

THE TRIBUNE

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LOCAL WEATHER BULLETIN. For the 24 hours ending at 12:00, noon, Dec. 28, 1916.

Table with columns for Location and Temperature. Locations include Calgary, Chicago, Galveston, Havre, Helena, Kansas City, Moorhead, Pierre, Prince Albert, St. Paul, Williston, Winnipeg, Swift Current.

FIRE LADDIES.

Special mention is due the city fire department for the efficient manner in which they fought the flames that threatened the east portion of the city Wednesday morning.

The conditions under which the fire "laddies" worked were unusual and severe in the extreme. But they were up at the tap of the gong and on the job before the fire gained great headway.

Everyone knows the odds the fire fighters had to combat. The loss was insignificant when it is considered that the flames were fanned by a wind blowing thirty-eight to forty miles an hour.

Catching up with your work is another way of saying, "being behind." VANGUARD ARRIVING.

Bismarck is prepared to handle this session of the legislature better than any since statehood. The prime necessity at a time like this is hotel facilities.

These increased facilities, together with the Grand Pacific, The Bismarck and The Soo, should be adequate to care for the crowds that will attend this session, probably the most unique in the history of the state.

Wednesday's fire was a complete test of the new booster pumps installed recently to increase the water pressure in case of fire.

Arguments in favor of a state budget are many. North Dakota is just inaugurating the system and the legislature to assemble next week will be the first one to receive orderly information as to the needs of the various state departments from a budget board.

Multiple time will be saved. The legislative committees instead of wasting many days in hearing the various institutions and departments will have all these estimates before them.

time for constructive legislation unmarred by the usual log-rolling and pork hunting proclivities. Of course, the budget drawn up by the present commission will be revised and overhauled by the legislature and the new department heads who assume office next Tuesday, but even if the system alone is successfully inaugurated much will have been gained over the former hit and miss procedure.

Senator Kretschmar, a member of the commission, is a holdover in the senate, and probably by virtue of his membership will be assigned to the appropriations committee. At least, he should be a member of the committee if Lieutenant Governor Kraebel desires to expedite business.

The rapid increase in the amount and importance of state expenditures is a potent argument in favor of the budget system. Illinois found that her expenditures rose from \$16,000,000 in 1905 to \$46,000,000 in 1915.

Looks as if our diplomacy needs lancing! LANSING'S BLUNDER.

William Jennings Bryan's idle chatter to Dumba about the significance to be placed upon Wilson's notes, was not as damaging as Lansing's recent indiscretion. The nation was hardly prepared for the warning that it was near the verge of war.

The old-fashioned wall of China wouldn't be so bad if moved to the Mexican border. At least President Wilson's note has made peace, for the time being, a more talked of topic than war.

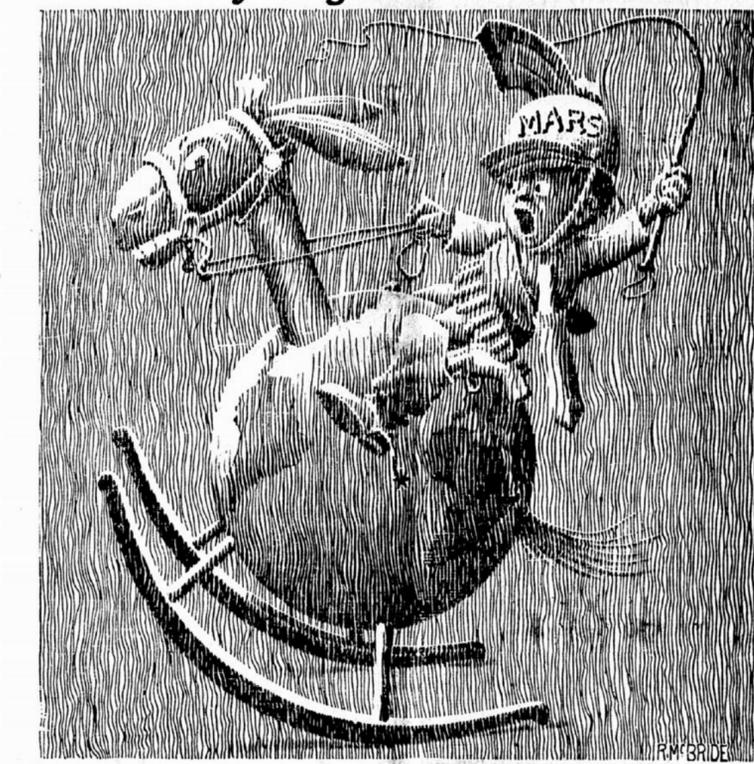
The Lady Next Door spotted Mark Twain's "Pudd'n'-head Wilson" on our living-room table. "Huh!" said she. "Doesn't he like Wilson?"

Secretary Lansing has been strangely silent since his "on the verge of war" interview. It would seem that the administration is afflicted with too many spokesmen.

FROM RAMSEY COUNTY. Gram Construction Company, a Corporation, Plaintiff and Respondent, vs. Minneapolis, St. Paul & Sault Ste. Marie Ry. Co., a Foreign Corporation, Defendant and Appellant.

Where the fee in a public street is owned by the adjacent lot owner, and the constitution provides that no property shall be taken or damaged for a public use without just compensation, the spur track of a railway company is a burden or servitude upon the interests of the lot owner, and damages may be recovered for the depreciation in the value of the lot, even though the plaintiff does not seek specifically to recover damages for the value of his interest in the street.

His Plaything for Another Year?



Judgment for plaintiff, Defendant appeals. Affirmed. Opinion of the court by Bruce, J.

Brennan & Brennan, of Devils Lake, (Theo. Koffel, of Bismarck, of counsel on appeal), attorneys for plaintiff and respondent.

Flynn & Traynor, of Devils Lake, with A. H. Bright and John L. Erdall, of Minneapolis, Minn., of counsel, attorneys for defendant and appellant.

TRITT HARRIS FOUND FROZEN TO DEATH IN CABIN ON SOUTH SIDE

Thought To Have Perished in the Storm of Tuesday—Found Lying on His Bed

An open door in a little log cabin on Eighth street south, with snow drifted in, last night excited the curiosity of Mrs. Walter Cater, resident of that part of the city, who, upon glancing in, saw the body of a man lying on top of a bed.

Notifying Chief of Police Downing, who called Deputy Sheriff Welch, an investigation disclosed the frozen body of Tritt Harris, colored, for more than 30 years a resident of Bismarck, and a familiar figure on the streets. He had evidently been dead 24 hours preceding the discovery of the body, perishing some time Tuesday.

At the direction of Coroner Anton Beer, the body was ordered removed to the Webb undertaking establishment to be prepared for burial. An inquest was not necessary.

M'KAIG REACHES CITY

Enforcement League Will Meet With Few Favors, He Says—Langer Enforcement Agent. The North Dakota Enforcement league will find few favors from the Fifteenth Legislative assembly, in the opinion of Ray McKaig, prominent in Non-partisan affairs of the state and a recent arrival in the Capital City, who stated last night that the new administration will not look to the Enforcement league to enforce the prohibition laws of the state, with such a man as William Langer as attorney general.

HAGAN'S CHIEF DEPUTY FORMER SUPERINTENDENT STARK COUNTY SCHOOLS

Lloyd Rader of Dickinson, Took Deep Interest in Agricultural Lines—Purchased Farm

Dickinson, N. D., Dec. 28.—Lloyd Rader, chief deputy to J. M. Hagan, commissioner of agriculture and labor, goes to Bismarck well equipped for his new duties. He came from Stark county 15 years ago, having been engaged as principal of the Taylor school.

He was very successful as an instructor and was subsequently elected county superintendent of schools, serving acceptably for two terms. During this time he took a deep interest in agriculture and saw great possibilities in the farming business, became the owner of a large tract of land just north of this city, and started a milk dairy some years ago, supplying a large number of customers here. His farm is well equipped for dairying, having a silo and other modern appliances. A competent man will be left in charge of the farm.

Mr. Rader left for Bismarck Thursday and as soon as possible will get a house. His wife, daughter and son will join him at the Capital City.

RETURNS AFTER OPERATION

Sheriff Craig of Lisbon, Recently Operated on at Rochester, Convalescing Here. Sheriff Craig of Lisbon, one of the best known sheriffs in the state, recently operated on at Rochester, Minn., for an acute case of appendicitis, arrived in the city the first of the week and is a guest at the McKenzie hotel.

Sheriff Craig is a son of Rev. R. H. Craig of Dickinson, who was formerly chaplain in the state senate, and will probably return to Lisbon the latter part of this week.

MANDAN DEPOT DRENCHED

Fire Broke Out at 12:30 This Noon in Telegraph Office. Damage About \$100 (Special to The Tribune.) Mandan, N. D., Dec. 28.—Fire caused by an over-heated radiator, broke out in the telegraph office at the passenger station at 12:30 o'clock this noon, causing about \$100 damage. The station was heavily drenched.

HAMILTON IS AT LARGE

Montana Who Shot Fat Savage and Wife Is Believed to Have Made For the Canadian Line. Crosby, N. D., Dec. 28.—William Hamilton, who shot Mr. and Mrs. Pat Savage, his neighbors, Monday night, at Culbertson, Mont., has succeeded to date in thwarting arrest. Montana officials believe he has made for the Canadian line.

Without any provocation, as far as officials can learn, Hamilton entered the Savage yard and fired at Mrs. Savage, the shot striking her face. Several penetrated the left eye-ball and will result in the loss of sight in that eye.

NIGHT AND DAY SERVICE

Man Stationed at Booster Pump House Ready at a Second's Notice to Serve the City.

George Doorley, superintendent of the Bismarck Water Supply company, has a man stationed at the booster pump station day and night, ready to put the pumps in operation on a second's notice.

Before firemen reached scene of Wednesday's \$50,000 fire on Seventh street and Main, the man in the station had the pumps working, ready to supply high pressure to combat the flames.

TRAIN SERVICE IMPROVES

Passenger service over the Northern Pacific and the Soo got down to normal conditions today, trains Nos. 7 and 8 over the Northern Pacific arriving on time. No. 5 put into Bismarck at 2:30 o'clock and No. 4 at 4 o'clock.

Soo train No. 255 from the east, due at 3:40 o'clock, was reported an hour late at noon. Train No. 260, due at 5:50 from Minot, is reported several hours late.

AVALANCHE WIPES OUT ALPINE TOWN

Berne, Dec. 28.—The destruction of the village of Champerry, a tourist resort in the Canton Vallais, is threatened by the sudden onset of a number of avalanches, coupled with a landslide. Several houses have been crushed, and the whole population has evacuated the village.

An avalanche has swept away many Alpine huts near Simplon pass, killing two men, and many cattle.

POOR CROPS.

(Associated Press) Washington, Dec. 28.—Argentine's grain harvest this year will be one of the poorest the country ever has seen, due to injury by drought and locust. Cereal prices in the Republic are the highest ever known.

What Will Be Scenes in Peace Drama

Prof. Shepherd, Famous Historian Tells Probable Steps if Nations Get Together

URGES RESTORATION OF POLAND AS BUFFER

International Court of Arbitration To Settle Disputes Between World Powers

By KENNETH W. PAYNE.

New York, Dec. 28.—What will be the probable synopsis of scenes in the great drama of the world's march toward peace which now seems to be unravelling before our eyes? Will a conference of the belligerents be held? Will Uncle Sam sit in on such a conference? What are the probable steps before and after the conference in question? These were the questions of vital interest to every spectator of contemporary world history which I took to one of the real authorities in this country on the methods and history of international conferences.

An Authority. Prof. William R. Shepherd, head of the department of history in Columbia university, has himself been a delegate to several important international conferences and has been one of the most clear spoken and impartial critics in America of the international complications arising from the European war.

I asked Prof. Shepherd whether the proceedings of this historic peace conference were likely to be secret. "There would probably be greater publicity about its action than in the case of any preceding conference," was his answer. "Let me say the greatest use of this war has been a tremendous advertisement of the evils and utter futility of war. All the agencies of communication and publicity have made known the detailed horrors of war in every corner of the world. The minds of all people have been so deeply stirred by this that they will demand just as great publicity in the peace discussions.

"It is hard to say how long the peace conference will last. Within the last century no conference has lasted longer than a year and usually matters have been determined within six months.

"Of the necessary steps toward peace," said Prof. Shepherd, "three have already been taken. Germany has proposed peace and Great Britain has replied in a manner less truculent at heart than a superficial reading of Lloyd George's speech indicates. Both these efforts were directly made to enlist the sympathy and support of the United States and now President Wilson has responded.

"Exchange of Notes. "Evidently Wilson is requesting the nations to make some statement of their terms. These statements could, I think, be made more advantageously in peace conference than elsewhere. I should not be surprised to see a long interchange of notes however before a conference is arranged. I think though Germany will reply to Lloyd George in a mild way, thus permitting further negotiations, culminating in the conference perhaps after several months.

"A few of the more important things which should be done at the conference are, in my opinion, the following: "Belgium should be restored and compensated for her losses, the amount of such compensation to be adjudicated by neutral nations.

"All occupied territories in Europe and Africa should be evacuated and Poland erected as a buffer state.

"The conference should re-establish the Balkan states but along more precise boundaries determined by ethic and economic lines.

"Equality of Opportunity. "Germany should be granted equality of opportunity in the economic development of the Ottoman empire.

"A method of abolishing the so-called spheres of influence should be agreed upon; the struggle for possession of these areas inhabited by people not of European stock having been a fruitful source of international conflict.

COUSIN JACK TO SERVE IN SENATE

Thomas Pendray, Senator From 23rd District, Was Born in Cornwall

The Fifteenth Legislative assembly will be composed of all races and one Cousin Jack.

And aforesaid Cousin Jack, one Thomas Pendray of Jamestown, is a legion unto himself. A Cousin Jack, he it known, is a native of Cornwall, second cousin to Lloyd George's people, and distant cousin to the world, wherefore the sobriquet which has accompanied them into every mining camp on the globe. This particular Cousin Jack also is a full cousin to Tom Hall, secretary of state. They were raised together, and lowered together, in Keeweenaw county, Mich., where copper farming is done all the way to a mile underground.

Senator Pendray was 7 years old when he left his birthplace at Cambridge, Cornwall, and accompanied his parents to Central Mine, Mich. There he grew to manhood and after the fashion of generations of ancestors became a crackerjack miner. In 1880 Johnson Pendray, father of the present statesman, migrated with many other Michigan Copper Country Cornishmen to Stutsman county, and the elder Pendray settled upon the homestead where Senator Pendray still lives.

Thomas Pendray, when the hard times came in 1889, returned to Michigan and resumed his trade as a miner, laboring throughout the winter in the Tamarack mine, more than a mile deep—the biggest hole for depth in the world. His earnings were sent back to the Stutsman county homestead, where they served to keep famine at bay.

Believing in neutrality, when the time came to wed, Senator Pendray chose a German bride, and his lusty boys, he says, are true Triple Entente Allies, the only absolute neutrals in the present conflict. The senator now has a splendid farm southwest of Jamestown; he has a fine family of six children, and the hardships of to early days are forgotten. Physically, they have made no impression upon Senator Pendray, who is a fine chunk of a man, who could be induced to slip into the jackets, no doubt could put up a real exhibition of Cornish wrestling.

Come with us to Sunny Southern Texas Jan. 1 on No. 2 for a 15-day trip from the Twin Cities. Fare from Bismarck and return, with meals and berths, \$57.50 single tickets, or for man and wife, \$6.50. Come and make your reservations this week.

GRAIN MARKETS

Table of grain market prices for Minneapolis. Includes items like No. 1 Hard, No. 1 Northern, Regular to arr, No. 1 Durum, etc.

DULUTH

Table of grain market prices for Duluth. Includes items like No. 1 Hard on trk, No. 1 Northern on trk, No. 2 Northern on trk, etc.

CATTLE MARKETS

Table of cattle market prices for St. Paul. Includes items like HOGS—Receipts 3,500; steady to strong; range \$9.50@10.10; bulk \$9.80@9.95.