

U. S. MAY ASSURE DEPOSITS IN ALL NATIONAL BANKS

Congressman Kinkaid Notified That Comptroller of Currency Favors Plan He Long Has Championed.

Washington Bureau of The Omaha Bee, 1311 G Street. Washington, Feb. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—After long continued opposition on the part of the Treasury department, Congressman Kinkaid was informed today that the comptroller of the currency would recommend the enactment of legislation guaranteeing deposits in national banks and that the chairman of the banking and currency committee of the house, Representative Carter Glass of Virginia, would introduce such a bill in a few days.

In view of his long fight for such a measure, having had a bill guaranteeing deposits in national banks pending before the banking committee during three congresses, Judge Kinkaid will have a hearing on this proposed legislation. For six years Congressman Kinkaid has urged the Treasury department to get behind such legislation, but invariably met with a frigid reception. Now, according to the comptroller of the currency, the Treasury department has concluded to make the concession.

For Rail Betterments.

Chairman Sims of the interstate and foreign commerce committee said today that the bill relating to federal control of railroad transportation would probably be taken up on Saturday, if not then, next Monday. The bill gives the president authority to order any carrier to make additional betterments or road extensions and to provide terminals, motive power, cars and other necessary equipments. Funds for this work may be advanced from the revolving fund of \$500,000,000 which the bill carries.

Judge Kinkaid, who has been interested in the extension of the Burlington line from Ericson in Wheeler county to Chambers in Holt county, hopes the extension planned will be made under the authority here quoted. He was afraid while the bill was under consideration by the interstate commerce committee that extensions might be restricted to the limits of profits on existing mileage in which event the building of this new line would have to be abandoned. The bill gives the president right to say what extensions, additions or betterments shall be made by the carriers, during the time the government has control over the railroads.

Congressman Sloan attended a meeting of the senate agricultural committee today on meat production, and listened to the discussion that took place. It developed during the hearing that at the present prices there is a large amount of finished beef upon which the owners may stand to lose \$1 to \$2 per hundred. Unfinished cattle, such as weigh from 600 to 1,100 pounds, would pay out, fairly well. The reason is that the allies are buying this class of cattle for the armies, being about the weight of the cattle sent from South America. As to the unfinished beef, the meatless days have somewhat reduced the demand, hence the probable loss on unfinished beef.

UNIFORMED MEN TO BE ADMITTED FREE AUTO SHOW

Clarke Powell announces that the Automobile Trade association has decided to make no charge to men wearing the uniform of the army and navy at the coming automobile show. It is believed a great many men will come in from Fort Omaha owing to the special interest there in automobiles and motorcycles. The automobile show will give them an especially good chance to compare the different types of motors.

Exhibit cars are arriving in Omaha daily for the auto show. These cars will be gone over carefully and every spot of dirt or dust taken from them before they are placed in the Auditorium for display.

Dealers "Doll Up"

The automobile dealers are starting to "doll up." Many of the display rooms are being repainted and by the time the show opens many of the display rooms will have been entirely remodeled.

Show Manager Powell reports that the lists are now closed and that every square inch of space has been taken.

An inspection of the list of exhibitors and cars to be exhibited shows that practically every car built in this country, which has been proven good, will be on exhibition in Omaha, and that the show will contain everything that a dealer or a prospective car customer will be looking for, whether it be a light roadster, a luxurious limousine, a light delivery car or a heavy truck.

Charge Chamberlain's Speech Gave Aid to America's Foe

Washington, Feb. 15.—With a broad suggestion that Senator Chamberlain's much-discussed New York speech in which he charged that the American military machine had completely broken down might have been the cause of the failure of the recent strike disturbances in Germany and Austria, by giving the enemy new heart and hopes of victory, Senator James of Kentucky today in the senate spoke at length in defense of the administration's war accomplishments.

Senator Chamberlain's speech, James declared, was unjustified by the facts and of great comfort to the enemy.

Boost Exchange of Foods Between Mexico and U. S.

Washington, Feb. 15.—Negotiations for a freer interchange of foodstuffs and other products by the United States and Mexico, begun here, are to be concluded at Mexico City. Unable to enter into an agreement, Rafael Nieto, the Mexican commissioner, will leave this week for Mexico, accompanied by Ambassador Fletcher, to permit President Carranza personally to participate in the conferences.

WORLD WAR HAS CREATED LOTS OF NEW QUAINT EXPRESSIONS

In the parlance of the soldiers a goat may mean a junior officer in regiment.

Here are some of the quaint expressions used by American and allied troops at home and abroad that appear from day to day in the press dispatches. The Bee gives these definitions for the convenience and enlightenment of the readers:

Acc—French air pilot that has conquered his fifth foe and is then mentioned in dispatches for each succeeding victory.

Barrage Fire—Artillery fire so intense as to form a curtain under shelter of which the infantry advances.

Blighty—England. Derived from phonetic spelling of word used by Hindu troops.

Blind—Sentenced by court-martial to forfeiture of pay without confinement.

Bootlick—To flatter.

Bowlegs—Cavalryman.

Bucking for Orderly—Giving clothing and accoutrements extra cleaning so as to compete for orderly.

Bunkie—A soldier who shares the shelter of a comrade.

Bust—To reduce a non commissioning officer to the grade of private.

Butcher—The company barber.

Camouflage—To deceive or hide.

Chauvinist—One affected by exaggerated patriotism or excessive military enthusiasm.

Carry On—British expression to relieve men of formality of saluting while working.

Cit—Civilian.

Crawl—To admonish.

Communitives—Official communications between belligerents.

Dog Robber—Name by which enlisted men call a soldier who works for an officer. (An offensive term, the use of which usually results in trouble.)

Doughboy and Crusher—Infantryman.

Going West—Going into death.

Going Over the Hill—Going to leave camp without permission.

Goat—Junior officer in post, regiment, etc.

Guardhouse Lawyer—A soldier with a smattering knowledge of regulation and military law; loquacious and liberal with advice and counsel to men in the guardhouse or other trouble.

Hobo—The provost sergeant.

K. O.—Commanding officer.

Mule Skinner—A teamster.

Old File—Hand grenades.

Mar's—An old officer.

Orderly Room—Company office.

Over the Top—Leave the trench for a charge into enemy territory. To accomplish successfully a designated goal.

Rainbow Division—A division of American troops made up of contingents from various states, the first to land in France.

Regimental Monkey—The drum major.

Ration Party—A detail that carries food to the front lines.

Requisition—Food supplies.

Red Cap—A staff officer, from the red band on his cap.

Reform—A wounded French soldier who has recovered.

R. F. C.—British flying corps.

Respirator—A gas mask.

Revolutionary Socialists—The most moderate of Russian socialists.

Shock Troops—Soldiers of known bravery, brawn and size who are selected for first line attacks.

Smileage or Smileage Books—Books countersigned by the secretary of war for admittance of soldiers into army theaters. Printed in \$1 and \$5 denominations containing 20 and 100 coupons respectively. Suitable as gifts to soldier friends.

Sand Rat—An officer or soldier on duty in the rifle pit at target practice.

Sawbone—The doctor.

Shavetail—A new second lieutenant.

Slum—A meat or vegetable stew.

Sowbelly—Bacon.

Striker—A soldier who works for an officer.

S. A. A.—Small arms ammunition.

Salvo—Simultaneous firing of guns of a battery.

Sammies—A name for American soldiers in France.

Sap—A small trench dug from the front line in the direction of the enemy's trench.

Sausage—An observation balloon.

Scaling Ladder—A short ladder for climbing out of deep trenches.

Section—A unit of organization.

Sector—A portion of the fighting front.

Seventy-five—A famous French field gun, firing 30 shells a minute.

Shag—An inferior kind of cigaret tobacco used by British soldiers.

Singe (Literally Monkey)—French soldier's expression for canned beef.

Slacker—Originally one who refused to enlist. Now one unwilling to do his bit.

Smoke Bomb—A shell which on bursting gives forth a dense smoke. Used for hiding movements of troops.

Sniper—A sharpshooter that picks off the enemy from an advantageous position. French, franc-tireur.

Soviet—Russian for council. Frequently used for the council of workmen's and soldiers delegates.

Star Shell—A rocket which lights up a desired position.

Strafe—Under heavy fire. Punish.

Suicide Club—Bombers and machine gunners.

Top Soak—First sergeant.

Taube—A type of German monoplane.

Wagon Soldiers—Light or field artillerymen.

Windjammer—A trumpet or band leader.

Wings On—An expression used by air pilot when seated in machine ready for flight.

SPEAKERS CHOSEN TO TOUR THE STATE

Nine Citizens Appointed by Food Administration to Stimulate Interest in Conservation in 12 Districts.

Nine Nebraska citizens have been appointed by the food administration to tour the state to stimulate interest in food conservation.

A. C. Lau in charge of the campaign has selected these men: John Matties, Nebraska City; A. H. Kidd, Beatrice; Harry S. Byrne, Omaha; L. F. Langhorst, Elmwood; Walter M. Hopewell, Tekamah; A. H. Backhaus, Pierce; O. F. Flory, St. Edwards; A. R. Kinney, Ravenna; C. G. Bliss, Elm Creek; and Earl D. Mallory, Alliance. Three are yet to be chosen.

They will arrive in Omaha this morning and begin a two days' intensive schooling. Federal Food Administrator Wattles and members of his staff will acquaint them with the details of the work and with the policies of the federal food administration.

The state has been districted into 12 divisions, with each of these men placed in charge of a separate division. Immediately after the two days' schooling, the tour of the state will start. Meetings will be held in every city and town in Nebraska in conjunction with the county administrators. Merchants and the public will be invited to these meetings where the rules and regulations will be explained.

Lau's selection consists of men thoroughly familiar with state affairs and assures a long list of successful meetings.

The women members of the Douglas county committee, in session yesterday with Oscar Allen, county administrator, decided to hold a series of meetings in Omaha.

That a systematic campaign of education regarding the food administration affairs was necessary was the opinion of the entire committee. Messdames Charles Leslie, C. H. Webb, Rose Ohaus and Miss Gladys Schamp urged the holdings of such meetings and stated their willingness to promote them.

The hearing into the cost of baking bread in Omaha will be resumed this afternoon in the office of John W. Parish, council for the federal food administrator, before Referee Amos Henely.

Four bakers will be called to appear this afternoon. A. Bakke of South Omaha, C. W. Ortman, W. J. Elsasser and Otto Wagner of Omaha. These bakers, along with Peterson and Pegau, and others, maintain they cannot sell bread at 7 1/2 cents per pound loaf and make a profit.

U. S. TAKES OVER BIG GERMAN FIRM; VALUE \$1,700,000

Alien Property Custodian Lights on Automatic Valve Concern in Philadelphia.

Washington, Feb. 15.—Immediate taking over of the plant and business of the Schutte & Koerting company of Philadelphia, a big automatic valve concern, was ordered tonight by the alien property custodian, with the announcement that a hearing had shown the company to be owned entirely by German interests in Germany.

The plant, which has been engaged on government contracts for some time, turns out automatic ejectors and injector boiler valves installed upon nearly all ships.

Common stock of the company, it developed at a hearing here today, stood on the books until March 9, 1917, in the name of Ernest Koerting, of Hanover, Germany, said to be a relative of Kaiser Wilhelm. It was then claimed to have been transferred to his daughter, Helene Fischer, wife of Adalbert K. Fischer, who was interned February 8, as a dangerous enemy.

The plant is valued at \$1,700,000. The surplus earnings of the company for the fiscal year ending March 18, 1918, are estimated at more than \$200,000.

"This case proves the futility of the plans on the part of any individual or corporation in this country who may have hoped to conceal the real ownership of German-owned property in contemplation of and to avoid the anticipated seizure of property by the alien property custodian following the declaration of war," said Mr. Palmer tonight.

Find Concealed Seed Wheat in Madison

Norfolk, Neb., Feb. 15.—(Special.)—After farmers had announced that there was a great shortage of spring wheat seed in Madison county, and a few patriotic farmers of the Norfolk community had announced that the State Farm college stood ready to furnish all necessary seed at market price, discoveries were made that numerous farmers of the county and community had been holding wheat seed in an effort to secure a higher price.

An investigation brought to light 2,000 bushels of excellent seed which the holders now agree to sell at a fair price.

M'ADOO BOOSTS STANDARD TYPE OF FREIGHT CAR

Move to Standardize Railway Supplies Under Government Control Eventually to Save Vast Sum of Money.

Washington, Feb. 15.—Development of plans for standard types of railroad freight cars was assigned today by Director General McAdoo to a committee of manufacturers headed by S. M. Vaulain, of the Baldwin Locomotive work, with instructions to recommend specifications for a comparatively few types which can be manufactured in quantities at cost far less than under the present system of special orders.

This is the first definite movement of the director general in his projected program of extensive standardization of cars and locomotives and other supplies and materials, as a means of effecting economy under government operation. Another committee will be named soon to work out the standards for engines and some of these standards will be adopted by John Skelton Williams, director of finance and purchases for the railroad administration.

Mr. McAdoo did not indicate how many types of cars he believes practicable under nationalized operation, but he predicted that the plan eventually will save many millions of dollars to the railroads. The standardization will not be effected so suddenly, he explained, as to harm the business of manufacturers of highly specialized models of box and hopper cars.

Reports of the railroad administration today indicated the continuance of mild weather was promoting the clearing up of congestion in the east and the movement of corn and other grain in the west. More than 5,000,000 bushels of corn alone have been hauled to primary markets of the middle west this year as a result of the order of priority for box cars for grain movement. In the same period last year only 2,772,000 bushels were moved.

AUDITOR SHOWS WHAT LEVIES OF STATE BRING

Lincoln, Feb. 15.—(Special.)—State Auditor, W. H. Smith has prepared figures showing the amount to be derived as a result of the various state levies made by the board of equalization for the year 1917, based on the assessed valuation of the state and the amount it will bring in for each fund.

The first column will show the amount the levy will raise for the one year, while the second column shows the appropriation for the biennium by the legislature:

GENERAL FUND.	
1917 levy, 3 1/2 mill...	\$2,003,746.99
UNIVERSITY FUNDS.	
University, 1 mill...	\$27,295.99
2 1/2 per cent approp'd...	\$490,384.90
Un. bid. fund, 7 1/2 mill...	\$95,480.63
2 1/2 per cent approp'd...	\$67,797.04
Un. act. fund, 7 1/2 mill...	\$95,480.63
Ap. from 1917-18 lev.	723,156.00
NORMAL SCHOOL FUND.	
1917 levy, 3 1/2 mill...	\$44,166.83
95 per cent approp'd...	\$42,058.49
STATE BRIDGE FUND.	
1917 levy, 4 1/2 mill...	\$53,124.50
95 per cent approp'd...	\$50,468.28
Ap. from 1917-18 lev.	\$2,656.22
STATE AID ROAD FUND.	
1917 levy, 4 1/2 mill...	\$42,761.27
Amount appropriated...	\$20,000.00

NORWAY PLEADS FOR RIGHT TO TRADE WITH FOE

Washington, Feb. 15.—Norway, in her reply to the proposals of the United States for a food rationing agreement, made public here today by Dr. Fridtjof Nansen, head of the Norwegian special mission, offers to guarantee that no American products shall go through Norway to Germany, but declines to meet the full American demands for a restricted export of Norwegian products to the central powers.

"In her commercial policy," it is declared, "Norway can not break off commercial relations with one of the belligerent parties without the serious danger arising that it will not be possible to maintain the political neutrality of the country much longer."

"In order to maintain her economic life Norway also needs supplies from the central powers and it is therefore necessary that it shall remain in a neutral position to render service in compensation for such supplies."

Beemer Man in Auto Wreck; Shock May Kill His Wife

Denver, Feb. 15.—(Special.)—While riding in an automobile this morning J. C. Bowman of Beemer, Neb., and his daughter, Mrs. George Wiggins, of Denver, sustained painful bruises and cuts when a car driven by Mrs. Oscar Carlson, local society woman, collided with their machine at a street crossing.

Bowman's wife, a patient at Mercy hospital, is in a critical condition from the shock of hearing of the accident and doctors say she will probably die.

U. S. Appoints State Employment Directors

Washington, Feb. 15.—Appointment of federal directors of employment in several states was announced tonight by the Department of Labor in a statement outlining plans of the federal employment service for welding all federal, state and municipal employment facilities into a national system of labor exchanges.

The new appointments include H. J. Metcalf of Des Moines.

Persistent Advertising Is the Road to Success.

MANUFACTURERS REJECT PROPOSED GERMAN BOYCOTT

New York, Feb. 15.—The National Association of Manufacturers has disintegrated the proposal of a trade boycott on Germany after the war.

The question was voted upon in a referendum submitted to its members by the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. The ballot of the association has been forwarded to Washington.

A statement issued tonight by the association explains the vote in part as follows:

"We are but the champions of mankind. We shall be satisfied when those rights have been made as secure as the faith and freedom of the nations can make them. We have no jealousy of German greatness. We do not wish to fight her with arms of hostile arrangements of trade if she is willing to associate herself with us and the other peace-loving nations of the world in covenants of justice and law in their dealings."

Polish Minister Resigns.

Zurich, Feb. 15.—The Stuttgart Neue Tagblatt says it is reported in Berlin that the Polish minister at Warsaw has resigned in protest against the Ukrainian peace terms.

Train Burns on Bridge; People Jump Into River

Zurich, Feb. 15.—A crowded passenger train from Stanislaus to Lemberg, Galicia, caught fire last Saturday night, while between Jezopol and Wodniki. The train stopped on a bridge over the Dniester and many panic stricken passengers jumped into the river and were drowned. Many others were burned to death and a large number were injured.

A fire Monday destroyed two large ware houses at the eastern railway station in Vienna. The buildings were filled with paper, clothing and dried vegetables and potatoes, which is a very severe loss at this time.

Absolute Clearance of Women's Coats

Coats That You Would Be Glad to Pay \$49.50 to \$69.50 For.

Saturday to Close \$18.50

This is one of the biggest bargains we have featured in many months. Such truly wonderful coat values seem unbelievable at \$18.50. Handsome wool velours and burella cloths in the season's smartest colors. Some with big fur collars and full lined—some are plain. Sizes from 16 to 42. Come here for your coat tomorrow. But come early, as there are just 23 coats in the lot. Every sale final—No exchanges. Second Floor.



Another Great Coat Bargain

Coats That You Would Be Glad to Pay \$65.00 to \$79.50 For

Saturday to Close \$22.50

Just sixteen coats in this lot. Choice fabrics in the smartest of styles. Beautiful fur and plush collars. It will pay you well to buy for next season at this low price. Every sale final—No exchanges. Come Early. Second floor.

Extra! 25 Seal Plush Coats

Saturday While They Last \$27.50

Elegant coats of rich seal plush. Some are plain, others are trimmed. Two months ago you would have been glad to pay \$49.50 to \$69.50 for these coats. In the clearing out sale Saturday, \$27.50. Again we say, COME EARLY. Don't overlook this remarkable offer.—Second Floor.

New Spring Suits and Dresses Just Arrived

Our buyer has just returned from the eastern markets and has brought back with him several new models in suits and dresses. All the new style touches are shown in these early arrivals. They must be seen to be appreciated. Early prices are much lower than you would expect. Come Saturday and see these new garments that correctly interpret fashion's Springtime edict. Second floor.

NEW MILLINERY To Wear Right Now

Our millinery buyer has a surprise for those who come Saturday. Several dozen new Spring-time Hats will be on display, featuring the new—TAMS, BUSTLE AND POKE STYLES

You will enjoy this display of the newest in millinery for spring. Priced from... \$4.50 to \$12.50

Second Floor.

Men's Overcoats GO IN TWO LOTS

Saturday at \$15.00 and \$19.50

These overcoats are very remarkable values at their prices. They are the production of the leading clothes makers of Rochester and New York City.

They are late in style, featuring belted styles for the young man, as well as the conservative Chesterfields, which older men like so well. We know when you see them that you will say they are prices at \$15.00 and \$19.50. Next season you will pay more than double these prices. Better buy now and be dollars ahead.

Men's Clothing Section—Main Floor.

MEN! A Great Suit Opportunity Saturday

HERE ARE THE PRICES

\$15.50, \$18.50, \$20.50

Few men can afford to pay the prices all wool clothes will probably cost next winter, if they are to be had at all. Even those with a large percentage of cotton or other adulteration will cost much more than these wool suits we are offering Saturday at extremely low prices. Here is a splendid chance to secure suits of rare quality and style at a great saving. A wonderfully satisfying variety of models, fabrics, patterns and sizes at \$15.50, \$18.50 and \$20.50.

PAY AS YOU WEAR

A payment down and then a little each week or pay day satisfies Beddeo.

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The Greatest Credit Clothing Store West of the Mississippi River.

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Credit to Out-of-Town People.