

### Harm Is Seen in Plan to Merge Western Roads

#### Traffic Bureau Head Declares Consolidation Would Be Detrimental to Lines and Towns They Serve.

Proposed consolidation of western railroads into eight groups or systems would not serve the best interests of the railroads nor of the communities along the various lines, according to C. E. Childs, manager of the traffic bureau of the Chamber of Commerce, who spoke yesterday noon before the Continental club in Hotel Fontenelle.

"I don't agree with the view that has been expressed, that the consolidation of railroads is necessary," said Mr. Childs. "The railroads have fared better since 1906, under regulation by the Interstate Commerce commission, than before."

"From 1906 to 1918 the average rate of return for all lines was 5 per cent plus, as against 4.2 per cent previous to 1906. There is no need to be alarmed over the railroad situation. The roads are doing very well under private competitive management."

#### Competition Needed.

"We need competitive railroads. If there had not been railroad competition Omaha would not have a grain market; without railroad competition we would not have been given the Missouri river rate adjustment."

"The Interstate Commerce commission's plan of consolidating the western roads would mean that these lines would be centered on Chicago and St. Louis and that would give those cities rate advantages over other towns. Under such a consolidation plan Omaha would suffer on account of manufacturing advantages given to Chicago and St. Louis."

"The whole scheme of consolidation is nothing more than a socialistic idea to nationalize our railroads. The roads should be individual enterprises with their own initiative and under the least regulation consistent with proper management."

#### Not Ready for Government Ownership

"As a nation we are not ready to accept the idea of government ownership or management of railroads. We have had some experience in government management of the roads. We should remember that we are dealing with a comparatively modern industry and it is not surprising that our efforts to regulate railroads have been experimental."

Mr. Childs noted that in 1870 there were only 53,000 miles of railroad lines in this country, while today there are more than 250,000 miles. He reviewed briefly the history of railroad development and stressed the importance of transportation to the life of the nation. He urged business men to study the railroad situation and to keep posted on the propositions to consolidate railroads.

#### Girl Elopers Is Tired of Supporting Mate. She Says

Mrs. Irma Simmons, bobbed-haired, blue-eyed and 19, testified in District Judge Day's court yesterday that after she eloped with Cecil F. Simmons, 22, 2305 Woolworth avenue, she had to work for \$18 a week to support him while he went to school. She seeks a divorce. They were married at Papillion May 14, 1920. At that time, she said, he was attending Midland college, preparing to become a minister. Later he decided to attend the school of medicine of the University of Omaha, and become a doctor.

Finally, she said, she decided to support him no more. Now he is working at the Union Pacific shops.

#### Secretary of Agriculture Plans Visit to Omaha

Washington, March 9.—(Special.)—Secretary of Agriculture Wallace is planning a tour of the country this summer, which will bring him to Omaha sometime during the middle of the season. He is just starting on a trip of inspection, but will not strike the Missouri river section at this time. The secretary is anxious to visit the Nebraska region and plans to give considerable attention to the livestock market industry on his arrival there.

#### Big Store Fire at Providence.

Providence, R. I., March 9.—Fire which swept two floors of the Shepard department store, in the heart of the business district, still was demanding the attention of firemen today, causing a property damage estimated at between \$1,500,000 and \$2,000,000.

#### Births and Deaths.

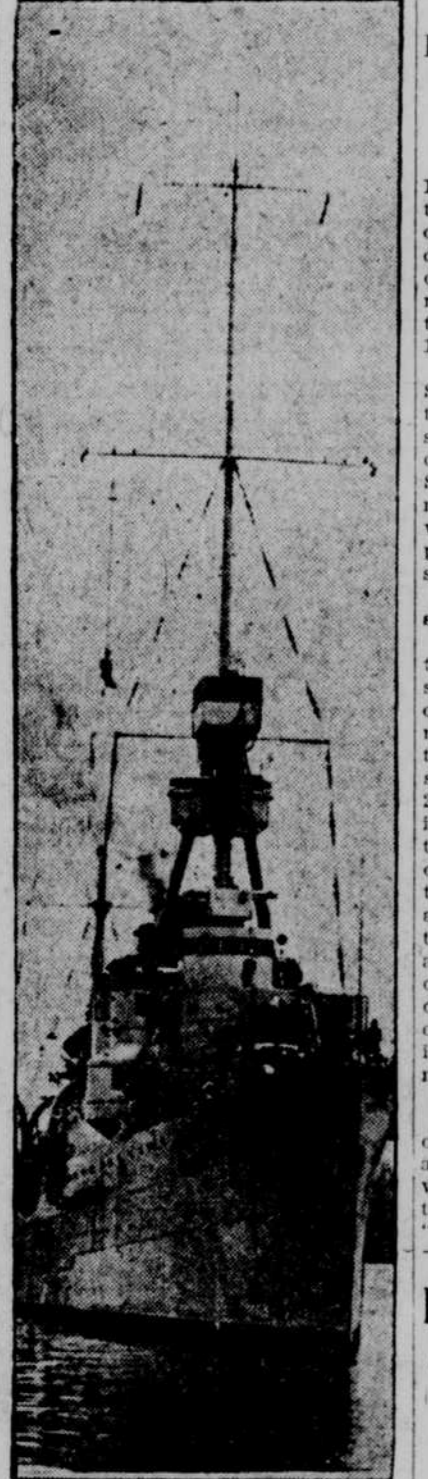
**Births.**  
William and Kathryn O'Connor, 4615 South Twenty-third street, boy.  
Aurion and Jessy Guerrero, hospital, girl.  
Michael and Liberta Manno, hospital, boy.  
Edward and Florence Sont, hospital, boy.  
Julius and Geneva Wichart, hospital, boy.  
Walter and Lorna Rehafer, hospital, boy.  
Warren and Ruth Vickery, hospital, girl.  
M. J. and Clair Lawler, 2514 Pinkney street, boy.  
George and Victoria Lesak, 3504 South Thirty-fourth street, boy.  
Lloyd and Alma Lamb, 2519 Ruggles street, girl.  
Ernest and Alice Seaton, 5615 Pinkney street, girl.  
Adelbert and Irma Mead, hospital, boy.  
Stanley and Mary Hruby, 1925 South Fifteenth street, boy.  
Ginevieve and Lucia Seate, 2540 North Twenty-first street, boy.  
Book and Louise Lloyd, hospital, boy.  
Enevold and Martina Bang, hospital, boy.  
Robert and Edna Sutton, hospital, boy.  
T. C. and Ethel Carter, hospital, boy.  
John and Eugenia Jergo, hospital, girl.  
Roy and Bees Hold, hospital, girl.  
John and Della Bilber, hospital, girl.  
John and Helen Respondek, 3267 Gold street, boy.

Deaths.  
Augusta C. Head, 59, hospital.  
David B. Algorta, 25, hospital.  
Mary Watkins, 7 months, 2515 South Twenty-fifth street.  
Dr. Julius A. Reb, 44, 4215 South Twenty-fourth street.  
Jennie I. Phelps, 66, 2304 North Thirty-second street.  
Frank Woods, 62, 611 1/2 South Thirtieth street.

#### Marriage Licenses.

Marriage licenses were issued to the following couples:  
Edward E. Bechlamme, 24, Post Omaha, and Opal R. Westrom, 24, Omaha.  
August W. Zuchke, 21, Omaha, and Frances Law, 20, Omaha, and Hansj. William Dixon, 22, Omaha, and Hansj. Atkinson Peterson, 19, Omaha.  
Samuel Weinberg, 26, Fremont, Neb., and Luby E. Mink, 21, Omaha.  
Marvin R. Hale, 30, Omaha, and Gladys McRoy, 20, Omaha.  
George F. Fry, 41, Omaha, and Louise B. Palmer, 20, Omaha.  
Arthur W. Reynolds, over 21, Omaha, and Cleota M. Ferguson, over 21, Omaha.

### Cruiser Omaha Will Go on 'Shake Down' Trip



Tacoma, Wash., March 9.—(Special.)—On its first practical voyage since it was turned over to the government from the yards of the Todd Dry Dock and Construction corporation here two weeks ago, the cruiser Omaha will leave the Puget Sound navy yard for Magdalena bay next Monday morning.

The voyage will serve as a "shaking down" trip and such changes as are necessary will be made after the cruise is completed.

During the trip, which will be made with the vessel's full complement, the Omaha will be put through speed and fuel tests as well as trials of other equipment. At Magdalena bay, it will join several other navy ships for target practice at sea.

Following the taking over by the navy of the vessel, officers in the Puget Sound navy yard pronounced it the finest piece of sea fighting machinery ever in the yard.

### Aged Poisoner of Husband Sent to Pen for 4 Years

Portage, La. Prairie, Man., March 9.—Convicted by a jury of an alleged attempt to kill her aged husband by feeding him poisoned food, Mrs. Marian Campbell, 70, was sentenced last night to serve four years in Stony Mountain penitentiary. Neither verdict nor sentence ruffled the calm she displayed throughout her trial.

### Isadora Duncan Not U. S. Citizen

#### Department of Labor Rules Dancer Lost Citizenship by Marriage.

Washington, March 9.—Isadora Duncan, who says she does not like the United States, is not an American citizen, the Department of Labor has decided. She lost her citizenship, the department held, in a decision announced today, through her marriage to Serge Essenine, a Russian, April 1, 1922.

Recently on leaving the United States with her husband, the dancer took occasion to deride American institutions. After reading press reports of her opinions regarding the United States, Secretary Davis of the department of Labor announced that steps would be taken with a view to depriving her of her American citizenship.

Today's decision of the department simplified matters. "Had Isadora Duncan's marriage taken place subsequent to the passage of the Cable women's separate citizenship bill," the department's announcement said, "she would have retained her American citizenship, but since she lost it prior to September 22, 1922, she cannot become an American citizen again without filing a petition in the manner provided for any other alien, and must prove herself to be a person of good moral character, attached to the principles of the constitution of the United States, and that she is not a disbeliever in, or opposed to organized government or a member of, or affiliated with any organization or body of persons teaching disbelief in organized government."

Readers of The Omaha Bee may obtain a copy of this booklet free as long as the free edition lasts by writing to the Division of Publications, Washington, D. C., asking for "F. B. 1040."

#### Palace Clothing Co. Receive the Greatest Shipments of Suits in the History of the Store.

#### Plans Are Laid for an Immense Pre-Easter Business.

This week has been an active one in the receiving department of the Palace Clothing company, because the results of Mr. Rosenthal's recent buying trip has been felt in the form of huge shipments of Spring Clothes. New selling plans are in order for this spring, and the greatest possible measure of value giving has been centered on suits to sell at \$20, \$25 and \$30, in fact they compare in every detail with suits selling at \$5 and \$10 more elsewhere. To offer such values is possible because of the low overhead expense, its favorable location, the fact that they occupy their own building and operate on a strictly cash basis. Every man knows the advantages this would lend to a store and these advantages are reflected in the money savings of every garment on the racks of the Palace Clothing Co. Saturday these vast shipments will all be in stock and it will prove a most opportune, most advantageous time to make Clothing Selections.

Palace Clothing Co., 14th and Douglas Streets.

### Office Fails to 'Tame' Hawkeye Senator

#### Result of his first three months in the United States senate.

Washington, March 9.—Smith W. Brookhart of Iowa, most radical of the new republican senators, has not been "tamed by responsibility" as a result of his first three months in the United States senate.

Nor will he be "tamed" by his future service in the halls of the national legislature, Brookhart, by his actual experience in congress, is more than ever convinced that the "common people" do not get a square deal from legislation and he is going to

fight harder than ever for principles he believes must be adopted if the public is to be served.

The correspondent asked Senator Brookhart, as the reputed most radical of progressive republicans in the senate, how he felt about things now that he had been three months away from the people out in Iowa and

and watched from the inside, the workings of the national legislative machine.

The new Iowa senator replied to this question in a characteristic interview in which he proposed the organization of four classes of the "common people" into a gigantic, "militant and united political force" to compel

congress to do its bidding—an alliance of the farmers, the labor organizations, the mothers and the ex-soldiers of America, with the development of economic co-operation as its goal of achievement.

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Remember the hour, 3:30, Saturday, March 10.

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