

CRAMER IS MADE PUBLICITY MAN OF BRANDEIS FIRM

Executive Work in Recent Ak-Sar-Ben Fund Campaign Won Him New Position With Omaha Store.

Guy H. Cramer was so successful as chairman of the executive committee of the sales organization of the Ak-Sar-Ben Exposition Co., during the recent stock-selling campaign, that he has been given the position of advertising and publicity manager of the Brandeis Stores.

The remarkable work of this organization, under the able leadership of Mr. Cramer, attracted the attention of George Brandeis, who announced Mr. Cramer's appointment yesterday afternoon.

"It was Mr. Cramer's work during that campaign that won him this new position which we have created," said Mr. Brandeis. "His ability as a publicity man was demonstrated. We have confidence that he will develop into a strong man along the lines of our business."

Mr. Cramer has been with the Foster-Barker Co. six years. He will go to Excelsior Springs Monday for a week and will begin his new work with the Brandeis Stores Monday, November 17.

Mr. Cramer's recent achievement, which won the admiration of many business men, was the selling of \$1,000,000 stock in the Ak-Sar-Ben Exposition Co. The plans were carefully laid and the work was as carefully executed according to those plans. It was conceded to be a notable business feat, particularly under present conditions.

MAN ARRESTED CHARGED WITH RIOT ASSAULT

George Davis Indicted on Testimony of Mayor Smith for Attempt on His Life.

George Davis, arrested in Lincoln yesterday, was brought to Omaha and lodged in the county jail to await trial on three charges upon which the grand jury indicted him in connection with the court house riots and the assault upon Mayor Smith.

Davis is charged in one indictment with assault to murder Mayor Smith and with another to do great bodily injury to Mayor Smith. In another indictment he is charged with conspiracy to commit the murder of Will Brown, the negro lynched the night of the riot.

"I wasn't even near the court house the night of the riot," said Davis in the county jail. "I had some guests to dinner at my home, 1512 North Twenty-eighth street, and I can prove an alibi. I can show by the taxicab company's records that I came home before 7 o'clock."

Davis says his business is buying and selling apples and other fruit. He said he went to Lincoln just two weeks ago.

The police say he disappeared from Omaha the day after the riot. Mayor Smith was the principal witness against him before the grand jury.

"I am positive he is the man," said the mayor.

Mayor Smith picked out what is said to be Davis' photograph from the "rogues' gallery" at Central police station. George Davis went to bed at 7 on the evening of the rioting and did not leave his home until the next morning, according to his brother, William Davis, of 1512 North Twenty-eighth street. There were five persons at the Davis home on the night of the rioting who will testify to this statement, William Davis said.

Business Man Dies At Age of 69 After 33 Years in Omaha

Richard R. Evans died Friday night at his home, 303 South Fifty-sixth street. He was born in Wales 69 years ago, came to the United States at the age of 14 and lived in Omaha 33 years.

Funeral services will be conducted at the Evans home Monday afternoon at 2, by Rev. Edwin H. Jenks, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, of which Mr. Evans was an elder. Burial will be at Forest Lawn cemetery.

Mr. Evans was president of the Nelson-Evans Paint company, vice president of the Beard Wall Paper company, and was interested in the Evans Model Laundry. He plated an addition to the city of Omaha, known as Evanston.

He was a Mason and Shriner and member of the Chamber of Commerce and Happy Hollow club.

He is survived by five children: Misses Beulah and Cora Evans, Mrs. E. E. Gilmore, Mrs. H. H. Harper and John D. Evans. Mrs. Evans died a year ago.

Say Man Captured in Bluffs Stole Gold From Omaha Dentists

An enterprising burglar was arrested in Council Bluffs yesterday charged with the theft of \$709 worth of gold from the McKenney dentists, 1324 Farnam street, Omaha, according to Chief of Detectives Dunn. The burglary was committed Friday night, police say.

Entrance to the place was gained through a transom over the main entrance. The loot consisted principally of dental bridge work made recently, according to the police report.

All the gold that was taken was found in the inside coat pocket of the man who was arrested, police have learned.

Intended for use in sick rooms, a new thermometer can be read at a distance as it has only three markings, for 60, 70 and 80 degrees.

Reavis Prepared To Expose War Department Waste In Purchase of Automobiles

Congressman From Nebraska Creates Sensation in Washington by Disclosures Regarding Investigation into Enormous Surplus of Motor Trucks and Passenger Cars Neglected by Government Authorities—Now Preparing Report and Resolution Compelling Sale of These Cars.

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(Editor's note: Illustrations for the following article will be found in the Rotogravure section of today's Bee.)

Washington, Nov. 8.—(Special)—Ordinarily a congressional investigation is looked upon as a good deal of a farce, due to the failure of congress to take cognizance of the findings of the commission or committee empowered to make such investigation, and the evils sought to be remedied continue, more generally, along the same old lines.

But now and then a committee is appointed to investigate certain phases of our complex governmental life that functions in a manner that attracts the unstinted praise of the entire body of our citizenship and out of it comes infinite good to the country as a whole.

One such committee was created at the beginning of the Sixty-sixth congress and known as the special committee to investigate the expenditures in the War department with special reference to the money paid out by this branch of the government during the world war. And as members of this special committee two representatives from Nebraska were selected for the work in hand, C. Frank Reavis of Falls City, and Albert W. Jeffers of Omaha.

Both Well Equipped.

Well equipped both by training and experience in legal procedure, and with a natural bent toward unraveling abstruse problems, these two Nebraskans have been dominating factors on the sub-committees of which they are members, and one of them, Congressman Reavis, chairman of the sub-committee dealing with the purchase of food supplies, automobiles, etc., has already established himself in the eyes of the house as well as in the country, as a fearless investigator and a champion of an unorganized and long-suffering public.

Congressman Jeffers, equally tireless in running down reckless expenditures in the purchase of ordnance and other munitions, is waiting his opportunity to show the house that its confidence in him has not been misplaced.

Shortly after the signing of the armistice a certain quantity of surplus automobiles, which were in the hands of the War department, were sold to private parties at a very low price.

In many instances the surplus army supplies, if sold on the open market, would come in direct competition with the products of the man the War department had selected to sell the surplus supplies. This most astonishing situation was fully developed in the speech of Congressman Reavis on "Surplus Food and the War Department," made in the house several weeks ago and which is still the subject of much comment in the newspapers and magazines of the country.

Because of the personal interest of these men the sales department, as soon as organized last January, determined upon the policy of disposing of the surplus army supplies "so as not to disturb industrial conditions." As might have been expected this policy resulted in keeping army supplies off the market until perishable stuff had spoiled, and supplies of all character had deteriorated greatly in value.

Saved Over \$300,000,000.

Congressman Reavis, whose searching investigations and whose disclosures on the floor of the house have so aroused public sentiment that the War department, after months of delay and inaction, was compelled to act, has within the past two months been personally responsible for putting over \$300,000,000 into the treasury that would otherwise have been lost, as well as to give the people an opportunity to buy food and other necessities at less than market price.

Having forced the War department to dispose of its surplus food for the benefit of the public and help a bit in pulling down the high cost of living, Mr. Reavis looked about for some other field of endeavor in which he might be useful within the limitations of his sub-committee and hit upon the purchase of automobiles by the War department as the special theater for his investigation, with the result that he has recently begun action on the surplus motor cars owned by the department.

His investigation has disclosed that there are 47,000 surplus motor vehicles, largely made up of Mack, Garford, Liberty and Packard trucks, and White, Packard, Cadillac, Dodge and other standard makes of passenger cars. These cars, by the thousands, have been standing without shelter of any

kind, exposed to the snows of winter and the rains of summer, since last December, in camps and canyons. They are covered with rust, the tops and upholstery rotted and the glass broken in the limousines, while the trucks have

been standing minus their bodies, so that all their parts have been exposed to the weather.

Mr. Reavis, in examining Brigadier General Drake, chief of the motor transport corps, tried to fix the responsibility for this criminal condition as is shown by the following testimony:

Absolute Criminal Waste.
Mr. Reavis—I am not trying to fix responsibility on you any more than I am on anyone else, but I am going to find out who is responsible. There has been absolute criminal waste with reference to this thing. Anyone who realizes the necessity of his government for money and the burdens that taxation have placed on our people makes this condition of our loss appalling. I am not claiming that you had authority to sell these automobiles, but the director of sales did have, did he not?

General Drake—Yes, sir.

On September 4 General Drake, when asked by Mr. Reavis what he had done to secure the permission

to make the sale, testified as follows:
General Drake—In all we sent 470 communications to the office of the director of sales regarding touring cars, trucks, etc.

Mr. Reavis—And granting authority to sell?
General Drake—Yes, sir; absolutely.

Mr. Reavis—How many reports have you sent him?
General Drake—Four hundred and seventy.

Mr. Reavis—And not an automobile sold?
General Drake—No, sir.

Mr. Reavis—Who is responsible for that?
General Drake—The director of sales.

It appears further along in the testimony before Mr. Reavis' sub-committee that the man selected by the secretary of war to dispose of these surplus automobiles was Guy Hutchinson, who on September 4 testified as follows:
Mr. Reavis—Before entering the

War department what activity were you engaged in?
Mr. Hutchinson—I was in the automobile business.

Mr. Reavis—Where?
Mr. Hutchinson—I was general manager for the Willys-Overland company in New York.

General Drake during the course of the hearing admitted that the best way not to "disturb industrial conditions," so far as the automobile industry was concerned, was to continue the policy of permitting the surplus cars to rot in the weather, notwithstanding the War department had thousands of cars in excess of the needs of the army that were standing in the open, and the department has permitted the automobile factories to complete their contracts with the government made before the signing of the armistice so that 76,130 new motor driven vehicles have been delivered and accepted since the armistice.

Some of these vehicles have been accepted within the past 60 days. These new cars have never been

taken from their crates but are piled on the ground, one on top of the other, five crates high and cover acres of ground.

Representative Reavis, who has devoted much of the summer to a careful, painstaking investigation of these monstrous conditions, is now preparing a report and resolution compelling the sale of these cars.

A tremendous sensation has been created here by these disclosures and the picture of the First district congressman has appeared in the pages of the eastern press for weeks. Already the War department is signalling to Reavis not to shoot—that they will come down.

But Reavis intends to shoot.

Schools of Des Moines Close for Lack of Coal

Des Moines, Nov. 8.—(Special Telegram).—Des Moines schools will not reopen Monday for lack of coal. Many of the smaller towns of the state closed their schools earlier in the week.

Roosevelt Memorial Drive, Held Up for Red Cross, to Reopen

The Roosevelt Memorial association of Nebraska will resume its drive Monday morning for a period of 10 days. The drive in this state was stopped before the quota had been reached, on account of the Red Cross campaign, and in Omaha the right-of-way was given to the Ak-Sar-Ben exposition drive.

John W. Towle, campaign manager for Nebraska received, a telegram from headquarters in New York City, permitting the 10-day extension. Mr. Towle said: "The big idea in this drive is to perpetuate the memory of Theodore Roosevelt in establishing a foundation for the teaching of Americanism. Certificates of membership will be sent to donors."

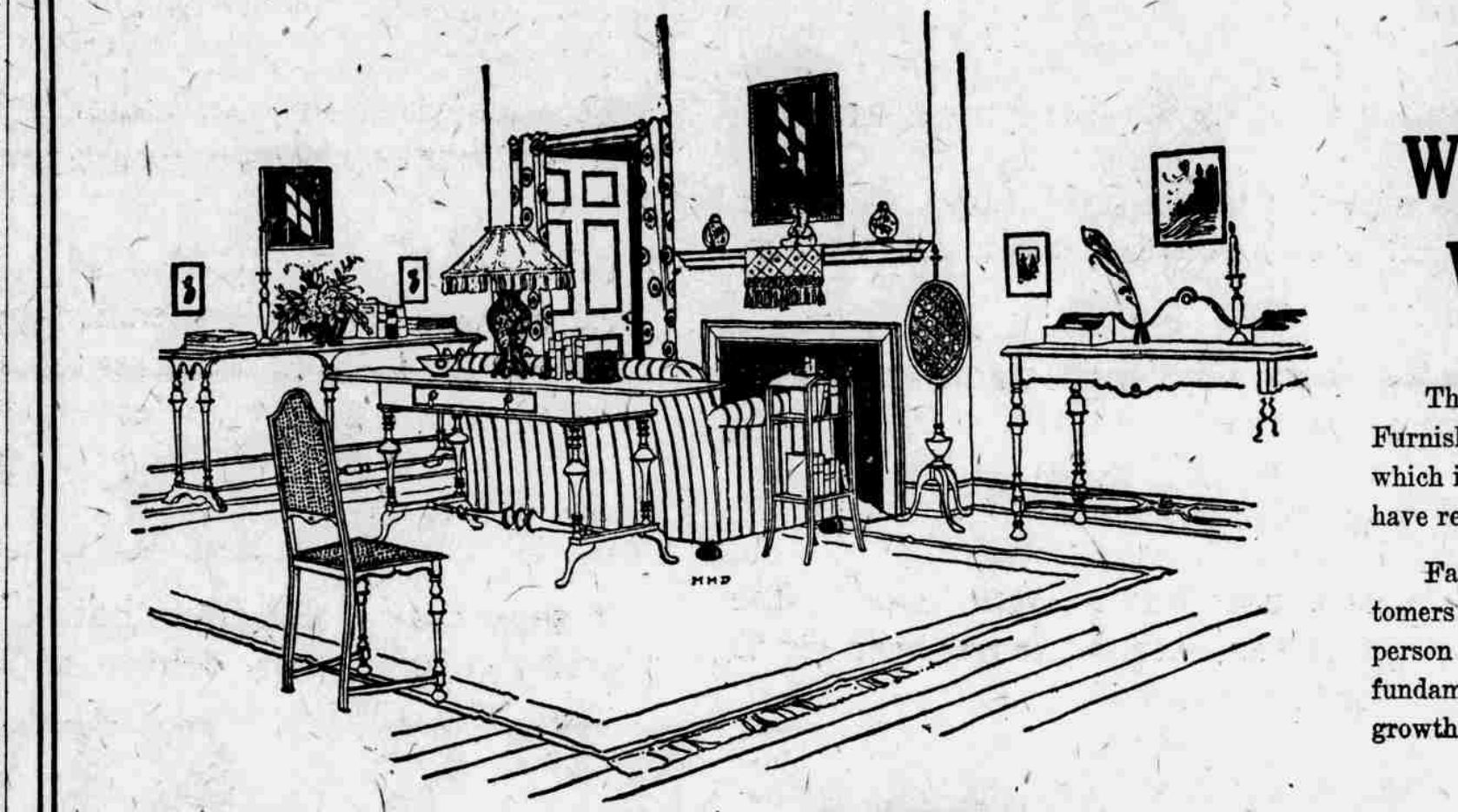
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