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FIVE CENTS.

LATHROP COMMITTEE NEAR DONE

ALL EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND NEARLY ALL OFFICES INVESTIGATED.

HALF MILLION DOLLAR CUT

President Smith of the Forestry School Makes Favorable Impression.

The special joint committee acting under the Lathrop resolution has finished its work with the various educational institutions of the state, and this morning will commence to draw up a summary, cutting out all items deemed by the committee to be unnecessary at this time and leaving the absolutely necessary items only. Fred W. Smith, state forester and president of the State School of Forestry at Bottineau, was the last educator to appear before the committee. Mr. Smith made a voluntary contribution with a smile on his face, as one member of the committee put it. The forestry school budget will be cut, but the committee will probably recommend the purchase of 160 acres more of land for the school, to be used in the further extension of the work of free tree distribution to the land owners of the state.

School Worth While. "It is worth while to continue the work of this school and to enlarge it," said one member of the committee yesterday and all of the members seemed to be agreed to this. The committee was pleased with the showing made in the last two years by President Smith and was also very much pleased with the work done in the tree line.

Commercial Work Done. The commercial work which has been done in the school has been cut down to the minimum in the last two years and it is the policy of the administration to ultimately eliminate it altogether. Less than seven per cent of the total enrollment of 195 students are taking commercial subjects now.

President Smith put up a strong plea for the purchase of additional land to properly meet the great demand there is for trees in the state. The school will have for distribution next spring over 754,000 seedling trees and cuttings and these will be distributed in 37 of the 52 counties of the state. The cost per pupil, as computed by the joint committee, at the forestry school was shown to be less than \$110 outside the expense of the forestry field department. The cost per pupil at the agricultural college, computed on the same basis was shown to be \$297.25.

Half Million Cut. It is expected that when the summary of the budgets of the various educational institutions is drawn up and ready to present to the legislature there will have been made a cut of at least \$500,000.

WHEAT PRICES ARE JUGGLED

Panic Marks Opening at Chicago Pit When Wild Rumors of Peace Are Circulated.

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 3.—Lightning like breaks and startling bulge, covering an extraordinary range of nine and a fourth cents demoralized the wheat market today and finally left prices unstrung at four and three-eighths to five and three-fourths under last night.

Wild Rumors of Peace. In a selling panic at the outset May wheat fell eight and a fourth, to \$1.56 3/4, then shot skward to \$1.56, a new high record for the war season. Wild rumors of immediate probable opening of the Dardanelles, and of the beginning of negotiations for peace chiefly caused the collapse of wheat at the start. Stoppage of the export for the subsequent depression.

BABIES SUFFER BY WAR. Paris, Feb. 3.—The Countess de Schaetsen-Raditsky, who, with other women, is working in Melines to save the children from hunger, writes to the American Commission for Relief in Belgium that the children born during the war, of mothers enfeebled by worries and privations, are very delicate and nervous. Nearly all the war babies feel the evil influence of the food crisis.

A minimum of 800 litres of milk a day is necessary for the care of only the babies under a year old, she says, but it is difficult to procure such a quantity of good milk, as cattle are becoming more and more rare. "We have no sugar and we have already to diminish to one-half the dose for the baby's bottle and the mother's soup. Sugar is strengthening and it is one of the nutritive elements which has already disappeared."

STOLEN BY VILLA'S AID; TRADED FOR A SUIT OF FLANNELS



This antique carving from a solid piece of wood was made in the sixteenth century and has reposed for hundreds of years in the Cathedral of the Archbishop of Mexico City. When this building was recently sacked one of Villa's aides confiscated it and traded it to Mr. Archer Harrison, an American, for a suit of white flannels. The carving represents the costumes of Spaniards in Guatemala in the sixteenth century and is valued at \$5,000.

BOOSTING LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION

DELEGATION FROM SOUTH ST. PAUL RECEIVED BY GOVERNOR HANNA.

CONFER WITH STATE OFFICERS

The delegation from the South St. Paul livestock exchange, consisting of N. P. Rogers, president; C. H. Wood, and J. G. Gibbons, which is inaugurating a "raise more livestock" campaign, visited the state capital Tuesday afternoon and were received by Governor Hanna, who expressed much interest in the movement. The governor was especially pleased with the idea of the exchange co-operating with the North Dakota officials in their efforts to convince the producers of the profit in livestock properly handled from the beginning through to the eventual sale, and also in securing the utmost effectiveness in combating animal diseases through preventing the bringing into the state of any affected stock and in discouraging every attempt to speculate in stock that is the least bit doubtful as to health. He congratulated the livestock men on inviting the committee from North Dakota, Minnesota and South Dakota to visit the South St. Paul stockyards and study the entire subject of proper marketing.

The livestock men then conferred with Commissioner of Agriculture Robert F. Flint, who not only assured them of every possible aid in their work, but took the occasion to make public for the first time a plan he has put into operation to stimulate the raising of livestock and other products of mixed farming.

Stockgrower Permanent Settler. He outlined the reason why those who raise livestock are very desirable settlers, as they do not move about from place to place, as one crop farmer is apt to do, but remain to build up a prosperous and contented state. He showed how livestock growers cannot be nomadic, but must build stockyards and give their stock and give it sufficient time to develop profitable returns, thus insuring the stockgrowing with the state permanently and yielding him a revenue that will enable him to enjoy all the substantial advantages of modern life.

Then he gave out the plan he has matured for stimulating the farmers to their best efforts. He has communicated with every county in the state, securing the names of farmers who have made success in other lines except grain. The information was supplied by the county auditors. The lines of production were cattle, hogs, sheep, horses, poultry, dairying, mixed farming. Then he wrote to the farmers whose names he had received and from them has gathered an immense amount of valuable material in the form of statements from them as to their experiences and systems. He originally intended to furnish this matter to local papers in sections where these successful farmers live, in order to furnish their neighbors with an incentive to similar efforts. Mr. Flint, believing that men will put their best work into whatever interest.

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GERMANS IN DESPERATE ATTACKS

FIGHTING ON THE EASTERN FRONT BECOMES STRENUOUS AND WIDESPREAD.

RUSSIANS ARE REPULSED

Turks Credited With Victory Over Czar's Forces; Greece Prepares for War.

London, Feb. 3.—Fighting in the East is comparatively more strenuous and widespread than on the Western front, and monopolizes the attention. While the Russians are on the offensive in East Prussia, and in Northwestern Poland and passes of the Carpathians the Germans continue their attacks on the Russian lines along the Bzura and Rawka rivers. The invaders reached the Rawka line about the middle of December, since then they have made at least a half dozen attacks in force against the Russian trenches, at a heavy cost.

Undaunted they have been repeating the attacks during the past week and while making a slight advance, it has been accomplished only after their great losses, according to Petrograd. It is believed the Germans are preparing for another onslaught to compel the Russians to strengthen the lines protecting Warsaw, thus diverting the Russian attacks upon East Prussia and Hungary.

Russians Repulsed. According to a Constantinople dispatch via Overseas News Agency, the Russian attack on the Turkish forces at Artvin, the Transcaucasus and Southwest Batum, were repulsed with heavy losses in both men and ammunition for the Russians.

The Turks thereupon made a successful attack against the two Russian battalions. The Turkish war office denied the report that an attempt had been made to assassinate Field Marshal Baron von Der Goltz, the German army officer sent to Turkey to take charge of the Turkish army in the Caucasus.

Claim German Sea Losses. Petrograd officially states, according to the Havas agency, that a German torpedo boat destroyer was sunk by a Russian submarine in the Baltic January 29. The submarine attack was made off the Danish islands of Moen.

Two or three German war ships on the Baltic have suffered at the hands of the Russians within the week. The German protected cruiser, Gasolle, was torpedoed near the island of Ruegen, and taken to the Port of Sassinatz badly damaged. A London dispatch says the German gunboat has been sunk on the Baltic.

STILL FIGHT TO SAVE BILL

Democratic Administration Leaders Make Every Effort to Break Down Opposition.

Washington, Feb. 3.—The plans of the administration democrats to save the government ship purchase bill went astray today in the senate, but champions of the measure had not abandoned hope of success in the effort to recommit the bill tomorrow with definite instructions for its amendment. The revolting democrats flatly refused to accept the concessions of the majority as agreed upon in secret caucus last night. The majority leaders discovered early they could not muster enough votes to defeat the coalition of republicans and insurgent democrats. Party leaders determined to hold off the vote, and agreed to castigate openly the seven revolting democrats.

Stone Is Heard. Senator Stone was selected for this task and delivered a long speech on the floor of the senate, bitterly arraignment the "screaming democrats who had endeavored to unhorse their party." He particularly attacked Senator Clarke of Arkansas, whom he described as the leader of the revolt, and Camden of Kentucky, also. Senator Stone declared they entered a secret agreement with the republicans and charged them with having violated the caucus pledge. This was denied by Senator Camden, in explaining the warning given that he is not bound to any action depriving him of a vote against the bill.

To Stand Pat. While the democrats declared sufficient votes can be mustered tomorrow, the republicans insist the bill cannot reach a vote at this session. Should the effort to amend this bill be returned it within 48 hours succeed, they declare the republican attack can be resumed and kept up until the measure is either withdrawn or killed by the adjournment to March 4.

THE WEATHER. Tri-State—Snow Thursday; Friday.

FARGO FORD BUILDING COLLAPSED

TWO MEN MISSING; ARE BELIEVED TO BE BURIED IN THE RUINS OF BUILDING.

CONCRETE WAS NOT SET

Building, When Completed, Would Have Cost About \$100,000.

Fargo, N. D., Feb. 3.—Two floors of the new building of the Ford Motor Co., building, which is being constructed on North Broadway, crashed to the ground while workmen were employed on the second floor pouring concrete and as a result three men are in St. Luke's hospital in quite a serious condition although it is reported that it is believed that they will live.

The most seriously injured is John Erickson, carpenter boss, who had his legs badly crushed and who is otherwise injured. The other seriously injured workmen are H. Campbell and Ernest Kroal, but at this time it is impossible to tell exactly how badly injured these two men are. All three are only conscious part of the time and Kroal and Campbell are neither able to see. Several other of the workmen were more or less hurt although none of a nature to confine them to their homes.

The accident happened shortly before noon. The workmen were engaged pouring concrete on the second floor of the building when workmen noticed the floor begin to sag. They gave the cry of alarm and all rushed to make their escape, which probably accounts for a few being hurt as was the case.

Damage to Building Big. The damage to the building is large known as it has not yet been estimated. Just what the loss will be is not yet known by the Ford Motor Co., which are erecting the building itself by day labor. However it will be big as two floors are practically a total loss and a portion of the north side of the building caved in.

The cause of the giving way of the structure has not been fixed, but the indications are that work was started on the second floor before the concrete on the first floor had been thoroughly set. It would seem that this is the case, as the reinforcing rods are now bare of all concrete and are bent downward instead of being broken off.

The building, when completed, would have cost in the neighborhood of \$100,000. It was being constructed entirely of reinforced concrete and would have been one of the best structures in the city. The loss will be a heavy one to the Ford Motor Co., not only in the building itself, but in the delay that will now be caused in completing the structure. Just how much of the structure will have to be reconstructed is doubtful. A large part of the cribbing will have to be rebuilt.

Two Men Missing. Late this afternoon it was discovered that Nelson and Hall, two workmen who were in the building when it collapsed, are missing and it is almost certain that they are buried under the ruins.

When this discovery was made, the fire department was again called out and a large crew of men was set to work in the attempt to dig out the missing men.

It is feared that they will not be found alive, however, as they are undoubtedly buried under the great mass of ruins.

REPUBLICAN IS VICTOR IN CASE

Important Decision to People of Hettinger County Handed Down.

An important decision to the people of Hettinger county has just been handed down by Judge Crawford of the tenth district, in the election contest case for states attorney of Attorney J. K. Murray, Democrat, contesting the election of V. L. Crane, the republican nominee and recipient of the majority of votes cast at the fall election, on the grounds of fraudulent marking of ballots.

The latter secured a complete dismissal of the case on the grounds of insufficient evidence to warrant further proceedings. The friends of States Attorney Crane contend there never were any good reasons for instituting the contest and have always been optimistic and apprehensive of a favorable outcome for Mr. Crane, and as viewed by the court.

This decision, the republicans claim, removes any serious adverse sentiment on the part of the democrats to thwart the will of the republican administration in that county and are feeling jubilant over the outcome of the case.

PAPA, GRANDPA AND WHITE HOUSE BABY



Here is a picture of the latest addition to the White House family, Francis Sayre, aged a little over two weeks, with his father, Francis, Bowles Sayre, and his distinguished grandfather, Woodrow Wilson, in the sitting room at the White House.

Board of Regents Provided for in Coming House Bill

The committee on education of the house will introduce in the very near future a bill providing for a board of regents for all of the educational institutions of the state. The bill will call for a board, to consist of five or six regents, one of them to have double duties as director as commissioner of education, as well as regent. This commissioner of education is to be an educational expert and will have largely to do with the courses of study, curricula, etc., of the various schools of higher learning of the state. This member may possibly be an out-state man of recognized ability along educational lines.

Two of the regents, the bill will probably provide, will serve for two years, two for four years and the commissioner of education for two years. This board of regents will have charge of the educational institutions of the state and will take the place of all the local boards of the different institutions. An emergency clause will be attached to the bill.

GRAND FORKS TO BE REPRESENTED

Commercial Club of That City Plans Sending Delegates to Bismarck in Private Car.

Grand Forks, N. D., Feb. 3.—Plans are being considered by the Grand Forks commercial club for a special car to leave Grand Forks Thursday afternoon for the benefit of any business men of the city who may wish to attend the convention of the federated commercial clubs of the state or the session of the legislature at Bismarck on the following day.

Negotiations along this line are now being carried on with the railroad by Secretary Graves.

Is Fine Opportunity. It is felt that a number of the business men of the city will be glad of this opportunity to attend the meetings of the commercial club federation and at the same time to visit the legislature.

In case the plans now being made are successful the car will leave Grand Forks Thursday afternoon, reaching Bismarck early Friday morning. It is understood that it will be necessary to secure at least twenty men who wish to make the trip in order to obtain the special car. Those interested should communicate with Secretary Graves, as soon as possible.

To Talk Immigration. Secretary Graves will attend the meeting of the federated commercial clubs as representative of the local club. The question of obtaining desirable immigrants for the state will be the main topic of discussion at the meeting.

EMPEROR IN CONFERENCE. Berlin, February 3.—Emperor William on Sunday had a long conference with General Erich von Falkenhayn, the chief of staff of the German army.

BUY CANADIAN WHEAT. Wellington, N. W. England, via London, Feb. 3.—New Zealand has arranged, it was announced here, to purchase 1,000,000 bushels of Canadian wheat for delivery in July.

EQUITY MEN CONCLUDE SESSIONS

PROPOSED STATE-OWNED ELEVATOR AT ST. PAUL GIVEN THE FINISHING TOUCHES YESTERDAY.

"TOO MUCH OF A GOOD THING"

That Was Consensus of Opinion by Legislators Who Refused to Be Whipped Into Line.

The Commercial Club rooms assumed their natural peaceful aspects shortly before midnight yesterday, when the two days' convention of the North Dakota branch of the American Society of Equity concluded what proved to be one of the stormiest sessions in the history of the city. General George Loftus and his supporters for a state-owned terminal elevator to be located at St. Paul left the convention hall satisfied that they had whipped the legislators into shape for an appropriation—at least they had verbally whipped those who were listed on the famous roll call as "wrong" or opposed to the proposition. There is a general undercurrent of feeling, however, that Loftus and the Equity men whipped themselves and that the tactics they used will have a homecrang effect. Threats of "political suicide" for those who dare oppose the appropriation even at this time, when the state is financially embarrassed, did not win friends for the measure. In fact, many legislators at the meetings who were listed as favorable promptly arose and denied that they had as yet made up their minds in the matter, that they were present at the convention for information and did not believe they were getting it from the line of procedure carried out by the speakers imported to address the gatherings here.

Meetings Tame Down.

That Loftus and his sympathizers were somewhat tamed down yesterday was evident at the meetings, which seemed to have become somewhat of a transformation from the wild outbursts of enthusiasm to the more legitimate applause. However, the venom with which the Equity men handled the measure was still noted, and the talk of "letting" those fellows who opposed the measure continue fresh meat for the speakers to feed on. Loftus is fearful that the measure will be sidetracked by those opposing it, that is, it will be brought up quickly and set aside before the Equity men can line up speakers to go into those districts represented by men unfavorable to the proposition and tell the voters there that, as constituents, they must demand favorable action by Congress or assure them that their future political aspirations have been choked off.

Consensus of Opinion.

Yesterday morning and afternoon the terminal elevator was informally handled by farmers who gathered at the Commercial Club rooms and in the evening the matter of constitutional amendment pertaining to the proposition of having the elevators located at St. Paul instead of in the state were discussed by various speakers. It was shown that action at the previous legislative sessions had shaped the matter so that it was necessary to locate the elevator at St. Paul, in order to escape entanglements with the constitution. The belief is that the elevator is a good thing. That farmers have suffered financial loss in marketing their wheat heretofore, and that a state-owned terminal elevator would work out to splendid advantage. But where the Equity men fell down was in their attitude towards the legislators, whose animosity they have probably invited by indulging in personalities and threats. Many of the legislators openly stated that they were undecided in the matter because of their lack of information on the (Continued on Page Two.)

TURN DOWN INVITATION TO CHAMBER OF TRADE

Members of the legislature evidently have had enough discussion of the terminal elevator situation for this session. The senate yesterday turned down a resolution introduced by Senator Hughes, asking that members of the Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce to appear before that body.

The resolution follows: "Be It Resolved, That whereas the handling, warehousing, the advisability or non-advisability of building and erecting terminal elevators within the state of North Dakota, or at some other point or points, appears foremost in the minds of the people of the state at this time, therefore

"Be It Resolved, That we invite the representatives of the Chamber of Commerce of the city of Minneapolis to appear before this senate and get their views in open session, at such time as said representatives can appear before this body, the time to be allowed for such expression not to exceed a period of one hour."

DAIRYMEN OF STATE TO MEET AT MINOT

Competitive Exhibits and High Class Dairy Appliances to Be Shown at Minot.

Minot, N. D., Feb. 3.—The annual convention of the State Dairymen's association will be held in the Magic City February 23, 24 and 25. It will be one of the most important and interesting conventions of the year. Competitive exhibits of high class dairy appliances and dairy stock, cream and butter will be shown at the convention.

Dairymen from all over North Dakota will be in attendance at this meeting.