

SOLDIER PLEADS FOR RED CROSS, WOMAN'S CLUB

Private McDonald, Escaped From Hun Prison Camp, Tells How Red Cross Saved His Life.

Private Frank McDonald of the First Canadian Mounted Rifles addressed the members of the Omaha Woman's club at the open meeting held Monday afternoon in the club rooms at the Y. W. C. A.

The Germans did not steal the Red Cross parcels and they always delivered them for the reason that this food kept the men alive and they, therefore, could force them to do more work.

The speaker made a strong plea for the support of the Red Cross, urging people to give even more now than that the armistice was signed and to continue to give until every American was on his own soil.

Railroad Agents Report Crop Conditions Perfect

Railroad agents in Nebraska sending a post-season crop and soil report say that the farmers are practically through with their corn husking.

The fall wheat of which there is an unusually large acreage, is reported to have gone into the winter in better condition than usual, with every indication that next summer there will be a bumper yield.

Charles H. Pickens Sees Landing of Yank Troops

Charles H. Pickens was one of the interested spectators when the mammoth Cunard liner Mauretania arrived in New York with its cargo of nearly 5,000 officers and troops from overseas.

Mr. Pickens was a passenger on this boat when the war broke out and was fired upon several times and finally anchored at Halifax. In a telegram to friends he states that there is considerable difference in the looks of the floating patch since he was on the passenger list.

Expect Large Attendance at Greeters' Convention

The local chapter of the Greeters of America is looking forward to the Greeters' convention which will be held in Omaha on Thursday and Friday of this week with a great deal of interest.

The many favorable replies which have been received from the invitations sent out by President R. D. McFadden, indicate that a large attendance will be present at the convention.

State Bankers Call Off Convention Account Fit

The convention of the Nebraska State bankers which was to have been held at the latter part of this week in Omaha has been called off because of the influenza situation throughout the state.

Khaki Kolumn

A letter mailed in France November 2 to Ben Stone, 1821 Corby street, from Billie Bell, reached Omaha last Saturday. Bell is the son of Dr. Joseph Bell, proprietor of a drug store at Sixteenth and Nicholas streets for many years.

He writes: "I am just recovering from the flu, and, oddly enough, your letter and letters from England and Canada all have something to say of it."

"Six of us were the first of the allies to go along a certain forest lane and a man and woman greeted us there with almost hysterical joy. I may say that Fritz had taken away all the men except the old and crippled, also all cattle and horses."

Sergt. M. J. Peasinger, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Peasinger, 3004 Dodge street, has returned to Camp Dodge, Ia., after passing a few days visiting his parents here.

Fort Omaha athletes are planning an extensive program for the winter months, including basketball ball games, boxing and wrestling tournaments.

The 60th balloon company at Florence field has smashed all previous records by maneuvering a balloon over a distance of 14 miles in five hours.

Good Program Promised at Kellom Community Center Wednesday Night

An excellent program has been prepared to be given at Kellom school community center Wednesday night, beginning at 8:15 o'clock. One of the features will be instrumental selections by Miss Queenie Colver, playing the Hawaiian guitar, and her sister, Ivey Colver, playing the mandolin.

Miss Erel Kulakofsky will give a number of readings. Ralph Nielson will play "Capriccio" by Wachs. He is a pupil of Madame Beatons.

The community singing will be led by Professor Kranz. The program will be given every Wednesday evening at this center.

Alleged Villa Gangster is Arrested as Pickpocket

"Light Finger" Andrica Cardenoz, Mexican, said to have been a member of Villa's gang at one time, was bound over to the district court on a \$500 bond Monday morning by Judge Britt, on a charge of larceny from person.

Fred Nelson, 415 North Twentieth street, stated that as he was walking up Douglas street Sunday afternoon he noticed a man walking close beside him. He looked again and found that the man had his watch.

He followed the man to Fourteenth and Douglas streets, where he called a traffic officer. True to his reputation, Cardenoz fought for his freedom, and was only arrested with the aid of a detective who was passing by.

Both Legs Broken When Struck by an Automobile

As she stepped from a south bound street car at Thirteenth and Jackson streets, Mrs. Rachel Meyers, 1210 Dorcas street, was struck by a Ford car going northward Monday morning.

She was taken to the Lord Lister hospital, attended by Dr. Waters, and found to have sustained a fracture of both legs. Mrs. Meyers is an employe of the Kimball laundry.

Throwing Bombs!

Our boys are showing remarkable proficiency in hurling hand-grenades or bombs. From earliest infancy our boys learn well to "throw ball," and this stands them in good-hand in "throwing back" the Hun. The explosion takes place quickly, scattering pain and destruction—just like an uric-acid explosion within the body.

fields, up and down hills and over fences and telephone wires. The winch was used only a half hour during the five-hour period to rest the men.

Lt. Col. John D. Carmody, who has been stationed at Fort Omaha, has been transferred to the balloon school at Arcadia, Cal.

Maj. Arthur Boettcher, formerly of Fort Omaha, who left for overseas with the Third Balloon Squadron and served as commanding officer of the army balloon school at Bordeaux, France, is at Fort Omaha on a short visit.

Among the Fort Omaha cadets who received their commissions at Acadia, Cal., and who have been transferred to Camp John Wise, Tex., are Lts. Marcella Colletten, R. H. Wybrant, Harry Rafferty, Harvey Graham, Stanley Doch and Lewis Irvin.

W. W. Horn of the Thompson-Belden company has received a letter from his son, Sergeant Howard C. Horn, with the The Hundred and Thirty-fifth Ambulance corps in France.

This entire corps consisting of 125 men is wholly made up of Omaha boys, and at the time of writing, November 3, it was stationed at a transportation school near Paris, where they were taking a course in war transportation.

In speaking of the work Sergeant Horn spoke highly of the instructors who are mostly English and French.

W. F. Negele of the Thompson-Belden company received a letter Saturday from their former foreman, John H. Gillespie, sipping that he sailed for Europe Tuesday, November 26, where he will join the Y. M. C. A. forces in the reconstruction work in France.

Mr. Gillespie left Omaha about a month ago and has been in New York taking a special training course in the Y. M. C. A. department of Columbia University.

Red Cross Ambulance Drivers Mustered Out of Service

A contingent of demobilized Red Cross ambulance drivers arrived in Omaha yesterday from Camp Scott, Ill., where they went recently to train for overseas service. The boys still are subject to call. Most of the boys who volunteered for this service early last month are Central High school students.

Butter Ruling Changed and Any Size "Print" is O. K.

The rule prohibiting the manufacture and sale of less than one pound prints of butter has been repealed and hereafter manufacturers may manufacture and dealers may sell butter in any sized prints they desire, announces Gordon W. Watters, federal food administrator for Nebraska.

Omaha Leading City in U. S. in the Production of Butter

Omaha is conceded to be by far the leading city in the United States in the production of butter. During the year ending June 30, 1918, Omaha produced 25,700,000 pounds, or nearly twice as much as any other city in the country.

MAYOR OPPOSES PASSING BUCK IN CITY PURCHASES

Council in Wrangle Over the Matter of Selecting Agent to Succeed Dean Gregg.

An argument as to whether the city shall continue to have a purchasing agent or not was a feature of the city council meeting Monday.

"I object to any commissioner 'passing the buck' to a purchasing agent," declared Mayor Smith. "Each commissioner should be made responsible for the purchase of supplies for his own department."

Most of the commissioners differed with this view. Mr. Butler declared that "a purchasing agent of the proper caliber would save the city his salary many times over."

Mr. Butler estimated that the city buys \$350,000 worth of supplies in a year. A good, experienced purchasing agent at a salary commensurate with his ability would save a large percentage of this, he said.

Dean Gregg, who has been purchasing agent under the new administration, resigned last week. The question is whether to continue the office or let each commissioner buy his own supplies.

A committee composed of Mayor Smith and Commissioners Ure and Butler was appointed to confer with some of the purchasing agents of some of the big Omaha business firms and report to the council what can be accomplished in the way of money-saving by such an official.

Omaha Soldier is Secretary to Gen. Thomas H. Barry

Edward T. Ryan, son of Mrs. Millie Ryan, Omaha, has been appointed private secretary to Gen. Thomas H. Barry, commanding officer of the Central department of the United States army, with headquarters in Chicago.

Ryan is an Omaha boy and for many years was a clerk in the Union Pacific headquarters. A couple of years ago he was called to Chicago as private secretary to B. L. Winchell, director of traffic of the Union Pacific system.

He was holding this position at the time of his enlistment in the United States air service last spring.

Brief City News

Lighting Fixtures—Burgess-Granden Have Root Print 16—Beacon Press. Dr. L. E. Moon, 429 Brandeis Bldg.

Auto Club Meeting—The annual meeting of the Omaha Automobile club will be held this evening at 8:30 o'clock in the club rooms.

Thought Omaha Dry—Edward O'Keefe of Denver, Colo., arrested for being drunk, told Police Judge Britt that before he came to Omaha he thought it was a dry town, but now he didn't believe it. He was fined \$10 and costs.

Lonegan Has the "Flu"—Charles D. Lonegan, who this summer won the state championship in dancing, is confined to his home with the "flu" and as a consequence has had to cancel many engagements.

Change Offices—Changes are being made in the offices of the general manager of the Burlington by which three of the rooms on the second floor will be thrown into one and used as a work room for the clerks.

One Ton of Coal Limit at Municipal Yard Now

The municipal coal yard is now running on the basis of selling not more than one ton to each customer, in accordance with a resolution passed by the council. It is pointed out by those in favor of unlimited sales that this does not prevent a person from ordering a ton every day until he has as much as he wants, thus making delivery costs much greater.

Inventories to Be Offered in Omaha Gas Case Tuesday

The court of condemnation in the Omaha Gas appraisal case will sit Tuesday morning when inventories will be offered in evidence.

Following this formality, the appraisal experts will then proceed to determine their valuations on the basis of the inventories. The appraisal work will require several months.

To Take Up Track Elevation Question Next Monday

The question of ordering the Missouri Pacific railroad to elevate its tracks at Forty-eighth and Leavenworth streets was postponed until next Monday by city council.

Beverage Plant Shuts Down

Fremont, Neb., Dec. 2.—(Special Telegram.)—The plant of the Fremont Beverage company, formerly the Fremont Brewing company, will be converted into a cold storage plant.

South Side

Sight of Stock Yards Will Please Omaha Lieutenant

First Lt. Morton L. Degen in a letter to the "boys" at the stock yards says that the "dirty stock yards would look like Fifth avenue to him." Here is what Lieutenant Degen writes:

"The weather during our rest has been wonderful, bright and clear all the time. We have had two or three very heavy frosts, but there are still flowers in bloom. However, we get our share of mud and rain and I have had my fill. The stock yards can never get too bad for me now. Old Buck never will get a peep out of this bird over dirty pens. At their worst they are like Fifth avenue compared to what we get over here."

Lieutenant Degen is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sol Degen, 3303 Woolworth avenue.

Police Raid Rooming House and Confiscate 18 Pints

Eli Buhbon, Rhode Lazerick and Mike Pocue, arrested in a Serbian rooming house at 2818 R street, charged with illegal possession of intoxicating liquor, were fined \$100 and costs in police court Monday morning. The men had 18 pints of whisky between them.

Rhode Nebraska, arrested on a similar charge at the same address, was discharged when he produced a doctor's certificate proving that a physician had prescribed a stimulant for his wife. Nebraska had one-half pint of whisky.

Man Burned in Explosion Dies Sunday in Hospital

Cherry Harden, who was severely burned in lower part of the abdomen and about the legs in an explosion in his restaurant, 2517 Q street, November 25, died of the injuries Sunday night in the South Side hospital. While he was in the hospital his restaurant was broken into and several hundred dollars stolen.

Advertising Solicitor Not Employed by Omaha Paper

A man giving the name of William H. Taylor and representing himself as the Live Stock Press association, has been soliciting advertising for the Journal Stockman, Drivers Telegram, Kansas City, and other live stock papers of similar character. Taylor does not represent the Journal Stockman, according to George Neff, president, who would like to learn the whereabouts of Taylor.

Henry Murphy Has Attack of Ptomaine Poisoning

Henry C. Murphy, South Side attorney, suffered an attack of ptomaine poisoning Saturday, and

South Side Brevities

Will buy Liberty bonds. Room 1226, Woodmen Bldg.

The Packers National Bank, Twenty-fourth and Q, will keep your Liberty bonds without charge.

Clarence Storm, 1109 Edwards street, won first prize at the poultry show at the auditorium with a Plymouth White Rock hen.

The Fraternal Order of Eagles will hold an election of officers tonight at Eagles hall. The polls will be open in the evening from 8 to 9 o'clock.

Two cars of Dietz No. 8 coal for base burners, due to arrive this week. Phone us your order before it is all sold. Phone South 23, 6, E. Harding Coal company.

A Christmas bazaar will be held in the United Presbyterian church, Twenty-third and H streets, the evenings of December 12 and 13. Programs will be given both evenings.

Some time during the day of November 25, someone picked the pockets of William Wallace, 1129 Harrison street, and relieved him of six pieces of jewelry and \$8 in cash.

Dr. W. E. Weir, national secretary of the Presbyterian Brotherhood, spoke at the Wheeler Memorial Presbyterian church Sunday night on "Men and the Church of Today."

The funeral of John Green, who died in Lincoln, was held in Larkin's chapel at 6 o'clock Monday afternoon with interment in Graceland Park cemetery. Mr. Green is survived by his mother, Mrs. Jennie Williams, and two sisters, Mrs. George Jacobs and Louise Jones. The Rev. Mr. Savidge conducted the services.

The South Side library announces that the following books have been received and are now ready for circulation: John Ambrose Fleming's "Elementary Manual of Radiotelegraphy"; William George Henlan's "Leave of Scientific Handwriting"; Gertrude Atherton's "White Horning"; and Irving Bachevalier's "Keeping Up With William."

Record Opening Day Seat Sale for All-Star Course

When the seat sale for the series of all-star concerts which includes Galli-Curci, McCormack, Frances Alda, Carolina Lazzari and Rudolf Ganz, opened Monday morning at the Auditorium, a long line of ticket buyers, filling the big lobby and reaching out on the street nearly up to Howard, were waiting their turn at the box office window.

The seat selling today, said Mrs. A. L. Green who is managing the course, "has every indication that the entire seating arrangement will be gone in a very short time and a mighty few if any tickets for the single concerts will be available. But then one would hardly expect anything else with four such wonderful attractions and everybody hungry for just such amusement and place to go."

Eight Days to Leave.

Paris, Dec. 2.—(Havas).—Eight days remain for the Germans to evacuate the left bank of the Rhine from lower Alsace to Holland. French and allied forces crossed the German frontier yesterday. France will be represented by contingents in all enemy territory, according to an announcement.

DEALERS PLAN CAMPAIGN TO BOOST OMAHA

Retail Merchants Will Take Action to Let Advantages of City as Trade Center Be Known.

As a part of its reconstruction work to overcome some of the handicaps of war conditions, the associated retail dealers of Omaha are planning to put on a great educational campaign, the purpose of which will be to impress upon the retail trade territory naturally tributary to Omaha the superiority of this city as a shopping center as compared with other competing points.

In order to procure more favorable local train schedules, the transportation committee, consisting of Tom Redmond, R. C. Goddard and W. G. Brant, will endeavor to work out a system of schedules for the various roads radiating from here that will be favorable to the retail interests of the city and which will allow persons living in the districts served more liberal allotment of time for shopping services.

The associated retail dealers were the parents of the agitation for a new union depot, which project was dropped as a result of war conditions. The association officials say the subject is as live now and as opportune as it ever was and the matter will be taken up with renewed vigor. Members are optimistic over the probable success of the measure and feel that it can be put over as a real conservation measure.

Automobile Thieves Busy Sunday; Three Cars Stolen

Three automobiles were stolen in Omaha between Saturday night and Monday morning, according to complaints received by the police. W. Farnam Smith, 1320 Farnam street, reported that his car was taken from the garage at that number sometime Sunday. J. R. Souther, 2852 Ida street, lost his car which he left at Sixteenth and Dodge streets, and Fred Hayes, 1918 Burt street, says his car disappeared from the Buick repair shop, 1611 Davenport street.

F. L. Brown Asks Divorce; Asserts Wife Struck Him

Frank L. Brown has filed a divorce action against his wife, Annie L. Brown, whom he charges falsely accused him of infidelity and also struck and beat him without provocation. The Browns were married in Kansas City October 29, 1917. Brown has applied for an absolute divorce.

BURGESS-NASH COMPANY. The Christmas Store for Everybody. Monday, December 2, 1918. STORE NEWS FOR TUESDAY. Phone Douglas 2100. ANNOUNCING FOR TUESDAY:-- An Extraordinary Sale of WINTER COATS At \$29.50. Representing Reductions That Average About 1/3 under the Regular Price. The coats represent the very acme of style, in great variety of models, made of the season's most favored coatings, including: Plush Kersey Scotch Mixtures Wool Velour Broadcloths Plaid Coatings Pom Pom Gabardines Etc., Etc. Self material, fur or plush trimmed collar, cuffs, belted or plain effects. Some are lined throughout with a superior quality of lining, others are half lined. The colors include: Navy Burgundy Green Brown Taupe Tans Mixture and Black. Burgess-Nash Co.—Second Floor.