THE BEE: OMAHA THURSDAY, AUGUST 15, 1918.

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# CIET Omaha Society Divided on Wisdom of Holding Ak-Sar-Ben Ball This Year

IN O hold it or not to hold it-meaning the Ak-Sar-Ben coronation ballis the question of the day. It is the chief subject of discussion in Red Cross workshops, at luncheons and wherever Omaha's society maids and matrons congregate this week. For the directors have been sounding pub-lic sentiment on the question of holding Omaha's annual fall festival with its crowning spectacle, the coronation ball or abandoning it on account of war times.

So far as Mellificia can ascertain, the camp is evenly divided for and against, with a goodly portion on the fence." Mrs. Charles T. Kountze, acknowledged leader of Omaha's social set

and especially fond of dancing, is nevertheless willing to admit the other point of view.

"If we could have the ball with simple arrangements and spare the lav-ish expense of former years, I would say 'let's have the ball," said Mrs. Kountze. "All Omaha looks forward to the ball each year and it does much for Omaha in return. Then, too, every one is working so hard in war work, it's too bad not to have a little recreation."

Mrs. A. L. Reed, mother of the reigning queen, Miss Elizabeth Reed, shares the views of Mrs. Kountze.

The queen herself could not be reached this morning for an expression of opinion and last year's queen, Miss Mary Megeath, declined to express any opinion, if she had one

The spirit of the youthful princesses of the court, to whom of course the ball means much, was especially interesting. Miss Emily Keller, who has served as special maid of honor to the queen

at two court balls, is authority for the statement that the young girls would be willing to forego the big social event on account of the war. "Of course be willing to forego the big social event on account of the war. we hate to give it up, we enjoyed the balls so much, but it would be a small thing to give up to help win the war."

The matter was discussed at two luncheons given Tuesday at the Coun-try club when Miss Olga Metz and Miss Eleanor McGilton were hostesses and at which several of the princesses, including Miss Virginia Offutt and Miss Regina Connell, who was the Goddess of Liberty last year, were present

All were in favor of giving up the ball if the sentiment is against it,' said Miss Keller. Willard D. Hosford, the reigning king, may be said to lead the forces

opposed to the ball, at least he has so expressed himself in governor's meetble.

"To hold the ball, chief social event of the year as it has always been, would indicate a gayety none of us feel or can feel until the war is won." said Mr. Hosford. "But to celebrate the end of the war-that's when we ought to have a magnificent ball!"

I nough opposed to the ball this year, King Hosford gives scant atten-tion to the belief that to crown a king and queen would be inapropos to the spirit of democracy. "The king and queen of Ak-Sar-Ben are only imaginary characters. A lot of harmless but enjoyable tradition has been built up with the kingdom and to substitute an inaugural ball would be ineffective. The inaugural ball in Washington would be a tame affair in comparison with the coronation ball of a monarchy so far as showingss is concerned." coronation ball of a monarchy so far as showiness is concerned.

A final decision will have to be reached by September 1 in order to allow ample time for preparation, should the governors decide to hold the ball. It is unofficially reported that the prospective queen, who is generally noti-fied several months in advance of the ball of the honor which is to be conferred upon her, has not yet been asked to serve, pending the decision of the governors in reference to holding the event at all.

#### Entertains for Visitor.

Miss Carrie Lebrecht of Kansas City was honor guest at a bridge party and tea given this afternoon at the Blackstone, at which Miss Goldie Melcher was hostess. Other entertainments are planned for this visitor, who is Miss Melcher's house guest.

Chicken Dinner at Bellevue.

Call for Omaha Girls to Qualify for Local and Overseas Motor Corps

Omaha girls are responding well to Cross motor corps or the National

the call for Red Cross Motor corps league. There is plenty of time to help the boys." service overseas. "A number have acquire all this training before the called," said Mrs. C. T. Kountze, with first contingent is sent overseas. Paswhom this work was left on the de-parture of Mrs. Frederick H. Elijah, dates pay their other expenses them-

central division commander, this morning for Chicago. "None of them, however, is equipped. I am sending them to the Y. W. C. A., where they this country. "Five trucks," said Mrs. can get the first aid work required. Kountze, "were recently sent with We will accept National Service girl drivers from Detroit to Savannah, Relief, but a bed for the baby is needleague training, but in addition to this, loaded with Red Cross supplies. It

the Red Cross will establish a motor was the only way they could be gotcorps under the chairmanship of Mrs. ten to the coast, owing to crowded W. E. Martin, just as soon as possi-traffic. Some Philadelphia girls took Gould Dietz is arranging for trucks loaded with high, explosives

down to Allentown for the governcars and a garage." Only girls of 25 years or over will ment. This is doing real work to help be accepted for overseas service, and win the war, and there will be more

they must have first aid work, opportunities for such work, as truck

Need More Books The Omaha public library today re-

community for the men overseas. The appeal from Washington states weeks. Her mother, Mrs. R. C. Howe, stories, whether new or old, are most reiteration. Today the homekeeper will then join her for a trip to New needed. Books by Zane Grey, Rex York, where they will visit Lt. Robert Beach, Jack London, Ralph Connor, A. Howe, who is with the chemical Owen Wister and O. Henry are very popular. The public library through popular. The public library through Miss Edith Tobitt, librarian, an-

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Mrs. S. S. Switzler of Dundee has nounces it will receive and forward eturned from a visit of several weeks all suitable books that are turned in. with her daughter, Mrs. B. Birkland, It urges the friends of the soldiers and

### WOMEN IN WAR TIME

Praise Hostess Houses.

That the hostess houses of the Young Women's Christian association are filling a great need is fully established. Now comes additional commendation from two well known Omaha men who are officers in widey separated camps.

The first of these is Lt. Jldh.m Paisley, who is on the staff of General Andrews at Camp Grant, Ill Lieutenant Paisley writes: "The Young Women's Christian association hostess house in this camp is a popular place and is doing good work. a work that should continue, and deserves all assistance and help that can be given it."

Lieutenant Paisley is a form.r resident of Omaha and a graduate of the University of Omaha. Sergt. Edwin Landale, who was

home recently on a furlough from Camp Funston, speaks in highest terms of the work being done ...t lostess houses.

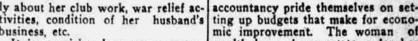
Sergeant Landale says: "The ostess house at Camp Funston is like a bit of home, and the you women are tireless in their ef

The Civilian Relief Corps is asking for furniture for a woman with three small children whose husband is away helping to make the world safe for democracy. The poor home is bare and desolate and the three little ones sleep on the floor. The rent is paid and food is furnished by the united efforts of the mother and the Civilian ed, a gas stove, a bureau and rugs to cover the bare boards of the floors. If there are people in Omaha who can furnish these articles, or other pieces of furniture to help this deserving mother, call Tyler 2721 and offer

#### Woman's Changed Status Is Revolutionizing Both

### Homes and Business

The effect of business training is felt strongly in the home today. The wife, mother, club woman, volunteer war relief worker and society woman been spending the summer with her sister, Mrs. C. S. Connor, leaves this evening for New York. ceived a request from the American are all working more systematic and efficient lines. The woman in the home no longer spends hours talking bor about "Lizzie's dreadful wash day, the baker's underdone bread" and all the countless other home trivialities that new novels and good Western that do not improve with telephone



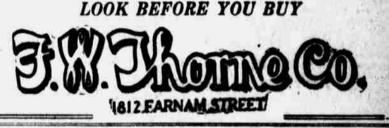
It is surprising how many women wealth has a large estate under her in days gone by knew nothing of their and many people who look to her for husband's business. The family bud- direction and counsel. The woman get used to be handled solely by the with training manages wisely and man of the house, but now women leaves no room for the clever lawyer with a knowledge of bookkeeping and I to make away with her possessions.

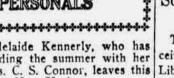


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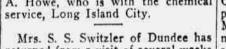
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Miss Marion Howe left Sunday evening to visit Mr. and Mrs. Francis King at their summer home, "Orchard

in Denver.





Mrs. Adelaide Kennerly, who has

Mrs. Louis Burstein entertained six guests at the Bellevue college chicken dinner Tuesday evening, Mrs. Frank Anderson had five guests and C. D. Watkins, four,



Eight boys are needed in the Omaha ambulance company. Boys, especially between the ages of 18 and 21, are asked to apply to Gould Dietz, head of Omaha chapter.

The quota of August 31 sweaters is 500 short and knitters are urged to turn in their garments before August 26 in order to allow time for packing and shipping.

Mrs. Allan Parmer has named Mrs. H. L. Helfrick and Mrs. F. E. Babbitt as captains and Mrs. Emma J. Clark, lieutenant for Florence district in the salvage work. Volunteers will kins, prominent physician and war communicate with these women. Mrs. worker in Chicago, and Mr. Charles Parmer makes an appeal for more A. Long of Holdrege took place tion may be perfected by September 1.

and fashion designer, will give his services to the Red Cross, Thursday at 2:30 o'clock. Mr. Cne will trim hats in the window of the Red Cross salvage headquarters on Harney his palm with money for the Red they should wear.

to take charge of the organization of a motor corps home service section for Omaha chapter, pending the re-turn of Mrs. Frederick H. Elijah early Members of the newly organized women's police reserve of New York City are being placed on a war footin September. Twenty applicants ing, and are now undergoing courses have already enrolled, but more are of training to fit them for all manneeded. Mrs. Martin will receive applicants each morning between 10 and 12 o'clock in the knitting fooms in the court house. Two courses of instruction will be given, one in me-chanics and first aid to qualify women for overseas service, and the other for the drivers' auxiliary. No one has yet qualified for overseas service, according to Mrs. Martin,

"Barney," a handsome Newfoundland dog, is making a long journey. He is mascot of a western regiment, which passed through Omaha the other day en route overseas. "Barney" always leads the band which marches at the head of the regiment and was a prime favorite with all the men on the journey. When he left Omaha after a few

hours' stay, "Barney" was the proud possessor of a lovely Red Cross blanket, made on the spur of the mo-ment, as it were, by Miss Margaret Bruce, one of the Red Cross canteen workers. "Barney's" owner expressed a desire for the blanket, the materials for which Miss Bruce quickly requisitioned together with needle and



Woman Physician Weds

Nebraska Banker

The marriage of Dr. Rachel Wat-Judge and Mrs. Artnur W. Wakeley are touring the New England states helpers in order that the organiza-tion may be parfected by September 1. Thursday afternoon at the home of at Gloucester, Mass Clarke, Rev. C. C. Wilson, Mrs. Wilson and

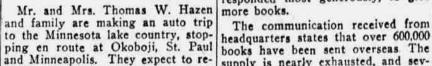
Ora Cne, celebrated man milliner Mr. Long are brother and sister. The

thimble and thread, and seating herstreet and if the women will cross self on a depot truck, hastily com-his palm with money for the Red pleted the blanket emblazoned with Cross, will tell them what colors will two large Red Crosses. When the suit their complexion and what styles men were treated to shower baths in the station grounds, "Barney" was Mrs. W. E. Martin has been named cently along with his master.

ner of war emergency work. The organization, although but little more than two months old, already has a membership of about 4,400, and is constantly getting new recruits.

It is now rumored that the Prince of Wales, heir to the British throne, may find a bride in the person of Princess Marie Jose, the 18-year-old daughter of the exiled king and queen of the Belgians.





turn September 2. Mrs. Anan Raymond had a cablegram last evening announcing the France. The books are packed at safe arrival overseas of her husband, Major Raymond, who was stationed so built that they serve as a book-

at Camp Dodge. Mrs. Raymond is spending the week with Mr. E. M. Sunderland and Mrs. Ben Harrison, but expects to leave soon for Kearney, to be for the present with her parents, Judge and Mrs. O. B. Hostetler.

Capt. F. E. Friedrichs of the 36th engineers, New York, has arrived safely in France, according to word by an experienced librarian. Most of received by his brother, H. O. Fried- them go to Y. M. C. A., Red Cross richs, auditor of Omaha Red Cross chapter.

ports are open so that the men may have reading matter for use on the voyage. In France, the books are distributed

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and Salvation Army huts, hospitals and canteens. Others go directly to chaplains and officers.

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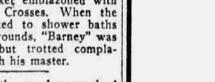
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