

THE TRIBUNE

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LOCAL WEATHER BULLETIN.

For the 24 hours ending at noon, April 2, 1917: Temperature at 7 a. m. 18; Temperature at noon 40; Highest yesterday 62; Lowest last night 17; Precipitation None; Highest wind velocity 25-NW.

Table with 2 columns: City, Temperature. Rows include Calgary (12), Chicago (56), Kansas City (62), Pierre (30), Moorhead (40), Winnipeg (39), St. Louis (26), San Francisco (44), Helena (22), Williston (26).

ORRIS W. ROBERTS, Meteorologist.

He that is much flattered soon learns to flatter himself. —Johnson.

OUR PROBLEM.

When President Wilson addresses the Congress, he will have only two alternatives to suggest as regards Germany which will comport with national honor.

This nation may make its own war on Germany, for the protection of its own commerce, thereby avoiding alliances with European nations and thus adhering to the century-old policy laid down by Washington.

Or—this nation may make war upon Germany, in conjunction with the Allies, thereby marking a new era in our foreign policy and recognizing that the oceans no longer serve as a protection to this country.

Suppose the Congress decided to make only a private war upon Germany and that after awhile, Germany, finding the submarine war was unprofitable, made her peace with us.

Now, no matter how the European war ends, there is going to be a Germany burning with hatred of the United States. The German people, most docile in the world, have been drilled in the belief that American powder and shells mainly munitioned the armies of the Allies.

Win or lose, the German people will be lusty for revenge upon the Americans. Win or lose, Germany will once more cast longing eyes upon South American territory and upon Mexico.

If Germany wins the war, she will ask permission of no one to settle her accounts with us. If the war is fought to a draw, the Allies will be too war-weary and exhausted to interfere with Germany's hostile plans against this country.

As long as Germany's great fleet is in being, there is menace for us. Whenever the barrier of the British fleet is withdrawn, our safety ceases. And we could not expect England and France—whether victorious or defeated—to do anything for us.

This, then outlines the situation before President Wilson and Congress as it convenes in special session to-day.

At this writing there is little intimation as to the course the President will suggest. But if this nation is to defend its rights, procrastination, watchful waiting, a "too proud to fight" attitude, and "pussy-footing" must go into the discard.

We must prepare for any eventuality. It is one thing to cry lustily, "War! War!" But is another proposition to fight one.

United States is confronted with a crisis that demands the best brains, the coolest heads and purest patriotism if the nation is not to be subjected to greater humiliation.

pare this nation for the worst is absolutely necessary. Pacifists who would hamstring the nation should be dealt with as enemies.

President Wilson doubtless will declare a state of war exists. If he takes this stand, he must be equally emphatic for preparedness and universal military training.

There is something tragically pathetic in a declaration of war at this time, when the nation is without adequate defense, but the time for moaning past criminal inactivity on the part of Congress has passed.

Preparedness is the first duty of Congress. If we go to war let us go in to win. But in all, and through all, let us stand by President Wilson; let us realize the pressing need for a patriotism that transcends all other considerations.

BE AMERICANS FIRST!

BE SURE AND VOTE.

This is a critical election for Bismarck and every voter who has the welfare of the city at heart should turn out and exercise his right of franchise.

The city is in the midst of a great paving project. Only a portion of it has been completed. Whoever is elected tomorrow, the job must be finished.

It is vital to select men of recognized business ability to direct this important public enterprise. Commissioners Lucas, Battey and Bertsch, together with the holdover members of the city commission, have handled the paving in a manner that has won general confidence and commendation.

The voters should retain these men and continue the same policy that has proved so satisfactory.

Minor issues have been raised which have no part in this campaign. The only fundamental thing before the voters is the proper completion of the paving project and an economical administration.

The present commissioners have brought a portion of the paving project to a successful completion. Every taxpayer's interests have been safeguarded by a system of double inspection. This rigid supervision is assured if the present commissioners are continued in office.

There is absolutely no reason for a change at this time. Opponents of the present commissioners have advanced none. In fact, no criticism has been lodged against Commissioners Lucas, Battey and Bertsch.

This merely indicates a general approval of their administration. They should be returned to office tomorrow, so that there will be no interruptions or costly delays in the projects now under way.

PLOW IS POTENT.

In modern war the plow is as potent a weapon as the 16-inch gun. The man who follows the furrow may be as great a patriot as the one who goes to the trenches, if he does not choose to perform the former task simply to evade the hardships and dangers of the latter.

One of the very greatest contributions which the people of the United States can make to the cause of civilization is a bumper crop at next fall's harvest.

This is of vital importance not only to our own people but to the people of the nations with which we are about to make common cause against Germany.

We have been notoriously lax in our agricultural methods up to now because we have never faced the necessity which now confronts us.

This necessity calls, not only for ample food for our own people, but the largest possible surplus for shipment to the Entente Allies.

An increase of 10 per cent in the total crops of the United States this year, as compared with a normal year, would mean millions of tons of food.

It seems as though it ought to be easy to accomplish this, when one considers the vast extent of the untilled lands in every section of the country and also that in few sections has intensive cultivation been systematically carried out.

The farmers of the nation have a wonderful opportunity if they have the will to take advantage of it. In a lesser degree city dwellers and suburbanites have a like opportunity.

In every city, suburb and village there is more or less unused land, most of which would yield splendid crops of vegetables.

DOINGS OF THE DUFFS. By Allman

PUT ON THE HOME, SWEET HOME RECORD



REVEILLE

By BERTON BRALEY. (Copyright, 1917, by the Newspaper Enterprise Association.)

Awake! Awake! Awake! Let us arise and shake Free of our sloth and ease!

A horror is on the seas, A menace is on the land; Savagery, coldly planned, Ravages sea and sod. And bathing in flood on flood Of innocent blood Follows, "We fight for God!"

Awake! Awake! Awake! For all humanity's sake: This is no common strife, This is a fight for life With a blood-mad host that schemes To strangle our hopes and dreams, With a foe that has shown no ruth, But tramples down faith and truth. And, gluttied with hate, blasphemes, Saying, "The path we tread Is made at the best of God!"

Awake! Awake! Awake! For all that we love's at stake, All we have toiled and sought for, All that our fathers fought for, Let all our strength be hurled Into the titan fray; We fight for a better day That Justice may rule—not fear. And all that we hold most dear May live in a nobler world!

Prepare! Prepare! Prepare! Now is no time to prate, Dawdle, and talk an' wait; This is the hour of fate! Summon the Nation's might, Call on us all to share— Let the whole land unite! In the war that is ours to make, Till the blight that we fight is gone And we thrill to the zephyr dawn Of a world that is free—and fair!

PREPARE! PREPARE! PREPARE! AMERICA, AWAKE!

VALLEY CITY

Mrs. Yaeger Entertains. Mrs. C. A. Yaeger entertained eight friends on Friday evening at cards, at her apartments over the Smith and Mrs. H. N. Walker received prizes for holding the high and low scores.

Here From Barnesville. Mr. and Mrs. Glenn P. Mink and little daughter, Vivian, will arrive in Valley City on Monday from Barnesville, Minn. for an extended visit with Manager and Mrs. Hamilton of the Valley Hotel.

Spending Vacation Here. Miss Eva Anfinson, who teaches in the Wimbledon schools, arrived in the city Saturday to spend the Easter vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Anfinson.

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NEWSPAPERS ASKED TO TELL THEIR OWN STORY FOR STATE'S HISTORY

Questionnaires Sent Out From Office of Society Bring Interesting Replies

A history of North Dakota newspapers, one of the most interesting subjects which could be treated in this state, is to be prepared by the North Dakota Historical Society from answers to questionnaires which have been mailed out from the offices of the society at the state capitol.

North Dakota has 25 weekly newspapers and 11 dailies. Many of them had unique beginnings, and their careers, to put it very fully, indeed, have been "checkered." Mrs. M. H. Jewell and Miss Georgia Carpenter, who are conducting the questionnaire, are giving each newspaper and opportunity to tell its own history, and since 'tis very seldom that a knight of the fourth estate can be induced to talk of himself, some interesting responses are anticipated.

Several dozen replies already have come in, some humorous, others tragic, all interesting and significant in their bearing on the rapid development of a great state.

The oldest newspaper in North Dakota is the Bismarck Weekly Tribune, established in July, 1873, by Col. C. A. Lounsbury. Colonel Lounsbury arrived on the first train which ran into Bismarck over the newly completed tracks of the Northern Pacific.

Other daily papers were started earlier, and they finished earlier. The Tribune is the only newspaper in North Dakota established as early as 1878 which never has stripped its gears and had to stop for repairs.

EVERY ONE SUSPECTED AT NATIONAL CAPITAL; BUILDING GUARDED

Secret Service Corps Increased —Employees Must Have Identification Cards

"Everyone in Washington is under suspicion," said John Andrews, secretary to Representative P. D. Norton, in discussing the situation which the war possibilities have created.

"The secret service force has been increased many fold; there are guards and plain clothes men everywhere. Capitol employes and officers of the house and senate, representatives of the press and others are provided with identification cards, which must be presented before admission may be had to any of the buildings. No one is permitted to carry a package into any of the public buildings; without first revealing its contents. Men are on duty at every door of the White House, the capitol, the treasury and other structures housing departments of the federal government. The White House is under a double, armed guard. No chances are being taken."

Norton on Junket. Representative Norton has been in the South and Southwest with the joint house and senate committees on Indian affairs, investigating "sporting matters connected with the administration of the estate of Uncle Sam's rookin wards. When he left the national capital, he did not expect congress to reconvene before April 16. The sudden calling of the extra session has resulted in cutting short the junket of the Indian affairs committees.

DONALD CALLING ATTENTION TO LAWS AFFECTING SCHOOLS

Many Measures Passed by Fifteenth Assembly Will Necessitate Change in System

Some school legislation passed by the fifteenth general assembly and to which State Superintendent of Public Instruction N. C. Macdonald is calling the attention of instructors over the state includes Senate Bill 7, which sets apart the third Friday in January of each year as "Temperance day," and requires that not less than one hour on that date shall be given over to instruction and appropriate exercises relating to the history and benefits of prohibition and to the prohibition laws of the state; Senate Bill 33, which requires a majority vote for changing of school district boundaries; and Senate Bill 82, amending the present laws relating to medical inspection.

This amendment provides for the hiring by the county commissioners, when petitioned for the same by two-thirds of the school directors, of a graduate nurse or a license physician to visit the schools of the county and inspect and examine the pupils thereof, at least once each year. All other features of the old law are retained.

Senate Bill 121 amends the old laws relating to compulsory attendance and transportation. It changes the compulsory school age and makes it definitely from the seventh to the fifteenth birthday, inclusive; and unless the eighth grade is completed it requires attendance, if necessary, until the seventeenth birthday is reached. This is designed to do away with soldiering and time-serving on the part of the pupils who look forward to the fifteenth birthday as the "date of release, and care little about learning in between.

The amount paid for transportation in districts where there are no consolidated schools is changed so as to provide for not less than 25 cents and not more than 50 cents per day for each family. Other provisions of the law remain the same.

TO THE VOTERS OF BISMARCK Being a candidate for member of the city commission at the coming election, I desire to state that my platform, "Public Improvements without Confiscation of Property; Modern Fire Equipment; Passable Streets and Sidewalks," expresses exactly the kind of city government for which I would work and vote, should I be elected.

I favor paving in the business district, and am willing to contribute my share toward the cost of same, believing it a substantial benefit to the property and city, as well as giving employment to many of our citizens.

I also favor paving the streets in the residential district, where the majority of the property owners desire the same; but think some of the outlying blocks and the streets on which the majority of the owners have protested against paving should be cut out. If, however, the supreme court upholds the present contract, I shall endeavor to have the paving done in a first class manner and in the best interest of the property owners.

I believe the growth and needs of the city now justify the purchase of modern automobile fire equipment, to cost not more than \$6,000.00 so the resident portions of the city may receive better fire protection.

This should reduce insurance and I believe we can bond for this sum and the money obtained from the state at four percent interest. As to streets and sidewalks, I most certainly will insist upon keeping them in good passable condition at all seasons of the year.

If elected, I pledge fair treatment to all citizens, regardless of their social or financial conditions.

A. C. HINCKLEY. FOR MAGISTRATE. J. O. Varney. I announce my candidacy for Police Magistrate at the coming election. Motto: "Peace to all, equal rights to all." (Political Advertisement)

DICKINSON NEWS

Dr. Ohage Returns. Dr. Justus Ohage returned to Dickinson this week from St. Paul, where his parents reside. Dr. Ohage was located in Dickinson up to about a year and a half ago, when he went to Germany where he joined the Red Cross as a physician, to further his knowledge on operations.

To Devils Lake. Valentine Koch, R. J. Koch and J. B. Fischer of the south Dickinson lodge, and Allen Harleman of the north side lodge of the Brotherhood of American Yeomen, left here Sunday for Devils Lake as delegates to the state convocation of Yeomen from their respective lodges.

Parents of Baby Boy. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Reisenauer of the south side, a boy Friday evening.

Business Visitor Here. Cashier B. L. Thorkelson of the South Heart State bank was in Dickinson Friday. Mr. Thorkelson had just returned from Fargo, where he attended to business matters in connection with his bank.

Ordained to Priesthood. It is reported this week that Florian Krank, a Dickinson boy attending St. Johns university in Minnesota, will return sometime in May, when he will be ordained as a priest. Mr. Krank has been in the university and has also attended St. Mary's college at Richardson, and is the first boy from Stark county to be ordained to priesthood.

Some of the Dickinson boys attending St. Mary's college at Richardson are expected home the coming week. The college at Richardson is doing great work along educational lines and always has a large attendance from all over the surrounding states. The school is going to close for the summer next week.

Decide on Site. The board of regents of North Dakota has selected the site for the site proposed new normal school which is to be located at Dickinson. The site is west of town, adjoining the townsite, and is on land now belonging to J. C. Young of St. Paul. This in reality is the best located for a normal school of all the sites that were offered by the city.

IN MINOT. Railway Commissioners Andahl, Johnson and Eileck, Secretary Carl derhead and Rate Expert Little left this morning for Minot, where a stated meeting of the board will be held tomorrow, Wednesday and Thursday.

EAST END DEVELOPING. The east end of Bismarck is enjoying a quiet little boom all its own. Among recent purchases were nine acres of land on 24th street and Avenue A, acquired by R. N. Mahlin, who probably will make his home there. Preparations already have been made for breaking up the tract.

RETURN FROM JAMESTOWN. The state board of control is home from Jamestown, where it inspected new building under way at the hospital for the insane. The contagious ward and new office and dormitory building are practically complete and the contractors are on the ground prepared to begin work on the women's ward building and the superintendent's residence.

HOME FROM VACATION. Miss Velinda Johnson, teacher in the North Ward school, returned to-day from her home in Washburn, where she spent the Easter vacation.