

State Acts In Omaha Failures

Attorney General Asks for Grand Jury to Investigate Blue Sky Promotion Schemes Here.

Postal Laws Violated

A promise that state action will be taken by September 1 against principals in big stock-selling corporations through which Nebraskans have lost millions of dollars was made yesterday by Clarence A. Davis, attorney general of Nebraska.

State to Prosecute Principals, He Says



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Text of Letter.

Attorney General Davis, in asking the Douglas county district judge to impanel a special grand jury to investigate cases of corporate mismanagement in Omaha, condemns business and others prominent in the community who have permitted their names to be used to cloak fraud and deceit.

Information Concealed.

"Furthermore, contrary to the popular conception, neither the state nor any of its departments have the power to examine or investigate the management of corporations, except banks and insurance companies. No state in the union has ever undertaken systematic examination and control of ordinary corporations, both because of the enormous expense involved and because of the heavy burden thus laid upon business.

"What we need is a wholesale clean-up of these questionable enterprises," he emphasized.

Action in Three Weeks.

Davis declined to estimate the amount of money lost in corporations which have failed recently. "The actual loss by embezzlement is so large but the loss from gross mismanagement and misuse of funds is enormous. I couldn't begin to estimate it," he declared.

He explained the federal angle in the same way. "We could prosecute about 15 percent of these cases easiest on charges of using the mails to defraud, but 85 per cent would be handled through the district court."

Substitute For Norris Bill Passed

Senate Adopts Administration Plan for Supplying Aid for Exportation of Agricultural Products.

Measure Sent to House

By The Associated Press. Washington, Aug. 4.—Another farmers' relief measure, the administration plan for government aid in supplying credit for exportation of agricultural products, was passed by the senate today and sent to the house.

Original Draft Adopted.

The substitute was drafted by Secretary Hoover and Director Meyer of the war finance corporation. It was adopted virtually intact, the bill authorizing the war finance corporation to make loans to agricultural associations, banks and trust companies.

Riders Rejected.

The senate rejected riders of western senators to extend privileges of the federal farm loan system to entrymen on government reclamation projects. Assurances for future action in a separate bill, however, were given.

Ex-Soldiers and Bandits Battle

Wichita, Kan., Aug. 4.—One man is dead, another dying, a third missing and three others injured as the result of a gun fight between train bandits and former soldiers of the Tenth United States cavalry on a moving freight train northeast of Wichita.

One Dead, Four Injured in Gun Fight on Kansas Train.

The men, with bleeding faces, broken jaws and bodies wounded and mangled by the railway tracks between the towns of Furley and Kechi, or lay where they had fallen beside the roadbed.

Australia Rejects Communication Plan

London, Aug. 4.—(By The Canadian Press.)—The Australian government has withdrawn from the scheme of wireless communications adopted by the wireless committee of the imperial conference, but has promised to co-operate with the other dominions in carrying out the plan which has been adopted by the committee to facilitate communication and transmission of news reports between London and the dominion capitals, it was reported here last night.

Man Arrested for Murder After Chase of 11 Years

Phoenix, Ariz., Aug. 4.—George Brown was arrested at his camp near Globe, Ariz., yesterday, on a charge of murder in connection with the death of a deputy sheriff in Atoka, Okl., in 1910. Sheriff J. W. Phillips of Atoka, is expected to arrive in Globe today to take charge of the prisoner, who is being held in the city jail.

Hayward Will Be Asked to Explain Ship's Seizure

Washington, Aug. 4.—United States District Attorney Hayward of New York probably will be summoned to Washington to discuss the seizure of a liquor smuggler of the schooner Henry L. Marshall, outside the three-mile limit off Atlantic City. Assistant Attorney General Goff said today that the Department of Justice had the matter of calling Mr. Hayward here under consideration.

Prince of Wales May Visit Canada Again Next Year

London, Aug. 4.—(Canadian Press.)—The prince of Wales may be in Canada again in April or May of next year. The Daily Mail states that his tour of India will conclude at Karachi March 17, 1922, whence the prince and his party will return home by way of Japan and probably, through Canada.

Fighting Is Reported Among Chinese Troops

Peking, Aug. 4.—(By The Associated Press.)—Fighting is reported in progress today along a 10-mile front 50 miles northeast of Yochow, where forces from the province of Hunan, affiliated with the southern or Canton government, recently invaded Hupeh province. The engagement was brought on, the reports state, by orders from General Wang Chan-Yuen, inspecting commissioner of the provinces of Hunan and Hupeh, that a general attack be begun against Hunan province, where his authority is not recognized.

Transportation Woes Increase In Des Moines

Des Moines, Aug. 4.—(Special Telegram.)—Transportation difficulties continued to multiply here today and it is now possible that this city may be left with only a makeshift system, entirely inadequate to cope with the situation created by suspension of street car service at midnight Wednesday.

Bus System Inadequate to Carry Workers Who Must "Hoof It" Since Cars Quit Running.

Today being an abnormal traffic day, owing to the fact that a circus played in the afternoon and tonight, there was no reliable gauge by which to measure the effect of the cessation of street car service.

Chicago Man Held As "Brains" of Bluffs Robbery

Chicago, Aug. 4.—Alva Harschman and John J. Epps, indicted with John W. Worthington in the alleged gigantic mail robbery trust, surrendered today to federal authorities. Melville Reeves, known as the "sky-scraper burglar," is reported on his way to Chicago to surrender.

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Loop District Congested.

For several hours after the stores and factories had closed, the loop district was seriously congested. Hundreds of disgruntled citizens waited and waited for the city's principal street corners for the buses, but these were packed to capacity and left them "waiting."

Seeking Way Out.

The entire situation was brought about by the council's refusal to eliminate the buses, which the traction company claimed were responsible for its financial difficulties.

Harschman Bail Reduced.

Harschman denied any guilt in connection with Worthington and after he had been closely questioned by federal attorneys, his bail was reduced from \$10,000 to \$1,000. He says his dealings with Worthington were confined to the purchase of some commercial paper for which he paid \$20,000 cash.

Scottsbluff in Roto Pictures

A full page of exceptionally good photographs of Scottsbluff in one of the attractive features of The Bee Rotogravure Section for next Sunday. A panorama of the downtown business district and views of the Lincoln Hotel and the plant of the Great Western Sugar Company are included on the page.

U. S. Aerial Mail Pilot Has Narrow Escape From Death

Concord, Cal., Aug. 4.—Lieut. R. B. Levison, an air mail pilot, narrowly escaped death here today in making a forced landing after his engine went dead while he was 1,000 feet in the air. Owing to obstructions near the landing field, his machine turned over on him and when he was unharmed, he said he was uninjured.

Boy Killed by Bomb

New York, Aug. 4.—Twelve-year-old Frank Cafaro of Brooklyn was blown to pieces and his two brothers were seriously injured by the explosion of a bomb they found on the federal quarantine grounds on Staten island, and which one of them hit with a hammer.

Her Light So Shines



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Omahan Named New President Of Labor Body

York, Neb., Aug. 4.—(Special Telegram.)—Jones Wanger of Omaha was elected president of the Nebraska Federation of Labor here today.

Jonas Wanger Heads Nebraska Convention To Be Held Here.

Omaha was selected as the place for the 1921 convention to be held the second Tuesday in August.

Urges Public Works.

A resolution urging all labor unions and labor delegates' bodies to request the state, county and municipal governments immediately to make provisions to carry on such public works as they now have under consideration was unanimously adopted.

Favor Irish Independence.

The assembly extended sympathy and pledged support to the men and women of Ireland "to shake off the shackles of imperial government, which tended, directly or indirectly, to promote hardships and indignities."

Sightseers Injured When Bus Overtakes

Denver, Aug. 4.—Mrs. Fannie Donohue of Oklahoma City and Miss Hazel Hudson of Nauvoo, Ill., were probably hurt and a number of other persons were less seriously injured here this afternoon when a sightseeing car loaded with tourists overturned at Speer boulevard and Broadway.

Phone Collector Awarded Theodore N. Vail Medal

Chicago, Aug. 4.—August V. Bronder, a collector for the Illinois Bell Telephone company, has been awarded the Theodore N. Vail medal for unusual service for 1920, it was announced today.

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Mrs. Buell Seeks Assistant U. S. Attorney's Job

Washington, Aug. 4.—(Special Telegram.)—That old song hit which contained the words, "He polished up the handles so carefully that now he's a ruler in the queen's navy," may have a moderate application in the case of Mrs. Irene C. Buell, now city attorney of Ashland, Neb., who attracted notice by her fearless enforcement of civic ordinances governing the discharge of fireworks on the eve of July fourth.

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Dope Sold At Soldier Hospital

Secret Service Agent Says Morphine and Cocaine Were Peddled on Grounds at Johnson City, Tenn.

Walsh Asks Prosecution

By GRAFTON S. WILCOX. Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire. Washington, Aug. 4.—Snagged by an unexpected display of congressional indifference, the Sweet bill encountered still further delay while the senate committee of soldiers relief listened to disclosures of the most revolting nature yet revealed in connection with the government's neglect of disabled veterans.

Testimony Adds Shocking Details of Conditions at Johnson City

Imminent need for enactment of the bill was emphasized by further revelations of serious conditions at the Johnson City (Tenn.) hospital for tubercular ex-service men. Last week Col. Charles R. Forbes, director of the war risk bureau, called this institution "a do house."

Forbes Urges Action.

About 850 patients are receiving treatment at the hospital. It is under the jurisdiction of the national home for disabled volunteer soldiers, the organization which has charge of the homes for civil war veterans.

Chain Store Candy Firm in New York Reduces Prices

New York, Aug. 4.—A reduction of 33 1/3 per cent in candy prices was announced today by George W. Loit, Inc., one of the largest chain store candy firms in the city.

Senator Norris Leaves for Summer Camp in Wisconsin

Washington, Aug. 4.—(Special Telegram.)—Senator and Mrs. Norris left tonight for their summer camp in Wisconsin to remain until cold weather. The senator was very much improved and hopes to stand the journey without serious inconvenience.

WORLD'S GREATEST DETECTIVE CASES

He was one of the most patient of detectives. Associates said of him that when he got on the trail of a man wanted by police he never got off until he had put the man safely under lock and key.

THE TERROR

His courage, intelligence and indefatigable pursuit of criminals made him superintendent of Scotland Yard. The story of how he brought about the arrest of an unusually ingenious and much wanted criminal is told in another of the series, "The World's Greatest Detective Cases."

NEXT SUNDAY'S BEE

All Americans Held by Reds Are Reported as Released

London, Aug. 4.—(By The Associated Press.)—The London headquarters of the American relief administration today announced receipt of information that all American prisoners in Russia have been released and are now leaving that country.

Sixteen Killed in Wreck

Vladivostok, Aug. 4.—In a collision between a passenger and a freight train today near Nikolsk 16 persons were killed and 18 injured, among them a few Japanese. The collision was said to have been caused by bands of partisans who have been engaged in sporadic hostilities in that region.