company of Bismarck, N. D. They are being brought down the river and are expected to arrive at Decatur this week.

These are to be towed by the Julius Silber, one on each trip, the other being left in port for unloading and loading. The Silber already has one barge. The addition of the other two will make it possible to have one always enroute, one in Omaha unloading and loading and one in Decatur unloading and loading. Including its deck load this will make the Silber's capacity on each trip about 200 tons.

Brandeis Stores President Precedes Buyers East

George Brandeis, president of the Brandeis stores, left Thursday night for Chicago and New York. As has been his custom in former years, he precedes the arrival of the first group of buyers from this store in the New York market.

Just before leaving Mr. Brandeis stated that because of the unusual conditions prevailing in eastern markets, the Brandeis stores buyers will go to New York from a month and a half to two months ahead of their usual schedule.

Mr. Brandeis also stated that it would be impossible to give any correct opinion of conditions at this time, as everything is in a problematical state.

Mrs. Lyla Brandeis Turner Files Suit on \$76,877 Note

Mrs. Lyla Brandeis Turner of New York City, formerly of Omaha, has filed suit in the New York supreme court for \$76,877.50 against Mrs. Ella Turner Dunn and Mrs. Edith Turner Meserve, both of New York City.

According to Mrs. Lyla Brandeis Turner's complaint, the amount claimed represents two notes, one for \$25,000, the other for \$50,000, executed by Charles Wesley Turner, brother of the defendants, on July 19, 1917, three months after his aged father's death. The extra amount includes interest and protest fees on the two notes.

Lester D. Ladd Enlists

Lester D. Ladd of the American Letter company, 612 Bee building, has given up his Omaha business and has enlisted in the coast artillery. Mr. Ladd will go to Fort Logan, Colo. He is 34 year old.

In the Silent Drama

Rialto—Dorothy Dalton in *The Mating of Marcella* is offered in a comedy drama in which dramatic situations are so skillfully mixed with humorous ones that the audience is kept on the qui vive continuously. The story tells the love tale of a society girl and as Miss Dalton superintended the costuming of the play as in a great many of the ones in which she has been seen this year the effect of the arrangement has been one in which the women folk enjoy a style show along with the drama. Everyone in the cast has been taken in their best. Included in the bill for the day are current events and a comedy.

Empress—Neal Abel can make the funniest faces while he is singing a coon song of any man in vaudeville. "The Garden Belles" scored a hit with their clever singing and dancing. Edith Storey, is being shown on the screen at the Empress theater in her latest photoplay, "The Treasure of the Sea," a modern dramatic tale concerning buried treasure and a mistaken grievance.

Brandeis—The first United States official war film "Foraith's Crusaders" is now making it possible to have one always enroute, one in Omaha unloading and loading and one in Decatur unloading and loading. Including its deck load this will make the Silber's capacity on each trip about 200 tons.

Suburban—Edna Goodrich, starring in "Her Second Husband" will be at the Suburban today only. A comedy drama with lots of humor in it has been built for and is well played by Miss Goodrich. Tomorrow will be shown Dorothy Phillips in "The Grand Passion."

Lothrop—Charlie Chaplin in a *Dog's Life* will be seen here today and Saturday. Charlie and his dog have evolved a series of evolutions of actions that would bring from a grudging minor more than a smile. The play is a great one for the children, having kept audiences composed of children and grownups in an uproar wherever shown.

Hipp—Priscilla Dean will appear at the Hipp for two days in "The Two-Souled Woman," a character play of many dramatic situations. The story depicts the actions of a girl, at one time attempting to do good for every one with whom she comes in contact and in the other character the opposite. A love drama runs throughout the play and a number of surprising turns of the play finally bring happiness at the end.

Muse—Virginia Pearson's new play "The Firebrand" here today and tomorrow is a thrilling description of the revolutionary days in Russia. As a Russian princess she hates all the revolutionists but when she learns that her own brother has been killed by her aristocratic relatives who have betrayed Russia to the Kaiser she turns and joins the reds. It tells the story of Russia's downfall in a vivid manner.

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O'BRIEN AWARDED ARMY CONTRACT FOR CONTAINERS

Omaha Manufacturer to Furnish Water Thermos for Pershing, With Delivery on July 1.

Washington Bureau of The Omaha Bee, 1311 G Street, Washington, June 6.—(Special Telegram.)—D. J. O'Brien of the O'Brien-Hicks company, Omaha, who has labored zealously for 10 months to introduce the container known as "Thermo-Pak" made by his Omaha firm, as part of the equipment of the overseas forces, has finally been awarded a contract for 2,500 five-gallon water thermos to be delivered July 1.

The Omaha invention stood second in heat retention and first in adaptability for trench uses and in weight. The government, it is expected, will order 100,000 containers for Pershing's army during the year. They are to be used to keep food and soup hot between army kitchens and front line trenches.

Mr. O'Brien left last night for Cleveland, where the metal for the containers will be fabricated, the Omaha factory being called upon to assemble the various parts and deliver the completed article to the quartermaster general for shipment abroad.

Nebraskans at Luncheon.

Representative Dan Stephens today entertained at luncheon in the house restaurant Privates Ross E. Hammond, Fremont; John A. Welch, Omaha; Floyd E. Wright, Aurora, and Norman W. Stevens, Beatrice, members of Company E, Eighth division motor supply train, which had been engaged in moving the emergency fleet corporation from Washington to Philadelphia. To meet these sturdy young soldiers from Nebraska Mr. Stephens included as his guests Congressman Lobeck and Reavis.

Schooner Crew Lands

An Atlantic Port, June 6.—Captain R. R. Coulman and the crew of the schooner Edward R. Baird, Jacksonville to New York, sunk by a German submarine, eighteen miles off Cape Charles Tuesday, were landed here today.

Clever Mrs. Carfax will be here Friday only. The impersonation work of Eltinge defies even the bright lights of the picture studio to find any flaws in his makeup as the hero. In addition to the feature there is a Billy Rhodes comedy and the Pathé News.

Federal Valuation Expert Returns From Kansas City

R. C. Thompson, valuation expert of the Colorado and Southern railroad, who recently came to Omaha to

direct the government valuation work here, returned from a business trip to Kansas City and Denver Wednesday morning. Mr. Thompson's headquarters are at Denver, but he expects to remain in Omaha for several months

to complete the valuation appraisal in compliance with federal requirements. The Bee Want Ads Are the Best Business Boosters.

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(Frank Graham, who has just finished a comfortable dining-car breakfast, rights along the barrel of his cigar and discovers that the man at the wash-stand is none other than his able and sensible friend, Arthur Edwards, salesman.)

Just Where do You Get Off?

GRAHAM: Hello, Edwards! You on this trip—what's that bottle of yours on the window-sill?

EDWARDS: That—I'll tell you by asking you a question.

GRAHAM (Amused) That's fair enough—go ahead.

EDWARDS: What was the first thing you ordered in the dining car this morning?

GRAHAM: Why, let's see—I needed a little mineral water, and—

EDWARDS: That's it! Mineral water! Well, this bottle here has made me see my last drop of mineral water! That's Nujol. You've seen it advertised, I guess.

GRAHAM: Sure. You troubled with constipation much?

EDWARDS: I'm not troubled with it at all, but I would be if it weren't for that bottle.

GRAHAM: Good, eh?

EDWARDS: Life insurance. I've been on the road a long time. You know, taking orders from a timetable. Well, I've got a good system, but it wrecked me. The hours, the fifty-seven different varieties of drinking water, the small-hotel food, all combined to make me careless about keeping

clean inside. Then whenever my bowels didn't act regularly I took a pill or some salts, and pretty soon I had the habit.

GRAHAM: The habit?

EDWARDS: Yes. You know—the "gimme-something-for-constipation" habit; the druggist shoots you a glass of soda with some salts or a box of powerful laxatives. You get action, all right, you feel weak for a day, and next time you need a stronger dose. That habit cost me a three-months layoff.

GRAHAM: As serious as that, eh?

EDWARDS: Yes sir. The company had just taken on an examining doctor for the sales staff, and when my turn came for examination the doctor said, "You quit, right now, until you're well." "I'm not exactly sick, Doc," I said. "You're going to be exactly sick," he said, "if you don't do as I tell you. You've got a residue or food-waste in your large intestine; it's getting harder to dislodge every day, and what's more it's decaying and breeding disease germs that spread all through your system. You're sick on your feet right now—the third case I've found today. You fellows on

the road are just inviting serious disease through constipation.

GRAHAM: Did you tell him about the cathartics?

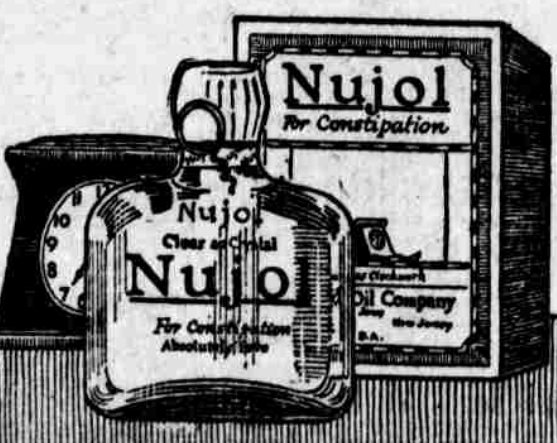
EDWARDS: Yes, and he said "More poison—draws all the natural water out of your system—makes it harder to get rid of the waste." He put me on Nujol. And Nujol put me on my feet. And since then it's been keeping me on my feet.

GRAHAM: How do you account for it?

EDWARDS: Just this: Nujol is harmless—has no effect on the system except a mechanical one—softens and lubricates—so your body goes right on building while the Nujol works. It works slowly and gently—not like a drug. The more regularly you take it the better you feel. I'd no more be without it than my toothbrush. I'm through with drugs. (He pours out a tablespoonful.) Well, Graham—here's your health!

GRAHAM: Your health, I should say! But it's going to be my health in the future. Let me take a good look at that bottle so that I can get some when we get in. I guess you've talked me into insuring my health in a common-sensible way.

For your own protection insist that the druggist give you the genuine Nujol, in a sealed and capped bottle, bearing the Nujol trademark in red—never otherwise. Nujol is absolutely pure and harmless. Inferior substitutes may give unpleasant results. Genuine Nujol sold by all druggists in the U. S. and Canada.



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