

SLAY MEETS TEUTON IN GREAT BATTLE; POLICE PROBE WILL BEGIN THURSDAY

STAR CHAMBER SESSIONS FOR DEPARTMENT INQUIRY; KUGEL CHANGES HIS VOTE

Dahlman Declares Police Department Needs Reorganization and Asks Co-Operation of Public in the Probe.

A general investigation of the police department will be started Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. It is probable that the proceedings will be held behind closed doors, but in the presence of newspaper representatives. Commissioners believe that witnesses frequently are embarrassed when testifying before a crowd, as was evidenced in several instances during the recent hearings. No definite line of procedure has been adopted, but the mayor and associates favor a liberal policy in bringing out anything which will tend to help them in placing the police department upon a substantial basis.

U. S. Will Build Big Nitrate Production Plant

Washington, July 16.—Secretary Baker announced today that plans for the production of nitrate from atmospheric nitrogen would be constructed immediately at a cost of about \$4,000,000 and that water power would not be used. Sites have not been selected.

King George Wants to Drop German Name of Royal House

London, July 16.—King George has called a special meeting of the privy council to be held tomorrow for the purpose of proclaiming a change in the title of the royal house.

John T. Welby Dropped From Mooney Case

San Francisco, July 16.—John T. Welby, a juror in the murder trial of Mrs. Rena Mooney was dismissed from the panel today by Superior Judge Emmet Sewall. His place was automatically filled by the thirteenth juror, William S. Dean.

Czech Deputy Causes Uproar by Saying All World Hates Germany

Zurich, July 15.—The Austrian Reichsrat was thrown in an uproar on Saturday when the former Czech minister, Herr Praschek, declared the hate of the entire world was not directed against Austria, but against Germany, and that Austria should detach itself from its ally, says a Vienna dispatch.

Red Cross is Building Big "Laughing Gas" Plant

Paris, July 16.—Official announcement is made that all private organizations which desire to give medical aid to American troops must be under Red Cross military control and supervision.

May Compromise Demands Of Finland Malcontents

Petrograd, July 15.—The semi-official News Agency today received and made public the following telegram from Helsinki, Finland:

NEBRASKA CROPS SHOW INCREASE IN FOOD SUPPLY

Reports Gathered Throughout the State Indicate Added Millions of Bushels Over Last Year's Harvest.

The winter wheat harvest is under way. The quality is good and where the plant was not winter killed the yield is heavy. It is estimated that the total yield will be 12,000,000 bushels, which is but about 20 per cent of the normal. Winter wheat yield is estimated at 6,250,000 bushels, an increase of about 50 per cent over last year.

Crops Not Suffering

The Burlington, Northwestern and Rock Island railroads are out with their respective crop reports for the week ending last Saturday and covering the agricultural districts of Nebraska.

Three roads agree that while Nebraska crops are not suffering on account of a lack of moisture, the danger stage is not far away. All over the state corn is making a good growth and has just about reached the normal condition for this season of the year.

Corn Figures High

Estimating corn at 100 per cent under normal conditions at this season, the estimate in the summary is:

Omaha division.....190 per cent
Lincoln division.....180 per cent
Wymore division.....170 per cent
McCook division.....88 per cent

Spanish Reformers Expect Aid of Army

Madrid, July 16.—Barcelona newspapers publish a note saying that the assembly of members of Parliament from Catalonia will be held on Thursday, notwithstanding all denials, and that the organizers of the movement count on the support of a large part of the army.

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Up to Congress



OMAHA MEN WILL CONDUCT Y. M. C. A CAMP AT DEMING

E. F. Denison to Be General Secretary and Rev. C. E. Cobbey Will Lead Religious Workers.

E. F. Denison, general secretary of the Omaha Young Men's Christian association, and Rev. Charles E. Cobbey, pastor of the First Christian church, will go to Deming, N. M., with the Nebraska National Guard.

Guards May Be Sent to France Early in August

Washington, July 16.—Mobilization of the National Guard began today. While no orders for embarkation of state troops for France will be given until after August 5, when the entire force will be formally drafted into the United States army, there are indications that some divisions will be regarded as ready to board transports soon after that date.

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RUSSIAN FRONT FROM RIGA TO ROUMANIA SCENE OF STRUGGLE; AUSTRIANS IN FULL FLIGHT

Germans Are Rushing Troops From France and Italy and Are Rearranging Their Positions—Cossacks in Galicia Gain Thirty Miles in Week and Capture Town of Dolina

Washington, July 16.—The whole Russian front, from the Gulf of Riga to Roumania, is reported in official dispatches today from Petrograd to the Russian embassy here to be alive with battle.

TEUTON PREMIER WILL ANNOUNCE POLICY THURSDAY

New Chancellor Will Make His Maiden Speech in Reichstag; Kaiser Consulting Generals and Party Leaders.

Amsterdam, July 16.—A Berlin telegram to an Amsterdam news agency quotes the Tageblatt of Berlin to the effect that the Catholic Center party in the Reichstag has decided with two dissenting votes to make a declaration in favor of peace efforts without regard to the attitude of the national liberals.

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German Officials Meet Today to Refute Council of Defense Charges

The official heads of the various Lutheran church bodies in Nebraska will meet this morning in Lutheran church to take official action toward refuting the aspersions which have been cast upon the church by the statement of the Nebraska State Council of Defense that "conspicuous leaders" of the church have been disloyally active or passive in regard to the war.

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The Weather

Fr Nebraska—Fair, warmer.
Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday.

Hour	Temp.	Deg.
6 a. m.	60	60
7 a. m.	62	62
8 a. m.	64	64
9 a. m.	66	66
10 a. m.	68	68
11 a. m.	70	70
12 m.	72	72
1 p. m.	74	74
2 p. m.	76	76
3 p. m.	78	78
4 p. m.	77	77
5 p. m.	75	75
6 p. m.	74	74
7 p. m.	73	73
8 p. m.	72	72

Comparative Local Record.

1917	1916	1915	1914	
Highest yesterday	78	91	84	80
Lowest yesterday	60	58	65	71
Mean temperature	69	68	75	80
Precipitation	.00	.00	.00	.00

Temperature and precipitation departures from the normal at Omaha yesterday:

Normal temperature	72	72
Deficiency for the day	-7	-7
Total deficiency since March 1	-232	-232
Normal precipitation	.15	.15
Deficiency for the day	-.15	-.15
Total rainfall since March 1	15.79	15.79
Deficiency since March 1	-.55	-.55
Deficiency for period 1916, 4.74 inches		
Deficiency for cor. period, 1916, .36 inch		

Reports from Stations at 7 P. M.

Station and State	Temp.	High.	Low.	Rain-fall.
Omaha, Neb.	72	78	60	.00
Cheyenne, Wyo.	70	76	58	.00
Davenport, Ia.	70	76	58	.00
Denver, Colo.	70	76	58	.00
Des Moines, Ia.	70	76	58	.00
Dodge City, Kan.	70	76	58	.00
Landis, Neb.	70	76	58	.00
North Platte, Neb.	70	76	58	.00
Omaha, Neb.	70	76	58	.00
Pueblo, Colo.	70	76	58	.00
Sioux Falls, S. D.	70	76	58	.00
Wichita, Kan.	70	76	58	.00

L. A. WELSH, Meteorologist.