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ALL OMAHA IS PLEDGED TO FLAG

BATTLESHIPS RETURN FROM MANEUVERS

Active Half of Atlantic Fleet, Manned by Boys Who Had Never Been to Sea Before, Back From Caribbean Sea.

DANIELS GIVES DETAILS OF NEW SALARY BILL

Secretary Promises Bill Will Become Law Within Fortnight—Talks to Crowd 10 Miles Away by Wireless.

By ARTHUR SEARS HENNING. Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire. New York, May 1.—The active half of the Atlantic fleet, consisting of 8 dreadnoughts and 33 destroyers, manned chiefly by boys who never before had been to sea, returned to New York today from the winter maneuvers in Caribbean waters. Secretary of the Navy Daniels, accompanied by a score of reporters and photographers, joined the flagship Pennsylvania as the fleet passed the Virginia capes yesterday morning. The secretary spent the day with Admiral Wilson, commander-in-chief of the Atlantic fleet, and Admiral Goetz, chief of naval operations, checking up the results of the first cruise since demobilization of the service. During the afternoon there was an hour's speed test of the battleships operating on two-thirds boiler capacity, which was won by the North Dakota in the coal burner class at something better than 20 knots and by the Pennsylvania, among the oil burners, at 19 knots without smoking.

Announces New Pay Plan.
The secretary addressed a message to the fleet announcing the details of the new pay bill which he promised would become a law within a fortnight, and, entering the Hudson river this morning, he greeted by wireless telephone and magnifying a crowd in Times square, nearly 10 miles distant.
"We soon shall have a navy two and a half times as large as we had during the war," Mr. Daniels assured the multitude assembled before the magnifiers of his voice. As a result of the serious undermanning of the navy, the ships returning today, constituting less than half of the Atlantic fleet, which, in turn, is half the navy, are all that are available for immediate defense of the eastern seaboard and even these, on account of the inexperience of the crews, are far from prepared for war. Of the 16 battleships in the Atlantic fleet, eight are tied up for want of men to operate them, their crews having been depleted to furnish a sufficient personnel for the eight sent to the winter maneuvers. Similarly there are more than 60 destroyers and all the cruisers stripped of crews to operate the 33 destroyers which steamed into New York today. Even the shore stations were combed of men to take these ships to sea.

Pacific Fleet Depleted.
In the Pacific fleet, the other half of the navy, even fewer ships are available for immediate active service because of the large numbers tied up for want of sufficient men.
Admiral Wilson and the commanders of the dreadnoughts and destroyers did not conceal the anxiety which has weighed upon them since the fleet sailed for the distant grounds at Guantanamo bay, Cuba, four months ago, and the relief with which they returned without any great mishap. The ships that participated in the maneuvers are about 90 per cent fully manned, 80 per cent of the crews are boys averaging 18 years and practically all without sea training.

With the officers and veteran gobs struggling desperately to teach a horde of land lubbers how to operate the intricate and delicate mechanism of these floating fortresses, the fleet crept southward in January at a speed never exceeding 10 knots. The officers felt as if they were playing with dynamite, not knowing what moment a green hand might become bewildered, and pressing the wrong button, or pulling the wrong lever, cause a fatal accident or destroy millions of dollars worth of machinery, if not wrecking the ship.
Elementary Maneuvers.
Arrived at the drill grounds, the fleet went through elementary maneuvers, which were so large that could be attempted with so large a percentage of novices. For example, there was short range but no long range practice and even then no competition between the ships was permitted.
The land boys, however, proved willing, obedient to discipline, eager and enthusiastic in the main as is demonstrated by the comparatively small number of undesirable discharges today, and they have learned the rudiments of their duties.

Earth Tremor Recorded At St. Louis Observatory.
St. Louis, Mo., May 1.—The seismographic observatory at St. Louis university reported that earthquake shocks were recorded shortly after 9 o'clock this morning. The tremors occurred about 200 miles southwest of here, it was indicated.

A Tribute to Our Soldier Dead

The Bee, in co-operation with The Chicago Tribune and a number of other American newspapers, will receive contributions for the decoration of American soldiers' graves in France on Memorial Day, May 30.

Memorial Day is a day when the nation honors its soldier dead. Those whose bodies lie at rest in the homeland will receive tributes of personal affection and national respect. The Bee believes that its readers will welcome an opportunity to extend the same recognition to those who went across the sea to maintain American ideals of national honor and international justice.

Donations will be acknowledged by The Bee and will be transmitted to Paris, where the flowers will be purchased and the distribution arranged under the direction of Floyd Gibbons, chief of the foreign staff of The Bee and The Chicago Tribune. No large contributions are sought, for this should be an expression of sentiment, rather than of wealth, and for that reason a limit of \$5 is placed upon all subscriptions. Contributions should be addressed to "The Memorial Fund Editor, The Omaha Bee, Omaha, Neb."

PUBLISHER URGES RESTRICTIONS ON USE OF NEWS PRINT

No Remedy for Paper Shortage Left to Individuals, Munsey Says.
Washington, May 1.—Government restrictions on consumption of news print paper were urged before a senate investigating committee today by Frank A. Munsey of New York, publisher of five daily newspapers and three magazines. Mr. Munsey declared that if the ratio of consumption continued for the next 25 years at the rate it had in the past quarter of a century, there would be no wood pulp forests left in the world.
The witness said that even now the nation must look forward to the time when daily newspapers will be selling for 5 and even 10 cents.

In urging government restrictions, Mr. Munsey said there was no possible remedy left to individual publishers. "Cutting the size of newspapers would not materially reduce revenues," Mr. Munsey asserted, and would protect the forests.
One remedy suggested by Mr. Munsey was for the government to obtain control of all forests by constitutional amendment and apportion the present timber growth for paper making until new forests could be grown.
William Randolph Hearst of New York submitted a letter setting forth his views on the news print situation. He advocated a 20 or 25 per cent reduction in the use of print paper by all publishers and the doubling of circulation and advertising rates. This, he said, would restrict circulation and advertising without affecting revenue.

Prize Fighter Is Killed By Opponent's Blow

Boston, May 1.—John R. Murray, a professional boxer, who was knocked out in a bout with Dave Powers of Malden last night, died in a hospital today. Powers was arrested on the charge of manslaughter, but the court discharged him with the statement that the death was obviously an accident.

Ex-Currency Comptroller, William Ridgely, Dies at Home

Baltimore, Md., May 1.—William Barrett Ridgely, comptroller of the currency from 1901 to 1908, died at a hospital here last night from a sudden complication following an operation.

Reds Occupy Baku

London, May 1.—Russian bolshevik forces occupied Baku, an important port on the western coast of the Caspian sea, and the center of a very important petroleum field, on April 28, it was announced officially this morning.

SALE OF FLOWERS BRINGS \$4,000 TO CHURCH SOCIETY

Hundreds of pretty young women, located at strategic points throughout the downtown district, and willing to put a lovely pose in anybody's buttonhole for anything from a lowly nickel to a thousand dollars, yesterday collected a total of \$4,000 for the Christ Child society of Omaha.
So successful was the campaign of the young women to raise funds that hours before the start of the big May Day parade 30,000 flowers of many kinds and colors, including a shipment of 20,000 from Chicago, were sold out. The supply of every dealer in Omaha and Council Bluffs was exhausted. Officials of the society considered chartering an airplane to obtain more flowers from Lincoln, but the plan was abandoned when it was found that practically every plan in the city was planning to take part in the May Day demonstration.

No person who ventured into the downtown district was free from the onslaughts of the young women, and, what is more, no one wanted to be. Thousands bought the flowers with a smile and an eagerness seldom equalled in the city. The first flowers were bought by Chatham Redick, small daughter of Mrs. O. C. Redick and Hayden Storz, for which they paid a price of \$25. The smallest flower, which brought the highest price recorded, was a sweetheart rosebud sold to Louis Nash by Mrs. W. J. Hynes for \$100.

600 Employees at New York Ship Yards Go Out On Strike

Philadelphia, May 1.—More than 600 carpenters and joiners at the New York shipyard, Camden, and 150 carpenters at the Passey and Jones yard, Gloucester, N. J., struck today. The strike was called to press a demand for more wages. About 300 carpenters are reported out at Cramps shipyard.

Harvard Parade Causes Reports of "Red" Rally

Washington, May 1.—The Association of Harvard clubs, in annual convention here, paraded through the streets today flying the Harvard crimson at the head of its motor train. Immediately the Department of Justice and police headquarters were deluged with telephone reports of a "red" May day parade in the heart of the national capital.

U. S. FALLING FAR BEHIND IN AVIATION

Germany Develops All-Steel Plane That Makes Obsolete Every Existing Type—England Makes Big Strides.

CONGRESS REFUSING TO HEED WARNINGS

Army Man Declares in Future Wars Will Be Fought With Aircraft the Second Line of Nation's Defense.

By ARTHUR SEARS HENNING. Washington, May 1.—(Special).—While Germany has perfected an all-metal airplane that renders all other types of construction obsolete, Great Britain, it became known here today, has completed a number of giant flying engines of war capable of destroying battleships with aerial torpedoes.
This revolutionary development, giving an illuminating glimpse of the warfare of the future, has been known, it transpires, to the army air service for some time. A confidential report has been received from an American attaché abroad giving the details of a series of successful tests of the new planes and torpedoes in the destruction of naval craft.

America Far Behind.

These are two illustrations of the extent to which America has been outdistanced since the end of the war in the development of aircraft. Air service officials are convinced that the lost ground can be recovered only by a decision on the future makes a distinct aviation arm of the nation's forces a necessity.

Air Force Second Defense.
"The navy is and will continue to be as far as we can now foresee our first line of defense," said Gen. William Mitchell, director of military aeronautics today. "But instead of the army the air forces have become our second line of defense, as a result of the development of planes capable of sinking battleships. If our first line of defense should be pierced by the defeat of our navy we would fall back on the second line of defense, which would be depended upon to play havoc with the enemy navy. Behind the air forces we would have the third line of defense, our army."

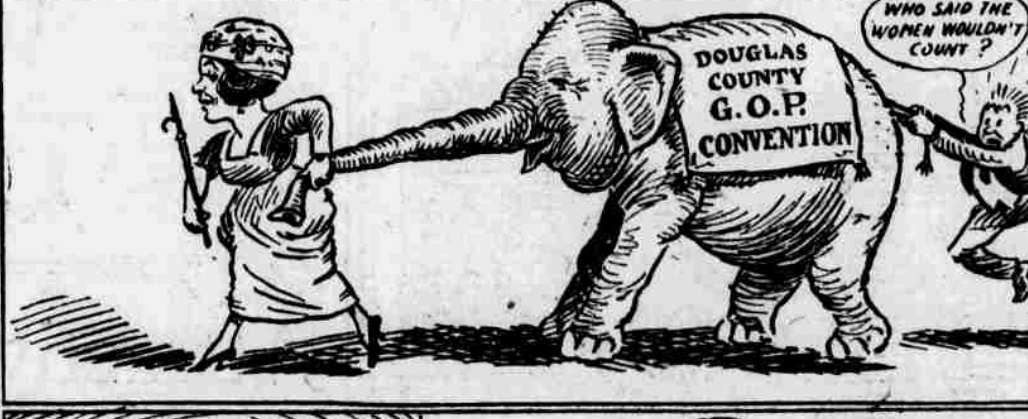
"To develop and maintain the air forces as the second line of defense they should not be divided between (Continued on Page Two, Column Four.)

Nine Bills in Conference Between Senate and House

Washington, May 1.—Nine bills, including five of the annual appropriation measures, are now in conference between the senate and house, setting what some of the officials say is a record. A 10th measure, that for water power development, has just been agreed upon and is waiting final action by the senate and house.

The money measures in conference are the naval, rivers and harbors, fortifications, agricultural and diplomatic and consular. The other bills are those relating to army reorganization, army and navy pay, railroad deficiency and civil service retirement.

Passing Show of 1920



SWEETS FOR THE SWEET

WOMAN PLUNGES INTO MISSOURI IN AUTOMOBILE

Loose Brakes Permit Car to Slip From Aspenwall Ferry—Boatman Rescues Occupant.

Auburn, Neb., May 1.—(Special).—Seymour Noah, who runs the Aspenwall ferry across the Missouri river in the southeast part of Nebraska county, yesterday saved the life of a Missouri woman, and he is anxious to learn her name.

A party of Atchison county, Missouri, residents, early in the morning crossed the ferry in a big touring car to the Nebraska side and after visiting a few hours started on the return trip. They drove their car onto the ferry boat, but failed to tell the ferryman that the brakes were not in working order. Two women remained seated in the machine. A heavy wind was blowing at the time and when the boat got out into the middle of the river, where the channel was deepest, the high, choppy waves caused the automobile to move backward and forward on the deck with great momentum. One of the women jumped from the auto, but the other remained seated there. Sudden the car was propelled forward with great force by an unusually high wave and the car crushed through the guard chain in the front of the boat and went into the river with the woman.

She screamed. Her husband, stationed on one side of the boat, and the ferryman on the other, looked for her when she would come up. She rose alongside the boat and the ferryman was able to grasp her by the hair and drag her aboard. He landed his passengers safely, but the big car is at the bottom of the river. In the excitement, when he had landed his passengers on the Missouri shore, he forgot to get their names.

Announce Stiff Increase in Price of Refined Sugar

Salt Lake City, May 1.—The Utah-Idaho Sugar company, largest producers in the intermountain region, announced an increase in their price of refined sugar from a 18-cent basis to 22.75 cents per pound. This has caused a jump in retail prices of beet sugar here from 16 cents to 28 cent sugar pound to the consumer. The company has declined to state the reason for the advance.

Three Killed, One Fatally Hurt As Auto Leaves Bridge

Pueblo, Col., May 1.—Mrs. John Richardson, 24 years old, bride on one week; her mother, Mrs. D. R. David, and her brother, E. V. David, were killed and her husband fatally injured early today when their automobile plunged off a bridge, falling 50 feet.

Sentence Woman Pickpocket

London, May 1.—Maud Price, a handsome, middle-aged woman living respectably and honored by the neighbors, was sentenced to serve nine months at hard labor for picking pockets. It was found that she had been in prison six times before for the same offense.

Mrs. Robert Bradford Is Given Divorce by Los Angeles Courts



Mrs. Frances Todd Bradford, formerly of Omaha, has received a final decree of divorce from her husband, Robert Bradford, according to word received here yesterday. She was given the custody of their child and \$30 a month alimony, which she refused to accept.
The Bradfords were married in Omaha six years ago. Mrs. Bradford remained in Omaha during a period when her husband was in diplomatic service abroad.

MANY TAKE SKY RIDES OVER CITY WITHOUT MISHAP

Two Fly from Lincoln in Half Hour and Join Local Birdmen.

Homer Wyant and A. B. Green, aviators, flew a Hispano-Suiza motor-plane from Lincoln to Omaha in little more than a half hour yesterday afternoon.
They arrived in time to catch a birds-eye view of the Americanization day parade.
Twelve persons took sky rides later in the afternoon from Ak-Sar-Ben exposition field in planes piloted by members of the Blue Star Aviation company.
No mishaps occurred.
Harry Rosen and Chick Sale, headlines at the Orpheum theater this week, will ascend this morning in a plane piloted by Aviator Green. Rosen and Sale are acquaintances of Green.
The whole company at the Orpheum this week will visit the aviation field to witness the flights. Some of the stage favorites will probably venture flights with the pilots on hand, Mr. Green stated.

The Weather

Forecast.
Probably showers Sunday; slightly warmer.

Hourly Temperatures.	
5 a. m.	42
6 a. m.	42
7 a. m.	42
8 a. m.	42
9 a. m.	42
10 a. m.	42
11 a. m.	42
12 noon	50

LAST KRUEGER DRAFT EVADER IS SURROUNDED

Fourth of Brothers Said to Be At Bay in Wisconsin Swamp And Hemmed in By Posse.

Withee, Wis., May 1.—A large posse, aided by bloodhounds, today enveloped a swamp near here, in search of Louis Krueger, for 18 months a fugitive from justice on a charge of military draft evasion.
Brought to bay last night at the home of his mother, Mrs. Louise Krueger, the man escaped by leaping through a window amid a fusillade of bullets from possemen and took refuge in a swamp nearby.
A cordon of deputies was thrown about the swamp immediately and it is believed he is still within the circle of deputies.
Today's activity recalls the "battle of Krueger farm" in September, 1918, when Harry Krueger, station agent at Owen, was killed and four other possemen wounded, and which brought life sentences for Frank and Leslie Krueger, brother of Louis. The two brothers are now serving their sentences in Waupun prison.
The fight at the Krueger farm in 1918 was precipitated when United States deputy marshals sought to arrest the four Krueger boys as draft evaders. The fight lasted some time, Mrs. Krueger finally surrendering, Leslie and Ennis, two other brothers, escaping. Ennis was killed a few days later by a federal agent and Leslie was caught several months afterward in Minnesota.

Convict North Platte Man Of Stealing Suitcase

North Platte, Neb., May 1.—(Special Telegram).—George H. Cratty, 23 years old, who was arrested April 11, charged with stealing a suitcase and package filled with gentlemen's clothing from the Union Pacific baggage room here, was sentenced to an indeterminate sentence of one to 10 years in the state penitentiary in district court. Cratty was an employe of the baggage room when the suitcase and package, which belonged to J. A. Benau, was stolen. His rooms were searched and the stolen articles found. Cratty has a wife and small child.
John D. Keene was sentenced to not less than one and not more than seven years in the state penitentiary. He was arrested recently and tried in county court charged with stealing a five-passenger automobile from Rasmus Rasmussen last September.

Americanization Day Is Celebrated in Scotia

Scotia, Neb., May 1.—(Special).—Rev. J. V. Bandy was the principal speaker at the Americanization day program here. A patriotic parade was held, followed by a flag drill by school children. After the exercises the members of Reuben Beck post, American Legion, served dinner to over 700 people.

Await Germans at Spa

Brussels, May 1.—Preparations to receive allied and German delegates at the Spa conference on May 25 have already been started by the municipal government of that city. The opening of the summer social season there has been advanced to May 22.

CITY SHOWS HOME FIRES STILL BURN

Mighty Pageant of Patriotism Is Challenge to "Reds" and Demonstration of the Gate City's Americanism.

MORE THAN 20,000 IN LINE OF MARCH

Other Thousands Throng Along Route of Parade—No Disturbances Mark Day—But One Arrest Is Made.

Omaha's May Day Americanization parade yesterday afternoon was an eloquent demonstration that the home fires are still burning in the Gate City of the west and that the Red, White and Blue is Omaha's answer to anybody who would raise the red flag of disloyalty.
It was a mighty pageant of patriotism, participated in by men, women, boys and girls of all classes and creeds, enlivened by thousands of fluttering flags and national airs played by 11 bands.
There were more than 20,000 in the column which passed the reviewing stand in front of the city hall and thousands of spectators cheered as the marchers passed by.
Event Is Not Marred.
There were no sinister occurrences to mar the success of the event. A feeling of apprehension existed in minds of some Omahans that May Day outbreaks of the old world might find expression here. There were a few incidents which were significant but not serious. Mayor Smith was importuned by some to cancel the parade because of fear that "red" outbreaks might occur, but the mayor scouted even the suggestion of such action.
The police took into custody Jake Garfinkle, 20 years old, 1502 North Twentieth street, upon alleged evidence that he had discouraged others from marching in the parade. Garfinkle was released by Captain J. T. Dunn on assurances that he would march in the parade, carrying a flag at the side of Police Sergeant Lyman Wheeler.

Mysterious Shot Fired.

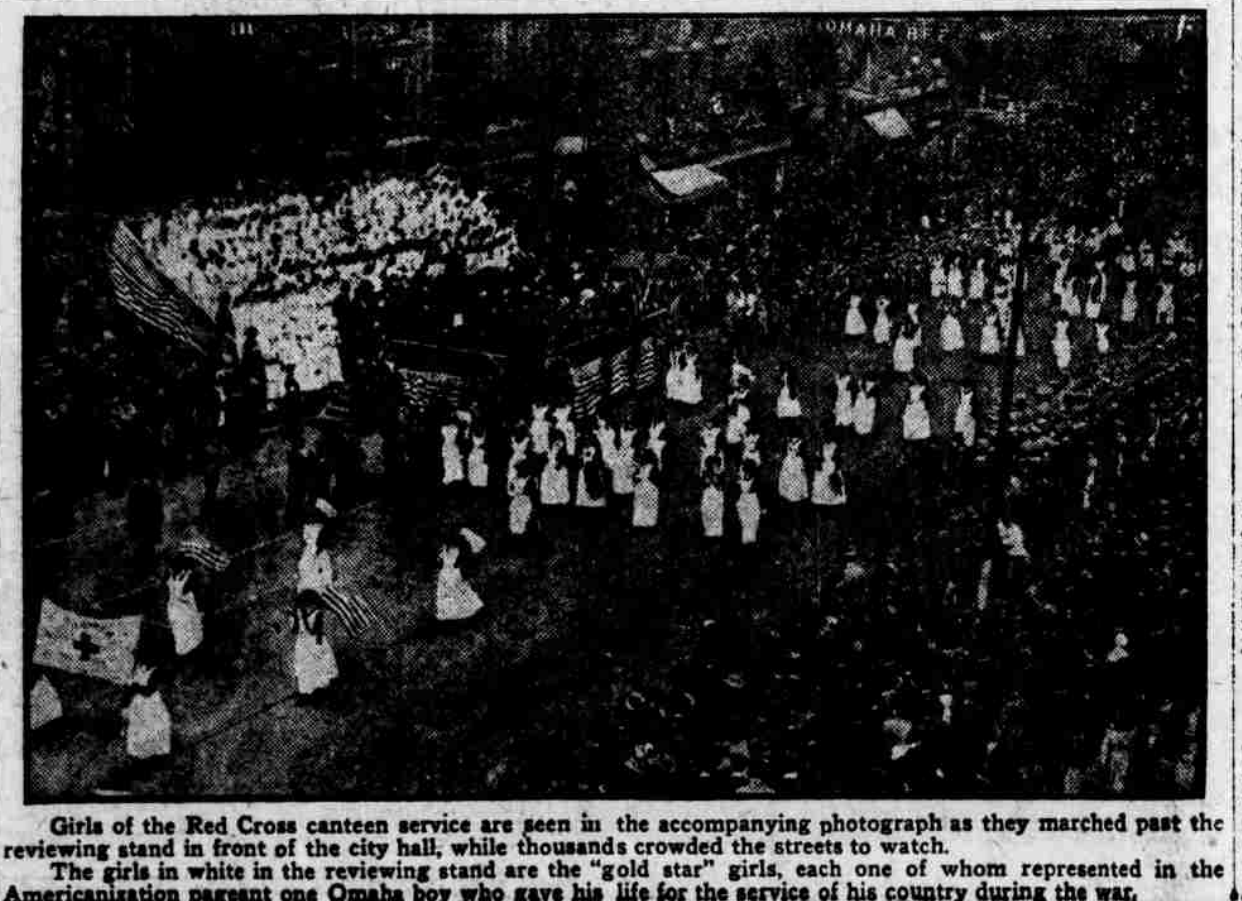
T. J. Hunt, sales manager in the service of an automobile company, narrowly escaped being struck by a bullet which passed through the windshield of his automobile yesterday noon at Sixteenth and Harney streets. The source of the bullet was not determined by the police who made an investigation. Mr. Hunt was on his way to join a division of the parade at Sixteenth street and Capitol avenue.
A bright May sunshine brightened the scene when the parade reached the reviewing party at Gov. S. R. McKelevie, Mayor Ed. P. Smith, Col. Jacob W. S. Wuest of Fort Omaha, Col. Ben R. Wade of Fort Crook, Col. G. S. Bingham, Capt. J. H. Comfort U. S. N., and Adjutant Gen. H. J. Paul and Major Harry (Continued on Page Six, Column One.)

MUCH HERALDED MAY DAY RIOTS FAIL TO SHOW UP

Officials Declare Executioners Afraid to Commit Outrages After Recent Warnings.

Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire. Washington, May 1.—Attorney General Palmer's much heralded May day terrorism did not materialize. It either took to its heels when exposed or was a straw man.
Department of Justice officials insist that it was a real menace against lives of prominent men all over the country, but that the scheduled executions seemed to show their heads when the country had been warned. Whatever may have been the case, May day passed tranquilly throughout the nation. According to reports reaching the Department of Justice, there were no bombs thrown, no lists of dead or maimed, no general industrial uprisings and few arrests. Up to a late hour, only one red offender had been reported taken by government agents and his offense was the distribution of radical literature.
Attorney General Palmer, who uttered the warning against red plots against the lives of officials several days ago, did not comment to make, but his aids in the department expressed gratification that exposure of the plans of the reds had been effective in smothering the threatened outrages. In some quarters in Washington the attorney general's warning was regarded as "hysterical," a "seeing red" demonstration. Some of Mr. Palmer's political opponents said it was a political play. Mr. Palmer said a few days ago that his course would be criticised in this manner and made it emphatic that he did not care. He thought it his duty, in view of reports that had come to the Department of Justice, to utter the warning.

Patriotic Omaha Marches in Review in Americanization May Day Parade Here



Girls of the Red Cross canteen are seen in the accompanying photograph as they marched past the reviewing stand in front of the city hall, while thousands crowded the streets to watch. The girls in white in the reviewing stand are the "gold star" girls, each one of whom represented in the Americanization parade one Omaha boy who gave his life for the service of his country during the war.