

SOLDIERS TELL EXPERIENCES IN CITY CHURCHES

Service Flags "Demobilized" With Inspiring Ceremonies; Bee Man Makes Address Before Bible Class.

Service flags in many Omaha churches were "demobilized" yesterday with inspiring ceremonies. At the last Sunday before Memorial day, it was considered an appropriate time for this ceremony.

At Westminster Presbyterian church, as each star was demobilized from the flag, it was covered with a Liberty bond. These bonds will be added to the church's building fund and thus become a lasting tribute to the men who were in the service.

Stripes were pinned on the stars of the service flag at the United Brethren church by the mothers of the boys. At Calvary Baptist church last evening the honor roll was called and the service flag "demobilized" in that way.

Returned Soldiers Speak.

Returned soldiers made addresses in many of the churches. Karl Lee, a member of The Bee staff, delivered an interesting address before the men's Bible class of Grace Methodist church yesterday morning on his experiences with the United States marines at the battle of the Argonne woods and elsewhere.

The veterans of the civil war also had their day at the First United Evangelical church where the men and the women of the relief corps attended services in a body. The Spanish war veterans attended Pearl Memorial Methodist churches in a body.

Methodist churches had a spontaneous day of jubilation because the churches of Omaha have raised more than their quota in the intensive drive of the centenary campaign for funds which started May 18. The Omaha Methodist churches have raised about \$185,000 though their quota was only \$164,325.

Boston Woman Speaks.

Mrs. Ida Vose Woodbury of Boston, Mass., spoke at the First Congregational church yesterday morning and at Plymouth Congregational church in the evening.

Former State Labor Commissioner Out for Constitutional Meeting

Lincoln, May 25.—(Special)—Frank M. Coffey, former state labor commissioner and leader in labor circles, though twice defeated for commissioner of the city of Lincoln, will be a candidate for the constitutional convention.

Lancaster farm organization met last night and put the organization behind the following men: A. E. Sheldon, director legislative reference bureau; W. F. Dale, retired farmer living at Denton; B. F. Palmer, a farmer, member of the farmers' union and nonpartisan league; C. C. Flansburg, Lincoln, attorney for the nonpartisan league; N. Z. Snell, prominent insurance man, and F. M. Coffey, Dr. James R. Gettys, Methodist clergyman of University Place, slated for the place, was thrust one side and Coffey substituted.

Flashlight of Style Show



A flashlight picture taken at the recent style show and dance given by the Union Outfitting company at the Auditorium. More than 3,000 people viewed the manikins as they displayed all the beautiful new summer styles in gowns and wraps.

TRADE TRIP IS BIG BOOST TO LOCAL JOBBERS

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ing space and for dwelling houses than the people of Omaha realize; and the people of the towns and cities on the trade excursion route will force Omaha to become a larger city and a more important business center, regardless of any effort on the part of Omaha; but, if the business men of Omaha are to get their share of the commerce of these western communities, they must keep Omaha moving to the front and must co-operate in the development of its territory.

Learn Country and People.

Not only was a great deal learned about the trade conditions, but the Omaha boosters made the acquaintance of many men along the route taken by the special train; and, judging from the size of the crowds which were on hand at every station when the train arrived and the warm welcome given Omaha men, the people in those towns and cities have a kindly feeling toward the city of Omaha and want to give it their preference when selecting a market for their products.

Representatives of the different departments of the Chamber of Commerce were on the train gathering information concerning obstacles to the movement of trade through Omaha, with a view to accomplishing proper readjustments.

Reception By Indians.

The Crow Indians who have always been friendly to the white men, gave the Omaha men a cordial reception, and contrary to their usual custom, willingly posed for camera men and the moving picture operator. In the absence of Chief Plenticoos, Good Medicine, the chief of police, headed the Indian delegation, Harry Moccasin, one of General Custer's scouts, was on hand attired in the same style of buck skin garments that he wore 40 years ago.

Exhibit a Wampus.

One of the features of each visit to the Wyoming towns was the exhibition of a wampus. Newspaper men were forbidden to mention its presence, as several attempts had been made to steal the prize. H. E. Babcock, the Pullman conductor, was supposed to have captured the strange animal at Red Lodge. Great crowds lined up at each station to get a look into the animal's cage. The exhibition proved so popular that it was decided to show the wampus at the Chamber of Commerce club rooms.

During one long run between stations, a beauty contest was held and David Cole was elected the handsomest man on the train by a large majority over the other two candidates. Joe Wright and Dr. R. A. Moser, who tied for second place. The election took place in Wyoming.

Administrator of Boy Killed in France Brings Suit

Beatrice, Neb., May 25.—William T. Stanoschek, administrator of the estate of Homer A. Armstrong, a Gage county soldier, who was killed in France, has brought suit in district court against Charles N. Hinds and his wife, Josie A. Hinds, alleging undue influence in a property transfer, in which the deceased was interested to the extent of \$350. The administrator states that "Homer" was a young man of 24, a farmer boy, inexperienced in business matters and of innocent mind.

Nurses From Superior, Who Served in War, Return

Superior, Neb., May 25.—(Special Telegram.)—This county's first Red Cross nurses, Misses Charlie and Ruth Welch, just returned from France, and are now head nurses in Lewis Memorial hospital here. This hospital was named after the first Superior boy killed, and whose mother donated his insurance money for this hospital.

To Manufacture Fence Posts.

Fremont, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—Plans for the new factory to be erected by the Nebraska Foundry and Manufacturing company have been completed and work on the structure will begin this week. The company has purchased the plant of the Fremont Granite Brick company and the new factory will be erected adjoining. The company will manufacture concrete fence post making machines.

AVIATOR FOUND 800 MILES OFF IRISH COAST

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lorn hope that the aviators might be picked up by some craft without wireless was realized. The Danish steamer Mary, crawling along at nine knots, was the lucky vessel, and her brief message to the watchers at the Butt of Lewis, as she proceeded on her way to Scotland, left the aviators in a wonderfully interesting way the details of the aviators' adventures.

Send Out Destroyers.

The admiralty immediately dispatched destroyers from northern points to intercept the Mary, and the Daily Mail instructed all signal stations to try to communicate with the captain, with the urgent request to land the aviators at some Scottish port. The admiralty quest succeeded, and a wireless message came from the destroyer Woolston late in the evening that she had overtaken the Mary and had transferred the aviators.

Nothing except some great battle has excited London more than today's unexpected tidings. The public was disposed to question whether the first report could be trusted, and the admiralty statement that it was taking measures to verify the report indicated doubt, which the Woolston's message dispelled.

Mrs. Hawker Confident.

The modest Hawker home near Surbiton was quickly the center of interest. Crowds of people swarmed there. Mrs. Hawker, who had only on Saturday received a telegram of condolence from King George, said: "I had a presentiment all along that I should see my husband again. I was confident all the time, although everyone consoled with me. I am overjoyed and too overcome to talk now."

Hawker has sent the following message from the Revenge to the Daily Mail: "My machine stopped owing to the water filter in the feed pipe from the radiator to the water pump being blocked with refuse, such as solder, the like shaking loose in the radiator."

It was no fault of the motor, which ran absolutely perfect from start to finish, even when all the water had boiled away.

Wife Receives the News.

Mrs. Hawker, wife of the aviator, received the news from the Mary early this morning at her home near Surbiton and posted a notice outside her home, reading: "Mr. Hawker has been found. He is on the boat Mary, bound for Denmark."

A crowd of villagers soon gathered and showered Mrs. Hawker with congratulations. The London Daily Mail, which offered a purse of \$50,000 for the first flight by a heavier than air craft across the Atlantic ocean, will give Hawker and Grieve a consolation prize of 5,000 pounds sterling.

One Holdup and Three Burglaries Reported to Police Department

One highway robbery and three burglaries were reported to the police during the night of Saturday to Sunday.

Shortly after bidding his friend, Charles Bloom, 1519 North Thirty-third street, goodnight, E. R. Christensen, Loyal hotel, was accosted by two youthful highwaymen at Thirty-third and Seward streets, and robbed of \$27 and a watch valued at about \$20.

Christensen was unaware of the highwaymen's approach and before he could confront them he was struck over the head and knocked to the ground. One of the youths whom the victim described as being about 20 years old, pointed a gun at him while his companion went through his pockets.

When J. P. Shafer, 3120 Taylor avenue, left home Saturday afternoon to attend the funeral of his departed friend, thieves entered his house and stole \$150 in jewelry and clothing, after completely ransacking the home.

Included in the loot was a child's savings bank containing 30 cents. The thieves gained entrance through a window.

Merchandise valued at more than \$156 was stolen from the Liberty clothing store, 1714 North Twenty-fourth street, Saturday night.

Omaha Ranks Sixth Among Big Bank Cities in U. S.

Omaha ranks sixth among the biggest bank cities of the United States, having three banks with aggregate resources of more than \$10,000,000, according to a report issued in Washington last week. New York leads the list with Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Boston and San Francisco next in order.

Young Knights of Zion Elect Their Officers

The Young Knights of Zion held a regular meeting Sunday afternoon at the Y. M. H. A. club rooms. The following officers were elected for a term of six months: Leo Fried, president; David Kubby, vice president and reporter; Harry Janger, secretary and program supervisor, and Leo Abramson, treasurer.

Aged Man Lost Three Times Before Reaching His Home

J. L. Hawkins, 88 years old, 3302 Walnut street, was lost three times Saturday before police finally succeeded in restoring him to his wife. Hawkins is said to be former mayor of Ottawa, Kan.

Police found the aged man the first time. On his way home he became confused as to direction, and was lost again. When brought to the jail for the second time he wandered into a cell and was lost again. He was finally escorted to his home.

AT THE THEATERS

A WELL-BALANCED bill is offered at the Orpheum this week for the closing program of the season. Theodore Kosloff and his Russian ballet and Grace De Mar, "The Eternal Feminine," are two distinctive headline offerings, with other acts of individual merit.

The Russian dancers are artists in their line, the "Legend of Tartary," being an exceptionally worthy bit of dramatic terpsichorean art. The wildest moods of the Russian form of dancing are interpreted in this feature of the act. Theodore Kosloff and Vera Fredowa are the principals, with a capable supporting company. They were enthusiastically received yesterday.

Miss De Mar has a pleasing personality and a clever manner of impersonating a wife taking leave of a friend husband in a train, also of a miss receiving her soldier friend, who has just returned from overseas. She is one of the best entertainers in her particular line.

Bert Wheeler and associate have an amusing automobile skit in which they go through a lot of vexatious experiences with a flivver. Rizzo and Reiff have a musical number which arouses a few laughs. Cookley and Dunley have a military skit, "Over There," in which they appear as a pair of blackface privates in a trench. The Wille brothers are equilibristists who know how to entertain. An interesting feature of the program is the news of the world's fastest and most showing Harry Hawker and his companion, Lieutenant Grieve, making their ill-fated start in a seaplane from St. Johns, "All aboard for Ireland or —" reads the screen announcement. Orpheum travel weekly motion pictures are also shown.

"Just Girls," with Estelle House in the leading part, is the stellar attraction at the Empress the first half of the week. "Just Girls" is a whirlwind attraction in which a quintet of young women play violins and dance, while Miss House sings. Shelton Brooks and Ollie Bowers furnish many pleasant moments for lovers of songs and laughter, the two famous colored comedians having a style all their own. Two of Mr. Brooks' latest songs, "Every Day" and "When You Hear That Dixieland Jazz Band Play," are features of the act. May Kill-duff and Allerton introduce a new rural comedy, something out of the ordinary, in "Hand Man." Lew Sully, and Lyb and Harris close the program with a combination exhibition of juggling, hand balancing and tumbling.

At the Brandeis theater on Monday and Tuesday, June 2 and 3, with a special matinee on Tuesday, Henry Miller and Ruth Chatterton will appear in "A Marriage of Convenience" by Alexander Dumas, pere, adapted by Sydney Grundy. The original New York production in every detail will be utilized here and the stars will be surrounded by a notable company. Mr. Miller will be seen as the Comte de Candale, and Miss Chatterton as the Comtesse de Candale. The period is 1750, and the scenes are laid in a room in the house of the Comte de Candale.

Many Desert Ranks of Bolsheviki; Siberian Army Pushes Forward

Omsk, Sunday, May 25.—Reports received by the general staff of the Siberian army indicate disaffection of the moral of the bolsheviki. Mobilized workmen and peasants are deserting at the first opportunity and even the bolshevik commissaries are reported to be disheartened.

Siberian newspapers print resolutions adopted at recent meetings of peasants in the district of Saitens, who decided to expel all those with bolshevik sympathies, to organize special peasant detachments to fight the bolsheviki and to arm all men between 18 and 50. The Siberian troops as they move toward the front are greeted enthusiastically by the population. The railroad cars bear the inscription, "We are going to Moscow."

DeWitt, Neb., School Board Appoints Eight Teachers

DeWitt, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—The school board has appointed the following teachers for the school year: Prof. Roy V. Kelley, who recently returned from France, superintendent; Miss Chaffin will remain as principal; Miss Clifton, assistant principal; Miss Mills, domestic science; Miss Powell, fifth and sixth grades; Miss Rose Wanek, third and fourth grades; Mrs. Anna Crain of Mahaska, Kan., primary, and Miss Tanner, music. Miss Young, who has taught the seventh and eighth grades, will not teach next year, and no one has been employed as yet to take her place. Miss Willman, who had charge of the primary department, will not teach next year. Both these teachers have been in the DeWitt schools for several years.

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The following were elected to the Young Judea Council for one year: Ben Kubby and Leo Fried.

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Hundreds See Daring Flyer Leap to Death From Burning Plane

Cleveland, O., May 25.—Hundreds of persons saw Frank McCusker of New York, pilot of a mail airplane, leap 200 feet to his death from a burning machine here today. Fifteen minutes before he had announced that he would attempt to establish a record on his flight to Chicago.

The cause of the accident is not known. When the machine was at a height of between 300 and 400 feet McCusker was seen to climb to the frame. Then the airplane plunged and the pilot was seen to leap.

McCusker was alive when picked up. He died in a police patrol while being taken to a hospital. His skull was fractured and his neck broken. He is said to be the first fatality since the inauguration of the government airplane mail service.

Church Members Protest Repeal of Prohibition Act

Tekamah, Neb., May 25.—(Special Telegram.)—At union memorial services held in the Methodist church Sunday morning, attended by a large audience representing 3,000 citizens, the entire congregation arose in protest against the action of President Wilson in urging the repeal of war-time prohibition, following remarks by Rev. Mr. Buell. By Monday night hundreds of messages will be sent to Senators and Representatives in Washington urging them to vote against the repealing of such a law.

Captain Schmidt of Council Bluffs Cited for Bravery

For extraordinary heroism in action October 8, Captain Schmidt, with a detail of five men, was discovered and attacked by a superior force of the enemy while engaged in laying telephone lines across the Meuse river.

Captain Schmidt, himself wounded in three places, continued the struggle, killing one and wounding three of the enemy. His ammunition being exhausted and all his men severely wounded, the captain gave himself up in order to save the lives of his comrades.

Later in the day he was recaptured by the American forces.

Unfavorable Weather Delays Start of NC-4; Is Closely Guarded

Ponta Del Gada, May 25.—There is no immediate sign of an impending let-up in the unfavorable weather which has prevailed for 30 hours over the whole of the Lisbon course of the projected flight of the American navy seaplane NC-4. Therefore it is considered impossible to start on this leg of the journey before Tuesday, according to the weather experts.

Strong northwest winds with clearing weather, but with occasional rain squalls, are predicted for tonight and Monday.

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