

### SMILEAGE BOOK SALE CAMPAIGN GREAT SUCCESS

Chairman Buell Announces the Drive Will Be Continued, Though Quota Already Has Been Reached.

The most unique campaign in the history of obtaining war funds in Nebraska reached its quota yesterday. The smileage campaign is "over the top," but will still continue and be greatly oversubscribed, according to reports from the state.

Reports received at the office of Chairman D. C. Buell carry the campaign safely over the \$10,000 mark, and no report has yet been received from Lincoln. Many towns in the state have sent subscriptions directly to Washington.

Cash received in Omaha today totaled more than \$8,300, and daily reports from towns that had not reached their quota indicate that they now have the balance.

**Assist Other States.**  
Mr. Buell has just returned from Washington, where he conferred with the national campaign committee. He was informed that Nebraska was expected to raise \$15,000 and assist backward states in reaching their quota. He assured the committee that the necessary assistance would be given.

Nebraska subscriptions have been entirely voluntary and no committees have solicited subscriptions. The active campaign will close and a report made to Washington, but the books will continue to be on sale at sale stations in Omaha, and the principal cities of the state.

Smileage books can be secured at all times at the Omaha federal reserve bank. Washington committees will continue to manage the sale of books on a permanent basis.

**Report is False.**  
Reports from Washington stating the total quota of \$1,000,000 had been raised proved to be erroneous, according to the information given Mr. Buell. The actual cash received from the sale of books is \$120,000.

Nebraska is well up among the leaders in the sale of books.

#### Largest Flag in Nation

Designed for Auto Show  
When the doors of the Omaha Automobile show open Monday they will disclose the Auditorium in the most attractive garb it has worn in the thirteen years of Omaha automobile shows.

W. G. Colling, with the Burgess-Nash company of this city, who has charge of the decorations, has worked over his plans for several months and now has every piece of decoration ready to place in the Auditorium.

Tonight, at midnight, the show management takes possession of the Auditorium and Colling, with a big force of men, will start work. It means working day and night from now on if the decorations are to be up by Monday morning, and Colling guarantees that they will be finished by 11 o'clock of that day.

The theme of the decorations for 1918 is decidedly patriotic, and red, white and blue will literally cover the entire inside of the Auditorium and annex.

The most striking feature of the decorations will be an immense American flag, which will form a canopy over the entire ceiling of the Auditorium. This flag is the largest made so far in this country, and it has taken weeks of hard work to build it up.

#### Julius Orkin Now in East

Making Second Large Purchase

Julius Orkin left recently for an extended eastern buying trip. While in the east he will confer with his buyers and personally oversee the buying of his second large purchase of women's apparel this year.

"The shortage of clothing products and the extremely bright outlook for large sales in this section of the country makes this second buying trip necessary," said Mr. Orkin before leaving. "The shortage of women's clothing in the eastern factories makes it hard to secure the quality demanded by Omaha people. I look for one of the biggest years in our history and I will not return until I secure an assortment that is sure to please."

#### Italians to Dedicate New Church Sunday Morning

St. Ann's Catholic church, Twenty-fourth street and Poppleton avenue, will be formally opened Sunday with a 10 o'clock mass, served by Father Stagono, pastor of the church. Italians have built the church, which will be devoted particularly to their interests. The Benevolent society of the church will have charge of the Sunday morning exercises.

#### Optometrists Close 13th Annual Convention

The Nebraska Association of Optometrists closed its 13th annual convention at the Paxton hotel Friday morning after a session during which J. E. McGlynn discussed practical advertising and C. C. McLeese of Davenport conducted an experience meeting. Max J. Edge of Grand Island led a round table discussion of all the various problems of the profession.

#### Burglars Break Into Meyers Hardware Store; One Hurt

Burglars entered the Meyers Hardware store, 2915 Leavenworth street, Thursday night by breaking the sky light and lowering themselves by a rope. One of the men is believed to have fallen, as the stove lid on which he alighted was bent, and considerable blood was found on the rope.

#### E. V. Parrish Resigns as Convention Bureau Official

E. V. Parrish tendered his resignation as vice president of the National Association of Convention Bureaus, which held its convention at Buffalo Thursday. Mr. Parrish was unable to attend the convention on account of the press of his duties with the food administration in Omaha, and as he is temporarily out of the convention work he tendered his resignation by mail.

#### CIVILIZATION BOUND TO WIN, SAYS KING GEORGE



King George V, in his recent speech proroguing parliament, declared the entry of the United States into the war spells the doom of barbarism and oppression. The king said:

"My lords and gentlemen: Since I have addressed you great events have happened. Within a few weeks of that occasion the United States of America decided to take their stand by the side of this country and our allies in defense of the principles of liberty and justice. Their entry into the war, followed by that of other neutral states, has united practically the whole civilized world in a league of nations against unscrupulous aggression, has lent additional strength to our arms and inspired fresh confidence in the ultimate triumph of our cause."

#### FORMER BEE MAN IS NEWSPAPER OWNER

Erwin R. Davenport, at One Time Market Editor and Reporter, Buys New York Daily.

New York papers contain extended accounts of the sale of the Rochester Union and Advertiser, the oldest evening daily in the state west of the Hudson river, to three young newspaper men of Elmira, one of the purchasers being Erwin R. Davenport, formerly of Omaha.

Mr. Davenport began his newspaper career on The Bee. He was a reporter and market editor for The Bee for some time.

He was graduated at the Omaha High school and later from the University of Nebraska, and began his newspaper career doing special writing for Omaha papers.

Later on he went to New York, buying a half interest in the Daily Gazette of Elmira, a paper that was at one time owned by the late Governor Hill of that state. Still later the Gazette absorbed the Daily Star and its owners have now branched out into a still larger field by adding to their newspaper properties the Rochester Union and Advertiser.

In connection with the Rochester paper is one of the largest job printing plants in the state.

It is hinted that another Rochester daily will be absorbed before the deal is entirely closed.

Mr. Davenport will be the manager of the Rochester property and will move from Elmira to that city.

#### Big Improvement in Health Conditions in U. S. Camps

Washington, Feb. 22.—Health conditions in all American army camps showed decided improvement during the week ending February 15, and for that week there was a lower death rate in all camps than at any other time since last November.

Deaths in all camps, regular army, national guard and national army for the week totaled 177, of which 96 resulted from pneumonia.

Fewer new cases of the more serious diseases, especially pneumonia and meningitis, were reported as compared with last week. The regulars show the highest death rate—12.9 per thousand per year.

#### Woman Seriously Burned When Lamp Overturns

Miss Ada Anderson, Fourteenth and Burdette streets, was seriously burned Thursday night when she stumbled against a table and overturned a lamp. Her night clothing was on fire when her screams attracted W. Garrett, who extinguished the flames. She was taken to St. Joseph hospital, where her condition is reported critical.

#### Men Accused of Disloyalty Are Forced to Kiss Flag

Nokomis, Ill., Feb. 22.—Twelve men suspected of disloyalty were forced to kiss the flag here last night by men who visited their homes. In another part of the town a farewell demonstration was given for 12 drafted men who left for the national army cantonment.

#### Public Utilities to Get Aid From Rail Administration

Washington, Feb. 22.—President Wilson has authorized the railroad administration to interests itself in the affairs of trolley, light and power companies throughout the country whose financial standing may be endangered by increased operating costs.

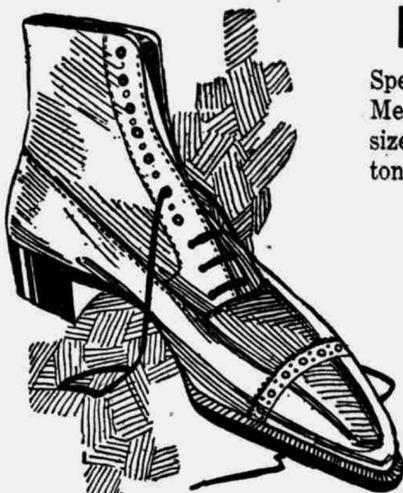
#### Lynch Reported Shot; He Strongly Denies It

Bulletin: County Commissioner "Johnny" Lynch reported shot. Second Bulletin: Lynch denies he has been shot.

## A Rousing Sale of Men's Shoes for Saturday

In Some Instances at Nearly 50c on the Dollar

Special purchases and a grouping of odd lots of some of the best Shoes in our Men's Stock, permits us to announce for Saturday, a complete assortment of sizes in wonderfully good Footwear for men, at prices which are truly astonishingly low.



**\$5.85**

For Men's \$7.50 to \$10.00 Shoes

This lot includes Cordovan Tan, Russian Calf, dark Cordo Calf and Gun Metal Calf. English last, medium and heavy weight soles; sizes from 6 to 11 and widths AA to D; lace style.

**\$4.50**

For Men's \$6.50 and \$7.00 Shoes

Including Tan Russia Calf with fawn buck top; Tan Russia calf with gray buck top and gun metal calf with gray buck top; practically all sizes to 11 and widths A to D. Lace style.

**\$2.95**

For Men's \$4.00 and \$6.00 Shoes

Gun Metal Calf, Kidskin and Tan Russia Calf; blucher and lace styles, medium and English lasts; sizes are broken, but in the entire lot we have most every size.

**Boys' \$4.48 to \$5.98 Shoes, at \$3.95** A famous make for young people; of waterproof oil grain and gun metal calf; blucher style; broad natural shape or English last, sizes 1 to 5½. If we could mention the name in print, they wouldn't last many minutes—as it is they will go in a jiffy.

Main Floor, Men's Building

## Suits and Overcoats--Two Big Lots Saturday at \$14.00 and \$19.00

This is an opportunity to effect the greatest clothing savings of the year. Next winter Suits and Overcoats of equal worth will cost vastly more. The gathering of short lines from high priced ranges offers Suits and Overcoats in all styles, fabrics and sizes for men and young men, representing the utmost value-giving obtainable, at \$14.00 and \$19.00.

Don't Make Any Mistake--These Are Wonderful Values at \$14.00 and \$19.00

### Young Men's New Spring 1918 Styles Hart Schaffner & Marx Clothes

The new season brings forward for the young men, something very new and individual; a smart military type of suits, the coat with a five-seam back giving it the stunning shaped-in effect. Young men are taking to it eagerly. New ideas in fabrics; Gabardines, Silk Stripe Flannels, Soft Worsteds, Novelty patterns many silk lined.

\$20, \$22.50, \$25, \$30, \$35, \$40, \$45, \$50 to \$60

OFFICERS' UNIFORMS—Omaha headquarters for officers' uniforms and all accessories.

1500 Pairs of Trousers, \$3.50, \$5 and \$7.50

Prices are less than they would cost to manufacture today.

Second Floor, Men's Building



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## Shirts---Another Fine Lot for Saturday

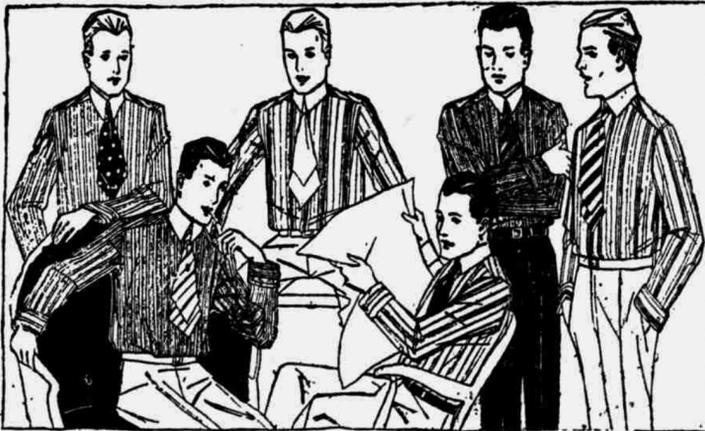
\$1.15, \$1.45, \$2.45 and \$3.95

The hundreds and hundreds of men who came last Saturday, found some of the best Shirt values that they have ever been able to obtain here or anywhere else, many, many months. Some men who came with the intention of purchasing one or two, stayed to pick out a dozen and last Saturday was one of the biggest selling days we have had in months. Another lot for this Saturday ready for those who did not share before—BETTER COME BRIGHT AND EARLY.

Silk, and Silk and Linen, Fibre Silk, Corded Madras, Percales and Jap Crepes—samples and surplus stocks from some of the best makers in this country.

\$5 to \$6 Shirts, at \$3.95 | \$2 to \$3 Shirts, at \$1.45  
\$3 to \$5 Shirts, at \$2.45 | \$1.50 Shirts, at \$1.15

All sizes, hundreds of designs and the best colors. Not all sizes in each style, but every size in the lot.



Men's \$1.00 to \$1.50 Neckwear, 55c and 85c

Here again we repeat an offering that sold thousands and thousands of scarfs in the past two weeks. Another lot added for Saturday's selling.

All of the most beautiful Silks—in big, generous sizes and the very best patterns and colorings.

Main Floor, Men's Building

Men's Silk Hose at 35c a Pair

Regularly Sold at 50c to \$1.00

200 dozen Men's Silk Hose, in plain and fancy Silks. All the odd lots of fine Silk Hose from our regular stock, also one lot in assorted plain colors from one of the best Eastern Silk Hosiery mills. All sizes in the lot, but not in all colors.

Store Closes at 6 P. M. Saturday. Shop Early.

# Brandeis Stores

Ride Up On the Moving Stairway to Second Floor