



PRESIDENTIAL BEE NOW BUZZING IN NEBRASKA SENATOR'S BONNET

MORE OMAHA MEN LEAVE TO PULL FOR CAMP

Second Committee Goes to Chicago to Urge Transfer of Cantonment Site From Des Moines Here.

A supplementary committee of eight men left Omaha at 6:30 Tuesday night, to urge General Barry to transfer the cantonment camp from Des Moines to Omaha.

After Secretary of War Baker referred the matter to General Barry for final decision, the Omaha committee left Washington immediately for Chicago, where they will be joined by the new committee.

The second committee is composed of Harry A. Tukey, Victor Rosewater, Gould Dietz, Howard Baldrige, Harvey Newbranch, G. W. Holdrege, T. C. Byrne, and John L. Kennedy.

An additional committee consisting of eight men, which will join forces with the Omaha representation now in Washington, will leave Omaha tonight to urge General Barry at Chicago to transfer the cantonment camp from Des Moines to Omaha.

The second committee will be Gould Dietz, George Brandeis, Gordon W. Wartles, Howard Baldrige, G. W. Holdrege, E. E. Calvin, T. C. Byrne and John L. Kennedy. They are determined to place before General Barry such a strong protest over the selection of Des Moines as the site for the Thirtieth district that results will be forthcoming within a short time.

Said To Favor Omaha. General Barry, who has charge of the Central army division, recently made a trip to Des Moines to inspect Fort Dodge site and it is felt that his mind is open for the Omaha men.

The second committee, combined with the representation now at Washington, will make a total of fourteen of Omaha's leading business and professional men who will call on General Barry, who has been authorized by the secretary of war to make the transfer if he deems it necessary.

The encouragement received from Omaha's representatives in Washington, who are fighting to have the cantonment camp transferred from Des Moines to Fort Crook, has made a marked impression on men of Omaha who are interested in seeing the site brought to this city.

Wait General's Request. The report of General Barry of Chicago, who made a thorough inspection of Camp Dodge Monday, will be awaited with intense interest here. The general would make no announcement at Des Moines, preferring to wait until he has returned to Chicago.

Should the Thirtieth Cantonment district be transferred to Omaha, it will mean one of the biggest achievements of recent years. More than 42,000 soldiers would be concentrated at Fort Crook and given elementary instruction in the business of war.

Contracts would be given to Omaha concerns, which would run into millions of dollars.

Railway facilities of Omaha are unequalled and this has been one of the most serious drawbacks for the Iowa capital. Six cross country lines enter Omaha and two lines through Fort Crook.

Three More Unions Called Out in Butte Mine District. Butte, Mont., June 26.—Following the walkout of the miners, bootleggers and blacksmiths at the Black Rock mine here today, in sympathy with the electricians' strike, a committee of the metal trades council ordered out blacksmiths, machinists and boiler-makers who are employed at all the mines in the Butte district.

The Weather. For Nebraska—Partly cloudy, with showers.

To Our Readers:

To keep readers and patrons of The Bee advised of improvements made for their benefit, I wish to announce a reorganization in progress in our system of distribution and carrier delivery in Omaha.

The new plan provides for five districts and branch stations in territory previously served from the main publication office. These in addition to our sub-offices in South Omaha and Council Bluffs.

THE BEE'S NEW BRANCH OFFICES: 1—Ames Office, 4110 North 24th St. 2—Lake Office, 2516 North 24th St. 3—Vinton Office, 1715 Vinton St. 4—Park Office, 2515 Leavenworth St. 5—Walnut Office, 819 North 40th St.

Of the new offices, three are already open and all will be ready by the end of this week. The carriers for each district will be supplied with their papers through these stations, where subscription and want-ad offices will also be maintained in direct telephone connection with the publication office of The Bee.

These changes when perfected will give The Bee a fully up-to-date system of local distribution to meet the demands of growing circulation. One and all are respectfully invited to take advantage of these improved facilities and co-operate still further with us to make The Bee bigger, better and more responsive to the public's needs than ever.

EXTEND CONTROL TO STEEL, IRON AND PETROLEUM

Senate Subcommittee on Agriculture Votes to Greatly Widen Scope of Pending Food Measure.

Washington, June 26.—Extension of government control to iron and steel and their products, petroleum and its products, farm implements and sisal, jute and hem, products, such as binding twine, was decided upon today as an amendment to the administration food control bill by a senate agriculture subcommittee.

Other amendments agreed to by the subcommittee, which will remove much opposition to the legislation, provide that the bill shall not apply to farmers, gardeners and stock raisers products raised upon their own land and shall not give the food administrator power to impose individual rations or regulate their meals. The committee deferred action upon the prohibition section.

Dealer Predicts Shortage. C. M. Moderswell, a Chicago dealer, predicted a serious coal shortage at the head of the great lakes unless action is taken. He believed fixing of an arbitrary price now was unfeasible.

Mr. Moderswell replied. He added that the coal situation was in part caused by the fact that the mines operate only eight hours a day while a majority of industries are in operation twenty-four hours a day.

Capacity of the mines is about 40 per cent more than present production but he doubted if they would be able to reach maximum production for lack of railroad transportation.

Admits Raising Prices. "What is the average increase in the price of coal to the consumer?" asked Senator Pomerene. "It has been very large," he replied. "I would say that it has been 75 to 100 per cent, but that is only an estimate."

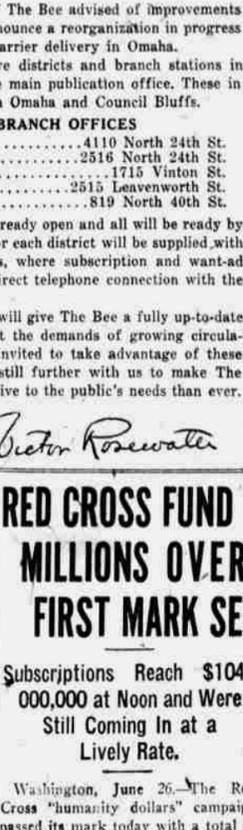
"How do you justify the increase?" "Coal operators are just as human as anybody else and they have taken advantage of the conditions and the people."

"Y" Members Who Enlist to Receive Free Annual Cards. Every member of the Omaha Young Men's Christian association who joins the national colors will receive his annual membership card, good all over the world, free of charge during the war.

King Ak's Minions Fill Speaker's Pockets With Ice. Dan Whitney found his pockets full of ice while he was bumping along South Sixteenth street in his River Monday afternoon. As it was a hot day, he marveled at how the ice might have come there. Then he remembered that he had just been attending an Ak-Sar-Ben hustling committee dinner at the Hotel Castle.

Reports from Stations at 7 P. M. Station and State Temp. High. Rainfall. Cheyenne, part cloudy, 72 74 .12. Davenport, cloudy, 82 84 .09. Denver, clear, 82 84 .00. Des Moines, cloudy, 78 82 .02. Dodge City, clear, 78 84 .00. Lander, part cloudy, 78 82 .00.

The Pull-Back



RED CROSS FUND MILLIONS OVER FIRST MARK SET

Subscriptions Reach \$104,000,000 at Noon and Were Still Coming In at a Lively Rate.

Washington, June 26.—The Red Cross "humanity dollars" campaign passed its mark today with a total of \$104,000,000 tabulated at noon and returns still coming in. The Red Cross war council predicted a total of \$110,000,000 by nightfall.

Several hundred thousand volunteer workers participated in the intensive canvass, which was unique in American history. Only three weeks before had plans for a nation-wide drive been formulated by the new Red Cross council.

Leaders in Campaign. Harvey J. Hill, a Red Cross worker, directed the campaign from Washington and Charles S. Ward from New York.

Charles Dietrich, secretary of the Brooklyn Young Men's Christian association, with the assistance of Lyman Pierce, Young Men's Christian association secretary at San Francisco, directed work in the west and Daniel A. Reed of Flint, Mich., supervised the campaign in midwestern states.

The middle Atlantic division was the first to report an oversubscription of its \$17,000,000 apportionment. Reports early today showed an excess of about \$500,000.

Meanwhile Red Cross officials will try to formulate plans for the most efficient expenditure of the millions, large portions of which already are sought by humanitarian interests in France, Russia, Rumania and other European war-stricken countries, as well as here in America.

Just as the campaign closed last night, the first actual money reached the Red Cross treasury by aerial messenger. Miss Katherine Stinson, a young air woman, descending upon the capital at the end of a two-day flying trip from Buffalo, Albany, New York and Philadelphia, carried to Secretary McAdoo, treasurer of the Red Cross, money and pledges gathered from cities she visited.

Motorcycle Rider Injured In Clash With Automobile. F. L. Lott, 519 South Nineteenth street, received a slight cut on the left foot and minor body injuries as the result of being knocked from his motorcycle near Eighteenth and Laird streets by an automobile driven by Dr. C. W. Pollard.

"BILLY" SUNDAY ALMOST STAYS HERE FOR A DAY

Noted Evangelist and "Ma" Sunday, Enroute to Hood River Farm, Meet Boys Traveling in Auto.

"I notice that the smoke is not coming out of the stacks of the brewing mills, was the first exclamation of Rev. "Billy" Sunday as he swung down off the platform of one of the sleepers on Northwestern-Union Pacific No. 17 as it pulled into the Union Station yesterday. The next instant he was shaking hands with the members of the Omaha party who had gathered to greet him.

Before "Billy" Sunday got through shaking hands he commenced to ask, "Have any of you seen Billy and Paul?" "Nobody had seen them."

Billy and Paul are two of the young sons of Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Sunday and instead of coming through from Winona Lake on the train they had started in an automobile and had stalled in the mud over in western Iowa.

Unloads His Baggage. Concluding that the boys had not reached the city, "Billy" Sunday hustled back into the sleeper and com-

British and German Airmen In Battle Over Flanders. London, June 26.—Three British naval airplanes fought a battle with ten German machines over Flanders on Monday. An official account of the fight says one and probably three of the Germans were driven down. All the British airmen returned safely.

The announcement follows: "In the course of a patrol on Monday three naval airplanes encountered and engaged ten enemy machines in the vicinity of Roulers. They fought for sixteen minutes and brought down one enemy in flames. It is believed two others were driven down out of control, but clouds interrupted the view. Our machines returned safely."

Edgar Howard Shudders at the Thought of Being State's Governor. "I do not want to be governor of Nebraska," said Lieutenant Governor Edgar Howard, when discussing the possibility that Governor Neville might resign and go to the front in command of some Nebraska regiment.

"No, I do not want to be governor, I shudder at the thought," Arthur Mullen, Omaha democrat, credited with being something of a boss in state politics, denied that he has been "wearing a haunted look," as he was accused of doing, since announcement that Neville might resign. He declares the prospect is not worrying him.

Other democrats have suggested that if the democrats of the stripe at present in power in the state are afraid of Edgar Howard as governor, and if Howard shudders at the thought of being governor, then the thing to do is to get the lieutenant governor to resign first. It has been suggested that this would solve the problem at once, since then Neville could resign, leaving the president pro tem of the senate to step into the executive chair.

The president pro tem happens to be John Mattes, Jr., and since he is of the particular stripe to the liking of the crowd seeking to hold Neville in his place, all would be lovely and the political sea clear of perils.

Water Board Wants More Money for Hydrants. The Metropolitan Water board requested the city council to include in the next general tax levy an amount of \$164,570, subject to a limitation of not to exceed 3 mills on the assessed valuation. This is the pay for 2,732 hydrants at \$60 each and fifty-nine intermediate hydrants at \$10 each.

Omaha Will Get Branch Bank of Federal Reserve. Washington, June 26.—(Special Telegram.)—Secretary McAdoo gave assurances to members of the Nebraska delegation, while at the capitol today, that a branch of the Kansas City Federal Reserve bank would be located at Omaha to take care of the Nebraska and Wyoming territory.

Agitator Makes Speech. A roughly-dressed man startled lawyers and court room spectators, who were waiting for the judge to go upon the bench, by crowding his way to the front of the jam and making an I. W. W. speech.

He was denouncing in loud tones the "workings of capital against labor," when spectators quieted him. "Jerry Howard, well known labor leader, sprung another surprise by leaping to his feet and reading "an open" letter to Attorney General Reed."

BUILDING TRADES LEAGUE FIGHTS NEW ARMY CAMP

Secretary Lawsop Wires War Department Head in Opposition to Cantonment; Strike Ended.

Mill men went back to work this morning in a number of Omaha planing mills, after their union voted at a meeting Monday night that their men might take jobs wherever 35 cents per hour is being paid. Thirty-five cents an hour is what they struck for. Some of the mills had been paying that before the strike; other had not. It is said most of the mills are paying that figure now.

Eighty boiler makers returned to work Monday in the plants of the C. G. Johnson company, and the Drake-Williams-Mount company. They accepted at 55 cents an hour, which, the employers say, is what they were offered when they struck. They had been getting 45 cents and demanded 62½.

Building trades workers have not returned to work in any appreciable numbers.

Knock Army Camp. As a desperate drive in the local labor war the unions have made it known that if they can't win their strike, they don't want Omaha to have the army cantonment.

By order of the strike captains here from Chicago, the Building Trades Protective league this morning telegraphed Secretary of War Baker and Samuel Gompers to urge that the cantonment camp not be located at Omaha on account of labor troubles.

The telegram was signed by Gus Lawson, secretary of the Building Trades Protective association, and was as follows: "Wires to Washington. "The Building Trades League of Omaha, Neb., has instructed me to inform you that,asmuch as the Business Men's association has locked out the building trade workers, has refused to confer with the union representatives and has refused government and state mediation to adjust the labor difficulty, that we protest against selecting Omaha or vicinity as a site for a cantonment camp unless the Business Men's association will agree to adjust the labor situation, affecting 4,000 members."

Omaha's Gift to the Red Cross Totals \$251,252.49. The headquarters of the Red Cross at the Hotel Fontenelle have been permanently closed. All future contributions and payments made on pledge cards will be made direct to A. L. Reed, treasurer, at his office in the Brandeis Theater building.

The final report of the auditor showed that a total of \$251,252.49 was subscribed, of which \$46,906.58 was cash and \$204,345.91 in pledges, one-fourth payable every thirty days, beginning July 1.

The total number of subscribers was 7,561. Of this number seventeen citizens and firms gave \$5,000 each; four gave \$2,500; three gave \$2,000; thirty-six, \$1,000; thirty-three, \$500; 263 gave \$100 to \$400 each, and the remainder in amounts less than \$100.

The entire amount was contributed by citizens of Omaha and Douglas county. One hundred and twelve dollars was received from friends outside of the city, but this amount is not included in the above total.

Cannon Salutes Are Suspended During War. Washington, June 26.—Suspension during the war of all cannon salutes to visiting dignitaries at army posts, fortifications or encampments was ordered today by the War department.

Athletic contests, except interclass meets, have been suspended at West Point for the calendar year to permit greater concentration of effort by the student body in preparing themselves for commissions in the army in less than the ordinary four-year course.

Total Casualties from Raid On London 857. London, June 26.—Official figures of the casualties in the London air raid of June 13 were announced yesterday. Subsequent deaths and the discovery of more bodies in the debris have brought the number of dead to ninety-one men, twenty-four women and forty-two children. The injured number 220 men, 110 women and 100 children. Total dead and injured number 587.

HITCHCOCK HAS FRIENDS BLOW BUBBLE FOR HIM

Nebraska's Weather Vane Senator Comes to Town to Launch Boom; Grooms Neville as His Successor.

"Hitchcock for president!" This is a bubble which World-Herald employees have been quietly trying to blow into wholesome proportions since Senator Hitchcock paid a short visit to Omaha five or six weeks ago.

The senator made this visit to Omaha while congress was in session, and by many it is considered significant that he should have had urgent business in Omaha when congress was busy with war budgets, and that the Hitchcock presidential boom began to work quietly immediately thereafter.

A prominent employe of Senator Hitchcock's paper is quoted as saying: "They simply can't beat the senator for the democratic nomination for the presidency. Look at him. He was in the public eye as chairman of the foreign relations committee on the war resolution, when Senator Stone as chairman refused to serve and lead the fight. That puts him in the limelight as the leader in the senate fighting the big battle of the president in a crisis."

Rattles in Chicago. Omahans in Chicago recently heard of the Hitchcock bubble among the Roger Sullivan democrats there. These fellows, it is said, like drowsy men, are clutching at the Hitchcock straw as a possible means of getting even with Bryan for the many torpedoes he has put beneath their boats in the in the past.

William H. Dech, populist war horse of Saunders county, almost swore when he first heard of the Hitchcock bubble. Dech was for Hitchcock for the senate, and is now understood to be among those peeved because so large a crop of the federal appointments which depended upon senatorial patronage did not come as they had been planned or promised.

"It would be the crime of crimes to run him for president," roared Dech when he was discussing the subject. But I hope he will be a candidate so that his own state may have the opportunity of showing him up."

Dech is understood to have told Harvey Newbranch of the World-Herald that Hitchcock would not get one vote in Ithaca precinct for president for every three he got for the senate.

Already the friends of the movement have slated the successor to Hitchcock in the United States senate. This is to be Governor Keith Neville. The Hitchcock crowd is said to be grooming Neville for a second term for governor and at the same time getting him toned up for a race for the senate after that.

This plan also furnishes one more explanation why this crowd is so anxious to keep Neville out of the trenches, and keep him at home to carry out the Hitchcock presidential nomination plan.

Omaha Man at Training Camp is Seriously Injured. W. S. McEachron of Omaha, now attending the Fort Snelling officers reserve training camp, was hit by an automobile and seriously injured Saturday night at Minneapolis.

He was found in the street by a patrolman, apparently stupor-stricken. Physicians were of the opinion that he had been drugged, but later investigation revealed that he had been struck by an automobile. When found his hat was gone and uniform badly torn. He did not regain consciousness for more than twelve hours afterward.

W. S. McEachron was an examiner of abstracts here and lived at 3129 Burt street.

While Talking About It. Four Sundays in June. Paid Advertising in The Bee (Warfield Agency Measurements).

First in Totals First in Gains. HERE'S THE 1917 SCORE: Sunday, June 3... 3,190 Ins. Sunday, June 10... 4,256 1/2 Ins. Sunday, June 17... 2,618 1/2 Ins. Sunday, June 24... 3,014 1/2 Ins. Total... 13,079 1/2 Ins. SAME DAYS IN JUNE, 1916: First Sunday... 2,426 Ins. Second Sunday... 2,497 Ins. Third Sunday... 2,472 Ins. Fourth Sunday... 1,970 Ins. Total... 9,365 Ins. GAIN—3,714 1/2 INCHES. Keep Your Eye On The Bee IMPROVING EVERY DAY