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OMAHA MEN FORM LOCAL BRANCH OF KIWANIS CLUB

Joseph W. Baker Elected President and W. W. Head Vice President; Membership to Be Limited.

The Kiwanis club, a branch of the International Kiwanis club, met at a luncheon in the assembly rooms of the Chamber of Commerce yesterday and effected a permanent organization. About 40 prominent Omaha business and professional men representing the charter members were present.

The Kiwanis club is based on the principles of good business ethics and has adopted the golden rule as applied to business as its motto. There are now over 150 clubs in the United States and Canada, the members of which are business and professional men. The membership is limited to two members from each line of business or profession, and the total membership will be limited by the local organization.

Timely business and professional topics taken up at the weekly meetings of the Kiwanis clubs throughout the country are addresses which have proved of great importance in the development of the cities in civic, social and commercial welfare. The name "Kiwanis" stands for a square deal and higher business.

The members held a meeting two weeks ago, but the permanent organization was not elected until Friday, which is as follows: Joseph W. Baker, president; Walter W. Head, vice president; Dr. E. Bradshaw, second vice president; W. Lincoln Byrne, secretary; Ford E. Hoovey, treasurer. These officers, together with Howard B. Badger, Chas. E. Black, M. M. Robertson, Ed. O. Hamilton, F. G. Odell and Chas. L. Denel, form the board of directors.

R. H. Fillmore of Chicago is here assisting in the organization. Mr. Fillmore has previously organized the club of Buffalo, N. Y.; Milwaukee, Wis.; Racine, Wis.; Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minn.; Lansing, Mich.; and St. Louis and Kansas City, Mo.

Was Fritzie Really Anxious to Quit the Fight? Read What He Says

Original Pamphlet is Dropped on American Lines Shows Armistice Was More Than Welcome.

That the Germans lost no time in letting the American soldiers know their government had asked for an armistice is shown by an original pamphlet, reproduced on this page, just received here by B. Julian, foreman of the Union Pacific car shops, from Harvey O. Larson, a former employe, now a member of Battery D, 340th field artillery.

In his letter telling of the propaganda Private Larson said: "One nice, windy afternoon the Germans came over with a couple of planes filled with propaganda and dumped it out. It looked like a big snowstorm was coming."

"The day before he sent some over telling us to throw down our arms, march over there and become their prisoners and we would get good food, be in a safe place and not be throwing our lives away for France and England."

"I received your Omaha Daily Bee and we sure surprised the Huns the other day by the dope in the paper. I never did know how much ground we covered or how many prisoners were taken, as the papers here did not give us much credit."

"The 4th division sure deserves all of the credit, as they were right in the heart of it and had to cover some awful country. When those Huns started they never stopped until they reached their concrete trenches."

The German People Offers Peace.

The new German democratic government has this programme: "The will of the people is the highest law."

The German people wants quickly to end the slaughter. The new German popular government therefore has offered an Armistice and has declared itself ready for Peace on the basis of justice and reconciliation of nations.

It is the will of the German people that it should live in peace with all peoples, honestly and loyally.

What has the new German popular government done so far to put into practice the will of the people and to prove its good and upright intentions?

a) The new German government has appealed to President Wilson to bring about peace.

It has recognized and accepted all the principles which President Wilson proclaimed as a basis for a general lasting peace of justice among the nations.

b) The new German government has solemnly declared its readiness to evacuate Belgium and to restore it.

c) The new German government is ready to come to an honest understanding with France about Alsac-Lorraine.

d) The new German government has restricted the U-boat war. No passengers steamers not carrying troops or war material will be attacked in future.

e) The new German government has declared that it will withdraw all German troops back over the German frontier.

f) The new German government has asked the Allied Governments to name commissioners to agree upon the practical measures of the evacuation of Belgium and France.

These are the deeds of the new German popular government. Can these be called mere words, or bluff, or propaganda?

Who is to blame, if an armistice is not called now?

Who is to blame if daily thousands of brave soldiers needlessly have to shed their blood and die?

Who is to blame, if the hitherto undestroyed towns and villages of France and Belgium sink in ashes?

Who is to blame, if hundreds of thousands of unhappy women and children are driven from their homes to hunger and freeze?

The German people offers its hand for peace.

POLICE CLAIM OMAHA BANDIT HAS CONFESSED

Jeffe Miller, Police Say, Has Admitted Robberies and Implicated Other Members of Gang.

With the signing of an alleged confession by Jeffe Miller, 2117 Jefferson street, implicating other members of the gang whose arrest will follow shortly, police say they have rounded up one of the most daring gangs of holdups that have operated in Omaha in years.

Detectives Frandl and Heller, working under direction of Police Captain Madsen, made the arrest.

The police say Miller told of his participation in half a dozen holdups since he started on his career of crime, November 15. According to them, he said his first offense was the holdup of a man at Thirty-sixth and O streets when a "pal," who had told him to come along and make some easy money, held the gun and he searched the man.

Other holdups and a few burglaries followed in rapid succession, Miller, they claim, says he received no money for the first time and only a small proportion after that, the most at one time being \$10.

Maximum Price Removed.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Maximum prices on copper will expire January 1 and will not be renewed, it was announced today by the pricing committee of the war industries board.

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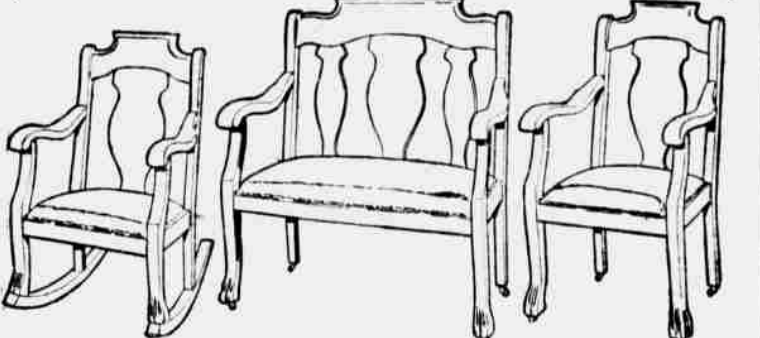
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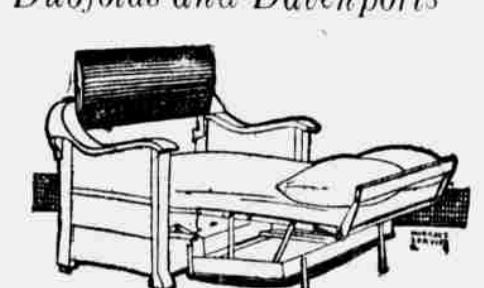
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M. Bolgoff, 2630 Seward street, paid \$20 to examine a \$100 bill, according to the police report. The report states that Bolgoff met a stranger in the postoffice who showed him a \$100 bill, which he stated he was unable to get changed. He made a temporary loan to the stranger, who disappeared with both the \$100 and \$20 bills.

Funeral Services for Late Mrs. J. E. Barton Monday

Funeral services for Mrs. J. E. Barton will be conducted by Rev. T. J. Mackay at the grave in Prospect Hill cemetery at 10:30 a. m. Monday.

The pallbearers will be: Ernest G. Vaughn, Newton K. Soper, Stanley Besswater, Fred Stafford, Edwin Woodbridge, Alfred Mathiasen.

Miss Elsie Thomas, Head of Brownell Hall, Dies at Her Home Here

Miss Elsie Thomas, principal of Brownell Hall school, died Thursday night from pneumonia following Spanish influenza.

Brownell school was reorganized last fall, when Miss Thomas was chosen principal. Miss Thomas has proven herself to be a most capable woman and has endeared herself to all who learned to know her.

Miss Thomas was a graduate of Vassar and had her master's degree from Chicago university.

Brief funeral services will be held at the school Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, Father Hallock of St. Barnabas church officiating. The body will be taken to her old home at Willamette, Ill., for interment.

The immediate members of her family who mourn her departure are her father and mother, who have made their home at Brownell Hall with Miss Thomas, and one brother, Prof. Nelson E. Thomas, of Urbana, O.

FLASHES from FILMLAND

PHOTO-PLAY OFFERINGS FOR TODAY.

REX BEACH'S "Too Fat to Fight" is about ready for distribution. It is a patriotic comedy and covers the field of all war activities in lighter vein.

Nell Shipman, who has been ill with influenza, is reported out of danger.

Harold Bell Wright's novel "The Shepherd of the Hills," has been built into a motion picture under the same title with George McDaniel playing the part of Young Matt.

"The Wild Cat of Paris" a story of the wartime Apaches of the French city, starring Priscilla Dean, is announced as released on December 30.

Fanni Ward has a manicure lady's part in her next picture, "The Narrow Path."

Harrison Ford is playing as leading man again opposite Constance Talmadge in her next play, "A Lady's Name."

"The Midnight Patrol," one of Thos. H. Ince's productions, starring recently from Alma. His son enlisted in the army at Alma May 1, 1917, at the age of 16 years. He was the youngest soldier to leave Harlan county. He was assigned to the medical detachment of the Seventh engineers.

Both of Rev. Mr. Rousey's sons were in military service. Herbert was discharged from an officers' training school a short time ago. He enlisted a short time after his brother and was injured in camp. The department then sent him to officers' training school.

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