

Nebraska

WILL THEY CLEAR TRACK FOR BRYAN?

Old-Time Demos Laugh at the Idea When it is Sprung Upon Them.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

Lincoln, Nov. 29.—(Special).—William Jennings Bryan was the political turkey served up on Thanksgiving day to Nebraska democrats, and it is interesting to note that it came from Omaha and was served by a Lincoln republican paper.

According to the menu, Mr. Bryan will get into the fight upon one condition "and that is that all other candidates get out of the way and give him the clear track. There isn't any doubt but there will be a general hustling on the part of present and prospective candidates to do this."

One can imagine, if his mind is built right, Attorney General Reed getting out of the senatorial fight that Mr. Bryan might have a clear track.

Then, there is former Governor Morehead. The Falls City statesman is also a very accommodating gentleman and it will be a great pleasure for him to sidetrack all his senatorial ambitions and let Mr. Bryan have clear sailing to the nomination.

And also one can see Edgar Howard pulling out of the way after he has announced time and again that he just knows he is going to go to Washington as the next United States senator from Nebraska.

And there are some other fellows who have been looking with longing eyes toward that democratic senatorial aspirations has simply just got to be patriotic and give away. There is no other way out of it.

Sororities at Lincoln Announce New Pledges

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 29.—Nine different sororities at the University of Nebraska announced a total of 26 pledges at the close of the mid-semester rush this morning.

Following is the list:

Kappa Kappa Gamma—Josephine Moffitt, Shenandoah, Ia.

Gamma Phi Beta—Harriett Ashbrook, Mitchell, S. D.; Gertrude Henderson, Chicago; Viola Kleinke, Cheyenne, Mont.; Ethel Starbuck, Hastings; Ethel DeYoung, Lincoln; Estell Lull, Lebanon, Kan.; Vera Goodland, Ord.

Delta Zeta—Florence Snow, Cherokee, Wyo.; Josephine Groves, Falls City; Bess Ariel, Geneva; Myrtis Downing, Stafford, Kan.

Delta Gamma—Charlotte Lowe, Lichtfeld.

Delta Delta Delta—Doris Abbott, David City; Hazel McDonald, Emerson; Dorothy Roach, Lincoln; Donna Guston, Lincoln.

Alpha Phi—Teresa Morrow, Alliance.

Alpha Chi Omega—Ethel Ruppner, Cheyenne, Mont.; Ruth Meyers, Superior; Grace Lutkin, Long Beach, Cal.

Alpha Omicron Pi—Arline Abbott, Omaha; Genevieve Rose, Lincoln.

Alpha Delta Pi—Clara Schulte, Elgin; Eloise Burlet, Auburn.

Lyons Red Cross Realizes Big Sum for Soldiers' Fund

Lyons, Neb., Nov. 29.—(Special).—The Lyons Red Cross auxiliary took in over \$500 at the dance and supper and from the boxes left in the local business houses for the "Soldier's Christmas Packet Fund." Paul Karo gave all the oysters for the big supper, and went over for the top when he turned in \$250 for the tickets that he sold for the dance and supper. The opera house, the supper hall and the music were all furnished free of charge.

Oliver Hostetter of this place has taken all corn growing records in this part of Nebraska when he gathered 307 bushels of good sound corn from three acres of land, on the Logan valley, south of Lyons.

Dr. Charles Wayne Kay preached the funeral sermon at the funeral services for Robert Pateril, the first soldier of this town to be buried in the Lyons cemetery. He died November 21, 1917, at the general army hospital at Presidio, Cal., having enlisted last May in the coast artillery. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Patrick of Rosalia.

Many Visitors at Soldiers' Home at Grand Island

Grand Island, Neb., Nov. 29.—(Special).—Albert Rassmiller of Palsdale, Neb., is visiting with his wife's mother, Mrs. L. Oliver, a patient in the West hospital.

Pat Lavelle is on a 15 day's furlough, which he will spend with his relatives in Omaha.

Mrs. A. McNeerney enjoyed a few hours' visit with her son, Frank, who is on a short furlough from Fort Logan, Colo.

Mrs. Wooley, formerly a nurse in the West hospital and now residing in Wyoming, is visiting with her father and mother.

W. O. Vesper of Burwell, Neb., has accepted a position as nurse in the West hospital.

Mrs. Summer, a patient in the West hospital, is seriously ill.

Commandant Walsh has gone to Lincoln to attend the annual meeting of the commandants of the different state institutions to be held there this week.

State House Closed Up While Officials Feast

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

Lincoln, Nov. 29.—(Special).—For the first time in many years the state house offices were closed right all day on a holiday and officials and employees took the day off to eat turkey or attend the Syracuse Nebraska foot ball game.

However, behind closed doors, Governor Neville and his secretary, Mr. Metcalf, with perhaps a clerk or two, were busy during the forenoon on work which had to be done.

Aged Farmer Burned to Death When Coat Catches Fire

Campbell, Neb., Nov. 29.—(Special).—Chris Meyer, aged farmer living three miles east of Campbell, suffered burns which proved fatal when a lighted pipe which he put in his coat pocket set fire to his clothing. There were no eyewitnesses to the tragedy. He lived four hours after the accident. He was 79 years old and a veteran of the civil war.

TWO CHUMS SEPARATED BY THE WAR



Two popular Omaha boys, chums, are in the service of Uncle Sam. George Westergaard, 1719 North Thirty-third, is stationed at Fort Leavenworth in the army. Inuy Melson, 2814 Caldwell, is at Newport training station preparing to roam the seas in search of submarines.

SERVICES BRISTLE WITH PATRIOTISM

Hanscom Park Group of Churches Observe Thanksgiving Day at Union Meeting.

Patriotism and thankfulness went hand in hand at the Hanscom Park Methodist church, where the congregations of the Hanscom park group of churches met for the union services. The music was patriotic and included "America" and the "Star Spangled Banner"; the prayer by Rev. J. Franklin Young, pastor of the Westminster Presbyterian church, was patriotic; and the sermon by Rev. B. J. Rutt, pastor of the Third Presbyterian church, also bristled with patriotism. The attendance was not what was expected and prior to the services a vote was taken to decide whether or not future Thanksgiving day services should be held in the morning of the evening. On a rising vote those who favored morning services won by an overwhelming majority.

The offering was for the Old People's home and was liberal.

Refers to War.

For his text Rev. Mr. Rutt selected the first verse of the Forty-sixth Psalm, "The Lord is our refuge and our strength," and from this the speaker drew the conclusion that upon this occasion, even if the United States is involved in a world war, its people have numerous reasons for being thankful. He referred to the abundant crop that has been raised, not in Nebraska alone, but in most of the states of the union.

The people of this country, he said, should be thankful because of the fact that in the war with Germany and its allies the United States has espoused the cause of the oppressed and is seeking to drive from the world the reign of autocracy that has for years threatened the liberty of the civilized world.

Spirit of 1776.

The people of this country, he said, should be thankful for the spontaneous response of the boys who have enlisted, and imbued with the spirit of 1776, are going across the sea to fight for the same principles of liberty that took possession of their forefathers.

Rev. Mr. Rutt referred to the first Thanksgiving in which, in 1620, the Pilgrims participated, contending that on the bleak Massachusetts shore, when the future looked dark, they put their trust in God and all his promises were fulfilled. So it will be in the present struggle if the people of the church and others pin their faith to Christ.

It was urged that at this particular time the people of the United States should feel doubly thankful when they realize that they are aiding the people of Europe in establishing freedom and equality throughout the world.

Slayer Ties Wife To Chair, Flees In Stolen Auto

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waiting for the windmill to fill the water tank. He was shot to death while he slept.

Shobar's wife says Shobar tied her in bed and that at 9 o'clock she heard the report of a gun. The woman alleges she managed to break her bonds toward morning, when she went to a neighbor's and gave the alarm. Officer Miller immediately went to the scene. Blender was shot in the head with a shotgun. Shobar, the farm hand, is missing, together with \$300 and Blender's automobile.

Rural Letter Carriers.

Washington, Nov. 29.—(Special Telegram).—Rural letter carriers appointed: South Dakota, Altonster, J. C. Hayes, Belle Fourche, Okla., Henderson.

See Want Ads Produce Results

Iowa Woman Student in Animal Husbandry Member Judging Team

For the first time in the history of Iowa State college a woman will be one of the squad that goes to the International Live Stock show to judge in the student judging contest. Miss Edith Curtiss, a senior animal husbandry student at Ames, is the woman to have this distinction.

Miss Curtiss enrolled in the regular four-year course at the completion of her high school work and has continued as a member of the class of 1917, standing well up in ranking of those taking the course. She is a daughter of C. E. Curtiss, dean of agriculture at Iowa State college.

The major part of Miss Curtiss' work in practical agriculture has been on Rookwood farm, the property of her father, situated within a few miles of Ames. Her place on the stock judging squad is the result of consistent work under many handicaps.

Besides Miss Curtiss, W. L. Borahodt, Avoca, Ia.; C. C. Culbertson, Chariton, Ia.; C. E. Moran, Nevada, Ia.; H. M. Nichols, Davenport, and H. J. Schmidt, Monro, S. D., are on the squad from which the team of five and an alternate will be selected. With Prot. W. H. Pew, the coach, the squad started Saturday on a tour to



MISS EDITH CURTISS.

DRIVE FOR RETIRED PREACHERS NOW ON

Methodists Plan to Raise \$500,000 Fund in State; Nine Districts Send in Good Reports.

In the big drive for the \$500,000 endowment fund for retired preachers in the Methodist church the nine districts stand as follows:

Kearney district, 17 of the 48 churches have reported with a total of \$34,511. Of this number 14 have gone over the apportionment.

Norfolk district with 46 churches, 14 have reported a total of \$11,786. Of these three have reached their full apportionment.

The Fairbury district has 43 churches. Seventy-seven of these have reported with a total of \$9,500. Three of these have reached their full share.

Nine churches in the Lincoln district outside of the city of Lincoln report \$8,379. Four of these have reached their full apportionment.

The Holmgren district has 52 churches. Nine have reported with the sum of \$7,215. Six of the nine have gone over the apportionment.

The Hastings district, with 54 churches, sends in a report from eight with the total of \$7,124. Two of these have reached their full share.

Tecumseh district has 48 churches and 15 of these have reported with a total of \$5,547. The canvass is not yet complete on any of these, as they have not yet met their apportionment.

The Grand Island district with 39 churches reports from 11. The total is \$5,087. One reports its full share.

The Omaha district has 29 churches outside Omaha. Five of these have reported \$4,994. One of the five has gone over the top.

With only one-fourth of the churches reported and most of them incomplete as yet there is a total of about \$100,000. The churches that have not met their full apportionment will have until December 1 to do so. It is expected that none will fail to do so.

The campaign for the cities of Lincoln and Omaha will be put on next Monday. About \$50,000 will be raised in each of these cities.

Prominent men who will occupy the pulpits in these cities next Sunday are Bishop Quynle, Bishop Stuntz, Dr. Thompson of Chicago, Dr. H. E. Craig of Sioux City, Dr. C. B. Spender of Kansas City, Dr. W. T. McDonald of Storm Lake, Ia., and Marvin Campbell of South Bend, Ind.

SHERIFF REGALES JAIL PRISONERS

I. W. W.s and Other Bastille Guests Listen to "Fainting Bertha" Across Banquet Board.

Turkey and cranberry sauce did much to reconcile the 63 members of the Industrial Workers of the World convention who took their Thanksgiving dinner in county jail. The jail convention of the national undesirable has been in almost continuous session ever since their arrival in Omaha several weeks ago.

The Thanksgiving banquet, tendered by Sheriff Clark to them in company with the rest of the prisoners, will be one of the memorable events of the convention. Previous Thanksgiving day feasts of the fraternity of conscientious objectors to honest labor have consisted of "beans a la tomato can," cooked jungle style near convenient tracks.

"Fainting Bertha" was one of the "social leaders" present at the banquet on the fifth floor of the county house. Bertha, as usual, was brimming over with sparkling wit and charming conversation. Sheriff Clark says she is the most fluent conversationalist he has ever had the pleasure of entertaining in his marble halls.

When they were returned to their cells the Industrial Workers of the World held song service until the fire hose was unlimbered. Not wishing to bathe immediately after dinner the meeting was adjourned.

Former German Consular Agent Arrested in California

Los Angeles, Cal., Nov. 29.—Karl Friedrich Wiedemann, arrested last night by federal authorities, was said today to have been taken into custody on a presidential warrant.

Wiedemann, federal agents said, formerly was a German consular agent in China, later a cartoonist on newspapers in the orient, and existed in the United States cavalry in Manila, finally coming here. He had established connections in certain quarters of fashionable society, it was reported, and friends said he and a University of California student, daughter of a San Francisco man, were engaged.

Hungarian Socialists Make Demonstration Against War

Amsterdam, Nov. 29.—A great socialist demonstration at Budapest on Sunday in favor of an armistice and peace is reported by the Vossische Zeitung of Berlin. Declarations were made that democracy must employ all means to end the war, and that it is impossible to bring peace by force of arms. These statements led to a demonstration against the war and in favor of a general strike.

A resolution was adopted opposing the aims of the pan-Germans and annexation of Poland and Livonia by Germany. The meeting voted in favor of holding an international labor conference at Stockholm.

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PLAN CHRISTMAS RED CROSS DRIVE

Local Chapter Names Committee of 100 to Assist in Work; Dates Are December 17 to 25.

A big Christmas week Red Cross membership drive will soon be set in motion. The local Red Cross chapter has named a committee, including J. E. Davidson, S. S. Caldwell, W. A. Schall and W. A. Pixley, to organize for the campaign, asking a citizens' committee of 100 to assist in the work.

The new membership drive was planned primarily to standardize the membership year of the National Red Cross society. Hereafter the annual membership drives will always be held Christmas week, the national committee has decided.

Forty thousand members in Douglas county's quota. Of these 28,000 joined last summer and 12,000 new members are desired. Those who joined in the June campaign will be asked to take out their 1918 membership cards in the coming campaign.

A big drive for \$1 memberships will be made. December 17-25 are the dates. A house-to-house canvass is planned by the committee.

Mr. Davidson will have charge of the office management, headquarters for which will probably be established in the State bank building. Mr. Caldwell, committee; Mr. Schall, speakers, and Mr. Pixley, publicity.

NEBRASKA MUST HAVE MORE COAL

John L. Kennedy Notifies Fuel Administrator Garfield of Serious Situation in This State.

Nebraska must have more coal and John L. Kennedy, fuel administrator of Nebraska, has telegraphed Federal Fuel Administrator Garfield about it. Dr. Garfield has asked for priority on the transportation lines for all fuel shipments, and Mr. Kennedy at once telegraphed his hope that this request will be granted the federal fuel administrator.

Mr. Kennedy's telegram reads: "I hope you can act promptly in view of the serious situation in Nebraska. Fuel shortage is growing, winter weather is at hand. Distribution limited by lack of locomotive power. Winter weather will mean no more coal."

E. C. Patterson of North Platte, county chairman for Lincoln county under the fuel administration, called at the office of Mr. Kennedy seeking additional light on the coal situation and the method of procedure to get needed coal. Mr. Patterson said the chief difficulty in Lincoln county, as in many other localities, is to get an adequate supply of the base burner size.

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Rio Janeiro, Nov. 29.—The Brazilian government has reached an agreement with France for the use, under the Brazilian flag, and for a period of one year, of 30 former German ships held in Brazilian ports for the purpose of joint action in provisioning the allied countries in order to hasten the end of the war. The vessels have a total tonnage of 250,000 tons.

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