

OMAHA ITALIANS ARE TO OBSERVE COLUMBUS DAY

Great Pageant and Speaking to Mark Celebration that Will Be in Charge of Societies.

Next Saturday, a legal holiday in this state, will be observed in Omaha as "Columbus Day," the 426th anniversary of the discovery of America by Christopher Columbus. The local observance will be in charge of Italian citizens and societies, and the principal features of the occasion will be a parade and speaking in the afternoon.

The officers in charge of the celebration are: L. J. Piatti, chairman; Joseph P. Bova, secretary; Alfio Garrotto, treasurer.

Floats in Parade.
The parade will start from Sixteenth and Nicholas streets at 2 p. m. and will be led by a motorcycle squad of the police department. Next in line will be the following Italian societies: Giovanni d'Ameglio, Christopher Columbus, Italian Benevolent, and Society Dal Ceniso alla Etna. In the next division will be Governor Neville, followed by state, county and city officials, and then the judges of the district, county, municipal and police courts. Italian Consul Antonio Venuto will appear in the parade. The third division will comprise three floats, one being the Italian float which appeared in the Ak-Sar-Bo parade and two others, which have been designed by Gus Renze for this occasion.

Italian families will follow in automobiles, appropriately decorated.

Patriotic Occasion.
The Italians of Omaha intend to make this a patriotic occasion, as they feel that they are Americans and that their hearts beat in sympathy with the allies across the seas. They have been supporting the Liberty bonds, war saving stamps, Red Cross and other activities and those who are in charge of this celebration state that the parade next Saturday will surpass previous Columbus day demonstrations in this city.

Omaha Italians also feel proud of their new church which was opened last year at Twenty-fourth street and Poppleton avenue, the priest in charge being an Omaha "boy," who sold newspapers here and later was graduated from Creighton university. The Italian population of Omaha is now estimated at 10,000 and is paying taxes on \$1,000,000 of real estate.

Mayor's Proclamation.
Mayor Smith has issued the following proclamation:
"Saturday, October 12, will be celebrated throughout the country as Columbus Day.
"It is exceedingly fitting and proper that the American people should commemorate this day, and at no time in our history has it been so exceedingly appropriate as at this time.
"Our citizens of Italian birth or ancestry have made preparations to commemorate this day, and a parade through our streets will take place, forming at Fifteenth and Nicholas streets, at 2:00 o'clock p. m. I earnestly urge all of our citizens who can so, to take part in this celebration and join in the parade."

Three Girls Assault Matron of Detention Home and Make Escape
Three more obstreperous "patients" of the Girls' Detention home are reported to have made their escape from that institution Tuesday night, making it the first time they have won their liberty in 24 hours.
It is said that the last group, made an assault on Matron Berger and accompanied their escape by force.
Conditions at the Detention home since its establishment have not been the best and the escape of women confined there for treatment is getting to be a daily occurrence.
City officials have not yet devised a means of coping with the problem.

U. P. Men Raise Big Sum; Expect Two Million and Half
The Union Pacific's Liberty loan special train is touring Wyoming today and large and enthusiastic crowds gathered at all points where stops were made. Cheyenne was reached early in the day and it is estimated that 20,000 people participated in the meeting. The day was perfect. The train was met by the townspeople as it pulled into the station, all the whistles in the town blowing shrill blasts and bells ringing. Preceded by a band, the crowd marched up the principal street and to the city park, where the speaking program was held.
Reports to Union Pacific headquarters are to the effect that already the western divisions of the railroad system are well over the top on their Liberty loan subscriptions, but, regardless of this, the campaign continues to be vigorously prosecuted. Up to Tuesday night the total subscriptions reported was \$1,837,350, which included 69 per cent of the officials and employees. It is alleged that by tonight the subscriptions will more than have passed the \$2,000,000 mark and that the raising of another \$500,000 will be an easy matter.

President of Creighton University in Last Draft
The Rev. Francis X. McMenamy, president of Creighton university, is one of the first to be called by draft board No. 3 from the September registration. Father McMenamy has served as president of Creighton university for the past five years and was vice president for three years previous.
In speaking of his call last night, Father McMenamy said: "I am ready to go to war, if I need to, to go into the ranks. I am president of Creighton university, and if the government considers that I can better serve my country in some other way, I am ready to embrace the task it outlines."

Brief City News

Lighting Fixtures—Burgess-Granden Have Root P. I. It—New Beacon Press.

Dr. Frank Simon, suite 713, Omaha National Bank Bldg.
D. W. Cahill III—D. W. Cahill, with the Bemis Omaha Bag company, and father of Mrs. Frank Cahill III at his home, 3872 Seward street.

Mrs. Wolf Recovering—Mrs. Cora Wolf, who recently underwent a serious operation at one of the local hospitals, is greatly improved and rapidly recovering.
Body Brought Here for Cremation—The body of Emma Stibal has been brought from Gretna for cremation at Forest Lawn crematory. Death was caused by pneumonia.

Funeral of James Tamis—The funeral of James Tamis will be held from the family residence, 2118 North Fifteenth street, at 10 a. m. today. Interment at Holy Sepulcher cemetery.

Dance Postponed—The dance which was to have taken place at the Scottish Rite cathedral Thursday night has been postponed on account of the closing order of the Board of Health.

Messenger Boy Buys Bond—Claude James Greig, Western Union messenger boy, who resides at 220 North Eighteenth street, purchased a \$50 Liberty bond Wednesday afternoon, paying cash for it.

Seven Walkers Have "Flu"—Dr. J. H. Hutton has reported to the health department that seven members of the family of Mr. and Mrs. Ole W. Walker, colored, 1711 South Eighteenth street, have Spanish "flu."

No Gambling There—Emil Leaf, proprietor of the Des Moines hotel, says no gambling game was raided at his place as reported. He says he is only running a rooming hotel and has no place for games of any kind.

Visits Omaha—Charles Wesley Tenney, president of Gooding college, stopped over in Omaha a short time Wednesday on his way to South Dakota, where he is to make a series of educational addresses in 20 counties of that state.

Buys More Bonds—Of the 15 Burlington departments in Omaha all are 100 per cent or better on Liberty loan subscriptions, but adding to the total continues. The subscriptions are now close to \$500,000 and more money coming in on bond sales.

Address Wanted—J. E. Carroll of 301st Field Signal brigade with the American expeditionary forces in France wishes to learn the address of Charles Berger, formerly of Kansas City, Mo. Berger's parents are said to be living in Omaha at the present time.

Manufacturers Build Tower—The Omaha manufacturers will have charge of the Tower of Liberty building on the court house lawn at 10th and Dodge streets today. They promise something novel in the celebration. Floyd Gibbons, the war correspondent, is to make a speech if he arrives in the city in time.

Several Divorces Granted—The following divorce decrees were granted in district court Tuesday: Mary Lucy Painter from Forrest Vurl Painter, on grounds of cruelty; Lillie Denton from Frank Denton, cruelty and non-support; and Mary Elizabeth Hamblet from Samuel P. cruelty and non-support.

Burlington Trains Earlier—Commencing Sunday, October 13, Burlington afternoon train No. 3-41 for Lincoln, Denver and the northwest, leaves at 4:29 p. m. instead of 4:25 p. m. No. 4 morning local for Iowa, leaves Omaha at 9:15 a. m., instead of 9:18 a. m. No. 6-44 arrives from the west and northwest at 6:45 a. m., instead of 6:50 a. m.

James W. Dawes, Once Governor of Nebraska, Dies in Milwaukee
James W. Dawes, of Crete, Neb., former governor, died at St. Mary's hospital, Milwaukee, Tuesday of pneumonia at the age of 73 years. The funeral will be held in Milwaukee on Thursday.
Mr. Dawes was born in McDonnellville, O., in 1845. He came to Crete in 1871 and was engaged in the mercantile business until 1877 when he began the practice of law. He was a member of the Nebraska constitutional convention in 1875; was chairman of the republican state central committee in 1876, and was delegate to the republican national convention in Chicago in 1880.
The delegation to the national convention named him as member of the national republican committee for Nebraska for a term of four years.
In November, 1882, Mr. Dawes was elected governor of Nebraska for two years and at the expiration of his term he was elected again and his term of office expired in January, 1887.

MATRIMONIAL KING ARRESTED ON HONEYMOON

Career of Weddings and Forgeries Started in Syracuse, Neb., Ends in Syracuse, N. Y.

After a long chase, extending to all parts of the continent, Edward E. Cook, as he was known in Omaha, the man who took the "honey" out of honeymoons, has been arrested at Syracuse, N. Y.

By a peculiar coincidence, the first crime that brought him into police notice here, was committed at Syracuse, Neb. Cook, who has many aliases, first appeared in Omaha in November, 1917. He was about 28 years of age, of prepossessing appearance and put up at one of the leading hotels.

He had a way about him that took the fair sex, and it was only a short time when he won the affections of an Omaha nurse, whose stepfather, D. Mossman, a wealthy farmer, lived near Syracuse, Neb. She became enamored of him and became his fiancée.

Anxious to exhibit her conquest, she had the groom-to-be hire an automobile and drive to the home of her parents. He made a good impression, said he was a member of an eastern family of wealth and prominence. After a few days he said he was getting short of ready cash and drew a check on the Union Trust company of Pittsburgh, Pa., for \$500, and presented it to the State Bank of Syracuse. The cashier demanded endorsement, which was made by Mossman.

Hasty Retreat to Denver.
In due time Cook disappeared without marrying the girl and the check came back dishonored.

Cook was traced to Denver, where he was arrested, given an indeterminate sentence of from one to 10 years at Nebraska City, which was later rescinded by the judge on condition that Cook enter the army. Under parole he went to Lincoln and enlisted, becoming a member of the headquarters troop of the 13th cavalry.

He floated another fraudulent check in Lincoln, went to Denver and defrauded the Red Cross of a sum of money. Under the name of Chase he swept through the state of Kansas with the assistance of impressionable girls whom he promised to marry, cashed many bad checks.

At Watertown, Wis., he married one of the prominent young women of the town, secured her endorsement to a large check and disappeared. Bluffton, Ind., was the scene of his next operations where he made a big haul and left a heart-broken girl.

As Lt. John Judson Wilson he appeared at Pittsburgh, Pa., became acquainted with a prominent social girl of Altoona, Pa., proposed to her, was accepted, and got her father to endorse a check for \$700 and her brother one for \$300.
On July 29 he was married to a Syracuse, N. Y., girl, whom he also nupted of a sum of money.
Tuesday of this week, the career of the man who started out in Omaha nearly a year ago was suddenly checked at Syracuse, N. Y., where the police arrested him on a forgery charge.

As Stephen A. Wick, of the United States army, he had married Miss Mary McWherry, an Auburn, N. Y., nurse, and while on their honeymoon the ruse hand of the law was laid on him.
Cook-Wilson-Chase-Wick is said to have at least five young brides mourning him in different parts of the country, and at least 11 fiancées, two of whom live in Omaha.
He was turned over to officers from Watertown, Wis., on presentation of requisition papers on charges of forgery and grand larceny.

Opening of Night Schools is Postponed for a Week
Night sessions, which were scheduled to start at Comenius and Kellom school and at South, Central and Commercial High schools next Monday, have been postponed one week on account of the quarantine. "Even if the quarantine is lifted Monday," said Miss Belle Ryn, assistant superintendent of education, "we would not be able to get the night schools properly started on that date."

Gus G. Becher Dies at Columbus After an Illness of Six Years

The death of Gus G. Becher occurred at his home in Columbus, Neb., on Tuesday after an illness of six years. He was 74 years old.

Mr. Becher is well-known to Omaha business men. He came to Omaha from St. Louis in 1857 and the following year moved to Columbus, at that time a frontier settlement. He worked in Omaha in the 60's for the hardware firm of O. P. and T. J. Hurford for eight years.

He later served as captain in the Pawnee scouts, under Maj. Frank North.
In 1871 he established himself in Columbus in the real estate, loans and insurance business, which business is still conducted by his son and associates under the name of Becher, Hoehenberg & Chambers company.

He served a term in the state legislature which elected John M. Thurston to the United States senate. He held other local public offices and was a prominent Mason, having served as worshipful master.

He was married in Omaha in 1868 to Leanna Bradford, who died five years ago.
He is survived by three children: Jesse B. Becher of Minneapolis, Lora N. Adams of Los Angeles, Gus G. Becher, jr., of Columbus; two sisters: Eleanor Koenig and Josephine Miller of Omaha, and four grandchildren, several nephews and nieces in Columbus, Omaha and elsewhere.

Mrs. E. O. Hamilton of 4151 Davenport street, is a niece.
The funeral will be held at Columbus Friday at 3 o'clock.

Hammond Kinsey Victim of Pneumonia and Influenza

Following an illness of four days with Spanish influenza that suddenly developed into pneumonia, Hammond R. Kinsey, 2019 Maple street, died Tuesday night. The funeral, which will be private, will be held Friday afternoon. The body will be temporarily deposited in a receiving vault. Three children in the Hammond family now are ill with the disease, but their condition is not regarded critical.

Hammond R. Kinsey was 38 years old and is survived by a wife and three children. He was local manager of the Stecher Lithographing company, was a Scottish Rite Mason and a member of the Plymouth Congregational church.

Double Funeral to Be Held for "Flu" Victims Friday

Information reached here from Philadelphia saying that Mrs. John Latenser and members of the family with her, left Philadelphia Tuesday evening for Omaha, bringing the remains of Ruth Latenser and Mary Louise Latenser Yeiser with them. They are expected to arrive in Omaha Thursday morning. Services will be conducted by Father McCarthy and Father Sinnie on Friday morning. The hour and place will be announced later.

Whalen Residence Entered.

Some time during Tuesday night thieves broke into the residence of J. A. Whalen, 424 North Thirty-eighth avenue, and made away with a three-quarter carat diamond ring and two lavalliers, valued at \$125. Entrance was gained by forcing a rear window.

Former Omaha Newspaper Man Dies in Los Angeles

A telegram from Los Angeles Tuesday afternoon announced the death there of Charles Copenharve, for 26 years connected with the editorial department of the Anaconda (Mont.) Standard, resigning about a year ago to take up his residence in Los Angeles in order to look after his property interests. Mr. Copenharve was connected with The Bee in 1890 and was one of the paper's representatives at the Pine Ridge Indian uprising of that period, going directly from Omaha to the Standard.

Mr. Copenharve was born in Pennsylvania in 1862 and came to Nebraska City in 1876, where he was employed on the newspapers and was a prominent Mason.

He was married and had a daughter and six brothers, four of whom are residents of Omaha. He was an honorary member of the Omaha Typographical union.

Omaha is Called On to Send Men to Camp Kearney, California

Omaha has received two calls for national army men to be sent to training camps October 21 to 25. This will take practically all of the 1917 registrants in class 1 and, in many districts, will take the June and August registrants of this year. September registrants who wish to go in either of these contingents may volunteer.

Call is for 2,000 men to be sent to Camp Kearney, California. Of these Douglas county, known as local board No. 6, is to send 102; local board No. 1, 60; board No. 2, 84, and board No. 3, 43.

Three boards have been called on to send 614 men to Camp Bowie, Texas. The quotas are as follows: Board No. 3, 293; board No. 4, 174; board No. 5, 41.

Patriotic Services at South Papillion Church

A patriotic service was held Monday at the South Papillion Lutheran church for the 18 men of that parish who are called in the October draft. At the close of the meeting Rev. Mr. Schmidt secured 30 subscriptions to the Liberty loan, amounting to \$12,900. One subscription was for \$1,900 and three were for more than \$1,000 each.

Federal Officers Arrest Negro on Desertion Charge

Sam Colbert, negro, claiming his home as Norton, Va., was arrested by government officers as a deserter. Colbert failed to register and has been dodging federal officials in various parts of the country until taken into custody by officials of the department here. He will be inducted into the army today.

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Men's Pants, \$2.95	Women's Hosiery, 6 Pairs \$1.00
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Men's Shirts, 49c	Baby Vests, 49c
Men's Handkerchiefs, 8 1/2c	Baby Bands, 17c
Sample Hose, 25c	Children's Coats, \$3.95
Storm Serge, 90c	Women's Kimonos, 95c

A Letter From Dear Old Santa Claus

NORTH POLE, BY AIRGRAM.

MY DEAR CHILDREN—
MY LITTLE HELPERS HAVE BROUGHT ME THE NEWS THAT SOME FOLKS DOWN THERE WANTED TO GO AWAY WITH CHRISTMAS AND THAT THERE WOULD BE NO SANTA CLAUS THIS YEAR ON ACCOUNT OF THE WAR.
WELL, I WANT IT UNDERSTOOD RIGHT HERE—I'M GOING TO COME, BUT I'LL PROBABLY DRIVE ONLY ONE REINDEER. WHY, I WOULD NOT FEEL RIGHT ABOUT IT TO DISAPPOINT YOU, SO I'LL BE AROUND CHRISTMAS EVE AS USUAL, BUT WITH GIFTS OF A MORE USEFUL AND PRACTICAL NATURE.
I'LL ADMIT IT IS HARDER FOR ME TO MAKE THE MANY THINGS FOR YOU THAT I ALWAYS HAVE, SINCE THE GREAT ALLIED COUNTRIES ARE USING PRACTICALLY ALL THE MATERIALS TO HELP "THE BOYS" GIVE THE KAISER A TERRIBLE LICKING; BUT I'LL GET THEM MADE SOME WAY SO YOU CAN HAVE THEM ON CHRISTMAS MORNING.
REALLY I CAN'T UNDERSTAND WHY THE WORRY AND FRET OF BUSINESS OR THE GLOOM OF THE WORLD-WAR SHOULD SETTLE LIKE A CLOUD TO MAR THE CHRISTMAS OF YOU KIDDIES. THE GROWN-UPS ARE BETTER ABLE TO BEAR THE SORROWS OF THE WORLD BECAUSE THEY HAVE IN THEIR HEARTS VISIONS OF THEIR OWN HAPPY CHRISTMASSES WHEN THEY WERE CHILDREN.
BUT LIKE EVERYBODY ELSE IN THIS GREAT LAND, I'M GOING TO CONFORM TO CERTAIN RULES AND RESTRICTIONS THAT MAKE MY BUSINESS HELP TOWARD WINNING THE WAR—AND I BELIEVE IT IS BY KEEPING ALIVE THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS.
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