

# MEDORA BRIDGE IS FORMALLY DEDICATED

## The Red Trail Highway Is In An Excellent Condition

### MEDORA BRIDGE DEDICATION IS GREAT SUCCESS

'Bridge That Boost Built' Formally Opened With Fitting Ceremonies.

3,000 WITNESS THE THRILLING FORMALITIES

Gov. Hanna and Other Prominent Men Give Stirring Addresses.

By G. D. MANN.

The Chalmers Bismarck press car, furnished by the Missouri Valley Motor Co., was the first car to pass westbound, over the bridge after its dedication.

Medora, N. D., July 24.—Here in the heart of the badlands, in picturesque Medora, full of romantic interest and frontier associations, the Red Trail bridge, built by popular subscription, was dedicated today before more than 3,000 people, most of whom motored from all points of the compass.

It was a fitting climax to a two hours' run from Dickinson through the badlands, over roads as smooth as a city pavement, and made doubly enjoyable by the sublime scenery that heged them in.

The ceremonies which formally opened to traffic the Red Trail bridge, "The Bridge that Boost Built," were typical of frontier days. Members of the sociability tour, as they dipped into the basin of the Little Missouri, upon which Medora is located, were received by the cowboys and cowgirls headed by the Hebron band. In their gay-colored handkerchiefs, wrapped about their necks, caps and other regalia of the cow-puncher and broncho-buster, the setting gave an atmosphere to the reception which had in it a touch of the regal way in which the Marquis de Mors and the other brave men of frontier days welcomed the "dudes" and "tenderfoots" of the east, of the land beyond the sagebrush of the land of the "biled" shirt and its sartorial non-comitants.

J. W. Foley, the nester of Medora, and W. L. Ray were masters of ceremony. Led by the band of cowboys, cowgirls, Governor Hanna's car and the cars that participated in the tour to Medora, the party moved out toward the Little Missouri, the scenes of De Morse, failures and triumphs to dedicate the bridge, the result of one of the most unique publicity campaigns ever inaugurated in North Dakota, and the second bridge in the United States to be built by popular subscription. The little town of Medora, of less than 200, contributed more than \$1,200 to its erection. Its cost was about \$20,000.

Mr. Foley, in a speech filled with history references and reminiscences, introduced Governor Hanna. Behind Mr. Foley rose the chimney of the De Morse cold storage and abattoir plant, where thousands were spent to realize the dream of the Marquis, to make Medora the packing center of the world and the land flanking the Little Missouri, the cattle range par excellence of the world. Beyond on the hill, plainly in sight of the three-span bridge, is the De Morse ranch house, in which the furniture and other trappings are the same as when Roosevelt and De Morse roamed the plains, built their arcades of a future empire and forded the Little Missouri long before a bridge was even hinted

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### NEGRO PORTERS MISS THAT SUNDAY CHICKEN DINNER.

Supt. Knud of this division of the Pullman service came to Bismarck the middle of last week and arranged a fine dining service for the negro porters here with the sleepers being kept for the troops.

The porters were tickled. They were living ideal lives of gentlemen of leisure—arising at 9 a. m., having breakfast plus one-half lunch at 9:30 and one-half lunch plus dinner at 4:30, retiring between midnight and 2 a. m.

Earlier in the game they had been anxious to have the soldiers get busy, but with the new regime inaugurated it was a different story. But, of course, just about then came the orders to move.

And the worst was that the porters missed a great big chicken-dinner planned for Sunday.

### WANTS WOMEN TO VOTE FOR HUGHES



MISS FRANCES KELLER

Miss Keller is chairman of the Women's National Committee of the Hughes Alliance and has undertaken the task of lining up the women of the United States for the former supreme court justice.

### OLNEY, ILL., BOY IN SAME FIX AS WAS WM. ORPET

Roy Hinterliter Held for Implication in Death of His Sweetheart.

### AUTOPSY SHOWS GIRL WAS IN DELICATE CONDITION

Olney, Ill., July 24.—Roy Hinterliter, son of a well to do farmer, is in jail here in connection with the death of his sweetheart, Miss Elizabeth Ratcliffe, age 17.

An inquest is to be held tomorrow. Hinterliter, after buggy riding Friday evening with the young woman, drove to a sanitarium here, holding the dead girl in his arms. He said she had complained of being ill and had fallen unconscious into his arms.

### RETURNS FROM TRIP.

John N. Forister of the Lahr Farm Loan company returned from a six weeks' trip to the southeastern part of Minnesota.

## British and French Fleet Cause Alarm for the Safe Return of the Deutschland

Norfolk, Va., July 24.—The appearance of a strange, allied warship off Cape Henry today led to rumors that a British and French fleet of considerable size was in the vicinity of the southern drill grounds, awaiting the departure of the German submarine merchantman, Deutschland, or the arrival of her sister ship, the Bremen.

The new warship is believed to be one of the new British battle cruisers. She has three funnels. Simultaneous with her appearance the four-funnelled warship, thought to be French, which has been patrolling just outside the three-mile limit for several days, struck out to the east and disappeared. The vessel which appeared today was the fourth of the allied navies that has been outside the cape within ten days.

Hold Communion Service. Baltimore, Md., July 24.—A communion service was held tonight aboard the interned North German-Lloyd steamer, Neckar, lying alongside the submarine, Deutschland, for the captain and crew of the submarine. Rev. Otto Apitz, German immigrant missionary, conducted the service. In his prayer he asked that the vessel and her crew might have a safe voyage home.

### BELIEVE BANDITS RESPONSIBLE FOR RECENT SHOOTING

General Bell Claims Six Outlaws Started Exchange of Shots.

THOROUGH PROBE WILL BE MADE

Mexican Generals Protest, Claiming Guardsmen Crossed the Border.

El Paso, July 24.—General Bell, commanding the El Paso district, tonight notified General Gonzales, in Juarez, that his reports indicated that six outlaws, Villistas sympathizers, had been responsible for the recent exchange of shots between the Massachusetts guardsmen and Mexicans south of the frontier. These outlaws, General Bell's information said, "have a rendezvous on the island,"—a bit of Mexican territory south of El Paso left on the river when it formed a new channel.

Both General Bell and General Gonzales tonight continued their investigation of last night's exchange of shots between outposts of the Ninth Massachusetts infantry, and reports that the Americans have crossed into Mexican territory. The two commanders exchanged views several times.

### Protest to Gen. Bell.

General Gonzales and Andreas Garcia, Mexican consul, announced that they had protested to General Bell against the conduct of the militia-men, who, they said, crossed into Mexican territory yesterday morning "in violation of Mexican rights," and last night shot up, without provocation, a number of homes on the Mexican side of the border.

### FOUR ARE SHOT BY MISTAKE BY GUARDS

San Antonio, Texas, July 24.—Four negro soldiers, members of the Eighth Illinois National Guard, were shot tonight by a squad of the guard that had come to the rescue of a white man the soldiers were attacking near the militia camp. None was seriously.

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### MAY PROSECUTE MEN WHO ASSIST PEN ESCAPES

Latest Developments in Prison Get Away Emphasizes Outside Help.

NEW CLOTHES CARRIED TO THE PRISONERS

Four Officers Still Out, But Five of Fight Inmates Are Yet at Liberty.

Latest developments in the penitentiary escape case emphasizes the fact that the eight men who Saturday crawled through a hole made in the brick wall of the institution must have had help from the outside.

The members of the board of control yesterday looked into the matter to find what action could be taken toward the detection and prosecution of the men who gave this aid.

### Three things that point strongly to outside help are:

1. The brick wall at the prison is reinforced by pillars on the outside. There is nothing on the inside to indicate where these pillars come. But the prisoners who dug the hole came within an inch of the pillar but did not strike it. Either the measurement from the tower to the pillar was taken on the outside and given to those on the inside to go by, or a hole was first broken through from the outside. Indications were that some of the work of opening the hole had been done from the outside, but most of it was done by the prisoners, for they carried the bricks 20 feet to the icehouse and there buried them, presumably so that if someone should pass by they would not find any traces of the project. They had an end board of a wagon to place against the hole if they were discovered.

J. J. King, the man who escaped on June 12, while working in the brickyard, and who was returned just a week before his second escape, told the prison officials that a machine met him on his former escape on a hill within a mile of the institution. This could not have been possible, officers point out, unless there was collusion with men not in the prison.

Saw Men Carrying Clothes. James A. Brown, member of the board of control, who because of the shortage of help, went himself in the searching party, in company with one of the prison officials, was told by a man they met on the road near the prison that, while he had not seen any man walking, he had passed an automobile from which two men took a bundle of clothes and started across a field. It is believed that in this way some or all of the men were able to change their clothes and thus make it much more difficult to get them.

Four Officers Still Out. Four of the officers are yet out hunting for the five men still at large.

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### OUR CARTOONET

#### TRAINING FOR THE CAMPAIGN



### KUROPATKIN, DEMOTED ONCE, NOW BIG MAN IN 'BEAR' DRIVE!



Gen. Alexei Nicholaevitch Kuropatkin, demoted after the Russo-Japanese war, today is one of the biggest figures in the Russian military family.

As commander of the right wing of the Russians he is pitting his military genius against that of Field Marshall von Hindenburg, the idol of all Germany, popularly called the "Man of Iron," and is making big gains.

Gen. Kuropatkin has always disliked display of pomp or magnificence, striving in the very height of his power to maintain the moral standing of his troops. He considers it a natural act of duty for one in command to influence his army to a man by setting a good example in his own manner of living.

The general is noted for his just dealing. Merit and bravery alone are considered by him in cases of promotion.

From the Mohammedans, among who he spent a long period of his life, he has acquired a touch of fatalism.

Although a wealthy man, Kuropatkin does not believe in the life of luxury. He lives the simple life of the soldier. He works hard and his theory is that thoroughness is the great essential to military success.

### LITTLE DAMAGE FROM ANY RUST SAYS R. F. FLINT

Commissioner of Agriculture and Labor Returns From Trip With Good Report.

### ESTIMATES WHEAT CROP AT 100,000,000 BUSHELS

No extensive damage has been done by red rust in North Dakota and there is no evidence of black rust, said R. F. Flint, commissioner of agriculture and labor, who returned to his office today after a trip of inspection which included practically the entire state.

"We will have fully as good a crop as the average for the last ten years," says Mr. Flint. "We will not have as good a crop as last year's banner one. We estimate the wheat yield at 100,000,000, 50,000,000 less than that of 1915.

Heat Did Damage. "The intense heat did some damage. The straw is shorter and so are the heads than they would have been if they had not been prematurely ripened. Normally it would be two weeks before harvest, but if we have warm weather the farmers will be in the fields much sooner.

"Corn has been growing rapidly the

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### THROUGHS VISIT BODY OF LATE HOOSIER POET

Thousands of Admiring Friends Pay Last Tribute to James Whitcomb Riley.

### ESTIMATES WHEAT CROP AT 100,000,000 BUSHELS

ARE NOT COMPLETED

Indianapolis, Ind., July 24.—Thousands of men, women and children, admirers of the work of James Whitcomb Riley, the Hoosier poet, passed before the casket in which his body lay in state in the capitol late this afternoon and early tonight.

The crowds had assembled long before the state house opened, at 3:00 p. m., and although about 75 persons a minute were admitted to the building at first, and more later, the waiting throngs became greater as evening approached.

The casket was covered with three floral designs. They were the state and city emblems and one from a friend.

No Funeral Arrangements. Definite funeral arrangements had not been made early this evening, as Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Payne of New York, sister of the poet, had not made known her desires. The other relatives are waiting to hear from her before taking final action. The burial will be either in Indianapolis or

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### ALLIES WIN IN FIGHT FOR VILLAGE

Australians Reported to Have Defeated Germans at Bapume.

VICIOUS FIGHTING ALL AROUND LINE

Berlin Asserts That Reports of British Success Are Exaggerated.

At Pozieres, the Australians are still fighting furiously with the Germans for possession of the village, of and the head of the road leading from Bapume, and the greater part of the village now is reported to be in the Australians' hands. There has been a diminution in the vicious fighting which began Saturday night along the British front from Blishep to Guillemont.

A condition of comparative calm prevails south of the Somme, where the only fighting reported—and that a minor engagement—resulted in the French capturing a German battery south of Estres. Eastward, in the Verdun region, the French have occupied a German redoubt west of Thiamont, taking with it five machine guns and two score prisoners.

Berlin, Minutemen, Gains. Berlin still asserts the only result of the British attack Sunday, along the Thiepval-Guillemont line, was the penetration of a few houses in the village of Pozieres, and that the Australians obtained these only after suffering sanguinary losses.

That German troops have been removed from the Verdun front for the Somme operations is apparent, from the statement that Brandenburg's grenadiers, of Douaumont fame, defeated the British in the fight Sunday at Longueval.

### Big Gains Not Official.

Although unofficial reports have credited to the Russians big gains against the Germans in the Riga region of Russia, neither the Petrograd nor the Berlin communications have as yet recorded an important change in the Terran theater.

Petrograd claims the dislodgment of the Germans in the Galitchka village, on the Lipra river, in Volhynia, while Berlin says that near the Galician border, in southern Volhynia, strong attacks by the Russians against the German lines were repulsed. Emperor William is reported to have left the French front to observe the operations in the east.

### Gain Against Turks.

The Russians have made further progress against the Turks in the Erzingen region of Turkish Armenia, while the Turks report that they have gained fresh successes over the Russians.

The Italians in the Asteco and Arizo region of the Austro-Italian theater, reports contained advances against the Austrians.

Premier Asquith has asked parliament for an additional credit vote of 450,000 pounds, the largest requested since the beginning of the war.

### TWO KILLED WHEN LADDER BREAKS

Minneapolis, July 24.—Two men were killed and eight injured today when a 75-foot ladder, on which the men were descending from the Soo Line terminal elevator, under construction here, broke.

Peter Johnson, address unknown, was killed outright, and J. Smith, of Minneapolis, died on the way to a hospital. It is believed that all the injured will recover.

### SOLDIERS OF FIRST TOOK THEIR HOUSEWIVES ALONG TO THE FRONT

The boys of the First Regiment, North Dakota National Guard, took their housewives along with them to the border.

They treasured their almost above everything else, because they were the gift of friend, sweetheart, wife or mother. They were little kids containing first aid to the injured, clothes, needles, thread, buttons, tin scissors and so forth, but the militiamen refer to them only as "housewives."