

STATE WORKS HARD FOR THE RED CROSS

Reports From Various Towns Show the Same Enthusiasm Which is Manifested in Omaha.

The state headquarters of the Red Cross is receiving daily from various points in this state most enthusiastic and encouraging reports in connection with the Christmas membership campaign.

The state has been thoroughly organized, with chairmen selected by each county or at the head of each chapter, and representatives from various points in the county on the membership committee.

A vigorous and thorough Christmas membership campaign is being conducted in Gage county with E. L. Havelone, Beatrice, as chairman of the committee. The state office has just received a telegram from the general manager, as follows:

Greatest campaign ever waged in this county. Every township thoroughly organized. It is expected every home will be visited and every citizen given a chance to join. Incomplete returns. Beatrice city first day campaign 18 chapters reporting out of 40 gives 1,500 members. Adams township reports expect to come in full 100 per cent. Hundreds of homes tonight are 100 per cent efficient. Great rivalry between business houses and manufacturing establishments as to complete enrollment of every employe. We are going over the top.

The following message was received from C. F. Temple, secretary, of North Platte:

Closed last night 1,062 in North Platte; reports outside of town show about 400; morning patriotic meeting last night; Ross Hammond spoke; express additional supply of large and small crosses to stock on service flags, also large and small 100 per cent slips.

Card for the Dog.

One of the interesting incidents in connection with the present Red Cross membership drive is reported from Pender. A banker of that city took out memberships for his entire family, but was greeted with a protest upon returning home, where he discovered that he had failed to record the "most important member of the family," namely the dog. The next day appeared at campaign headquarters with a dollar to register the most important member of their family.

Chadron reports 500 new members at end of the first day's drive.

The following is an extract from a letter from Kimball:

We started our drive today and got over 200 members. Expect to get about 800 members this week. We are having our four-minute speakers work every day and night at the theaters, churches and public places.

Work for 100 Per Cent.

Mrs. N. S. Vest, chairman of Cheyenne county chapter, Sidney, Neb., telegraphs:

Campaign going very well, working for 100 per cent county. Send 500 service flags immediately if possible.

Following is an extract from letter from St. Edward chapter.

We have received practically all the Christmas advertising and necessary supplies for a successful campaign which we hope to accomplish; we are organized for ever 100 of ground tributary to our town, and put out yesterday 13 cars each containing at least two collectors; only one reported this morning, and they had 100 per cent. The country is aroused and enthused for the winning of the war, and we have little trouble in getting what we ask for, as all are interested.

Wolbach branch reports they "are going good!"

Everything is Fine.

Mrs. Barge from Central City reports: "We are working here and at the different branches—everything is going fine."

Aurora—"Our campaign is being conducted in a very systematic and satisfactory manner."

Dr. Cummings, chairman of the Seward county chapter, American Red Cross, announces that they are going to make 100 per cent membership in that county. Same is also true of the Dakota county chapter at Dakota City, and of the Cheyenne county chapter at Sidney.

Brainard branch of the American Red Cross advises that they have already completed their drive and have over 4,000 members enrolled. They are now extending their work to other townships and expect to have at least 8,000.

Commercial Club Compiles Figures on Omaha Business

Cards from the wholesale and manufacturing firms of Omaha are being returned to the bureau of publicity giving figures of the volume of business done by individual companies during the year. The bureau is very anxious that the firms return these cards as rapidly as possible, in order that the figures of all concerns may be tabulated and properly compiled for the issuance of statements and booklets the first of the year on the total volume of Omaha's business in the wholesale and manufacturing line for the year.

Acting Manager A. C. Thomas of the bureau says: "If the manufacturers and jobbers feel so inclined they can make a Christmas present to the employes of the bureau by sending in their figures early. This will please the girls more than a box of candy, for they will be able to get this heavy annual job off their hands in good season. We are asking that business men consult their bookkeepers to see if the bureau's question cards have been filled out and returned. If the cards have been lost or mislaid, new ones can be had for the asking."

Little Girl Writes for a Dolly; She Will Get it

The following letter was received by Captain Mace of the Salvation Army:

"Dear Santa: Please will you send me some playthings. I am a poor little girl and I have a little brother. Please bring him some toys. I want a little dolly and brother wants something to play with. Please come and visit us."

Captain Mace will see that their needs are supplied. He expects if funds are forthcoming, to give 500 children a Christmas treat at the Young Men's Christian association auditorium on Friday, December 28, at 8 p. m., when each child will receive presents and candy and toys.

Over 200 families will receive well filled baskets at the Salvation Army auditorium, 1711 Davenport street, on Monday, December 24, at 4 p. m.

In spite of the prosperous times Captain Mace states that there are just as many families seeking aid.

Every case is investigated and only the deserving poor are considered.

Judge Britt Eulogizes "Uncle Tom," Negro Character

Thomas Banks, pioneer negro resident, who was buried Thursday afternoon, was familiarly known here for nearly half a century as "Uncle Tom." In an eulogy delivered by Judge Britt, Mr. Banks was referred to as a man of unquestioned honesty.

For nearly 50 years he was a porter in a saloon at Twelfth and Farnam streets, this location in the early days being a popular rendezvous. "Uncle Tom" befriended many men and had qualities of heart which rose far above his mental station. General Miles is said to have shaken hands with this black man with a white heart, and Colonel Cody knew Banks as "Uncle Tom."

"Uncle Tom" was born in slavery near Lexington, Mo., and never knew his exact age. He was more than 75 years of age when he died. He never drank intoxicants nor was he ever heard to utter an oath.

Northwestern R. R. "Called" For Violating Light Order

Unintentionally, Roy Miller, general agent of the Northwestern, has come in contact with the authority of John L. Kennedy, the government agent who has to do with the conservation of fuel and lights.

Contrary to the usual rule, all the lights in the Northwestern city offices were left burning Friday night. They burned during the night and Mr. Miller was called upon to explain.

His explanation was that the fracturing of the government rule relative to conservation of fuel and light was unintentional and would not occur again. The matter was dismissed after Mr. Miller had been cautioned that in order to help win the war it is necessary to aid in every way possible.

No Extra Equipment for Holiday Rail Travel

Contrary to the rule that has maintained in the past, this year none of the Omaha roads will run extra equipment for handling the holiday travel. The cutting off of the extra equipment is a sort of a war measure and is for the purpose of conserving moving power and fuel.

Enough equipment will be run to handle the business, but there will be no extra parlor cars and sleepers, as heretofore.

While the roads will not discontinue train service Christmas, there will be no extra passenger trains in operation. For the day the freight train service will be cut to the minimum.

Many of the locals will be cut out for the day and the loading out of freight will be discouraged to a considerable extent.

Sam Gilinsky Goes to New Orleans to Marry

Sam E. Gilinsky, well known fruit and commission man, will be married in New Orleans December 26 to Miss Minnie Zemunray. The wedding will take place at the home of the bride's brother, Mr. Sam Zemunray, after which the bridal couple will go to Honolulu for a three months' wedding trip.

The Misses Ada, Goldie and Beatrice Gilinsky have already gone south to attend the wedding. The bridegroom, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Barney Gilinsky of Council Bluffs, and his brother, Phil, who will serve as best man, leave Sunday evening.

The young couple will make their home in Omaha.

Ad Club No More; Funds Turned Over to Red Cross

The Omaha Ad club ceased to exist Friday by vote of the members. The funds in the treasury will be turned over to the Red Cross. The Omaha Salesmanship club went out of existence some time ago.

It is proposed to form the Omaha Advertising and Selling league as a more efficient organization of the men who formerly belonged to these clubs. "Advertising and selling are so closely related that we believe the men interested in each or both can gain much from each other in one organization," said Frank Buita.

Little Tots to Have Xmas Tree Celebration Saturday

Eighteen poor little kiddies will enjoy a Christmas tree, laden with two gifts and lots of goodies for each one of them, through the efforts of the Pan-Hellenic association, of which Miss Mary Phillips is president. The Christmas tree celebration will take place Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Robert Adams, 3310 Davenport street. Miss Bertha White and Mrs. M. Gwendoline Eiche, 4 years old, will entertain the youngsters with Christmas stories and readings.



A Message to Mothers, Wives, Daughters, Sweethearts

No doubt you are making plans for a Christmas of serviceable gifts—

This year, more than ever before, women realize that the "Happy Selection" can be found among the more practical things—

Of course it is quite impossible for us to mention all the splendid things we have for men, but they are here for you in profusion—

THIS PARTIAL LIST MAY HELP

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| Full Dress Silk Vests
\$5.00 to \$7.50 | Full Dress Shirts
\$2.00 | Full Dress Mufflers
\$1.50 to \$6.00 |
| Lion Collars
6 for \$1.00 | Knitted, Silk Mufflers
\$1, \$1.50, \$2 to \$5 | Gloves
\$1, \$1.25 to \$6 |
| Silk Shirts
\$3.00 to \$10.00 | The best and biggest assortment of Neckwear in town—"Special"
50c, \$1.00, \$150 | Underwear
\$1.25 to \$2.50 |
| Silk Garters
25c to 50c | | Garment
\$1.25 to \$2.50 |
| Night Gowns
\$1.00 to \$3.00 | Union Underwear
\$1.00 to \$6.00 | Hosiery
15c, 25c, 35c, 50c, 60c, \$1.25 |
| Flannel Shirts
\$2.00 to \$4.50 | Madras Shirts
\$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00 | Belts
25c, 50c, \$1.00 |
| Handkerchiefs
Plain and Initial
15c, 25c, 35c, 50c | Soft and Stiff Cuffs
\$3.00 to \$8.50 | Soft and Stiff Hats
\$3.00 to \$6.00 |
| Suspenders
50c, 75c, \$1.00 | Sweaters
\$3.00 to \$8.50 | Cloth Caps
\$1.00 to \$1.50 |
| | Pajamas
\$1.00 to \$6.00 | Fur Lined
\$5.00, \$7.50 to \$25 |

Canes, Umbrellas, Bags and Suit Cases

The Best Suits and Overcoats in Town
\$15, \$20, \$22.50, \$25, \$30, \$35, \$40 to \$60

Military Suits and Overcoats

1415 Farnam St. **Berg Clothing Co.** Buy Another War-Saving Stamp

FIREPLACE FIXTURES

A gift that will stand upon the hearth of a friend for a lifetime

SUNDERLAND Entire Third Floor, Keeline Bldg.

SATURDAY SPECIALS IN CLOAK AND SUIT DEPARTMENT

Women's and Misses' Dresses

In Silks, Poplins and Serges, very neatly trimmed, some for evening and party wear, others for both street and evening wear. These Dresses are very extraordinary values, really worth to \$15.00. Saturday special

\$5.95 and \$8.95

WOMEN'S SILK PETTICOATS
In all the new shades, very special for Saturday—
\$2.95 and \$3.95

SPECIALS IN WOMEN'S COATS
For Saturday we are offering Women's Coats in Cloth, Plush, Pom-Pom, Velour and Broadcloth; some trimmed in fur. These Coats are values ranging from **\$9.95 to \$25.00**

111 SOUTH 16TH STREET OPPOSITE HAYDEN'S

BERNSTEIN'S

GIVE HIM WEARABLES THIS CHRISTMAS

That is, the Right Kind—"The Browning, King Kind" for Instance

In the short time there is still left to shop, there is but one way to accomplish your shopping for men quickly and satisfactorily—

COME TO THE MAN'S STORE

The store that makes a specialty of catering to men and knows their taste and preference.

HERE ARE A FEW Suggestions of Appropriate Gifts—

High Grade Neckwear Exclusive designs 50¢ to \$3.50	Shirts \$1.50 to \$10.00
Mufflers \$1.00 to \$12.50	Phoenix, Interwoven, McCallum and Holeproof Hosiery
Silk or Knitted styles \$1.00 to \$12.50	30¢ to \$3.00 Pair
Gloves \$1.50 to \$25.00 Pair	Vassar, Duofold and Lewis Underwear
Kid, Cape, Mocha, Silk, also warm wool and fur lined Gloves— \$3.50 to \$25.00	Canes and Umbrellas \$1.50 to \$6.50
Hats for All Manner of Men The best makes \$3.00 to \$18.00	Traveling Bags and Suit Cases \$5.00 to \$25.00
House Coats and Bath Robes \$5.00 to \$25.00	Silk Pajamas and Night Robes \$6.50 to \$12.50
Handsome Dressing Gowns for Men \$15.00 to \$40.00	Initial Handkerchiefs \$1.00 to \$3.00 Box
SOLDIERS' GIFTS OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS	Paul Jones Middy Blouses, Ladies' Sweater Coats, \$5.00 to \$15.00
SUITS and OVERCOATS, \$15 to \$60.00	

Merchandise Certificates for Any Amount, Good Any Time.

For Useful Gifts for Boys Visit Our Second Floor.

Buy Another War-Saving Stamp.

"THE STORE OF THE TOWN"
Browning, King & Co.
GEO. T. WILSON, Manager
Store Open Evenings Until Christmas.

The Cheney Phonograph

What a Splendid Christmas Gift!

THIS superb instrument is the Christmas Gift supreme! Its music is entrancing. The tonal system is the latest word in acoustic science—a triumph of invention.

It plays all records beautifully. Its music is soft, clear and sweet, due to entirely new applications of acoustic science.

Every member of the family will be captivated with it—its elegance of design, its versatility as an entertainer.

Come and Hear the Cheney and Reserve One for Christmas Delivery

Choice of five models priced at **\$50.00, \$75.00, \$100.00, \$150.00, \$200.00.**

BURGESS-NASH COMPANY.
"EVERYBODY'S STORE"

When Buying Advertised Goods Say You Read of Them in The Bee