

ISSUES A WARNING AGAINST FRIVOLITY

CHANCELLOR AVERY ASKS FOR PATRIOTISM AMONG STUDENTS

NEWS FROM STATE CAPITAL

Items of Varied Interest Gathered from Reliable Sources at the State House

Western Newspaper Union News Service.

Excessive social life, excessive frivolity and excessive student activities have no place in war times, for an extravagant dinner may mean a soldier hungry in France!

Urging the patriotic necessity of eliminating all unnecessary clogs from scientific progress this year, Chancellor Avery of the University of Nebraska, in his annual convocation address, delivered to the student body Sept. 22.

"It does not seem an unreasonable request that while your comrades are in the mire of the trenches, you may weed out half of your social expenses and give the balance to the work of the Red Cross and Y. M. C. A. No one would like to think that the money foolishly squandered on a 'game' or a party dress might, if directed in the right channel have saved the life of a Nebraskan fighting for peace and security of the world.

"In my judgment," he continued, "the way to bring about peace is to convince the imperial German government that we intend to fight to the last man and the last dollar; that there is no limit to our courage, our resolution and our devotion. And one of the ways to do this is to stop the chatter for side-stepping the war and expending an inglorious peace."

Of Germany, he said: "We are facing a combination of rugged honesty in the people and rank deceit in official circles. We are facing a paradox in the German people, the most generally intelligent and at the same time the most systematically deceived of any people that the sun has ever shined upon."

Movie Picture Work a New Course.

Photography and motion picture work is a new course open to students of the University of Nebraska. Its object is to prepare men for motion picture training, especially from aeroplanes, and it will be carried on in the department of geography and conservation, a department closely connected with the state conservation commission, both of which are headed by Dr. C. L. Condra. The state has the best equipment in the west for the service and all of it is held at the university. It is probable that at a later date the course will be thrown open to women and the making of "camera men" will be conducted on a still larger scale.

1917 State Fair Receipts.

Nebraska state fair receipts this year exceeded those of 1916 by almost \$25,000, thanks to a week of fine weather, the excellent attractions which were provided, and the generally favorable conditions. The financial commission prepared by Secretary E. R. Jamieson shows a total of \$129,194 taken in from all sources. Last year the receipts were \$104,951, and the year before that they aggregated \$190,478. They have been growing from year to year, except when bad weather cut down the attendance, but this time the increase is more marked than ever. Five days of almost perfect weather, with the roads in good shape for automobile travel on every day but the last one—due to a heavy rain the night before—brought record-breaking crowds to Lincoln and the attendance ran up a little above \$200,000, being 7,000 more than the previous high mark in 1916.

Methodists in U. S. Service

Over 2,000 members of the Methodist churches of Nebraska are in war service, according to announcement made at the annual conference of Nebraska Methodist churches. Bishop Stutz, who declared it was no time for copperheadism, aroused a demonstration when he called for reports from pastors on the number of members of the congregation in war service. C. C. Wilson of the Grace church, Omaha, stated twenty members of the congregation had joined the colors.

Governor Neville held a conference with City Prosecutor McGuire of Omaha last week and assured him that he meant business when he appointed him special prosecutor of prohibition violators. "Bootlegging must be stamped out in this state," said the governor, "and I have appointed you because I believe you are best qualified for the ferreting out and prosecution of bootleggers in Omaha. I am with you in whatever move you make, and will back you up, no matter if you do stir up the lairs of some prominent Omaha men."

Governor Neville went to Omaha to pay the national guardsmen who have been stationed there a farewell visit before their departure for the training camp at Deming, N. M. The governor has taken a lively interest in the men from the time they were mobilized, and wanted to assure himself that preparations for their comfort during the trip were adequate. Among the close friends of Governor Neville, it has been known that he keenly regrets the circumstances which made it inexpedient for himself to enter the military service of the United States.

Nebraska will observe food conservation week from October 14 to 20 inclusive. In an effort to insure the success of the movement G. W. Waffles, food administrator for Nebraska, is endeavoring to secure co-operation of business men's associations in Nebraska. On behalf of the movement, Clark Perkins, president of the state press association, has written a circular letter to editors of the state urging them to do their utmost to insure the success of the move. Mr. Perkins explains that almost all organizations of the state are already back of it.

A MILITARY CENTER

Soldiers From All Over the State Gather at Lincoln

Lincoln was an active military center Wednesday afternoon and night. Nebraska soldiers from more than twenty counties stretched their legs in the state capital while en route to Camp Funston, Fort Riley. More than five hundred Douglas county lads came in on an early afternoon special and joined the Lancaster county units here. The train bearing the Lincoln and Omaha boys was made up without delay and started on its southern journey. The farewells of thousands of Lancaster county citizens to their soldiers, was extended to the lads from other counties.

Other Omaha units passed thru the city later in the afternoon. A special carrying ninety-one soldiers from Perkins, Frontier, Gosper, Chase and Hayes, reached the city shortly before midnight and remained for nearly half an hour.

Another special carrying 202 men of the draft from Nance, Boone, Madison, Colfax, Dodge and Sarpy counties, reached here shortly after 6 p. m. These soldiers had supper here. They left for the southern camp about midnight.

One hundred and ninety-seven soldier boys from Dakota, Dixon, Cedar, Wayne, Thurston, Burt and Washington counties, passed thru the city late in the afternoon on a special out of Omaha.

Coal Famine Not Likely

Possibilities of a coal famine in Nebraska the coming winter are completely dissipated by the announcement of the results of the census which the Nebraska state council of defense took of the coal situation and just made public. One-fourth of the total amount of coal needed in the state during the next twelve months is already on hand, according to the information coal dealers have furnished the council. Omaha and Lincoln are particularly well provided for, although exact figures have not been given out by the council. Unofficially, it is said that in both cities there is a sufficient amount of coal in the yards of the dealers to look after the entire needs for half of the winter. Probably 10 per cent more of the total amount needed has already been contracted for and shortly will be shipped. This is believed by the council to preclude any possibility of a coal famine during the winter in either city.

Rate Case Hearing Postponed

Express rate cases will not be taken up again for hearing by the Nebraska railway commission until November 5, having been postponed by general agreement from the date of September 27. This will give the railway commission's accounting department six weeks more time to assemble material in defense of the present rates and prepare for cross-examination of the express companies officials, who have already testified.

Ruling Will Prevent Monopoly

As another measure to prevent monopoly in the acquisition of mineral rights on state school lands, the board of educational lands and funds has adopted a rule that prohibits the sale of leases without the approval of the board. The board had specifically in mind, it is said, when making this ruling the possibility of operators of western Nebraska buying up all the potash leases for speculation.

Requirements for State Aid

Circular letters to all city school superintendents of Nebraska are being mailed out by A. H. Dixon, normal training inspector for the state superintendent's office, calling attention to the requirements for state aid in normal training work. To obtain state aid, a high school must have four teachers employed and there must be at least ten students taking domestic science or manual training.

Reports that speculators are attempting to corner the potato market have been received by Food Administrator Wattles. The department is investigating these reports, and if any definite proof is found, he says, it will take definite and immediate action. The interest of the consumer must be protected. Many requests that men on the farms, especially corn huskers and sugar beet harvesters, who have been drafted, be permitted to remain on the farms until December have been received by Mr. Wattles.

Men registered under the selective draft law, who have been called for examination and rejected, or who have been exempted, are eligible for voluntary enlistment, according to orders to the local army headquarters from the war department. The same ruling applies to resident alien enemies, registered and drafted, and who have not taken out first papers, but have been discharged by the exemption boards. Applicants exempted for industrial or occupational reasons will not be enlisted. Subjects of the enemy or her allies will not be accepted.

Claims Big Food Waste in Nebraska

"There is more food wasted in Nebraska than there is consumed," this was the statement of Charles Graff, president of the Live Stock Breeders' association, before the state executive committee of the food administration, at its convention in Omaha. The statement was backed up by G. W. Waffles, the Nebraska food administrator. The executive committee planned organization for the nation-wide pledge card campaign to be held the week of October 14-20.

Slight Decrease in Uni. Registration Figures on registration at the state university show only a slight decrease from the figures for the same length of time for 1916. University authorities expect that the grand total of students for the year will reach approximately 5,000. That will be 500 less than last year, but that was to be expected. "We are well pleased with the registration," says Miss McGahey. "Everything came up to expectations, and we will have as large a student body as we had in 1915. The war has given us no cause for complaint."

STATE NEWS IN BRIEF

Items of Interest Pertaining to the Affairs of Nebraska.

President Wilson issued a proclamation at Washington calling upon the school children of Nebraska and all other states in the union to do their part in the war by joining the Junior Red Cross, a branch of the American Red Cross society, which has just been formed to assist in the mercy work of the senior organization. Plans are now under way in co-operation with the boards of education of various states for launching membership campaigns. Schools are to be recruited as units with membership fees of 25 cents for each pupil.

Miss Cora Hintz, teacher in a rural school seven miles southwest of Hartington, was shot and instantly killed by Frank Faust, a farm hand, after committing the deed Faust ran to a cornfield and committed suicide by shooting himself behind the right ear. Miss Hintz was 18 years old and a daughter of J. M. Hintz, living four miles east of Coleridge. Faust had been employed by Hintz and had been attempting to force his attentions upon the girl.

One of the three largest broom manufacturing establishments in the United States, doing \$227,000 worth of business last year, with sixteen traveling men, is located at Deshler. In connection with the industry a coffee-roasting plant, to be run in conjunction with the broom factory, will soon be doing business, and a large knitting factory will soon be in operation.

Nebraska's second contingent of the new national army, 3,300 men, 40 per cent of the state's quota, left last week for Fort Riley, Kan. The men are now undergoing training to engage in the great battle for democracy. Camp Funston is to be made the largest cantonment in the United States with accommodation for 60,000 troops.

Men will be needed in Nebraska for potato digging, according to a government representative at Lincoln. Potatoes will be a big crop and there is liable to be a lack of assistance when the digging begins on October 1. Sections where the men are most needed are Morrill and Scottsbluff counties. Good wages is offered for pickers.

A building program of startling dimensions calling for a \$2,000,000 bond issue was unanimously endorsed by the Omaha Board of Education. It is planned to put the question before the voters of the Omaha School District at a special election in the near future.

Lieut. Col. A. H. Hollingsworth's Russian bond, which escaped from the boys of Company C at Kansas City, when they were en route to Deming, N. M., some weeks ago, wandered back to Beatrice a few days ago, so far as known without the aid of any one.

Pledge card work in Nebraska has been postponed from October 14 to 21 to the week of October 21 to 28. Twenty thousand school teachers in the state will be asked to aid in securing signatures to conservation cards during the week's campaign.

People interested in the Home Guard project in Humphrey have asked the Platte county board to contribute \$2,500 for supplying rifles for that purpose. The board has taken it under advisement.

By a majority of 163, citizens of York voted in favor of locating the new high school building on seven and one-half acres of land donated by W. E. Green, located in the northeast corner of the city.

Following twenty-five meetings throughout Knox county at which the work of a county agent was explained, a monster meeting was held at Center and it was definitely decided to employ such an official.

Forty-seven head of Wyoming grass fed cattle sold for \$14.50 per hundred pounds on the South Omaha market. A new top for that grade of cattle.

October 16 to 19 are the dates set for the National P. E. O. convention at Omaha. Over 400 delegates are expected to attend.

Farmers in the vicinity of Deshler, Thayer county, have lost a number of cattle from eating infected cornstalks.

On September 15 citizens of Hartington celebrated the thirty-fourth anniversary of the founding of the city.

The Nebraska branch of the American Red Cross society has established a surgical dressings department. This Nebraska has taken the lead in Red Cross activity, it being the first state in the union to create such a department.

Miss Nellie Calvin of Omaha, who has been placed at the head of this work, is the first woman in the United States to hold this position.

A flag pole 100 feet high has been erected in the public square at Madison. Subscriptions from Madison business men raised the money.

Corn sold for \$2 a bushel at Stella the other day and wheat was quoted at \$1.90 a bushel. This is the first time in history that corn was ever quoted higher than wheat in southeastern Nebraska.

Ervine Brandeis, 21, owner of the J. L. Brandeis stores in Omaha, millionaire and society man, was included in the 573 drafted men who left Omaha for Fort Riley, Kans., last Wednesday.

NEW WAY TO ADDRESS SOLDIERS' LETTERS.

Definite instructions from Washington for the proper addressing of mail to soldiers in the various military camps in the United States, follows:

Regiments in the regular army are numbered 1 to 100; in the national guard, 101 to 300; in the national army, 301 up. So letters should be addressed thus:

Regular Army—Private John Smith, Company A, 6th Infantry, Camp Lee, Va."

National Guard—Private John Smith, Company B, 151st Infantry, (4th Nebraska), Camp Cody, N. M."

National Army—Private John Smith, Company C, 355th Infantry (Nebraska), Camp Funston, Kas."

Since many of the Nebraska units have not yet received their national regimental numbers, the correspondents will have to watch for announcements to that effect in the newspapers.

Nebraska is one of the few states of the union which has no floating debt, according to a report just issued by the department of commerce at Washington, covering financial investigation for the year 1916. Iowa, Kansas, South Dakota and West Virginia are the other states, with no debt. The per capita cost of running the Nebraska state government was \$3.31 for last year, 73 cents below the average of all states in the country, says the report. National guard, armories and school expenditures were far below the average in the nation. Value of Nebraska property, owned by the state, is given at \$14,788,750.

Nebraska farmers by the score are appealing to President Wilson for exemption from the draft, or at least for time to harvest and bask their record corn crops. Some of the appeals are made by the farmers' bankers, some by parents, but most of them by the farmers themselves. Practically every one of the farmers, in their claims, set forth that they had 60, 100 or 1,000 acres of corn standing in the field, which will not be properly cared for if they are forced into military service before January 1.

The food administration at Washington advises farmers to sell their wheat. Mr. Hoover is quoted as saying that the present prices for wheat will drop at least one-half as soon as the war closes and that the prices now being paid, for other reasons, may soon be reduced. He says there is no hope for a higher wheat price.

Omaha is making an effort to land one of the great "reconstruction" hospitals to be established throughout the United States by the government. The purpose of these institutions will be to take the wounded from the battle field and make them fit subjects for civil life.

Hogs from seventeen states will compete for prizes at Omaha during the second annual National Swine Show to be held in the barns of the Union Stock Yards company, October 3 to 10. Omaha stockmen say this year's show will be the biggest and best exhibition of swine ever held in the west.

A federated conservation council, having for its purpose the co-operation with the government in war measures, was organized at Lincoln by nine retailers' associations representing 22,000 Nebraska dealers. Cliff Brooks of Fairbury was made president.

Fire totally destroyed the factory store house of the Great Western Sugar company at Bayard. For a time the new Bayard factory, now nearing completion and which will be ready for operation this fall, was threatened. The cause of the fire is unknown.

Rather than ask for exemption from serving Uncle Sam in the great war, Walter S. Scanborough of Dunbar sold his \$25,000 lumber business and enlisted. He is with Company B, Fifth regiment, at Deming.

Ten young Germans who left Hastings for Fort Riley to become American soldiers, were given a rousing sendoff by 150 Germans led by Rev. Gross of the local German Congregational church.

Unless the government reduces the retail price of coal in the immediate future, Omaha city commissioners declare a municipal coal yard will be opened in the city and coal will be sold at cost to consumers.

The largest sheep receipts of the year at South Omaha, 175 cars containing 45,500 head, were recorded last Tuesday. The total sheep receipts of Chicago, St. Joseph, Sioux City and Kansas City for the day were only 27,000 head.

Tom Halle and his 11-year-old son, residing at St. Helena, Cedar county, produced this year 2,000 bushels of Red Weatherfield onions on a tract of land containing less than six acres and the crop is being sold at \$2 per bushel.

From 4,000 to 5,000 Nebraska school teachers are expected to attend the annual convention of the State Teachers association at Omaha November 7, 8 and 9. Elaborate preparations are being made for the meeting.

An attempt is to be made to secure \$25,000,000 in subscriptions to the second liberty loan in Nebraska. A state-wide drive to secure this amount of subscriptions will begin about October 1.

A somewhat severe epidemic of diptheria is prevalent in Cedar Bluffs.

Stockholders of the Tri-State and Farmers' canal, at a special election at Scottsbluff, voted in favor of having the government take over the control and operation of the ditch by a vote of 192 to 14.

The Swedish Missions congregation at Stromsburg has rededicated its church. \$5,000 has been expended in improvements and a \$25,000 parsonage built.

Ravenna suffered a \$25,000 fire when the shells building, occupied by a general store, was completely destroyed.

PLOT STIRS SOLONS

EXPOSURE OF GERMAN INTRIGUE STARTLES WASHINGTON.

BERNSTORFF'S GUILT PROVEN

Made Effort to Obtain German Gold to Bribe Congress—Hefflin Seeks Investigation.

Washington, Sept. 24.—The American government has revealed another German intrigue which has caused a big stir in the national capital. Secretary Lansing made public on Friday the text of a message sent by Count von Bernstorff to Berlin last January, asking authority to use \$50,000 to influence congress through an organization which, the foreign office was reminded, had performed similar service before. To supplement this move, von Bernstorff suggested an official declaration in favor of Ireland for its effect here.

The organization to be employed was not named in the message and Mr. Lansing did not discuss its identity. It was freely suggested among other officials, however, that it was one of the various societies which flooded members of the house and senate with peace messages when President Wilson was asking that a state of war be recognized.

This disclosure adds another chapter to the amazing story begun with publication of the famous Zimmerman note, in which Germany proposed alliance with Mexico and Japan against the United States and which has included the German-Swedish breaches of neutrality in Argentina and Mexico.

It connects the German government and Count von Bernstorff directly and conclusively with the machinations which the American public had assumed was a part of the world-wide Teuton intrigue, but which many people firmly believed were carried on or financed in this country by German-Americans without actual authority from Berlin.

The message was made public without comment in the same manner as was the message of Count Luxburg, German minister to Argentina, which has disrupted relations between Argentina and Germany, and the letter of German Minister von Eckhardt, in Mexico City, recently made public.

Representative Hefflin of Alabama has demanded a congressional investigation of the von Bernstorff message to determine if any members of either house had received German money.

Teutons Anxious for Peace.

Amsterdam, Sept. 24.—The German government, in its reply to the peace note of Pope Benedict, a copy of which has been received here, "cherishes a lively desire" that the appeal may meet with success.

Emperor William, the German note says, has been following the efforts of the pope toward peace for a considerable time with high respect.

Peace would come from the recent proposals of Pope Benedict if the beligerent nations would enter into negotiations in the sense of the pontiff's suggestions. Emperor Charles of Austria-Hungary says in his reply to the vatican note.

The emperor sees in the pope's peace plan a suitable basis for starting negotiations toward a just and lasting peace and expresses the hope that the nations opposing his own may be animated by the same idea.

Austria-Hungary's ruler received the pontiff's note with a thankful heart and with an expression of hope that the pontiff's efforts may lead to the realization of the emperor's desire for a lasting and honorable peace for all parties.

No Surprise at Washington.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 24.—Favorable replies from both Berlin and Vienna to Pope Benedict's peace proposals were not unexpected in the United States and the allied countries.

Whether or not the action of the pope was influenced by Austria has been frequently suggested, the acceptance of his peace plans by the central powers falls in line with the policies of those governments in making their people feel that they are waging a purely defensive war against a group of nations bent upon their destruction.

Two Killed in Auto Smash.

Deadwood, S. D., Sept. 24.—E. A. Cade of Bellefourche, S. D., prominent in Masonic circles, and his wife were killed when the automobile in which they were riding was struck by a train near Blackhawk, S. D.

Plot Financed by Germans.

Enid, Okl., Sept. 24.—Money procured from agents of the German government and disbursed through headquarters of the Industrial Workers of the World at Chicago was used to purchase arms, ammunition and supplies for the Working Class Union, "Jones Family" and about forty kindred organizations with a membership of approximately 2,000,000, according to testimony in federal court here in the trial of eleven alleged draft resistors from Pottawatomie and Cleveland counties.

Now Publishes Paper in English.

Portland, Ore., Sept. 24.—The Oregon Deutsche Zeitung has changed its name to the Portland American. Its editor, Max Lucke, who has been under investigation by the government, and other German employes have been dismissed, according to A. M. Kern, its publisher, and hereafter it will be printed wholly in English. In an editorial Kern said the changes were made because he had been notified the paper would be suppressed if it attempted to continue publication in German.

Separators.

"That summer-bourder of ours spends a good deal of time in the dairy. Seems to take a great interest in the separator."

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"Huh?"

"He's a divorce lawyer."

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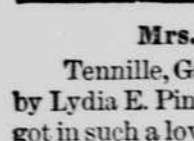
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Won't You Try to Stop Needless Telephone Calls —the Lines Are Very Busy and Equipment is Scarce. The constantly increasing scarcity of men and materials is causing great difficulty in getting and installing telephone equipment for the most urgent needs.

Transparent Cookery. A firm at Corning, N. Y., is now making pie dishes, baking dishes and other cooking utensils of glass so tough that it can be handled like ordinary crockery and will stand the heat of any oven. The Scientific American remarks that now every housekeeper can see what her puddings and pies look like on the inside.

Too Expensive. Wife—My dear, I wish you wouldn't play billiards for money. It's nothing but a game of chance. Husband—Nonsense! Billiards is a game of infinite skill. Wife—Not as you play it, my love! —Stray Stories.

Excuse for Wetting Up. "What's a mixed metaphor, Bill?" "That's a new one on me. Let's go over and ask the bartender."

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