



AUSTRIANS READY TO STRIKE

VANDERLIP WITH WAR STAMP HEADS LAUDS OMAHA WAY

National Director of Sales of Stamps and Baby Bonds in City With Managers From Western States to Study How Nebraska So Successfully Disposed of Midget Securities.

State directors of war savings of all states west of the Mississippi with the exception of North and South Dakota and Minnesota, will meet in Omaha today at the direction of Frank A. Vanderlip, president of the National City bank of New York, to learn the system employed in Nebraska which has resulted in this state being the only one in the country to exceed the quota of \$20 per capita of the stamps.

STATE'S FINE SHOWING.

In the southwestern district, of which Nebraska is a member, one-third of the total sales in the country have been made and this territory is composed of only one-seventh of the population. Even in this district, where such a good showing has been made, Nebraska is the only state to go over the top.

Vanderlip Proud of State.

"I am certainly proud of Omaha and Nebraska," said Mr. Vanderlip, who arrived yesterday.

"The work that has been done here is more important than I think you people realize, for not only have you done what was asked of you but you have gone ahead and set a mark for the entire nation.

"The work done here is wonderful, a national service. We now have Mr. Burgess in the national work and hope that he will do for the nation what he has done for Nebraska. Again, I say, I am proud of your state."

Praise for Fleming.

Fred W. Fleming, federal director for the War Savings movement in the southwestern district, compliments Nebraska very highly on the work accomplished here.

"Nebraska has made a wonderful record," declared Mr. Fleming, "in all drives that have been staged. The people of the state should be very proud of the work done here and the chairman of the state committee, Ward Burgess, is also to be congratulated on the success of his plan. Directors of all states have something to learn from Nebraska."

Those of the directors who had arrived at noon Sunday were entertained at dinner at the Omaha club by Joseph Barker, city chairman of war savings.

Public Dinner Tonight.

A conference at which all of the directors will relate their individual experiences in the war savings campaign in their respective states and endeavor to decide upon a course of action which will increase the sales and be the means of forming more societies and established authorized sales agencies, will open at the Fontenelle at 10 o'clock this morning. This evening the visitors will be entertained at dinner at the Chamber of Commerce and this meeting will be open to the public. Those wishing to attend are requested to communicate with the office at the Chamber of Commerce at once. Women are also invited to attend.

Mr. Burgess, accompanied by Guy C. Kiddoo, assistant director of war savings, arrived in Omaha Sunday. With them were Frank A. Vanderlip, J. E. Kavanaugh, of the war savings federal section; Keith McCloud of the Treasury department and Federal Directors Fred Fleming, Kansas City; John F. Harris, New York; H. B. Riley, of the Mississippi valley district, and H. E. Benedict, executive secretary of the committee; Harry R. Tittle, Phoenix, Ariz.; John S. Drum, San Francisco; G. A. Davidson, Los Angeles; Robert W. Shingle, Honolulu; James H. Hawley, Boise, Ida.; Fred L. White, Reno, Nev.; C. S. Jackson, Portland; George T. Odell, Salt Lake City; Daniel Kelleher, Seattle; Moorehead Wright, Little Rock; John Evans, Denver; Peter W. Geobel, Kansas City; Festus J. Wade, St. Louis; Hallett Reynolds, East Las Vegas, N. M.; George W. Barnes, Muskogee, Okla.; Louis Lipsitz, Dallas; William C. Irvine, Cheyenne, Wyo.

The Weather

For Nebraska—Generally fair and cooler Monday, except probably showers in extreme east portion; Tuesday fair and cooler.

Table with 2 columns: Hour, Temperature. Includes data for 5 a.m., 6 a.m., 7 a.m., 8 a.m., 9 a.m., 10 a.m., 11 a.m., 12 p.m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m., 3 p.m., 4 p.m., 5 p.m., 6 p.m., 7 p.m., 8 p.m., 9 p.m., 10 p.m., 11 p.m.

Table with 2 columns: Comparative Local Record. Includes data for 1918, 1917, 1916, 1915, 1914, 1913, 1912, 1911, 1910, 1909, 1908, 1907, 1906, 1905, 1904, 1903, 1902, 1901, 1900, 1899, 1898, 1897, 1896, 1895, 1894, 1893, 1892, 1891, 1890, 1889, 1888, 1887, 1886, 1885, 1884, 1883, 1882, 1881, 1880.

New Lord Lieutenant of Ireland Named



SIR JOHN FRENCH.

London, May 5.—Field Marshal Viscount French has been appointed Lord Lieutenant of Ireland. Official announcement of the appointment of Field Marshal French as Lord Lieutenant and of Edward Shortt, member of the House of Commons for Newcastle-On-Tyne, as chief secretary for Ireland, was issued tonight.

Field Marshal Viscount French, was commander-in-chief of the British expeditionary forces in France and Belgium at the outbreak of the war, in August, 1914, until the end of 1915. In January, 1916, he was appointed commander-in-chief of the home forces. He is a knight of the Most Illustrious Order of St. Patrick.

VATICAN DENIES POPE WILL MAKE NEW PEACE MOVE

Rome, May 5.—No favorable occasion for a further peace move by Pope Benedict has presented itself, nor does one seem near, it was stated at the Vatican today when inquiry was made there regarding the report that his holiness would make a new peace offer on Whitsunday.

BRITISH REPULSE ATTACKS AGAINST FLANDERS FRONT

Allies Advance Their Positions 500 Yards in Successful Operation Between Locre and Drancourt.

(By Associated Press.)

London, May 5.—German troops this morning attacked the new positions gained by the British Friday night on the Flanders battle front. They were repulsed, the war office announces, the British line remaining intact.

Allied Lines Advanced.

British Headquarters in France, May 5.—(Via Ottawa).—French and British forces, in the course of a successful operation between Locre and Drancourt, advanced their positions on a thousand yard front to an average depth of 500 yards. The British took 48 prisoners and the French 32. The enemy was driven from two or three ruined farms and the allies took some high ground near Koutok. The French, continuing their operation, carried some strongly held buildings in the neighboring sector. All the enemy efforts were broken up with considerable loss.

These local successes are of distinct value, strengthening the allied defenses of the approach to Scherpenberg and Mont Ronze.

There is little doubt but that the new German tanks are proving a disappointment, developing various defects in actual service. Their ponderous weight makes maneuvering over bad ground difficult. Generally, they are much inferior to those of the British.

THIRD U. S. LOAN BEST FLOATED BY ANY NATION

Bonds for Total Which May Reach \$4,000,000,000 Distributed Among 17,000,000 Persons, or One-Sixth of Population; "Keep Your Liberty Bonds," Slogan Now Proposed by Secretary McAdoo.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, May 5.—Analysis of Liberty loan reports today showed that probably 17,000,000 persons bought bonds in the campaign which closed last midnight—7,000,000 more than in the second loan and 12,500,000 more than in the first.

Latest tabulations showed \$3,316,628,250, reported subscriptions, but the treasury believes the actual total, which may run to \$4,000,000,000, will not be definitely known until May 13.

"Whatever the money total," said a treasury statement tonight, "the loan just closed probably is the most successful ever floated by any nation. The marvelous distribution of the third Liberty loan indicates that one out of every six persons in the United States may have participated in the loan."

Banks' resources, it was pointed out, have been drawn on comparatively little and the prospects for future loans are brighter as a consequence. An added reason for jubilation is the indication that the government bond buying habit is becoming stronger among people of small means.

The table of subscribers is as follows: New York districts, 4,000,000; Chicago, 2,498,000; Cleveland, 1,561,979; Philadelphia, 1,200,000; Boston, 1,200,000; San Francisco, 1,000,000; Atlanta, 1,000,000; Minneapolis, 1,000,000; Kansas City, 900,000; Richmond, 900,000; St. Louis, 866,342; Dallas, 850,000.

Secretary McAdoo gave out a statement, urging everyone to keep the bonds.

From Kansas City came the report that the district showed an official total of subscriptions on Saturday afternoon of \$170,221,250, which amounted to 131 per cent of the district's quota.

U. S. CUTS SUGAR ALLOWANCE TO CANDY MAKERS

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, May 5.—Manufacturers using sugar except to make essential food products will be put on strict rations, the food administration announced today, in order to assure sufficient supplies for home canners and the commercial manufacturers of preserves, jams and other foodstuffs regarded as essential.

Under the restrictions, which become effective May 15, manufacturers of non-essentials, particularly confectionary and soft drinks, will be allowed to use only 80 per cent of last year's requirements. Distribution will be under a certificate system which the food administration believes will assure elimination of fictitious demands.

Makers of non-edible products will be forced to go entirely without sugar.

AMERICAN GUNS NEAR TOUL DRIVE HUNS OUT OF TRENCH THEY PILFERED

Supposed Plan of Germans for Another Attack in Strong Force Smothered by Quick Action by Artillery; U. S. Patrol Penetrates Enemy's Lines 300 Yards in Successful Raid.

(By Associated Press.)

With the American Army in France, May 5.—The Germans today again attempted to occupy one of the former American trenches in the Bois Brule, west of Apremont, in the Toul sector, which was the scene of the fighting April 10 and 12.

Soon after midnight, the American patrols discovered that the Germans had crept into the position with a large number of machine guns and tools, apparently intending to consolidate the trenches with the German system.

ARTILLERY ACTS QUICKLY.

The American artillery went into action quickly, sweeping a high explosive barrage back and forth across the newly occupied ground. The guns rained steel on the Germans until nearly daylight, and when the patrols went out to investigate, they found not a single enemy. Some material, however, had been left behind.

There appeared to be reason for believing that the Germans were discovered, that another attack on the Americans was about to be launched, probably to cover the consolidation effort, but only quick action by the artillery smothered the plan. The Germans seem determined to carry out their designs against this position and it is not unlikely that more sharp fighting will be seen here, for it is valuable to the enemy, although not very valuable to the Americans because of the nature of the terrain.

Greater Omaha tomorrow will choose seven of 14 candidates to govern the city for the next three years.

This will be the third election under the city commission form of government and the first in which the consolidated city as now embraced will have participated.

Up to the last week the campaign was characterized by unusual apathy, but during the closing days the opposing forces let loose various forms of assaults and counter-assaults, until some real feeling has been engendered.

Mayor Hahlman of the "Jim Dahlman ticket," and Ed P. Smith, spokesman for the "allied candidates," have been the storm centers. The mayor drew fire when he hurled the exemption board charges against Smith, reverberations of which reached as far as Lincoln and back again.

Zimman Men Active.

The campaign which closes today has been marked by all sorts of surreptitious activities, some of which already have started reactions. The guerrilla attacks upon Harry B. Zimman during the last week, have stirred his friends to a determination to rally behind him. The so-called self-appointed "good government committee," comprising C. E. Cobey, W. T. Graham, A. F. Ernst, A. C. Brusk and Elmer E. Thomas, at least one of whom is among the endeavorers of the six allied candidates, are omitting Zimman by design. Circulars distributed yesterday in churches by this committee state: "Vote for these five; no more."

In similar manner, Francis A. Brogan is in an incongruous situation with letting his name be attached to two conflicting endorsements. He is listed as a member of the campaign committee of "The Voters' League," supporting the six allied candidates, which includes Harry B. Zimman. He has now sent broadcast a lot of circular letters professing to feel his patriotic duty to submit a slate of six candidates, of whom five are in his first endorsement but the sixth is Walter S. Jardine, in place of Zimman. Brogan is said to be acting for a business men's association group.

"Dirty politics," say the Zimman boosters and the other allied candidates are equally outspoken in resentment.

The vote-for-five-only "good government" ticket is traced to the Omaha Church federation, in conjunction with the Douglas County Dry League. These organizations insist voters should vote only for five and only for their five, although the spirit of the commission form of government is to vote for seven, and intelligent voters intend to vote for seven.

All political wisecracks agree that slates will be smashed without exception.

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Ship Ready to Launch In Less Than One Month After Laying of Keel

Washington, May 5.—What is declared to be a new world's record for ship building will be established tomorrow in the launching of the 5,500-ton steel collier Tuckahoe at the plant of the New York Ship Building company, Camden, N. J., less than one month from the time the keel was laid.

If the ship goes into the water at 10:30 a. m., as planned, it will mean that in 27 days, two hours and 50 minutes, a vessel has been added to the American merchant marine, practically complete in every detail.

Completion of the vessel in so short a time is regarded by shipping board officials as one of the most remarkable industrial achievements in history.

ATTACK IN ITALY MAY BE LAUNCHED WITHIN FEW DAYS

Vast Bodies of Men Taken From Other Zones for Another Attempt to Break Through to Plains of Venetia; Emperor Charles Reaches Front With High Military Officers.

(By Associated Press.)

Geneva, Switzerland, May 5.—It is officially announced from Vienna that Emperor Charles, the chief of the Austrian staff, and several high German and Austrian officers reached the Italian front yesterday.

This, with the considerable movements of troops in the Tyrol and Trentino reported from the interior, is interpreted to mean that the long predicted offensive on the Italian front soon will be begun.

BLOW FORESEEN.

Over the battle lines along the Piave river and in the mountainous region in northern Italy, where the allied forces have been holding their positions since last November after the great Italian retreat from the Isonzo, there is increased tension and the long-threatened blow at this front may be launched by the Teutonic allies within a few days.

It is believed that it will not be long before the central powers will make another attempt to reach the plains of Venetia, break through the allies' lines and seek to bring about a decisive combat in that theatre of the war.

Vast Force Gathered. The great movement of troops in Tyrol and Trentino would seem to indicate that vast bodies of men are being taken from other fronts to be hurled at the Italian positions.

The blow, it is believed, will fall somewhere in the mountainous section of the front, probably in the Lagarino and Astico valleys. These sectors face the north, and, if broken, would permit the foe to penetrate into the lower foothills of the mountains, or even reach the plains.

If this should occur, the armies along the Piave river would be compelled to fall back, probably as far as the Adige river. This would entail the loss of Venice and a vast expanse of country to the enemy.

Forced by Political Conditions. The decision to launch an offensive of grand proportions in Italy was doubtless forced by political and economic conditions prevailing in Austria. An offensive campaign that yields gains of ground might serve to still the elements which are seething throughout the dual empire and would postpone the day of reckoning that seems in store for the rulers of Austria.

German domination of Austria is becoming more complete as time goes on. Tyrol and Bohemia have been annexed for food administration purposes to Germany, but this move in the great game of statecraft has served only to deepen the chasm between the racial factions of Austria.

Both occupants of the basket stayed with the bag until it had descended to safety.

The cause of the accident was a broken splice in the cable. The huge bag had descended from a normal height, and was brought down within 15 feet of the ground and held in tow by a balloon company in charge of Lieutenant Ferguson, when something went wrong with the wench. A splice in the cable struck the heavy roll of wound cable, causing the steel guy wire to break.

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Cowell Says No Reason Why Zimman Should Not Be Elected

To the Editor of The Bee: We have had some lively campaigning during the last week, and as a result I feel sure the people of Omaha will use intelligent judgment in the selection of those who are to serve them as commissioners for the next three years. On the one side the "ins," who are veterans at the game, have been very aggressive, but for some unexplainable reason they have left off their slate one of their number. I wonder why?

The opposition presents a very strong ticket which, if elected, will go far toward giving, in my judgment, the best commission that Omaha has ever had. There is one vacancy on this ticket and from the candidates presented the voters will have no difficulty in selecting a good man to make the ticket complete. I am not overaggressive participation in politics, and my only reason for writing this letter is interest in a former employe whom I have known from boyhood, and of whose honesty, fitness and integrity I have no doubt.

I refer to Harry B. Zimman. The opposition, as far as I have seen, has at no time questioned his ability or fitness. In some quarters there are objections, and I have taken some pains to analyze these as they have come to me. It was mentioned to me that several who had been his friends are now opposing him, and that if I inquired they would give me reasons which would convince me that he should not receive my support. I have investigated and every man whose name was mentioned, who was his friend, and who was said to be opposing him now, I find is still his friend and is still supporting him. It has been suggested that he is not asking that the city should buy the electric light plant, because his brother is employed by that company. People seem to forget that the supreme court of the United States has decreed that this company has a perpetual franchise.

Harry Zimman must bow to that decree as well as the rest of us. If it is thought best and in the interest of the city to establish a competitive plant, Zimman will, I am sure, support the movement.

Someone has suggested that a wing connected with the allied movement has orphaned Harry and is leaving his name off the allied ticket. I hope this will not occur, for such a movement would tend to imperil the election of the other splendid candidates on the allied ticket.

Harry Zimman has hundreds of staunch friends, who are apt to resent unfair or bigoted action, and so I trust that those who claim to be interested in efficiency and good government will not allow their prejudices to so influence them as to make the success of the movement impossible.

As far as I have investigated not one single good and valid reason has been advanced why Harry B. Zimman should not be elected and so I earnestly commend him to the voters, and feel sure that those who put an X opposite his name will have no regrets.

ROBERT COWELL.

BERLIN PAPERS ATTACK GERMAN POLICY IN EAST

Amsterdam, May 5.—In the course of a sharp criticism in connection with recent events in Ukraine the Vorwarts of Berlin states that affairs in the east are in a deplorable condition. "The peace concluded there has become a peace calculated to scare away opponents still at war with us," the newspaper says.

It was agreed with Russia that Estonia and Livonia would remain under its sovereignty, "the Vorwarts continues, "and three weeks later a personal union of these countries with Prussia was benevolently considered. We see only enormous political damage being done Ukraine and not a morsel of bread to be supplied Germany from that country."

The Berlin Tageblatt says: "We cannot deny that we have not succeeded in winning the affection of the population under our military rule of Lithuania, nor to speak of Poland. It is precisely the same in Ukraine. Even optimists may see that the eastern structure stands on a very unstable foundation. It was always clear that Ukraine at the earliest possible moment would seek union with Russia."

"Sturmpanzerkraftwagen," Is German Name for War Tanks

Paris, May 5.—The war correspondent at the front for the Temps writes: "Some one asked me recently what the Germans called their tanks. I was compelled to confess ignorance. A document found since, however, shows that the German for tank is 'sturmpanzerkraftwagen.'"

Anna Held Rallies After Blood Transfusion Operation

New York, May 5.—Miss Anna Held, the actress, who is critically ill with anemia, today underwent an operation for transfusion of blood, which had an immediate good effect.

Ernest Lane, a motor truck driver, volunteered to give his blood to save her life.