

Jefferis Starts Today on Trip to Panama Canal

Omaha Congressman and Colleagues in House to Investigate Locks and Toll System.

By E. C. SNYDER. Washington Correspondent Omaha Bee. Washington, Dec. 13.—(Special Telegram.)—Congressman Jefferis and a number of his colleagues in the house will leave Washington tomorrow for the Panama Canal zone.

The delegation will study especially the lock system and the advisability of adopting a similar system for the proposed St. Lawrence canal. The matter of canal tolls will also be carefully investigated with a view to forming an accurate judgment as to the effect of a possible repeal of tolls on western transportation.

The itinerary has been so arranged that the congressmen will cover much ground and gain the necessary information for future canal legislation in time to be back in Washington the first week in January.

Congressman Kinkaid has been advised by the civil service commission that the results of the August examinations for postmasterships of the second class in the Sixth congressional district will be made known a few days before Christmas.

Nebraska senators and representatives today received a telegram from H. D. Lute, secretary of the Nebraska Farm Bureau federation, urging that the proposed purchase of 10,000,000 bushels of corn for Russia be increased to 20,000,000 and that an additional appropriation be made for the purchase of needed dairy products.

Nebraskan Convicted Of Evading War Draft

(Continued From Page One.) had never received a notice of any kind in reference to his draft. He said he had no intention of evading the draft and was ready to serve in the United States army now.

At the close of the defendant's testimony, Judge A. J. Bausch made pointed out to the court of inquiry that it was incumbent under the law for a person selected for draft to keep the respective draft board apprised of his whereabouts at all times and compared the selective draft law with the old axiom of "ignorance of the law excuses no one."

Verdict Comes Quick. The defendant's counsel pleaded to the court that Bausch had not willfully evaded military service.

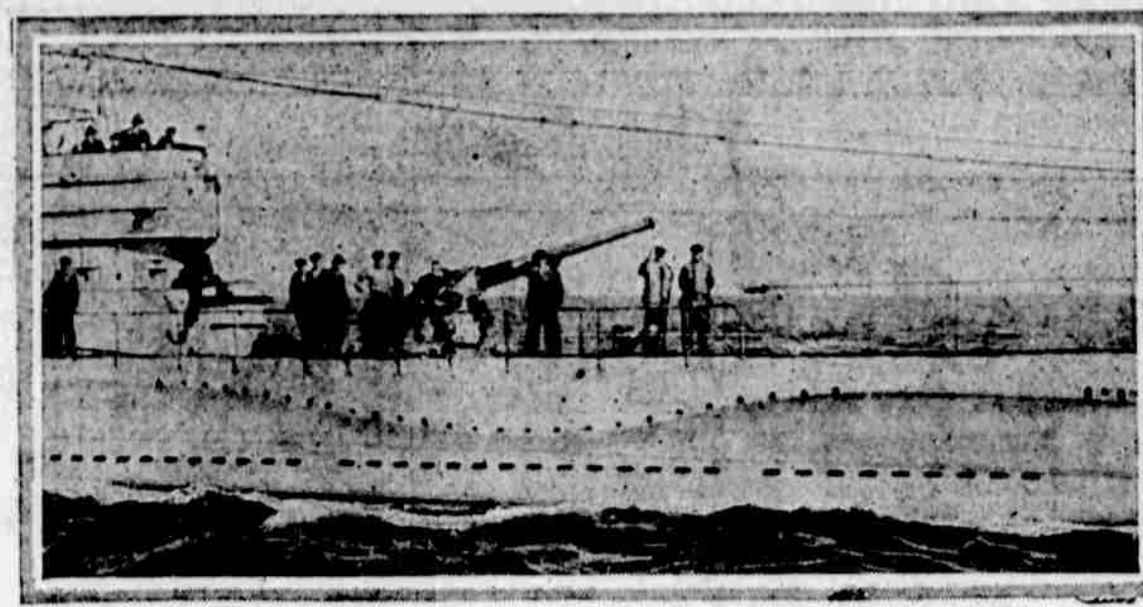
After a few moments' deliberation the court martial returned a verdict of guilty and sentenced Bausch. The findings of the court martial will be turned over to the commandant at Fort Crook, who will review them and then the verdict of the court martial with all the evidence will be sent to the secretary of war for approval or disapproval.

Bausch was apprehended at Leigh, Neb., November 11 of this year, and has been confined in a guard house at Fort Crook awaiting trial. According to Judge Advocate Greer, there are several hundred cases similar to that of Bausch, which will come up for court martial hearing at Fort Crook this winter.

The government of the United States may forgive in some cases, but it never forgets," said Judge Advocate Greer, "and every draft evader of the great war, drafted by the United States, will eventually be brought to justice."

Prison Officer Wounded By Three Convicts Dies. Marquette, Mich., Dec. 13.—Deputy Warden F. C. Menhennit, who was badly cut and beaten Sunday in a knife battle with three convicts in Marquette prison, died of his wounds yesterday.

America's Newest Submarine



While representatives of nations of the world are haggling over disarmament at Washington the Navy department announced Uncle Sam's latest terror of the seas, the submarine S-5. It is the first subsea vessel to carry fixed six-inch deck guns with specially constructed ammunition magazines located in the conning tower.

Farmers Divided on Grain Growers' Body

(Continued From Page One.) as a whole toward the U. S. Grain Growers, Inc. and the committee of 17 before they endorsed their program.

"Mr. Shorthill is taking too much for granted when he makes these recommendations, particularly those pertaining to the grain growers. Let the state association make its own recommendations."

"I have studied the Grain Growers, Inc. plan of marketing, its contracts and everything pertaining to it sincerely and honestly, and I consider it the greatest enemy of all farmers. It has no money with which to carry out its contracts and the state denies it the right to raise money in Nebraska."

"The organization has been in existence for eight months and as far as I can learn hasn't bought a bushel of grain."

Hastily Introduced Next Speaker. Following Mr. Wooster's attack there was a flurry of excitement, which was covered by the hasty introduction of the next speaker.

All was serene again until W. F. Dale, University Place, Neb., delivered his address on "The United States Grain Growers, Inc."

Mr. Dale outlined the progress the grain growers has made in the eight months of its existence and how it planned to market the grain of the grain growers of the nation.

In speaking of Mr. Dale's address after the meeting had adjourned, Mr. Wooster said: "Mr. Dale outlined very cleverly the plans of the United States Grain Growers, Inc., but his address was full of ambiguous statements which he did not stop to explain. He also charged the grain dealers, outside of the Grain Growers, Inc., with many irregularities which he did not enumerate."

Claims Right to Know. "If the grain exchanges and boards of trade of the United States are cheating we producers have a right to know it. If Mr. Dale has facts it is his duty to produce them and enlighten us."

Mr. Dale said the U. S. Grain Growers, Inc., had 200 elevators and between 6,000 and 7,000 members signed up in Nebraska. That may be true, but the membership of the various co-operative societies is many times that and the elevators operated by this state organization alone are 461 and there are almost as many more elevators operated by co-operative societies. I can see nothing in his figures to brag about."

Mr. Wooster said that at the morning meeting today an effort would be made to bring the discussion of the U. S. Grain Growers, Inc., to the floor of the convention in an attempt to sound out the true sentiments of the organization regarding the national organization.

Foresees Split. "I have talked with many farmers," he said, "and many are against the national organization. There are many who foresee a hot discussion and a possible split over the question," he declared.

Packing House Men Plan Parade to Gain Sympathy

Strikers Carrying Placards Reading "Don't Seab"—"Big Five" Plants Report Conditions Better Than Ever—Skilled Butchers Return to Work.

A parade of striking packing house workers will be staged in Omaha soon, according to plans of the union announced yesterday by Frank Lauer, chairman of the strike committee. He said many thousands will be in line and that it will gain sympathy for the cause.

"We can get permission from the police and the city government to hold the parade, I know," he said. "This has been done in other cities."

Some strikers yesterday carried placards, tied to their backs, reading, "Strike on at all packing houses. Don't seab. Keep away."

A sign on the bulletin board in union headquarters yesterday said 84 cooperators, engineers, firemen and laborers walked out of the Omaha Cooperative company plant in a sympathetic strike yesterday. "Not even a rat stirring there," said the notice.

Extra Police on Duty. Nineteen extra policemen were put to work in the strike zone yesterday, although peace and quiet reigned everywhere.

The "Big Five" packing houses all reported conditions better than ever. Killing and other departments were reported operating in all plants.

Armour's reported 75 per cent of normal efficiency. Several skilled butchers returned to work from the strike, it was said.

Eight skilled butchers returned to work at Cudahy's yesterday, M. R. Murphy, general manager, said. He said 30 laborers who sought employment were turned away yesterday. Monday kill, he said, was 275 cattle, 400 sheep and 750 hogs.

Butchers Return. The Morris plant reported 12 new butchers on the job yesterday and normal working at 80 per cent of its normal efficiency, with a kill of 400 cattle, 650 sheep and 800 hogs Monday.

Swift's is running at 75 per cent of normal capacity, a report said with killing Monday at the rate of 40 cattle an hour.

The Dold plant claimed a slight increase in its operations over Monday, with increased buying of live stock.

Plans for mobilizing the Nebraska National Guard quickly for strike duty on the South Side or at Nebraska City were made at a conference of guard officers here Monday night, though officers agreed that, as the situation now is, there is no call for service by the guard.

Wife-a-Month Campaign Lands Omahan in Jail

Dr. Leighton Bonner Alleged To Have Wed Five Girls In as Many Months—Stops at Sixth.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 13.—(Special Telegram.)—A new wife a month for the first five months of this year was the charge revealed today against Dr. Leighton Bonner, former Omahan, whose "high life" in Denver has become a matter of police court record.

To this allegation of a new bride once a month are charges that he forged checks amounting to thousands of dollars on merchants in Omaha, Neb., to pay for his honeymoon when he married Edna Howard, Grand Island, Neb., in 1919, according to the local police.

His bride-a-month campaign began shortly after his marriage to Miss Howard, after a brief honeymoon, it is alleged. He took a bride at Calgary, Alberta, in February; in March he married at San Francisco, Calif., the choice of April was a pretty Minneapolis girl; in May he placed a ring on the finger of a Billings (Mont.) beauty, while at Portland, Ore., a bright June day he married a manicurist of that place, according to the charges.

His sixth romance at San Bernardino, Cal., caused his arrest at that place under the Mann act when he refused to marry the girl. Bonner used the aliases of Dr. R. C. Gentry and Dr. Robert Meyer, it is alleged.

Woman Rescued From Mad Bull

Man Fights Off Infuriated Animal With Pitchfork as Only Weapon.

Nauvoo, Ill., Dec. 13.—A bull fight worthy of the best Spanish tradition took place on a farm near here.

Carl Marzoff, the torador in the case, fought, not for the cheers of a crowd, but for a woman's life. A lonely pasture hillside was the arena, a pitchfork instead of a sword was the weapon, and instead of a herald through two or three scared women watched the fight. Marzoff won.

Miss Agatha Wellner, a music teacher, had often ventured into the pasture on her father's farm, where the bull was kept, but he had never made any unfriendly overtures. This day he charged her. For some time she dodged him among the trees of an old orchard, then ran for the fence, where she fell between a stretch of wire netting and a thorny hedge. The bull could just reach her by stretching the netting. Each time she tried to rise he knocked her back among the thorns.

A woman neighbor came with a pitchfork, but was unable to make effective use of it against the bull, who was now genuinely angry. Marzoff arrived and, fork in hand, climbed the fence. Each time the bull charged he side-stepped and jabbed. In one of these bouts he drove the fork so deep into the animal that it was jerked from his hands and carried some distance before it worked loose and fell out. He recovered it in time. Finally the bull had enough of it.

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\$243,042,060 Due Carriers From U. S.

Washington, Dec. 13.—Final payments to railroads by the government on claims and adjustments arising out of wartime control are estimated to require \$243,042,060, according to a report sent by Director General of Railroads Davis to the senate yesterday in response to a resolution introduced by Senator LaFollette republican, Wisconsin.

He said that the administration had available cash credits with the treasury of \$152,380,000 for use in the settlements and likewise holds much larger sums in securities. He refused to report on a section of the resolution which required details and items of the settlements made with the individual roads.

Hungarian Assembly Ratifies New Treaty

Budapest, Dec. 13.—The national assembly tonight ratified the treaty of peace between the United States and Hungary.

Count Albert Apponyi, chairman of the committee in charge of the peace agreement, in an address after the ratification, said: "Though we are not yet acquainted with America's future world policy, this separate treaty is proof of her disinterestedness and her sincere wish to help in the reconstruction of eastern Europe. This single peace, which was not dictated, recognized Hungary as an equal."

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Porto Rican Plot to Slay Gov. Reily Uncovered

Washington, Dec. 13.—Evidence of plot by Porto Rican secessionists against the life of Governor Reily, American governor of the island, by firing the steamship Tanamo on which he came to the United States last month, was claimed yesterday by members of the party which accompanied the governor to Washington.

Liquor Dealers Ask Lower Tariff On Champagne

Senate Finance Committee Treated to Course of Gymnastics in Following Subjects Presented.

Washington, Dec. 13.—Tariff framers on the senate finance committee had a course in mental gymnastics today, in following the many subjects presented by a dozen or more witnesses. The discussion ranged from canary birds to cows and from near beer to champagne, with onions, spaghetti, candy, nuts, tomatoes, paste and other items mixed in.

The specific schedules under consideration were those dealing with agricultural products, provisions, spirits, wines and other beverages. Liquor importers, through Levi Cooke, protested against the proposed rates of \$5 a gallon on brandy and \$6 a gallon on champagne, pointing out that these were in addition to the internal revenue tax of \$2.20 a gallon.

Calling attention that under the law liquors could not be imported for beverage purposes, Mr. Cooke said most of it was used for medicinal purposes, adding that the tax was very steep for a medicine. This led to a discussion of the medicinal use of liquors, and Senator Smoot, re-

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Gifts for Baby. Booties of silk or wool from 65c to \$3. Carriage Boots of eider-down and ribbon-trimmed or quilted satin and fur-trimmed. Priced \$2 and \$2.50. Mittens of silk or wool from 85c to \$1.50. Long Coats and Capes of cashmere silk or crepe de chine; either silk or sateen-lined, from \$7 to \$25. For Baby's Crib there are silk quilts, cotton or wool blankets, machine or hand-made sheets and pillow cases.

In Novel Styles. Embroidered front or self-clocked, with tops and soles of lisle, for \$3 and \$3.50 a pair. Lace clocks in beautiful patterns in a hose of pure thread silk to the top. Black or cordovan for \$5 a pair. Hand embroideries, Mexican drawnwork, lace inserts, allover laces, hand clocks in many attractive designs from \$5 to \$10 a pair.

Who Can Resist The Charm of a Fan. No woman, I am sure—especially if it is a feathery fan, or one of real lace or chiffon with a handle of Mother of Pearl. The feather fans come in all different shades and range from \$3.50 to \$21. Those of real lace are priced from \$15 to \$35. The chiffon ones may be black or white and are from \$2.50 on up. Children's feather fans come in as many different shades as their elder sisters' and are priced from \$1.75 to \$2.50.

Fancy Combs. Are so delightful and their prices range so wide that people of moderate means and people of wealth have an equality of opportunity. They are of shell amber and jet and may be plain carved or studded with white and colored stones. Priced from \$2.50 on up.