

New War May Break in Europe

French Consider Possibility of German Desperation Leading to Armed Reprisals.

To Hold Nation Together

Paris, Sept. 27.—Grave fears are entertained here in high circles that Germany may be forced to declare war against France and Belgium in sheer desperation, in order to hold the Reich together, and prevent separating the movement in Bavaria, the Rhineland, Schleswig and elsewhere from developing.

This fear is revealed in an editorial in tonight's semi-official Temps, which says: "In its proclamation the German government warns that if the allies do not agree to peace as Germany conceives it, they will bring about inevitable consequences which follow the dislocation of relations between peoples.

"What else can this mean but rupture, or war?" "It can be explained by viewing the actual situation in Germany. Stresemann fears that he will be unable, soon, to pay the army of functionaries. How then will he be able to maintain order except by directing the wrath of the people against the allies and declaring a sort of holy war?"

"We have taken all measures in case there are disorders," says the Intrantsgeant. "Although there now seems to be a cooling of passive resistance, that does not mean that Germany is ready to give in to the allies," says Liberté. Meanwhile, a new worry has arisen in the Ruhr, as to how the Ruhr workers are to be paid when they return to work, now that the government cannot keep up the industrial subsidies. Experts agree that France and Belgium may be called on to pay billions in salaries for months, necessitating new loans.

Arbor Lodge Is Given State by Founder's Son

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Nebraska City, Neb., Sept. 27.—Joy Morton, son of the founder of Arbor Lodge, in presenting his gift to the state, reviewed his father's life in Nebraska and activities, after which he said:

"In these grounds the fertile soil has produced the magnificent trees which surround us—none of them over 60 years old. Thirty-two years ago the pine grove near by was set off by my father, and the potted geranium. The catalpas on either side of the driveway were sent by Governor Robert Furnas to my father on his 50th birthday—41 years ago—as saplings. What has been done here in arboriculture can be done anywhere in the state, and some day our farmers will realize, as do the farmers of Europe, that for rough, broken grounds, hillsides and creek banks, trees are a profitable crop.

"Arbor Lodge is given, not as land and chattels, but as an achievement. The sturdy and beautiful trees that surround us here now are all Nebraskans. They should point the way to other homes not yet begun, and if this place be maintained by the state as it has been cared for during the last quarter of a century the republican and democratic administrations which began and ended this transaction, and the legislature which made it possible, will have deserved well of their fellow citizens.

"The abstract of title to the ground we stand on, symbolized in portraits. First, the buffalo; next, the Indian; then Napoleon stands for the claims of France—he sold an empire destined to be greater and richer than France, to Uncle Sam, the fourth owner; father's portrait completes the group. Now it passes to the state of Nebraska forever, with the earnest hope that the work begun may be continued, that new varieties of tree and plants adapted to this climate may be studied and developed here and that its greatest usefulness has but just commenced.

"The spirit of Arbor Lodge is faith, and work, and self-reliance. Faith without work is a dead thing. The most fertile soils, the greatest of nature's bounties, are useless unless developed by intelligent effort. The solution of most of the world's troubles can be found only in self-reliance and hard work. Prosperity by legislation will no more succeed today than it did 65 years ago.

"The family of Arbor Lodge has passed through all kinds of 'hard times' only a few of which I have referred to herein. Its experience has been that of most of the old settler families—without whose faith, work and self-reliance this state could never have developed. The lot of the farmer is not an easy one, but I firmly believe that a much larger percentage of those who have farmed the land of this state have achieved success than in the case in general business in the United States, besides leading lives fuller of those blessings which come from healthy avocations and a normal life.

"That Arbor Lodge may be an inspiration to all Nebraskans for generations to come is my earnest wish."

More Than 15,000 Attend Cowboy Show at Norfolk

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Norfolk, Sept. 27.—Norfolk is entertaining the biggest crowd of visitors in its history this afternoon. More than 15,000 people saw the second day of the cowboy contests which are being held in connection with the city's annual harvest festival.

The celebration closes with the finale in the cowboy contest Friday night.

Arbor Lodge Is Now Owned by State That Saw Founder's Dream Realized

Joy Morton Gives Home to Nebraska and Is Accepted by Governor Bryan Before Great Crowd.

By A. K. DONOVAN, Staff Correspondent of The Omaha Bee. Nebraska City, Neb., Sept. 27.—Arbor Lodge is now owned by the citizens of Nebraska.

Standing on the north portico of the spacious Morton mansion, Joy Morton of Chicago formally presented the lodge to the state. It was accepted by Governor Bryan. A natural amphitheater provided seats for the thousands who congregated to attend the ceremony. Four amplifiers were used to carry the message of the speakers to the utmost limits of the crowd.

The grandeur of this beauty spot of Nebraska, made all the more solemn by theologies of J. Sterling Morton, founder of the now almost nationally-recognized Arbor day, whose foresight provided this park which was transferred by his oldest son.

It was more than transfer day to Nebraska City. Sons and daughters who have wandered from the scenes of their childhood made the occasion a homecoming. "Hello, Frank; how are you, Bill; Where did you come from, Tom," and similar expressions on every corner of the city.

Omaha was the outstanding feature of the day's activities. Extra coaches were provided on the Missouri Pacific for the homecomers, who were accompanied by the Tanager Shrine band. Following this train was a special train carrying members of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce wearing white hats with the Ak-Sar-Ben colors on the bands.

The Shrine band led the history pageant parade. It was followed by the Omaha homecomers and the Chamber of Commerce. The Plattsburgh band led a division of floats showing the various phases of progress of transportation, music, horticulture, food products and education.

A third division, led by a file and drum corps from Lincoln, contained soldiers from the civil, Mexican, Indian, Spanish-American and world wars in the uniforms of their day. "Winning of the West" was vividly described on floats and by footmen, from the early ox team to the most modern automobile travelers. Every detail was perfect to the importation of real Indians. Other titles worked out in this section from the early days to the present, were light buildings, farm implements, fair women in costumes of the various periods and the fire department.

The fourth section, led by the Nebraska City band and the Peru band, contained decorated floats. The Seventeenth Infantry from Fort Crook made up a section of the parade, headed by its own band.

A light rain which fell in the morning failed to delay the festivities, but it is estimated the attendance was cut at least 40 per cent by the weather. Nebraska City was taxed to capacity to care for the crowd and officers in charge of the celebration were satisfied to have the attendance reduced, although sorry that all could not have been accommodated.

Morton Enthralled by Vision, Bryan Says

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Nebraska City, Sept. 27.—"J. Sterling Morton, when he came to Nebraska, looked toward the sunset and caught the vision of the future, when that almost all things of prairie would be changed from a treeless plain into a beautiful and varied landscape, and he lived to see the vision in a large measure realized," said Governor Chas. W. Bryan this afternoon at Nebraska City in accepting the gift of Arbor Lodge.

Governor Bryan briefly outlined the history of Mr. Morton since his arrival in Nebraska in 1855, and gave a conclusive proof of the authenticity of Mr. Morton's claim as the author of Arbor day.

"Afterwards," Governor Bryan said, "the legislature of 1885 changed the date from April 19 and set apart April 22, Mr. Morton's birthday, as Arbor day and made it a legal holiday."

Governor Bryan then announced the decision of the state park board "to use the mansion house for state museum purposes and for the custody of historical records and such property of the state historical society as may be authorized by the state park board."

The speaker then alluded to a visit once paid to the mansion by former President Cleveland and of an Indian conference held under its roof at which the red man signed away his rights to the lands of Nebraska.

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Morton Was State's 'Greatest Citizen'—Kroh

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"When we recall the many millions of trees growing in this and every other state and in many other countries of the world, we are reminded of the man who was responsible for their establishment," said J. S. Kroh of Ogallala, president of the Nebraska Press association, in his address this afternoon at services marking the gift of Arbor Lodge to the state.

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"I do not believe Ward an innocent man. Where would an innocent man head his car within an hour after the shooting—yes, sooner? To the nearest authority in law."

"Was it guilt or innocence that kept Ward from coming forward until four days after the crime? What finally forced him in? Why, the identification of his victim. Every paper was full of evidence on Peters' body. Why, if he had not been identified by the authorities, do you doubt this man, Ward, would have let him go to his grave unknown, unidentified, just an inconsequential person he, Walter Ward, had found it necessary to shoot. Peters' body, the heart and remove from his path?"

The attorney general spoke for three hours and a half, interrupted now and then by violent objections from the defense counsel, but Justice Wagner invariably ruled that the chief executive and the facts rested wholly with the jury and its recollection of the testimony and the bearing of various incidents upon the main fact, the killing of Peters.

In closing, Mr. Sherman said: "If Ward's father, George S. Ward, was conducting an investigation of the alleged blackmail plot, and if that investigation was helpful to his son, why didn't George S. Ward here?"

Extradition Is Asked for Alleged Swindler

Lincoln, Sept. 27.—The state today prepared, to be sent to Illinois authorities, a request for extradition of Frank Thompson, who was arrested yesterday in Chicago.

Lincoln authorities want Thompson on a charge of having obtained money under false pretenses. It is stated that Thompson borrowed \$750 from Allen McLean of Lincoln, after representing that he was the possessor of 60,000 shares of stock in the Mid-Continent Oil, Gas and Refining company, the actual value of which was \$1 a share. McLean claims that Thompson never owned the stock and that its value is not as stated.

Fairbury Man Fined for Attacking Woman and Girl

Fairbury, Neb., Sept. 27.—Frank Culligan, held in jail here on charges of intoxication, assaulting his housekeeper, and attacking a young girl, carrying concealed weapons and shooting with intent to wound, was arraigned for preliminary trial and fined a total of \$135 on the first two counts and bound over to district court on the last two counts. His bond was fixed at \$400, which he was unable to furnish.

Sowing of Fall Wheat Has Begun in Pawnee County

Pawnee City, Neb., Sept. 27.—Sam Gottula and Anton Vitriaka, who live in the Stelnaevr vicinity, are among the first to sow wheat in Pawnee county. Farmers have been holding off their wheat sowing on account of the Hessian fly, which did a great deal of damage here this year.

Ward Will Know Fate on Birthday

Charge to Jury Trying Walter Baker for Slaying Marine Will Be Read Today.

State Scores Defendant

White Plains, N. Y., Sept. 27.—Tomorrow is the 32d birthday of Walter S. Ward, and the young millionaire baker probably will spend the morning listening to the charge to the jury that is trying him for the murder of Clarence Peters, the penniless ex-marine who was killed May 16, 1922.

Justice Wagner of the supreme court will read the charge which means life or death to Ward, and by nightfall it is believed that Ward will either be under sentence of death in the electric chair, on his way to a long term in prison, or a free man, back home with his wife and two small children.

The summing up of the state today was a dramatic event in which Attorney General Carl Sherman, himself but slightly older than Ward, thundered malediction upon the young millionaire who has "slain an unarmed man, a cowardly murderer."

"Life for a Life." The packed courtroom thrilled to the drama of the state's demand for a life for a life, and the jury sat as though frozen while the attorney general tore at the defense, or rather lack of defense, on the part of the accused man, or acted in tragic silence, with his deputy, Thomas O'Neill, the killing of Peters as claimed by the state.

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Omaha Man Re-Elected Head of Osteopaths

Lincoln, Sept. 27.—Dr. E. S. Peterson of Omaha was elected secretary of the Nebraska Osteopathic association at the 24th annual convention here this afternoon. Dr. Peterson has held the post for six years. Other officers elected were: Dr. R. O. Dunn, Norfolk, president; Dr. Frank A. Bates, Geneva, vice president; and Dr. Lulu Cramb, Fairbury, treasurer.

Wild Tiger Seen Again

Battle Creek Couple Sees Animal on Bank Along Elkhorn River

Norfolk, Neb., Sept. 27.—The tiger which has been reported seen in several nearby counties during the last few months, and which last week was believed to be on a farm near Newman Grove, was seen standing on the banks of the Elkhorn river, between here and Battle Creek yesterday, according to a report brought to the city by Mr. and Mrs. Ed Murphy of Battle Creek.

They declare they got a good view of the animal as they crossed the bridge over the river. Farmers have been warned, as it is feared the beast will make raids on livestock. It is supposed the tiger escaped from a circus last spring.

If He Must Shoot, Why Not Take a Crack at the Wild Ones?



Northwestern to Operate Night Sleeper From Omaha to Chadron

Will Permit Out-State Visitors to Return Home at Midnight After Spending Day in City—Other Changes Are Announced.

H. E. Dickinson, general superintendent, Chicago & Northwestern railway, has announced that, effective at 12:01 midnight, October 5, a new train, known as No. 13, will be installed to leave Omaha at 12:15 a. m. This train will be operated from Omaha to Chadron; sleeper will be parked at union depot for occupancy at 9:30 p. m. Connection will be made by this train at Norfolk with the Winner line passenger train and with eastbound passenger train for the Alton line at Oakdale.

No. 1, now operating between Omaha and Chadron, leaving Omaha at 7:55 a. m., will terminate at Long Pine and be known as No. 11, leaving Omaha at the same time. No. 2, Lander-Deadwood train, now leaving Omaha at 4:45 p. m., will be changed to leave Omaha at 4:45 p. m. This train carries Casper and Deadwood sleepers.

No. 6, now arriving in Omaha at 5:05 p. m., will leave Lander at 11 a. m. instead of 9:45 a. m., arriving in Omaha at 6:30 p. m., and to be known as No. 22, connecting at Omaha with No. 22, the "Omaha-Chicago" special.

No. 309, "Alton line" train now leaving Omaha at 11:50 a. m., will depart at 1:30 p. m., arriving at Oakdale at 8:55 p. m., carrying passengers to Norfolk and Chadron. Dining car service will be maintained on train No. 3, between Fremont and Norfolk, as at present. Dining car service on No. 2 between Norfolk and Fremont will be discontinued as this is purely a local train. Train No. 22 will have dining car service between Norfolk and Fremont.

The installation of train No. 13 will give communities west of Long Pine daylight service, which has been desired and which enables Omaha business houses to get their mail into the above territory on this train. It has been long desired by the people of Omaha, Fremont and other points that a night train be operated to leave Omaha at this time, which will enable those who may desire to come to Omaha on train No. 2, at 11:20 a. m., which will be known as No. 8, and No. 49 from the Alton line, arriving at Omaha at 1:55 p. m., to spend the afternoon and evening in the city, departing for their homes at 12:15 a. m. with sleeper service.

Rail Body Will Hear Plea for Underground Crossing

Lincoln, Sept. 27.—Railway Commissioner C. A. Randall, Special Counsel Hugh Lamaster and Chief Engineer B. E. Forbes leave today for Crab Orchard, where a hearing will be held tomorrow on a petition for an underground crossing of the Burlington tracks near Crab Orchard. The petition asserts that the road is a main highway, subject to considerable traffic, and the crossing more than usually dangerous. The hearing will be at 1 o'clock.

German Lutherans Will Hold Mission Festival

Columbus, Neb., Sept. 27.—Rev. Borge Meyer, pastor of the German Lutheran church in the Looking Glass neighborhood, nine miles northwest of Monroe, Neb., has announced that the annual mission festival of his large congregation will be held Sunday, Sept. 30, at 10 a. m., at the church.

Scouts to Help

Six hundred Boy Scouts will help take care of the Ak-Sar-Ben parades on October 2 and 3.

Farmers Tell Woe at White House

Lower Freight Rates and Special Session of Congress Asked by Western Delegation.

Urge Immediate Relief

By Universal Service. Washington, Sept. 27.—President Coolidge heard today from the mouth of "dirty" farmers and agricultural bankers from the affected states the fact story of the desperate conditions in the wheat belt of the central north-west, and their earnest appeals for help from their government.

The delegation urged the necessity of immediate relief and asked to make this possible that congress be called into special session. Among the definite proposals submitted to the president were the revival of the United States Grain corporation, with a revolving fund of \$50,000,000, and a deep cut in freight rates on farm products.

Oppose Tariff Cut

No request was made for a further increase in the tariff on wheat, under the power granted the president through the flexible tariff provision of the Coolidge-Curtis law. The only mention of the tariff, it was stated, was in connection with the agitation by paint manufacturers for a reduction of the duty on flax. The farmers are solidly against this proposal.

President Coolidge enhanced his reputation as a good listener and asked many questions to elicit further information, but in no way committed himself or intimated what action, if any, he will take. It was emphasized by spokesmen for the committee after the hearing that the president said nothing whatever that could be interpreted as promising any action.

Want Special Session

The delegation was impressed, however, with the executive's sympathy for the farmers in their plight and his professed anxiety to do something to help themselves. It was asserted that Mr. Coolidge expressed a keen desire, if possible, to find some "economically sound and workable plan" of relief. No suggestion came from him as to the line he thinks this plan may follow.

Members of the delegation said frankly they had no idea as a result of the hearing whether the appeal for a special session of congress will be heeded. They did assert confidence that if any plan which the president regards as practicable is found, he will adopt it.

Eddyville Bank Assets Are Sold

Purchased From Guaranty Fund Body by Another Bank in Town.

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Lincoln, Sept. 27.—The good assets of the Security State bank of Eddyville, which has been operated since June 13 by the guaranty fund commission, have been sold to the Eddyville State bank, it was announced by the state banking department today. Ross Brown of Hastings, former bank examiner, has been in charge for the commission.

The capital stock of the bank when the guaranty fund commission assumed control was \$15,000; deposits totaled \$181,065,010; loans, \$192,977,055; bills payable, \$55,125,089, and the cash on hand amounted to \$753,214. The officers were: president, J. J. Mutchie; vice president, J. J. Mutchie; cashier, and J. J. Mutchie, vice president.

Although J. E. Hart, former secretary of the banking department, ordered the Eddyville bank closed, his successor, K. C. Knudson, rescinded the order after making arrangements with the stockholders and predicts that there will be no drafts on the state guaranty fund, though a small amount of receiver's certificates, properly backed, may be issued.

F. L. Cleary of Grand Island will act for the guaranty fund commission as receiver for legal purposes during the final period of liquidation of the bank.

Berth of Treasurers' Examiner Doubtful

Lincoln, Sept. 27.—It was stated on good authority at the state house today that Attorney General Spillman has advised George W. Marsh, state auditor, that in his opinion the recent appointment of Senator George Willkins to be county treasurers' examiner is not in accordance with the provisions of the new state constitution.

A confirmation or denial of this report could not be obtained in the auditor's office, his staff refusing to make any comment in the absence of the auditor, who attended the Arbor Lodge exercises at Nebraska City today.

8 Cents Per Mile Is Allowed Guaranty Fund Collector

Special Dispatch to The Omaha Bee. Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 27.—The mooted question of the amount of traveling allowance to be given to guaranty fund collectors was settled today, the sum for automobile hire being fixed at 8 cents a mile. The commission also ruled that no collector shall receive in excess of \$200 a month and traveling expenses. Nine men are at present employed in collecting approximately \$7,000,000 owed the state guaranty fund by 85 banks and the commissioners have sent an appeal to all bankers of the state, urging them to aid the collection.

Lutheran Church in Convention

Ninety Pastors and Delegates From 80 Congregations Meet at Shell Creek.

Columbus, Neb., Sept. 27.—The 46th annual convention of the German Nebraska synod of the United English Lutheran church opened a six-day session at the Shell Creek neighborhood Lutheran church, of which Rev. Hugo Welchert is pastor.

The congregation is said to be the first rural one in Nebraska affiliated with any denomination to hold a state convention to entertain the visiting 90 pastors and some 100 lay delegates in their country homes.

Eighty congregations are represented by their pastors and lay members. The German Nebraska synod takes care of the German-English church problems of the English Lutheran church which, however, maintains its own separate synod organizations.

Rev. C. Goede of Glenville, Neb., was elected president of the synod today. Other synod officers elected, all of whom will hold office for one year, were as follows: Vice president, Rev. K. Klinger, Hanover, Kan.; secretary, Rev. F. Schult, Fontenelle; treasurer, Rev. K. Schrader, Hooper; statistical and historical secretary, Rev. F. Rabe, Lincoln.

Rev. Mr. Schrader and Rev. Mr. Rabe were re-elected to their respective positions. The conference will continue over the weekend and will close with a mission festival Sunday afternoon and evening.

Nebraska Walnut in Big Demand

Several Counties in Southern Part of State Are Shipping Out Logs.

Wymore, Neb., Sept. 27.—Walnut logs are being shipped out of Gage and other southern Nebraska counties quite briskly now. Railway records show that in the last week a total of 81 carloads was shipped, as follows: Wymore, 3; Beatrice, 13; Dawson, 10; Preston, 15, and Rulo, 8.

There are said to be several more carloads at Beatrice, Odell and Preston being hauled in for shipment. Most of the logs are consigned to a Des Moines firm, a few cars going to Kansas City. This is the first walnut timber moving out of this vicinity since the second year of the world war.

Alleged Store Burglar to Be Taken to Chicago

Lincoln, Sept. 27.—Extradition of John J. Keenan, who is wanted in Chicago for breaking into a shoe store, was granted today by Nebraska authorities. Keenan, who is charged with larceny, is under arrest at Hastings, Neb.

The Weather

For 24 hours, ending 7 p. m., September 27. Temperature. Highest, 79; lowest, 63; mean, 71; normal, 68. Relative Humidity, Percentage, 69. Precipitation, Inches and Hundredths, 0.00. Total since January 1, 25.24. Hours of Sunshine, 12.4.