

ONE ADMISSION FOR COUNTY FAIR AND AK-SAR-BEN

Best Agricultural Exhibit Ever Seen Here to Be Feature of Fair on Carnival Dates.

The Douglas county fair, to be held in conjunction with the Ak-Sar-Ben festivities on the carnival grounds this year, promises one of the best agricultural exhibits yet shown in the county.

The fair will open the day the carnival opens, September 25, and will continue until the carnival closes, ten days later, October 10.

Plans for the King's carnival are proceeding apace. Special efforts were made by Samson to secure the best show on the road today and the Con. T. Kennedy shows have accordingly been booked.

Following the custom of former years, the Den will be dark Monday evening. The many other attractions in the city on Labor day would interfere with the den performance, it is felt.

The merchants visiting the city to attend Merchants' Market week, which begins September 9, will be the guests at the Den for the last show of the season on Monday evening, September 9, together with the usual delegation of soldiers from Fort Omaha and as many soldiers as can be spared from Fort Crook.

A fresh group of 100 soldiers which have just arrived at the latter post will help swell the number of visitors.

Gus Renze is keeping mum about the theme of the electrical parade on the evening of Wednesday, October 2. He is hard at work constructing the floats for the pageant, however, and the promise is that his latest effort will outdo all his earlier productions.

Ak-Sar-Ben members who expect to attend the state fair at Lincoln on Omaha day, Thursday, September 5, should call at the Ak-Sar-Ben office Wednesday afternoon to secure pennants and badges for their cars.

Earl Brice Arested on Charge of Stealing Car. Deputy Sheriff Gillapsy reported yesterday that a car had been abandoned in front of his home on Bloomer street.

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AT THE THEATERS

"Business Before Pleasure."

AS ABE POTASH sentimentously remarked of the scenario of "The Fatal Murder," "Business Before Pleasure," which opened the season at the Boyd Sunday night, could have occurred in real life.

All of his witty dialogue, every one of his ridiculous situations are a possibility, provided there is an Abe Potash, a Mawrus Perlmutter, a Rosie Potash, a Ruth Perlmutter, a Rita Sismundi, movie vampire, and a dissipation like the moving picture game to tempt the activities of men who made a romance of the suit and cloak business, to provide the vehicle for a coherent tale.

"Business Before Pleasure" is one continuous chuckle and storm of laughter from start to finish. It is a unique adaptation of the moving picture play to the stage, with its living actors, and some of the cleverest lines are interpreted on the screen as are some of the most ludicrous scenes.

As usual Jules Jordan made his Abe Potash the same lovable character as he has in the past. He interprets the senior partner of the firm, with all his weakness and strength, in a way that brings the laugh just at the moment when there should be a cheer or a tear for some expression of manly loyalty, and for some impulsive chivalrous action.

Charles Lipson has added to his laurels in the character of Mawrus Perlmutter. Lizzie Wilson and Lotie Vernon as Rosie and Ruth, loyal but jealous and suspicious wives were excellent and the work of Helen Gill, as Rita Sismundi, the "vampire" possessed great charm.

The whole of the company is well balanced and the play is one continuous purveyor of joy.

Vaudeville at the Orpheum.

A prima donna soprano whose performance is doubly attractive because she sings her entire program in English, wins first honors at the Orpheum this week. She is Lora Hoffman.

Lora Hoffman limits her program to four numbers but she would have contributed several more had she chosen to respond to the demands of her Sunday audience. She is possessed of an unusually strong and clear voice as well as one of rich, sweet melody and her expression is almost faultless. She has adapted her program for the variety stage by singing selections more easily appreciated by vaudeville audiences than those usually sung by concert artists and as a result, she scores heavily.

Carl McCullough provides 15 minutes of enjoyment and fun with his travesties of how David Warfield, Eddie Foye, Harry Lauder and others would sing one of Al Jolson's favorite songs. He also makes merry in an imitation of a woman trying to make a telephone connection from a pay station booth.

Dale and Burch have a fun-making sketch called "The Riding Master," which keeps the audience in a constant chuckle with an outright laugh inserted here and there.

An absurd farce called "The Office Boy," is offered by Eddie Carr and company. Eddie Carr is the principal merry-maker appearing as the "fresh" office boy who assumes charge of the place immediately upon his arrival. J. K. Emmet and Mary Ryan appear in "Wishland," a musical romance in which they have been seen here before. "All for Democracy" is a patriotic allegory. "An Artistic Treat" is the title of a posing act which opens the bill. Orpheum pictures show views of Copenhagen and the fjords of Norway.

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Circus Arrives and Kiddies Are All Happy

CIRCUS DAY AT A GLANCE.

Show Grounds—Twentieth and Paul streets.

Parade—Leaving the circus grounds at 10 o'clock this morning the Hagenbeck-Wallace pageant will traverse the following route, immediately following the Labor parade: Paul street to Cumings, on Cumings street to Sixteenth, on Sixteenth street to Douglas, on Douglas to Tenth, on Tenth to Farnam, on Farnam to Sixteenth street and back to show grounds.

Tickets—On sale from two wagons at the circus grounds and downtown at the Myers-Dillon Drug Co., 1609 Farnam street. Performances—2 and 8 p. m. Doors open 1 and 7 p. m.

Sunday is the Sabbath day, even with the circus.

The scriptural injunction that "six days shalt thou labor, but the seventh day," etc. is strictly observed under the "big top" of the Hagenbeck-Wallace circus and only absolutely necessary work is done. The six big poles stand stark and bare—for they are early set up, to get them out of the way—and the huge canvas lies on the ground ready to be pulled up the first thing Monday morning.

Not even the wild animals are fed, for it has been found that their health is much improved if they fast one day a week. And so Sunday was the day chosen, for it has the added advantage of giving the stock keepers and the trainers a rest. The only exceptions are the elephants, who get their regular daily meal. None of the wild animals is fed more than once a day, even throughout the week.

As for the 1,000 people who arrived early Sunday morning with the Hagenbeck-Wallace circus, they spend Sunday in abstaining from labor as much as possible. Many of them went to theaters Sunday; others went to ball games.

The show used to carry a chaplain, and he used to hold regular religious services in a tent on Sunday mornings. But since Rev. Cadesman Pope joined the colors, it has been found impossible to find a successor for him. There's a good job open for some preacher who is dissatisfied with his present salary.

Three hundred stars dot the field of the huge service flag which flies over the main entrance to the Hagenbeck-Wallace circus. Increasing difficulty is being found by the managers of the circus in securing labor. The show lost 72 people in the train wreck at Gary, Ind., on June 22.

The shortage of labor is felt also among the animal trainers. Emil Schwyer, head of the lion trainers, lost his chief assistant in the train wreck. He has a place for a likely lad who thinks he can handle lions.

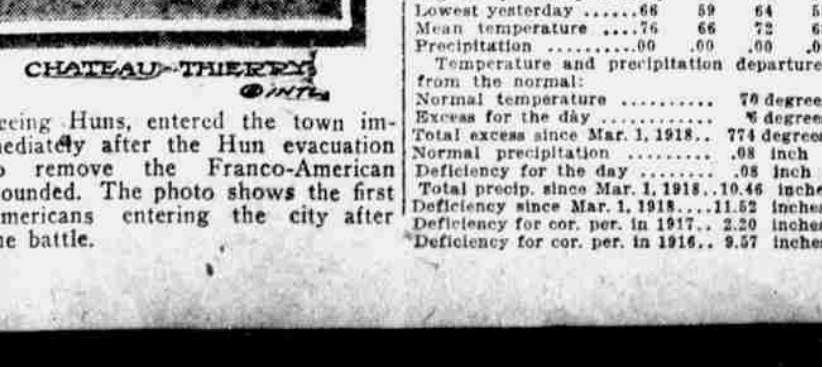
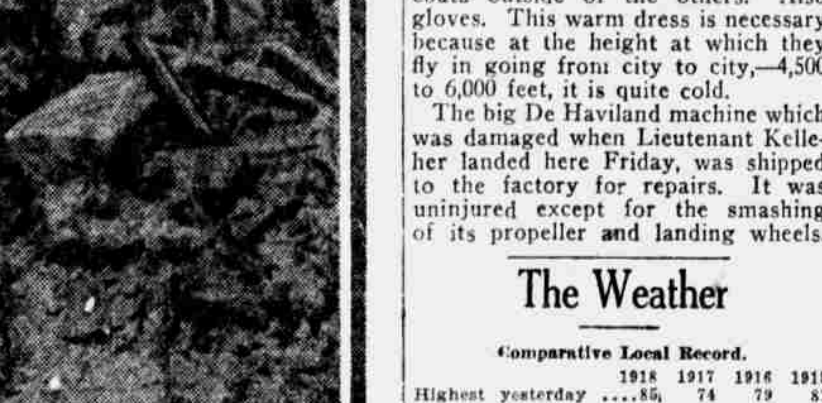
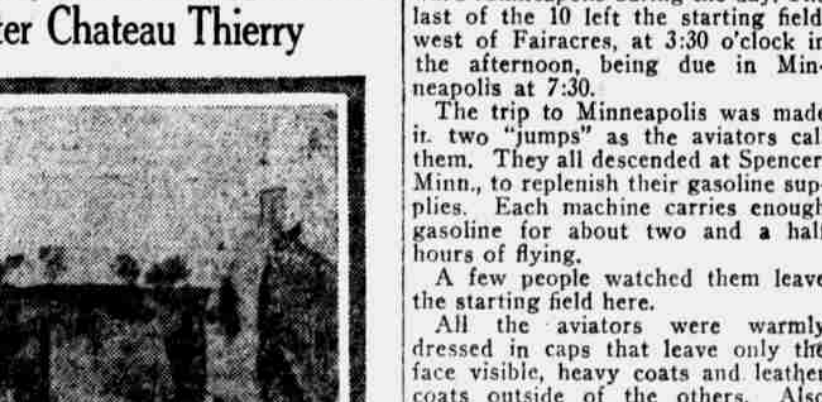
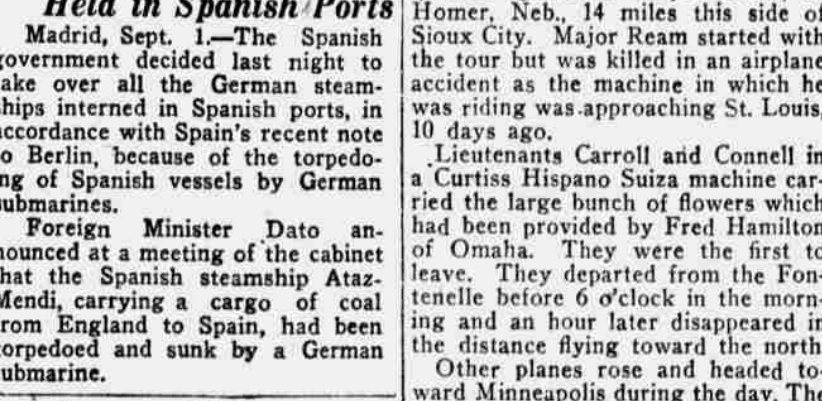
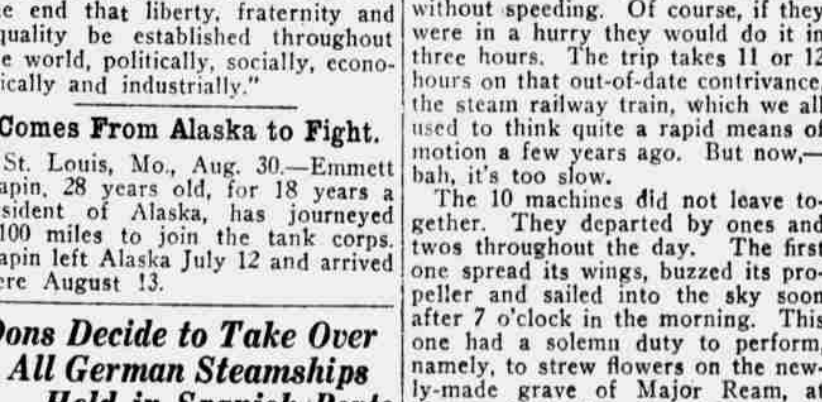
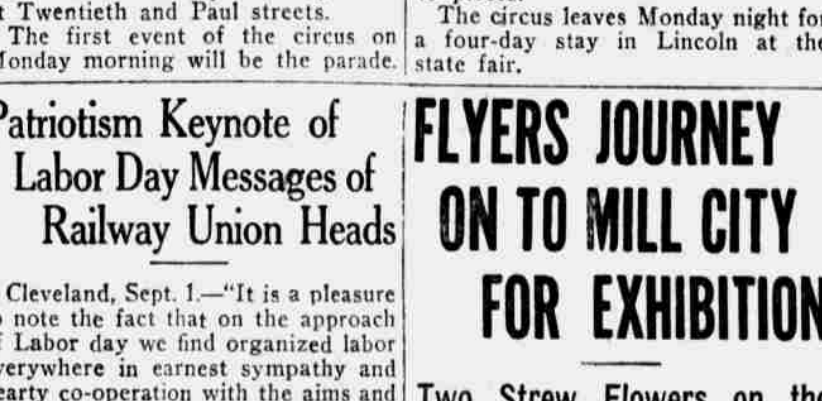
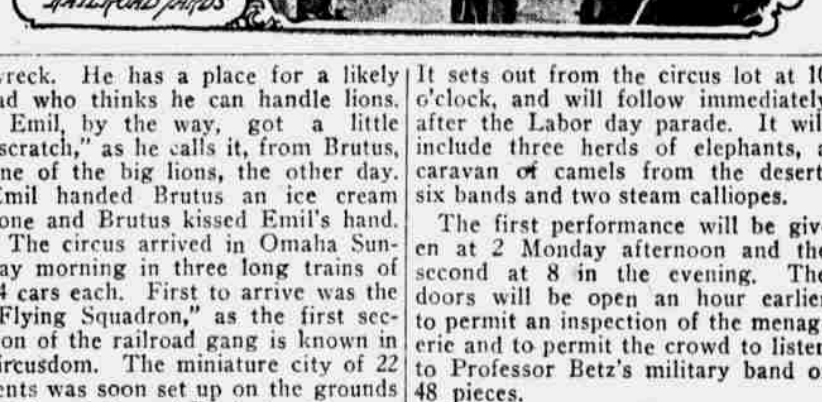
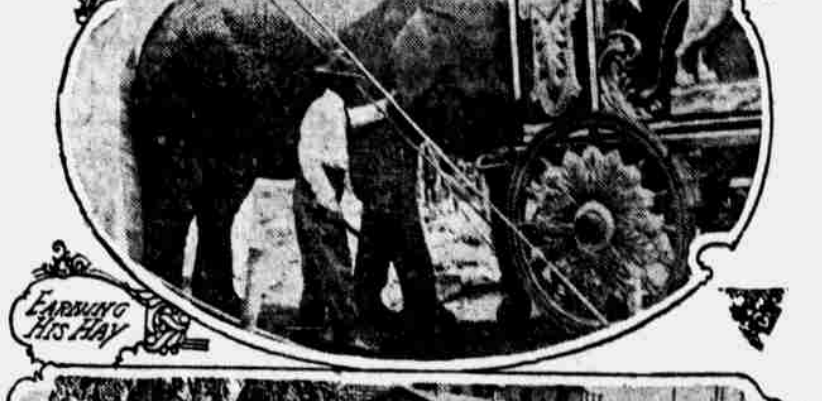
Emil, by the way, got a little "scratch," as he calls it, from Brutus, one of the big lions, the other day. Emil handed Brutus an ice cream cone and Brutus kissed Emil's hand.

The circus arrived in Omaha Sunday morning in three long trains of 24 cars each. First to arrive was the "Flying Squadron," as the first section of the railroad gang is known in circusdom. The miniature city of 22 tents was soon set up on the grounds at Twentieth and Paul streets.

The first event of the circus on Monday morning will be the parade. It sets out from the circus lot at 10 o'clock, and will follow immediately after the Labor day parade. It will include three herds of elephants, a caravan of camels from the desert, six bands and two steam calliopes.

The first performance will be given at 2 Monday afternoon and the second at 8 in the evening. The doors will be open an hour earlier to permit an inspection of the menagerie and to permit the crowd to listen to Professor Betz's military band of 48 pieces.

The circus leaves Monday night for a four-day stay in Lincoln at the state fair.



FEDERAL TRADE BOARD SCORED BY COMMERCE BODY

Usurpation, Inefficiency and Unjust Abuse of Business Interests Charged in Letter to President.

Washington, Sept. 1.—Usurpation of power, inefficiency and unjust abuse of business interests are among charges made against the federal trade commission and laid before President Wilson by the Chamber of Commerce of the United States.

In a letter to the president made public tonight by the organization, the directors approve and submit a report denouncing the trade commission as an irresponsible body that has lost the confidence of the public and asking the president to remedy this condition by filling two existing vacancies in the membership with men "whose interest will be single to the commission's work."

The report was prepared by the chamber's federal trade committee, of which Rush C. Butler, a Chicago lawyer, is chairman. It presents the following seven charges:

"The commission has undertaken the exercise of functions beyond its own jurisdiction to the detriment of its proper usefulness.

"Work Declared Incomplete. "The commission has begun the study of important situations but because of vacillating interest or for other reasons not apparent has left its work incomplete.

"The commission's procedure, originally orderly and appropriate, has been changed without public notice or notice to congress.

"The commission has abused its powers of publicity. "Prominent features of the commission's recent food investigation were surreptitious of common justice.

"In presenting information to congress and the public the commission has been heedless of the accuracy and frankness which its position and the circumstances require.

"The commission has departed from the fundamental purpose for which it was established.

The report sets forth that it does not undertake to criticize in detail specific acts of the commission, but rather to point out mistakes in principle of conduct. The president is assured that the chamber and its committee, which has followed the work of the commission since its organization three years ago, does not represent special business interests.

In criticizing methods adopted during the recent investigation of the packing industry, the report says, a special counsel (Frances J. Heney) was employed at \$3,000 a year and expenses, although it had been stated to a committee of congress that the salary would be at the rate of \$5,000.

"In this inquiry the commission selected documents already in its possession and had them presented to it at public sessions by its special counsel," says the report, "refusing to permit concerns that were mentioned in the documents to offer any testimony or produce other documents. It examined witnesses of its own choosing and prevented cross-examination by the concerns at which it was made clear the proceedings were directed. In each city the special counsel or other members of the staff let it be known that the government contemplated taking over and operating the industry.

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"The result of the commission's course was not to give information to the public but to place the commission in the position of seeking to create prejudice which would support an apparently preconceived purpose to inaugurate government ownership of the business."

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SOUTH SIDE

Lithuanians to Send Books To Boys Fighting Over There

Quite a number of Lithuanians of the South Side gathered Sunday night at the St. Anthony's rectory to consider what they could do for the boys who are in the service.

A local Lithuanian soldiers' welfare committee, whose object will be to supply literature, smokes, etc., was named, the officers of which are: Joseph B. Uvick, president; Rev. A. Tamolun, secretary; Miss Anna Zalbas, vice-president; A. S. Boskus, librarian; Miss Isabelle Zigmund, cashier; and A. Akromis, trustee.

Another meeting will be held at the same place Friday night.

South Side Brewties

John Love left Friday afternoon with the contingent leaving Omaha for Camp Dodge, Ia., for military training.

Olena Fowler, aged 4 years, fell down stairs at his home, 418 South Twentieth street, last night and sustained a depressed fracture of the skull. He was taken to the South Side hospital.

A load of 60 head of hogs brought to the Union stock yards Friday by the firm of Gun, Dick and Robinson of Kearney, averaged 238 pounds in weight and netted the shippers the best sum of \$43.18.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Bergquist and their three children returned home last night from a visit of six weeks in Estes Park, Colo. Miss Martha Heden, who accompanied them there, remained in the west and will teach in Montana.

John Edwin Campbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Campbell, 418 South Twentieth street, is at home on a ten-day furlough. He enlisted in June, 1917, with the hospital corps at the Great Lakes training station and a new in Detroit. Mr. Campbell has lived in Omaha all his life and was formerly in the employ of the contract department of the Nebraska Power company.

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Wilson Criticised For Attempt to Influence Vote on Water Power

Washington, Sept. 1.—Action of opposing the net investment clause of the water-power bill was criticized today by Representative Gillette of Massachusetts, acting minority leader, and other house republicans.

Referring to the president's letter, Mr. Gillette said that Chairman Sims of the interstate commerce committee seems to think there should be no legislation without first obtaining the views of the president. Representative Anderson of Minnesota said some one "torpedoed the water-power committee."

Chairman Sims told the house that he had introduced the bill on the supposition that it met with executive approval. An amendment introduced by Representative Doremus of Michigan, requiring the federal water-power commission which the bill establishes to give municipalities priority rights to the requirements of development licenses, was approved by the house.

Potatoes to Rot in West Unless Cars Be Provided. —Thousands of tons of potatoes, raised in this section on the urgent demand of the Food administration, must be thrown out or rot unless more satisfactory assurances can be had that cars will be forthcoming for their shipment. A very greatly increased area has been planted to potatoes this year, and the unusually wet season has made the dry land potato crop heavy. Last year many hundred tons rotted because of a lack of cars, and unless better facilities can be had this fall, the loss will be enormous.

Wabash Manager. St. Louis, Sept. 1.—J. E. Taussig, heretofore general manager of the Wabash railroad, today was appointed federal manager of the Wabash and of its operated properties under federal control.

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Patriotism Keynote of Labor Day Messages of Railway Union Heads

Cleveland, Sept. 1.—"It is a pleasure to note the fact that on the approach of Labor day we find organized labor everywhere in earnest sympathy and hearty co-operation with the aims and objects of our national government," said Warren S. Stone, grand chief engineer, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, in a message to labor on the eve of Labor day.

"We are proud of the unselfish purpose actuating the entry of the United States into the present world war," the labor day message of Timothy Shea, acting president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, says, "and to the realization of the noble ideals proclaimed as its only motive in participating in this appalling conflict we pledge our lives, fraternity and our sacred honor to the end that liberty, fraternity and equality be established throughout the world, politically, socially, economically and industrially."

Comes From Alaska to Fight. St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 30.—Emmett Pappin, 28 years old, for 18 years a resident of Alaska, has journeyed 1,100 miles to join the tank corps. Pappin left Alaska July 12 and arrived here August 13.

Dons Decide to Take Over All German Steamships Held in Spanish Ports. Madrid, Sept. 1.—The Spanish government decided last night to take over all the German steamships interned in Spanish ports, in accordance with Spain's recent note to Berlin, because of the torpedoing of Spanish vessels by German submarines.

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