

RED CROSS MAY REACH 90,000 MEMBERS HERE

Report Monday Morning Indicates 83,000 Had Joined; Further Reports Are to Come.

Official tabulation of Red Cross Christmas Roll Call returns for Omaha chapter show figures in excess of 86,400 memberships. Though the campaign closed Saturday night, returns made Monday indicate the figures may be boosted to 90,000.

Headquarters at Sixteenth and Farnam streets closed Monday night. Late returns will be made to Omaha chapter rooms in the court house.

Practically no solicitation was made in the county on account of bad roads and influenza. Robert Smith, county chairman, estimates there will be at least 3,000.

Samuel S. Caldwell, vice-chairman of the membership campaign committee, Monday received a letter from the American Red Cross in Rome, Italy, informing him the organization had furnished employment in its own workrooms for Madame Le Grangi, a gentlemanly refugee for whom an appeal had been made by an Omaha friend, Mrs. Yole Collenz. Twenty-sixth and Howard street. Mme. Le Grangi's estate was confiscated by Austrians.

The local Italian colony expressed great satisfaction at this direct evidence of assistance given to their countrywoman through the agency of the local Red Cross.

Private Van Housel Victim of Pneumonia
Mrs. Verna Housel, 2532 North Eighteenth street, recently received a telegram from Washington of the death of her husband, Priv. Harlan V. Housel, member of the Eighty-fourth machine gun battalion. Three hundred and thirty-third infantry in France, from bronchial pneumonia.

Private Housel enlisted in the service last June and went to Lincoln, where he was in training for about ten weeks, as a member of Company A of the Radio department. He was later transferred to Chillicothe, O., from which place he was sent overseas early in October.

The last letter which his wife received from him was written November 17, a week before his death. In this letter he told her that he soon would be home.

Besides his wife, Private Housel leaves a father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Housel; one sister, Mrs. Rosalie Basse, and six brothers, Eugene, who is in the service; Kenneth, Chester, Glen, Donald and Elwood, all of whom except Eugene reside at Madison, Neb. His father, N. A. Housel, is county superintendent of schools in Madison county.

Holdup Men Get Poor Returns for Their Labors
Hold-up men were busy Sunday night, but their results were meager. T. J. McTee, of 1301 South Twenty-seventh, reported that he was held up by a lone man in an alley between Park and Georgia avenues, near Leavenworth street, and robbed of 25 cents and his pocketbook.

W. R. Wesner, of 3212 Lincoln boulevard, told the police that he was held up by a man at Thirty-third and Davenport streets. The robber secured nothing.

A patrolman surprised four men attempting to break into the Nebraska-Iowa Mercantile company, at Ninth and Howard streets. Three of the men were already in the building. The fourth gave the alarm and the men fled. The patrolman fired several shots without result. Nothing was missing.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.
Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Park of the Evans hotel, Columbus, Neb., are in the city today some Christmas shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Burgess returned from Washington, D. C., Monday to spend Christmas with their children, Margaret, C. W. and Raymond, who are home for the holidays.

Brief City News

Have Root Print It—Beacon Press, Carey Cleaning Co.—Web. 392
25 Per Cent Discount on electric table lamps.—Burgess, Granden Co.
Hardware Men Banquet—The Lee-Cole-Andersen Hardware company will be hosts at a banquet at the Rome hotel Saturday. There will be about 150 present.

Herbert Daniel Here for Holidays—Herbert Daniel, one of the custodians in the alien enemy property department at Washington, has returned to Omaha and will remain over the holidays.

Packing Company Banquet—The big annual get-together meeting and banquet of the Swift Packing company will be held at the Rome hotel Friday. Covers will be laid for about 200 people, consisting of the heads of the departments and traveling salesmen.

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"Of course, they wouldn't obey it," said Mr. Zimman, "but it would be a safeguard against any legal trickery. We are all anxious to see \$1. gas or 75 cent gas for that matter but if we introduce any ordinances to that effect now against the advice of the corporation counsel, it might form a basis for action by the company to secure an extension of franchise."

Driver Uninjured as Engine Demolishes Express Wagon
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IN THE DIVORCE COURT.
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THE GREAT LEADER OF OUR ALLIES



Our boys are now following the great leader of our Allies "over there," fighting the battle of the United States, fighting without thought of being heroes—but fighting that men, women and children may not be tortured, burned and mutilated. Fighting against the bestial foe of America and mankind. No greater heroes nor braver men ever fought on the battle-fields of France than our "Sammies." Men with dauntless spirits—men of red blood, courage, energy, vim and vigor are needed every day behind the lines as well as behind the guns. You need iron in the blood! Every healthy man or woman should have about as much iron in his or her body as there is in an ordinary "tenpenny" nail. To gain this iron, the best way is to take an iron- tonic, called "Iron-tic," a combination of iron in its most soluble form, discovered by Dr. Pierce and experimented with by his physicians at the Surgical Institute in Buffalo, N. Y.

"Iron-tic" is a form of iron readily taken up by the blood, the blood-cells get round, rich-red in color, the cheeks are pink, the appetite improves, and one feels full of "snap"—"pep"—"vigor"—instead of tired before the day is half done. The eyes take on a luster and the body feels that tingle which one gets from a cold bath. If you want to try this new "Iron-tic" Tablet send 10 cents to the Surgical Institute in Buffalo, N. Y., and obtain a trial package. This 20th-century Iron tonic is sure to do you good. Drugists sell "Iron-tic" for sixty cents.

CITY IS ADVISED TO USE CAUTION IN GAS CASES

Commissioners Are Warned to Do Nothing Which Might Give the Company a Franchise.

City council decided, after anxious discussion, Monday morning, to proceed in all dealings with the gas company now with the utmost care.

"It would be a very easy thing for the city or some of its departments to do something that might be construed by the courts to give the gas company a franchise," said Commissioner Ure.

"No department," said Mayor Smith, "should transact any business with the gas company without getting the approval of the corporation counsel. If a permit were issued to the company to open up the street to make a connection it might be considered as giving the company a franchise."

Commissioner Zimman advised that a formal resolution be passed by the council, ordering the gas company to vacate the streets of the city.

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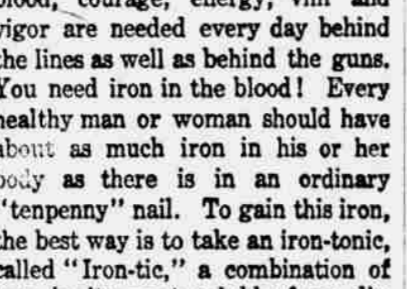
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South Side

Alleged Practical Jokers Have Inning in Police Court
Alleged practical jokes between Emmet Lindsay, proprietor of the O. K. garage, and John Gazeta, 4313 South Twenty-ninth street, reached the serious stage in police court Monday.

The testimony as told in court where Gazeta faced charges of grand larceny filed by Lindsay showed the entire case to be a joke. It was alleged that Gazeta took the tires from Lindsay's automobile as he was preparing to leave on a hunting trip and hid them away. Lindsay suspecting his friend decided to turn the tables, filed criminal charges and then

failed to appear to testify and the charges were dismissed for lack of prosecution.

The seriousness of the jokes were shown to the two friends by the judge and deputy county attorney.

Hog Embargo is Puzzle to Many South Side Officials
The hog embargo on the Omaha market is proving a conundrum to men interested in the live stock industry. According to the recommendation of the stock exchange the embargo was to have been in effect from Friday until 6 a. m. Monday. Some officials allege they never received notification of the embargo and that it was never in operation. Other officials say it has never been removed.

Hog shipments totaled 6,500 head Monday and 7,900 holdovers were offered for sale. The receipts and

holdovers were sufficient to supply the demand and little worry was expressed whether an embargo was in operation now or ever had been.

Fourteen Hundred Renew Red Cross Memberships
With 68 firms representing 90 per cent of the members of the Live Stock exchange 100 per cent in the Red Cross Christmas membership drive the committee feels well satisfied with the results. The \$1 memberships totaled 1,187 and the \$2 memberships 237 making a total membership of 1,424. The receipts from the drive were \$1,661.

South Side Brevities
Edward Bystrand of Albion arrested for illegal possession of intoxicating liquor forfeited a \$100 bond in police court Mon-

day. Two pints of whiskey were found in his possession.

W. J. buy Liberty bonds. Room 1226, Woodman Bldg.

Slack, \$4 per ton. A. L. Bergquist, Son & Co. Tel. South 42.

Toys and useful gifts for everybody—Koucky-Pavlik Co. Store open evenings.

CHESSEY'S Shoe store will be closed all day Christmas. Open evenings until then. Our stock of shoes and slippers will please you.

Ten cents a week deposited for each child in our Economy Savings Club assures a merry Christmas for all next year. Join now. Live Stock National Bank, Cor. 24th and N Sts.

Russell Bailey, 2518 N. Street, was given a 30 day suspended sentence in police court Monday on a charge of malicious destruction of property. Police testified that in an attempt to escape jail he broke the plaster around the door.

L. B. Clark, Thirty-fourth and U streets, was fined \$10 and costs on each of two counts in police court Monday. It was charged that Clark became intoxicated and entered the soft drink parlor of the Klein, Twenty-sixth and N sts. where he became involved in an argument with the bartender. The argument resulted in throwing glasses, according to the testi-

mony and Clark received a slight scalp wound.

Dean Ringer Returns from Y. M. C. A. Conference
City Commissioner Dean Ringer has returned from New York City, where he attended a Young Men's Christian association conference.

Regarding the recent criticism of the association work in France, he said: "When you remember that the Young Men's Christian association maintained 1,537 huts abroad and that the next greatest organization maintained only about 100 you can see why some criticism might creep in. The association with the funds at its disposal could not give away things in its canteens like other organizations which had comparatively few huts in proportion to their funds. The great work of the 'Y' speaks for itself."

BURGESS-NASH COMPANY

The Christmas Store for Everybody

Monday, December 23, 1918. STORE NEWS FOR TUESDAY Phone Douglas 2100

The Last Call to Gift Buyers

JUST one day left to finish your Christmas gift buying—a few fleeting hours to do the hundred and one little things necessary to complete your plans to make everybody happy. They will slip away before you know it. It means a great scurry Tuesday. It's too late to go about much—you must stick to the store that you know can be relied upon—capable to give you the service you are entitled to on an occasion like this. To those who have put off buying Christmas gifts until now, we announce a

Great Mark Down of Prices On All Kinds of Holiday Merchandise

Affording Reductions of $\frac{1}{4}$ - $\frac{1}{3}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$

These Goods Are Gathered Into Lots for Quick and Convenient Clearaway Tuesday

In making these reductions before, instead of after Christmas, we can clear our stocks effectively and shift from holiday to regular merchandise with much greater facility than we could were we to hold out for profits to the last hour.

The advantage of the belated shoppers is evident, for there are hosts of cases where the purchasing power of the customers' money is doubled. All kinds of gift goods are subject to this selling of profits. But take a last word of good advice—

Buy In the Early Hours of the Morning

For these things will not last long at such remarkable prices. Come early Tuesday morning and make these last few hours the best of your entire shopping season.

Store Open Tuesday Evening Till 9 O'clock

Plan to spend the day downtown Tuesday and enjoy a **Special Christmas Dinner** IN THE **Cricket Room** 60c 11:30 A. M. to 2:30 P. M. MENU Cream of Celery Soup Roast Young Turkey Oyster Dressing Cranberry Sauce Whipped Potatoes String Beans Hot Mince, Pumpkin Pie Tea, Coffee or Milk Burgess-Nash Co.—Main Floor.

Merchandise Bought Up to Closing Time Tuesday Will Be Delivered in Time for Christmas

THE importance of this announcement will be appreciated Tuesday, when people check up their Christmas lists and find that they have overlooked many things, making hurried purchases a matter of necessity.

Our delivery system has proved its efficiency during this, our busiest season, and can be relied upon for the fulfillment of every promise.

All goods bought Tuesday or Tuesday evening for delivery, in territory covered by our motor trucks, will reach their destination Tuesday or early Christmas morning. BURGESS-NASH COMPANY

SALE of Christmas Nuts

- THE nuts we offer are all 1918 crop, well filled and meaty.
- Mixed Nuts, 29c
 - Including English walnuts, filberts, Brazil nuts, pecans and almonds.
 - ALMONDS California No. 1, at lb. 35c
 - ALMONDS Drake's special, at lb. 28c
 - FILBERTS Sicily's special, at lb. 27c
 - PECANS Large size, at lb. 28c
 - ENGLISH WALNUTS Full of meat, at lb. 28c
 - ENGLISH WALNUTS California, at lb. 37c
- Burgess-Nash Co.—Downstairs Store

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The Weatherman Says We Will Have Snow and Every Boy and Girl Will Want

SLEDS For Christmas

WE WERE fortunate to secure a big shipment of "Flexible" sleds—the kind every boy and girl likes—and we offer them to you in time for gifts Christmas morn.

- Flexible Flyers**
- No. 1 Size at \$3.00
 - No. 2 Size at \$3.50
 - No. 3 Size at \$4.50
 - No. 4 Size at \$5.50
- "Firefly" Flexible Sleds**
- No. 9 Size, \$1.89
 - No. 11 Size, \$2.75
 - No. 10 Size, \$2.35
 - No. 12 Size, \$3.25
- Pagoma Flexible Sleds**
- 32x6x12 Size, at \$1.29
 - 28x11x6 Size, at 98c
- Burgess-Nash Co.—Fourth Floor

