

# OMAHA BUSINESS MEN ANXIOUS TO ASSIST FARMERS

### Letters "C. F. R.," Abbreviation for Bureau's Motto, Create Friendly Relations With Rural Populace.

It is possible that many do not know what the mystic letters "C. F. R." stand for and yet almost everyone who gets along in this old world carries them into effect.

Probably the greatest medium for "C. F. R." in Omaha is the agricultural bureau of the Chamber of Commerce. Its special purpose is to create friendly relations between town and country.

C. F. R. brings in no particular profit, but is valuable none the less for helping the farmer and the city man to see eye-to-eye and understand each other's problems.

The committee that manages this agricultural bureau is headed by W. D. Hoster, manager of one of the biggest farm implement companies in Omaha. Every member of the bureau is a farmer and many are young men on the farm. Their interest in improving agricultural conditions is very real, and their knowledge based on actual experience.

### Here Are the Farmers:

For instance, there is William Stull, who has farms all the way from Colorado to Indiana. He is known as the author of a big book on agriculture showing that the only thing that is wrong with farming is that it is not profitable enough.

Then there is J. W. Shorthill, a Nebraska farmer, who was secretary of the government grain board during the war. R. Hogan, an Iowa farmer who is president of the Federal Land bank in Omaha, is another one on the committee; W. M. Temple, editor of the Nebraska Farm Journal; T. F. Sturges, former editor of the Twentieth Century Farmer, and Frank Myers, manager of the Nebraska Farmers' union, are among the other members.

For manager of the bureau they chose H. F. McIntosh, a man of long experience as a farmer, stock feeder and farm editor. One would know that he is a farmer by the early hour at which he arrives at his office.

### Works for Better Schools.

The work of the bureau covers wide scope. There is Harry Schieferle, who went out in the state and helped organize a farmers' potato marketing association. Through co-operation with county superintendents of schools, the movement for redistricting so as to have larger and better educational facilities is being furthered. County agents make use of the facilities of the bureau in countless ways. When some county fair is running down, the bureau sends its expert advice on how to get exhibits, and furnishes booster copy for the local newspapers. If some fair club is in need of a speaker, Mr. McIntosh can be relied upon to get one.

### Co-Operation is Urged.

By example and precept, this group of Omaha business men, who cannot forget that they once lived on the soil, are calling the attention of commercial clubs all over the state to the need for wider co-operation with the rural population. And when the farmers come into town for such an event as the recent sale of fine hogs, the farm bureau is there to greet and entertain them.

"The interests of the farmers and city folks are mutual," said Mr. McIntosh yesterday. One of the functions of our bureau is to show what the farmers are doing for themselves. When some new variety of seed wheat or eye is found that gives a greater yield, we like to tell the business men about it. The things accomplished by the live farmers of Nebraska mean a great deal to all of us.

### Extend a Friendly Hand.

"We do not attempt to go into direct production problems. Bumper crops show that the farmers have mastered that end of their business, and are not in need of outside advice. We already have diversification to the limit of our climatic conditions. There is no chance of restricted production by farmers who own their land. What they ask is to be let alone. We are not attempting to advise them, but merely to get acquainted, and to make them feel that we stand ready to co-operate with them whenever necessary, for all our interests are the same."

### Wagon Coal Mine Owners Protest Recent I. C. C. Order

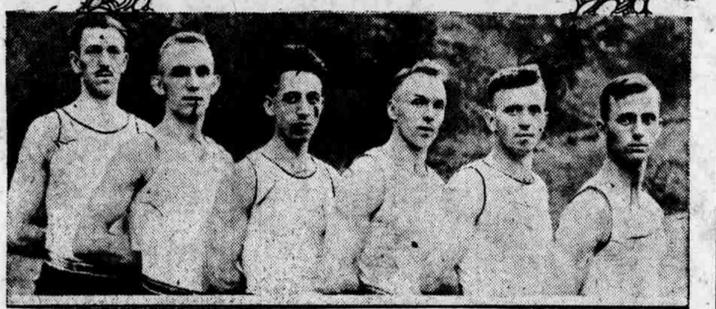
Washington, Sept. 4.—Owners of wagon coal mines protested today to the Interstate Commerce commission against the recent order restricting use of open top cars by such mines unless equipped with tipples or elevations to facilitate loading.

The operators denied that the loading of cars from wagon mines resulted in undue delay of railroad equipment. The commission's order was characterized as discriminatory and unjust. They charged the delay complained of was due to the practice of the railroads in many instances in giving the railroad mines a week's supply of cars in advance.

### Refer Miners' Application For Wage Boost to Secretary

Washington, Sept. 4.—President Wilson today referred to Secretary Wilson of the Labor department the telegraphic request of the United Mine Workers that the question of a new wage scale for the anthracite fields be reopened to permit new requests for increases additional to those granted by the anthracite commission to be filed. The agreement embodying the commission's award was signed Wednesday by representatives of the operators and employees.

# Girls' and Boys' Teams Entered in Sokol Athletic Events Being Staged in Omaha



Girls' team, reading from right to left: Bottom row—Emma Kolar, St. Paul, Minn., No. 37; Mary Mac, Cedar Rapids, Ia., No. 20; Anna Novaty, Omaha, No. 43; Anna Ajdrna, Chicago, No. 45; S. Topisovskiy, Chicago, No. 6; Rose Bosanek, Omaha, No. 1. Top row—Julia Balak, Howells, Neb., No. 7; G. Majajcik, Racine, Wis., No. 25; J. Baras, Milwaukee, No. 14; B. Pihakova, Detroit, Mich., No. 4; Z. Snora, Cleveland, No. 39; Mary Krajic, Dodge, Neb., No. 35.

Class 1 team, reading from left to right: Stephan Zajack, Chicago, No. 5; Anton Kralicek, Racine, Wis., No. 8; Emil Vacheta, Detroit, Mich., No. 4; Joseph Smarik, Detroit, Mich., No. 4; Anton Vondra, Cleveland, No. 39; Frank Loukota, Detroit, Mich., No. 4.

# Omaha Parents Grieve While Boy Fights Reds

### One Son Killed in World War, Aged Couple Are Happy When Moses Writes He Is Coming Home—Then Welcoming Plans Spoiled When He Joins Polish Army.

Agony and suspense, experienced by hundreds of Omaha families during the great war still is in the hearts of Mr. and Mrs. J. Habiter, aged Omaha couple, 401 North Fifteenth street.

Like hundreds of other Omaha parents, this old couple rejoiced at the signing of the armistice. They marched happily with the gay, rejoicing throng that paraded the streets when the armistice was announced.

For their two youngest sons had been forced into the Austrian army, and peace meant their release. It also meant they would be able to make their delayed departure for America, where, after a separation of 14 years, they would again be reunited with their parents, and care for them in their declining years.

### He Died Fighting.

It was shortly after the signing of the armistice that word reached the parents that their youngest son, Dave, 23 years old, had been killed on the Italian front. The blow staggered the old people. Yet their sorrow was somewhat relieved when a letter from their older son, Moses, informed them Dave had died fighting a brave soldier to the last.

They tried to forget their sorrow by looking forward to the return of Moses. He planned to leave for America as soon as he could save sufficient funds and had secured a passport. Several months ago they received a message stating he would embark for America some time in August.

Then followed a glorious interval of preparation for his arrival. The old mother secured drapings for the windows of the room he was to occupy. She looked long in the windows of men's furnishing stores, for she was determined her Moses should dress as the young men of America. And she planned the good things she would cook for her son when he arrived. The father looked on happily. It was indeed a glorious interval.

### Fighting Reds Now.

But Friday their happy dreams were shattered. A message from Moses informed them he was in the Polish army fighting the horde of Reds that sought to annihilate Poland. He had been about to embark for America, he said, when news of the bolshevik advance into Poland reached him. He could not bear the thought that his native country might be overrun. So he enlisted. When the Reds were crushed he would leave for America, he said.

And now the old couple are trying to drown their sorrow with the thought of their son's bravery and patriotism. He had been forced into the Austrian army, but when his native country was in peril he had given up his chance to leave it all, and hurried to its aid, hence he is very good and brave, they say.

But they are experiencing all the agony and suspense so well known to hundreds of other Omaha parents during the great war.

### Dockmen's Strike on British Vessels Gaining Strength

Atlanta, Sept. 4.—The strike of longshoremen against work on British vessels as a protest against England's attitude toward Ireland, gained strength today. Only 40 out of a normal force of 350 men reported for work on three steamers and the action of the steamship agents in sending other men to fill the longshoremen's places caused most of the union freight handlers to refuse to work.

# OMAHA SCHOOLS WILL BE JAMMED ON OPENING DAY

### Registration Tuesday Morning Is Expected to Crowd All Rooms—Half Day Sessions Are Planned.

The school bell will ring again next Tuesday morning, summoning approximately 25,000 boys and girls and more than 1,000 teachers to 55 public schools of Greater Omaha.

Many teachers returned last week from mountain, farm, lake and seaside, refreshed for the new school year by a summer's sojourn from the schoolroom. Other teachers worked during the summer to earn a little extra money and some took special courses of study in their profession.

Many tots will enter the kindergartens for the first time on Tuesday, accompanied by older brothers or sisters or their parents. There will be a goodly quota of new entrants to the Central High school, High School of Commerce and the high schools at the South Side and in Benson, the estimated attendance at these schools being 2,400, 2,800, 600 and 150, respectively.

### Six New Principals.

J. H. Beveridge, superintendent of schools, says that he will have a staff of 1,200 teachers, including the substitutes. These teachers will meet at 10 o'clock Monday morning in the First Methodist church where assignments for the new school year will be announced and the superintendent will speak a few words of greeting. There will be six new principals to take places of those who were retired at the close of the last school year in June. There also will be some transfers of the principals who are already in these positions.

About 165 new teachers will begin their work with the Omaha schools next Tuesday, many being from outside towns. This is an unusual number of new members of the staff.

### Thrift Plan Adopted.

Owing to the grading operations on the Dodge street hill, pupils and teachers of education today will be required for a time to limit their entrance and exit to the Twenty-second street door.

Beginning on October 1 the public schools will place in operation a system of thrift which was approved by the board of education two months ago. Children who wish to take advantage of this will be issued pass books and the teachers on one day each week will receive money from the children and give them credit in the books. Local banks will serve as depositories and will surrender the savings upon presentation of the pass books.

The medical inspection work of the schools will be enlarged by the adoption of a nutrition program which Miss Charlotte Townsend, supervisor of school nurses, has worked out. Every child will be given a physical examination and those under or over normal weights will be given expert advice.

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Milk will be served to children during the morning and afternoon in cases where vitality is low. Home visits will be made by the school nurses for the benefit of children whose cases require special attention.

### Half-Day Sessions.

Congestion of attendance is anticipated in some schools, particularly at Dundee, where facilities have not kept pace with the increasing population. The superintendent believed it would be necessary to hold half-day sessions of some classes at this school. Redistricting may be necessary, to equalize the attendance of schools that show disparities of enrollment.

Children afflicted with impediments of speech will be given special training at Dundee school. An accelerated room for seventh and eighth grade children will be maintained at the Field school.

Through an arrangement made between the superintendent of public schools and Archbishop Harty of the Catholic parochial schools, records of attendance and transfers will be exchanged for the convenience of the officers who enforce the compulsory school laws.

# Negro Boy Admits Stealing Sardines; Implicates 2 Others

Walter Grimes, 14, negro, accused of entering a grocery store and stealing sardines, in juvenile court yesterday steadfastly denied his guilt during the hearing and up to the point where Judge Willis G. Sears had set aside the suspension of an old Kearney sentence on him was about to let off with a lecture, two other colored lads, then he blurted out:

"I tell the truth, Judge, all of us done it."

Furthermore Walter said he could produce a witness to prove what he said.

Detective James J. Hughes, who followed the sardine trail to Walter's home, was dispatched after the witness and the case was continued until late in the afternoon.

Walter, in a confession to Detective Hughes, had implicated the other boys, Billie Love, and Crawford Brown, but at the hearing he denied the confession until he had been sentenced to Kearney.

# BATH TUB WINS FAME FOR PASTOR AT HASTINGS

### As Overseas "Y" Worker, Nebraska Preacher Gives Hot Baths to Cootie-Laden Soldiers.

Fame has come out of a latrine in the ruins of a French village to a Nebraska minister.

The Rev. Charles R. Tyner, pastor of the Episcopal church at Hastings, undoubtedly accomplished much that was helpful to the soldiers of the First division while on duty with the Y. M. C. A., but the deed that is put down for the world to read is his getting bathtubs for the doughboys in a dusty desert of crumbled stone and shattered homes.

Katherine Mayo tells the story in her new book, published by Houghton Mifflin company, and called "That Damn Y." Despite the title of the work, the book is in praise of the canteen workers.

### Story of "Hot Water."

Mr. Tyner, who is chaplain of the American Legion in Nebraska, left his church at Lincoln to serve with the Y. M. C. A. His wife, who was a Miss Sprague of Omaha, stayed in this city in his absence. His two brothers are prominent, one being the Rev. George Tyner of Fremont, and the other the Rev. Frederick Tyner, formerly pastor of St. Andrew's church here, and now preaching in Minneapolis.

But the story of "Hot Water," as given by Miss Mayo, follows:

"Tyner, once on a time, was dropped on a rubbish heap called France, around which troops next day would camp, coming out of the trenches for rest. Beside him, there in the rubbish, was also dropped a canteen load of Y supplies, for which he should find immediate shelter from doubtless impending rains.

### Finds Tin Bath Tub.

"Alone in Thieux, Tyner, therefore, hunted about till he found half a hole to hold his goods. Then he poked and pulled among the debris, seeking the wherewithal to complete the hole.

"Something in the nature of a roof he wanted—such as a door, or the side of a wardrobe, or a pulpit top or anything handy.

"He found it, of course, and com-

pleted its installation. But in the course of his hunt he found something vastly more important and rare—something deeply suggestive—something absolutely sensational. He found a tin bath-tub.

"Very dirty it was; very rusty; very much bent. But as he viewed it his soul expanded with prophetic joy. To his hole he carried it, tenderly, like a child. He stripped off his coat and fell to work.

"The daylight failed he delved there like a galleys slave. Gray dawn saw him up and on to it. By noon he had coaxed the gothic dimples out of its sides, and had so reduced its rust that it shone almost to wickedness.

### Gets a Stove Next.

"Then, because time was short, Tyner ran back through the ruins, nosing like a truffle hound for his next necessity. Again he found it—a not too crumpled stove. A third canteen provided a vast and ancient kettle that had all too obviously been used for clarifying lard.

"Wood there was in plenty—all the wood that had been houses, furniture, implements—half the village in fact. So Tyner, having dragged the tub into his hole, planted the stove just outside, built his fire, and put on his great kettle of water to boil. Then he wrangled in an immense content, he sat himself down to await his battalion.

"The next morning, one thousand strong, had not had a bath for six weeks. That it ached with dirt, that cooties devoured it alive, needs no proving. Hot water! To strip to your skin and get into hot water, with soap and a brush, and to stay there, gosh! until the next kettle is hot and the next man chases you. Well—Heaven might have greater joys; but—can it?

### Then Officers Arrive.

"With the first two or three sardines, Tyner himself scrubbed their backs. After that busy with many things, he handed the plant to the boys. They promptly appointed a bath squad. Fifty centimes for a back scrub, and regular bookings for the tub.

"The officers, perhaps, seemed a trifle slow in the uptake but eventually they, too, had their distinguished behavior—they waived their right to rank the men out of priority. Thus on Monday, a major signed up for the earliest opening—Thursday at 4 o'clock."

### Consider Taking Over Plant.

Des Moines, Sept. 4.—Lincoln Antrim, secretary of the Farmers' union for Iowa, on the stand in the Associated Packing hearing, stated that if the Associated Packing company could be returned to the status of 100 cents on the dollar, it might be turned over to the Farmers' union for management.

# Committee of Public Information Cost U. S. \$5,000,000 During War

Chicago Tribune—Omaha Red Leased Wire. Washington, Sept. 3.—Liquidation of the affairs of the committee of public information shows that its net cost to the government during the war was approximately \$5,000,000.

Total expenditures of this branch of the service, according to the report just submitted by the director of the council of national defense, aggregated \$8,245,249 to June 30, 1920, but earnings from motion picture films, subscriptions to the government bulletin and other sources brought the net cost to \$4,954,200.

From appropriations for expenditures of the bureau, there has been returned to the treasury \$1,700,000.

### Conflicting Claims Mark Progress of New York Tram Tieup

New York, Sept. 4.—Conflicting claims regarding Brooklyn's transit tieup were made today by officials of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit company and its striking employees who quit work nearly a week ago to enforce demands for a 50 per cent wage increase and recognition of the closed shop principle.

Meanwhile, traffic on the subway, elevated and surface lines throughout Brooklyn continued to improve.

Two hundred strike breakers sleeping in the Ridgewood depot of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit were imperiled early today by fire of supposedly incendiary origin, which entailed an estimated loss of \$10,000. They were awakened soon after the fire was discovered and assisted in saving many cars.

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