PLACES REMAIN FOR BUT 25 ON TRADE JOURNEY

More Than 100 Already Engage Reservations for Chamber of Commerce Excursion Through Three States.

With more than 100 business men signed for the Omaha trade excursion to southwestern Nebraska, northeastern Colorado and southeastern Wyoming, applications for accommodations are still coming in to the Chamber of Commerce committee in charge. Only 125 can be cared for in the train provided. No larger train can be used, as much of the trip will be over branch lines not built for heavy travel.

The excursion will leave Omaha the evening of May 23, and return the morning of May 30.

Those already signed for the trip are:

Agricultural Implements—John Deere Plow Co., Willard D. Hosford and Roy Atkisson; Lininger Implement Co., A. M. Sorenson.

Bags—Bemis Bag Co., E. R. Bailey.

Bakers' Supplies—T. F. Naughtin Co., T. F. Naughtin.

Banks—First National bank, John W. Gamble; Live Stock National bank, Alvin Johnson; Merchants National bank, Fred Hamilton; Omaha National bank, J. A. Changstrom; Packers National bank, H. C. Nicholson; Stock Yards National bank, W. L. Pier; United States National bank, C. F. Brinkman.

Bondings—Lion Bonding Co., Al Mayer.

Bridge Supplies—Nebraska Bridge Supply Co.

Building Supplies—Sunderland Bros. Co., J. A. Rockwell; Imperial Sash and Door Co., C. M. Reynolds.

Building and Loans—Conservative Savings and Loan association, Paul Kuhns.

Cleaners and Dyers—The Pantorium, Guy Liggett.

Coal—Coal Hill Coal Co., Randall K. Brown.

Co-operative Assn.—Farmers Union, Frank Myers.

Crackers—Ten Biscuit Co., Penn Fedres and A. F. Donnelly.

Creameries—The Fairmont Creamery Co., E. T. Rector.

Crockery—Omaha Crockery Co., George H. Miller.

Drugs—E. E. Bruce & Co., H. G. Murphy.

Dry Goods—Byrne-Hammer Co., Roy Byrne and one other; M. E. Smith Co., Joe Kelly and A. C. Smith.

Electrical Supplies—Granden Electric Co., Charles Granden; The McGraw Co., A. J. Cole.

Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Specialist—Dr. J. T. Maxwell.

Fish and Oysters—The King Cole Co., George W. Boyden.

Furnaces—Standard Furnace and Supply Co., F. L. Nesbit and George Burrus.

Furniture—Beebe & Runyan Furniture Co., Don T. Lee; Orchard & Wilhelm, C. M. Wilhelm.

Furriers—National Fur and Tanning Co., A. C. Loomis; Omaha Robe and Tanning Co., E. L. Kempster.

Grain—Black Hawk Grain Co., Mel Uhl, Jr.; Butler-Welsh Grain Co., J. L. Welsh; Nye-Schneider-Fowler Grain Co., R. J. Southard; Omaha Grain Exchange, Frank Manchester; Roberts, George A., Grain Co., George A. Roberts and N. G. Ensey; Rosenbaum Grain Co., E. E. Huntley.

Groceries—Hughes, H. J. Co., Frank J. Hughes and J. W. Smith; Mid States Wholesale Grocery Co., W. C. Alexander.

Grocers—McCord-Brady Co., H. G. Hoel; Pagton & Gallagher Co., two representatives.

Hardware—Henry & Robinson Hardware Co., R. L. Robinson; Lee-Colt-Andersen Hardware Co., C. L. Kirkpatrick and W. W. Drummy; Wright & Wilhelmy Co., G. E. Jennings.

Hats—Gate City Hat Co., Lester H. Drishaus; Martin Cott Hat Co., C. B. Helmer.

Fire Insurance—Martin Bros. & Co., F. T. B. Martin.

Life Insurance—N. W. Mutual Life Insurance Co., Robert H. Manley.

Lumber—Bradford-Kennedy Co., W. Boyd Smith; Dietz, C. N. & Co., O. C. Walt; Wallrath & Sherwood Lumber Co., Austin Braun and Frank Harrison.

Machinery—Sunderland Machinery & Supply, D. M. Edgerly.

Millinery—Spiesberger & Co., Jake Spiesberger; Thiele-Scharf Co., John J. Thiele.

Mill Work—Adams & Kelly, H. G. Kelly; Disbrow, M. A. Co., M. C. Cole.

Packing—Cudahy Packing Co., H. A. Stine; Armour & Co., W. L. Shurts; Swift & Co., V. M. Ekdahl.

Paper—Carpenter Paper Co., E. H. Hoel and B. M. Anderson; Western Newspaper Union; George S. Johnson.

Printers' Supplies—Barnhart Bros. & Spindler, J. E. Spencer.

Printing—K-B Printing Co., Joe B. Redfield; Omaha Printing Co., Martin D. Tark; M. F. Shafer & Co., H. E. Griffin.

Publications—Nebraska Farm Journal, W. M. Temple; Omaha Trade Exhibit, Charles B. Ayres.

Real Estate—Payne Investment Co., O. C. Holmes.

Seeds—Nebraska Seed Co., H. O. Pomeroy.

Shoes—Hayward Bros. Shoe Co.; Kirkendall Shoe Co., F. B. Kirkendall and R. W. Moore.

Stock Yards—Union Stock Yards Co., E. Buckingham.

Structural Steel—Omaha Steel Works.

Syrup—Farrell & Co., D. H. Farrell and one other.

Tanks—Nebraska-Iowa Steel Tank Co., A. N. Eaton.

Telegraph—Western Union Telegraph Co., G. M. Horton.

Telephone—Nebraska Telephone Co., Frank May.

Tires—Sprague Tire & Rubber Co., V. R. Nichols; United States Rubber Co., T. J. Needham and Charles R. Wier.

Home County Township to Construct Model Highway

O'Neill, Neb., May 13.—(Special.)—Scott township, Holt county, will have five miles of the most modern highway ever constructed by a single township in the state, to be completed this summer. Contracts for the road have been awarded. The road will extend five miles north from Opportunity, an inland town northeast of O'Neill, to Scottville, one of the early settlements of the county, now in the heart of a rich farming community. The road will conform to federal specifications and will be 48 feet wide, with a 24-foot roadway. All bridges and culverts on the highway will be full width of the grade. When completed the road will connect the northeast end of the county direct with O'Neill by a highway passable for the heaviest truck traffic at all seasons of the year. The road is part of a road system being built by townships to connect O'Neill in this county with Lynch in Boyd county.

Former Judge of Stanton County Dies Suddenly

Stanton, Neb., May 13.—(Special.)—James W. Mackey died suddenly at his home here. He had lived in Stanton for 38 years, coming here in 1882. For many years he was actively engaged in the law business and was county judge for four terms. He was a member of the Masonic, G. A. R. and Ben Hur lodges. He is survived by his widow and one daughter, Miss Pearl Mackey, an instructor in the Minneapolis city schools.

Farmers' Union Buys Stanton Elevator and Lumber Yard

Stanton, Neb., May 13.—(Special.)—One of the biggest business deals in the year was consummated here the Chace & Gamble lumber yard dan, F. H. Richards, George Gage, and elevator for a consideration of over $70,000. The Chace lumber yard and elevator has been in operation in this city for 36 years, Mr. Chace being a member of the firm for 21 years. Robert Pillar of this city will be in charge for the new owners.

He's Lonesome, But Not Shy, Is This Air Mail Pilot

Third Flyer Assigned to Omaha Service Finding Town Very Dull.

He "flys high," he's young and unmarried and says as a stranger he is finding Omaha a "lonesome sort of a place."

Here's introducing Clarence C. Lange, third aerial mail pilot assigned to the Omaha station of the Omaha-Chicago air mail division. How long Omaha remains "a bit dull" for him during his hours off duty remains to be seen.

It may help to mention his address is the Conant hotel.

"I'm glad to be here, of course, and I'm strong for my job, but it's sort of lonesome around a town when you don't know anybody," he says.

Piloted Plane Here.

Aviator Lange piloted a DeHaviland plane here from Chicago and will take out one of the first planes after regular air service is established over the Omaha-Chicago division. The flight from Chicago was his first in the air-mail service. It followed successful completion of test flights at the government field at College Park, Washington, D. C.

Previously Pilot Lange had had 17 months in army air service in France, where his job was testing new De Haviland planes.

Can Tell Some Yarns.

After his discharge from the army he spent several months on a trip to the Orient as secretary of the allied purchasing commission, forming a part of the inter-allied technical board headed by J. F. Stevens, American engineer, which conducted a general survey of the trans-Siberian railroad.

"I thought I had definitely given up flying, but it seems to get in the blood and you can't keep away from it," he explained today.

Pilot Lange's home is in Racine, Wis.

Mexican Revolution Simmers at Ralston; Judge to Settle It

Ralston had a little Mexican revolution all its own Wednesday.

It all arose out of an argument over the relative qualifications of President Carranza and General Obregon.

Louis Lopez praised the work of Obregon in front of Raymond Navaro who is a stauch believer in Carranza. Lopez says Navaro drew a revolver and threatened to treat him after the manner of Francisco Villa if he did not shut up about Obregon. Then Lopez beat a retreat toward South Side police station with Navaro in fast pursuit.

When they arrived breathless they were nabbed by the police and booked for investigation. Lopez wanted Navaro arrested for carrying a loaded revolver and threatening his life. The police kept Lopez for a witness.

Now the entire Mexican situation will be settled in South Side police court Saturday morning.

O. L. D. Votes to Merge With D. L. D. at Hastings

Hastings, Neb., May 13.—(Special Telegram.)—Through the merger with the Detroit, Lincoln and Denver Highway association the Omaha, Lincoln and Denver Highway association last night ceased to exist as a separate organization. The new D. L. D. will be from Detroit through Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa and over the O. L. D. in Nebraska and Colorado to Denver.

The main plant of the United States Steel Corporation at Gary, Ind., employs about 10,000 workmen and is one of the largest in the world.

DENIES ASKING FOR 'GRAFT' LOAN OF CONTRACTOR

Dodge County Supervisor Makes First Reply to Charges Brought by Omahan.

Fremont, Neb., May 13.—(Special.)—P. J. Flanagan, Dodge county supervisor, who is accused by Robert Z. Drake of Omaha of requesting "loans" before claims of Drake's Standard Bridge company were heard by the county board, denies the charge in an affidavit filed in district court today. It is Flanagan's first reply to Drake's accusations, which were made when the supervisors rejected the bridge company claim for $9,000 for work done at North Bend in 1913.

Flanagan in turn accuses Paul Reiff of the bridge company of giving him money 13 years ago when he was campaigning for re-election, and declares that Reiff said it was purely for his campaign and would put Flanagan under no obligations to the bridge company. This did not amount to more than $125, the supervisor says.

Flanagan specifically denies telling Reiff that they "must see him first" before the claims came before the board and denies asking Drake for a loan of $2,000 before the present contested claim was presented.

Drake has been paid by the state of Nebraska, its half of the cost of the North Bend work, which was done without written contract. One district court jury has decided against his claim upon Dodge county, but a new trial has been ordered.

Modern Clubroom Plan of Hastings American Legion

Hastings, Neb., May 13.—(Special Telegram.)—The Hastings post of the American Legion has engaged a suite of eight rooms and will equip them for a modern club home. A county drive for a 100 membership of ex-service men will start Monday. The men have formulated an active campaign in preparation for the Nebraska convention of the American Legion here in August.

Suspend Negotiations.

Copenhagen, May 13. — Negotiations with the Russian soviet government for resumption of trade relations have been suspended by the Danish committee here until the situation in Russia is fully cleared up.

WOMEN IN RUMPUS AS ONE SEES RING LOST FIVE YEARS

Spies Diamond on Chum's Hand at Union Station—Calls Patrol.

A sudden cry rent the air at Union station yesterday and travelers awaiting trains turned to see a woman rush madly to a family group and heard her shout:

"You've got my diamond that you stole from me in Snyder, Neb., five years ago."

Police interfered and called the patrol, into which were loaded Mrs. E. J. Varn, 539 South Twenty-ninth street, the accuser, and Mrs. Minnie Lierman, accused, with her husband, William Lierman, 12-year-old daughter, Laville, and baby.

At Central police station Mrs. Varn told the following story:

"Minnie and I were schoolmates and chums. Five years ago I was down in Snyder, Neb., visiting her, and a diamond stud that belonged to my former husband was missing from my mesh bag one morning.

"Today I learned that Minnie was in Omaha and I followed her to Union station where I recognized the diamond in a ring on her finger as the stone that I lost.

"It's worth $1,000 if its worth a cent."

"But," said Captain Vanous, "you can't have these people arrested without a warrant."

"Let me go," she replied, "and I'll get a warrant."

So the captain released the entire party.

The Lierman family went their way, and Mrs. Varn left the station with the avowed intent of serving a warrant for Minnie's arrest.

Fremont Commercial Club Elects Officers for 1920

Fremont, Neb., May 13.—(Special.)—The Fremont Commercial club has elected Charles E. Abbott, prominent attorney, president for the coming year, succeeding C. D. Marr. Other officers are: Vice president, A. J. Eddy; treasurer, A. G. Christensen; secretary, Burnell Colson; directors, George F. Wolz, C. D. Marr, L. F. Holloway, J. H. Knowles, Fred Bader, R. D. McFadden, F. H. Richards, George Gage, Ray W. Hammond, W. C. Wiley, John C. Hein, D. V. Stephens, John Sonin, J. G. Widhelm, George Cheney, D. D. Rowe, James Donahue, Emil Hahn, J. Howard Heine, C. F. Dodge.

Securing Midland college for Fremont and the laying of six miles of paving west of the city on the Lincoln highway are considered the big achievements of the club this year.

SAY BIG SHIPS CAN NAVIGATE LAKE CHANNELS

Experts Testify In Support of New Inland Waterways Project Before Joint Commission Hearing.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., May 13.—Special.)—Declaring that the St. Lawrence deep waterway project is "the greatest movement ever undertaken for the development of the United States and Canada," R. B. Glenn, former governor of North Carolina and a member of the American section of the international joint commission, opened the commission's investigation of the lakes-to-the-ocean channel project here yesterday.

Answering New York's first salvo against the deep waterway, witneses before the commission declared that navigation of ocean tramp steamers in the confined channels of the St. Lawrence, St. Croix and St. Marys rivers will be as easy as navigation in the entrance to any port on the Atlantic seaboard.

Navigation Experts Testify.

Members of the commission directed questions at Louis C. Sabin, United States government engineer in charge of the St. Marys Falls ship canal, and Captain P. H. Uberoth, in charge of the United States coast guard in the St. Marys river, intending to find out whether an ocean steamer would be able to navigate the confined channels connecting the lakes. New York's assertions that such navigation would be impossible were given at length before the commission at the opening hearing at Buffalo in March.

"An ocean steamer will have no difficulty in navigating these channels," said Captain Uberoth.

Captain Uberoth said lake steamers made 8 to 10 miles an hour in the St. Marys river channel. He said ocean freighters seldom make better than 10 or 12 nautical miles an hour.

Mr. Sabin said lake carriers made an average of 10 or 10.5 miles per hour on their entire trips, including sailing in the open lakes, confined channels and locks. He said there are ample facilities at the Sault locks to take care of any traffic that might come up the St. Lawrence.

Mr. Sabin estimated that it would take a boat 16 days and 15 hours to go from Sault to Liverpool by way of the St. Lawrence; and 19 days and 15 hours from the Sault to Liverpool by way of the New York canal if the New York canal were deepened to take care of tramp steamers.

C. E. Little Elected Head Of North Platte Schools

North Platte, Neb., May 13.—(Special Telegram.)—C. E. Littel of Cambridge was elected by the board of education for superintendent of the city schools to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Wilson Tout. Mr. Littel is a Nebraska man, was a student at the State university and has had 15 years' experience in teaching and administrative work. He will move here with his wife and child about July 1.

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