

Good Financial Showing Made by Group 5 Bankers

Combined Deposits of \$64,235,000 in 19 Counties, Or Per Capita Sum Of \$335.

Grand Island, Neb., Sept. 22.—(Special.)—A splendid financial showing for Group No. 5 of the Nebraska State Bankers association's division of the state was made in the annual address of President C. H. Menck of this city to the group in convention here.

The 19 counties comprising the group since the reapportionment of last year have a combined population of 191,433, with deposits in the banks of the 272 cities, towns and villages of \$64,235,000, or per capita deposit of \$335. Loans made by the banks of the group totaled \$54,705,000. Capital of the banks is \$5,484,000 and surplus profits amount to \$2,984,000.

The remarkable showing by President Menck is still further accentuated by the presentation of the figures of bank losses within the past five years. In the entire state during this time there were 23 bank failures. The greater number of these 23 have occurred within the last two years. Since 1919 the losses in the state by failures have totaled \$2,632,778, while of this total there was a loss in group 5 of only \$136,098, or two-tenths of one per cent of the deposits of the group.

Comments on Failures. Commenting on some of the failures occurring since the definition period set in, President Menck pointed out that an analysis of the failures shows business intermingling to have been somewhat responsible.

"I believe that restrictive legislation should be enacted," he said, "whereby a bank, owing to a public character, should be prohibited from jointly occupying quarters with any other person, firm or corporation, thereby making more difficult the intermingling of transactions or securities."

President Menck referred to the proposed legislation defeated in the last legislature requiring owners of bank stock to show a readiness and ability to pay 100 per cent at any time. He urged such legislation at the next session and also the enactment of the measure, likewise defeated at the last session, requiring a statement of property owned by applicants of loans.

Urges Careful Investments. The president further urged most careful action by bankers in advising their patrons against investment in various stocks of unproved or doubtful value.

The Thursday session opened at 10:45 with an invocation by Rev. Dr. Harman of the English Lutheran church, followed by an address of welcome by Vice President J. L. Cleary of the State Bank of Grand Island. A response was made by President Dan Morris of the City National bank of Kearney, followed by the president's address and the report of Secretary-Treasurer W. H. Luers of this city. The convention is well attended, a total attendance of 202 being reported early today, with more bankers expected for the main business session this afternoon.

Grand Island Sugar Plant to Open Monday

Grand Island, Neb., Sept. 22.—(Special.)—The American Beet Sugar company will begin the 1921 sugar manufacturing campaign Monday, with the prospect of having a run of only 45 days less than last year's record-breaking campaign. There is a shrinkage of about 10 per cent in acreage as compared with 1920, but the tonnage will be about the same, if not a little larger. It is difficult at this time to estimate the sugar content of the crop since most of the beets will still remain in the ground two weeks to a month longer. During the last 10 days of rainy weather the chemical process in the beets towards saccharine content has been slow. The factory will employ the same number of men at a reduction, however, of an average of 25 per cent in wages. Last year the campaign opened on October 2 and ended February 1.

Movie Owners Unshaken By Arbuckle-Rappe Affair

Notwithstanding the scandal caused by the Arbuckle-Rappe affair in San Francisco, the motion picture theater owners of Iowa and Nebraska in convention Wednesday in Omaha resolved that "the film industry has lost none of the sublime confidence it has always manifested in the laws of the government and the integrity of its various officers."

The following officers were elected for the Nebraska organization: president, A. R. Pramer, Omaha; vice president, H. F. Kennedy, Broken Bow; secretary, J. Erle Kirk, Omaha; treasurer, S. A. Hayman, Omaha. The executive board consists of George MacArdle, Omaha; H. F. Kennedy, Broken Bow; George Munroe, Beatrice; J. C. Jenkins, Neligh; Fred Thornburg, Nebraska City; J. Erle Kirk, Omaha; H. S. Goldberg, Omaha and F. B. Honey, Tekamah.

Non-Commissioned Officers Needed for 89th Reserve

Colonel Hopkins, chief-of-staff, who is directing the reorganization of the old 89th as a reserve division, is sending out a call for non-commissioned officers. He declared yesterday organization of the division is progressing and there are enough commissioned officers to start functioning at once, although many other officers are needed.

The crying need for the division is to have a "top cutter," mess sergeant, eight line sergeants and five corporals. With the division recruited to a strength of 20,000, the need of more "non-com's" is urgent.

Hand Mashed in Stacker

Callaway, Neb., Sept. 22.—(Special.)—Richenbottom, residing north of here, sustained a badly-mashed hand when the member was caught in a hay stack.

Bill Hart, Minus Guns, Stops in Omaha



Movie folk who passed through Omaha Wednesday didn't object at all to stand before a still camera. Left to right the group is: Tod Browning, noted director; Miss May Howe, Miss Bertha Mann, Mrs. Tod Browning, and William S. Hart, himself. And a close-up of "Two-Gun" Bill as he appears in his traveling clothes.

William S. Hart, minus his guns, his cane, and without even a sombrero, strolled leisurely out of his state room on the Overland limited at the Union station Wednesday night, and gave a crowd of persons who had gathered to welcome him a casual "once over."

"How about Arbuckle?" a breathless reporter asked, fearful lest the train might pull out before the terror of the movies could deliver his sentiments.

But William was primed. "Sin knows no profession," he returned in the voice of a Methodist preacher announcing the text for the day.

"The movie folks at Hollywood deplore the scandal just as much as the public does," he continued, "but the public should hesitate. It should remember we have laws in this country, and before we condemn 'Fatty' we should await the verdict of the court."

Accompanying Mr. Hart were Tod Browning, motion picture director, Mrs. Browning, known to the screen as Martha Mansfield, Miss Bertha Mann and Miss May Howe. The party is en route from Los Angeles to New York, "just for recreation."

Doctors Testify At "Fatty" Arbuckle Trial

Opulists of the Stanford University medical school, who made the first post-mortem examination, were the principal witnesses.

Dr. Strange said he found bruises on Miss Rappe's right upper arm and other injuries apparently caused by force.

Miss Halston's statement that she believed the bruises on Miss Rappe's arm were made by the grip of another person prompted a lively debate over its admissibility between Frank Dominguez, Arbuckle's chief counsel, and Milton T. Ren, assistant district attorney, who conducted the examination.

Judge Lazarus finally let the testimony go in, with the qualification that he would not attach much weight to it.

Hearing Continued. The defense did not cross examine any of the witnesses much to the surprise of the prosecution, according to U'Ren, who said he had not prepared for the use of more witnesses today. At the request of Dominguez, who said he had had no opportunity to rest between the time that he concluded a trial in Los Angeles yesterday and his appearance in court here today, Judge Lazarus put the hearing over until 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

Mrs. Delmont accompanied Miss Rappe and Al Semmacher on the trip from Los Angeles to Selma, Fresno and San Francisco that ended in Miss Rappe's death. She, Semmacher and two other women witnesses were present at Arbuckle's party.

Comparatively few tilts between counsel and the judge today during the examination of the witnesses were avoided of excitement, smiles went round the court room several times as U'Ren pleaded with Dr. Strange to talk in understandable language instead of using such terms as "exosmosis," "humerus," "deltoid," "anterior," and "posterior."

Women Demand Seats. Finishing his testimony, Dr. Strange looked around for an exit but found the only way to leave the witness chair was to climb over two railings behind the judge's bench, so great was the crowd today.

Although many women unable to get into the court room submitted to fate and stood patiently on the stairs leading to the second floor where the examination was being held, others languished instead of using such terms as "exosmosis," "humerus," "deltoid," "anterior," and "posterior."

Sommacher, who called the district attorney by telephons yesterday from Los Angeles to request that expense money be sent him so he would be able to come to San Francisco to testify, arrived here today by automobile. He was taken to the district attorney's office immediately and detained there during the hearing.

District Attorney Brady said he received a telegram from District Attorney Edward Swann at New York, notifying him that Lowell Sherman had been located and had said he would be in San Francisco for Arbuckle's trial if desired.

Dr. Arthur Beardslee, the house physician at the Hotel St. Francis who attended Miss Rappe for a day after the party, had not reached San Francisco from his shunting trip in the Sierra Nevada mountains from which he had been called home by the authorities.

During the session Arbuckle took time to read a special delivery letter sent him from Los Angeles. He seemed greatly pleased with it and brightened somewhat.

Improve Highway Bridge. Beatrice, Neb., Sept. 22.—(Special.)—The South Sixth street bridge across the Blue river and on the Cornhusker highway is being re-floored and otherwise improved at a cost of \$10,000. It will take about two weeks to complete the job.

Kicked in Face by Cow

Callaway, Neb., Sept. 22.—(Special.)—Clarence Cook, a farmer residing near here, was badly hurt when a cow kicked him in the face.

\$1,193 Found In Rail Victim's Overalls Cuffs

Man Found Crushed to Death In Lumber Car Near Alliance Had Money Sewed in Clothes.

Alliance, Neb., Sept. 22.—(Special.)—A man believed to be Leroy R. Bennett of Rushing, Ark., dressed in laborer's clothing and with \$1,193 in bills sewed in the cuffs of two pairs of overalls which he was wearing, was found crushed to death in a freight car loaded with lumber, by five men who were beating their way on freight train No. 80, at Bird-sall station, six miles east of here, at 3 this morning. The train crew was notified and the body brought to Alliance in the car in which it was found.

Found By Accident. Discovery of the money was made by accident by Undertaker Harry Wells, who took charge of the body. While removing the man's clothes, he noticed a bulge in the cuffs of the overalls. He cut it open and discovered \$55 in bills. Investigation revealed further rolls of bills sewed up in the cuffs of the overalls. A \$2 bill and 80 cents were found in the man's pockets.

In the dead man's pockets were found a receipt for a registered mail package, dated at Cushman, Mont., September 20, and addressed to Mrs. L. R. Bennett at Holister, Mo. Scribbled on a piece of paper sack was the following:

Gives Wife's Address. "My wife lives at Rushing, Ark." A letter dated Cushinghead, Okla., addressed to "my dear son," was found. The address to which it was sent was indistinguishable. In it the writer asked that he come home.

The man had apparently lain down in the end of the car to sleep and had been crushed by the load of lumber when it shunted forward in the car. His neck was broken and his head and groin crushed.

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Bodies of Three Murder Victims Found in Illinois

Train Crews Discover Corpses Within Four Miles of Each Other—Robbery Probable Motive.

St. Louis, Sept. 22.—The bodies of three murdered men were found within a few miles of each other in southern Illinois last night by crews of Missouri Pacific trains. Two of the men are believed to have been former soldiers. Both wore uniforms.

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Irish Situation Is at Standstill

De Valera Awaiting Reply to Latest Note Sent to Premier Lloyd George.

By JOHN STEELE. Chicago Tribune Cable, Copyright, 1921, London, Sept. 22.—The Irish situation is at an absolute standstill. Prime Minister Lloyd George's answer to Eamonn De Valera's latest note being awaited. It was reported in both London and Dublin that it might be sent tonight, but late this evening it was stated that it probably would not be ready until tomorrow, on account of the late arrival at Galway of some of the ministers with whom Mr. Lloyd George wished to consult.

It was reported that the tenor of the note is likely to be such that Mr. De Valera could accept and the next move will be the conference, which is now practically certain to be held in London, if at all, as the prime minister intends to return at the end of the week.

Mr. Lloyd George put at an end the rumors that he intended to have a general election on the Irish question by a semi-official statement to the effect that such a step only would be taken in the event of a grave national emergency, such as an utter and hopeless breakdown in the Irish negotiations. However, the statement implied that such an event was not expected.

Man Drops Dead When He Grasps Low Voltage Wire. Sioux Falls, S. D., Sept. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—Andres Peterson, employed in a Watertown hotel, grasped an electric light socket attached to a wire carrying 220 volts and dropped dead. The electrical shock is supposed to have caused heart failure.

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Virginia Rappe Pictures Withdrawn From Exhibition

Los Angeles, Sept. 22.—All First National film exchanges were ordered to withdraw all films from exhibition in which appeared Virginia Rappe, the actress for whose death Roscoe (Fatty) Arbuckle is held at San Francisco on a charge of murder. It was announced here today. Thirty-two hundred exhibitors are represented in the action.

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Austria Hopeful U. S. Will Waive All Reparations

Representative to League Says Unlikely Republic Will Force Payments; Vilna Dispute Up Today.

By The Associated Press. Geneva, Sept. 22.—Austria still hopes that the United States will waive priority of payment of reparations and other credits, to permit application of the plan for the economic restoration of the country. Count Mensdorff, head of the Austrian delegation, informed the financial committee of the league assembly today.

"It seems most unlikely," he said, "that the great republic whose people came forward when famine was threatening in Vienna, and for more than two years provided food for hundreds of thousands of children, should stand back when other countries have released us."

Discussion developed that the restoration plan is ready for execution whenever the United States joins with the other countries.

The assembly listlessly heard reports of the humanitarian committee. There was much talk that the method of procedure should be changed as interest is lacking when delegates read lengthy reports already printed.

Tomorrow Latvia, Estonia and Lithuania will be admitted to membership. Immediately the Vilna dispute will come up, with both Polish and Lithuanian delegates present to state their cases.

Count Apponyi arrived to present Hungary's claim for admission. He declared that the report that Hungarian troops were in Burgenland was untrue and that all the trouble there was caused by local armed bands, for which the Hungarian government was not responsible.

The council decided to take up Albania's complaint of Serbian aggression on the Drina. M. Spalibovich, the Jugo-Slav delegate, denied the competency of the council or the assembly to deal with the question and refused to make any definite statement in reply to Albania's charges.

Northern Pacific Dips Into Surplus For Regular Dividend

New York, Sept. 22.—For the second time this year the directors of the Northern Pacific railway decided to dip into surplus accumulated in the road's treasury for the quarterly dividend requirements. At the meeting the usual dividend of 1.34 per cent was declared, payable November 1, 1921, to stockholders of record at the close of business on October 8, 1921.

The conditions which confronted the directors were not as serious as those of the preceding quarter. The road has had the advantage of increased traffic, especially in the movement of grain, and the cash position of the company is good, according to a recent statement of Mr. Elliott.

Posses in Pursuit Of Two Check Forgers

Holdrege, Neb., Sept. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—Two men in a touring car which was stolen at Holdrege, Neb., broke into the Seldombridge elevator office, stole a pad of blank checks and cut the telephone wires. Later they made a deposit of about \$50 worth of forged checks at the Citizens, State and First National banks, drew about \$200 in cash from each and made their escape. Posses were formed and were in pursuit within an hour's time of discovery of the forgery, scoring the country there was caused by local armed bands, for which the Hungarian government was not responsible.

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