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LOCAL WEATHER BULLETIN

For the 24 hours ending at noon, April 6, 1917. Temperature at 7 a. m. 32. Temperature at noon 33. Highest yesterday 49. Lowest last night 32. Precipitation .18. Highest wind velocity 20.

Forecast: For North Dakota: Unsettled and colder tonight; Saturday fair with rising temperature.

ORRIS W. ROBERTS, Meteorologist.

The greatest acts of war require to be undertaken by noble men.—Hugo.

A NATION AT WAR.

Division must end today. Congress has declared for war. Loyalty and devotion to America is the sole issue now. We are faced by a condition. Theory, policy, in fact any position antagonistic to the administration has no place now. To persist in it is treason. The West has no war lust. It is not entering the struggle because of any desire for hostilities. For many German-Americans, loyal to the United States, these are trying hours. There must be control and forbearance on all sides.

Past expressions should be forgotten. Until today we have not been at war with Germany and such opinions as were hostile to President Wilson's position were more or less privileged.

Considerable inertia must be overcome, before the nation is quickened to a sense of the gravity of the crisis that confronts it.

The East is more aroused to the situation than the West. It is physically nearer the danger now than the rest of us, but that should not abate the loyalty of those who may feel some security by virtue of their geographical location. Such thoughts are not worthy of a true American. We must shoulder this load as a nation and, united, go in to win the war of democracy against autocracy.

But all of us would be less human if we did not realize the position this declaration of war places millions of our citizens whose mother tongue is that of the Central Powers. Their hearts are wrung more sorely than ours; they are none the less loyal than we are. Time will show that they are fighting the battle of progress; they are not fighting against the German people, but against arrogant autocratic Prussianism.

Our cause is the cause and creed of all liberty loving people, even of those of Teutonic blood who came to our shores that they might enjoy more freedom than was possible in the Fatherland. We enter this war the friend of the German people, but the foe of Prussianism.

THEY'RE PART OF US.

Between the years 1840 and 1850, Germany was in a condition of political chaos. There were radical uprisings, hot clamor for direct representation of the people in government and, along about 1848, open revolution. Prussia was suspected and hated and the proposition that a man was first and always the war tool of monarchy was combated.

From this German maelstrom there came to the United States, some to seek liberty and some in fear of their lives, many thousands of men and women who founded families which have contributed, in the highest degree, to the growth and solidity of this republic.

These people and their immediate descendants were not clannish, nor radical either as to their location, or vocation, or participation in affairs. They were assimilated. They became part of the blood, bone and sinew of the nation. They fought to preserve the Union. They earned honorable place in our society, our professions, our trades, and our political life, and it is estimated that today they and their descendants represent approximately one-seventh of our population.

We are at war with Germany, their mother country, but it would be crime and dishonor to our nation to look upon or treat these people as other than our loyal fellow-Americans. It is a good time to wipe out that silly and injurious racial distinction that's been sailing in the form of the hyphen.

We may discover in our midst ugly Germans, with whom we will have to deal promptly and rigorously. It is likely that we will have attempts to

dynamite and to assassinate, just as we have seen in times of peace. But the only hyphen justifiable is that we use in saying that this paper believes in the firm loyalty and unimpeachable Americanism of this nation's ex-Germans, be they "ex" by extraction or by naturalization, and we bespeak for them fair and honorable treatment at the hands of everybody. They're part of us and there's nothing more foolish than self-mutilation.

North Dakota insists that Senator Gronna be an American henceforth.

OUR JUSTIFICATION.

From many splendid paragraphs in President Wilson's noble message calling the nation to arms we quote the following as expressing what it seems to us is our complete justification for war and should continue to be the soul and heart of our national purpose:

"We are now about to accept the gage of battle with this natural foe to liberty, and shall, if necessary, spend the whole force of the nation to check and nullify its pretensions and its power. We are glad, now that we see the facts with no veil of false pretense about them, to fight thus for the ultimate peace of the world, and for the liberation of its peoples, the German peoples included, for the rights of nations great and small and the privilege of men everywhere to choose their way of life and obedience. The world must be made safe for democracy. Its peace must be planted upon the trusted foundations of political liberty."

That this paper approves of the president's war message even to the last sentence and word, hardly need be said to those of our readers who have done us the honor of reading our editorials during the past several months.

It seems to us that the President said not a word too much or a word too little; that to have delayed longer certainly would have been weakness.

If there be a citizen of this country so lacking in patriotism, so blind and deaf to the duties which this solemn hour imposes upon him, that he hesitates to make whatever sacrifice may be called for, he is unworthy to enjoy the liberty so dearly purchased by the Revolutionary fathers.

We are to go to war not only to preserve our own liberties, but to help all the other liberty loving peoples of the world gain and preserve theirs.

No nation ever went to war with a less selfish purpose, for a more noble cause.

Our allies are the great European democracies, which for nearly three years have been fighting our fight, just as now we shall fight theirs.

We are all at one, and must continue to be, in our determination to crush forever the last remaining military autocracy that menaces the world's liberties.

The first war act of the Senate should be to remove "Gumshoe Bill" as chairman of the foreign relations committee.

THRICE ARMED.

We are at war with Germany, but before the Almighty, to whom alone we are responsible, we plead not guilty to having desired it, or to having done one wrong thing to provoke it, or to not trying our best to avoid it.

We have seen hundreds of Americans wantonly slaughtered while engaged in peaceful travel, and borne it. We have seen American property ruthlessly destroyed in violation of law, and borne it. We have seen friendly nations wiped out of existence in defiance of international laws and disregard of those common rights of humanity under which alone humanity can exist and progress, and borne it. We have seen the very life of the race struck at, and withheld our hand.

We have seen an awful blood-red conflagration spread from cottage to cathedral, from the poor man's field of rye to even the royal garments of kings, sparing nothing that was sacred, nothing that was innocent, nothing that was defenseless.

O Father of all men! Forgive us if in our love of peace, we have weakened in our duty to Thy children across the sea!

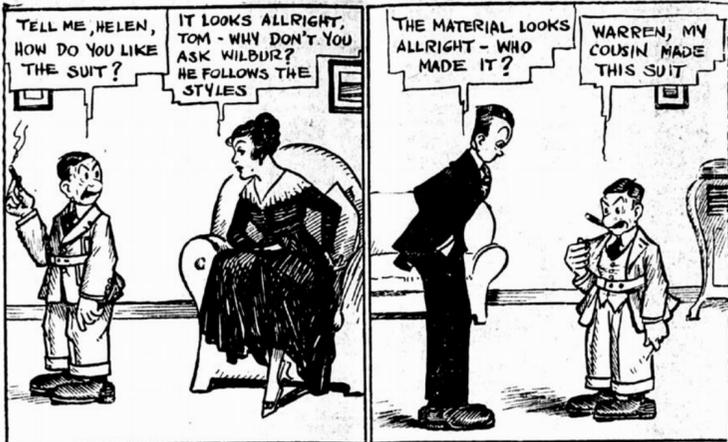
We fight now—not for sordid gain of any sort, but to put down unrestricted murder on the high seas. "Thrice armed is he who hath his quarrel just," and for justice alone do we fight. While our nation has averaged one war in about every quarter-century of its existence, it never has entered upon war with greater reluctance, or under much stronger provocation. But, being in this war, we must prove to all nations of men that it will not do to arouse this nation of peace-lovers, because when we fight we fight for lasting peace as our reward.

We will fight fair, we will honorably live up to all our agreements and we will kill and destroy as mercifully as possible. But the decision must be such that hereafter no nation will dare to resort to unrestricted slaughter upon the world's seas which the Creator gave to all men in common, that they might rise above the beasts and become brothers.

Not the bloody and fiery fate of Belgium, nor the insults and crimes

DOINGS OF THE DUFFS. By Allman

TOM SHOULD HAVE KNOWN BETTER THAN TO ASK WILBUR



WISDOM OF STATE SYSTEM OF ROADS BEING RECOGNIZED

Counties in Northwestern Section of State Will Favor Further Legislation

The fact that any constructive work which is done toward the establishment of trunk line highways must be done under the direction of some central body provided with funds adequate to its needs, and a realization of the impossibility of accomplishing best results when funds are dispersed in small amounts to every county in the state are becoming generally recognized by real road boosters in North Dakota.

P. W. Thomas, assistant state engineer, is home from a several days' stay in the northeastern part of the state, where he looked into the highway situation in Wells and Walsh counties. He finds that advocates of good roads generally, while heartily approving the forward step taken by the Fifteenth assembly in creating a state highway commission, increasing the amount of the automobile registration fee, and paving the way for the state's participation in the federal highway aid, feel that much work yet remains for the Sixteenth assembly.

When Philbster LaFollette folded his arms and coughed disapproval, President Wilson is reported to have gone right on reading his war message. Aw, what's the use of being a statesman, anyway?

Pennsylvania Audubon society says "Eliminate the cat and save the bird." Wisconsin state legislature gets bill for licensing cats at \$10 per.

What ho! Pacifists in Washington engage in a fist fight.

Stand by the president!

Show your colors!

Display the flag!

CO-OPERATIVE STORE COMPANY AT BELFIELD

Thriving Belfield has an important new business entrant in the Belfield Co-operative Mercantile Co., incorporated this week for \$20,000, with N. J. Boltz, president; T. R. Kelley, vice president; R. J. Gray, second vice president; B. A. Fritts, secretary and Nerce Dorval, treasurer. The new concern will engage in a general mercantile business.

FARMERS ARE SEEDING.

J. O. Lyngstad, deputy state treasurer, who returned yesterday from an inspection of his fine farm near Rugby, reports that farmers are in the fields in the northern part of the state this week, and that next week will see seeding generally under way.

OPERATING IN STATE.

The Hughey Land Co. of Hundson, Wis., is now operating in North Dakota, having filed extended articles of incorporation with the secretary of state this week.

BEACH IS BOOMING.

"Beach is planning a lot of building this spring," said State Examiner J. R. Watters on his return from his home-town yesterday. "Old buildings which have served for pioneer days are being torn down and replaced with new structures. Beach is progressing in the right way. It has a fine, active commercial club, a good location, a splendid community to draw on, and it is getting ahead as fast as any city I know of in North Dakota."

WILLIAMS OF MISSISSIPPI HAS WAR PLAN

Would Give Ships of Allies Free Access to American Ports, Harbors and Bases

ALL INCOMES OVER \$100,000 TO U. S. WAR FUND

By GILSON GARDNER

Washington, April 6.—In the crisis produced by war John Sharp Williams of Mississippi, has conceived the virtual leader of the senate. His influence, he says, will be for carrying out the following program:

- 1. Give the ships of the allies free access to American ports, harbors and coaling stations. Allow Free Transit through the United States and over our railroads of Canadian and other ally troops. Take possession immediately of a sufficient number of German interned ships to equal the value of American shipping destroyed by Germany. Provide for the immediate training of 1,000,000 men to be followed within three months by a call for another 1,000,000. Exempt from the provisions of the income tax law all incomes derived from investments in bonds issued by the allies. Send Regulars to Europe. Send a few thousand regulars to the European battle line with the Belgians, for its psychological effect. Have the big ships of the navy take the offensive in the most effective way possible by joining the fleets of the allies in the scene of naval activities. Go submarine chasing in that same zone from which the German government has "so insultingly" forbidden the United States to enter.

"Pay-As-You-Enter" War

President Wilson has added his endorsement to the idea of a pay-as-you-enter war. Instead of borrowing and handing down a debt to coming generations, the President in his message urges that war revenues be "sustained by the present generation." This can be done only by taxing wealth. The poor and middle class are already almost desperate over the high cost of living and the only answer is the conservation of wealth. All incomes over \$100,000 should go to the government's war fund, and all incomes down to \$5,000, or even less, should be taxed. This is the plan put up to Congress.

Work Every Foot of Soil

That "every square yard of good soil should be made to work to help feed the nation" is the slogan put out by the Agricultural department. A vacant lot not cultivated or an untilled acre are "slackers." They are as bad as the man who fails to answer his country's call. And now the department is asking—why not put a tax on unused land? Anyone who owns good land and holds it out of use ought to be taxed hard enough to bring the land into use. The statistics gathered by Secretary Houston show that only half the arable land in the United States is under cultivation.

Carl Vrooman, assistant secretary of agriculture, has gone south on a speaking tour, the purpose of which is to urge southern farmers to raise their own foodstuffs. Every year the south with its wonderful soil and salubrious climate imports \$600,000,000 worth of corn, potatoes, garden truck, pigs, dairy cows, and things like that he would be much more independent and prosperous and the country would be richer as a whole. This year when the world is threatened with a shortage of everything to eat, including wheat, it is of the utmost importance that the south, which can raise three crops a year, come to the bat with a bumper crop.

CHANGES NAME.

The Wachter Dray & Transfer Co. of Bismarck this week filed notice with the secretary of state that it had dropped the dray from its corporate title.

UNDER HIS NOSE



started by the agricultural department. "Good food heedlessly thrown into garbage pails, food allowed to spoil in the household, food ruined by improper cooking, and food destroyed by rats, mice, and insects constitute the heavy items in the \$700,000,000 annual waste of food in the homes in this country cited recently by the secretary of agriculture. Seven hundred million dollars is considered to be a conservative figure. In household waste, of course, are not included the vast losses of food allowed under improper handling or inefficient marketing methods to spoil in transit or in the hands of producers or dealers."

NOTICE OF SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.

Notice is Hereby Given, That in pursuance of an order of the County Court of the County of Burleigh, State of North Dakota, made on the 9th day of April, A. D. nineteen hundred and seventeen, in the matter of the estate of Celia Harvey, late of the Township of Burnt Creek, County of Burleigh, State of North Dakota, deceased, the undersigned, special administrator of the estate of said deceased, will sell at Public Auction to the highest bidder, for cash on Friday, the 20th day of April, A. D. nineteen hundred and seventeen, at ten o'clock a. m. at the home of said deceased on the Northeast Quarter Section 30, Township 140, Range 80, Burleigh County, North Dakota, the following Personal Property, to-wit:

- One truck wagon. Wagon. Cart. Drill. Mowing machine. Breaking plow. Harrow. Five sets of harness. Fanning mill. Buggy (good). Corn binder. Sixteen bushel flax. Barb wire. Half barrel salt. Thousand bushel oats. Grindstone. Two hundred Cedar fence posts. Seventeen cows. Seven yearlings. Forty-five hogs. One 4-year-old colt. One 2-year-old colt. Sleigh runners. Wagon. Hay rake. Corn planter. Corn cultivator. Mowing machine. Wagon. Lumber. Miscellaneous farm articles. Buggy (old). Disc harrow. Twine. Two cellar window sashes. Twelve bushel barley. Two grain scoops. Two gang plows. Binder. Thirteen steers. Two spring calves. Five teams of horses. One 3-year-old colt. Two yearlings colts. Miscellaneous lot of household furniture.

PHILIP HARVEY.

Special Administrator of the Estate of Celia Harvey, deceased. Newton, Dutton & Young, Attorneys for Administrator. Dated April 6, 1917.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS.

Sealed bids for the construction of a lateral sewer on Sixth Street from Avenue F to the Boulevard in Sewer Improvement District Number One, City of Bismarck, North Dakota, will be received by the Board of City Commissioners of said city until 8 o'clock p. m., July 30th, 1917. Certified check for Five Hundred (500) Dollars drawn to the order of A. W. Lucas, president of the City Commission, must accompany each bid. Each bid must also be accompanied by a bidder's bond in a sum equal to the full amount bid. Plans and specifications are on file with the City Auditor. The City Commission reserves the right to reject any or all bids. R. H. THISTLETHWAITE, City Auditor.

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE BY ADVERTISEMENT.

Notice is Hereby Given, That that certain mortgage, executed and delivered by Lena White and F. T. White (wife and husband), Mortgagees, to C. B. Little, Mortgagee, dated the 20th day of July, A. D. nineteen hundred and fourteen, and filed for record in the office of the Register of Deeds of the County of Burleigh and State of North Dakota, on the 21st day of July, A. D. 1914, and recorded in Book 111 of Mortgages, at page 660, will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises in such mortgage and hereinafter described, at the front door of the court house in the City of Bismarck, in the County of Burleigh and State of North Dakota, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m. on the 12th day of May, A. D. 1917, to satisfy the amount due upon said mortgage on the day of sale. The premises described in said mortgage and which will be sold to satisfy the same, are situated in the County of Burleigh, and State of North Dakota, and described as follows, to-wit: Lot Twenty-four (24), in Block Forty-one (41), of the Original Plat of the City of Bismarck, North Dakota, according to the plat thereof on file and of record in the office of the Register of Deeds in and for Burleigh County, North Dakota. There will be due on such mortgage at the date of sale the sum of \$1,082.31. Dated at Bismarck, N. D., this 6th day of April, 1917. C. B. LITTLE, Mortgagee. F. E. M'CURDY, Attorney For Mortgagee, Bismarck, North Dakota. (4-6, 13, 20, 27; 5-4, 11)

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

WANTED—Young man; painting department; good chance for advancement. C. L. Burgess, Missouri Valley Motor Co. 4-6-17 FOR RENT—Small house and barn, corner of 15th and Broadway. C. Gussner. 4-6-17 FLAT FOR RENT—Person Court. 4-6-17

You will find more of the leading people of North Dakota registered at the Radisson than at any other hotel in the Twin Cities.