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## CITY PAVING PROPOSITION SEEMS WINNER

Largest Property Owners Have Signed Petitions; Others Ready to Help.  
**\$500,000 PROJECT WELL UNDER WAY**  
Everyone Is a Booster for Bismarck Betterment and Work for Good Streets.

A whirlwind finish this week will, it is believed, bring to a successful close the Commercial club's campaign for a nine-mile paving district. The signature of every large property-holder in Bismarck, with a very few exceptions, is already attached to the petitions which it is hoped to present to the city commission one week from tomorrow, and with a dozen paving enthusiasts pledged to work energetically for the cause this week, it should be an easy matter to bring in to the fold the small percentage of frontage still required.  
Among the more influential citizens and larger property-holders who already have "signed up" are the following: C. B. Little, A. W. Lucas, E. A. Williams, R. D. Hoskins, W. E. Lahr, W. H. Webb, Jr., Alexander McKenzie, International Harvester Co., R. C. Battey, general agent; J. P. Jackson, A. F. Marquette, A. F. Lenhart, C. M. Dahl, Florence E. Young, R. C. Battey, L. A. Larson, C. W. Nichols, W. J. Prater, D. T. Owens, L. K. Thompson, George A. Welch, A. J. Arnot, J. L. Bell, G. F. Dullam, Odesa Williams Wattam, F. W. Murphy, C. W. Finwall, N. A. Freeburg, F. M. Hoskins, P. J. Meyer, R. S. Towne, John L. Larson, F. L. Conklin, J. A. Graham, E. A. Hughes, L. P. Baker, George W. Newton, Henry Tatley, John Homan, P. B. Webb, Frank G. Grambs, P. C. Remington, C. Bertsch, Jr., Mrs. Harvey Harris, Kinches & Haney, E. P. Quain, C. A. Finch Lumber Co., E. H. L. Vesperman, C. E. Stackhouse, William F. Jones, E. O. Gunderson, C. L. Young, T. R. Arkin, Carl B. E. Jones, George Gussner, George W. Little, Price Owens, D. L. Boynton, N. O. Ramstad, Orris W. Roberts, G. C. Wachtler, J. J. McKenna, Bismarck Trust Co., P. E. Byrne, Carl Pedersen, L. A. Schipfer, A. A. Jones, George Russ.

The above list is not complete, as it was impossible last evening to obtain a report on all of the petitions which are now in circulation. A number of the large corporations which have not yet signed have signified their willingness to do so as soon as a petition can be presented to the proper officials.  
**Where Petitions Can Be Signed.**  
Petitions are open for the signatures of affected property-holders at the following places: First National bank, Bismarck bank, Lahr Motor Co., F. L. Conklin's, Orris W. Roberts, A. P. Lenhart's, City National bank, Hoskins, French & Welch's, G. C. Wachtler's, Commercial club, Grand Pacific hotel.

Any member of the Commercial club streets committee—W. E. Lahr, Carl Pedersen and G. C. Wachtler—will gladly accommodate property-holders desiring to help the good work along.  
There is no longer any question as to the success of this project, the biggest, the most vital and the most pregnant with promise, which Bismarck ever has undertaken. If everyone who is interested pitches in and helps, the work will be completed this week, and the petitions will go to the city commission at its next meeting. If sufficient help is not forthcoming, the comparatively few men who have been doing the work to date will be compelled to work so much the harder.

**What Commission Will Do.**  
The commission is committed to a paving plan. Upon the receipt of the petition, the commission will assume charge of the detail work which to date has been handled by the Commercial club committees. The paving district will be established; preliminary work necessary will be ordered done, and then bids will be advertised for, as required by law. Paving is one item of public improvement in which the property-owners have every thing to say. If they wish to pave their streets with twenty-dollar gold-pieces, there is none to say them nay. If they prefer a cheaper, perhaps more durable material, "it is up to them."

Bids probably will be called for on the following five materials, whose approximate price per square yard is also given: Vitrified brick, \$2.75; creosoted blocks, \$2.65; bitulithic, \$2.20; bituminous concrete, \$2.00; concrete, \$1.75.  
**Easy to Investigate.**  
Bismarck property holders need not go outside the state to determine the relative value of these several types of paving. Mandan, Minot, Grand Forks and Fargo have on exhibition samples of these various materials which have been in service a number years. The main street in Mandan is paved with bitulithic. Brick and creosoted block have been used in both Fargo and Grand Forks, as have sandstone, bitulithic, bituminous concrete and plain concrete.  
The Northern Pacific roadway in

## Bismarck Churches Offer Elaborate Services for Celebration of Easter

Special Music Will Feature the Morning and Evening Programs.



George E. Hood.

George E. Hood, of Goldsboro, N. C., quit school early to earn his living as telegraph messenger boy. Soon he learned the key and became an operator. He studied law at night and was admitted to the bar at the age of 31. In less than ten years he went to Washington to serve his first term as representative of the Third North Carolina district, after having been elected to several local offices. He is a Democrat.

## GEN. SCOTT CONCLUDES HIS INVESTIGATION

Has Gone Over All Reports With Funston and Is Informed of Conditions.

**MORE TROOPS CROSS INTERNATIONAL LINE**

San Antonio, April 22.—Major General Hugh L. Scott had practically concluded late today the mission on which he was sent here by the secretary of war and the departmental headquarters. It was said he probably would leave tomorrow for Washington.

Since his arrival here last night, Gen. Scott has been with Gen. Funston almost constantly. Together they have read such reports as came from the base at Columbus, from officers along the lines of communication, and from Gen. Pershing. None of these indicated fresh activity by the American troops, but preparation for attack was indicated and Gen. Scott gained at first-hand an idea of the defensive attitude the punitive expedition has assumed.

**Comprehensive Report.**  
General Scott explained that the secretary had sent him here for a more comprehensive report of the situation than it had been possible to receive over the telegraph wires, and that the minute his work was completed he would leave for Washington. As to the conclusion he had reached and the nature of the report he would make he was non-committal. He was asked if it had been decided to withdraw the troops and replied:  
"We have not reached a conclusion." He nodded his head toward Gen. Funston, when he said "we."

**More Troops for Mexico.**  
The crossing of additional American troops into Mexico from Columbus today caused a feeling of approaching dismay among Mexican officials in Juarez, who were previously convinced that Gen. Pershing's expedition was on the point of withdrawal. Gen. Gavia, the Juarez commander, was frank in his expressions of concern.

"The additional troops sent into Mexico may be merely intended as a preliminary step in the concentration of his columns at three or four points, a move which will enable him to evacuate the more dangerous points of occupation with a minimum of delay after he receives his orders from Washington."  
**Renewed Anxiety.**  
Renewed anxiety was shown here today over the grave condition in Mexico. Carranza money suffered another decline today, being quoted in a local broker's office at one and three-

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APPROPRIATE SERMONS HAVE BEEN PREPARED

Pontifical High Mass Will Be Celebrated at St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral.

**BRIGHT EASTER SUNDAY.**  
Washington, April 22.—A fair Easter Sunday for most of the country was promised tonight by the Weather Bureau. Only for New England and interior New York were showers forecasted.

Special musical programs will feature the Easter services in the various capital city churches today. Many of the churches will be adorned with lilies and other Easter flowers in keeping with the day.  
At the Baptist church the choir, under the direction of Mrs. C. C. Stein, with Miss Ethel McKenzie at the piano, will give Ira E. Wilson's cantata, "The First Easter," during the evening service. The programs for the morning and evening services follow:

**Morning Worship—10:30.**  
Anthem—"Christ Our Passover"—Wilson.  
Doxology (standing).  
Invocation (standing).  
Gloria Patri (standing).  
Hymn 85.  
Hymn 89.  
Response—"Lord Hear Our Petition"—Lorenz.  
Anthem—"Easter Praise"—Kirkpatrick.  
Solo—"Fear Not Ye, O Israel!"—Buck, Mr. O'Hare.  
Anthem—"Jesus Bless Us"—Wilson.

**Evening Worship—8:00.**  
Processional.  
Hymn 27.  
Prayer, with Response by Chorus.  
Cantata—"The First Easter." Under direction of Mrs. C. C. Stein.  
Chorus, "Silent the Sleeping Town."  
Contraalto Solo, "In the Garden"—Mrs. P. A. Messel.  
Soprano Solo and Chorus, "Shall Heavy Rocks"—Miss Nellie Hoard and Chorus.  
Soprano Solo, "The Break of Day"—Mrs. H. F. O'Hare.  
Bass Solo, Women's Chorus and Choir, "As It Egan to Dawn"—P. A. Messel and Chorus.  
Soprano Solo, "Hail Glorious Morn"—Miss Hoard.  
Choral, "Our Lord Is Risen."  
Soprano Solo and Chorus, "All Hail"—Mrs. R. Bangor and Chorus.  
Bass Solo—"Lo, I Am With You Always"—Mrs. Bangor and Chorus.  
Final Chorus, "Christ Is Risen"—Mr. Eckes and Chorus.  
Benediction.

Music at the Presbyterian church will be furnished by a double quartet, composed of Mrs. J. P. French, Mrs. B. W. Stevenson, sopranos; Miss Strieb, Miss Johnson, contraltos; J. Johnson, J. R. Hughes, tenors; W. B. Stevenson and George Humphreys, basses, with Miss Mabel Wright at the organ during the morning services and Mrs. G. R. Squire at the evening service. Following is the program:

**Morning—10:30.**  
Organ—Easter Processional—Wilson.  
Choir—Unto Him Be Glory—Hart-sough.  
Solo—Come Unto Me—Coenen, Mrs. H. H. Stee.  
Choir Response—Surely Goodness and Mercy—Bullard.  
Violin Solo—Selected—Paul Graham.

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**TWO DROWN IN RED RIVER AT DRAYTON, N. D.**

Drayton, N. D., April 22.—Harry Emanuelson, aged 22, a farmer of Robin, Minn., and one of his employes, Arthur Gilmore, aged 20, were drowned this afternoon, while attempting to cross the Red river from Drayton to Robin, in a rowboat. The boat was capsized by a sudden gust of wind. Emanuelson sank immediately. Gilmore clung to the boat for some time, but finally became exhausted and sank. The third member of the party, S. Johnson of Robin, succeeded in hanging to the overturned craft until help arrived.

**PROGRESSIVES WIN SEATS IN LOUISIANA**

New Orleans, La., April 22.—Unofficial, but practically complete returns from last Tuesday's election indicated that the membership of the next legislative assembly will include 18 progressives. According to the returns, the house will be composed of 105 democrats and 13 progressives, and the senate, 36 democrats and 5 progressives.

## WILSON TO REPORT ON WITHDRAWAL

President and Cabinet May Reach Decision Next Tuesday.

**NEED MORE TROOPS TO CONTINUE PURSUIT**

No Reason to Believe Administration Has Changed Viewpoint.

Washington, April 22.—A decision as to whether troops will be withdrawn from Mexico may be reached by President Wilson and his cabinet Tuesday. This was indicated tonight when it was reported from San Antonio that Major Gen. Scott, sent by Secretary Baker to investigate the military problem, confronted by Gen. Funston and his men, might be back in Washington in time for his report to be laid before the regular meeting of the cabinet on that day.

Secretary Baker declined to discuss the probable meaning of Gen. Scott's decision to hasten back to the capital without extending his quest for information beyond conferences with Gen. Funston and his officers at the department headquarters.

It is known, however, that Gen. Funston feels that he cannot go farther with the pursuit of Villa than he already has gone, unless he is heavily reinforced and his hand freed, to some extent at least, with dealing with problems of supply and information beyond the border. Gen. Scott's decision to return at once, generally, was taken to mean the same conclusion and would so report to Secretary Baker.

In this connection, it is recalled that President Wilson specifically rejected plans for a more extensive movement in pursuit of Villa mapped out by the general staff after the Columbus raid.

There is no reason to believe that the administration has changed its viewpoint. If Gen. Scott recommends that the expedition either be freed of the restraints imposed by its friendly nature and largely reinforced, or withdrawn entirely, there seems little doubt that the latter course will be followed.

Military officials on the border apparently take the same view of the situation. They already have estimated, according to press dispatches, that Gen. Pershing's men could be brought out in ten days without being exposed to serious danger of attack enroute.

Secretary Baker gave out no dispatch from the border today.

**Col. C. B. Little Elected President; C. L. Young Chosen Secretary.**

**SITE COMMITTEE NAMED LAST NIGHT**

The members of the recently appointed library board met last evening in Mr. Little's office in the First National bank and proceeded to organize for business. All members were present.

The first thing on the program was to settle the terms of the various members. Lots were drawn to ascertain who should serve the one year terms. This fell to George Will; the two-year terms fell to C. B. Little and C. L. Young, and the two three-year terms fell to Mrs. E. G. Patterson and Otto Holta.

**Elect Officers.**  
The members of the board then proceeded to elect officers for the ensuing year: President, C. B. Little; secretary, C. L. Young. A committee was appointed by the chair to investigate the building and site proposition. Messrs. Holta and Will were placed on this committee and will make its report at the next meeting of the board, which will probably be in the course of the next two weeks.

**Informally Discussed Plans.**  
The board informally discussed the site and building proposition and also other matters pertinent to the establishment of the new Carnegie library in Bismarck. The matter will be more fully taken up at the next meeting, which will be called by President Little.

**THE WEATHER**  
North Dakota: Fair Sunday and Monday; not much change in temperature.

## FEROCIOUSLY FIGHTING ON VERDUN FRONT

Dead Man's Hill Objective of German Assaulting Columns.

**FRENCH GAINED SOME GROUND**

Turks Claim to Have Killed 4,500 English in Battle on the Tigris.

London, April 22.—Hard fighting has been in progress in the Verdun region and heavy forces have been thrown into the battle on both sides, but the changes of ground have not been noticeably great.

The struggle seems to have been most intense in the region of Dead Man's hill, northwest of the fortress, where French and Germans have taken turns in launching offenses. Neither side claiming gains as a result. Paris admits that the Germans secured a foothold in some of the new French trenches, but declares the ground previously lost was afterward all regained.

**Berlin Concedes French Gain.**  
Berlin concedes a French gain in the Caurettes Wood, just to the west of the Meuse, where trenches have frequently changed hands. Toward the northern end of the western battle line the British have succeeded in regaining a part of the ground recently lost to the north of Ypres, their attack resulting in the recapture of about 200 yards of the 609 yards captured by the Germans on April 19.

The Russian troops which landed at Marseilles on Thursday are already on their way north, presumably to the fighting front, passing through the city of Lyons on Saturday. They were given an enthusiastic greeting all along the route.

**War in East Africa.**  
The British campaign against German East Africa is being vigorously waged and with General Smutz in command, has reported the occupation of Guemetz and Salanga, which places the advance of the expeditionary forces some 100 miles inside the border of the German colony.

The Turkish account of the battle of April 17 on the Tigris declares the British were defeated with loss of more than 4,000 in killed and wounded.

**Turks Defeat English.**  
The Turks captured the positions previously taken by the British, with the capture of a few guns and some prisoners. A subsequent attack on April 19 was repulsed.

Constantinople reports a flight of 200 miles over the desert by a Turkish aeroplane, which successfully bombarded a British camp at El Kana on the Suez canal and returned safely. The American note to Germany has been sent to army headquarters, where it is in the hands of Emperor William and Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg, and the chief of the general staff. The note was printed in the afternoon papers of Saturday.

The casualty list shows that the British lost 372 killed, 690 wounded, and 44 missing in March, a total of 1,106. The losses in officers since the commencement of hostilities total 25,032. Of these 7,792 were killed or died of wounds, 15,438 were wounded, and 1,803 are missing.

A Norwegian bark (name not given) was an Exchange Telegraph Co. dispatch, was sunk by a German submarine. The crew was landed.

**SLAYER SUSPECT DENIES CHARGE**  
Cooperstown, N. D., April 22.—George Myers, who is being held here for the murder of Ed Lundmark at Sutton, denies he is guilty, and insists he is "being jobbed." John Sande, who was stabbed in the same fight, is recovering.

**DR. PENCE IS IMPROVING.**  
Minot, April 22.—Dr. J. R. Pence who was operated upon for appendicitis, at a local hospital Monday night, is recovering rapidly, according to the attending physician. This will be good news to a host of friends who sincerely hope to see the doctor out and about again soon.

## TENTATIVE PLANS MADE FOR ANY POSSIBLE CHANGE IN RELATIONS WITH GERMANY

**AMERICAN BIRDMEN FLYING FOR FRANCE**



Top to bottom, Sergeant Norman Prince, Sergeant Elliott Cowdin and Lieut. William Thaw.

An appeal, sanctioned by the French government, has been made to American birdmen to join the Franco-American flying corps. Three members of this corps, who have highly honored by the French government, are shown above.

**SIX PRISONERS DIG TUNNEL AND ESCAPE**

One Captured by Sheriff's Posse Others Are Still at Large.

Kankakee, Ill., April 22.—Six prisoners, charged with felonious crimes, participated in a daring jail delivery here tonight, at 6:45 o'clock, and five of them succeeded in eluding a large posse, headed by Sheriff Bothfur, which started shortly afterward in pursuit.

Alfred Hunter, a negro, awaiting trial on a charge of attempted murder, was captured shortly before ten o'clock. The prisoners, who included Gus Penman, Jesse Brown, Joseph Burns, Frank Miller, Charles Johnson and Hunter, effected their escape by digging through three layers of a brick wall with a steel sial from one of the bunks in the cell. The sheriff was at dinner at the time and knew nothing of the escape until notified by a woman "trusty," who heard the noise of the prisoners getting out and saw them crawling through the aperture in the prison wall. The jail was occupied in another section of the prison at the time. Penman, who is supposed to have led the prisoners, was convicted in Champaign county of murdering his chum, Harold Shaw, and was convicted to life imprisonment, but was granted a new trial by the supreme court. Taking a change of venue, he was brought to this city for a second trial, which was to have begun on May 21. Both Penman and his victim are said to be members of wealthy families in Champaign county. At a late hour tonight nothing had been learned of the five prisoners who are at liberty.

**JOINS DEMONSTRATION.**  
Washington, April 22.—President Wilson joined in a patriotic demonstration on the submarine issue, during a vaudeville program at a theatre here tonight.

## BERLIN IS SURPRISED AT TONE OF NOTE

Did Not Expect Wilson to Send an Ultimatum in Controversy.

**WASHINGTON IS IN STATE OF SUSPENSE**

Officials Confident That Crisis Will Be Passed by This Week.

Washington, April 22.—The United States government has made tentative plans to cope with every conceivable situation which would result from the severance of diplomatic relations with Germany. For reasons they indicated were obvious, officials tonight deemed it unwise to discuss the details.

There is reason for believing, however, that some of the plans have to do with the safety of American citizens in the German empire, and that others have to do with American supervision of German interests in the countries at war with Germany.

**Confidential Dispatches.**  
Numerous dispatches on these subjects are understood to have been sent to diplomatic representatives abroad, particularly to Ambassador Gerard at Berlin. The dispatches are regarded as being highly confidential, and for that reason, information concerning them is unavailable here.

Among dispatches received by Ambassador Gerard within the past two days was one describing the manner in which the American note, declaring the purpose of the United States to break relations unless Germany modifies her submarine methods, was received by German officials. It is understood the ambassador reported German officials as being greatly surprised at the demands of the American government. Mr. Gerard is said to have gathered, at least, an impression that the foreign office had no idea that the communication would be as drastic or as final as it was.

**Not Optimistic.**  
The general feeling here tonight, apparently, was not at all optimistic regarding the outcome. In the absence of further information regarding advice from Ambassador Gerard, the day's press dispatches were read closely. There were indications in them that there might be dealings or request for additional information. It is well understood, however, that the United States, under no consideration, will permit delays and discussion, unless it is preceded by a declaration from Germany that she has modified her submarine warfare as to bring it within the scope of international law.

**Officials Confident.**  
In the meantime, the situation in Washington remains one of tense expectancy. Officials are confident that before this time next week, the issue will have been settled, that the United States will feel certain the safety of innocent non-combatants on the high seas is assured, or steps for a diplomatic break will have been taken.

Among the foreign diplomats here, the effect of a break between the United States and Germany is a topic of wide interest.  
In regard to Austria, however, much is considered to depend upon the answer made by the Vienna government to the American inquiry regarding the attack on the Russian bark Imperator, carrying two American citizens, one of whom was injured by shrapnel fire. Ambassador Penfield was directed to make the inquiry early this week.

**CALLS ON VON JAGOW.**  
Berlin, April 22.—James W. Gerard, the American Ambassador, called on Foreign Minister von Jagow this evening and was closeted with him for almost an hour. Their discussion was of an informative nature. Imperial Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg will return to Berlin tomorrow (Sunday) morning, but a reply to the American note need not be expected for several days, possibly not before Wednesday.

**ASK AUTO TOUR SANCTION**  
North Dakota Motorists Compete With Minnesota for A. A. Favor.  
Fargo, N. D., April 22.—W. W. Smith, president of North Dakota Automobile association, wired the American Automobile association yesterday for official sanction for the proposed Twin Cities to Garden, Minn., automobile tour, July 22 to August 5.

The North Dakota association is bidding in competition with the Minnesota automobile association for the sanction.