

O'NEILL TELLS OF ENEMY ALIEN ACT AND U. S. DUTIES

Former Omaha Attorney Here on Business Urges Citizens to Report Suspicious Cases to Custodians.

Harry O'Neill, prominent Omaha attorney, who was called to Washington last October to take charge of the enemy alien property bureau of the department of investigation, is in Omaha on his way west, where he will look after business connected with the department.

The executive head of the department with which Mr. O'Neill is connected is A. Mitchell Palmer, who has the official title of custodian. Mr. Palmer is a democrat, for several years represented Pennsylvania as one of its congressmen. He was chairman of the executive committee of the democratic party during the last presidential campaign and after the induction of President Wilson into office was offered the portfolio of war. He declined to accept on account of his religious scruples being against war.

Around him and in his official family, Mr. Palmer has gathered a staff of the able men of the country, including Mr. O'Neill; Ralph Stone, president of the Detroit Trust company; Frederick J. Horne, vice president of the New York Trust company; Lee Bradley, Birmingham, Ala.; Mansfield Farry, a prominent New York lawyer, and Francis P. Garvin, who was first assistant to Jerome of New York.

Salary No Object.

Francis P. Garvin, while working for the government, is drawing a salary of \$1 a year from the United States treasury. He spends one-half his time in Washington, working as hard as if working for himself. The other half of his time is spent in New York, on large investigations. In Washington he pays \$500 a month for a house and here every night of every work day when he is in the city, he has the eight department heads around his table at dinner. Over the coffee, usually after midnight, the time is devoted to discussing the important affairs of the department.

While the bureau of investigation, according to Mr. O'Neill is one of the newest ones in connection with the affairs of government, it is one of the busiest. January 1, this year it had 350 employees, and many more have since been taken on. The working force is housed in a new apartment house. There are 14 seven-room apartments, not counting the butler pantries and kitchenettes. The kitchenettes are usually occupied by division chiefs as private offices, while the living and sleeping rooms contain two to 20 desks, with busy workers at each.

Plenty of Work.
The layman, no doubt, wonders what these heads of departments and their hundreds of employees find to do in order to occupy their time. There is plenty of work. Up to two weeks ago, the bureau heads and employees had made a personal inspection of 17,562 reports that had been submitted.

Speaking of alien property, its seizure when found and the method of disposition, Mr. O'Neill said:

"There are many ways of finding alien enemy property, but of course it would not be the proper thing to

tell the public just how it is located. It is seldom that similar methods maintain, as conditions are different.

"However, let it be said that when property is found that belongs to an enemy alien the demand is prepared and submitted to the law bureau for its approval. If approved, the demand goes to J. Lionberger Davis, Mr. Palmer's assistant, that he may designate a depository. When the depository qualifies by giving the required bond, the property is taken over and administered or sold. The proceeds are deposited with the United States treasury, and subsequently invested in Liberty bonds.

Attention Given Property.

"It is not the purpose of the United States government to permit the property of even an enemy alien to suffer for want of attention. Rather, the government goes upon the theories that it is its duty to protect this property, and sees to it that the proceeds from the disposition of enemy property do not get back to the enemy. Consequently, all enemy alien property seized and sold, or seized and held, will be kept in the government's custody until the close of the war.

"The selling of the enemy alien property and investing the proceeds, or the holding of it in trust in strict accordance with law and its disposition will be determined by congressional action after the war closes."

According to Mr. O'Neill there are some peculiar incidents in the enemy alien property. Not long ago it was reported that an enemy alien in one of the eastern cities had left his property with a friend, who reported to the custodian among other things, "one canary bird interned in a cage."

In another case, where the property of a German alien enemy was seized, a contribution box was found which contained two cents. On the side of the box was the printed statement that this box and its contents was the property of German orphans.

A bureau representative working in Texas reported that recently he had found properties that belonged to Von Bethman-Hollweg, the former German chancellor. He being looked upon as an enemy alien, his property has been taken over.

Heiresses Pay Heavy.

Many of the American heiresses, who married German titles have contributed toward supplying money to make purchases of munitions to help carry on the war against the Germans. Notably among these are Gladys Vanderbilt, and the daughter of Marcus Daly.

In enemy alien property seized, bureau officials often find wills. The will of one German who lived in one of the eastern states provided that the interest on his investments, each year, upon the occasion of his birthday should be distributed among the poor of his native village in Germany.

There was a German who lived in New York, and who was marked down as an enemy alien, evidently feared being buried alive. When his estate was reported a copy of his will accompanied the report. It provided that after death his heart should be cut out and afterward restored to its place in his body.

The government bureau that has to do with alien enemy property and its disposition also looks after the enforcement of the "trading with the enemy" law, and the man who is caught in the act of trading with an enemy of the United States gets in bad. He not only comes in for punishment, but by law, regardless of what his nationality may be, he is immediately placed in the enemy alien class. This rule would be applied to even an American if he should be caught trading with, or selling goods, or commodities of any kind to the enemies of Uncle Sam.

In the past the people of the United States have annually paid millions of

dollars to Germans and Germany on royalties. However, during the period of the war, in this line there is nothing doing. The United States is going right on manufacturing under the patents held by the Germans and the royalties will be things that will come up for disposition after the war closes.

"Our researches show," declared Mr. O'Neill, "that as a rule the Germans who in the past have put their moneys into properties in the United States have been, careful, prudent and shrewd investors. Many of them have been long sighted, apparently, for we find that through the south they have invested in and own vast phosphate beds that are immensely valuable. In addition, they have been inveterate stock gamblers and have made fabulous sums in dealing in railroad stocks and buying and selling cotton futures."

Mr. O'Neill is in the city for a few days, having stopped here while on his way to the west to look after some government affairs that require the attention of his department. He has been connected with the bureau of investigation practically since its creation by congress last October, when the "trading with the enemy" law was passed.

The alien property custodian appeals to all patriotic citizens to make known to his bureau of investigation all knowledge or even suspicion of the existence of property in the United States belonging to residents of enemy countries or of the territory occupied by the enemy regardless of the citizenship of the owners. It is the present residence of the individual that determines his enemy character for the purpose of the trading with the enemy act, not his citizenship or his loyalty.

Such reports result in careful investigation, but the source of the information that starts the investigation is carefully guarded and never disclosed.

San Francisco Speaks to Address Advertising Men

A rattling good time is assured the members of the Advertising and Selling league at the meeting Monday night at the Hotel Fontenelle. Celestine J. Sullivan, envoy from the San Francisco Ad club, will deliver an official invitation to the Omaha club to attend the national convention in San Francisco.

Mr. Sullivan is on his way back to San Francisco after a trip of 40,000 miles over the country visiting the ad clubs in all of the larger cities. He will show two reels of motion pictures and also brings a personal message from President Wilson.

Music, refreshments and an especially good program is promised by the entertainment committee and all members are urged to bring a friend, who will become interested in the work of the league.

Dan Carey Leaves for South To Attend Real Estate Meet

Prior to the annual convention of real estate boards, which will be held this year at St. Louis during the week commencing June 6, there will be held a pre-convention meeting at Nashville at which representatives of every city in the United States having real estate boards will be in attendance. Dan Carey of the firm of Shuler & Carey will represent Omaha at this meeting. Mr. Carey, accompanied by his wife, left for Nashville Saturday night.

Federal Law Protecting The Hen Ends on April 19

The federal food law prohibiting licensed dealers from selling live or freshly killed hens between February 11 and April 30 has been amended. The law will die automatically on April 19, according to the new order.

Brief City News

Towl, engineer, for commissioner.
Have Root Print Co.—New Bacon Press Lighting Fixtures, Burgess-Graden Attorney Gerald M. Drew has removed to 508 Security Bldg. D. 3337.
Five Per Cent Saved—In the economical 3-lb. can of Butter-Nut Coffee. \$1 each.—Adv.

No Price Change—The weekly "fair price" list issued by the Nebraska food administration details no changes for the week beginning Sunday, April 14.
Offices Remain Open—J. Stoll, commercial agent for the Nickel Plate road, says that so far as he knows the company offices in Omaha will not be closed.

Quits Railroad—Walter Mann, for 10 years city ticket agent in the Omaha offices of the Milwaukee, has taken a position with the Holmquist Grain company.

Beater of High School Enlists—Louis N. Baxter, teacher in the Central High school, has answered the call of his country and has signed as a prospective recruiter.

Prudent saving in war times is a hostage for opportunities of peace. Play safe by starting an account with Nebraska Savings & Loan Ass'n, 211 S. 15th St. \$1 to \$5,000 received.

Home on Furlough—Walter W. Short, former clerk in the Northwestern city office, now sergeant of the regimental supply department at Camp Cody, is home on a furlough.

Recruiting Station Moves—The marine corps recruiting station has moved from the time of its headquarters on the streets to 608 Paxton block, corner of Sixteenth and Farnam streets.

Not With Firm—R. J. Flynn of Copeland & Flynn company announces he was not connected with the firm at the time of its bankruptcy, having dissolved partnership July 1, 1917.

Card Party for Mandamin Lodge—A card party and dance will be given by Mandamin lodge No. 111, Fraternal Aid Union, Tuesday night, April 30, at Lyric building, Nineteenth and Farnam streets.

Clan Gordon Social—Clan Gordon No. 63, Order of Scottish Clans, and the Ladies' auxiliary, will hold a social and dance tonight, at which the Clan service flag, with eight stars, will be dedicated.

Auditorium Not Available—Because the Auditorium is not available for next Thursday night for the Liberty loan speech by Rev. Titus Lowe the committee is busy trying to arrange for another date.

Philosophical Society—The Omaha Philosophical society will meet Sunday at 3 p. m. at the Lyric building, Nineteenth and Farnam streets. E. C. Page will speak on "Thoughts on Commercial Freedom."

Naval Men Subscribe—The men in charge of the navy recruiting station in the Paxton block subscribed for \$1,800 worth of Liberty bonds. They have also devoted much of their time to boosting Liberty bond sales.

Lodge Buys Bond—A resolution to take \$50 from the treasury of Omaha lodge No. 415 and spend it for the purchase of a Liberty bond was unanimously adopted by the Knights and Ladies of Security at a recent meeting.

Back From New York—L. A. Urban, cloak and suit buyer of the Union Outfitting company, has returned from New York. Mr. Urban states that many new styles, just over from Paris, are being shown in New York for the first time.

Negro is Held—Jesse Nolan, negro, charged with selling drugs on the streets, waived preliminary hearing before United States Commissioner Neely Saturday morning and was bound over to the grand jury on \$1,500 bonds.

Feldman Moves Store—John Feldman, who conducted a men's and women's clothing store for many years at 204 North Sixteenth street, has moved to 108 North Sixteenth street, in the Hotel Neville building. Feldman announces that he has purchased

Answers Divorce Suit—Edward Orthman, answering Ethel Orthman's suit for divorce, denied she is his common law wife, and says she was wedded in November, 1917, to one Nate Robinson. She asks a portion of Orthman's fortune, reputed to be \$25,000.

Open Lincoln Court—Assistant

United States Attorney Sexton, United States Marshal Flynn, Clerk of Court Hoyt and Deputy Marshal Nickerson will attend federal court in Lincoln Monday. Judge Munger will preside and a number of criminal cases will be heard. Judge Woodrough will open federal court in Omaha Monday morning and petit jury will report.

Fire fireplace goods at Sunderland's.

PIONEER PRINTER, FORMER PRESIDENT OF UNION, DEAD

U. G. Graham, a pioneer of Nebraska and for years prominent in local politics and the Omaha Typographical union, died at his home in Benson Saturday afternoon of paralysis.

Mr. Graham moved to Nebraska with his parents from Fon Dulac, Wis. 49 years ago, being 12 years of age at the time. They settled in Butler county and later he moved to Omaha. He was twice elected president of the Omaha Typographical union and served several terms as vice president. He also served as president of the Omaha Bryan club.

He is survived by his widow, two sons, G. H. Graham and E. M. Graham, and five daughters, Mrs. George Capineau, Mrs. Victor Wiles, Eva, Myrtle and Laura Graham.

Funeral services will be held in the Gentlemen undertaking parlors Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Boy Scouts Wig Wag Signals When Big Tanks Are Moved

Boy scouts are not confined to one system of signalling. They are as versatile in the art of sending messages as they are in other lines. When Scout Norman A. Whipple was wig-wagging a message to the Omaha "tank" to complete the journey to Sixteenth and stop under the \$4,000,000 Liberty bond banner, his flag was whipped from his hand by the high wind on top of the Woodmen building. He promptly changed his method of signalling and finished the message with the semaphore.

Directions as to how far to move the "tank" were wig-wagged from the top of the Woodmen of the World building to a scout station at Sixteenth and Farnam streets and the message was relayed to the "tank" as it progressed from Fourteenth.

Troop 5, boy scouts, under Scoutmaster Hascall, had charge of the journey of the "tank" to its stopping place near the United States National bank.

Loaned Husband \$3,000; Wife Asks Alimony and Son

Edna L. Kroneberger, suing Spencer L. Kroneberger for divorce, alleges she loaned him, through her father, \$3,000 to assist him in his business, and that he has never repaid the loan. She further asserts that he is earning a salary of \$4,500 a year as traveling agent, possesses valuable oil stocks, and owns a home at 4923 Chicago street, valued at \$6,000. She asks reasonable alimony and custody of Robert Warren Kroneberger, 7 years old. The couple were married in Philadelphia, November 7, 1907.

Sergeant Reeves Home From Pike on Furlough

Sergeant Major Wade H. Reeves, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Reeves, 2201 Deepark boulevard, is home on a short leave of absence. He is stationed at Camp Pike.

Sergeant Reeves enlisted in the 87th Division a year ago. He delivered eight prisoners to Fort Madison last week, and was allowed to come on to Omaha for a short visit with home folks.

CITY OFFICIALS TO CO-OPERATE IN CLEANUP DRIVE

Annual Campaign Starts Wednesday; Boy Scouts and Woman's Club to Help; Connell Urges Measure.

Omaha will take time next week to observe its annual clean-up campaign in which city officials, Women's club, Boy Scouts and others will co-operate.

Beginning on Wednesday morning the street cleaning and maintenance department will haul, without charge to householders, all heaps of rubbish which have been placed in convenient places in alleys or in streets. It has been requested that alleys be used for this purpose as much as possible, as the haulers will endeavor to traverse every alley of the city.

Ashes Are Excluded.
"Rubbish," in this instance, means tin cans and discarded articles of household or personal use, but in no case will ashes be hauled by the city in this clean-up drive.

Citizens are requested to have heaps of refuse ready before Wednesday morning.

Health Commissioner Connell urges and expects that the clean-up will be extended to basements and cellars; that householders will remember that clean homes make for better municipal health by minimizing the danger of germs.

"Rid out the valueless rubbish that has been accumulating in attics and basements. Get out your mop and broom. It is just as important to have the inside of a home clean and sanitary as it is to have a pretty yard," is the advice of the health commissioner.

Union Pacific Bowlers Do Well in St. Louis Meet

St. Louis, April 14.—(Special Telegram.)—Omaha bowlers did well in the National Railway bowling tournament yesterday in both the singles and five men teams divisions.

L. Kienny of the Union Pacific, No. 1, went into the lead in the singles when he totaled 634 pins.

In the five men teams Union Pacific No. 1 collected 2,632 pins and landed in fifth place.

In the doubles Omaha did not do so well. E. Kanka and Kienny made the best total, but this was not good enough to land any of the money.

Kienny, with 634, in the singles, 536, in the doubles and 500 in the five men team division is well up among the leaders in the all events department.

Detroit Elks Journey to Cleveland for First Game

Cleveland, April 14.—Five hundred Elks of Detroit plan to attend the opening game of the American league season here between Cleveland and Detroit April 16. The Elks will make the trip in a body in an attempt to surpass the visit of the Cleveland rooters to their city a year ago. Five hundred seats have been reserved for them.

Ames Is "Marked Man" in Drives for War Subscriptions

E. O. Ames, grain exchange operator, through the woman's committee, has subscribed for a \$5,000 Liberty bond, in the third loan. Mr. Ames also holds bonds of the first and sec-

ond issue, having taken \$5,000 worth of each. He is much sought after by campaign workers, having donated freely to the Young Men's Christian association and Red Cross funds.

GAINS SIXTEEN POUNDS ON ONLY THREE BOTTLES

Six Years' Suffering Ends and He Feels 20 Years Younger, He Says.

"I don't know what the people are going to think when I tell them I have gained sixteen pounds on three bottles of Tanlac, but, it's the truth and, besides, I feel all of twenty years younger," said John McNamee of 419 Church street, Salt Lake City, recently. Mr. McNamee has lived in Salt Lake since 1889 and his statement is one of the most interesting of the many yet published in connection with Tanlac.

"I have already passed my sixty-ninth mile post," he continued, "and have felt for the past six years that I was going down hill. My liver was in the worst kind of shape, my appetite was very poor and the little I forced myself to eat seemed to do me no good. I was very nervous, had pains in my back and many a night I could not sleep at all. I would get up in the mornings feeling like I had been beaten with a club and was tired and worn-out all the time. I had dropped down in weight to one hundred and twenty-two pounds and about all my strength, energy and ambition was gone. I just seemed to be losing out right along, and as all my efforts to find relief had failed, I had about concluded my condition was due, largely, to my age and that nothing could help me.

"Along about the seventh of February, I decided to try Tanlac and the results have been a very glad surprise to me. In just three or four days I found I was being benefited. I commenced to sleep good and get up in the mornings feeling rested and refreshed. Ever since I finished my third bottle I have been able to eat and digest just anything. I am brimful of vim and energy and with all my aches and pains gone, I haven't felt so well in years. I don't like to parade my name before the world, but, no doubt there are lots of other people suffering like I did and if I can show anybody else the road to health; I am more than willing to do so."

"When people grow to old age their digestive organs lack vitality, act more slowly and less effectually than in youth. The circulation becomes poor, the blood thins, the appetite fails and digestion weakens. Tanlac, the powerful reconstructive tonic, is the ideal strengthener for elderly people because it creates a good, healthy appetite, aids digestion, enriches the blood and in a natural way builds up, strengthens and invigorates feeble, run-down, nervous and aged people.

Tanlac is sold in Omaha by Sherman & McConnell Drug Company, corner 16th and Dodge streets; Owl Drug Co., 16th and Harney streets; Harvard Pharmacy, 24th and Farnam streets; Northeast corner 19th and Farnam streets, and West End Pharmacy, 49th and Dodge streets, under the personal direction of a special Tanlac representative.—Adv.

GIRLS Clear Your Skin Save Your Hair With Cuticura Soap, Ointment, and Cream. Sold everywhere.

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Is Omaha's Slogan

1,626 patriotic men and women, soliciting subscriptions for the Third Liberty Loan, will continue their good work this week.

Every Man and Woman in Omaha Will Have a Chance to Subscribe for a Bond

We bespeak for these hard-working solicitors the patient consideration of our people.

Nebraska Liberty Loan Committee