

NEW ROCKFORD GETS FIREMEN'S MEET IN 1920

Eddy County Seat's Campaign for Honor of Entertaining Association Succeeds

GRAFT MAN IS PRESIDENT

A. B. Meade, Chief Executive—Re-elected 23rd Time—Constructive Session

The North Dakota Firemen's association closed its 36th annual convention at 3 this afternoon with the election of officers and the almost unanimous selection of New Rockford as the site of the 1920 convention.

Officers named for the ensuing year are: President—A. E. Meade Grafton.

First vice president—R. F. Giesse, Jamestown.

Second vice president—R. S. Norton, Velva.

Secretary—State Fire Marshal H. L. Reade of Bismarck re-elected for the 23rd consecutive time.

Treasurer—R. C. Fuller, Beach, Statistical secretary—D. R. Taylor, Jr., Mandan.

Trustees—John Phinester, Glen Ullin; R. S. Campbell, Lisbon, A. M. Greenfield, Fessenden.

The 36th annual convention of the North Dakota Firemen's association, one that may well be styled a "reconstruction convention," closed this afternoon with the election of officers and the selection of a meeting place for 1920.

The address of welcome was made yesterday by Mayor A. W. Lucas, who formally turned over the keys of the city to the visitors.

The Bismarck convention has proven that the firemen's association can "come back." There was no meeting of the state organization last year because of the war.

Old-Timer Is Here One of the notable figures in the present convention is W. D. Duvall of Valley City, the only man here who attended the initial meeting of the association at Fargo in 1884.

4,000 QUARTS OF WHISKEY CONFISCATED

Louisville, Ky., June 11.—Four thousand quarts of whiskey confiscated by revenue agents in Kentucky since 1917, brought approximately \$7,000 at an auction sale by the government.

DOESN'T LOOK LIKE DIPLOMAT, BUT



LORD ROBERT CECIL

Lord Robert Cecil has been an important figure at the peace conference in Paris. He is a member of the executive committee of the league of nations.

FINE NEW HOMES INVESTMENT IN CITY'S FUTURE

Businessmen in Close Touch With Conditions Are Showing Confidence

NEVER BUILD CHEAPER

The investment of \$50,000 or more in fine new homes on "The Hill" by Bismarck citizens who are familiar with present conditions and prospects would indicate that people who have a reason to know have no fears for Bismarck's future.

It is announced today that F. A. Copell of the Dakota Motor Co. has purchased a fine residence lot at the corner of Avenue B and Mandan, opposite the Breslow home, where he intends to erect a handsome residence this summer.

George Register is erecting a thoroughly modern bungalow on First street, just off Rosser, and a number of cottages and later dwellings are in process of construction in various parts of the city.

Work soon will begin on Dr. M. W. Roan's residence on Avenue A, just west of the Knowles home, and which will be one of the finest mansions on this street. Fine progress has been made with the J. L. Whitney bungalow on Avenue A, and the F. L. Conklin home, just a block west of the Whitney's, is fast taking shape.

PLANS FOR LESS ONEROUS TERMS ARE CONSIDERED

Germany May Be Admitted to League of Nations With Less Red Tape If Good

(By the Associated Press.) Plans for easing the terms upon which Germany will be admitted to the league of nations are under consideration by the peace conference heads.

The replies to Germany's counter proposals may be delivered Friday. Paris dispatches indicate the delay in framing the reply is due to divergent views held by premiers Lloyd George and Clemenceau.

BISMARCK WILL GET FOUR MILES MORE OF PAVING

Street Improvement District of 63 Blocks Receives Commission's O. K.

TO BE FINISHED BY FALL

Probable That Contracts for Work Will Be Awarded by Middle of July

Bismarck's third street improvement district, which will increase the capital street's paved area to 14 linear miles, received the approval of the city commission last evening.

The district to be paved includes Main from Second to Washington, three blocks; Broadway from Second to the Northern Pacific right-of-way, 5-1-2 blocks; Thayer from Second to Griffin, seven blocks; Rosser from Second to Griffin, seven blocks; Avenue C from Third to Hannafin, six blocks; four blocks on First, on Main and on Washington avenues; four blocks on Hanafin; three on Raymond; two on Anderson; one on Griffin; one on Avenue B; two on Avenue D; one on Third, between Avenues C and D, and all intersections now unpaved between Avenues B and C and one block on Second and one on Mandan between Avenues C and D.

Park avenue, bisecting Custer park, is to be paved to the length. The district includes in all 63 blocks each of approximately 430 feet, or a total of 21,420 feet, or, for assessment purposes, of 42,840 feet. Almost eight miles of property frontage will contribute to the financing of the improvement. Plans and specifications already have been drawn by City Engineer Atkinson and now are on file in his office.

Very little opposition to this project has developed. Some of those most active in their antagonism to the first and second paving districts have been instrumental in the circulation of petitions for this new enterprise. With fourteen miles of newly paved streets, Bismarck will have a larger percentage of permanently improved thoroughfares than any other city of 3,000 in the northwest. Bids will be opened June 30, work will begin July 15, and the job will be finished by early fall.

Commissioner Harry Thompson last night insisted that Bismarck policemen wear uniforms in order that strangers seeking information may locate a cop. Police Commissioner Bertsch suggested that in this event the underpaid custodians of the city's peace should receive a substantial increase in salary, or else the city should buy their uniforms.

The Bismarck Tribune was selected to be the official city paper for the ensuing two years.

SLOPE BANKERS OPEN MEETING HERE TOMORROW

Convention Sessions in Grand Theatre—Commissioner John Hagan to Talk

The annual convention of the Missouri Slope group of the North Dakota Bankers' Association will open in Bismarck tomorrow morning. John Hagan, commissioner of agriculture and labor, will deliver one of the principal addresses of the day, his subject being the proposed wagon bridge across the Missouri, which is expected to prove an important factor in the development of the Slope.

The program. Morning Session, 9:00 a. m. Registration and receiving of delegates. Call to order—President W. A. Lanterman.

Invocation—Rev. H. C. Postelthwaite, First Presbyterian church, Bismarck. Address of Welcome—P. R. Fields, president Bismarck Commercial club.

Response—W. A. Lanterman, General business. Reading of minutes. Report of treasurer. Address—The Missouri River Highway Bridge—Hon. John N. Hagan, commissioner of agriculture.

Afternoon Session, 2:00 p. m. Report of Committees. Election of officers. Selection of next meeting place. Address—The Bank of North Dakota. Hon. F. W. Cathro, governor general of the Bank of North Dakota.

DEVILS LAKE MAN GETS U. S. D. S. O. CROSS

Washington, June 11.—The following award of the distinguished service cross to officers and enlisted men of the expeditionary forces were announced by General Pershing today: Joe J. Bonahue, Devils Lake.

COMMUNITY PLAN BEFORE RETAILERS

F. P. Mann, President of Association Discusses Plan to Boost Home Town

BIG BANQUET TONIGHT

Fine Program Prepared for Merchants at Thursday Session of Delegates

Tomorrow's Program. 9:30—Men Order House Discussions and Jobs and Day Questions Box.

10:00—Address. Subject, "What the Merchants' Association and Community Life Association Are Doing to Combat the Evils of Merchandising."

10:45 a. m.—Address and Practical Demonstration by Ernest Hart of James Hart & Sons, Long Prairie, Minn. Subject, "How to Meet Mail Order Competition." (Samples of goods from mail order houses will be on display.)

11:30—Address—Fred P. Mann, president. Subject, "What We Expect from the Jobs and Manufacturer."

1:30 p. m.—Relation of Banker, Farmer, Retailer and Jobber, by John H. Newton, president, Missouri Valley Grocery Company, Mandan, N. Dak.

2:30 p. m.—Address. C. E. Lawrence, Finch, Van Slyke & McCoolville, Sales, Minn. Subject, "How the Organization of the Merchants' Aid Bureau is Progressing."

2:30 to 6:00 p. m.—Addresses by representatives of the jobbers and manufacturers of the northwest, in charge of O. M. Pierce, Ira D. Wight, Chas. Lavelle, chairman.

8:00 p. m.—Auto ride seeing the Missouri river. Chairman of Auto committee, R. R. Peterson.

8:45 p. m.—Show at opera house, charge of Earl Peterson.

Fred P. Mann, president of the North Dakota Retailers' association, addressed the members Tuesday evening at Elks hall on "Community Development, Modern Merchandising and Advertising."

Delegates of the important trade meeting got down to business today. The session opened with a question box conducted by Oscar Schultz.

Why Retail Merchants should Fully Understand the Importance of Better Business.

The Great Necessity of Better Merchandising, by W. A. Ware, Chicago Dry Goods Reporter. "How New Rockford Went on a Cash Basis," was told by C. J. Steckney, treasurer.

This afternoon was devoted to addresses of interest and the banquet was scheduled for this evening, followed by a ball at the Elks hall.

TALKS ON ADVERTISING. Talks on advertising in newspaper advertising as an essential to successful merchandising was emphasized in his address before the North Dakota Retail Merchants' association by John H. DeWilde, assistant advertising manager of the Minneapolis Tribune.

Mr. DeWilde spoke from experience gained as a small-town printer and publisher, as an advertising manager of large metropolitan newspaper stores, and as associated advertising manager of one of the largest newspapers in the northwest.

Mr. DeWilde declared himself convinced from any angle at himself viewed the subject that consistent newspaper advertising was the salvation of merchandising.

Mr. DeWilde insisted that the merchant write ads which tell something. First they must attract attention, then arouse interest and finally create a desire to buy.

Mr. DeWilde, only by writing descriptive, informative copy that, "said the speaker, 'is where the average man falls down.'"

Would Map Out Program. The Mill City advertising expert declared that if he were a merchant he would sit down at the beginning of each year and map out a thorough advertising campaign.

BOLSHEVIK FORCES RETAKE RUSS TOWN

London, June 11.—Bolshevik forces on Monday captured Ussu, one of the cities recently taken by Admiral Kolchak after three days' sanguinary fighting.

160,000 KEYMEN AND ELECTRICAL WORKERS STRIKE

International President of Commercial Telegraphers Calls General Walkout

FULL CREWS, SAY OFFICERS

Companies Insist That Too Few Employees Are Organized to Affect Business

Chicago, June 11.—Scores of reports to the Associated Press from middle western towns failed to show that the strike had brought serious results.

Chicago, Ill., June 11.—The nationwide strike of union commercial telegraphers called by S. J. Konenka, international president, became effective at 7 this morning central time.

The companies against which the strike is called include the Western Union Postal, American Telegraph & Telephone and a number of smaller companies in various parts of the country.

Say 160,000 Will Quit. Union officials estimated that 60,000 telegraphers would leave their work today and that on June 16, more than 100,000 electrical workers would join the strike.

President Konenka established headquarters here and announced that he would conduct the strike from this city.

Peaceful Picketing. President Konenka's headquarters here and announced that he would conduct the strike from this city.

Conflicting claims made uncertain today the extent of the strike today of telegraph operators, but representatives of the workers confidently maintained the number of strikers would reach 60,000 by nightfall.

"We are operating 100 per cent," declared an official of the Western Union Telegraph Co. "Our proof is the fact that we are ready to accept all business offers."

"Two thousand or seven hundred workers will be on strike by night," said S. J. Konenka, president of the telegraphers' union of America.

He exhibited telegrams from various widespread points indicating the strike respond had been general.

Mr. Konenka received a report that the electrical workers in New Orleans had gone out and that the telephone girls there probably would go out in sympathy.

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LESTER BRIGGLE TO TURKEY WITH 'Y' ASSOCIATION

Lester H. Briggie, formerly county superintendent of schools in Emmons, and who enlisted in U. S. C. A. work last summer, and had been on duty in Paris, writes friends here that he was recently transferred to the International Y. M. C. A. service in Constantinople.

Mrs. Briggie, who for the last year taught in the high school at Livingston, has arranged to secure a passport and will leave in the near future to join her husband in Constantinople.

Capt. Briggie recently wrote that while sauntering down a street in Paris he met Miss Helen Sullivan, formerly assistant county superintendent of public instruction, and who engaged in war work overseas.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS ONCE SENATE PAGE



DAVID S. BARRY

From senate page to sergeant-at-arms spans a 30-year experience of David S. Barry of Michigan. In that time Barry has been stenographer for congressmen and newspaper correspondent and has become an authority on senate customs and usages.

HEAR BERGER IN DEFENSE OF HIS SEAT

Right of Socialist Congressman Under Sentence to Sit Is Contested

Washington, June 11.—Victor L. Berger, congressman-elect, challenged through counsel today, the right to deprive him of his seat in congress.

The question of jurisdiction was raised after Chairman Ballinger, in opening the hearing had expressed the opinion it was the committee's purpose to go into the case from the beginning and permit introduction of evidence by the defense, which was excluded by the court in which Berger was convicted and given a 20-year sentence for violation of the espionage act.

Henry S. Cochems of Milwaukee, Berger's counsel, plainly indicated that he was prepared to make a long and vigorous fight in Berger's behalf and Chairman Ballinger was just as insistent that there was no desire on the part of the committee to railroad the case or prevent Berger having full opportunity to present his side.

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CONCESSIONS TO GERMANY ARE TO DISAPPOINT HER

Important Demands of Teutons Flatly Refused in Final Reply to Counter Note

CLEMENCEAU STANDS PAT

Insists that Huns Not Be Admitted to League of Nations Until They're Tried

Paris, June 11.—The reply to the German counter proposal agreed upon by the peace conference heads refuse the German request for a mandate for the former German colonies, it was learned today.

Official announcement was made after the meeting of the council of four this afternoon that there was hope of a comparatively early decision on the reply to Germany. It was said an agreement in principle was reached on the reparations clauses to the effect that no definite sum to be paid by Germany will be fixed in the treaty and that the question will be left virtually as in the original draft.

Not Much Altered. In French circles it was stated today that the treaty would be much less altered than generally supposed. It was indicated that France was still determined not to agree to any material changes.

Reasons For Refusal. A lengthy memorandum gives the reason for the refusal and explains the operation of the league on colonial matters. The reparations portion of the reply, which has been completed and has reached the printer does not fix the total sum which the Germans must pay.

The text of the treaty itself is not changed, the reply explains that the reparations program is a workable agreement.

German Arrogance Feared. Premier Clemenceau is especially firm in his refusal to admit Germany to the league of nations immediately. The French hold that they understand German psychology better than the allies, and realize what the increasing arrogance of the Germans of the last few weeks means. They state they know how much this arrogance would increase were Germans admitted immediately to the league of nations.

The French agree to the admission of Germany later, but insist this admission must not be in compliance to what they term Germany's present haughty demands.

President Wilson fought strenuously to include a firm clause in the reparations clause and the close of the discussion leaves him unchanged. It is best plan, it is understood, he said, that inasmuch as Premier Clemenceau has insisted on the contrary, he would sign the reply as formulated.

COMPLAINS OF CONDITIONS

Paris, June 11.—Carl Henner, Austrian Chancellor and head of the Austrian peace mission, has sent a letter to the peace conference complaining of the "hard conditions" imposed on his country and pointing out the complexity of the Austrian frontier question.

Former Senator Elihu Root, of New York, appearing unexpectedly before the senate foreign relations committee, testified it was he who showed a copy of the treaty to Senator Lodge.

He said he got it from Mr. Davidson, of Mr. Davidson's office, he got it from Mr. Thomas W. Lamont, another partner in the Morgan house, one of the financial advisers to the American peace mission in Paris.

J. P. Morgan testified that he had never seen a copy of the treaty. Mr. Davidson testified that he had shown it to no one but Mr. Root.

During the hearing testifying Mr. Root said he thought President Wilson was in his constitutional rights in not sending the treaty agreement to the senate. He gave his opinion in his rights in not consulting the senate more freely, but thought it would attain a solution had that been done.

At the conclusion of Mr. Vanderbilt's testimony the committee ended the hearing for the day and went into executive session.

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