

ROTARIANS HOLD BIRTHDAY DINNER

Third of Club and Tenth of Organization Celebrated at Fontenelle with Dinner-Dance.

ELEGANCE MARKS FUNCTION

Although 3 years old, the Omaha Rotary club has never celebrated a birthday until Friday night.

So the magnificent ball room of Omaha's wonderful \$1,250,000 Hotel Fontenelle, just opened yesterday, was the scene of a brilliant fete last night.

Enjoy Elaborate Banquet. The 250 members and their wives, immaculate in beautiful gowns and evening dresses, began their birthday party with a banquet in the Fontenelle ball room.

The numbers were given by Mr. and Mrs. Lucia Dyer, Mrs. W. T. Hauke, the Misses Daisy Higgins, Martha Gryn, Genevieve Rafferty and Pearl Davey.

Following the banquet and cabaret, President H. S. Walker of the club, chairman and toastmaster, explained the occasion of the festivities and introduced William R. Watson.

Rotarians Entertained. A third part of the entertainment, consisting of a choice program of classical music, was given while the big ball room was being cleared for dancing.

As an incidental to the party gifts were distributed to Mrs. Ray C. Kingsley, Mrs. R. A. McFarlane and Mrs. George Rogers, the lucky recipients of birthday donations to the club by the C. B. Brown company, Burgess-Grandon company and the D. F. Corte Furniture company.

Officers of the club are: H. S. Walker, chairman, and a popular favorite in the president; H. G. Moorhead, vice president; Tom S. Kelly, secretary; Walter G. Silver, treasurer.

Handsome bouquets. A handsome bouquet of the evening's happenings, including a color illustration of the Hotel Fontenelle, was a souvenir of the occasion that the Rotarians and their wives will cherish for a long time.

HYMENEAL. MILLER-LOCK. ALLIANCE, Neb., Feb. 27.—(Special.)—Nona Lock and Joseph C. Miller were united in marriage at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lew Hawkins Wednesday evening.

COOK-OSTROM. FAIRBURY, Neb., Feb. 27.—(Special.)—A quiet wedding was solemnized at the Christian church parsonage, Rev. J. K. Sheilinger officiating, when Miss Elizabeth Ostrom of Hebron, and Guy L. Cook were married.

WISWELL RE-ELECTED. DAVENPORT, Neb., Feb. 27.—(Special.)—At a special meeting of the school board the entire teaching staff was re-elected for the coming year.

AGED SUPERIOR WOMAN DEAD. SUPERIOR, Neb., Feb. 27.—(Special Telegram.)—Mrs. Joseph Blair, aged 95 years, died last night. She will be buried at Webster, Kan., tomorrow.

BEST FOR CONSTIPATION. The best medicine for constipation is Dr. King's New Life Pills, mild and effective and keep you well. See advertisement.

American Flag Has Right of Way on the Belgian Roads and Canals

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.) BRUSSELS, Feb. 16.—The American flag now has the right-of-way on Belgian roads and is flying from the warehouses and stations of the commission for relief in Belgium, as well as from its automobiles. It forms about the only bit of color in this desolate land.

For a time the flying of the American flag became so general that an order was given by the commission that this practice should be discontinued for fear some misuse of the banner might cause friction with the military authorities.

Politics Has Part in Reed's Action. (Continued from Page One.) action of the attorney general very much coming as it does at a time when the commission is deep in an investigation of the rate cases, as it tends to bring discredit upon a department which in the handling of the corporations already has a job which gives a chance for public criticism, no matter how just their action may be.

Attorney General's Duty. They say that it is the duty of the attorney general, implied if not laid down in the statutes, at least to assist any department of state in efforts to perform its duties and utterly out of place for him to take any action which would in any way hamper the work being performed.

The commission has been very successful in the years of its existence in attending to its own business without having to consult the attorney general. Two of the members are attorneys of standing and for that reason the state is fortunately situated in a department where so much legal advice might be needed.

NO AMENDMENTS GO UNDER THE SENATE PLAN. (From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 27.—(Special Telegram.)—The state senate is evidently opposed to the submission of constitutional amendments of any kind, judging from the sentiments expressed in the committee of the whole this morning when Hoagland's bill, requiring full citizenship to make a foreign born person an elector, was indefinitely postponed.

The Lancaster county senator could muster only five votes for his bill. Sixteen voted to kill it and twelve were absent. The four voting with Hoagland were Bushaw, Kiechel, Saunders and Shumway.

Hoagland's amendment was submitted several years ago and was defeated. He explained that its failure to carry was due more to a lack of interest than anything else, it failing to muster a sufficient number of votes; and also, to the fact that it was mistaken for a suffrage amendment.

The Lancaster county member said that only two state constitutions, aside from that of Nebraska, permitted the foreign-born to vote on first papers alone. He cited instances where men in this country only six months had taken marked ballots to the polls with them. In the great majority of cases these men vote only upon the direction of somebody else, he said.

SAUNDERS PUSHES NUMBER OF HIS BILLS IN COMMITTEE. (From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 27.—(Special Telegram.)—Senator Saunders of Douglas is the busy man at this afternoon's session of the senate. Before adjournment he had had five of his bills advanced to third reading in committee of the whole. They were:

S. F. 134—Puts election of school board members in Omaha under primary law. S. F. 135—Allows school boards to open school buildings for public purposes. S. F. 136—Elects board of twelve members elected at large in Omaha instead of one member from each of the eight wards.

S. F. 137—All property to be listed at full value, but levies made on a one-fifth basis. S. F. 138—Puts Omaha school board elections under supervision of election commissioner.

Legislative Proceedings

Reported by Senate Standing Committee. H. R. 13, Scudder—Provides that members of Grand Island Soldiers' home may have rations in their separate cottages instead of being requested to take meals at the home.

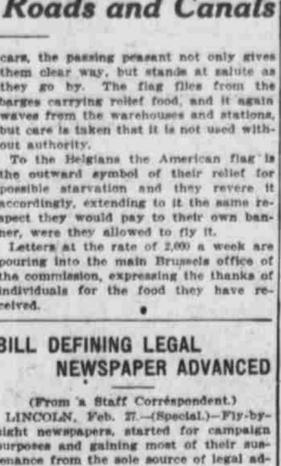
H. R. 20, Bagan of Platte—Regulates dead-end law requiring auditor to furnish supplies for certain other state offices. H. R. 22, Fuller and Leggett—Reduces required number of biennial reports of state officers.

S. F. 24, Sandall of York—Regulates business colleges through state superintendent's office. Must get permit for solicitors. S. F. 25, Bedford of Douglas—Forbids board of control or board of regents to employ architect not a resident of the state. Recommended to Pass by Senate Committee of Whole.

S. F. 13, Krumbach of Polk—Requires legal newspaper to be printed in whole or in part at place of issue and a circulation of at least 200 copies weekly. S. F. 27, Mattes of Otoe—Enables attorney general to defend suits brought against contractors for alleged infringement of patents involved in construction of cement bridges. S. F. 28, Mattes of Otoe—Amends Slocum law requiring away with joint liability of separately licensed saloon men. Only partners may be joined in same suit. Postponed by Senate Committee of Whole.

S. F. 14, Hoagland of Lancaster—Submits constitutional amendment requiring full naturalization of foreign born elector. Vote at present on first papers.

LEADER IN NATIONAL WORK OF THE D. A. R.



Mrs. George Thacher Guernsey

care, the passing peasant not only gives them clear way, but stands at salute as they go by. The flag flies from the barges carrying relief food, and it again waves from the warehouses and stations, but care is taken that it is not used without authority.

To the Belgians the American flag is the outward symbol of their relief for possible starvation and they revere it accordingly, extending to it the same respect they would pay to their own banner, were they allowed to fly it.

Letters at the rate of 2,000 a week are pouring into the main Brussels office of the commission, expressing the thanks of individuals for the food they have received.

BILL DEFINING LEGAL NEWSPAPER ADVANCED

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 27.—(Special.)—Fly-by-night newspapers, started for campaign purposes and gaining most of their sustenance from the sale of some legal advertising, came in for some sharp rap at the hands of the state senate this morning.

The occasion was advancement to third reading by the committee of file whole of Senate File No. 131, by Krumbach of Polk. This measure defines a legal newspaper as one having a minimum circulation of at least 300 weekly copies and as one printed, either in whole or in part, at the place where it is issued.

The original bill added another requirement, increasing the number of weeks of previous publication to seventy-eight. At present a newspaper of general circulation needs only fifty-two weeks of previous publication to make it eligible for legal advertisements. An amendment was offered and carried putting the original bill back to the fifty-two week requirement.

Lanterns of Thayer and several others attacked the bill as being unfair to the young newspaper just getting a start.

LEGISLATIVE MEMBERS DRAW PART OF THEIR PAY

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 27.—(Special Telegram.)—It cost the state of Nebraska \$26,000 to pay off its hired men this morning, for what they have been trying to do since last pay day. This includes only the senators and representatives, who received \$200 each. This is the second installment of their salaries. There will be only one more chance to draw the same amount. After that will come the dread famine, when no more checks will be coming. About that time the lure of the warm will tempt most of them and they will long for home and the pigs and cows.

Turk Losses During Bombardment of Dardanelles Forts Very Heavy

LONDON, Feb. 27.—It is reported from Sofia, Bulgaria, that the Turkish forces manning the fortifications at the Dardanelles suffered heavy losses during the bombardment by the Anglo-French fleet. Reuter's Sofia correspondent says that according to credible information which he has obtained, that about 600 wounded Turkish soldiers were taken from the Dardanelles forts to Constantinople after the bombardment of February 19.

Sultan Says Damage Light. CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 27.—(Via London.)—At the war office today the following statement was issued:

ALLIES FORCING THEIR WAY INTO DARDANELLES

(Continued from Page One.) present attack on the Dardanelles forts is a serious undertaking, and not merely a demonstration. Official announcements declare that after the reduction of the four outer Dardanelles forts mine sweepers went to work within the straits under the protection of the guns of the fleet, while unofficial dispatches from Athens and Rome assert that at least one French warship actually has penetrated the passage.

Germany remains silent regarding its share in the military operations both in the east and west, while Austria-Hungary declares that Austrian and German forces are holding their own in the Carpathians and in Eastern Galicia.

Petrograd, less reticent, announces a repulse of German attacks in North Poland with heavy losses. As a result of the desperate fighting of the last few days the Russian general staff claims to have forced back the Germans along a front twenty-five miles in the Przemysl region.

The impression is growing in England that the German advance in East Prussia is mainly due to political and economic motive and that consequently it is without great strategic effect on the eastern campaign as a whole. In the west the French continue to claim advances in the Champagne dis-

INSURANCE MEN HIT IN BILL ADVANCEMENT

(From a Staff Correspondent.) LINCOLN, Feb. 27.—(Special.)—Grace of Harlan, aided by Sandall of York, resurrected Senate File No. 127 this morning in the senate, incidentally drawing down upon their heads the wrath of the insurance men.

The bill extends the right to recover attorney's fees in the case of a contested claim on a loss, so that it covers personal property as well real estate. Gates of Sarpy objected to the bill on the ground that it made the insurance companies out as "scalawags." Friends of the bill argued that they were not finding fault so much with the insurance companies as with the adjusters.

Sandall argued that it was the small claims that should have such protection, as the policy-holder was always prone to give up his rights rather than go to law where only a small amount was involved. The bill was killed Friday on the report of the committee. A motion to reconsider this morning, however, easily secured the required two-thirds vote.

Hughes Named for Bluffs Postoffice

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—George F. Hughes was nominated for postmaster at Council Bluffs by President Wilson today. Benjamin F. Stapleton was nominated for postmaster at Denver.

ONLY ONE "BROMO QUININE." To get the genuine, call for full name, Laxative Bromo Quinine. Look for signature of E. W. Grove. Cure a cold in one day. 25 cents.

Dakota's Solons Spend a Busy Day On Appropriations

PIERRE, S. D., Feb. 27.—(Special Telegram.)—Both houses took up the general appropriation bill this afternoon and the senate put it through before a late adjournment. In the house a campaign of obstruction was commenced by Patterson and McFarland, who took the position that the bill should be itemized down to the smallest possible unit, and not carry a blanket appropriation, in which several of the items covering a particular department were lumped into one lump sum. This method kept the house in a turmoil for most of the afternoon and resulted in leaving the bill only partly completed when an adjournment was taken until Monday morning.

The house concurred in the senate amendment to the bill for compulsory Bible reading in the schools of the state. The bill, to gather in a part of the present state game fund and pay old time county game warrants out of it, was called back on reconsideration and carried to take care of county claims, some of which are nearly fifteen years old. The Northwestern hospital for insane at Watertown has come through the senate with only six dissenting votes, after it was defeated in the house. This will bring it back as a house issue and strong efforts will be made by the Watertown people to get it through both at this session and allow work to begin on the institution at that place.

The Berndt anti-lobby bill for state officers came back for the third time in the senate after being twice "killed" and goes on the calendar for another vote.

Merchant Ship Hit by Torpedo Off French Port

DIEPPE, France, Feb. 27.—(Via Paris.)—It is reported here that a British merchant ship has been torpedoed in the English channel off Saint Valery-sur-Somme. A French torpedo boat destroyer has gone out from Dieppe to the assistance of the British ship.

Department Orders

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—(Special Telegram.)—South Dakota postmasters appointed: Kingsburg, Bonhomme county, James H. Gleason, vice F. J. Udinkoff, resigned; Bedlam, Ziebach county, Leonard O. Adams, vice B. F. Smith, Virgil, Bendle county, William C. Denison, vice C. W. Magruder, removed; Westport, Brown county, Myrtle I. Young, vice H. A. Nording. A postoffice has been established at

THOMPSON, BELDEN & CO.

Advance Notice of a Great Dress Goods Sale. About 5,000 Yards in the Lot. Not half can be told in printer's ink. See these goods now on display in our Sixteenth Street window; then come to the Dress Goods Section and get samples, take them home, look them over, show them to your friends before the day of sale.

February Has Been a Remarkable Month in Our Apparel Section. We have sold more dresses, coats and skirts than in any February in our history. In the Suit Section the number sold is more than double the number in any other February.

Early Spring Showing of Wash Goods. Basement Wash Goods Section. 40-Inch Printed Voiles, all 1915 patterns, stripes and floral designs, all colors, 25c a yard. Madras Shirtings, the newest patterns in printed and woven effects, from 12c to 60c a yard.

Monday--This Day Only 15 New Spring Dresses. Including dancing frocks of net and voiles, and crepe de chine afternoon dresses in spring colors. Values to \$36.50 Monday, \$14.75. On account of this low price we must make a charge for any alterations.

A Complete Showing of Spring Suits, Coats, Dresses and Skirts Very Moderately Priced.

For the Little Girl or Boy Who Dances. We would advise the use of our celebrated Pure Japan Tram 18-Thread Silk Hose. The best in the world. Colors, Sky, Pink, White and black. We have this same stocking in infants' sizes. Ask to see them.

The Original "Store for Shirtwaists". Conceived two years ago, it attained instant popularity, which has steadily increased. It is often imitated, but never equalled in variety of really new styles, and excellent qualities, at moderate prices.

For the Purpose of Attracting Special Attention To the Excellence of SOROSIS SHOES. We have taken several choice, new models—\$6 and \$7 Values for this special offering, at \$4.75 a Pair. Venetian silk vests, embroidered tops, in pink and white; regular \$3.00; Monday, only \$1.98. Venetian silk bloomers, equally as attractive as the vests; regular price, \$2.25; Monday, only \$1.98. WOMEN'S UNDERWEAR SECTION—THIRD FLOOR.

Boudoir Caps. Lace, lace and chiffon and lace and ribbon combinations; prices, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.25, \$2.50, \$3.50. Third Floor.

A Particular Example. New Crepe de chine blouses, all sizes, in white, navy, gray, sand, flesh, maize and black—8 Different Styles Monday \$4.95

Brighten Your Home. With the cheerful notes of a Sweet Singing Canary. We had such a great success two weeks ago in selling our IMPORTED GERMAN CANARIES at the special \$3.25 price of only \$2.00.

I WANT TO BUY A BANK \$10,000, \$20,000 or \$50,000. Correspondence strictly confidential. Will buy 51 per cent or all of stock. C. M. EATON Doug. 1984. 1106 W. O. W. BLDG., Omaha, Neb.

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