

OMAHANS ATTEND SENATE HEARING OF GRONNA BILL

Grain Exchange Committee Protest Measure to Lift Guaranteed Wheat Price.

Representatives of the Omaha grain exchange at 10 a. m. yesterday attended a hearing before the senate agricultural committee at Washington, D. C., upon the Gronna bill, which provides for the lifting of the government's guaranteed prices on wheat.

Local grain men hope for the defeat of the measure, since the influence of the government guarantee to farmers on the 1919 crop might carry wheat prices down. Accordingly, the executive board instructed O. M. Smith, president of the Grain exchange to appoint a committee of three to attend the hearing.

J. A. Linderholm, S. S. Carlisle and E. P. Peck were selected by President Smith to represent this exchange.

Mr. Smith said yesterday that he did not expect a special report from the committee upon the situation until its return, and that perhaps the first information that will be received here will be a news dispatch of the action taken by the senate agricultural committee after the hearing.

The Omaha committee is also expected to make efforts to obtain Hines of the railroad administration relative to his order prohibiting shipments of corn out of Omaha from February 8 to 18.

Terminal grain elevators of this section have been congested as a result of this order, according to Mr. Smith. But since the order will automatically expire on Wednesday, it is not believed that the Omaha committee will obtain any earlier relief.

Mr. Smith states that while the market was weak for several days after the order became effective, it has been growing gradually stronger. He anticipates receipts much heavier than normal for a week or 10 days immediately following the expiration of the order. Much empty railroad equipment has been returned to country districts for removal of surplus stocks.

Urge Fixed Price. Washington, Feb. 16.—Protests against the Gronna bill, which seeks to terminate at once the existence of the United States Grain corporation, were heard by the senate agricultural committee Monday from western farmers' organizations and associations of grain traders. The bill would have the effect of weakening the guaranteed price on wheat, the witness said. Farmer representatives urged new legislation to extend the \$2.26 guaranteed price for a year or more beyond June 1.

District Court Clerk Has Narrow Escape; Struck by Automobile

Robert Smith, clerk of the district court, had a narrow escape from serious injury yesterday afternoon when he was knocked down by a seven-passenger automobile at Seventeenth and Harney streets.

His presence of mind saved him from being run over. The car was driven by a man. A woman seated beside him screamed when she saw the car would strike Mr. Smith. The fender of the car struck Mr. Smith and knocked him to the street and he drew his feet quickly out of the way, escaping the wheels by a hair's breadth.

The district court clerk picked himself up and motioned the driver of the car to go on without even inquiring his name. "I think I must be in sound health," he said, "I wasn't in the least excited by the incident, not any more than if I had stubbed my toe."

Purse Stolen From Office. A pocketbook, containing \$10 a silver vanity case and a bank book belonging to Mrs. Jessie Rorick, 3506 Harney street, was taken from an office in the Lyric building last night. According to police, thieves gained entrance through the front door.

Brief City News

Have Root Print It.—Beacon Press Library & Silk Shade Lamps, 25 pct. red. B. B. Burrows & Co.—Adv.

Mr. and Mrs. John C. Burton are the guests of their cousin, Miss Morin, 3401 Sherman avenue.

School Head Ill.—J. H. Beveridge, superintendent of schools, was unable to be at his desk yesterday on account of a slight attack of illness.

Removed From Hospital.—W. L. Byrne was removed from a local hospital to his home yesterday afternoon. His physician believes that after two weeks' rest he will be able to resume his work.

Commissioner Ure Honored.—W. G. Ure, city commissioner, will preside next Friday night at the annual banquet of the faculty and student body of Monmouth college, Monmouth, Ill. Mr. Ure is an alumnus of this college.

Red Cross Request.—The home service section of the American Red Cross is seeking information concerning John Elmer Martin, Frank Bertram Roberts, Charles Marcon and Maxiel Coy. Anyone knowing of these men should call Mildred C. Seville, Tyler 2721.

Relief Workers to Meet.—The Near East relief workers will meet at the Hotel Fontenelle at 12:30 Tuesday noon, Charles F. Neal presiding. The arrangements for receiving General Mesrop Newton Azapaganian will be discussed. The general is to be here February 22, 23 and 24.

Many Ill With "Flu"—Many clerks at the court house are home this week, suffering from "flu." In the county clerk's office, John Smith, a tax clerk; Leroy Brown, who is the county commissioners' clerk; and Miss Adams, reporting clerk, are seriously ill with pneumonia threatened.

Not Out of Danger.—Mrs. William Faloner, whose husband died last week, is not yet out of danger. She is being attended in a local hospital. Her husband was a brother of Thomas Faloner, city commissioner. The commissioner's aunt, Mrs. Donald McPherson, 724 Maple street, has been stricken with a severe cold.

Woodmen to Entertain.—Omaha Camp No. 120, Modern Woodmen of America will entertain its members and friends with a special program Wednesday evening with music and other features. Mrs. Undra Hamren will preside at the meeting on "Women of 1920." The program is being arranged for the educational program for 1920.

Power Plant Litigation.—Suit for \$10,500 was filed in district court by the Rural Electric Light and Power company against the Consolidated Utilities corporation. The first named company alleges that numerous electric light and power plants manufactured by the Consolidated Utilities corporation and sold by the Rural Electric Light and Power company have failed to live up to the guaranty and have shown serious defects in operation.

John N. Fika Dies.—John N. Fika, 56 years of age, 723 Dorcas street, died Saturday night at St. Joseph hospital. He had been a resident of Omaha for 33 years, coming direct from Bohemia. At the time of his death he was president of the Capital City Bottling work in Lincoln, and was a saloonkeeper in Omaha for many years. He is survived by three sons, Charles M. Fika, auditor of the Merchants National bank; Stanley E. Fika of San Francisco; and John F. Fika of Lincoln; two sisters, Mrs. Helen Knecht and Mrs. Joe Kastl of Omaha, and one brother, A. E. Fika, of Kansas City. Funeral services will be held Thursday morning at 10 from the home. Burial will be in St. Marys cemetery, South Side.

Rail Transportation in Center and North New York Paralyzed

Syracuse, N. Y., Feb. 16.—The worst snow blockade in years has paralyzed transportation facilities in central and northern New York and not a train moved. Scores of trains have been stalled more than 24 hours in snowdrifts and hundreds of passengers are being cared for by village officials and farmers along the blockaded routes.

Americanization Classes to Be Opened Tuesday Evening

New Americanization classes will be opened in the Omaha and South Side public libraries Tuesday evening at 7:30, for those who have received their first naturalization papers and are desirous of qualifying for their final examinations. The first course of six weeks, which was finished last Friday evening, was attended by 85 at the main library and 35 at the South Side branch. Sessions are held Tuesday and Friday evenings of each week. E. C. Page, president of the Douglas County Bar association, has been giving instruction at the main library and Perry Wheeler is in charge at the South Side library.

FATHER AND SON BANQUETS WILL FEATURE WEEK

Events at Omaha Churches Expected to Break Records.—Many Notable Men to Speak.

Several thousand fathers and sons attended church together Sunday in Omaha, according to estimates made by those in charge of the local observance of "Father and Son week," which is being promoted by the boys' work division of the Young Men's Christian association.

In some churches applause greeted the remarks of the pastors in sermons on the "father and son" theme.

Many churches will give "father and son banquets" this week. Fathers who have no sons will be supplied with them and boys who have no fathers will also be supplied.

Banquet Last Night at Calvary. Last evening there was a father and son banquet at the Calvary Baptist church at which Walter W. Head made the principal address. The First Baptist church will hold its banquet Friday night with J. J. Boucher as the principal speaker.

The First Christian church will have a banquet Wednesday night at which Frank Freeman and Frank Bunnell, juniors at Central High school, will make short talks and the principal address will be by C. E. Cobbe.

Plymouth Congregational church will hold a father and son dinner Friday evening of this week.

The Kountze Memorial Lutheran church will hold a special father and son Ash Wednesday service in the church Wednesday evening with a special father and son address by Rev. O. D. Baltzley.

The Hanscom Park Methodist church will hold its banquet Friday night with the principal address by E. M. Wellman. The North Side Presbyterian church is planning a banquet for Friday night. The Harford Memorial United Brethren church will give its dinner Tuesday evening with E. M. Baber and O. M. Adams of the state committee of the Y. M. C. A. as principal speakers. The Lowe Avenue Presbyterian church will hold its banquet Wednesday evening, February 25.

Break All Records. The First Central Congregational church will give a banquet Thursday evening, with T. W. Blackburn as toastmaster. A short talk will be given by Stuart Edgerly, a junior in Central High school. Special music will be by George W. Campbell, who is director of music for the church. The special address will be given by Rev. Frank G. Smith. The First Methodist church will hold its banquet Tuesday night of this week, and the First Presbyterian church on Friday night. Special talks by Walter W. Head, B. J. Boucher and Mayor Ed P. Smith.

A meeting in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium next Sunday afternoon will close the week for fathers and sons. Mayor Ed P. Smith will make the address at this meeting, which will be a city-wide affair and open to fathers and sons all over the city, regardless of church affiliation. This will be the largest affair ever promoted in Omaha for fathers and sons.

Community Centers Will Be Enlisted in Economy Campaign

The Nebraska economy campaign, to reduce the high cost of living, will be extended into the community centers. Starting this week, Mrs. S. S. Kent, representing the Omaha Woman's club, will send speakers to all community center gatherings.

The campaign will be opened at Mason community center tonight, when J. J. Boucher will speak. Moving pictures will be shown.

A program will be presented at Clifton Hill community center, which meets in the School for Deaf auditorium, at 8.

MAY HEAR WATER BOARD ON PRICE FOR GAS PLANT

Four Votes in City Council Now Claimed for and Against Proposition.

City Commissioner Towl yesterday announced that he is with Commissioners Zimman and Ure on the matter of rejecting the gas plant appraisal of \$4,500,000.

Commissioner Ringer is not ready to commit himself definitely, beyond the statement that he believes the appraisal is too high.

Commissioners Zimman and Ure express confidence that there will be four votes to reject the appraisal. Mayor Smith is just as confident that there will be four votes to approve.

"I have no doubt but that when the times comes there will be four votes to buy the plant at the appraised valuation," the mayor said. If any commissioner is able to obtain a lower price, there will be no objection.

Members of the Metropolitan Water board are beginning to take a keen interest in the gas plant situation, in view of the fact that the board will manage the plant if the city should purchase.

"To buy the plant at the appraised valuation of \$4,500,000 and then turn it over to us to manage," said Fred D. Wead of the Water board, "would make it difficult for us to make a 'howling success' of it, as we did with the water plant."

"The Water board should have a voice in this matter," asserted City Commissioner Ure, "as it will be

Approve Ordinance Preventing Change of Power Co. Rates

The city council committee of the whole yesterday recommended for passage an ordinance offered by City Commissioner Ure, for the regulation of electric light and power rates.

This measure provides that electric light and power rates below the 6-cent maximum rate must not be changed without the approval of the city council. The maximum rate is not disturbed. The existing schedule of rates below the 6-cent rate gives the Nebraska Power company authority to change the "steps" without going to the city council.

Mr. Ure's recent ordinance to reduce these rates, and the power company's application to increase the rates, met with adverse action in the city council.

Governor Henry Allen of Kansas, will address members of the Chamber of Commerce on "Industrial Courts" at a noon-day luncheon to be given in his honor at the Chamber next Monday. Governor Allen was the originator of the industrial court system of settling labor disputes, which became a law in Kansas about a month ago. He also will speak at the Omaha club in the evening.

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My Heart and My Husband ADELE GARRISON'S New Phase of "Revelations of a Wife"

How Richard Second Greeted Madge. Dicky's idle words worried me unconsciously during the remainder of our journey home. I realized, of course, when I thought the matter over, that it was the height of folly for me to expect a baby little more than a year old to remember an absence of almost a month. But the thing had never occurred to me before, and I felt all the foolish but no less real anguish which is the portion of young mothers concerning many experiences with that most wonderful of all creatures, "the first baby."

I was on fire to get home and see for myself whether or not Dicky's supposition was a true one. Unconsciously I speeded up the car until I heard from Lillian a low remonstrance.

"Do you mind driving a little more slowly, Madge?" she asked gently, but the quiet sentence meant more to me than the most hysterical protest from another woman.

Lillian is the bravest woman I know. She also makes it a point never to interfere with another's conduct. This is almost a fetish with her. I knew that if she had not had Marion in the car with her she would have said nothing, having no fear for herself, and believing that any protest should come from my father or husband. But that she believed my driving too reckless for the safety of her idolized child, I knew in her first word, and slowed down at once to Dicky's intense disgust.

Two Views. "What's eating you, Lil?" he demanded crossly. "This is the first time Madge has shown any speed, we've been crawling along like snails, and here, just as she begins to jazz up a little you bring out the crepe and demand a fetish with her. I know that if she had not had Marion in the car with her she would have said nothing, having no fear for herself, and believing that any protest should come from my father or husband. But that she believed my driving too reckless for the safety of her idolized child, I knew in her first word, and slowed down at once to Dicky's intense disgust."

"To slay his thousands and his tens of thousands," Lillian interposed lightly. "Don't worry, Dicky-bird. You'll no doubt leave a trail of dead and maimed on every road you strike, but don't encourage Madge to get reckless. You ought to know that if she ever had a serious accident in which anyone beside herself was hurt she would never get over it."

She had begun her little speech laughingly, but her voice was deadly earnest. She caught a note of relief in her tones, and realized that she knew me well enough to be assured that I would do no more speeding.

As we finally turned into the driveway of our home I heard an ecstatic whoop, quickly smothered, from the house, knew that Katie had seen her, and had been promptly squelched by my mother-in-law. The next minute the veranda next the driveway seemed filled with people, but as I stopped the car I saw that only Mother Graham with Junior, the Braithwaites and Mrs. Durkee were gathered there.

Jim was already down the steps, while Katie stood in the door leading to the dining room, her volatile face clouded by the rebuke she evidently had received, even though her eyes were smiling a welcome at me.

"What do you think of our lady taxi driver?" Dicky demanded, as Dr. Braithwaite hurried down the steps to help us out. "Drive every step of the way in herself with only one stop for lunch. I tell you you've got to slip it to her. She's going to take a route in New York, I think."

I was too preoccupied with the thought of my baby to recognize the note of sincerity underlying his foolery, with later I appreciated, Dicky, despite his first rancor, was actually

proud that I had learned to drive a motor car creditably!

But I was halfway up the steps, calling softly to my baby: "Come, Junior, to mother! Come baby!"

My mother-in-law's voice, caustic, peremptory, cut like a whiplash across my eagerness.

"For goodness sake, Margaret, you'll scare the child, coming at him like that! You'll have to go at him gradually. He's forgotten you completely. There, there, Granzie won't let anybody hurt you!"

The baby had turned as I approached him and was hiding his face in his grandmother's skirts! (Continued Tomorrow.)

DRESS WARM AND KEEP FEET DRY Tells Rheumatism Sufferers to Take Salts and Get Rid of Uric Acid.

Rheumatism is no respecter of age, sex, color or rank. If not the most dangerous of human afflictions it is one of the most painful. Those subject to rheumatism should eat less meat, dress as warmly as possible, avoid any undue exposure and, above all, drink lots of pure water.

Rheumatism is caused by uric acid which is generated in the bowels and absorbed into the blood. It is the function of the kidneys to filter this acid from the blood and cast it out in the urine; the pores of the skin are also a means of freeing the blood of this impurity. In damp and chilly, cold weather the skin pores are closed thus forcing the kidneys to do double work, they become weak and sluggish and fail to eliminate this uric acid which keeps accumulating and circulating through the system, eventually settling in the joints and muscles causing stiffness, soreness and pain called rheumatism.

At the first twinge of rheumatism get from any pharmacy about four ounces of Jad Salts; put a tablespoonful in a glass of water and drink before breakfast each morning for a week. This is said to eliminate uric acid by stimulating the kidneys to normal action, thus ridding the blood of these impurities.

Jad Salts is inexpensive, harmless and is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia and is used with excellent results by the thousands of folks who are subject to rheumatism. Here you have a pleasant, effervescent lithia-water drink which overcomes uric acid and is beneficial to your kidneys as well.

THIN PEOPLE SHOULD TAKE PHOSPHATE

Nothing Like Plain, Bitro-Phosphate to Put on Firm, Healthy Flesh and to Increase Strength, Vigor and Nerve Force.

Judging from the countless preparations and treatments which are continually being advertised for the purpose of making thin people fleshy, developing arms, neck and bust, and replacing ugly hollows and angles by the soft curved lines of health and beauty, there are evidently thousands of men and women who keenly feel their excessive thinness.

Thinness and weakness are often due to starved nerves. Our bodies need more phosphate than is contained in modern foods. Physicians claim there is nothing that will supply this deficiency so well as the organic phosphate known among druggists as bitro-phosphate, which is inexpensive and is sold by most all druggists under a guarantee of satisfaction or money back. By feeding the nerves directly and by supplying the body cells with the necessary phosphoric food elements, bitro-phosphate should produce a welcome transformation in the appearance; the increase in weight frequently being astonishing.

Increase in weight also carries with it a general improvement in the health. Nervousness, sleeplessness and lack of energy, which nearly always accompany excessive thinness, should soon disappear, dull eyes brighten and pale cheeks glow with the bloom of perfect health.

CAUTION—While Bitro-Phosphate is unexcelled for the relief of nervousness, general debility, etc., those taking it who do not desire to put on flesh should use extra care in avoiding fat-producing foods.

Baffled Safe Crackers Loot Cash Register and Shelves

Burglars attempted to break open a safe in the dry goods store of S. P. Farhat, 720 South Sixteenth street, Sunday night. A hammer and chisel were used to break the combination from the safe door. Un-

successful in the attempt, the burglars took goods from the shelves and scattered them about the door. Two worn caps left by the vandals were found in the rear of the place. Some small change was taken from a cash register. Entrance to the store was gained by breaking through a panel of the rear door.

Eighteen Fire Alarms In 11 Hours New Sunday Record

Eighteen fire alarms Sunday between 7 a. m. and 6 p. m. was a Sunday record. Most of the fires were caused from overheated flues or sparks from chimneys. No serious loss was reported in any instance.

BURGESS-NASH COMPANY "EVERYBODY'S STORE"

Tuesday in the Downstairs Store

An Extraordinary Sale of Shoes \$1.98

In Five Great Groups: An opportune time to secure good wearing shoes at an exceptionally low price.

**Group I** 106 pairs of women's novelty gray and brown lace, also two-tone effects, in small sizes only, less than 1/2 price, \$1.98.

**Group II** Children's brown and brown tan tops, lace and button shoes, flexible soles, sizes 5 to 11, \$1.98.

**Group III** Children's black and novelty button shoes, hand-turned soles, 2 to 5, 3 1/2 to 8, at \$1.98.

**Group IV** Women's black, hand-turned boudoir slippers, with large pom pom, 2 1/2 to 6, at \$1.98.

**Group V** Women's black two-strap hand-turned slippers, medium high heels, 2 1/2 to 8, at \$1.98.

Limit of Two Pairs to a Customer.

**Outing Flannel** Heavyweight Outing Flannel in handsome light designs. SPECIAL, at, yard—**35c**

**Wool Flannel** White Wool Flannel of excellent quality, with neat embroidered designs, yard—**\$1.15**

**Ticking** Fancy Ticking of splendid quality, in all good colors. Specially priced, yard—**59c**

**Bed Sheets** Full size Bed Sheets, size 81x90 inches, torn (not cut), fine round thread quality that will give splendid service, each—**\$2.19**

**Blankets** 25 pairs soiled and mused Blankets; these are of White, Gray or Tan, with colored borders; they are of heavyweight, and are for full size beds. Very specially priced, at, pair—**\$5.25**

**Cretonne** 36-inch Cretonne, in beautiful light and dark effects, excellent quality, yard—**45c**

**Chambrey** Striped or plain color Chambrey; a very fine quality, that will launder well and give good service; yard—**49c**

**Challies** 36-inch Challies; a good quality in splendid colors and designs. Very special, yard—**35c**

**Silkoline** Fine Silkoline, 36 inches wide—in pretty colors; very specially priced, yard—**29c**

**Crepe** A quality that will retain its crepe effect; in handsome colors of light or dark combinations, yard—**49c**

**Remnants** Remnants, including almost every kind of cotton fabric, at very special prices.

**Hair Brushes** A large assortment of splendid quality Hair Brushes; while they last, your choice—**13c**

**Bath Sponges** Large bleached Sponges; a splendid quality, will be placed on sale Tuesday, while they last, at—**19c**

**Rugs** Specially Priced With the wear and tear of time, there is always some place in the home that requires a new rug.

**Rag Rugs** 24x36 Rag Rugs in plain colors—**\$1.15**

**Rugs** 3x9 Congo Rug, each—**\$2.98**

**Crash Toweling** Crash Toweling; warranted pure linen web; very specially priced, yard—**29c**

**Downstairs Store**

Men Save by Buying Tuesday in the Downstairs Store Wonderful Values

All broken lines of Men's and Young Men's Suits, Men's and Young Men's Pants, Boys' Suits, Boys' Knicker Pants, Men's and Boys' Overcoats, etc., on special sale Tuesday! Here are a few of the many values offered:

Men's Suits, sizes 34 to 40, \$15.00. Men's Overcoats, sizes 34 to 38, \$19.50.

Young Men's Suits, sizes 31 to 36, \$19.50. Young Men's Overcoats, sizes 31 to 36, \$15.00.

Men's Pants, \$3.95 to \$5.95. Men's Khaki Pants, \$1.98. Boys' Knicker Pants, limited quantity, \$1.00.

Boys' Overalls, 69c, sizes 2 to 8. Boys' blue denim play suits, \$1.50, sizes 2 to 8. Boys' Knickerbocker Suits, sizes 6 to 16, \$8.95.

Boys' Mackinaws, \$4.95. Men's Fur Coats, \$22.50. Men's Sheep-lined Coats, \$12.50 to \$25.00.

Downstairs Store

Sale of Gray Enamelware 39c

An unusual opportunity to get these pans and basins at such a low figure. Included in this lot are:

Lipped Preserving Kettles  
Lipped Sauce Pans  
Handled Bake Pans and Wash Basins

Downstairs Store

NAME "BAYER" ON GENUINE ASPIRIN

Safe and proper directions are in every "Bayer" package—Take as told!

"Bayer Tablets of Aspirin" to be genuine must be marked with the safety "Bayer Cross." Then you are getting the true, world-famous Aspirin, prescribed by physicians for over eighteen years. Always buy an unbroken package of "Bayer Tablets of Aspirin" which contains proper directions to safely relieve Colds, Headache, Toothache, Earache, Neuralgia, Lumbago, Rheumatism, Neuritis, Joint Pains, and Pain generally. Remember "Bayer" means genuine! Say "Bayer." Handy tin boxes of twelve tablets cost but a few cents. Druggists also sell larger packages. Aspirin is the trade mark of Bayer Manufacturing of Monoaceticacidester of Salicylicacid.