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MANDAN AND THE COMMISSION SYSTEM.

With reference to the attacks on the commission system in Mandan, made by opponent of the system for capital in cities where the adoption of the commission system is a live issue, the Pioneer says:

"The continuous attacks on Mandan's city commission by certain interests has hardly been of sufficient moment to merit mention. The commission is probably doing the best it can with the means at hand, and if the expenses of administering the city's affairs are somewhat greater today than they were four or five years ago it is because the growth of the city demands greater outlays of money to conduct its affairs. If a business man whose business increases 50 per cent. in two years could keep his expenses of doing business down to the point it was two years ago, he would not know what to make of it. With increased business comes increased expenses.

The intelligent people of the community will not be deceived by carping critics who seek to tear down and leave nothing in its place. If the commissioners are deserving of any criticism it is because they have been too conservative. Mandan in its present era of unprecedented prosperity stands in need of many public improvements, sewers, a complete waterworks system of its own, paving, a park system. All these things we are ready for now. The members of the city commission doubtless realize this better than any one, but because of their conservatism and the desire to keep taxes down it is likely these needed improvements will come slowly instead of being supplied within the next year or two.

THE "U" BULLETIN

ANNUAL CATALOGUE OF THE STATE UNIVERSITY FOR 1909 IS OUT.

The annual catalogue of the State university has just been published. It is a well printed volume of about 250 pages, and contains a list of the faculty, programs of study in the various departments, general information in regard to buildings and equipments, requirements for admission and graduation, and a list of the students for the current year. One notes that the regular faculty list this year includes over fifty names besides the special lecturers in law and medicine, fifteen in number. The total number of students for the year is 906, of whom 422 are of college rank, 196 are in the model school and 317 in the summer school. In the college of arts alone over two hundred semester courses are offered, in addition to which are the numerous courses in the technical work of engineering, law and medicine. A good idea of the growth of the university can be gained by a comparison of the present catalogue with the one issued just a dozen years ago. That was a diminutive pamphlet of 108 pages. The college of arts was the only college then organized. The students of college grade (exclusive of preparatory department and summer school) numbered but sixty-five. There were only eleven in the faculty, and there were offered in college work the equivalent of just 72 semester courses. Truly, the last twelve years has brought great changes. It is announced that three new buildings are to be erected during the coming season. This indicates that the institution has still greater things ahead of it. It will be no surprise if next year's catalogue shows that the attendance has passed the one thousand mark.

ROBBERY BANK.

Unsuccessful Attempt Made By Highwaymen Last Week.

Oakes, N. D., May 26.—Robbers made an unsuccessful attempt to enter the First National bank at this place. The night policeman discovered the attempt to loot the bank and fired two shots at a robber, as he was attempting to escape on a horse. Neither shot took effect and he managed to get away in the darkness. The electric burglar alarm in the bank attracted the policeman's attention to the place, and undoubtedly saved the vaults from being dynamited. The work appeared to be that of strangers to the town.

be obeyed, and of course an officer clothed with the authority of the law, is also to be obeyed. The Tribune however, saw a little opportunity for some, as it deemed, humorous speculation, and regrets that the News editor should have been seriously concerned thereat. For with the News at the helm, there is little if any, possibility of the rest of us going wrong, even though sometimes we forget the too serious aspect of life and its doings and fritter away our time seeing the lighter side of things. Until the next time, therefore, the Tribune will seek to deal with these questions in the serious vein they deserve.

TARIFF IS A LOCAL ISSUE

McKenzie Gives Interview to St. Paul Dispatch Reporter—Says Free Lumber is Necessary to the Development of the Northwest—Has Improved Much in Health Recently.

St. Paul Dispatch: A downward revision of schedules in accordance with the declarations of the Republican platform, with particular reference to a reduction in the rates on lumber, coal and oil, for the benefit of the farmers, and, if possible, protection for certain agricultural products. That is Alexander McKenzie's idea of what ought to be done with the tariff.

The political leader of North Dakota recently returned from Castle Hot Springs, Ariz., where he spent several months recovering from the severe illness which he suffered here last winter. He is much improved in health and expects soon to return to North Dakota, but for the past few months says he has been practically dead to the world. Up to a day or two ago he had not even read a newspaper, his physicians having advised him that if he wanted to get well, he must keep his mind off politics.

He is much interested in the tariff question, however, and although he professed ignorance of late developments he gave expression of his views on the subject freely. "The tariff is a local issue," he said frankly. "You can't get around that. I am interested chiefly in what affects the people of North Dakota. They don't care anything about the rate of Epsom salts or Jamaica ginger, nor on fruit or tobacco. What they want is low rates on coal, lumber and oil.

News of the State

A bottling works is to be established at Langdon.

Fargo appears to be going some in a manufacturing way.

The Linton Advocate is moving into new quarters.

The local telephone system at Steele is being extended.

The yellow peril—dandelions—threatens to be as fierce as ever this summer.

Hillsboro will soon decide whether or not another school house will be built there.

Nurserymen are enjoying a flourishing business over the state this year.

Canadian officials are scouring the north end of Williams county in the pursuit of horse thieves.

The Plaza Pioneer wants the newspapers to give the people a rest for a while before another campaign is started.

Glenullin is said to be having a dog famine. Some of the other towns would probably be glad to go to the rescue.

Editor Streeter of the Linton Record is installing a typesetting machine.

There are a number of cities over the state that are watching the results of the commission system works before adopting it.

The Pembina Pioneer Express wonders why the Milwaukee road was not extended from Fargo further north through the Red river valley.

Like Bismarck, Hettinger is troubled with cows running loose through the streets—and lawns.

The Adams County Record is quite thoroughly convinced that Hettinger is to be made a division point for the Milwaukee road.

The Lisbon Gazette is twenty-seven years old and found the last year was more prosperous than all the rest.

Louie Pierson's new paper, the Mountral County Promoter at Stanley has a good share of patronage for a youngster.

Militiamen through the state are pleased at the prospect of being supplied with overcoats, which have heretofore been missing from the equipment of the men.

A farmer in La Moure county fenced a road that had been used for three years and as a result an auto car was wrecked and the farmer compelled to pay the damages.

Some of the North Dakota people who have spent the winter in Texas are unable to understand why there has been such a rush for southern land because the soil there is much inferior to that of this state.

VALLEY CITY CASE IN COURT

Federal Court Will Have Trying of Now Famous Case—N. P. is Resident of Wisconsin—Clear Statement of Origin of the Case—Train Will Run Over High Line for Present.

Fargo, May 25.—The local federal court will try the case of Valley City against the Northern Pacific railway company, and not the district court of the Sixth judicial district. When the matter came up before the court Attorney Lawrence of the law firm of Ball, Watson, Young & Lawrence, attorneys for the railroad company, moved for a change of venue to the federal court. The motion was sustained as the Northern Pacific company is a citizen of Wisconsin, and the complainants are citizens of North Dakota, which makes the cause within the constitutional jurisdiction of the federal court.

An additional reason is that the company engaged in interstate commerce, which is also regulated by the federal government.

The cause of the suit is the injunction against traffic on the new bridge over the Northern Pacific system at Valley City. To shorten the running time of trains 1 and 2 the railroad company is sending them around the new line that passes Valley City one mile north of the town. The train will stop at the town, since the state law obliges the company to stop all trains at every county seat passed through, but the new line is quite a ways out from the center of the city, and a good deal of inconvenience will be caused by this fact. The line formerly passed up the heavy grade from the town and the trains were sent along it at a heavy cost in operating expense, since an extra was needed to relay them up the hills. The company built an expensive steel bridge to carry them over the valley and time and cost of pulling them up out of the city. With the new time schedule, which saves its part of two hours in running time between St. Paul and the coast, the company ran the North Coast Limited on the new line. This is the cause of action that is now being tried in the federal court, to see whether the company can be made to send the train thru the old station in town and not over the new high line.

Until the court hands down a decision on the matter the trains will not run through the town, as the matter is out of the jurisdiction of state courts.

KENMARE POSTOFFICE ROBBED.

Tolley, May 25.—Sometime during the night the postoffice at Tolley, near Kenmare, was blown open and \$1,000 in stamps, and \$442 in cash secured. Two suspicious men are being hunted for by men of the neighborhood.

The Carrington Independent thinks if all of the "clean up notices" published in the papers over the state this spring are heeded, North Dakota will be a pretty clean state—and that after the back yards and alleys are cleaned some attention might be given the neck and ears of some of the boys.

Practical jokers at Bowman discovered a young man and a girl alone in a shack and tormented them by shooting formaldehyde through the keyhole and cracks of the building. When the fumes got in its work the man appeared with a gun and nearly fatally injured some of the participants.

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HOT TIME AT VALLEY CITY

Residents of City Thought Jim Shea Was Aboard Train Traveling Over the High Line Sunday—Schedule Has Not Gone Into Effect as Yet So Results Have Not Been Reached.

Valley City Patriot: Sunday had been mapped out to be a great day in Valley City. An injunction had been issued, prohibiting the Northern Pacific from running their trains over the high line, and the community was on the qui vive of excitement and wonder as to how Sheriff Winkler intended to enforce the mandate of the court, when the attorneys for the Northern Pacific secured a transfer of the case to the United States court. This would, it was supposed, transfer the burden of enforcing the order from Sheriff Winkler to the United States Marshal Shea, and there was wonder as to how Jim was going to manage the job; so everybody was on the lookout Sunday evening for No. 1. Well, it finally put in an appearance—not in the city, but up on the high line, where it all but halted as it slowly passed over the big trestle, and when it had safely crossed, the engineer opened wide the throttle, and the long train of Pullman and diners sped on its westward way, without designing to even say "good evening." Those persons who had extra good eyesight were rewarded with the glimpse of a form thought to be that of Jim Shea hanging on to the rear of the observation car with both hands, his feet at an angle of 45 degrees and his coat tails flapping in the wind. But it must have been an illusion; for when Uncle Sam undertakes to do things, he generally does them. As train No. 2 is not yet run, it receives its new equipment. All the other trains will continue to run through the city until the question is settled by the court, or at least until there are completed proper facilities for carrying passengers to and from the high line station.

GRADING OUTFITS STILL COMING

Divorce Case Occupies Attention of Mandan Court.

Mandan, N. D., May 25.—Porter Bros. & Welch, contractors for the south line of railroad out of Mandan, and Caughren, Winters, Smith & Co., contractors for the new line north of the city, are daily receiving grading outfits and horses from western points.

It is safe to say that there has been over 800 head of horses brought into Mandan in the past two weeks for grading work on the new railroads. Many of the workmen are already here, but over 300 will arrive this week. Preparations are being pushed with all possible speed. Mandan's hotel and restaurant capacity is being taxed to the limit to handle the crowds.

The spring term of the district court was resumed after a recess of one week. The first case to be called was the divorce action brought by Mrs. Mary Winbauer of Minneapolis against Joseph Winbauer of this place.

BAKER AN OPTIMIST. Jamestown Alert: Capt. I. P. Baker, of Bismarck, came as far east as this city accompanying Senator Powers of Montana. Captain Baker is optimistic over the business prospects for 1909. Business in river transportation, owing to the activity in railroad building west of the Missouri, is already good, and promises to be much better. The Northern Pacific, extending its branch lines both north and south from Mandan, will developed considerable new business activity in that part of the state. The present indications are all that could be desired, says Captain Baker, from the crop standpoint.

LITTLE INTEREST IN MURDER

Residents of Fargo Refuse to Entertain Prosecution of Negro Simpson Charged With Murder of Countryman—Negros comprise a Large Part of Audience.

Fargo, N. D., May 25.—Little interest characterized the opening of the murder trial of Edward Simpson, colored, charged with the killing of Chas. Clark. Many maintaining that they were opposed to inflicting the death penalty upon any one, regardless of the crime, made it a difficult task for the judge and the attorneys to select the necessary jury for the trial and when the court adjourned, the entire list of veniremen had been exhausted and a list of ten new names started out for service.

Attorney T. H. McEnroe for the defense, indicated to the prospective jurors that insanity combined with drunkenness, would be the sole defense. States Attorney Fowler and Assistant Stambough are conducting the trial for the state.

Negros were for the most part among the auditors of the trial and throughout the tedious task of selecting the jury, various persons of the black population interested in the case filed in and out of the court room. Several witnesses for the state are held in readiness when the case proper opens.

Jamestown will go ahead at once with the building of the new armory. The company there has about \$4,000 in available cash and their friends will raise about \$1,000 more.

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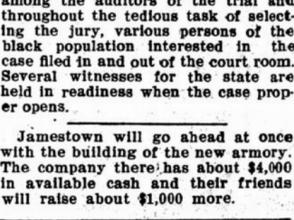
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