

Conward Omaha Drive to Start With Big Rally

Civic Activities for 1921 to Be Outlined Thursday Night In Auditorium by Business and Professional Men.

The "Onward Omaha" conference, to be held in the Auditorium next Thursday evening, will be one of the largest gatherings of its kind ever held in Omaha, according to the committee of the Chamber of Commerce in charge of arrangements. Business and professional men in all lines of endeavor will be present. Big business and little business will rub shoulders.

The purpose of the meeting is to outline a program of civic activities, which will carry Omaha onward during 1921. The program will be presented by Ward Burgess, and will be a compilation of suggestions made by the business and professional men of Omaha, in answer to questionnaires mailed by the Omaha Chamber of Commerce.

Women to Serve Dinner.

The Auditorium will be turned into a big kitchen and dining room for the occasion. Dinner will be served by the women of the following churches: United Brethren, Emmanuel Baptist, First United Presbyterian, Plymouth Congregational, Hurst Memorial Methodist, and Central Presbyterian.

Palms, ferns, Christmas trees, American flags and colored lights will be used to decorate the Auditorium. A large orchestra will render music from the stage, while the entire lower floor will be used for tables. Only 4,450 diners can be accommodated and every seat is expected to be filled.

The dinner starts at 6:30 p. m. The gallery will be thrown open to the women and friends of the diners at 7:30.

Trimble to Preside.

Robert L. Trimble, president of the Chamber of Commerce, will preside. Mayor Ed P. Smith will act as toastmaster. The following toasts will be given:

"Onward Omaha," by Rev. Frank G. Smith.
"Business Fundamentals," by John Fletcher, vice president First Dearborn National Bank, Chicago.
"Omaha's Tomorrow," John L. Kennedy of Omaha.
"Let's Do It," by Ward Burgess of Omaha.

Mr. Fletcher, the principal speaker on the program, who is much sought as an orator before large national gatherings, has had a remarkable career.

Does Furnace Work.

He was born in Williamsburg, Ia., 1880, and went to Cedar Rapids at the age of 14 to enter a business college. He had been working on a farm for lodging and board and had only \$5, but induced the dean of the college to take his note for tuition and did furnace work for his room and board.

His first position was stenographer and he worked up to assistant cashier. In 1907 he went to Chicago as assistant cashier of the Drovers National bank. In 1910 he became president of that institution. In 1914 he was chosen vice president of the First National bank.

Don't Blame Dollar.

Mr. Fletcher was recently asked by a national magazine "Why has the dollar depreciated in purchasing power?"

"I suppose you expect me to talk about the influx of gold, expansion of credits due to the war, and what not," said Mr. Fletcher. "I have a suspicion that the trouble is not due to the dollar, but to the amount of work we do."

"The wealth of the country is credited by labor. The less production, the higher the prices. As long as we give only 50 cents worth of work for every \$1 we earn, we are never going to be able to buy more than 50 cents worth of comfort and sustenance with that dollar."

Testimony Is Completed

In Eckman Will Hearing. Hearing of the Eckman will contest was completed in county court yesterday and Judge Crawford ordered arguments set for next Thursday after the testimony has been transcribed.

Mrs. Emmet Haunon and Mrs. Frank Henry, step-daughters of the late Ellsworth M. Eckman, are seeking to break the "midnight will" made by Eckman in a cottage near Minneapolis on August 5, leaving his entire \$75,000 estate to his second wife, Mrs. Glendora Eckman, whom he had married a month before.

Mrs. Mary E. Stockham Dies; Burial at Harvard

Mrs. Mary E. Stockham, 70, died Friday night at the home of a son, A. W. Stockham, 3704 Hawthorne avenue. She was the widow of J. N. Stockham, who died at Harvard, Neb., 23 years ago. The body has been taken to Harvard, where funeral services will be held Sunday afternoon in the Episcopal church. She is survived by two other sons, Elijah and George. A brother, Len Southworth, lives at Stockham, Neb. Mrs. Stockham was Mary E. Southworth, native of Ohio. Before moving to Omaha two years ago to reside with her son, A. W. Stockham, she lived at Thermopolis, Wyo., and Harvard, Neb. She was ill a year.

Mother Wants Marriage Of Her Daughter Annulled

A youthful, runaway marriage was brought into the local district court yesterday for adjournment when Mrs. Rexley C. Mayers asked to have the marriage of her daughter, Elda, to Quentin Cornelison annulled. She says Elda was only 16 when, October 28, 1919, she and young Cornelison were married in Seattle, Wash. The young pair lived together only one month, Mrs. Mayers says.

Snow Promised Last Half Of Coming Week Is Report

Washington, Nov. 27.—Weather predictions for the week beginning Monday are: Upper Mississippi and lower Missouri valleys, generally fair except that rain or snow is probable Wednesday or Thursday; normal temperature.

Speakers at "Onward Omaha" Conference



Robert L. Trimble, president of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce, will preside at the "Onward Omaha" conference in the Auditorium Thursday evening.

The Rev. Frank G. Smith will deliver the keynote speech. John Fletcher of Chicago will speak on "Business Fundamentals" and give the national viewpoint.

Ward Burgess will talk on "Let's Do It." Mr. Burgess will present a civic program for Omaha in 1921, based on replies to a questionnaire sent to the 2,600 members of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce.

Youthful Cave Men Punished by Juvenile Court

Boys Sentenced to Hard Labor At Riverview Home From Noon Until Dusk.

"Parents are too sparing of the rod these days," Juvenile Court Judge Sears said yesterday when Harold and Art Callahan, 14 and 13, 305 Monroe street, were brought before him charged with carrying away furniture and dishes from the O. D. Kiplinger summer home in Sarpy county this week, and placing them in a cave at Twelfth and Polk streets.

"If parents used the rod when it is necessary, fewer boys would get into trouble."

"Did you give the boys a good thrashing when they got into this trouble," the judge asked Mrs. Callahan.

"Lesson Not Enough."

"They stayed all night at Riverview home, I think that was a good lesson for them," the mother said tearfully.

"Lesson nothing," the judge replied.

Wanted to Be Cavemen. The Callahans are members of a gang of boys headed by Charles Lucas, 18, 1715 Madison street; Carl Belding, 18, 1415 Jefferson street, and Joe Ratay, 18, 1334 Drexel boulevard, who are on parole following conviction in Sarpy county court of breaking into the Kiplinger home. The Callahan boys helped carry the stolen furniture to the cave which they had fitted up with all the comforts of home.

"We wanted to live in a cave and be cavemen," Art told the judge today.

"The days of cavemen are over; from now on you'll be good little boys or go to Kearney," Judge Sears advised them.

Governor Names Delegates To Pilgrim Tercentenary

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 27.—Nine Nebraskans have been delegated by Governor McKelvie to represent Nebraska at the Tercentenary celebration of the landing of the Pilgrims to be held at Plymouth, December 21. The delegates are: Will Owen Jones, Lincoln; Frank W. Judson, D. C. Bradford, Howard H.

Baldrige, Everett Buckingham, and John Lee Webster of Omaha; L. D. Richards, Fremont; C. E. Hardy and Mrs. F. B. Hollenbeck of Lincoln.

Persian Once Victim of Turks, to Lecture Here

Fazl Mazandarani, professor of philosophy at the Shah's university, Teheran, Persia, will lecture in Omaha, December 14, 15 and 16 on the divine principles of the Bahai (Glorious) revelation, for which he endured long terms of imprisonment by the Turks.

He will lecture on the third floor of the Patterson building, Seventeenth and Farnam streets, the evenings of December 14 and 16 and in the rooms of the Theosophical society in the Lefflang building the evening of December 15.

Prof. Mazandarani is touring the United States to get first-hand information on the social, industrial, religious and educational life of America.

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