

### WIDOW OF OMAHA PIONEER DIES AT AGE OF 81 YEARS

Mrs. W. W. Lowe Succumbs at Home of Daughter; Funeral Will Be Held Tuesday.

Mrs. W. W. Lowe, widow of the late Gen. W. W. Lowe, who was prominently identified with the early history of Omaha, will be buried in Omaha on Tuesday afternoon. Private funeral services will be held at 3 o'clock p. m. at the home of Mrs. W. H. Cray, a daughter, 1622 Spencer street.

Mrs. Lowe died last Saturday at the home of another daughter, Mrs. Maurice Spyer, St. Louis, Mo. She was 81 years old.

The Lowe residence was on a hill at the southwest corner of Sixteenth and Harney streets, the site of the Burgess-Nash company's stores. General Lowe was the only son of Dr. Enos Lowe, who was president of the original townsite company. Jesse Lowe, brother of Dr. Enos Lowe, was the first mayor of Omaha.

### Resident of Omaha for Half a Century Is Dead

Francis Robbins, Prominent Pioneer and Promoter of Telephone System Succumbs at Age of 80.

Francis Robbins, 80 years old, and for 50 years a resident of Omaha, died last Saturday at his home, 2304 Grace street. The funeral will be held from St. Marks Lutheran church at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, with burial in the family lot in Prospect Hill, Rev. Charles W. Savidge, Rev. Mr. Guss, of Omaha and Rev. G. H. Schleh, of Brunswick, Neb., will conduct the services.

Mr. Robbins is survived by four children, Frank, A. Robbins, Stockwell, Mont.; Mrs. Harry D. Cone and Alice I. Robbins, Omaha, and James Robbins, Plumber City, Mont. Born in England, Mr. Robbins came to Omaha 50 years ago. During his early residence here he conducted a meat market and later was associated with Casper E. Yeast, in the promoting of a telephone system. Still later he was connected with the street railway company and for some years prior to his death was engaged in the real estate business.



Francis Robbins.

### WINTER WHEAT IN NEBRASKA IN GOOD CONDITION

Only Part of State Where Crop Is Damaged Is On Lincoln Division of Burlington.

The Burlington's Nebraska crop report for the week ending last Saturday shows the winter wheat to be in the pink of condition everywhere in the state with the exception of over a limited area on the Lincoln division. There heavy rains have flooded some of the low lands and considerably damaged the crop. As a result the estimated percentage of condition has dropped from 102 to 95 per cent.

On the Lincoln division during the last week the precipitation ranged from two to six inches. Wheat conditions at the end of last week, compared with one week previous, on the basis of 100 per cent for an average crops are:

Division	Last Week	Previous Week
Omaha	104	101
Lincoln	95	102
Wymore	106	104
McCook	113	101

With present conditions maintaining up to harvest, the wheat yield of the state is placed at 70,000,000, a crop that will be in excess of any ever previously grown.

### Special Department Will Handle Air Mail in Omaha

Air Mail Service, Soon To Be Established, Will Carry Letters From New York To Omaha In 18 Hours—Continuance of Route To West Coast Predicted.

A new department at the post office will be organized to handle mail brought to Omaha via airplane, according to Superintendent of Railway Mail Service Brauer, just returned from Washington.

The department will employ 25 men, and will be in charge of Mr. Brauer, according to plans. That airplane service between New York and Omaha will soon be established, is promised by Mr. Brauer, who for the past month has been conferring with officials in Washington.

Planes will leave New York at 6 o'clock in the morning, and arrive in Omaha at 6 o'clock the same evening; a 13 hour trip. They will stop and relay mail at Cleveland and Chicago. This will be cutting 24 hours from the time required by trains to haul mail between New York and Omaha.

"In addition to furnishing Omaha with its mail, this service will handle all mail for Nebraska, Wyoming, and Colorado," declared Mr. Brauer.

### Article On Omahan Wins \$100 Prize In Trade-Paper

Zane Thompson, associate editor of "The Trade Exhibit," has been awarded first prize of \$100 in a contest held by a trade and technical magazine for the best of a series of business paper advertising successes. Mr. Thompson's article was entitled "A Story of Skinner," relating how Paul F. Skinner of Omaha started in business and succeeded by the judicious use of advertising space.

### Omaha In Third Place In Country In Health Report

Omaha continues to hold its place as a health resort. Government reports for the week ending May 3 have been received by Health Commissioner Manning. Omaha appears in third place, only two other cities reporting a lower death rate. New Haven, Conn., and Oakland, Cal., were slightly lower than Omaha.

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### Irish-Americans Believe Dominion Move Under Way

American Delegates Now In Emerald Isle, Voice Opinion That Lloyd George Is Determined to Inaugurate Dominion Move for Ireland—Defy Attacks of Unionists.

**By ROBERT RITCHIE.**  
(Universal Service Staff Correspondent)  
Dublin, May 12.—If the indignant Irish unionists believe the American delegates, Messrs. Walsh, Dunne and Ryan, are not assured of their position in Ireland or that they may blunder into a situation leading to their deportation, they widely miss their guess.

After an all night trip from London, accompanying Frank P. Walsh, chairman of the mission to Dublin, I am in a position to say that the delegates have assurances from the highest sources safeguarding their every step; else they would hardly have dared to venture upon this extraordinary mission, now assuming not only parliamentary proportions, but an international aspect.

**Apostles of Freedom.**  
For it is indeed an extraordinary position the delegates hold. Each day they remain in Ireland they are heightening the Sinn Fein enthusiasm, already near boiling pitch. Devotees are traveling by cart or by foot for many miles, maintaining all night vigils, just to get a glimpse of the unofficial American apostles of Irish freedom.

No Irishman could dare to do what these delegates are doing without hindrance. Yet Mr. Walsh, who acts as a sort of diplomatic adviser to his associates is letting the impetuous Mr. Ryan do most of the speechmaking, has the canniest idea just where the danger lies and just how far certain safeguards received in Paris will carry the delegation.

I think that, being Irish the humor of the situation appeals to all three. They know they have given the most tremendous impetus to the Sinn Fein movement since the Easter rebellion and they appreciate the wrath which they are finding on all sides. The unionist attacks in Parliament do not hurt them. And last, but by no means least, they love a fight.

**Believe in Dominion Move.**  
Perhaps it is not letting the proverbial cat out of the bag to say that if the delegates talk loudly in behalf of complete independence of the Irish republic, they are overstating the demands. They have a shrewd belief that Lloyd George is determined to inaugurate a dominion movement for Ireland.

The demonstration in Limerick, only recently dominated by tanks and steel helmets, was almost hysterical. When Messrs. Dunne and Ryan entered Limerick they found the city hung with American flags and the republican green, white and gold. Detachments of Irish volunteers guarded the approaches to the city hall where the freedom of the city was given the delegates in the afternoon. People from County Clare had walked all night to be present. Archbishop Casset sent a letter expressing his regrets that he could not come.

"It was the outpouring of a delivered city's heart," said Governor Dunne to the correspondent afterwards.

Meanwhile the Dublin unionists have adopted a resolution expressing "grave concern" at the presence of the three Americans in Ireland and asserting that they are "defying the authority of the crown."

According to an Associated Press dispatch from Dublin, the three

### Women to Discuss Civic Problems at Meeting

At a mass meeting of women of Omaha, called for 10 o'clock Tuesday morning and which is to be held in the Grand Army hall, fourth floor of the court house, the report of the committee that met with Chamber of Commerce members last week to discuss plans for cooperating in civic activities, will be submitted. Regardless of the action that may be taken with reference to the report, a proposition to organize the women into one civic body will be presented and discussed.

### Burglars Overlook \$350 Worth of Liberty Bonds

Burglars who broke into and ransacked the home of J. D. Blanchard, 5025 Davenport street, Sunday night, overlooked \$350 worth of Liberty bonds that were in a dresser drawer in an upstairs room. Jewelry, furs and silverware valued at \$400 were stolen.

**Wounded Omaha Soldier Is Now In New Jersey Hospital**  
Sergeant Harry S. Pickard of Omaha, who was severely wounded by shrapnel in the Argonne fighting, is now convalescing in the United States army hospital No. 3 at Rahway, N. J. He is reported to be recovering rapidly and expects to be transferred to Camp Dodge soon.

Sergeant Pickard fought with the 34th machine gun company. His left leg was amputated.

**Not Mere Dollar Worshipers.**  
Paris, May 12.—President Wilson, in his address to the French academy on moral and political sciences, entered a strong disclaimer of the idea that the American people were largely materialists or dollar worshippers.

**Woman Injured in Fall.**  
Mrs. Claire Chatfield, 45 years old, 2024 Douglas street, was injured when she fell down a flight of stairs in her home Sunday night. She was given first aid treatment by a police surgeon.



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