

Nebraska

**STATE EDITORS
ADOPT SLOGAN
OF "GOLD SEAL"**

**Vote Favorably on Suggestion
of N. A. Huse of American
Press Association; Omaha
Next Meeting Place.**

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special.)—By unanimous vote, the Nebraska State Press association, after listening for an hour or more to N. A. Huse, representative of the American Press association, adopted what is known as the gold seal advertising proposition of that organization which, as their representative, Mr. Huse is advocating all over the United States.

Some of the editors were a little shy before Mr. Huse began his talk, but his explanation and answers of questions put to him soon convinced them that his scheme would be one for their benefit, and they agreed to enter into a contract.

Omaha was chosen as the next meeting place.

Before the talk of Mr. Huse, Mr. Worley of the Federal Land bank at Kansas City spoke for some time explaining the workings of the bank and its methods.

The association took a recess at noon and were the guests of "Bob" Johnston, manager of the Lincoln hotel, at a noonday luncheon.

In the afternoon the program of the convention was completed and the meeting adjourned.

Contest Awards Made.
In the contest for best first page display, in which there were more than two dozen entries, the first prize, \$10 worth of type, went to the Nemaha Republican, of which R. E. Cunningham is the editor. The second prize, 25 pounds of ink, went to the York Republican, of which J. G. Alden is editor. The third, fourth and fifth awards were in the way of special and honorable mention and went to Will C. Israel of the Havoc Post, H. M. Davis of the Ord Journal and B. J. Sallows of the Alliance Times.

It is significant and very "nonpartisanly" to note that under a democratic administration the three first papers mentioned as drawing prizes, are republicans.

One of the features of the afternoon was an address by Lieutenant Governor Howard on "Legislation." He thought the newspapers should have a better line on their representatives and get them to commit themselves on newspaper legislation so strongly that it would take and produce results after they got to the legislature.

Next Time in Omaha.
In behalf of the association a gold watch was presented to outgoing President Clark Perkins and the members of the "wrecking crew" and others who have worked with Frank E. Helvey in preparing the amusement of this and past sessions. Mr. Helvey received a solid gold watch fob.

Mr. Thomas, publicity manager of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce, addressed the convention on various topics in connection with his former membership in the association. The next session which will be held in Omaha.

**Table Rock to Have Free
Hall for Public Meetings**
Table Rock, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special.)—Walter D. Hartwell of Payne county has fitted up at his own expense, a conference and consultation room, heated and lighted free to the public, and furnished with paper, pencils, pen and ink for all manner of committee meetings, church and lodge committees, Red Cross, council of defense, and farmer organizations.

**West Point Man Arrested
For Alleged Disloyal Talk**
West Point, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special.)—Dick Chatfield, an employe of Schinck Brothers, of this city, is in jail on the charge of making remarks derogatory and disloyal to the government. He is an American born man, 66 years old.

Booze Sleuths Active.
(From a Staff Correspondent.)
Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special.)—Governor Neville received a message from his booze sleuths today announcing that they had soaked Joe Rathburn of Belgrade \$112 for having in his possession quantities of whisky, wine, gin and other beverages and that at Fullerton Pete Wredzweike was charged \$112 for having nine cases of wine in his possession in his soft drink parlor.

**Army Officer Visiting Folks
Will Do Recruiting Service**

Beatrice, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special.)—Lieutenant Robert Emery, who recently returned from Camp Cody, N. M., for a visit at home after having recovered from a severe attack of pneumonia, yesterday received a telegram from Lieutenant Austin of Company C, stating that the company needed 60 more men to replace those who had been transferred to other companies and training camps. Lieutenant Austin stated that enlistments would be received under the ages of 21 and over 31.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Snow, pioneer residents of Beatrice, recently celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary. Mr. Snow was the first blacksmith in Beatrice and followed his trade until a few years ago.

Walter Darnaur and Miss Eda Lohmeyer, both of the De Witt neighborhood, were married at the Lutheran church northeast of De Witt, Rev. Mr. Schaff officiating.

William Moeller, 15-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Moeller, died yesterday at a local hospital following an operation for appendicitis.

Mrs. Daisy Auman of this city, who obtained a divorce from her husband, Charles Auman, some time ago, yesterday filed a supplemental petition in the district court asking for \$30 a month alimony for the support of an invalid son who is living with his mother.

Paul Marvin, who has been engaged in Young Men's Christian association work at Camp Cody since last summer, arrived in town yesterday to visit with his wife. He will leave soon for Honolulu, H. I., where he will take up similar work for the government.

**Crawford Man Discovers
Wife Was Already Married**

Syracuse, N. Y., Feb. 23.—(Special Telegram.)—Married to Mrs. Georgiana Claxton at Crawford, Neb., December 12, 1917, after having met through a matrimonial agency and separated from her a few weeks later, Lewis H. Bowdish of this place came here today to investigate his wife's other marriages, which she made without getting a divorce. He discovered she married Samuel K. Jones, Akron, O., in Syracuse, November 5, 1917. She said at that time her first husband had been divorced in 1913. Bowdish asked the district attorney to start action against her, but was told proceedings must originate in Nebraska. Mrs. Bowdish admits marrying Jones, but denies any wrong doing, as she discovered Jones already had a wife, nullifying the marriage.

**Citizens of Eustis Attend
Council of Defense Meet**

Eustis, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special Telegram.)—Washington's birthday was celebrated here last night by a monster attendance at the Council of Defense meeting. E. A. Knight of Lexington spoke on "Practical Patriotism." A musical program and community singing preceded the address and at 8 o'clock the audience stood and sang "America."

In an effort to raise \$1,050 with which to buy yarn and other materials to make sweaters and mittens for the Sammys, the Junior Red Cross of the local high school held a basket social, at which baskets containing lunch for two were sold at auction to the highest bidders.

**Circus Signs to Appear
At Nebraska Fair Again**

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special.)—Managers of the Hagenbeck & Wallace circus and menagerie, were so well pleased with their reception at the Nebraska state fair last year that they have again signed a contract with the fair association through Secretary E. R. Danielson for another exhibition during the week of the 1918 state fair.

The fair will be held this year on the week beginning September 1, but the Hagenbeck & Wallace people will not be able to reach Lincoln until Tuesday, because of a date to show in Omaha on Monday of that week.

**Jury Deliberates Upon
Fate of Louis W. Chobar**

York, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special Telegram.)—At 5 o'clock this afternoon the attorneys finished their arguments to the jury in the case of the state of Nebraska against Louis W. Chobar for the murder of Albert Blender at his home northwest of Benedict, on the night of November 19, 1917.

The trial, which has been in progress nearly all week, has attracted much attention, and the court room was crowded.

**Tecumseh Farm Hand Held
On Bogus Check Charge**

Tecumseh, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special.)—Ed C. White, farm hand, 32 years old, has been arrested, charged with issuing bogus checks on two Tecumseh banks. Six or seven small checks were given to Tecumseh business men, aggregating \$24.50.

**Attorneys Ask New Trial for
Convicted County Commissioner**

Attorneys for County Commissioner "Johnny" Lynch have filed a motion in district court for a court order setting aside the verdict of guilty in the ouster suit brought against him by Sheriff Clark. If the order is granted Lynch will be given a new trial in district court.

Frank Howell, attorney for Clark, says that he will request an immediate hearing upon the motion before Judge Sears. If the motion is denied judgment will be entered immediately removing Lynch from his office as county commissioner. The motion will be argued in the forepart of next week, probably Monday.

The motion to set aside the verdict is based upon the formal contentions, first, "that there was error on the part of the court in giving to the jury instructions 2 to 22 inclusive; second, that the court erred in refusing to give to the jury instructions 1 to 49, inclusive, submitted by the defendant; third, because the verdict on all five specifications is not sustained by the evidence; fourth, because the verdict is contrary to law; fifth, because of errors of law occurring at the trial, and, sixth, because of misconduct on the part of the jury."

**RECLAIM HUGE
AMOUNT OF LAND**

**U. S. Completes Work for Irrigating
12,000 Acres Colorado
Soil; Now Open to Home-
steaders.**

Washington, Feb. 23.—The reclamation service has completed the necessary work for watering approximately 12,000 acres of public land included in the Grand valley and Uncompahgre irrigation projects in western Colorado and arrangements are being perfected for their disposal to homesteaders.

The land is divided into numerous valuable and attractive farms ranging in size from 40 to 80 acres each. Water will be available for 1918 irrigation and a crop of spring wheat can be grown this year if settlers prepare the land promptly.

On March 29 a drawing will be held at Grand Junction to dispose of 5,000 acres under the Grand valley high line canal, and on April 5 there will be a drawing for the Uncompahgre valley lands at Montrose, Colo. Applications for the farm units on the Grand valley project will be received by the project manager at Grand Junction from March 23 up to and including 9 a. m. March 29, 1918. Each applicant is required to deposit \$3 per acre for each irrigable acre in the farm unit selected by him at the time of filing. Where more than one application is made for a given farm unit a drawing will be held to determine the successful entryman.

Applications for farms under the Uncompahgre project will be received at the local land office in Montrose from March 30 up to and including 9 a. m. April 5, after which the drawing for these lands will occur. A similar advance payment of \$3 per acre is required as in the Grand valley drawing.

**Former Nebraska Man
Held for Disloyalty**

St. Joseph, Mo., Feb. 23.—(Special Telegram.)—William J. Wallace, contracting painter, was arrested today by W. T. Wheeler, United States deputy marshal, and is held at central police station, waiting an order for his internment at Fort Leavenworth. Numerous complaints that Wallace is a pro-German sympathizer and is disloyal to the United States have been recorded by both the federal and police authorities, according to Deputy Wheeler, and the man has been under close surveillance for some time, but nothing definite had been established. Wallace declared in tears that he had not said anything against the president. He said that he was 14 years old when he came from Germany. He lived at Avoca, Neb., until 1900, when he removed to St. Joseph. While at Avoca he took out first naturalization papers, but they had not been completed and now are void.

Fined for Carrying Gun.

York, Neb., Feb. 23.—(Special Telegram.)—Ray John Pringle of Oshkosh, Neb., was arrested yesterday and brought before Judge Murphy and fined \$25 and costs for carrying a revolver.

**British Labor Will
Support War Program**

London, Feb. 23.—The international labor conference, in session here, reached an agreement today to support the British war aims program.

**C. OF C. IN DRIVE
FOR INCREASE
IN MEMBERSHIP**

**Twenty-Two Committees Will
Make Canvass of City in In-
terest of Omaha Com-
mercial Body.**

"Off for 2,500 members" That will be the aim of the membership committee of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce. The chamber has 2,150 members and wants to raise that to the 2,500 mark.

Twenty-two committees of men who have Omaha's welfare at heart have been organized to make the campaign. More than 100 workers have volunteered for this drive.

Should Be Supported.
The chamber has issued a little collection of terse reasons why the organization should be supported by a large membership.

Following are some of the reasons that will be advanced:
"It co-operates with the National Council of Defense, the War department and the Departments of the Interior, Agriculture, Commerce and Labor in directing Omaha's share of war work."

"It is recognized in Washington as an agency through which the government acts in Omaha to get things done."

"It is the first instrument in organizing all big national war campaigns and drives for Omaha."

"It develops Omaha as a military center."

"It conducts a constructive program for Americanization work among the foreign born."

"It is conducting a campaign for locating in Omaha one of the big reconstruction hospitals."

"It maintains a soldiers' comfort fund, its members subscribing nearly \$1,000 a month."

"It endorses worthy subscriptions and charities. It withholds endorsement from the unworthy."

"It prepares and works for the passage of desirable legislation for Omaha."

"It maintains an industrial bureau that has helped establish factories and wholesale houses in Omaha."

Ninety-seven new industries were established in Omaha in 1917.
"It is conducting a plan to furnish at cost 200,000 grapevines to small and large fruit growers in Omaha."
"It is helping organize on a big practical scale the vacant lot gardening in and around Omaha."
"It has laid the foundation for a fruit and vegetable market place where local growers may sell direct to the consumer."

Work Is General.
"It keeps boats and barges on the Missouri river carrying grain and live stock."
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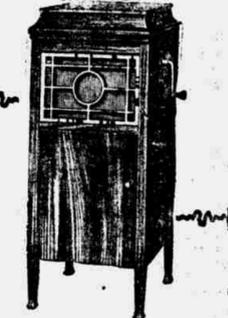
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