OMAHA STRIDES AHEAD AS GREAT GRAIN MARKET

Gate City Runs Neck-and-Neck With Kansas City as Second Largest Center in World.

Omaha has hit its gait as a primary grain market, and if gains continue as they have in the last few years, grain men predict that it will not be long until it will lead the country.

While the figures on receipts of other grain markets are not available for the first six months of this year it is asserted that Omaha has passed all except Chicago and that it is running neck and neck with Kansas City, Minneapolis, St. Louis, peoria, Duluth, Winnepeg and the other market towns have been distanced.

Considering that the Omaha grain market has been in existence only 15 years, its record is regarded as marvelous, not only by members of the Omaha grain exchange, but by grain men the country over.

It is said that its importance as a grain market is largely due to the fact that the city is close to the center of the richest grain producing area in the world. In addition to this, it is asserted that Omaha grain dealers and commission men have established a reputation for fairness and honesty that has gone far and near and brought millions of dollars worth of business to their respective houses.

Railroad Center.

Added to all this is the fact that Omaha is the railroad center of the central portion of the United States, trunk lines radiating out in every direction, connecting with the seaboard, the mines, the forests and the manufacturing districts.

Besides, Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas and South Dakota, from which states Omaha draws the bulk of its grains are all rich in agricultural wealth and are regarded as constituting the bread basket of the world.

The half year's business of the Omaha grain exchange closed with June 29 and according to the books of Secretary Manchester, the total grain receipts for the six months aggregated 47,937,700 bushels. This is far in excess of any previous corresponding period and indicates that if the crops of this year, now growing in Omaha trade territory are as bountiful as they give promise of being, this year with the Omaha grain market will be a record breaker.

Story in Figures.

Figures never lie and they tell the following story with reference to the Omaha grain receipts for the months of January to June, inclusive, this year:

Kind of Grain	Bushels
Wheat	2,712,000
Corn	32,345,000
Oats	11,570,000
Rye	475,900
Barley	835,800
Total	47,939,700

Had the wheat crop of Omaha trade territory been up to the average last year, during the six months that have passed, it is safe to say that at least 10,000,000 bushels would have been added to the total receipts of the Omaha market. However, regardless of the shortage in the wheat crop, a portion of the loss was made up by the receipt of other grain that came in much larger quantities than ever before during a corresponding period. In this respect the figures for the first six months of 1917 and which are as follows, are interesting:

Kinds of Grain	Bushels
Wheat	2,437,200
Corn	16,277,200
Oats	7,756,300
Rye	226,600
Barley	443,800
Total	32,917,300

To permit of arriving at a conclusion as to the growth of Omaha's grain market, the following figures are given, showing the annual receipts of all kinds of grain, according to tabulations in the office of the secretary of the Omaha grain exchange. They are for full years and are:

1907, 42,597,000; 1908, 43,992,600; 1909, 43,469,600; 1910, 43,354,100; 1911, 45,281,600; 1912, 51,685,100; 1913, 68,574,700; 1914, 66,983,800; 1915, 53,555,800; 1916, 75,169,500; 1917, 66,462,100.

Methodist Superintendent Returns From Big Meeting

District Superintendent U. G. Brown of the Methodist church returned Friday from Columbus, O., where he attended a worldwide conference of the church. More than 500 district superintendents were present, as well as other church officers and foreign and domestic missionary representatives.

This fall the foreign missionary society of the Methodist church will celebrate its centennial, and the purpose of the conference was to make plans for raising a centennial fund of $80,000,000, to be spent in war work, reconstruction work and helping disabled soldiers on their return from the front.

C. L. Mather Made Captain Of Home Guards of Benson

C. L. Mather was elected captain of Company E, Home guards, a new organization of 75 men who signed a muster roll on Friday night at Benson. C. L. Burmester will be drillmaster of the company.

Brick when jarred and dropped 50 to 200 feet that come out unbroken you can rest assured that this is the only brick that you can depend on to put in your wall and have a lasting wall. I can sell you about 20 cars of clean brick loaded in cars for $5.00 per thousand. Also white pine timber seasoned at $25.00 per thousand.

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Former Omaha Boy Dies From Wounds Suffered in Action

Angelo Piccolo, former Omaha boy, died of wounds suffered in action on the western front on June 11, according to a message received Friday night by his father, A. Piccolo, 1728 South Ninth street, Omaha.

Young Piccolo lived with his father in Omaha until four years ago, when he went to Middletown, Conn., to make his home. He entered the United States army last fall as a member of a Connecticut draft contingent and arrived in France in March, this year.

When in Omaha young Piccolo was employed at the Union Pacific. He was 30 years old and had served five years in the Italian army before he came to Omaha.

He is survived by his father, two brothers, J. L. and Louis, both of Omaha; one sister, Mrs. A. La Montia of Omaha, one sister in Connecticut and his mother and two brothers in Italy.

Hungary Admits It Lost 12,000 in Italian Battle

Basel, Switzerland, June 29.—Admission that about 12,000 men in prisoners were lost by the Austro-Hungarian forces in their recent retreat on the Piave front was made by Dr. Alexander Wekerle, the Hungarian premier, in a speech to the Chamber of Deputies, according to a dispatch today. Dr. Wekerle said this covered the entire loss in prisoners, the troops to this number thus taken having left to cover a retirement over the Piave.

Dr. Wekerle, apparently treating on the question of the Austro-Hungarian losses in the recent fighting on the Italian front, said he would not attempt to disguise the fact that the casualties were heavy, totaling about 100,000, but he declared that a large percentage was due to sickness. He denied, however, that there had been a single case of death due to lack of food.

Careful, Now, With Mail From Boys Over There; Pictures Barred

By Associated Press.

Paris, June 29.—American soldiers and officers stationed at posts behind the front may reveal the secret of their whereabouts to friends and relatives at home, according to a new ruling of the army authorities. They may indicate freely that they are at Tours or at other behind-the-line posts and may receive their mail so addressed.

It is still forbidden, however, to send to America or anywhere else for that matter, any picture postcards of the places where the troops are stationed. The base censor does not feel like taking a chance on sending out photographs that might come into German hands.

Death Call Comes To John McArdle, Aged Pioneer of Douglas

John McArdle, Douglas county's oldest pioneer, died at home at Elkhorn yesterday.

Mr. McArdle was 87 years old and has been a resident of Nebraska since 1855.

He came to Nebraska from northern Ireland when 16 years old. He lived a quiet life on his farm at Elkhorn, but possessed many friends in Omaha, one of whom was the late Edward Rosewater.

Funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Elkhorn church. Burial will be in the local cemetery. He is survived by his two sons, John J. and Joseph, both of Omaha.

Two Fined Century Each For Having Cheering Booze

F. J. Oliver, living in the Oliver apartments, 1109 South Tenth street, and Charles Craven, employed in the Carl C. Gustaving soft drink parlor, 2814 Cuming street, were fined $100 and costs, each, on a charge of illegal possession of intoxicating liquor in police court Saturday morning.

The Bee's Fund for Free Milk and Ice

A man came into The Bee office yesterday and handed the cashier $10 for the milk and ice fund.

"What name?" asked the cashier.

"Just put it down 'a friend,'" said the man.

He is a friend indeed to the babies. And every cent of the $10 will be used to buy pure milk or cooling ice to protect the babies of the poor during the heat of summer.

There is no other fund provided for this purpose. We must stand between the babies and the sickness and suffering that so easily attack them during the hot weather.

Any sum from 10 cents to $5 is solicited for this fund. Send or bring it to The Bee office. It will be credited in this column.

Previously acknowledged	$180.50
Lynn Johnson, Riverton, Ia.	.25
Lininger Implement Co.	5.00
A Friend	10.00
P. Mitchell	5.00
Total	$200.75

Fifteen Tons Bombs Dropped By Aircraft on Hun Targets

London, June 29.—Fifteen tons of bombs were dropped by naval aircraft on enemy targets in the period from June 24 to June 26, the admiralty announced today. In engagements with hostile aircraft three of these were brought down. The British lost two of their own machines.

"Sandstorm" Division Passes In Review at Camp Cody

Camp Cody, N. M. (Via El Paso, Tex.) June 29.—(Special Telegram.)—All organizations originally composing the "Sandstorm" division, except the 59th artillery brigade, were in the review this morning, commanded by Gen. John A. Johnston, of the 68th (Minnesota) brigade that passed before Gen. Frank G. Mauldin, division commander, and Gov. Washington E. Lindsey, of New Mexico, and staff. Features of the review were the combined machine gun battalions, three of them, and the 6,000 draft troops, in first appearance at review among the regiments. The artillery brigade is composed of the 125th, 126th and 127th regiments, from Minnesota, Iowa and Nebraska. General Mauldin commands this brigade, in addition to being in temporary command of the division.

Soldiers Home Notes.

Mr. Hammond, the mail carrier on the star route, who has been working evenings at the postoffice in the Third City, will soon sever his connection with that department.

"Sunset" Fox, as he is dubbed, expects to return to Burkett on or about July 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Roush expect to leave Burkett. After a short visit in Grand Island they will go to Iowa to reside.

Pearl Brown and Mr. Sheffield are enjoying a few days' fishing expedition on the Blue river.

Mrs. Simonds, who resides just outside of the south gate, expects to leave within a week or so for Chicago for an extended visit.

Mrs. W. E. Jones, in cottage No. 3, entertained a number of lady friends at an ice cream social at her home last evening. Contrary to the usual custom of having the dwelling well lighted on such occasions, all lights were absent at night save the bright moon, which answered the purpose to the delight of all present.

RAIN IS CHECK TO PIONEERS' PICNIC

Only Seventy-Five Venture Out in Defiance of Lowering Skies to Enjoy Annual Outing

Saturday was a day of picnics in Miller park, but the attendance was cut down by the light showers during the morning and the threatening weather in the afternoon.

It was the occasion for the midsummer picnic of the Douglas County Association of Nebraska Pioneers. Instead of there being 300 to 500 out, as usual upon such occasions to join in the festivities and gather around the lunch baskets filled to bursting with good things, there were not to exceed 75 who ventured out in defiance of what gave promise of being a rainy afternoon.

At noon the Pioneers partook of the basket lunch and for an hour thereafter rehearsed events that occurred anywhere from 40 to 50 years ago in Omaha and Douglas county.

Two o'clock was the hour fixed for carrying out the program and the start was on time, notwithstanding the smallness of the crowd. M. J. Feenan presided and was assisted by A. Metzler, chairman, and Mesdames Fisett and Stevenson of the reception committee.

Dunn Leads Singing.

To start the program Henry W. Dunn led in the singing of "America," after which Mayor Smith delivered a short address, laying particular force on what the pioneers of Douglas county have done in the way of building up the state.

Over in the center of the park the Sunday school of the North Presbyterian church held forth with its annual picnic. The attendance was something like 200 and the young folks amused themselves with games, while the older ones looked on. There was plenty of lemonade and lunch for everybody.

Not far from the North Presbyterian folks was the Sunday school picnic of the Plymouth Congregational church. There were 100 or so in this gathering and during the afternoon there was a program of games, a basket lunch being served later in the day.

Woman Suffrage Bill Goes Over Until August

Washington, June 29.—The woman suffrage resolution on which a vote was prevented last Thursday by an opposition filibuster, Chairman Jones of the senate suffrage committee announced today probably will not be brought up again until next August, after the proposed recess of congress.

U. S. and Canada Take Joint Control of Securities Sales

Washington, June 29.—A reciprocal agreement will be entered into next week by the capital issues committee and Sir Thomas White, Canadian minister of finance, for joint control of the sale of public or private securities of one country in the other.

War Time Economies

Save Work—Time—Money

The O-Cedar Polish Mop carries war time efficiency into the home in the saving of time, in the saving of work and in the saving of money. To waste any of these is unpatriotic.

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Opposite the Silks

Greeting Cards

Someone has a birthday nearly every day. Send an appropriate greeting card to your somebody.
We have also suitable cards for every one in the family Stork cards that are distinctive, messages of congratulation and a host of others.
See them in the Art Dept.

Gauze Union Suits

Women like these cool summer suits of gauze. Made low neck, the knees fitted or wide, as preferred; all sizes, 50c.

Real Bargains in Housewear Basement Section
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Sun Hats, reduced from 25c to 9c.
Middy Blouses, some soiled, sold to $1.95, for 89c.
A Table Full of House Dresses (slightly soiled), 79c.
Japanese Crepe Kimonos, fast dyes—69c.
Stylish White Gabardine Skirts, $1.89 instead of $2.50.
Fine Petticoats of Gingham, $1.25 once, for 89c.
New White Pique Wash Skirts, cheap at $2.50, Monday $1.69.
House Dresses, sold up to $2.00, rumpled from showing, for $1.19.
Summer Weight Porch Dresses, worth up to $3, for $1.69.
See Monday's Papers for New Bargains.

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