

Reavis Tells Elks Heart of Race Remains Sound

Congressman, in Address at Memorial Services, Urges Hearers to Cling to Old-Fashioned Beliefs.

One of the thoughts expressed by C. Frank Reavis of Falls City, Neb., at the Elks' annual memorial services in the Orpheum theater Sunday, was that beneath the surface of present-day events, the heart of the race remains sound.

"I am very glad to believe we have not lost our ideals of life," said the speaker, who represents the second Nebraska district in congress. "We are all right if we are clinging to the fundamentals and to the old-fashioned beliefs of our fathers."

The services were under the direction of Omaha Lodge No. 39. Since the local lodge was instituted, February 7, 1886, there have been enrolled the names of 340 to the list of "Our Absent Brothers." This list includes the names of the following who died during the year ending yesterday.

Ray B. McWhinney, Patrick C. Healey, Lyle I. Abbott, Floyd E. Criss, Frank T. Ransom, Richard B. Blythe, Luther Drake, Thomas M. Orr, Ed Johnston, Charles J. Howard, Edward F. Pope, Joseph E. Furry, William C. Buskirk, George M. Erickson, Jerry A. Whelan, Wilson D. Dennett, Edward H. Stanley, Arthur E. Wilson, Willis S. Jenkins, Edwin L. Lewis, Cassius M. Cochran, William C. Heyden, Anton Vanous, John M. Daugherty, Thomas Cahill, Herbert M. Puffer, J. Edward George, Arthur F. Graham, Louis J. Flatt, Oscar R. Donn, Clarence E. Peffer.

Testifies to "Life Beyond"

Congressman Reavis, who is a member of Falls City Lodge of Elks No. 963, impressed a large audience with his address. He asserted that the ceremony of which he was a part testified to his belief that there is another life beyond this sphere of mundane activity.

"The most passionate hope the race can hold is that of an everlasting life," he said. He referred in several words to President Harding's participation in the ceremonies at Arlington cemetery on November 11 and also referred to the leader of the nation as a man of God.

The memorial program was opened with a prelude by the West Sisters String quartet, followed by formal ceremonies in which E. Sheerer, Nelson, exalted ruler, and officers of the lodge participated. F. A. McCormick offered the invocation. Minna Weber-Steel sang "How Beautiful Upon the Mountain." Secretary Otto Nielsen read the roll of absent brothers.

Observe Altar Service

The altar service of the lodge was observed by the chair officers and the equine. Henry G. Cox rendered as violinist and E. Sheerer, Nelson, read brief biographical references to this year's list of absent brothers. "Morning and Evening" was sung by Hazel Smith-Eldridge. "The Vacant Chair" and "Andante" were offered by the West sisters. Charles R. Docherty recited "Thanatopsis." Lawrence Dodds and Marcus Nielsen sang a duet, "Auld Lang Syne," by the audience closed the program. Cecil Berryman was accompanist.

Members of yesterday's memorial committee were Gus A. Renze, Raymond G. Young and Henry W. Dunn.

Banks to Take Stock in Farmers' Aid Body

Alliance, Neb., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—The First National bank and the First State bank of Alliance, together with the First State and the Farmers State of Hemingford, the State bank of Seneca and the State bank of Lakeside, have voted to take stock in the newly-formed Nebraska Agricultural Finance corporation in order to obtain loans for stockmen and farmers of this territory. Their action was taken at a meeting here and all of the Platte valley towns. An organization meeting will be held here December 15.

Charles Britton, vice president of the First State bank of Alliance, has visited Chairman Thomas of the Nebraska Agricultural Finance corporation, asking that representative live stock man from this territory be given a place on the corporation's advisory committee.

Southern Colleges Form Conference

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 4.—The Southern intercollegiate conference, composed of 14 universities and colleges from Maryland to Mississippi, was organized Saturday and beginning with January 1, will govern the athletic relations of the member institutions.

Institutions in the conference are: Alabama, Auburn, Georgia Tech., Kentucky State, Maryland, Mississippi A. and M., North Carolina, North Carolina State, Tennessee, Virginia, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and Washington and Lee.

Personal Tax Collections Improve in Jefferson County

Fairbury, Neb., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—The treasurer of Jefferson county collected \$62,000 personal taxes in November as against \$45,000 in November last year. Of this amount \$12,000 has been remitted to the state treasurer.

Gets New Position

Lodgepole, Neb., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—Miss Helen Woolridge, Sidney, formerly assistant cashier of the Cheyenne county bank of this place, has been appointed to a position in the office of the Wyoming Live Stock Growers' association.

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American Seedling Trees Already Healing Battle Scared Europe

Future Forests Will Stand as Monument to Partnership of United States and France in World War.

Washington, Dec. 4.—American seedlings, fast growing into mighty trees, already are beginning to heal the war-scarred areas of Europe. Not only are they being nurtured in France and Belgium but also in Great Britain and Ireland.

The French ministry has ordered that the seedlings shall be located in places readily accessible to main traveled roads and, if possible, near well-known sites. "With the view that such future forests shall remain as a monument to the partnership of France and America in the great war." The same sentiment also prevails in Great Britain which actually lost more forest cover than any other country by the sudden demands of war for materials. In Belgium, in the once beautiful Ardennes, where the German ax left nothing standing, the beautiful American Douglas fir is lifting its head.

Arthur Newton Pack of Princeton, N. J., has just made a report to the American Forestry association, which supplied the seedlings, after a three months' inspection of the plantings. He reports the trees everywhere are regarded as growing monuments to cordial relations between the allies in the great war.

Huge Job Ahead. Pack's report shows that the seedlings have been planted along the Chemin des Dames, around Lille, Valenciennes and Brian at the doors of reviving industry in the forest of Saint Gobain and around the ruins of the famous Coucy-le-Chateau; in the Forest of Mormal, where in a 25,000-acre forest of pine and beech, the German ax left nothing but the smallest saplings; in the Ardennes mountains bordering the old duchy of Luxembourg; in County Tyrone, Ireland, where the best nursery showing of any planted by the British Forestry commission has been made and along the Caledonian canal in Scotland known to all the American navy because it was there the American submarine chasers were mobilized.

The magnitude of the work ahead is shown in the report which brings out that Great Britain's program calls for 14,000 pounds of seed a year, while France needs an equal amount each year because of the summer drought, Belgium needs almost as much.

One of the first areas where the seedlings were placed by the French government is along the Chemin des Dames, where the glory of the American doughboy is forever enshrined. So awful was the artillery fire that hardly a charged stump remains of the once thick forest along the slopes. But now row on row like the poppies of Flanders, the seedlings carpet the slopes once gouged and torn by the battle wheel.

America's trees, too, will be found taking the place of their comrades who fell in the forest of Saint Gobain and around the ruins of the famous Goucy-le-Chateau, dynamited by the retreating Germans.

"To the north the German army cut every stick of available timber for its own use," says the report. "In the forests of Mormal stood acres of beautiful pine and beech forest, of which nothing remains today except the stumps. So vast an undertaking is involved in replanting everywhere at once that here the French have adopted a somewhat different system—clearing and spading up only a little circle here and there, wherein our seed has been sown directly without the intermediate nursery state. The loss may be heavier, but the labor of reforestation should be lightened.

In a tiny woodland in the Mormal forest somehow neglected by the German army is a sign erected by the New York Bird society and scores of bird houses and feeding stations testify to the manner in which these Americans are striving to sow seeds of international good will.

"Both France and Belgium are greatly pleased with our American seedlings, which with us is found in the greatest abundance on the northern Pacific coast," the report continues. "M. Crahay, who has for some years been the very active head of forestry in Belgium, is a great believer in this tree, which will go far to meet the serious problems of afforestation.

"About 100 pounds of American seed were allocated by the British Forestry commission to the interesting work of afforestation along the route of the Caledonian canal, Scotland. From the point of view of sentiment, few better places could have been found than this, since that canal was the route by which a large number of American submarine chasers were mobilized at will, either in the Irish sea or the North sea. Almost within sight of the American flag today, row upon row of chasers, now the property of the British government and awaiting sale or demolition.

"Douglas fir is being planted in almost every section of the British Isles, but by far the largest portion of the seeds which come from the American Forestry association were dispatched by the commission to Ireland. These were planted in nurseries in County Tyrone, about 18 months ago, and have shown a surprisingly rapid and healthy growth. It is in fact one of the best nursery showings that may be seen anywhere, and the local foresters may well be proud thereof.

"Great Britain's present planting program calls for not less than 14,000 pounds of seed per annum. France can hardly do with a smaller amount, and the loss through drought has made it equally necessary for little Belgium to acquire large additional supplies. Nearly every accessible tree-growing country in the world will have to furnish its share: Germany, Austria, Holland, Poland, Lithuania, Italy, Czechoslovakia, Japan and last, but not least, the United States and Canada."

Happiness Hangs on "Yes" of Omaha Girl

(Continued from Page One.) where she was sent following her arrest for picketing the White House. It was Malone who came to the rescue of the fair "suff" in distress and thereby earned her enduring gratitude.

Mr. Malone refused to make a statement concerning either his alleged engagement to the beautiful young leader of feminine progress, or the divorce which the former Miss Mary O'Gorman, daughter of ex-Senator James O'Gorman, obtained from him in Paris last summer. The divorce has been kept secret six months.

When questioned, Miss Stevens, who lives in an apartment at the edge of the Greenwich village district said: "You had better ask Mr. Malone about that."

Mr. Malone telephoned from his suite at the Vanderbilt hotel that he wished the rumor denied "flatly." He added: "Anyway, if I were going to marry Miss Stevens, I would not announce the fact over the telephone."

Just Back from Europe. Miss Stevens returned only five weeks ago, after a year abroad with Mrs. Belmont. Besides a long scissor letter to her mother's only word since then was a Thanksgiving telegram received from Groton, N. Y., last week.

"I'm busy hunting an apartment and I may study law to defend women's cases," she told her mother. But in the meantime, the romantic friendship between her and the persistent Malone was growing by leaps and bounds, according to New York dispatches.

Mr. Malone "knows he'll have a hard time to persuade Doris," according to the mother. "Doris says so many of her married friends envy her because of her freedom, so she doesn't want to hurry into marriage."

He is only slightly older, possibly a year, than her daughter, who admits she is 34, but who looks less than 24, and he has an annual income of \$60,000, according to Mrs. Stevens. He was attorney in divorce actions for many prominent moving picture folk of late.

Mrs. Stevens met Malone on her trip east a year ago.

Away Long Time. Miss Stevens has not been home for any extended visit for several years. On one occasion she addressed a fashionable assemblage of local suffragists at the home of Madame and Miss Arabella Kimball. She is an Omaha-bred girl, a graduate of Central High school and attended Oberlin college. She taught Latin in a Montana high school before identifying herself with the Congressional union, a militant wing of the woman's suffrage party before the suffrage amendment was passed.

In appearance she is tall and graceful, with a fresh, girlish complexion and masses of golden hair, which she wears in two thick strands

Strikers to Stand Firm Until End

1,500 Packing House Workers Give Assurance They Will Remain Out Until Victorious.

(Continued from Page One.) Don't give them anything to do. We all know how policemen hate to work. Don't resort to the stone-ago system of hitting a man on the head to make him understand the situation. Reason with him."

Soiffs at Threat on Jobs. President Davis scoffed at the idea that those who went on strikes would "lose their jobs." It has never worked out that way, he said. He warned the workers of the possibility of the state militia and even federal troops being called in, should there be any violence. But even though they are called in, it doesn't mean the strike is lost, he said. The workers also were warned not to create a situation that would give a judge cause to enjoin them.

"We want you all on the picket lines," said President Davis. "Don't form in bunches, walk in ones and twos, and keep moving."

President Davis called on everyone who is "going out and will stop until the strike is won in all parts of the country," to raise their hands. Practically every hand in the crowd was raised.

The workers applauded when President Davis told them Kansas packing house workers had "told the Kansas industrial court to go to hell." Davis read a letter calling the strike and signed by C. J. Hayes, president; Patrick E. Gorman, vice president; and Dennis Lane, secretary, all international officers in the meat cutters' organization. These officers will visit Omaha during the course of the strike, Davis said.

Refused Arbitration. "We wanted to arbitrate and were refused. It isn't necessary for the packers to cut our wages. We got the sentiment of the workers all over the country. They favored a strike and a strike has been called," struck Davis.

Frank Lauer, chairman of the strike committee, presided. B. F. Ballard, district president of the carpenters' union, was another speaker at the mass meeting yesterday afternoon. He told the workers that the carpenters in the packing plants would all quit, and that if they do not quit, they'll be pulled out or expelled from their union."

President Davis said after the meeting that his organization hoped to get assistance shortly from the American Federation of Labor.

The wage reductions of effective November 28, which leaders say have precipitated the strike, are as follows: For piece workers, 8 per cent. Unskilled labor, getting 45 cents an hour, or less, 7 1-2 cents. Semi-skilled labor, getting 45 and 50 cents an hour, 5 cents. Skilled labor, getting over 50 cents an hour, 3 cents.

Limitation of Navy Forces Not Enough, Gompers Says

Washington, Dec. 4.—(By The Associated Press.)—Samuel Gompers, discussing the arms conference in a statement tonight, declared a naval agreement would be "a magnificent achievement," but if the conference stops there it cannot be said to have succeeded.

Mr. Gompers said that "every person who sincerely looks for an end of wars must hope with the deepest fervor that the conference will go beyond naval limitation and strike hard and true at the causes of war."

52 Blocks of Paving Laid in Record Time

Nebraska City, Dec. 4.—(Special.)—The Able Construction company of Lincoln has just completed a 52-block brick paving contract in this city, the entire job being completed 90 days after the contract was let. Many idle men were given employment.

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Don't Laugh, Please!!!

I know this is an unusual personal request, but I need help and take this means of asking I am a young man about to be married.

I have known and kept company with my fiancée for quite awhile, and, and if I do say so myself, I have never seen a more congenial pair.

But I hesitate to take this step, for fear that after marriage my happiness may not last.

I say this after having observed the newspapers of late, and taking note of the many divorces and how easy they are to obtain.

Then again I have so many married people as my friends, and while publicly together they all seem most happy, yet I know from having known most of them intimately in their homes that they are far from happy.

NOW I WANT TO GET MARRIED, BUT I WANT TO BE HAPPY.

Will you help me out with your advice? Any information you can give me will be appreciated. I don't care if you sign your name or not. Address me W. R., care of this paper.

Arbuckle Jury is Dismissed by Court

(Continued from Page One.) you can come to a verdict conscientiously, and desire you to do so."

He then asked each juror for an opinion on the matter of continued balloting and each answered emphatically that it would be impossible to reach a verdict.

The members of the jury refused to make statements of any kind before leaving the building. After reporting to the court they were escorted to a side street by deputy sheriffs and taken to their homes in automobiles. Fritze let it be known later, however, that he expected to make a statement, according to Garvin McNab, chief defense counsel.

"While this, through the technicalities of the law, is not a legal acquittal, morally it is such," Arbuckle said in discussing the jury's inability to agree.

Arbuckle was charged with having inflicted a fatal injury on Miss Virginia Rappe, a motion picture actress, during a party in his rooms in the Hotel St. Francis on the afternoon of September 5.

"The undisputed and uncontradicted testimony established that my only connection with this sad affair was one of a merciful service and the fact that ordinary human kindness should have brought upon me this tragedy has seemed a cruel wrong," his statement continued. "I have sought to bring joy and gladness and merriment into the world and why this great misfortune should have fallen upon me is a mystery that only God can, and will some day reveal."

Faith in People. After stating that he rested his case, "in divine justice and the confidence of the fairness of the American people," Arbuckle concluded with the declaration that "No act of mine ever has, and I promise that no act of mine ever shall, cause them to regret their faith in me."

Arbuckle's defense was that he was assisting Miss Rappe through a period of illness, caused, according to defense contentions, by an internal disorder, at the time he is alleged by the prosecution to have injured her. The prosecution held that the injury resulted from an attempt by Arbuckle to attack the actress.

The big crowds which had marked the trial from the time that jury selection was completed, clung to the court room despite jury deliberations that extended far into the night. The court room was filled when the jury was summoned.

The crowd was so dense at one period of the jury deliberation that it was necessary to place a barricade before the door that leads from the court room into the jury room. Later the jurors were taken to another room, the court officials explaining that it was "because of the crowds."

There were no outstanding features to mark the deliberations other than their length, the activities of the crowds and the illness of Miss Louise E. Winterburn, one of the women jurors, who suffered a slight unexplained attack last night.

Foreman Makes Statement. There were two jurors who voted for conviction, according to Fritze. His statement follows: "I make this statement as a duty to the public.

"There was a tacit understanding that the members of the jury would not make individual statements. I have learned since that a number of the jury have, however, done so, and I believe, as foreman, that it is well for those interested in the administration of justice that the citizens of San Francisco should have facts.

"The 10 members of the jury who voted on the last ballot for acquittal, felt that they voted on the evidence, fully considering it all. One of the two minority refused to consider the evidence from the beginning and said, at the opening of the proceedings, that she would cast her ballot and would not change it 'until hell froze over.' The other was fluctuating, sometimes casting a blank ballot, sometimes voting for the defense and sometimes voting for the prosecution.

"Considering all the evidence, it seemed to us that the prosecution's case was an insult to the intelligence of the jury. It asked us to speculate on conjecture for facts without showing what had been done, and asked us to guess what might have been done and to guess only one way.

Human liberty and American rights should depend, not upon guesses of anybody, but upon evidence. "AUGUST FRITZE."

Douglas Motors Will Specialize On Speed Wagon

New Officers Elected and Plans Made to Refinance Corporation—Discontinue Making Pleasure Cars.

Thomas A. Fry of the United States National bank was elected president of the Douglas Motors corporation at a meeting of the board of directors, held in the plant.

C. H. Johns, formerly plant manager of the Olds Motor works truck division, a subsidiary plant of the General Motors corporation, Lansing, Mich., was elected vice president and general manager.

Banker Named Secretary. William Nixon of Weston, Neb., banker, was elected secretary.

Plans have been formulated by the board of directors to refinance the company. Plans call for devoting all efforts on the manufacture of a one-ton speed wagon, eliminating the manufacture of passenger cars indefinitely, it was stated.

According to a statement made by Mr. Johns, an order has been received by the company for nine trucks, valued at approximately \$12,000. Mr. Johns also stated that in the near future the plant capacity would be 10 trucks daily.

Finances Not Problem. The new organization will be in a position to finance the company and continue operation through the present business depression, Mr. Johns predicted.

Offsetting rumors current that the Douglas Motors corporation was financially embarrassed, Mr. Johns stated the company was far from that and is in much better condition after the nine months' period of business depression than many firms supposed to be in good shape financially.

Head of Iowa Packing Firm Dies Suddenly

Ottumwa, Ia., Dec. 4.—J. H. Morrell, president of the beef and pork packing establishment of John Morrell & Co. here, was found dead in bed today, apparently the result of apoplexy.

He had been in poor health several months and was slightly ill last night, but seemed to improve. He fell asleep shortly before daylight, and expired within an hour.

He was born in England about 50 years ago, but has lived in America most of his life. During the war he was a member of the Iowa state council of defense.

Man Wipes Small Ohio Village Off the Map

Removal of Wife and 15 Children Spells Doom

Lancaster, O., Dec. 4.—George Fraire, who moved his wife and 15 children from Hocking county to North Berne, two years ago, doubting the population and causing the census enumerator to change it from a hamlet to a village, today wiped the place off the map again by moving away.

Fraire operated a general store and was mayor and postmaster. Owing to the removal of his family, North Berne will receive its mail by rural delivery.

Petitions are being filed for Fraire's return.

Estate of Mrs. Gould All Left to Children

Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Lensed Wire. Toms River, N. J., Dec. 4.—The entire residuary estate of Mrs. Edith Kingdon Gould, who died at her country home at Lakewood three weeks ago, is left in equal parts to her children and their issue after the death of their father, George J. Gould, according to the terms of the will filed for probate in the Ocean county surrogate's office.

The value of the estate is not indicated.

Each of Mrs. Gould's daughters, Vivien Gould Decies (Lady Decies), Marjorie Gwynne Gould Drexel, Edith Gould Wainwright, Gloria Gould and Jay Gould's daughter, Edith Kingdon Gould, is to select in the order named, a jewel from Mrs. Gould's collection as a keepsake.

One Dead, One Missing in Yacht Explosion

Pensacola, Fla., Dec. 4.—One man is dead, one missing and two seriously injured as a result of an explosion last night on board the yacht Glendover of New Orleans, according to advices received here.

The explosion occurred when the boat was off St. Andrews, the injured being taken to Panama City. The Glendover was burned to the water's edge.

Nebraska City to be Host to 200 Hi-Y Boys

Nebraska City, Neb., Dec. 4.—(Special.)—Nebraska City will be host, December 9 to 11, to about 200 Hi-Y boys from all parts of southeastern Nebraska. The program has been prepared and is an elaborate one. The Chamber of Commerce will tender a banquet to the delegates Friday night.

Benefit Concert Planned to Boost Boys' Home Fund

Tom Egan, Irish Tenor, to Make First Appearance Here in Connection With Event.

Tickets will be mailed out today for the benefit concert December 16, for the benefit of Father Flanagan's Boys' Home, at which time Tom Egan, well known Irish tenor, will make his first appearance here. The concert will be given at the Auditorium.

Egan's program will include Gaelic songs. He will appear here through arrangements made by Gene Melady of Omaha, a friend.

sent Egan a clipping from an Omaha newspaper, telling of the boys' home, and he became very much interested, as he likes to help homeless boys," said Mr. Melady. "He wrote to me, asking me to arrange the concert."

Lickets are being sold at the popular price of \$1, \$1.50 and \$2. The money will be used for the maintenance of the home.

Nine Hundred Troops Leave Rhine for U. S.

Coblentz, Dec. 4.—(By A. P.)—To the tune of "Stollenfels on the Rhine," an old German waltz played by a cornetist, a troop train of 900 Americans, homeward bound for Antwerp. The famous Stollenfels castle has been one of the nearby resorts popular with the soldiers.

The soldiers' vessel will carry the bodies of 500 Americans from France and several car loads of Christmas presents from soldiers to those at home.

Eight hundred of the soldiers are returning as casuals. They are accompanied by 10 officers. Fifteen general prisoners are with the party, while a number of soldiers who missed last week's train are under guard. The passenger list also will include 15 soldiers' wives, who married the Americans in the Rhine-land.

Barnes and Hutchison Leave on Exhibition Tour Dec. 15

New York, Dec. 4.—Jim Barnes of Chicago, holder of the British open title, announced here that on December 15, they would begin an exhibition tour that would carry them over 10,000 miles.

Swift & Company Plant Employment Situation. "Our employes, through Plant Assemblies consisting of an equal number of representatives elected by the employes and appointed by the management, thoroughly considered a readjustment of wage rates. "More than seventy-five per cent of the elected employes' representatives at all plants voted either favorably upon the readjustment or to leave matter to the management. "Union officials, however, representing only a small minority of our employes have called a strike. "Applicants for any vacancies which may occur on Monday, December 5th, should apply to our local plant employment office." Swift & Company U. S. A.