

LEAGUE DODGES STATE SEDITION LAW VIOLATION

Paper Circulated by Nonpartisan Organization Among Nebraska Germans Was Printed in St. Paul.

Lincoln, May 15.—(Special Telegram.)—The Nonpartisan league, in printing German language literature and distributing it in Nebraska, seems to have sidestepped a technical violation of the new state sedition law, owing to the fact that the paper was printed in St. Paul, Minn., and brought into the state.

The paper has been circulated among its members, who are of German descent and who have little knowledge of the English language. The State Council of Defense has just received a copy of the publication. The league did not furnish it.

Sedition Law Provisions. Under the sedition law copies of all foreign language literature must be filed with the state council, but this section of the law applies only to such papers as are printed in Nebraska.

The headline of the principal article in the Towley organ is "Bill Dech und die Farmer Alliance." It relates to the former populist leader of Nebraska, who, it is claimed, is now identified with the Nonpartisan league.

The paper contains 24 pages, of which 15 are printed in German.

SCHUYLER FIRE SPREADS TO CARS; BURNS ELEVATOR

Fremont, Neb., May 15.—(Special Telegram.)—The elevator of the Farmers Elevator company at Schuyler was destroyed by fire today. Over 2,000 bushels of grain was destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$25,000, with partial insurance. Sparks from a locomotive is supposed to have been the cause.

A carload of alcohol in a Union Pacific freight train exploded at Mercer about 2 o'clock this morning, the fire spreading to a carload of wine and one of hemp, all three being destroyed. The damage is estimated at thousands of dollars. Traffic on the eastbound main line was held up for nearly four hours.

Three Congregations Unite At Kearney for War Period

Kearney, Neb., May 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Congregations of the Baptist, Presbyterian and Congregational churches of Kearney have united into one church, to be known as the Church of America, and to remain organized until after the war. The teachings will be nonsectarian. Other churches of the city have been asked to join them. The County Board of Supervisors took up the matter of furnishing uniforms and guns for the home guard organizations of Buffalo county, and acted favorably. Home guards are organized in Gibson, Anker, Ravenna, Pleasanton and Elm Creek. These men will all be furnished uniforms and rifles at expense of the county.

Dodge Precinct Meetings For Red Cross Begin Friday

Fremont, Neb., May 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Plans have been completed for meetings in the precincts of the county Friday evening, when the Red Cross drive will be launched. It is the intention of the local committee to complete the campaign within 10 days. Dodge county's quota is \$25,000, approximately \$1 for each man, woman and child. Dodge county raised \$42,000 in the last Red Cross drive. A squad of Fremont home guards will go to Snyder Thursday to take part in the Liberty loan flag raising and attend the Red Cross sale.

Home Guard Is Organized At Genoa With 100 Members

Genoa, Neb., May 15.—(Special Telegram.)—At a rousing patriotic meeting at the town hall last night a home guard organization was perfected. A string band concert preceded the meeting. Addresses were delivered by Rev. Dr. Hiller, Captain Kramer, Lieutenant Frame and Sergeant Hole of the Fullerton guards. Over 100 took the oath of enlistment. Chairman, G. F. Rose; secretary, Alfred Mollen; G. F. Rose; Walter Kerner; first lieutenant, C. L. Abbott; second lieutenant, G. F. Rose.

Chadron Court Refuses To Call Jurors From Farms

Chadron, Neb., May 15.—(Special Telegram.)—District court is in session today. Judge W. H. Westover of Rushville presiding, with J. D. Scott, reporter. One criminal case on the docket was continued. There were 59 civil cases, the smallest docket ever printed in Dawes county.

Madison Man Promoted.

Madison, Neb., May 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Otis Taylor, son of W. E. Taylor of Madison, has been commissioned first lieutenant in the quartermaster's department. Mr. Taylor has been located in the quartermaster's department in London since October, 1917, having enlisted in the American army from there.

Papillion School Closes.

Papillion, Neb., May 15.—(Special Telegram.)—The commencement exercises of the Papillion High school will be held Friday evening in the park. Rev. Tins Low of Omaha will deliver an address on "The Trenches in France." Proceeding the address there will be a concert by the 41st Infantry band of Fort Crook.

Obituary Notes

J. R. McCULLOUGH, veteran of the civil war, died at Missouri Valley, Ia., following a short illness of bronchial pneumonia. MRS. MORTON MACKINNON, aged 29, died at her home near California Junction. She is survived by her husband and four children. W. J. SWANSON, 64 years old, farmer living formerly near Red Oak, Ia., died here Tuesday night. A brother, Albert Swanson, sole survivor, lives in Oakland, Neb., where the body will be taken for burial.

HENRY M. WEEKS IS NEW PYTHIAN HEAD

Fremont Meeting Creates Office of Deputy Grand Chancellor, With Salary of \$2,000.

Fremont, Neb., May 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Henry M. Weeks of Fremont, past grand representative, was advanced to the grand chancellorship of the Knights of Pythias at the closing session of the convention today. Other officers named are: Grand vice chancellor, William J. Hapke, Wahoo; grand prelate, J. B. Lachapelle, Ashland; grand keeper of records and seals, Will H. Love, Lincoln; grand master of executive, John B. Wright, Lincoln; grand master-at-arms, D. J. O'Brien, McCook; grand inner guard, C. H. Pideril, Ravenna; grand outer guard, Wiley Riddell, Hickman; grand trustee, Karl Cramer, Columbus.

New Office Created. The office of deputy grand chancellor was created, the position to carry a salary of \$2,000 and traveling expenses. This officer will be appointed by the board of trustees, grand chancellor and grand keepers of the record and seals. His duties will be to represent the lodge in the field.

Memorial services were held during the afternoon for 56 members who died during the year. Of this number 17 were past grand chancellors.

Pythian Sisters Elect. The following officers were elected by the Pythian Sisters: Grand chief, Mrs. Anna Barbour, Fullerton; grand senior, Mrs. Nona Lantz, Hastings; grand junior, Mrs. Eugenia Day, McCook; grand manager, Mrs. Carris Yarnan, Central City; grand mistress of records and correspondence, Mrs. Stella Dudley, Lincoln; grand mistress of finance, Mrs. Druzella Pedder, Loup City; grand protector, Mrs. Louise Medella, Crete; grand outer guard, Mrs. Georgia Sands, Fremont. The sisters held memorial services this afternoon for six departed members.

York was chosen for the meeting place in 1919. The invitation of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce for the grand lodge to come there for its 1919 convention was received too late for action.

FARMERS GIVEN 10 DAYS TO PUT WHEAT ON MARKET

Notice that unless their wheat was marketed within 10 days it will be requisitioned was served on 22 Nebraska farmers in the southern part of the state yesterday by E. M. Fairfield, director of enforcement, federal food administration for Nebraska.

Most of those reported live in Harlan county. Arrangements were made yesterday for marketing 4,000 bushels, held by a Harlan county farmer. Those upon whom notices were served were: Mrs. Susan Peterson, C. Edward Peterson, Andrew Johnson, C. O. Zimmerman, Holdrege; H. McArthur, Atlanta; Emil Sjogren, Holdrege; W. H. Hodge, Orleans; A. S. Murray, Atlanta; John Dankers, Stamford; C. J. Schmalken and E. Tegiman, Stamford; Mrs. Anna Schmidt, D. H. Dietz, Frank Vahle, Herman Lubeck and Lewis Gehrig, Orleans.

Prof. Pugsley Joins Staff Of Nebraska Farm Paper

Lincoln, May 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Prof. C. W. Pugsley, for the last seven years director of the extension department of the Nebraska university, has resigned and in the future will be connected with the editorial staff of the Nebraska Farmer, which is owned by S. R. McKelvie. The Board of Regents, at a special meeting, accepted the resignation and elected C. F. Gunnels, now leader of county agents working under the same department, to succeed Prof. Pugsley.

In 1913 Prof. Pugsley was a United States delegate to the International Institute of Agriculture at Rome. The same year he was Nebraska member of the American commission investigating agricultural credits and marketing systems in Europe.

Royal School Closes.

Royal, Neb., May 15.—(Special Telegram.)—The Royal school closes in splendid condition. The baccalaureate sermon was preached by Rev. E. M. Furman. The commencement exercises will be held Thursday evening at 8:30 o'clock at the Royal theater. Prof. A. V. Teed of the Wayne State Normal will deliver the address. The superintendent, James M. McDonald, will make the diploma presentation speech.

Soldier in Red Cross Drive.

York, Neb., May 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Private H. W. Carleton of the Canadian army, touring the county in the interest of the Red Cross, spoke today at Waco, Thayer, Gresham, Benedict and Bradshaw. He speaks tomorrow at Henderson, Lushon, McCook and at York in the afternoon. Mr. Carleton lost a leg in the battle of the Somme.

United States Marshal Weds.

Fremont, Neb., May 15.—(Special Telegram.)—William Hickey, for eight years sheriff of Yankton, S. D., recently appointed United States marshal with headquarters at Sioux Falls, and Miss Sadie Brownlow, county superintendent of Tripp county, South Dakota, were married at St. Patrick's Catholic church here.

Thayer County Over Top.

Hebron, Neb., May 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Thayer county people of German descent are now fully awake to America's war needs. At an enthusiastic meeting in the Friedensburg public school, the precinct went over the top in its Red Cross quota—one week before the opening of the big drive.

Navy Recruit Weds.

Fremont, Neb., May 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Otto C. Hansen of Nickerson, who enlisted in the navy and will leave in two weeks for the Great Lakes training station, was married to Miss Margaret Seipp of Columbus at the Salem Lutheran church here.

Ruskin Forms Home Guard.

Ruskin, Neb., May 15.—(Special Telegram.)—At a meeting of the citizens of Ruskin, a home guard was organized with a muster roll of 133 men.

500 WOMEN HERE AT EASTERN STAR ANNUAL SESSION

State Delegates Hear Reports at Morning Session, With Election of Officers in Afternoon.

Various committees of the Order of the Eastern Star filed their reports Wednesday at the 43d annual state convention in session at the Masonic temple. A count of delegates from Nebraska, including visiting delegates from other states, showed an attendance of 500. The reports of the committees were encouraging from both financial and membership standpoints.

Mrs. Marie Hoffman, Havelock, associate grand matron, was unable to attend the convention.

Election of officers for the ensuing term was held Wednesday afternoon. The following have been elected: Mrs. Carrie M. Spellman of Beatrice, grand matron; Mrs. Stella Yont of Brook, associate grand matron; Miss Rose M. Owens of Omaha, re-elected secretary; Mrs. Lou A. Conklin of Hubbell, re-elected treasurer; Oliver E. Mickey of Osceola, grand patron; Mrs. Anna Davis of Alliance, grand conductress; Alfred Powell of St. Edward, associate grand patron. Associate grand conductress will be elected Thursday morning and other unfinished business will be completed at that time. The convention will close Thursday noon.

LOVER OF KAISER TO BE INTERNED DURING THE WAR

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

Lincoln, May 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Federal District Attorney T. S. Allen has recommended to the Department of Justice that Gustav Steinbring, a German alien who is being held in the Omaha jail, be permanently interned for the period of the war.

Steinbring broke up a patriotic rally near Stanton several weeks ago, when he interrupted food conservation speakers and began to take issue with them on various points they had brought out.

The prisoner is alleged to have asked the Hoover representatives what good was derived from saving food and shipping it across the water and have it sunk by submarines. Steinbring is also charged with having expressed preference for the kaiser over America. He said he had worked for the kaiser three years and would rather work for the German emperor than Wilson.

Building and Loan State League Meets at Beatrice

Beatrice, Neb., May 15.—(Special Telegram.)—The 27th annual meeting of the State League of Building and Loan associations convened in the Commercial club rooms here with President Snavely of Lincoln in the chair. Honorable K. V. Haymaker of Detroit gave a brief address on the work of the state and national leagues. W. R. Adair of Omaha was elected president, E. L. Hevelone of Beatrice, vice president, and J. J. Fitzgerald of Omaha, secretary-treasurer. Associations with assets amounting to \$42,000,000 were represented at the meeting. The next meeting will be held in Omaha.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Beatrice Building and Loan association held their annual meeting and elected Dr. C. P. Fall, president. A Camp Cody, N. M., telegram states that First Lieutenant Harry Austin of Company C of this city, had been commissioned captain, which company is now a part of the 134th infantry. It is understood that C. L. Brewster, who has been captain of the company, has been commissioned a major.

The Virginia High school commencement exercises will be held Thursday evening, when a class of four, consisting of L. R. Lemons, Wilber L. Woodbridge and George R. Hale, will be graduated. The local exemption board announced the names of the next draft contingent of 60 men from Gage county who will leave for Camp Dodge, Ia., May 25.

Our Boys at the Front

Our boys are distinguishing themselves by their cleanliness and jovial spirits while at the front. They believe that "Cleanliness is next to Godliness." It is an indisputable fact that people can keep healthy and well in no better way than by keeping their bodies clean, inside and out. Many thousands of people are killed every year by allowing toxic poisons to accumulate within the body, and then they fall victims to fevers and all sorts of maladies with special names. The only way to keep thoroughly well is to drink plenty of water daily, bathe frequently, and take some good laxative like Doctor Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. Cleanse the system inside as well as outside. These "Pellets" of Doctor Pierce's are made of May-apple,



Our Boys at the Front

leaves of aloe and jalap. They are sugar-coated, tiny pills, and easy to take. No one should be without them, and it is most beneficial if "Pellets" are taken at least once a week to clear out the intestines. By reason of the toxins, or poisons, bred in the intestines these poisonous bacteria are sent all through the blood channels and the victim feels tired, sleepy and headachy, or the brain doesn't work as usual. Sometimes the breath is offensive. Pimples or boils break out on the face or neck. This is a danger signal which should warn you that it is time to go to the nearest drug store and obtain a twenty-five-cent vial of Doctor Pierce's Pleasant Pellets, the best known liver pill for half a century past. They are standard and efficacious.

KNIGHTS COLUMBUS TO MEET IN OMAHA

George F. Corcoran of York Is Re-elected State Deputy at Grand Island Meeting.

Grand Island, Neb., May 15.—(Special Telegram.)—The Knights of Columbus concluded their state session and voted the next state gathering to be held at Omaha.

George F. Corcoran of York was re-elected state deputy. Rev. L. A. Dunphy of Sutton, state chaplain; Francis P. Matthews of Omaha, state secretary; James F. Burke of Sutton, state treasurer; John H. Barry of Wahio, state advocate; M. E. Ruddy of Albion, state warden. The executive committee, of which Judge Corcoran is chairman, was re-elected.

A tax of 10 cents per capita was voted to help furnish the clubrooms at Kearney for the use of the Catholic Students' association at the state Normal. A resolution introduced early in the session providing for expulsion from the order of unpatriotic members was adopted.

Grand Island Grain House Burns, Causing \$3,000 Loss

Grand Island, Neb., May 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Fire late this afternoon, during a high wind, destroyed a storage house occupied by A. D. Sears, grain dealer, and partly destroyed several small residences adjacent thereto. The loss is roughly estimated at \$3,000.

The new Union Pacific depot was formally opened tonight with a Red Cross dance. The building, listed by the company at \$150,000, provides much larger and more sanitary accommodations to the public. The last ticket selling took place in the old building tonight after the ball. Several Union Pacific officials from Omaha were present.

Taylor Makes Grave Charges Against "Brother Charlie"

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

Lincoln, May 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Representative W. J. Taylor of Custer county, in a letter to State Treasurer Hall, declares that Charles W. Bryan owns stock in Fire Commissioner Ridgell's potato company and was instrumental during the special session of the legislature in getting the school land leasing bill passed with a validation clause attached to it. Taylor also charges that Lieutenant Governor Howard referred the bill to the wrong committee in the senate and thereby gave its supporters an undue advantage.

Roy M. Harrop of Omaha Files for R. R. Commissioner

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

Lincoln, May 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Roy M. Harrop of Omaha has filed on the democratic ticket as a candidate for railway commissioner. He has sent the secretary of state a voters' petition, his own acceptance and a receipt showing that the \$10 fee had been paid. James C. Dahlin, Dan B. Butler, P. J. McGuire, Fred Eltsinger, E. E. E. Ridgeway and John H. Grossman are among the signers to the petition.

Three Candidates in Field For Presbyterian Moderator

Columbus, O., May 15.—Election of a new moderator at the opening here tomorrow of a ten-day session of the general assembly of the Presbyterian church north, today assumed the nature of a three-cornered contest, when Dr. J. H. Vance of Detroit announced his candidacy for the highest position in the church. Other candidates are Dr. J. Frank Smith, of Dallas, Tex., and Dr. W. C. Covert, of Chicago.

An organic union of all evangelical churches of the country under the name "The Church of America," promises to be one of the most important overtures presented to the assembly.

Fourth Series of Training Camps for Officers Opened

Washington, May 15.—The fourth series of training camps for reserve officers opened today for a 14 weeks course with an estimated attendance of between 12,000 and 15,000 students. If the expectations of the officers in charge are borne out, the latest camps will add almost 10,000 men to the army's commissioned list and will raise to 67,000 the total number of officers obtained from this source. Twenty-four camps were opened, the attendance at each ranging from 600 to 1,200 men.

ANNUAL SYNOD HEARS BISHOP IN WAR SPEECH

More Than 100 Clergymen and Lay Members Attend Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Nebraska.

More than 100 clergymen and laymen were present Wednesday at the opening session of the annual synod of the Episcopal diocese of eastern Nebraska at the Trinity cathedral. Bishop A. L. Williams of the Trinity cathedral and bishop of the diocese presided and delivered the principal address of the day.

Bishop Williams spoke on "The War and Our Duty as Churchmen." "This semi-centennial observance finds us as a nation facing the most serious and critical period in the history of the world," Bishop Williams said. "War, bloody, ruthless war, such as the world has never known is raging with unabated fury in lands overseas. At last we are beginning to realize our place and part in the conflict, helping as we must with every resource at our command to settle those issues for which this nation and her allies are contending.

Liberties at Stake. The very existence of our liberties and our faith are at stake, and the whole-hearted support of those in au-

SUGAR SMUGGLED INTO MEXICO IN WOMEN'S BUSTLES

El Paso, Tex., May 10.—Gun runners, ammunition smugglers, bootleggers and other border law breakers who thrive upon the illicit traffic between countries characteristic of all borders have turned their attention to smuggling sugar into Mexico. It is easy to carry across, does not spoil and can always be disposed of at a high price once it is over the border. The smugglers match their wits against those of the government's keenest secret service men, taking their winnings in American gold and their losses in the federal penitentiaries.

Although bustles went out of style many years ago the wearing of them has been revived by the sugar smugglers. The Mexican women of ample girth wear the rude canvas bustles more for revenue than for style. Concealed in the pockets of these bustles are pounds and pounds of sugar. Mexican women confederates of the smugglers fasten these cumbersome affairs about their waists under their dress shirts and walk or ride across the international bridge, until some curious inspector discovers the ruse and stops the practice by placing the smuggler in jail.

Elevator Fire at Beatrice Entails Damage of \$8,000

Beatrice, Neb., May 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Fire of unknown origin last evening destroyed the elevator of the Farmers Grain, Lumber & Coal company at Wymore. One car of oats and 500 bushels of corn was destroyed. The firemen succeeded in saving the coal sheds of the company. The loss is placed at about \$8,000, partly covered by insurance.

New Postmasters in Wyoming

Washington, May 15.—(Special Telegram.)—Wyoming postmasters were appointed as follows: Echeta, Campbell county; Lawrence A. Hunter, vice E. J. Washnisky, resigned; Gobo, Hot Springs county; John N. Kirby, vice Robert J. Houston, resigned.

Benson & Thorne "The Store of Individual Shops" Thursday---A Sale of 55 Shepherd Checked Suits \$19.75 at 19... Heretofore Priced up to \$39.50

AMUSEMENTS. PHOTOPLAYS. PHOTOPLAYS. LILLIAN KINGSBURY & CO. Present Dramatic Sketch "THE COWARD" SILBER & NORTH "BASHFOOLERY" Comedy Skit With Songs HOWE & BARLOW Comedy Novelty Acrobatic Act WALTERS & HASTINGS The Entertaining Duo "OUR ALLIES—THE TANKS" Official Government Pictures, Showing Tanks in Action With American Army. NEW IRON WAR MONSTERS Going "Over THE TOP" 3 Days, Starting Today HAROLD LOCKWOOD "THE LANDLOPER" Colorful Story of Romance and Adventure

TODAY BRANDEIS ALL WEEK THEATRE Twice Daily. MATTINEE, 2:30 EVENING, 8:30 JAMES W. GERARDS. MY FOUR YEARS IN GERMANY IT IS YOUR DUTY TO SEE IT Daily Matinees, 2:30 and 5:00. Evenings, Balcony, 2:30 and 5:00. Orchestra, 5:00 and 7:50. Boxes \$10.00 BUY TICKETS IN ADVANCE AND AVOID THE BIG LINE.

Orpheum "Camouflage" Foster Ball; Will Oakland & Co.; The Stantons; Allan Shaw; Regal & Bender; Three Weber Girls; Orpheum Travel Weekly.

Francis Ford's First Production Berlin Via America Berlin or Bust BOYD At the Boyd Theater today and the rest of the week. Continuous show from 1 p. m. until 11 p. m. Admission 25 cents.

BASE BALL OMAHA VS. ST. JOSEPH May 14, 15, 16 Rourke Park Games Called 3:15 PHOTOPLAYS.

Hipp ALWAYS A GOOD SHOW 1508 Harvey Today Only LILLIAN WEST in "Pride and the Devil"

MUSE ALICE BRADY IN "At the Mercy of Men" AND CHARLIE CHAPLIN IN "THE CURE"

LOTHROP 24th and Lothrop Today—ALICE BRADY in "THE KNIFE"

SUBURBAN 24th and Ames Today—ANN PENNINGTON in "SUNSHINE NAN"

HAMILTON 40th and Hamilton Today—WILLIAM FOX KIDDIES in "TREASURE ISLAND"

Strand 15th & DOUGLAS Presents ELSIE FERGUSON in The SONG OF SONGS

SUN Last Times Today DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS in "Manhattan Madness" Friday Mary Miles Minter