WEATHER FORECAST
Nebraska — Fair and somewhat warmer Friday.

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WHEAT PRICE LOW COMPARED TO BREAD

Standard Refuses to Raise Price

Directors of Indiana Corporation Await Outcome of Gasoline War in South Dakota.

Operate in 11 States

By International News Service.

Chicago, Aug. 16.—The Standard Oil Company of Indiana, serving 11 midwest states, decided here today not to raise the price of gasoline from 15.4 cents a gallon to 20 cents immediately, as had been contemplated.

Telegraph reports from South Dakota that independent dealers contemplate raising the price of gasoline to 20 cents a gallon caused much comment among Omaha gasoline dealers today.

One independent dealer here said that this may be an indication that the price will go up in Nebraska also.

Officials of the Standard Oil company of Nebraska and the Sinclair Oil company said they have no information of an increase here.

Members of the committee which brought on the price decrease here are "standing pat" and declare that if the gasoline prices increase in Nebraska The Omaha Bee plan will be carried out.

This plan calls for the buying of gasoline in tank cars and the distribution of the gasoline to autoists through owners of garages.

Instead, the directors voted to wait and see what action would be taken by Governor McMaster of South Dakota, who announced the state's price would be increased from 16 to 20 cents on Saturday.

Governor McMaster's decision followed a protest from independent oil dealers of the state that the 16-cent price fixed by the commonwealth and which started a "price war" throughout the middle west was ruinous.

Offer Aid in Probe.

The Standard Oil directors dispatched this telegram to McMaster:

"In the newspapers this morning you are credited with having made the following statement:

"'It is impossible to arrive at an accurate basis of cost of distribution in this state on the figures presented. However, a searching investigation of the matter will be vigorously carried forward.'

"This company tenders to you in any such investigation which you may conduct all information in its possession, toward the end of assisting you in arriving at a correct determination of this fact."

By Associated Press.

Pierre, S. D., Aug. 16.—Independent oil dealers of South Dakota and the state's gasoline selling agencies will advance the price of gasoline next Saturday to a point 6.6 cents under the price that prevailed before the "gas war" started.

This was agreed to by Governor W. H. McMaster in conference last night with representatives of the Independent Oil Dealers' association of this state, this price to stand "pending a thorough investigation by the state into the gasoline situation."

23 Cents in Montana.

Helena, Mont., Aug. 16.—Continental Oil company stations and independent companies operating in Helena today posted a gasoline price of 23 cents a gallon in conformity with the statement made yesterday by the president of the Continental Oil company that a 2-cent reduction would be made effective at once. Retail dealers said that the 23-cent price was the lowest in 10 years for Helena. The price is inclusive of a 2-cent gallon state tax.

No change in the gasoline and crude oil markets was reported here this morning by independent jobbers, following a statement in Chicago yesterday by L. V. Nicholas that crude oil was coming down.

Marked Building Boom Is Underway in Columbus

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.

Columbus, Neb., Aug. 16.—Building improvements in Columbus during the first seven and a half months of 1923 are more than double in value of all improvements made during the entire year 1922.

From January 1 to August 15, 1923, permits have been issued for building improvements aggregating $575,405. Last year's total for the entire 12 months was only $204,425.

From January 1 to August 15, now business buildings total six; additions or remodeling of business buildings, eight; new residences, 22; remodeling of residences, 8; garages, 16; total, 60. Chief among the improvements under way this year from the standpoint of amount invested, is the addition to St. Mary hospital, estimated at $250,000. Second to that is the Swift & Co. project, listed at $135,000.

Cement Plant Employe Loses Foot in Conveyor

Superior, Neb., Aug. 16.—John Riley, 17, son of Robert Riley, laborer of this place, lost his foot, when he stepped in coal dust on the floor of the coal mill at the Nebraska Cement company plant, where he was employed. His foot went into a hole and was caught by a screw conveyor. The foot was cut off at the instep and heel and the ankle so badly mutilated that amputation was necessary. The family formerly managed the Superior hotel coming here from Fort Morgan, Colo.

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Nothing Seen Miss Minter to Cover
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By Universal Service.

Los Angeles, Aug. 16.—The Kleig lights of publicity sputtered to no avail today.

Mary Miles Minter would not come out upon the set for a newspaper retake of her defying mother, in "Where Is That Million?"

Avowals of her love for William Desmond Taylor, a love surviving the grave, had to be warmed over, insofar as the public press was concerned.

To all appearances, the blonde beauty of the screen who about two years ago retired from her preeminence as America's highest priced screen actress, is in the midst of her second distinctive disappearance.

It is suggested she has gone into retirement to find out whether she is 21 years old or 30 years old.

Mother Still Ill.

At the Philip Hurn bungalow, 2056 Garfield avenue, Pasadena, wher for two months and more Miss Minter had found refuge from family bickerings, it was stated today that the star had not returned there, following her departure two nights ago.

Said Mrs. Hurn today:

"Mary telephoned last night that she was in Hollywood, wher she would remain a few days, resting, before returning to us.

"No, I know nothing of her plans."

At "Casa de Margherita," the little palace at 701 South New Hampshire street, which Mary used to call home and which she asserts, was built with her earnings as the beautiful doll of the movies, the telephone had been disconnected.

However, a scout returned with the information that Mrs. Shelby was reported still "terribly ill" as the result of her daughter's charges, especially those in which Mary asserted her parent tried to "cut her out" of Taylor's affections.

Adds to Sister's Age, Too.

The report was on the authority of Miss Margaret Shelby, Mary's sister. Sister Margaret, by the way, now is nursing commingled felings, following the assertion of Homer Riley, in Dallas, Tex., that his daughter, the star, is 30 years old. That makes sister Margaret a lot more than 30—and unmarried.

Miss Margaret Shelby, it should be known, hitherto has led an idyllic existence, with a tendency toward art as expressed in building an apartment house de luxe—with Mary's money, 'tis said—and whose artistic ensemble was all—embracing, even to the garbage cans, which were wound round and round with pretty ribbons.

Now, to be interjected thus into the limelight is beginning to wear upon her nerves. She is developing a self-determined peeve, in fact.

Mabel Normand Wants Out.

At the Good Samaritan hospital, where Mabel Normand is lying flat upon her back with a broken collarbone, the statement this afternoon was forthcoming, via hernurse, that she had nothing further to say anent Mary Miles Minter and her affairs. However, she did want the world to know this—just this: "Keep me out of this mess."

At the Samous Players-Laskey studio, where—it was thought—some inkling as to Mary's hiding-out place might be gleaned, the question was greeted with a far-away look.

"Mary Miles Minter? Oh, yes! She used to work here."

No, she had not been seen there by anyone in authority there. Maybe she was out in the Hollywood hills, picking poppies.

How Old Is Mary?

A photographic copy of what purports to be an affidavit filed in New York city by Mrs. Shelby and which indicates that Mary Miles Minter was born April 1, 1892, has been received here.

The original affidavit, it is said, was filed by Mrs. Shelby incident to litigation against a Chicago theater where her daughter was appearing as Juliet Shelby, in a play entitled "The Littlest Rebel." In the affidavit it was contended the actress was under 16 years old.

Information received here today from Shreveport, La., says Miss Minter was born there 21 years ago, according to a birth certificte on file with the city board of health there. The certificate gives the names of the acress' parents as J. H. Riley and Pearl Miles Riley.

Mrs. Riley's sister was Mary Miles Riley, who married State Minter, a Louisiana planter.

When the actress' parents separated, her mother, Pearl Miles Riley, brought her to California. Soon afterward, it is said, the mother appeared under a new name—Charlotte Shelby—which was that of her grandparents, Kentuckians.

Klan Le of Ohio Shot

Riot Precedes Steubenville Shooting—Ku Klux Autoists Attacked.

By Associated Press.

Steubenville, O., Aug. 16.—A tense situation prevailed here today and police were prepared for quick action to prevent a repetition of the outbreak last night against the Ku Klux Klan, which culminated in a pistol duel between Darwin L. Gibson, said to be one of the local klan officers, and a group of men, who fired upon him as he was driving along a darkened street. Earlier in the evening a group of about 100 men, said to be members of the Ku Klux Klan from nearby towns, was attacked in one of the downtown streets and a score badly beaten and several automobiles wrecked.

Gibson has been active in prohibition enforcement and was fired upon, he told police, as he was on his way home. He returned the fire and three of his alleged assailants were wounded, but he fell with a bullet lodged in the base of the brain. Gibson was taken to a hospital in a critical condition, as was John Disentis, who was shot through the left eye. The other two men under arrest, who received minor wounds, gave their names as Domineck Spinetti and Frank Velta.

The riot followed shortly after 25 automobiles from Chester and Wierton, W. Va., and East Liverpool, decorated with American flags and bearing electrically lighted crosses on the radiators, parked along one of the principal streets and the members of the party went to an adjoining hotel for a meeting.

The disorder started, police were told, when a bystander voiced his objections to the American flag being used to decorate the automobiles and words quickly led to blows.

Buffalo County Fair Will Have Night Entertainment

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.

Kearney, Neb., Aug. 16.—The outstanding event in connection with the Buffalo county annual fair, to be held August 21, 22, 23 and 24, is introduction of a night fair by the management. Many patrons have been clamoring for night entertainment for several years. The grounds have been wired, contracts have been entered into with a large carnival company and five separate fre attractions.

Because of the large number of livestock entries, particularly swine, arrangements are being made to provide additional pens and barns. Last year the total swine entries at the Buffalo county fair were exceeded only by the state fair.

Horse racing is scheduled for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, four harness and one running event being the daily card.

Loot From Seward Homes Recovered at Grand Island

Grand Island, Neb., Aug. 16.—Suspecting that ring settings offered him for sale had been stolen, Charles Cords, jeweler, reported the attempted sale to police and James G. Watson, 45, was arrested, and after some investigation, confessed to the robbery of two houses at Seward Wednesday night.

That's Service

Please cancel my ad in your paper, as I have sold my Goat. I received a number of calls soon after your first issue was on the street.

This is what Mrs. R. B. King of 1706 S. 37th St. said in regards to her ad, Angora Goat for Sale. The ad was published in two issues and the results were more than satisfactory.

If you have something to sell, place it where it will catch the attention of Omaha people. Call AT 1000 and ask for a Want Ad Taker.

Rains in Lincoln County Make Farmers Optimistic

North Platte, Neb., Aug. 16.—With a rainfall of 3.63 inches in July and 4.53 inches during the last 15 days of August, corn in Lincoln county promises the heaviest yield ever known in the county. Many stalks have from two to four big ears now in the roasting-ear stage. The acreage in the county is unusually large and the number of hogs and cattle is greater than for four years past.

If hog and cattle prices are reasonably high this fall and winter, the Lincoln county farmers will make great strides toward getting on their feet. The hay and alfalfa crop in the Platte valley portion of Lincoln county is heavier than usual and the sugar beet crop promises a little better than the average yield.

Chinese Fan-Tan Game Is Broken Up by Sheriff

Leo Woy and Ye High, aged Chinese, 119 North Twelfth street, received their first ride in an automobile Wednesday night after they had been arrested on a gambling charge by Sheriff Mike Endres and two deputies.

The sheriff declared the men, with two others, were in the midst of a fan-tan game when he entered their place. Two of the players escaped.

Both of the old men crouched low in the back of the car and called in their native language for aid or protection or something of that kind as they were being taken to the station, the sheriff said.

Railroads Plan Transfer at Wymore to Meet State Law

Wymore, Neb., Aug. 16.—Civil engineers from the Burlington and the Union Pacific railways have staked out the ground two miles east of Wymore, where the roads run parallel and wher a transfer switch will be put in at once, in accordance with the recent bill passed in the Nebraska legislature. M. L. Rawlings, wholesale ice dealer of Wymore, was sponsor for the bill.

California Resident Seeking Italian Wife

Paris, Aug. 16.—Frank Belders of Stockton, Cal., wants an Italian wife, according to an advertisement in the Corriere Delle Serra of August 12. The advertisement reads:

"American, 25, wants to marry beautiful young girl, even if poor. Send photo. Box 163, Frank Bieders, Stockton, Cal."

As the Corriere Della Serra runs a special matrimonial column which is extremely popular among Italian aspirants to matrimony, Box 163 is likely to collect a whole gallery of pictures of Italian beauties.

Gigantic Rum Ring Uncovered

International Liquor Smuggling Gang Broken Up With Arrests of Leaders by Federal Agents.

Had Own Fleet of Ships

By Associated Press.

Washington, Aug. 16.—Department of Justice officials declared today that the leaders in the largest and most powerful bootleg ring in the United States had been taken into custody in the wholesale arrests made at Savannah, Ga., under direction of federal agents. Additional arrests are anticipated and it was said that the case might lead to some state and federal officers.

William Haar, at one time a grocery clerk, is described as the leader of a ring which, officials assert, operated a flotilla of craft, had its own storehouse in the swamps along the Georgia and Florida coasts and supplied enormous quantities of liquor on the Atlantic seaboard as far north as New Jersey, and over the south and as far west as St Louis, Chicago and Cleveland.

Big Four of Rum Ring

Heading forces of less wealth and strength, according to justice officers, were C. Graham Baughn, Richard Bailey and Sam Goldberg. These three, with Haar, are referred to as the big four and it was said they were so known in bootleg circles over the country.

Haar is allege dto own a number of craft of British registry which were used to import intoxicants from Cuba, the Bahama and other points in the West Indies. But the ring, the story goes, reached out even to Great Britain, France and Canada for its supplies. The craft bringing stocks anchored outside the three-mile limit, the claim is, and fast motor boats made the transfers to storehouses ashore. Distribution then was made by automobile sand trains.

First Tip Two Years Ago.

It was two years ago that information came to the Department of Justice that Savannah was the port for the receipt and distribution of such of the liquor reaching the southern and eastern markets. Mrs. Mabel Walker Willebrandt, an assistant to the attorney general, who is charged with the enforcement of the prohibition law, ordered prohibition enforcement agent sto that city in an effort to break up the illicit trade.

By this time, however, the ring, fro ma beginning on a small scale, had become, according to officials, a large and powerful organization with an efficient intelligence department. The result was that the agents sent in were uncovered, making it necessary to replace them several times.

Face Difficult Task.

The task of collecting evidence upon which to undertake prosecutions proved so difficult that an investigation of the federal tax returns of a number of supposed bootleggers was undertaken in the hope of the developing leads that might lead to arrests unde rthe prohibition law. As a result, the big four and four or five others were indicted for violation of the revenue act through failure to make proper returns. It was charged that Haar had failed to make a return on income in excess of $1,000,000.

A week ago those in charge of the investigation decided there was sufficient evidence on which to base action. Accordingly, indictments for the big four and others were drawn in the Department of Justice and 40 additional agents of the Bureau of investigation were dispatched to Savannah to assist in the final roundup.

Shoplifter Draws Knife on Omaha Store Detective

William Hughes, 516 North Fifteenth street, attacked William Gurnett, detective at the Brandeis store, Wednesday with a knife and was subdued after a struggle. The man was charged with drunkenness and petty larceny.

Gurnett saw Hughes attempting to steal silk garments in the store, he said, and arrested him. Hughes was taken to the office occupied by the detective to be searched. As Gurnett turned from the door, after closing it, Hughes drew a stiletto from his belt and leaped at him.

Black Diamond Rattler Killed on Gibbon Street

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.

Gibbon, Neb., Aug. 16.—When C. A. Putman killed a dark colored snake on one of the principal paved streets of the town, it was discovered that the reptile was a black diamond rattler. Never before has a snake of this kind ben found in this locality.

Fifty Cents a Bushel More for Wheat Wont Raise Cost of Bread

Confidential Message of N. B. Updike of The Omaha Bee Falls Into Hands of Press Association, Use It in Campaign to Boost Prices for Farmers.

Instead of Lowering Bread Price, Raise Wheat

Measured by the price of bread, the price of wheat is far too low, N. B. Updike of The Omaha Bee said yesterday in a message to his Chicago grain office. His suggestion was that instead of seeking to pull bread down to the level of wheat, the efforts of business men be turned to lifting wheat up to the level of bread. He declared that an increase of 50 cents a bushel in wheat prices need not affect the selling price of bread.

His message, which was not intended for publication, was picked up by the ticker service of the Chicago Board of Trade, and from there found its way into the press associations, who carried it to all parts of the country. The message as sent out by the Associated Press follows:

Like Gasoline Case.

"As nearly as I can figure it out, the wheat market is in the same condition as the gasoline market. It turned out that the tank wagon people were making all the big money between the refinery price and the filling station price.

"It looks to me like the baker is making the money at the present time. The cost of a barrel of flour is approximately $6. The flour turned into bread is retailing at $24, leaving a gap of $18.

"It is my understanding that the baker could pay practically $10 a barrel for flour and still make good money. In other words, wheat could go up 50 cents a bushel without interfering with the retail price of bread.

"On account of the high price of labor, I do not think the consumer is kicking on an 8-cent loaf of bread. I believe this is the reason there is such a big demand for milling wheat. As I understand it, the mills are having no trouble to sell the flour as fast as they can make it, to bakers.

"I wish you would check this up around there and see if I am wrong, and if so, tell me where I am wrong."

Farmer Needs More.

Later Mr. Updike amplified his remarks, saying:

More money to the farmer for his wheat is the biggest need of this country today. With that thought in mind it is easy to see that a reduction in the price of bread would not benefit the situation. To put down the price of bread would tend to lower the price of wheat. There is now a good demand for flour, and if the "Buy a barrel of flour" movement finds general approval, there will be a still bigger demand. I know one Nebraska miller who at the present time has orders for 40,000 barrels of flour more than he has manufactured. That alone represents 187,000 bushels of wheat."

Certain practices that have grown up in recent years, he explained, have discouraged the use of bread.

"If the restaurants, hotels and railroads that now charge an extra fee for a few pieces of bread would go back to their old way of giving it away with their meals, there would be more bread consumed," he said. "Before the war the railroad dining cars put plenty of bread on the tables, and charged nothing extra for it. Now each dining car is charged up with a certain amount of bread and it gives it out only when paid for. The same thing is true of hotels and many restaurants and this has naturally resulted in less bread eating than formerly."

A Baker's Estimate.

Following is the way one baker estimates the division of cost in the manufacture of bread.

Flour	25%
Sugar, lard and other ingredients	13%
Labor and baking cost	18%
Delivery, bad accounts, salesmen's salaries	31%
Overhead, office expense and interest on investment	8%
Depreciation of plant, etc.	4%
Profit	1%

It is to be noticed, however, that the cost of flour is a variable factor. Thus, it might amount to 25 per cent of the cost of bread at one time, and when wheat falls and flour with it, might amount to much less in proportion. Assuming that flour represents one-fourth the cost of bread, a 40 per cent increase in the price of flour would only be a 10 per cent increase in the cost of producing bread.

Some estimates are that 300 loaves of bread are made from a barrel of flour. The number of course, varies with the amount of protein in the wheat or water in the loaves. The lowest estimate is 240 loaves from a barrel.

Little Danger of Hard Coal Strike Under Coolidge

Federal Fuel Commission Expected to Help Smooth Out Differences Between Miners and Operators.

By MARK SULLIVAN.

Washington, Aug. 16.—In the present threatened coal strike, Coolidge has been in a much better situation than Harding was in respect to the coal strike a year ago. The same is true of the public. Coolidge's great asset is the clearness of his mind and the decisiveness which is the fruit of that quality.

Harding tried to settle the coal strike a year ago, as well as the railroad strike which accompanied it, by the exercise of his most valuable quality and the one he most depended on—namely, his ability to soften angry men and get them to march in step. Harding failed largely because the men he was dealing with and the mood they were in, resisted this quality.

In the judgment of all who were closest to the situation a year ago, the chief cause of Harding's failure was his permitting himself to come into personal contact with the contesting groups of men. Certainly he came into personal contact with them at too early a stage.

Got Close to Harding.

Harding's procedure in the beginning was not unlike Coolidge's. That was to have one of his cabinet, Hoover, deal with the coal operators, and another of his cabinet, Davis, deal with the leaders of the miners' union. The theory was that each of these cabinet members should make himself familiar with the points at issue and the attitude of mind of his group and that thereafter the two cabinet members, acting as go-betweens, could bring about a meeting of minds between the operators and the union leaders. But the leaders of the miners' union, being extremely aggressive, succeeded in cutting through this insulation around the president, and got to Harding direct. Thereafter Harding, having seen one group personally, had to see the other group personally. That put Harding in the position of a mere mediator, and, as he learned to his humiliation, that is a position too lacking in authority for any president of the United States to permit himself to get into unless he has sure knowledge of the men he is dealing with.

Thereafter, Harding was the center of repeated conferences, which con-

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Building Promoter Held in Iowa for Chicago Police

Chicago, Aug. 16.—On information that Fredrick Siebold, jr., former head of the Garden Building corporation, had been arrested in Davenport, Ia., representatives of the state's attorney have gone to that city to bring him here.

Siebold vanished from Chicago, so far as investigators could learn, about July 4. He was president of the Garden Building corporation which is erecting a six-story hotel on the south side, for which a $750,000 bond issue was provided. After reports of discrepancies in the financial affairs of the company, but which local bankers said would not affect the hotel construction work, a search for Siebold was begun and he was removed from control of the company.

Saunders to Start Again.

Memphis, Tenn., Aug. 16.—Clarence Saunders will resign the presidency of the Piggly Wiggly corporation before August 31, and will go to some other city to establish a new business, he announced last night to stockholders of the corporation who had met at his call to consider the future control of the company.

District Judge Post Ill is Returning to Columbus

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.

Columbus, Nb., Aug. 16—Judge A. M. Post of the Sixth judicial district, who was stricken with appendicitis while spending his vacation at the H. A. Clarke ranch in Wyoming and later with pneumonia after undergoing an operation in a Laramie hospital, is being brought home. His son-in-law and daughter, Dr. and Mrs. C. R. G. Forrester of Chicago, are accompanying him.

Submarine Badly Damaged in Collision With Tanker

Washington, Aug. 16.—The submarine N-3 was badly damaged today in a collision with the tanker Monree of the Green Fleet company off New London, Conn., according to a telegram of the Navy department. The submarine's periscope was carried away and the conning tower considerably damaged. No member of the crew suffered severe injury, however, and the naval boat was able to make port.

Broker to Prison.

Philadelphia, Aug. 16.—Ernest A. Knoblauch, junior member of the bankrupt brokerage firm of Borden & Knoblauch of this city, was today sentenced to two years in the county prison when he entered a plea of nolle contendre to a charge of passing a worthless check for $450,000. The check was made out to Kean, Taylor & Co. of New York, for payment of a block of United States treasury certificates.

60,000 Miles of Travel in 42 Years Is Record of Ohio Man "Resting" Here

After traveling 60,000 miles in the last 42 years, Dr. James A. Alston, 67, of Columbus, O., is stopping at Hotel Fontenelle.

He declares he has solved the problem of travel.

"It's all a matter of whim," he said. "Start out and do just as you please. Leave the length of your stay in any one place to chance."

During his present trip he has visited Denver, Dallas, Tex.; Kansas City, Salt Lake City, San Francisco, Honolulu, Vancouver, B. C., and Omaha. Dr. Alston is a member of 27 fraternal and civic organizations.

Geddes Attacks Conditions at Gateway of U. S.

British Ambassador Recommends Improvements for Ellis Island, in Report to Marquis Curzon.

By Associated Press.

London, Aug. 16.—Specific recommendations for the improvement of conditions at Ellis island, the principal gateway into America for European emigrants, are contained in a report to Foreign Secretary Marquis Curzon from Sir Auckland Geddes, British ambassador to the United States, made public here today.

The report, drafted by the ambassador following a visit to the island last December, was issued in the form of a white parliamentary paper. The general criticism is that Ellis island is too small, that what additional space is available is useless because it is unventilated, and that the buildings are generally in a poor state of repair.

He says the sleeping accommodations are often unpleasant but he found the food good and well cooked, although the place could not be kept clean owing to the table manners of some of the guests. He thinks detention on the island must be a hateful experience for all persons of any sensibility. The medical and board rooms he terms unsuitable and inadequate. All the arrangements for handling admitted immigrants, however, are efficient and reflect high credit upon those concerned.

Sir Auckland thinks that "the very heart of the tragedy of Ellis island" concerns those temporarily detained, but says this is nobody's fault and cannot be avoided unless a plan be put into effect whereby the immigrants could finally be approved for admission into the United States before they leave their own lands.

"As a matter of fact," he asserts, "what Ellis island needs, in my judgment, is to be relieved of the presence of about one half of the people who are poured into it."

De Valera to Be Kept in Prison

Events During Next Fortnight Likely to Decide Future Course of Government.

By Associated Press.

Dublin, Aug. 16—Eamon De Valera, arrested under dramatic circumstances at Ennis yesterday when he appeared to deliver a speech in the election campaign, will probably be brought from Limerick where he is imprisoned to Mount Joy jail within the next few days. The public safety act gives the government power to detain him and it is considered likely that he will be kept in jail until the condition of the country is more peaceful.

Events in the free state during the next fortnight probably will influence the government's action with regard to the republican leader, whose arrest has created a profound impression in County Clare and throughout Munster.

By Associated Press.

London, Aug. 16.—While the Irish free state has many friends in England, the same cannot be said of Eamon De Valera, hence the London press wastes no sympathy on him on his loss of liberty.

On the other hand, there is no tendency to congratulate the men who captured him, for by the arrest of De Valera's captors are regarded as having set for themselves a problem which may cost them dearly.

The opinion is general here that De Valera was less dangerous to the free state as a fugitive than as a prisoner. It is believed that his detention will surely provoke reprisals and will strengthen his election campaign.

Boy Scout Heads to Meet.

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee.

North Platte, Neb., Aug. 16.—A district conference of Boy Scout executives and leaders will be held in this city September 3, at which about 50 representatives from Dawson, Keith, Perkins and Lincoln counties will be present. The Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary and Kiwanis clubs are planning entertainment for the visitors.

American Yacht Wins

Ryde, Isle of Wight, Aug. 16.—The Lea, one of the boats which represented the United States in the British-American cup races, won the international event for six metre yachts in today's regatta program. King George's cutter Britannia was defeated for the third time this week by Mrs. Woorkmans Nyra.

Poincare to Reject London Plan

France Will Stand Pat on Reparations Policy—Charge Germany's Default Wilful..

Demand Solid Security

By Associated Press.

Paris, Aug. 16.—Premier Poincare's reply to the latest British note will stoutly reaffirm the French position on the reparation issue, it was forecast today. It will reject the British proposals for submission of the legality of the occupation of the Ruhr to the permanent court of international justice and for an international commission of experts to re estimate the paying capacity of Germany.

The reply, which probably will be ready by the end of this week, will be communicated to the Belgian government before being handed to Downing street.

Want Solid Security.

The reply will take up the arguments of Lord Curzon, the British secretary of foreign affairs, dealing with them point by point, it is indicated. Then the French premier, in a sort of final pleading, will set forth once more the reasons why France considers itself unable to place any dependence upon German promises that are not backed by tangible, absolute security.

Premier Poincare will point out that the difference between the British and French viewpoints arises from an apparent indifference in appraising the causes for Germany's default in reparation payments.

Charge Default Wilful.

The French government, he will say, has ample proof that Germany's default is wilful as its debasement of its own money. He will quote alleged official utterances of the German ministers to the effect that only after Germany has rid itself of reparation obligations can it re-establish its money.

Great Britain, on the other hand, believes in Germany's good will, and these two viewpoints, in the premier's opinion, are irreconcilable.

The French government still insists that what is necessary in Germany is a change of heart, and that people, as well as the officials, must be made to understand thta the reparations shall be paid.

Other Basis Useless.

M. Poincare in his note will hold that until this has been accomplished any other negotiations, including estimates of Germany's capacity for payment, will not only be useless but will be taken in Germany as encouragement to resistance.

The premier will dwell on the French contention that Germany counts on British support and that it will pay nothing so long as it feels it can rely on London for backing or so long as it feels that the British government is in aframe of mind favoring mediation.

As to its capacity for payment, the reply will declare that Germany has, for the moment, purposely exhausted its means of paying in cash.

Douglas County Day at Oakland August 19

Omaha and Douglas county have been invited to attend Douglas county day at the 40-acre park at Oakland, Neb., Sunday, August 19.

The chamber of commerce at Oakland has a number of special entertainment features to offer the visitors. The Oakland concert band will play throughout the day. Wakefield and Oakland will meet on the base ball diamond.

Oaklanders have been asked to urge their friends in Omaha and Douglas county to be present. To facilitate this matter the Chamber has post cards with a picture of the Oakland swimming pool on one side which are distributed to all who call for them. With the cards is a ticket for the pool on that day.

Scottsbluff Daily Paper Is Sold to Syndicate

Scottsbluff, Neb., Aug. 16.—George Grimes, who has been editor and publisher of The Platte Valley Daily News of this city for the past three years, announced the sale of the paper to a syndicate of three western Nebraska newspaper men, headed by Al Snedeker.

The Daily News is the only daily paper in the state west of North Platte. It was established four years ago, and served the valley of the North Platte river in western Nebraska and eastern Wyoming.

Oil Yield Grows.

Warsaw, Aug. 18.—Poland's oil production shows an increase of nearly 10 per cent, according to official statistics just issued here.

The Weather

Temperature.

Highest, 84; lowest, 62; mean, 73; normal, 73.
Total excess since January 1, 213.

Relative Humidity, Percentage.

8 a. m.	8 p. m.	8 a. m.	8 p. m.
74	44	84	44

Precipitation, Inches and Hundredths.

Total, 15. Total since January 1, 19.[illegible]; deficiency 2.[illegible]

Hourly temperatures.

5 a. m.	62	2 p. m.	84
6 a. m.	62	3 p. m.	84
7 a. m.	62	4 p. m.	84
8 a. m.	62	5 p. m.	84
9 a. m.	63	6 p. m.	84
10 a. m.	64	7 p. m.	84
11 a. m.	64	8 p. m.	84
12 noon	64	9 p. m.	82