M'ADOO URGES

OMAHA TO BACK

Interesting Message From

Director General Who

Wires on Railroad

Situation.

The Omaha Chamber of Com-

merce has received an interesting

mesage from W. G. McAdoo, direc-

tor-general of the railroad systems

of this country, in regard to the wa-

terways situation as it effects Oma-

ha. He urges government control

When the Omaha business men re-

ceived word through the Mississippi

Valley Waterways association that the government program for the im-provement of the Mississippi river

rom St. Louis to New Orleans had

been blocked and that the govern-

ment had changed its plans for ex-

pending \$7,000,000 for improvement

on the lower Mississippi they sent a mesage to Seretary McAdoo, who

Mr. McAdoo's Reply.

where you get your information, bu

there is no truth in the report that

contracts for barges for Mississipp

river have been cancelled. Since the

ailroad administration was commit-

ted some time ago to the purchase o

these barges, of course, the contract

will be carried out. It is proper that

should call your attention to the

fact, however, that unless the con-

gress shall extend the period of fed-

portunity may be afforded for a fair

test of the value of unified railroad

operation along with co-ordination

inland waterways operation the ex-

periment on the Mississippi may not

Fears Railroad Competition.

"I doubt if the Mississippi river

peration can produce satisfactory

results if the railroads should be

turned back soon to private control

The old methods of railroad compe-

the waterways experiment may not

problem, because as an American

citizen whose earnest interest in

proper waterways development has

been manifested frequently, I think

your business men's organizations in Omaha should consider very serious-ly the importance of extending the

period of federal control of the rail-

roads as I have just proposed, in or-

der that a fair test of unified opera-

usefulness of such development."

tion of the railroads may be made

be able to survive that competition. "I suggest these phases of the

tition with waterways transportation will be revived and it is probable that

hold out much promise.

"Telegram received. I don't know

of railroads be continued.

made the following reply:

FEDERAL RULE

Stopped on Iowa Side by Mistake of Federal Officials.

Ferguson of Cedar Rapids, chair-man of the Lowe Nebroska Misson; the Eighty-ninth division. man of the Iowa, Nebraska, Missouri and Kansas Sunday School association; Rev. Mr. Schrader of Dubuque and Rev. L. E. Koenig of Fairfield, all big men in the Presbyterian federal agents on duty. The clergy- loon section of the army. men were visiting in Council Bluffs and wished to make a trip to Omaha. Mr. McGee and Rev. Mr. Cummings Mrs. John Tighe, 541 South Thirtyoffered to accompany them and Mr. first street, has returned to Camp McGee took the party over in his Funston. He was called to Omaha

booze hounds were looking for, and D, who is in a hospital here. they pounced on it with hungry avidity, giving expression to sundry. "Aha's" and "now we've got yous," with the advice, "Don't you guys try the hospital corps of the navy, who to ditch any of yer dope!" All were sailed from New York on the Monsearched without results. Mr. Cum- golia, has arrived safely overseas. mings, sitting in the back seat, was holding, half concealed, a black N. Snyder of 3408 Cass street. leather grip belonging to Ferguson. The booze hound seized it with

hoth hands. The result was that he fell backward with the grip tucked under his chin. "It's pretty light," he remarked, recovering his equilib-"It's full of Ferguson's sermons,"

remarked Cummings. The grip was opened; the sermons produced, and the car and its occupants thoroughly searched before the booze hunters realized they were not penetrating real camouflage.

# Joe Hurtig Has Bunch of Real Winners at

When you see "My Wife Won't Let Me," at the Gayety this week, pou will admit the Joe Hurtig has semester.

He will re-enter from active service in France and is now stationed at Camp Mills, N. Y.

Harry H. Mole, son of Mr. and ndeed a "Burlesque Wonder Show." George P. Murphy, the Swiss tinker, is a riot from start to finish and is supported by a wonderful

Primrose Semon, is a very clever young artist and is certainly dancer. In her imitations of Al. Jol son, Eddie Foy and Eva Tanguay she proved her ability as a per-

"Will You Love Me When My Fliver Is a Wreck," was the big song hit of the show and was sing by Murphy.

Lulu Coates and her Three Crack-

to dancing. They stopped the show Friday ev for five minutes and only let it go on when it was explained that the has been postponed because of the dancers were negligee. After a forceful talk delivered by

William Murphy, who takes the part of "The Doctor," the girls of the arations for the party and several show took up a collection for the benefit of Omaha's poor. They col-

## Whisky Put in Trunk Just to Appease Him for Theft

Dan Droboc and Pete Studen, proprietors of a soft drink parlor at 1401 Webster street, were brought before Judge Britt in police court Saturday morning, charged with unlawful possession of intoxicating liquor. The officers located the whisky in a trunk in their place of

Droboc explained that several days ago he had \$1,800 in this very same trunk, expecting to accommosalary \$1,500 a year had passed the date Union Pacific employes in cashing their pay checks. The money was located by some foul fiend and stolen, and to appease the sorrow of so great a loss, they bought a quantity of whisky, as he explained to make me and my friends some happiness." Judge Britt handed Droboc and Studen each another \$100 worth of "sadness."

## Free Gift Offer by Beddeo Meets With Big Response

All day Saturday a stream of people poured into the Beddeo Clothing company to take advantage of the opportunity to obtain a glass water

The success with which the offer met has induced the manage ment to purchase a shipment of fancy hand mirrors which will be given out on the same plan, with each \$15 purchase or over. This ofier will be continued until the entire supply of gifts is exhausted.

## Held for Peking Into the

Windows of Claremont Inn Marvin Ord chauffeur, 2329 South (wenty-ninth street, was arrested Friday night on the charge of being drunk and disorderly, and is being held for investigation.

It is alleged that Ord was peeking into the windows of the Claremont Inn at Seventeenth and Jackson streets, when he was discovered by Leo Tasco, a guest, who held him until the arrival of an officer to make the arrest.

## Mail Christmas Packages Early is Warning of P. O.

R. S. Brauer, superintendent of mails at the Omaha postoffice, says that, despite the fact that forces in all departments are depleted because of the war and the influenza epidemic, all mail will be properly handled if the people will mail their packages early. He urges everyone to mail their Christmas packages at

## Pioneer Omaha Man Dies at South Bend, Ind.

David Harpster, who was born in Pennsylvania January 31, 1831, died at South Bend, Ind., December 12. He came to Omah May 8, 1858 and went to South Bend in 1906. He is survived by wife and three daughters, Mrs. Horace M. Kaufman and Mrs. Elmer MacDonald of South Bend, and Mrs. Elsie Tetard of Omaha

Sergt. James Watson, son of Mr. OMAHA MOVIE MAN KILLED and Mrs. R. S. Watson, 4331 Erskine street, is in Germany with the army of occupation. He has writ-Prominent lowa Ministers ten his parents that the American soldiers are feeling fine and are having a glorious march through Germany. He adds that it feels strange to know you are among the Huns and yet to feel that you are safe. This was the first word the parents have had from their son since the H. G. McGee, Rev. J. E. Cum- signing of the armistice. He is a mings of Council Bluffs, Rev. S. R. member of Battery C. Three Hun-

Maj. P. E. Van Nostrand, former executive officer at Fort Omaha, received word last week that his mother is seriously ill at San Anchurch, were mistaken for bootleg- tonio, Tex., and left immediately for gers Friday evening and were stop- San Antonio. Later he will go to ped and searched at the Iowa end Washington to take charge of his of the Douglas street bridge by the new work as executive of the bal-

Lt. Leo Tighe, son of Mr. and edan car.
It was just the sort of car the Mrs. Lawrence Cowan, Arnott, S.

Word has been received that Byron L. Snyder, pharmacist mate in He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. M.

Lt. Hird Stryker of the heavy received a cablegram last Thurs-Mrs. A. F. Stryker of South Omaha, Kansas City. returned to their home Friday from Evanston, where they had the pleasure of seeing their first and only grandchild. Since her husband went overseas, Lieutenant Stryker's wife has been with her sister, Mrs. Will Pooley at Evanston where the baby

Bryce Crawford, jr., son of Judge quarters. and Mrs. Crawford, has been rethe Gayety This Week leased from army service at the naval aviation training station, where he was stationed when the armishe was stationed when the armished with the station of t

wounded in France, according to a letter received by his mother, Mrs. Augusta Rothholz, 500 South Twen-

Girls' Dancing Party

for Shoe Fund Benefit

The dancing party which was to

have been given by the girls of the

business department of The Bee

the benefit of The Bee shoe fund.

It will be held early in January.

excellent vaudeville acts are being

arranged. Much talent has been of-

fered. Tickets for the eyent will

Federal Judge Woodrough chuckled Saturday morning when he

"They have been agitating the matter for the last 10 years,' he de-

clared, "Most of the pressure, how-

ever, has been in the eastern states

where some of the state judges were

better paid than the federal judges.

If the bill passes the senate the 131 judges of the United States dis-

trict courts, circuit courts and courts of appeal will be paid \$7,500 a year

instead of the present compensation

Postpones Its Meetings

The regular Monday evening

meeting of the Advertising-Selling

eague has been postponed indefin-

itely on account of the influenza. It

is planned by the executive commit-

tee that upon resumption of regular meetings double programs will be

staged, combining the address and

Advertising-Selling League

The girls are making great prep-

"flu" regulations.

cost \$1.

of \$6,000.

ing December 20

# ON FRENCH FRONT.



Charles Manfre, former manager of the Fox Film corporation here, was killed in action in France two weeks before the armistice was

Manire was drafted and was in field artillery, who is now in France. training only four weeks before he was sent overseas. He went to day announcing the birth at Evans-ton, Ill., of a son, who will be last spring and was in the thick of known as Hird Stryker, jr. Lieumuch of the heavy fighting. He was tenant Stryker's parents, Mr. and 27 years old. His parents live in

> ty-eighth street. He wrote following his release from the hospital where he was confined for a month. He was shot through the arm while going over the top on October 3. Before entering the service he was employed in the Union Pacific head-

Corporal William H. Green, son of tice was signed. He will re-enter from active service in France and is

Harry H. Mole, son of Mr. and Gabriel Rothholz was slightly Mrs. L. S. Mole, 2853 Fowler avenue,

entertainments that will of necessity be passed with program of those evenings. Such an arrangement will give the entire membership an unusual opportunity to and that along with the inland water-Postponed by Flu Order ship an unusual opportunity to and that along with the inland water-broaden their knowledge, as on the ways may be developed and a fair opprogram are a list of speakers of portunity given to demonstrate the splendid ability.

# Brief City News

Have Root Print It-Beacon Press. 25 Per Cent Discount on electric table lamps.—Burgess-Granden Co. Mrs. John A. Gentlemen .. recovering from the "flu" at St. Catherine's hospital.

Falconer Has the "Flu"—City Commissioner Falconer has the His 11-year-old son is convalescing from pneumonia. Inspects Telephone Building—J. F. McCarthy f Minneapolis was a

F. McCartny I minneapons was a Saturday visitor in Omaha. Mr. Mahlstrom Back from Camp— Visits Omaha Friends—B. W. McCarthy is hief constructor and engineer of the Bell Telephone sys-

the interests of the company in con-nection with their new building

prietor of the Henshaw hotel, re- cated by agents of the Department turned Saturday morning from a vis-it to his ranch at Sutherland, Neb. The liquor had been shipped to McKelvie Here Between Trains- Omaha in three trunks. Federal Governor-elect McKelyle was here between frains Saturday afternoon. enroute to Annapolis to attend a meeting of governors.

Visits New York Store—J. L. Ormeeting of governors. meeting of governors.

Clark's latest illness is not serious. Opened in that city earlier in the He was able to get up Saturday morning, but will not attempt to go there during the Christmas holiday to his office for a few days.

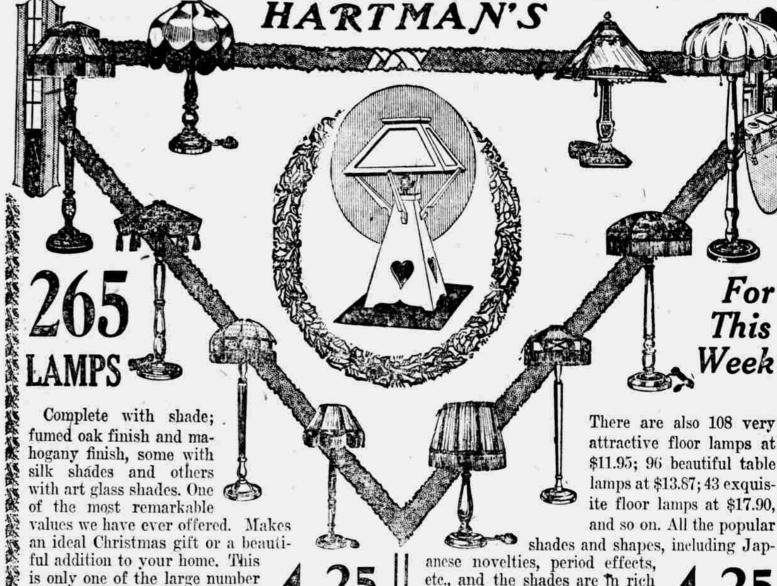
Seek Owner for Whisky-Six five-Visits Ranch-T. J. O'Brien, pro- gallon kegs of whisky were confis-

to New York City recently to pay a Sheriff Clark Laid Up-Sheriff visit to the new store which they season. He will probably remain there during the Christmas holiday season.

tem and was in the city looking after Fort Riley, and has resumed his quaintance and calling upon the buswork in the county treasurer's office. iness men. Mr. Edelman wa: at one time engaged in the insurance business in this city, but later went to New York.

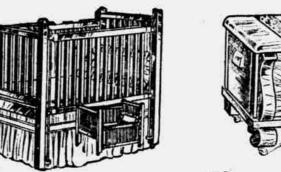
Kansas Governor to Visit Herefrom Henry J. Allen, governor-elect of Kansas, who promises to visit

Omaha during the winter. Funeral of Mrs. Murphy.—Funeral services of Mrs. Johanna Murphy, aged 74 years, will be held Monday morning in the residence of Martin J. Dineen, 938 North Twenty-sixth



There are also 108 very attractive floor lamps at \$11.95; 96 beautiful table lamps at \$13.87; 43 exquisite floor lamps at \$17.90, and so on. All the popular

anese novelties, period effects, etc., and the shades are in rich silks of every style and color. Come in tomorrow an see our extra special offerings, at-

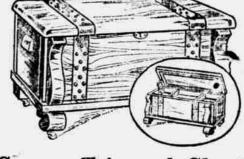


DAINTY WHITE CRIBS-They will make a very acceptable gift for the child to move about. The square post design is very new. Splendid white 

of special values for this week.

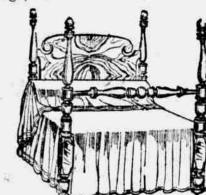
we are quoting at—

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# Copper Trimmed Chests

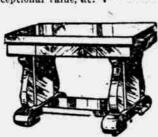
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\$6.45



Department ular Rug Department.

Gift Suggestions from Our Pop-

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45x18-inch Oval Colonial Rug...... \$ 4.59 36x63-inch Heavy Axminster Rug..... \$ 6.50 Guaranteed Vacuum Carpet Cleaner. . \$ 9-00 Famous Bee Electric Vacuum Sweeper 832.50



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"WINDSOR" ROCKER Shaped seat and restful



World's Largest Housefurnishers

# An Idea: Christmas Gift-"William and Mary Period Mahogany Window Flower

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### The dancing party will be held after the shoe fund has been for-You wouldn't expect your car to give good service mally closed, but all the proceeds with a bum carburetor-nor can you expect your will be given to the fund to provide footwear for needy Omaha kiddies during the balance of the school Salary May Be Increased

Get Your Teeth

Into Condition

strength, vitality and energy.

body to respond to your demands with a lot of poor Just as the carburetor splits up the gasoline and

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BOYS' ICE SKATES.....\$1.25 | POCKET KNIVES, 75c to \$4.00 | MANICURE SETS In case, \$4.00 GIRLS' ICE SKATES .....\$2.50 ROLLER SKATES, BB .... \$2.50 FLEXIBLE FLYER SLEDS, \$3 TOOL CABINETS .....\$20.00 TOOL BENCHES ...... \$10.50 SILVERWARE

KNIVES AND FORKS, set \$7.00 SOUP SPOONS, set .....\$3.50 FRUIT KNIVES, set.....\$4.50 BUTTER KNIVES, each ...50c

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