

Half Interest in Big Omaha Oil Firm Sold

L. V. Nicholas Company Gets New Capital From White Eagle Concern of Wichita.

The acquisition of one-half interest in the L. V. Nicholas Oil company by the White Eagle Oil and Refining company, with headquarters at Wichita, Kan., will be followed on January 16 by reorganization of the Omaha company, according to an announcement made yesterday.

The following statement was made by L. V. Nicholas, president of the L. V. Nicholas Oil company: "The difficulties of the L. V. Nicholas Oil company, which consisted only of the need for additional working capital, has been completely overcome through a reorganization, entirely satisfactory to all interests concerned, creditors and stockholders.

Future Is Insured.

"The need for additional working capital has not only been taken care of, but new interests have come into the company which absolutely insure the future of the company, both from a financial standpoint and from the standpoint of there being always available an adequate supply of petroleum products of uniform grade and superior quality. As it has been the policy of the company to sell a high grade gasoline at a close market figure, the new alignment is distinctly advantageous."

Mr. Nicholas was emphatic in his expressions of satisfaction over the new alignment. He explained that the White Eagle company has the largest refinery in Kansas and controls large interests in the way of production centers, refineries and tank line cars.

The Nicholas Oil company was established here in 1913, succeeding the Meridian Oil company, which was started by L. V. Nicholas, who is the author of the popular trade line, "Business is good, thank you."

Has 700 Stockholders.

Mr. Nicholas stated that his company has 35 oil filling stations in Omaha and an organization of 150 employees. A recent audit of the company's books shows net assets of \$1,200,000. There are 700 stockholders. Mr. Nicholas is president of the National Petroleum Market-ers' association.

H. F. Bagby, vice president of the White Eagle Oil and Refining company, is here in connection with his company's interest in the Omaha company.

There will be no interruption in the operations of the Nicholas company.

Gale Dwindles To Stiff Breeze

Loses Velocity Before It Reaches Omaha—No Snow Here.

A high wind, which swept over Wyoming and western Nebraska Friday, lost its velocity before it reached here, according to weather bureau reports. A stiff breeze, however, was perceptible in the city close to sundown. No damage was reported.

Cheyenne suffered most from the gale, which swept the city at 64 miles an hour. Late reports from Valentine, Neb., 56; Denver, 40, and Rapid City and Sioux City, 46 and 48.

No record is given out from the local office unless the wind's velocity exceeds 40 miles an hour. It was about 32 here, said M. V. Robins, meteorologist.

Some snow came in the wake of the high wind in western country and Dakotas, but the forecast locally was for only somewhat colder last night. This afternoon it will be warmer out in the state, according to Robins.

Russ Congress Retains Lenine as Soviet Head

Riga, Latvia, Dec. 31.—(By A. P.)—Nikolai Lenine retains his position as executive head of the Russian soviet government as a result of the unanimous action of the ninth all Russian soviet congress just before its sessions closed late Wednesday night, according to a radio dispatch received here today from Moscow.

State Inspector in Omaha Packing Plants, Says Stuhr

Lincoln, Dec. 31.—A cold storage inspector of the state department of agriculture has been working in the packing plants in Omaha for a week, assigned to see that pure food laws were not being violated, Secretary Leo Stuhr of the state department announced Saturday. Secretary Stuhr expected a report from his inspector today. No advices have been received by Mr. Stuhr to the effect that men were being housed in the plants.

Internal Revenue Officer Changes for South Dakota

Sioux Falls, S. D., Dec. 31.—(Special Telegram.)—William Kelley, for over five years in charge of the Sioux Falls office of the internal revenue collector for South Dakota, has resigned, effective December 31.

Leslie Jensen of Hot Springs will assume his new duties as collector of internal revenue for the district of South Dakota January 4.

Two Motorists Fined.

Sergeant George Emery and Officer Kirk of the police motorcycle squad testified in central police court today that Eugene Fleischer, 3729 North Forty-eighth street, was speeding 35 miles an hour on North Eighteenth street yesterday afternoon. Fleischer admitted that he was in a hurry to "finish up business." Police Judge Foster fined him \$10. L. F. W. Horstman was fined \$12.50 for reckless driving.

Chicago Corn Receipts Shatter All Records

Chicago, Dec. 31.—Corn receipts at Chicago for 1921, with the last week estimated broke all records, being 184,386,000 bushels, or more than double those of 1920 and 50,000,000 bushels in excess of a new user high mark. Flour also set a new record of 1,895,000 barrels. Arrivals of wheat and oats were below the average and of barley were the smallest since 1882. Wheat receipts were 45,635,000 bushels, oats 82,723,000 bushels and barley, 7,720,000 bushels.

Aggregate receipts of the five grains were 324,609,000 bushels, an increase of 117,632,000 bushels over 1920 and only exceeded four times in the history of the Chicago market.

Shipments of all grains for the year were 207,037,000 bushels, an increase of 62,489,000 bushels over last year. Corn shipments more than doubled, and oats were not far behind, while rye and wheat were below the average.

Suspect Shot in Head by Sleuths; Charm Fails Him

Rabbit's Foot Found in Pocket of Man Wounded in Box Car Raid—Expected to Die.

Johnny Kearns, 511 South Twenty-fourth street, Council Bluffs is in the Jennie Edmondson hospital with a 45-caliber bullet hole in his head from which death was expected during the night.

Kearns was shot by two officers when he broke the seal on a carload of tobacco on the Milwaukee railroad at Weston, east of Council Bluffs about 1 yesterday morning. The tobacco was en route to Chicago and the officers are said to have boarded it at Omaha.

When the shot was fired, an automobile in which Kearns had come to Weston and in which were several other men, sped away.

Kearns was brought to Council Bluffs in a police car. He is well known to the police. Last summer he was arrested in Plattsmouth for having burglar tools in his possession.

He had a revolver, flashlight and rabbit's foot on his person when taken into custody.

Bluffs Man Feared Omaha 'Wild Women,' He Tells Court

George Martin, Council Bluffs bon vivant, breathed blithely in Central police court yesterday when Judge Charles Foster entered a dismissal entry on the docket, on the showing that a revolver carried by Martin was not loaded.

The Council Bluffs man was arrested by Federal Officer Robert Anderson on the alleged offense of impersonating a federal officer.

Martin explained to the judge that he had become habituated to carrying as much as \$50 in his pockets and that he was motivated by a desire to get a close-up of Omaha's night life when arrested at the Vogue cabaret. He also confided the information that there are "wild women" in Omaha and he wanted to protect himself in case of any predatory designs against him.

North Bend Woman Asks Divorce From Columbus Cop

Fremont, Neb., Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Mrs. Lena Kiser, North Bend, mother of five sons, the oldest 21, has instituted divorce action against her husband, Samuel Kiser, a policeman at Columbus. Mrs. Kiser claims that her husband abandoned her three years ago and since then refused to return to their home.

Mrs. Kiser also alleges that her husband has been paying undue attention to other women. Mrs. Kiser asks for divorce with custody of the children and sufficient alimony or other equity, as the court may decree.

Iowa Falls Woman Killed Accidentally With Gun

Iowa Falls, Ia., Dec. 31.—(Special Telegram.)—Mrs. V. K. Tennis was instantly killed here yesterday afternoon by the accidental discharge of a shotgun. She and her husband recently came here from Waterloo and were preparing to drive to that city to spend New Year's with relatives. In adjusting the robes so her husband could get into the car, the gun was discharged. Mr. Tennis is an automobile painter by trade and the accident occurred at Dougan garage where he worked.

Fair, Normal Temperature Predicted for This Week

Washington, Dec. 31.—Weather predictions for the week beginning Monday are: Lower Missouri valley: Generally fair except for rains or snows over southern and snows over northern parts about Tuesday; temperature near normal.

Road Conditions

(Furnished by Omaha Auto Club.) Lincoln Highway, East—Roads good to Omaha. Highway, West—Roads good to Grand Island and west. O. L. D. Highway—Roads fine; no detours except between Imperial and Chase. Highway, Color—Roads good. S. F. A. Road—Good. Cornhusker Highway—Good. Omaha-Topska Highway—Good. O Street Road—Excellent. George Washington Highway—Roads good. This is the preferable route to Sioux City at the present time. Black Hills Trail—Roads good to Norfolk. King of Trails South—Roads good to Missouri Valley; little rough in the Omaha vicinity. King of Trails North—Roads fine to Hiawatha. Hiawatha to Leavenworth, roads a little rough; detour between Leavenworth and Kansas City due to road work in progress. River to River Road—Good. White Pine Road—Good. Fair detour near Casey. E. O. A. Shortline, Roads good. Blue Grass Road—In poor condition to Glenwood with one or two bad detours, east of Glenwood roads are fair. Weather reported clear everywhere; high winds south and west portions of Nebraska.

Settlement on Italian Bourses Put Over to Jan. 4

Rome, Dec. 31.—(By A. P.)—At the instance of the ministers of industry and the treasury the king today signed a decree postponing until January 4 the December settlement which was to have occurred today on all the Italian bourses.

American Professors Carried Off by Turks

Athens, Dec. 31.—(By A. P.)—Several American professors of the orphanage at Dirindia, about 20 miles from Constantinople, are declared by an Armenian newspaper of Constantinople to have been carried off by Turkish nationalists, says a Constantinople dispatch. The fate of the deported Americans is not known.

Postoffice Holiday.

Charles E. Black's first order as the new postmaster was to declare January 2 a department holiday. The Sunday schedule of mail service will be followed. There will be no delivery except of perishable matter, parcel post and special delivery.

French Willing to Outlaw Torpedoing Merchant Craft

Paris, Dec. 31.—(By A. P.)—The French delegation at Washington, it was understood in official quarters here today, already has given hearty assent to the application of international law to the operation of submarines, which in the French interpretation, satisfies the demand of Great Britain that submarines in time of war be prohibited from torpedoing merchant ships.

French General Proposes International Police Army

Paris, Dec. 31.—General Sarraill expressed belief that an international army consisting of battalions of French, American, British and Belgian soldiers would insure world peace, in an article published here.

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