

OMAHA IS SLOW IN THAWING OUT, SAYS SUNDAY

You Are Thawing Out Now, but You Are About the Slowest at Thawing that I've Struck Yet, Says Evangelist.

SCORES ENEMIES OF CHRIST

Face Would Give Dentist a Job if Man "Knocked" God or Christ to His Face.

EXPLAINS HIS USE OF SLANG

SUNDAY MEETINGS. 8 a. m.—Grand rally of the Sunday schools of Council Bluffs at Broadway M. E. church, Miss Gamlin.

Several times in the Tabernacle sermon yesterday afternoon the auditors might well have made the classical observation, "Them's harsh words, Billy," but "Billy" laughed when he said the words and took the sting out and left the thrill.

"When the committee asked me to come here," said "Billy," "they said, 'Mr. Sunday, you'll find we are all together in Omaha.' I did. I found you were frozen together. You're thawing out, but you're about the slowest at thawing that I've struck yet."

It was a sermon of the militant religion and "Billy" flung defiance in the teeth of the enemies of his God.

"No man can 'knock' Christ and God and the church while I'm around," he chuckled grimly, "not without a scrap. If they'd say some of the things to me that they say without rebuke to some church members, I'd give the dentist a job. Oh, yes, I would. If you don't believe it, try it."

Who says "Billy's" proud of "Billy's" Sunday and his ability as a preacher? Here's what he said yesterday:

Use Plain Words. "I'm doing my best for God. There are thousands of preachers that can preach better than I can. But I'm doing my very best."

Speaking of his language, he said he uses words and expressions that the common people can understand.

"If I say an apple is indistinguishable from the formation of new chemical compounds, not many would know what I'm talking about. But if I say it's 'rotten' everybody understands."

"Some folks are so proud of their college educations and they say, 'Oh, Billy is so vulgar.' Well, I'm doing something (Continued on Page Two, Column One.)

Britain Proposes Substitute for the Prize Tribunals

LONDON, Oct. 2.—The Globe says it is asserted that Baron Reading, head of the Anglo-French commission, "has been empowered to agree at New York to some new international tribunal to override the existing system of prize courts."

This statement is made in the Globe's comment on the question Mr. Arthur Markham has given notice he will put in the House of Commons, whether Foreign Secretary Grey will adhere to the statement recently made that "freedom of the seas may be a reasonable subject of discussion after the war."

Insane Section Hand Murders Four Men

DAWSON, Yukon, Oct. 2.—Alexander Geoff, a section hand employed by the White Pass and Yukon railroad, the enemy south of White Horse, is under arrest here today after having run amuck yesterday and killing four fellow workmen.

Geoff, afterwards, boarded a hand car and went to White Horse, where he asked for "Fighting Mike Smetz."

Omaha Man Indicted in Fight Over an Estate in Illinois

WOODSTOCK, Ill., Oct. 2.—(Special Telegram)—As an outgrowth of a big fight over an estate, the grand jury of the circuit court of bicentury county sprang a surprise this week by bringing in an indictment for forgery, against William Stull's real estate and mortgage broker, of Omaha, also alleged to have a residence at Marengo, this county.

The Weather

Forecast till 7 p. m. Sunday: For Omaha, Council Bluffs and Vicinity—Unsettled; slightly cooler.

Table with 2 columns: Hour, Temp. (High, Low, etc.)

Table with 2 columns: Comparative Local Record, High, Low, etc.

FIFTY YEARS AFTER—Veteran drummer leading the march through the streets of Washington during last week's reunion.



TEXT OF OIL KING'S OFFER TO MINERS

Contract Provides for Collective Bargaining for Term of Years Without Discrimination.

FOUR PROVISIONS OF SCHEME

PUEBLO, Colo., Oct. 2.—Collective bargaining, insured by a contract signed and sealed for a term of years, was promised today by John D. Rockefeller, Jr., to the employees of the Colorado Fuel and Iron company.

The contract was embodied in the industrial plan submitted by Mr. Rockefeller at a meeting of officers of the company and grievance representatives from the various coal camps. The plan carries a guarantee against discrimination against members of any union, but does not provide for recognition of the United Mine Workers of America.

The industrial system outlined at the conference is looked upon as the Rockefeller answer to the demands of the United Mine Workers—demands which in 1912 led to one of the most bitter industrial conflicts in the history of the country.

Mr. Rockefeller has steadfastly maintained that his plan is not an attack upon unionism, but that it is "broader and more democratic" than the system advocated by the miners' organization.

Four Points to Scheme. The Rockefeller plan—formulated by Mr. Rockefeller and W. L. MacKenzie King, in collaboration with operating officials of the company—is based upon the mediation system already in operation. The outline of the plan submitted to the conference is divided into four general sections:

(1)—Representation of employees and the company in all matters of mutual interest.

(2)—District conferences, joint committees and joint meetings.

(3)—The prevention and adjustment of industrial disputes.

(4)—Social and industrial betterment.

The proposal also contains a memorandum of agreement between the company and its employees.

The miners at each camp are to elect representatives on a basis of one for every 100 men.

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GALA WEEK FOR OMAHA HOLDING BIG PROMISES

Great Festivities to Attract Thousands to the Gates of Cibola, the Chief City of Quivera.

NO LIMIT TO THE FUN

Spectacular Parades, Balloons, Bomb Throwing and Parachute Drops to Entertain.

CROWN MONARCH ON FRIDAY

A big week of festivities and entertainment is in store for the final week of Ak-Sar-Ben activities.

The big spectacular parades are staged this week. The carnival is on every afternoon and evening. At 4 o'clock every afternoon the balloon ascension, bomb-throwing and parachute drop will be featured.

Tuesday afternoon the automobile floral parade is to be held on the principal streets of Omaha. While most of the floats are being made at the Den, many are being made in private places, so that it is impossible at this moment to tell just how many will blossom out of unheeded places when Tuesday arrives.

It is known that the number will be between sixty and eighty. Automobile dealers who are entering auto floats in the parade are building and decorating them themselves, while many others are being decorated by hired decorators and by experts at the Den.

Fourteen former kings and queens of Ak-Sar-Ben are to be in the floats during this parade.

Electrical Parade Wednesday. Wednesday night the electrical parade in all its splendor is to traverse the principal streets. "Tales of Childhood," is the theme.

Thursday night the Boston Symphony orchestra is to give its big concert at the auditorium.

Friday night the coronation ball will complete with one grand climax the festivities of the week. The names of the new king and queen will be made public at that time, much intense curiosity will be satisfied, and the elite of the city will dance to the strains of the best music until midnight.

Tuesday afternoon of this week is to be children's day. Children will be admitted to the carnival grounds for a nickel and to each show for a nickel.

Every night of the week at 9 o'clock, "Keweenaw Kennedy," will make his sensational wire slide from the top of the City National Bank building to the Savoy hotel.

No spectators' seats for the ball are on sale this year. Extra ladies tickets for ladies to accompany members will be on sale commencing Monday at \$2 apiece. They may be had at Ak-Sar-Ben office, 117 Douglas street.

Tickets for the open air grandstand north of the court house for the parades will be on sale at the Unit-Doekal drug store across the corner from The Bee building Monday.

Bay State Mosers and Republicans May Make Deal

BOSTON, Oct. 2.—A disposition to favor overtures made by leaders of the progressive party was apparent among a large proportion of the delegates to the republican state convention, which met here today.

It was believed that the platform would embody at least a part of the plank, upon the adoption of which Charles S. Bird and Joseph Walker, former progressive nominees for governor, conditioned their tentative offer of support of Samuel W. McCall, republican primary nominee for chief executive.

Although there was every appearance of harmony among the democratic leaders before their state convention opened today, it was thought that spirited discussions in the resolutions committee last night might forecast debate on the floor. Advocates of a plank endorsing President Wilson for a second term were understood to have won their point in the committee. Disputed planks included woman suffrage, biennial elections and the short ballot.

Turkey Reports Defeat of Britons in Mesopotamia

CONSTANTINOPLE, Oct. 2.—(Via London)—An announcement was made by the war office today that the British forces in Mesopotamia were repulsed in the recent fighting. The report follows:

"On September 27 the British resumed the offensive. The battle was very violent and lasted until evening, but they finally failed, notwithstanding the fact that the British forces were four times stronger than ours."

"On the Iraq front our advanced detachments on September 28 surprised a hostile force, which landed on the bank of the Tigris, north of Korna, under the protection of gasbombs. We inflicted heavy losses on them."

Announcement was made in the House of Commons Wednesday that the British had defeated the Turks, who were said to be in full retreat toward Bagdad.

MAN OVERCOME BY GAS IS SAVED BY PULMOTOR

W. J. Petchoff of Chicago was found in his room at the Brunswick hotel overcome by gas. Officers Thrasher and Buford resuscitated the fellow with the pulmотор, and upon the arrival of Dr. C. B. Feitz he was taken to St. Joseph's hospital. Petchoff gave himself up to the police last Sunday, saying he was wanted in Chicago on a charge of forgery. Investigation revealed the fact that the complaining witness failed to prosecute. His condition is serious.

British Try to Retake Ground North of Loos; Defeated with Heavy Losses

BERLIN, Oct. 2.—(Via London)—An attempt by the British to retake the ground lost north of Loos was defeated with a heavy loss, the war office announced today.

Several French attacks also were repulsed and a number of prisoners were taken. The text of the statement follows:

"Western theater: By a counter attack the English last night endeavored to retake the land north of Loos, which we wrested from them during the fighting in the last few days, but the attempt failed with satisfactory losses."

"French attacks southwest of Arras, east of Souchez, and also north of Neuville, were repulsed."

"The number of prisoners taken by our troops in the sector covered by the English-French attack, now has been increased to 150 officers and 2,500 men. We also captured twenty-six machine guns."

"In the Champagne, the French attacked during the afternoon, east of Auberive, over a wide front. The attack failed. Only at one point did the enemy penetrate our position. Our troops went forward in a counter attack and took one officer and seventy men. The remainder of the soldiers who penetrated the position were killed."

"The total number of prisoners and booty taken in the fighting north of Arras and in the Champagne was increased to 231 officers, 16,731 men and thirty-five machine guns."

"A bomb attack made by an aerial squadron from Paris upon Lezon resulted in the death of one woman and one child, while an civilian was injured. Our anti-aircraft guns shot down an aeroplane south of Lezon and made the occupants prisoners. Another enemy aeroplane fell."

DEATHS IN STORM OVER FIVE HUNDRED

Preliminary Estimate of Damage to Plantations, Buildings and Ships is Twelve Millions.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Oct. 2.—The number of known dead, reported dead and persons missing in Louisiana and Mississippi as a result of Wednesday night's tropical hurricane was put at 508 in a total compiled here today from reports that came in from many points on the gulf coast and in the interior. Property damage was estimated at \$12,000,000.

It was considered certain early today that the total dead in the gulf coast storm would number at least 350. The known death list already stands at 181, with 208 reported dead. In addition there are 117 known missing.

More than 150 schooners were observed ashore between Gulfport and New Orleans, many total wrecks. Others were intact, but as high as fifteen feet above high tide level. Others were far inland.

Rich Plantations Wiped Out. Property damage throughout the storm swept territory has been enormous. Newspaper men and relief parties returning today from the delta section said that the rich plantations in that section had been wiped out, crops raised, orange trees destroyed, buildings demolished and washed out to sea and the country for miles under water for a distance of feet deep. The levees in many places have been destroyed.

While no official estimate has been obtained of the storm damage in this state and along the Mississippi coast, persons familiar with the territory believe that it will approximate \$3,000,000.

Field work is progressing rapidly. Vessels left yesterday from practically every point along the coast to visit isolated settlements in the path of the hurricane.

Wilson Probably Will Support Law to Give Women Vote

WASHINGTON, Oct. 2.—President Wilson is expected shortly to announce his intention of voting for the New Jersey state constitutional amendment granting suffrage to women. A special election on the amendment will be held October 19, and the president will go to Princeton to vote.

Secretary Tumulty, whose home is in Jersey City, said today he expected to vote for the woman suffrage amendment. It was reported that Secretary Garrison, who is also from New Jersey, had authorized the statement that he would vote for woman suffrage.

The president on several occasions has refused to support an amendment to the federal constitution to give nation-wide woman suffrage. He has said he believed the question to be a state issue. Recently he said he would make known his position on woman suffrage before the amendment to the New Jersey constitution was voted on.

The Day's War News

NEW PROGRESS for the French in the offensive movement of the allies on the western front is reported today by the Paris war office. Advances from trench to trench on the heights of La Folle, in the Artois district, are claimed.

BULGARIA IS DISPOSING its troops with a view to evenness. It is reported to advance through Athens to be moving forces toward the Greek border, as well as in the direction of the Serbian frontier. Bucharest dispatches received in Italy say that Bulgarian artillery is being massed along the Debrudja front of the Romanian frontier.

SITUATION on the eastern front is little changed, according to the latest official reports. Tentative gains near Bivinsk and its vicinity see unfairly well offset by reported progress of the Russians in the central sectors, where they are admittedly on the offensive.

CONTRADICTING the recent British announcement of successes in Mesopotamia, the Turkish war office declares that the British offensive resumed on September 27 was a failure.

STORM CENTER OF WAR SHIFTS TO THE BALKANS

Menacing Attitude of Bulgaria Has a Marked Effect on the Activity of the Allies in France.

GREECE IS URGED TO STRIKE

British Paper Says Delay Will Only Surrender Strategic Initiative to Bulgaria.

RUSSIAN POSITION IMPROVING

LONDON, Oct. 2.—A telegram from Amsterdam says that Austria is about to send an ultimatum to Roumania demanding the free passage of munitions to Turkey.

LONDON, Oct. 2.—The situation on the eastern front is still regarded in London as of the greatest immediate importance, notwithstanding the new offensive in the west. To transfer the center of gravity of the war to the western front is the task now before the French and British.

The menacing attitude of Bulgaria doubtless is having a marked bearing on the activity of the allies in France and Belgium, for increasing pressure on the German lines would exert a decided influence on plans of the Austrians and Germans to concentrate a heavy force on the Serbian frontier, should they commit themselves to a fresh campaign in the Balkans, with the assistance of Bulgaria. That nation now occupies, as Foreign Secretary Grey phrased it yesterday, the position Turkey held during those weeks of uncertainty before it cast its lot openly with the central powers.

Urges Greece to Strike. Some sections of the British press are urging Greece and the allies to strike quickly the instant it is determined that diplomacy is no longer able to avert a crisis.

"To wait until Bulgaria actually moves," says the Manchester Guardian, "is to surrender the strategic initiative to it. Between an Austro-German attack on Serbia and a Bulgarian attack there is no practical difference. For the allies the moment of decision has come. As soon as they are convinced Bulgaria is determined to make war they should dispatch an ultimatum to it and give it the choice of peace or war."

"Should Bulgaria accomplish the German desire of linking Berlin with Constantinople," the Guardian continues, "a very grave change will have come over the complexion of the war in this zone, a region where far-reaching results might be achieved by the allies with relative speed and economy. The strategic initiative must not be frittered away by faith in

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Lansing Gathers Facts on Condition of Mexican Affairs

NEW YORK, Oct. 2.—Secretary Lansing today took the first step in the policy that the United States government is to pursue within the next week in gathering information upon which to base its decision as to what faction in Mexico is deserving of recognition.

The secretary heretofore has declined to receive representatives of any faction, but inasmuch as it is now his intention to listen to the arguments of all sides, he today received Roberto Penquerra, a prominent adviser to General Carranza.

Late Charles A. DeLoach, attorney for the Carranza government, called on Secretary Lansing. The secretary expressed no opinion to any of his visitors, merely listening to the information which they desired to communicate concerning the progress of the Carranza movement, and its claims for recognition.

Next week Mr. Lansing will receive delegates from the Villa cause and other independent groups.

Use Absinthe to Make Gun Cotton

PARIS, Oct. 2.—Stocks of absinthe now are being converted into an ingredient for explosives at a co-operative distillery at Pontoise, which has been supplying clear alcohol extracted from beet roots to government explosives factories, where it is used in the manufacture of gun cotton.

BULGARIA MASSING TROOPS ON BORDERS

Armies Are Reported Moving in Direction of Serbian, Greek and Roumanian Frontiers.

PARIS, Oct. 2.—It is reported from Athens that Bulgarian troops from Sofia are moving in the direction of the Serbian frontier and that other forces are being dispatched toward the Greek border.

This information was forwarded by the Athens correspondent of the Hlvas News Agency, who asserts it was obtained from a reliable source. It is believed the principal point of concentration will be along the upper Strouma river, southwest of Sofia, near the Serbian front.

Bulgaria Proclaims Martial Law. MILAN, Oct. 1.—(Via Paris, Oct. 2.)—Bulgaria is mobilizing all men up to the age of 58 years, according to the Corriere della Sera's Bucharest correspondent. No citizen under 45 is permitted to leave the country and martial law has been proclaimed. Pro-German manifestations are reported in Bulgarian cities along the Danube.

Bulgarian artillery, the correspondent asserts, is being massed along the frontier of Dobruja, a part of Roumania bounded by the Black Sea and the Danube, which was taken from Bulgaria in 1878 and given to Roumania. This section has a cosmopolitan population.

Mine Managers Are Imprisoned by Men, Rescued by a Posse

PHOENIX, Ariz., Oct. 2.—Six mine officials were taken prisoners today by strikers and their sympathizers in the Clifton district. They were rescued by a sheriff's posse and put in the Clifton court house for safety.

The strikers, said to number 2,500, then railed the Clifton ice and electric plants, taking out non-union men, according to advices received here.

Edward Dawson, a mine manager; F. N. Slyn and Thomas Pulcher with three other mine officials, had been captured when the posse appeared. When they were released the crowd went to the ice plant shouting, "Down with mine managers; hurrah for Governor Hunt."

The governor was quoted here as saying that conditions as laid down by mine managers in the Clifton and Morenci districts were "so humiliating that no self-respecting workman would submit to them."

Charles City Plant Lands Shell Order

CHARLES CITY, Ia., Oct. 2.—(Special.)—"The people here are in high glee over the Hart-Partr company landing a \$1,500,000 contract from Great Britain in making nine and two-tenths shells. C. W. Hart and M. W. Ellis made this announcement last night. Already machines and tools necessary and the drawings are being prepared. In three weeks it is expected work will begin in turning out the massive implements of destruction. On account of war and curtailing territory, business has been slack at the factory for the last two years and with this additional work a large number of men will be employed during the winter months. It will take a year to fill the contract. Several large eastern concerns were after the order hard, but it was finally placed in the middle west."

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