

AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Council Passes Resolution of Respect for Mrs. Herman Beal.

EAGLES EXPLAIN THE PROGRAM

Holiday Week Brings Greatest Rush on Record to Local Postoffice Force, Which is Snowed Under.

Jay Williams, councilman from the Sixth ward at the meeting of the city council last night introduced resolutions of condolence upon the death of Mrs. Herman Beal, wife of City Engineer Herman Beal. The resolutions were unanimously passed by the mayor and council and City Clerk Wheeler was directed to send a copy to the bereaved husband after spreading the same upon the council minutes.

Mrs. Beal's funeral will be held Wednesday morning at 8:30 o'clock from her late residence, 1215 North Twenty-eighth street. Services will be held at St. Bridget's Catholic church and interment made at Holy Sepulchre cemetery, Omaha.

The resolutions adopted by the council are as follows: Whereas, The All Seeing Father has seen fit to call from the loving circle of family and friends Mrs. Herman Beal, the devoted wife of our city engineer, Herman Beal, thereby removing from our midst a shining example of devoted wifehood, tender motherhood, and spirited citizenship, whose loss will be keenly felt by all those who have the honor of her acquaintance, and

Whereas, We who are unable to fathom the mysterious ways of the Master of life, can only stand together as brothers and bow our heads in submission to His will, and

Whereas, We have been associated with Herman Beal, the bereaved husband, in an official capacity as city engineer of South Omaha, and in the closer tie of friendship and brotherhood, therefore be it

Resolved, That we share with him the sense of his great loss and with his children, who will most keenly feel the loss of the wise counsels and the loving care of their mother, and to this end we hereby make public expression of our sympathy and condolence, and as a further mark of respect the mayor has directed that these resolutions be published and read at this meeting of the city council, and that the city hall be closed between the hours of 8 and 10 in the morning of December 22, 1914.

Eagles Would Spread Joy.

In order to prevent any misconception of the Eagle Christmas tree program the committee in charge of the work has announced that the Christmas tree is not a charity affair. It is intended for the children of the city whose parents for one reason or another have been unable to rather enough means to provide the usual Christmas festivities. But the idea, sought to be impressed by the Eagles is that while the affair is for poor people it is not meant as a charity. Rather it is intended to come as a gift from the lodge members who wish to commemorate the season in a fitting way.

Secretary C. Christiansen yesterday issued the following statement to the papers in reference to the Christmas tree program:

The committee in charge of the Fraternal Order of Eagles Christmas tree celebration for the children of the city houses the tree in the city hall. The children, but adults will be admitted if it is found that there is no one at home to take care of the children. When the tree is taken to consideration, of course, that many of the little ones must be accompanied by their fathers or mothers.

The Christmas tree program will be held at 8 o'clock in the afternoon. Children will please remember that this is not the time to bring gifts, but to bring the children. There will be no program and every child attending will receive something.

It will be remembered that this celebration, the tree, entertainment and gifts, are for the children of the city, who this year are less fortunate than in other years, and who on account of the war or other reasons have been overlooked by Santa Claus. The object is not charity, but rather the fulfillment of the promises of the year.

Lighting Contract Approved.

Mayor Hector in a communication to the city council last night approved the proposed lighting contract for the streets and recommended its passage by the council. It is probable that the ordinance relative to street lighting will be passed at the next meeting of the council.

The rest of the council work last night was routine. The body adjourned for two weeks. It was announced that the firemen and police would be paid before Christmas.

"What Am Dat Goose?"

From the haven of a backyard at Twenty-fifth and O streets, where she had been hatched, a silly goose, the property of Mr. and Mrs. Mose Washington, colored, wandered by the South Omaha police station yesterday afternoon. Two men, both servants of the city, one a copper, James Sheehan, and the other a fireman, "Tex" Regan, saw the waddling fowl. There was no brand on it, no string tied to it, no address attached to it. Followed a scuffle between the fireman and the policeman, a wild run for the goose, a flutter of wings, a choking squawk and the fireman had the goose. The policeman returned to the police station to advise with Mr. and Mrs. Washington, who, having missed the particular glory of their barnyard, had come to seek the aid of the police. It appears that the gate to the Washington yard was left ajar. A dog chased the goose. The goose in a moment of inadvertence walked past the police station. The question is who has the goose. The goose was a Christmas present to the Washingtons from a daughter in Omaha.

Western Iowa in Quarantine.

All western Iowa is released from quarantine restrictions, under orders from the bureau of animal industry, Green county, which was the only county in western Iowa where the government men kept on the quarantine against the foot and mouth disease when western Iowa was released a week ago, is now open. It is said that free movements of cattle going and coming out of eastern Iowa are now had in all sections of east Iowa, with the exception of a few counties which are still under supervision.

Record Holiday Week.

For the corresponding date in all the previous years South Omaha postoffice employees registered the busiest day yesterday. Long lines of people waited their turn at the mailing counters all day long, while the clerks worked like Trojans to get the mail out. Besides the heaps and heaps of packages carried by the regular carriers yesterday, three big wagons of parcels were distributed about South Omaha in the afternoon. One wagonload of stuff was delivered

MRS. LAURENCE TOWNSEND, whose husband was United States minister to Belgium for six years, has written a patriotic song entitled "Belgium Forever," especially dedicated to Mme. Frances Alda, the great prima donna.



Wilson May Defeat Immigration Bill by Literacy Test Fight

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Postponement of action on the immigration bill pending in the senate, until after the Christmas holidays, was made virtually certain today when Senator James Hamilton Lewis of Illinois, after a conference with President Wilson, gave notice that he would offer an amendment to strike from the measure the proposed literacy test for aliens.

As soon as Senator Lewis had made his announcement, champions of the bill sought to have further discussion of the bill delayed until after the holidays. Parliamentary tangles were encountered, however, and, on motion of Senator Smith of South Carolina, the measure was temporarily laid aside to be taken up again tomorrow.

The fate of the bill, it was declared by several democratic senators tonight, is in doubt as a result of President Wilson's opposition to the literacy test. In the opinion of its sponsors, striking out of this provision would mean defeat of the bill, because no substitute method of restriction has been agreed upon.

Washington Affairs

President Wilson plans to reappoint Henry Clay Hall of Colorado Springs, Colo., member of the Interstate Commerce commission, whose term expires January 1.

President Wilson nominated Gabe E. Parker of Oklahoma to be superintendent of the five civilized tribes in Oklahoma. Parker, a Choctaw Indian, is now register of the treasury.

Spanish Ambassador Riano and Secretary Bryan exchanged ratifications of the investigating commission peace treaty recently agreed to between the United States and Spain.

Appropriation of \$5,000,000 for the fight against the foot and mouth disease in cattle was included in the urgent deficiency bill reported by the house appropriations committee.

Extension of the industrial management system to the Norfolk navy yard was announced by Secretary Daniels. Naval Constructor Wait, recently retired from the position of chief of the bureau of construction and repair, will become industrial manager of the Norfolk plant.

Efforts to straighten out the dispute between President Wilson and some democratic members of the senate over federal appointments were made at a conference between the president and Attorney General Gregory. Several of the contested appointments come under Mr. Gregory's jurisdiction and he has been consulted by the president regarding the least standing of men given recess ap-

Echoes of the Strife

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Censorship on a scale absolutely without a precedent is now in operation over the complicated system of cables connecting Europe with America. After some friction the machinery created by the British government is now handling an average of 50,000

communications each day and even this figure does not represent the full volume of business, because many of the cablegrams are from their privileged business not subject to censorship.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—After a searching investigation of the activities of the German fleet in the southern Pacific recently, the government of Chile has made formal protest to Germany against alleged violations of neutrality in Chilean waters.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Count Bernstorff, German ambassador here, today received a letter through the State department thanking his government for measures for conduct of ships loaded with food supplies for Belgian relief.

PARIS, Dec. 22.—The ministerial declaration on the military situation which will be read tomorrow upon the reopening of Parliament is understood to be unusually brief, as now prepared, sketching the situation only in outline. Many members of Parliament desire to question the government in detail concerning various phases of the military operations. It is quite likely that a divergent session will be demanded so that confidential information may be communicated.

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