

WORK ON WATER PUMP FOR OMAHA STOPPED BY U. S.

Emergency Fleet Corporation Holds Up Delivery of Equipment to Plant in This City.

The Emergency Fleet corporation has stopped the completion of a 30,000-gallon centrifugal pump under construction at the plant of the DeVal Steam Turbine company, Trenton, N. J., and promised for delivery in April for the Omaha water works system.

General Manager Howell of the water plant will go to Washington to make a personal appeal before the national shipbuilding board on the grounds that the completion of this pump is necessary and even vital.

The contract was let a year ago on a bid of \$76,000 and the pump was 70 per cent toward completion when work was suspended on a verbal order of J. E. Tull of the Emergency Fleet corporation.

Face Water Shortage. There are two large pumps at Minne Lusa pumping station at Florence, one having a capacity of 18,000,000 gallons and the other 20,000,000 gallons. The average daily pumpage is now 19,000,000 gallons, and during the summer months it will be greatly increased.

Howell explains that the city would face a water shortage during the summer months if one of these pumps should break down.

The water plant officials were so confident in having the new pump here in April that they wrecked an old pump and prepared its foundation for the new machinery.

Armenian Fund Drive Nets \$5,000 In One Day

More than \$5,000 was raised Tuesday toward Omaha's remaining share of \$45,000 for Armenian and Syrian relief. The first soliciting on an organized and widespread scope will begin Wednesday afternoon.

In every instance the plea is being made to save lives, and subscriptions in multiples of \$60, which is sufficient to save one life for a year, are being made.

Captains Charles Harding and Robert Trimble report these large subscriptions from districts No. 9 and 10: Byrne & Hammer Dry Goods company, \$500; Carpenter Paper company, \$420; David Cole, \$300; Wright & Wilhelmy company, \$200.

Judge W. A. Redick started a court house subscription list with a check for \$250.

Mrs. E. W. Nash sent the committee a check for \$200.

The Sun, Muse, Dundee, Brandeis and Empress theaters granted the privilege of addressing their audiences to the four-minute speakers. Speakers R. M. Switzer, S. O. Cotner, James O'Hara, D. W. Swarr, P. E. Horan and R. F. Leavens addressed the crowds in these theaters on Monday and Tuesday nights, and will appear again Wednesday night.

Nebraska Congratulated On Sale of Thrift Stamps

State War Savings Director Burgess has received a letter from Fred W. Fleming, federal director at the national capital, again congratulating him on the splendid showing Nebraska is making in the sale of thrift stamps.

In January and February Nebraska made more than double the showing per capita of any state in the middle west. This state's cash sales in the postoffice during those two months were \$205 per capita. Missouri was next, the western states with 90 cents per capita and Kansas third with 70 cents.

Eggs Due to Advance in Price Again, Dealers Say

With eggs selling at 35 cents a dozen at retail Wednesday, some of the best informed dealers express the belief that they have reached the bottom and that from now on there is likely to be a rise in the price of eggs.

Hens are laying nicely now and the time to begin storage is near at hand. As soon as this gets fully under way much of the available supply of eggs will be used, dealers say, and this will tend to bring the price up again. Eggs have dropped 25 cents per dozen in a little more than three weeks.

Woman Overcome When Fire Destroys Rooming House

Fire, started by the explosion of a newly installed oil burning furnace, gutted the rooming house of Mrs. E. Pruss, 701 Park avenue, at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning. The damage is estimated at \$5,000. Miss Beatrice Brinkman, a maid, was overcome in the basement, where she was working, and was carried out by firemen. Mrs. F. C. Runyon and baby and Mrs. Fred Sweat, rooming on the second floor, escaped before the flames reached them.

Howell Back From Conference With National Chairman Hays

R. B. Howell, republican national committeeman for Nebraska, has returned from Chicago, where he met Chairman Hays of the national committee.

Mr. Howell stated that the new chairman is planning a tour of western states, will visit the middle west and confer with Nebraska leaders of the party.

William D. Kierstead Sues For Divorce; Alleges 'Nagging'

William D. Kierstead, son of Billy Kierstead, Wednesday filed suit for divorce against Lena. The couple were married in Council Bluffs March 14, 1913. The petition alleges that she "nagged" him.

Mail Clerks Organize in Omaha; Ask Pay Increase

An Omaha chapter of the newly organized National Brotherhood of Railway Mail Clerks has been organized and delegates are expected to attend the next meeting of the Central Labor union. The railway clerks say they will seek a big increase in pay, which, they say, is long overdue.

Fritzi Scheff Passes Spare Time Knitting for Red Cross



Fritzi Scheff, prima donna, is, after all, a typical American woman.

Saddened because of the war, in which her father was killed, her pretty fingers pass every spare moment knitting for the soldiers.

She recently presented six sweaters to the Camp Dodge Red Cross chapter. The sweaters were sold at auction and netted hundreds of dollars for the Red Cross. Miss Scheff has promised to knit a garment for the Omaha Red Cross.

She has not heard anything of her mother, who lives in Austria, for more than two years.

Doing Red Cross work and keeping trim and young, and pretty, does not take all of Miss Scheff's time. She also is an enthusiastic gardener and hopes some day to own a big farm where she can "really raise crops and chickens and all that sort of thing."

She passed several hours Tuesday shopping for "seeds that grow." A friend who called on her at the Hotel Fontaine found her poring over a seed catalogue containing pictures of violets and onions and roses and cabbages.

SLIGHT INCREASE IN SOLDIER DEATHS

Reports From Cantonments in United States Indicate Three More Dead Than Reported Week Ago.

Washington, March 13.—Deaths among the troops in the United States regular army, national guard and national army totaled 156 during the week ending March 8, an increase of three over the preceding week. Seventy-one of the deaths were from pneumonia.

The regular army had the highest total of deaths, with 60; the national guard had 54 and the national guard 42.

The detailed report of the division of field sanitation, made public tonight, says the health of the troops continues satisfactory with the number of cases of pneumonia decreasing in the national guard and regular army and increasing slightly in the national army.

Meningitis is rapidly declining in all camps, but in the national army measles is increasing in some camps, due to an influx of new men.

Reduce Ship Timber Sizes To Speed War Construction

Washington, March 13.—Reduction in ship timber sizes used in wood construction in the south was authorized by the shipping board to expedite construction.

John I. Kirby of Houston, Tex., vice president of the Southern Pine association, has been named to take a survey of pine forests to determine the amount of material available for wooden ships as a further step to increase the output.

Under the old specifications few trees could be found in southern forests sufficiently large to cut the heavier pieces and 2,300 cars of fir were ordered from the Pacific coast for southern yards.

Kill Proposed Extra Pay to U. S. Aviators

Washington, March 13.—Legislation to abolish the extra allowance of 50 per cent in pay to men in the aviation service was approved by General Crowder, who detailed the reasons given by General Pershing, Secretary Baker and the general staff.

That aviation is not more hazardous than other branches of the service, according to the percentage of fatalities, and that there is now no difficulty in securing men for aviation work without attraction of extra pay.

Glass of Hot Water Before Breakfast a Splendid Habit

Open sluices of the system each morning and wash away the poisonous, stagnant matter.

Those of us who are accustomed to feel dull and heavy when we arise; splitting headache, stuffy from a cold, foul tongue, nasty breath, acid stomach, lame back, can, instead, both look and feel as fresh as a daisy always by washing the poisons and toxins from the body with phosphated hot water each morning.

We should drink, before breakfast, a glass of real hot water with a teaspoonful of limestone phosphate in it to flush from the stomach, liver, kidneys and ten yards of bowels the previous day's indigestible waste, sour bile and poisonous toxins; thus cleansing, sweetening and purifying the entire alimentary tract before putting more food into the stomach.

The action of limestone phosphate and hot water on an empty stomach is wonderfully invigorating. It cleans out all the sour fermentations, gases, waste and acidity and gives one a splendid appetite for breakfast. A quarter pound of limestone phosphate will cost very little at the drug store, but is sufficient to make anyone who is bothered with biliousness, constipation, stomach trouble or rheumatism a real enthusiast on the subject of internal sanitation.—Adv.

Cured His RUPTURE

I was badly ruptured while lifting a trunk several years ago. Doctors said my only hope of cure was an operation. Trusses did me no good. Finally I got hold of something that quickly and completely cured me. Years have passed and the rupture has never returned, although I am doing hard work as a carpenter. There is no operation, no lost time, no trouble. I have nothing to sell, but will give full information about how you may find a complete cure without operation, if you write to me, Eugene M. Pullen, Carpenter, 244-D Marcellus Avenue, Manassas, Va. Better cut out this notice and show it to any other who are ruptured—you may save a life or at least stop the misery of rupture and the worry and danger of an operation.

WEEKS' BREAK-UP-A-GOLD TABLETS

WEEKS' BREAK-UP-A-GOLD TABLETS. I have never used other. Please send me Free Trial package in plain wrapper.

AMERICAN LABOR SENDS RUSS NOTE OF SYMPATHY

Gompers Forwards Message Declaring U. S. Desires to Safeguard Liberty As Its Own Liberty.

Washington, March 13.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, on behalf of the American Alliance for Labor and Democracy, today forwarded to the Russian soviet congress at Moscow a message of sympathy to the Russian people "in their struggle to safeguard freedom."

Mr. Gompers's message said: "We address you in the name of world liberty. We assure you that the people of the United States are pained by every blow at Russian freedom as they would be by a blow at their own. The American people desire to be of service to the Russian people in their struggle to safeguard freedom and realize its opportunities. We desire to be informed as to how we may help."

"We speak for a great organized movement of working people who are devoted to the cause of freedom and the ideals of democracy. We assure you also that the whole American nation ardently desires to be helpful to Russia and awaits with eagerness an indication from Russia, as to how help may most effectively be extended."

"To all those who strive for freedom we say: Courage; justice must triumph if all free people stand united against autocracy. We await your suggestions."

Peace Manifesto Submitted To Austrian Reichsrat

Washington, March 13.—Copies of a manifesto submitted to the Austrian Reichsrat by Dr. Anton Korosietz, signed by 35 Yugoslav deputies, demanding immediate peace on the basis of the right of peoples to self-determination, and the creation of an independent Yugoslav state, were made public here Tuesday night by the official Serbian press bureau.

The document, suppressed in Austria, is said to have been brought to Washington by "indirect means." It opens with a protest against the refusal of the government to permit representatives of the oppressed nationalities of the dual monarchy to participate in the Brest-Litovsk peace conferences, and a denunciation of the persecution of Yugoslavs, who are declared to have been slain by tens of thousands without provocation.

"The so-called constitutions offered by the monarchy as affording the possibility of further development of the peoples are a farce," the manifesto says. "In reality these very constitutions entrench the German and the Magyar in their organized oppression of the proletariat peoples."

Music Conductor Dead.

Petrograd, March 13.—Wassili Saffonoff, the orchestral conductor (formerly conductor of the philharmonic orchestra of New York) is dead at Kislovodsk, the Caucasus watering place.

DESTROYER SINKS GERMAN U-BOAT

British Vessel Takes Eight of Crew After Hot Fight; Sub Officers Make Abject Surrender.

London, March 13.—The British destroyer Ariel recently overpowered and destroyed a German submarine and captured eight of the crew. The Ariel was on patrol duty when it got a report of a submarine in northern waters.

Sighting the periscope of the submarine at a distance of nearly a mile, the Ariel made for the enemy craft, firing as it approached. The gunners made good practice and the periscope of the submarine was struck fairly. Going at full speed the Ariel attempted to ram the German and passed right over it. The submarine was damaged and came to the surface.

Faced with destruction, the crew of the submarine attempted to use the guns on the destroyer. After two or three shots from the bow gun of the warship, however, the crew of the U-boat began to appear on deck with their hands above their heads in token of surrender. Several boats were lowered and eight men of the submarine crew were rescued.

Near Blacksood bay, on the western coast of Ireland, an armored patrol steamer was victorious in a fight with a German submarine in British coastal waters.

Sub Fires on Ship. While the armed steamer was in Blacksood bay word was brought that a German submarine was firing on a merchant ship just outside Achillhead. The patrol steamer went out and an hour later sighted a submarine painted black about two miles off.

When the patrol steamer was about 800 yards off it began to use its guns. All the shots were effective and the submarine attempted to get away, but the patrol steamer maintained its fire.

Suddenly smoke was seen coming from the aft side of the conning tower of the U-boat, and it stopped. Its stern then began to sink. Soon the conning tower disappeared and only the forepart of the U-boat was above water. After a moment the submarine disappeared entirely, leaving a large cloud of smoke. The patrol steamer waited for two hours, but saw no trace of the U-boat.

Urge President Take Over Coal, Iron, Oil and Timber

Washington, March 13.—Legislation empowering the president to take over coal, oil, iron and timber lands and water power and to sell products from them at cost was urged before the house interstate commerce committee today by former United States Senator James E. Martin of New York, Representative M. Clyde Kelly of Pennsylvania, Benjamin C. Marsh of New York, chairman of the executive committee of the high cost of living, and others.

Cyclone Razes Several Towns in Australia

Vancouver, B. C., March 13.—Several Queensland, Australia, villages were destroyed by a cyclone Monday, according to a cable received from Sydney, N. S. W., today by the Vancouver World. The casualties were reported heavy.

Republican Chairman to Capital in Suffrs' Interest

New York, March 13.—Will H. Hays, chairman of the republican national committee, held a conference today with party leaders and tonight he will meet republican committeemen from New England.

Mr. Hays expects to go to Washington, it was said, in the interests of the federal suffrage amendment. The new chairman expressed himself as thoroughly in favor of the full suffrage

for women, saying that in this age of representative government justice required that every adult person should have a voice in it.

Big Steamer Aground.

An Atlantic Port, March 13.—The steamer Kershaw, of the Merchants and Miners' line, with more than 100 passengers aboard, sent out a call for help today and reported that it was aground off the southern New England coast. Tugs were sent to its assistance.

SHOE MARKET OMAHA'S Popular-Priced Shoe Store. We will be in Our New Home, 16th and Harney, before Easter. Note—We are offering thousands of good reliably made shoes, at— \$1.95 and \$2.95. Brown outing Oxfords, While they last, a pair, for \$1.00. BIG SALE NOW GOING ON In Our Temporary Location. SHOE MARKET Temporary Location, 1607 Farnam Street.

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Our First Ad. —Just a Quarter of a Century ago, announcing our Opening Day, March 13, 1893.

JUST twenty-five years ago the Orchard & Wilhelm Co. acquired the business of S. A. Orchard, whose premises had been destroyed by fire, and re-incorporated as the Orchard & Wilhelm Carpet Co., obtaining temporary quarters where the Calumet Restaurant now stands. The Continental Building was built to accommodate the new business and became our first permanent location; but as time went on this building proved too small, and the business was moved to its present address on Sixteenth Street.

Omaha's rapidly growing population, and the fact that ideas and ideals with regard to the home and its embellishment have greatly advanced, improved and elaborated, has AGAIN made it necessary to expand; THIS TIME it will be the reinforced concrete structure now being added to the rear of our present establishment, giving us 100% more floor space. This enlargement has become a pressing need by the persistent growth of every department in the house, both Wholesale and Retail.

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