

THIRTY-NINTH YEAR,

BISMARCK, NORTH DAKOTA, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1919

PRICE FIVE CENTS

FRAZIER AND DOC MILLS TO SPEAK FOR OUR DAKOTA

Governor and Principal Speller of League to Talk Public Ownership

BIG BILL THOMPSON ON

Chief Executive Will Share the Honors With Burgomaster of Chicago and Others

Chicago, Nov. 14.—Public ownership from many viewpoints is to be considered at the Public Ownership Conference called for this city Nov. 15, 16, and 17 by the Public Ownership League of America and numerous labor, farmer, civic, commercial and other organizations. Special interest is expected to attach to the discussions of the farmer toward the public ownership of railroads and mines and the attitude of the farmer toward public ownership questions by reason of recent developments and the presence on the program of the names of Glenn E. Plumb special attorney of the Railway Brotherhoods and author of the "Plumb Plan," Gov. Lynn J. Frazier of North Dakota, Walter Thomas Mills of the Farmers Nonpartisan League, Carl S. Vrooman, former assistant secretary of Agricultural, Sir Adam Beck, chairman of the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario, Canada, and numerous others.

EVERYTHING TO BE PUBLIC
Public ownership of mines, railroads, street car lines, electric light and power plants, banks, elevators, and mills, packing plants, and terminal facilities—all are scheduled for discussion. Organizations definitely pledged to have representatives present and participating include many labor unions scattered throughout the country, the fourteen railway brotherhoods, the United Mine Workers of America, state Federation of Labor and Central bodies, the Farmers' Nonpartisan League, Equity and Grange organizations, cities now operating their own utilities, municipal leagues, the Labor Party, and social and civic bodies.

Many of the public ownership subjects will be discussed by speakers opposed as well as those favoring public ownership. Mr. Plumb's topic is "The Plumb Plan for Government Ownership and Democracy in the Operation of the Railroads." L. E. Shepard of Cedar Rapids, Ia. president of the Order of Railway Conductors, will tell "Why We Support the Plumb Plan." George Sykes of the Chicago City Club will offer "A Public Ownership Criticism of the Plumb Plan," and Herbert S. Bigelow of Cincinnati will discuss "A National Referendum in 1920 on Rail and Mine Ownership." Mr. Vrooman is scheduled to talk on "The American Railway Problem and Its Solution" and Frederick C. Howe, former Commissioner of Immigration on "Industrial Democracy and the Railroads."

FRAZIER AND MILLS
Governor Frazier is to speak on "The People's Movement in the Northwest," and the topic of Mr. Mills is similar, "Public Ownership in North Dakota and the Great Northwest."

Some other speakers and subjects are:
Delos F. Wilcox, public utility expert, New York City—"The Present Street Car Crisis in America and the Way Out."
Eugene N. Foss, former governor of Massachusetts—"The Public Ownership Movement in Massachusetts."
William Bonck, Secy. of Public Works, Wash.—"Attitude of Western Farmers on Nationalization of Public Utilities and Natural Resources."
Laurence B. Finn, chairman Kentucky State Railroad Commission—"Public Ownership and Operation of Railroads—Why Other Plans Suggested Cannot Solve the Problem."
W. J. Hannah, Big Timber, Mont.—"Public Ownership of the Packing Industry from the Standpoint of the Livestock Producer and the Public."
Theodore Kennedy, Hazelton, Pa., president District No. 7 United Mine Workers of America—"The Plan of the United Mine Workers for the Public Ownership of Mines."
A. P. Haines of the Wisconsin Farmer—"The Farmer-Public Ownership's Least Developed Source of Strength."
Edward F. Dunne, former governor of Illinois—"Public Ownership in Illinois."
Juldon King, executive secretary Popular Government League—"Public Ownership of Government."
Sylvester J. Koneski, former president Commercial Telegraphers—"Nationalization of the Telegraph and Telephones."
Frank Q. Stuart of the "Iowa Homestead," Des Moines—"Marshaling the Forces of Reform."
William Hale Thompson, mayor of Chicago (or his representative)—"A Plan for People's Ownership and Operation of the Chicago Street Railway Systems."
J. A. H. Hopkins, chairman Committee of Forty-eight, New York City—"Public Ownership in the Program of the Committee of Forty-eight."
Frank F. Walsh, former chairman War Labor Board—"The Probable Effect of Public Ownership on Industrial Conditions."
Daniel W. Hoan, mayor of Milwaukee—"The Failure of Regulation."
The conference is to be open to the public and participation in the discussion will not be limited to members of the Public Ownership League of America.

FORMER CHIEF OF POLICE AT FARGO AND DULUTH DEAD

Duluth, Minn., Nov. 14.—Chauncey H. Troyer member of the Duluth police department of a quarter of a century and its chief for more than thirteen years and later chief of police of Fargo died here today.

RESERVATIONS TO ARTICLE 10 STAY IN PACT

Senate Succeeds in Amending Provision in Face of Wilson's Opposition

REMOVES OBLIGATIONS

United States Not Bound to Assist in Preserving Territorial Integrity

Washington, Nov. 14.—The foreign-relations committee's reservations to article 10 of the league of nations covenant stood today in the senate as a part of the pact in face of President Wilson's declaration that it would cut the heart out of the covenant.

The reservations which caused exhaustive debate in the senate was adopted late yesterday by a vote of 46 to 33 in the exact form in which it came from the committee. Four democrats joined the republicans in the opposition while the reservations while the opposition was composed entirely of democrats.

The senate was in adjournment today on account of the funeral of Senator Martin at Charlottesville, Va., but tomorrow a vote will be called on the proposal presented by Republican Leader Lodge to invoke the cloture rule to limit a debate on the whole treaty subject.

The reservations to article 10 provide that the United States shall assume no obligation to preserve the territorial integrity or political independence of any other country or to interfere in controversy between nations.

REDS THREATEN WEST VIRGINIANS IN MINING AREAS

Department of Justice Receives Complaints of Operations of Reds

Washington, Nov. 14.—Activities of radicals threaten serious trouble in the bituminous coal mine fields of West Virginia, according to reports received today by the department of justice.

The situation in Montgomery and Taylor counties was described by the department of justice officials as "particularly nasty." Meetings directed and attended largely by Russians have precipitated some violence among the coal miners the reports said.

NORTH DAKOTA IS MAKING GOOD ITS PLEDGE TO TEDDY

Memorial Fund Drive Progressing Slowly But Surely, Reports Director

Slowly but surely, in spite of counter drives and cold weather and snow and strikes and agitation in general, North Dakota is making good its pledge to the memory of Col. Theodore Roosevelt reports George N. Keniston, campaign director for the North Dakota Roosevelt Memorial association.

"Especially encouraging reports have come from the schools," said Mr. Keniston today. "Practically every public school in North Dakota will have contributed to the Roosevelt memorial fund when the drive is completed in this state. Thirty counties have reported their quotas partially completed. In some counties it has been almost impossible to do anything because of the severe cold and the snow-blocked country roads. Every county chairman, however, is confident that the goal will be reached."

North Dakota's quota of the \$5,000,000 Roosevelt Memorial fund is \$65,000. Of this amount \$42,000 will go into the national fund, while the remainder will be used in establishing a permanent North Dakota memorial to the rough rider, at or near Medora, which was Roosevelt's home town in his Little Missouri ranching days, from 1884 to 1887. Sylvanus M. Ferris of Dickinson, Roosevelt's partner in the cattle business, is chairman of the North Dakota memorial committee.

Federal Judge Will Not Enjoin "Drys"

New York, N. Y., Nov. 14.—Federal Judge Hand refused today to grant an injunction restraining enforcement of the Volstead prohibition act.

HAD SEVEN SONS IN WAR



Washington, D. C., Nov. 14.—Mrs. I. M. Blue has been decorated by Mrs. Joseph Daniels, wife of the secretary of the navy, with the insignia of the Women's Legion of the Great War. Mrs. Blue had seven sons in the service.

BOLSHEVIKI TAKE ANOTHER VILLAGE

Omsk, Nov. 6. (By The Associated Press.)—The town of Ishim, 80 miles north of Petrovskok has been occupied by the Bolsheviki. They have crossed the Ishim river and advanced from 25 to 30 miles on an irregular front to the town of Tokushki, (Tokushki is 150 miles due east of Omsk.)

PRESBYTERIANS WILL CONFER ON VACANT PULPITS

Meeting of General Assembly Committee to Be Held at Jamestown

An important conference will be held in the First Presbyterian church at Jamestown next Tuesday, November 18, under the auspices of the permanent committee on vacancy and supply of the Presbyterian general assembly. The conference will be led by the corresponding secretary of the general assembly's committee, Rev. Walter H. Houston of Columbus, O., where the offices of the committee are located. The members of the committee include Dr. George N. Luccock, chairman, Wooster, Ohio, Dr. W. L. McEwan, Pittsburg, Dr. John Timothy Stone, Chicago, Dr. S. S. Palmer, Columbus, Dr. Paul B. Jenkins, Milwaukee, and Dr. John E. Bushnell, Minneapolis.

A few years ago the Presbyterian general assembly took action appointing this committee because of the rapidly growing number of vacant pulpits. The committee has been seeking to definitely organize all of the Presbyteries for the proper supervision and care of pastorless fields. Presbyteries within the bounds of the synod of North Dakota are to be represented in the Jamestown conference on Tuesday. The conference opens at 1:30 P. M. and will continue throughout the afternoon. In addition to Presbyterian committees, any and all other persons specially interested are invited.

Some very important phases of the problem of vacancy and supply will be discussed at the conference. Recent developments in connection with the war have only intensified the vacancy situation. The Presbyterian church contributed the services of about one thousand of her ministers in connection with various war activities. The church has suffered a considerable loss in pastors, some of whom gave their lives in camps and on battle-fields, others being still engaged in various lines of service outside of the pastorate. The number of candidates for the ministry was also decreased by the war and the problem on ministerial support has been steadily rendered more acute by the greatly increased cost of living. All of these questions will be definitely considered by the conference.

A number of the Presbyteries in North Dakota have already organized for the care of their vacant fields along the lines marked out by the general assembly. It is hoped that this conference will materially contribute to the welfare of the churches in North Dakota as well as the general work of the denomination.

50,000 HUNTERS WILL GO INTO GOPHER WOODS

St. Paul, Minn., Nov. 14.—Nearly 50,000 hunters will go into northern Minnesota woods for big game during the open season beginning tomorrow and ending December 5 according to figures given out today by Carlos Avery, state game and fish commissioner. The estimate is based on license sales and is exclusive of more than 75,000 small game permits for 1919 issued to date.

WISCONSIN WOMAN HAD UNUSUAL FAMILY

Menomonee, Wis., Nov. 14.—Mrs. Charles Ferry, wife of a farmer living near here, is the mother of one of the most unusual families in the United States.

There are sixteen children in the Ferry family. They arrived in eight instalments. All of the children are alive.

On six occasions Mrs. Ferry presented her husband with twins. On another occasion a single child was born. A few days ago triplets arrived at the Ferry home—two boys and a girl.

SLIGHT GAINS IN COAL MINED ARE REPORTED TODAY

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I. W. W.'S ARE ACTIVE

Agitators Discourage Men Who Would Return to Work in West Virginia

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In some states notably Illinois and West Virginia threatened troubles by radicals or "insurgents" among the miners complicated the situation. The miners in the Springfield, Ills., sub-district said there would not be any coal mined until after the miners-operators conference reached an agreement.

KENISTON MAKES ARMISTICE TALK TO ARGONNE POST

George N. Keniston, who addressed Buehler's first contingent of departing soldiers, and who spoke at the dedication of the Buehler service flag, had the pleasure on Armistice day of welcoming Buehler's fighting home. The Armistice day homecoming program was arranged thru Argonne post of Buehler, under the direction of Vice Commander L. F. Tenme. During the services a silent tribute was paid to the memory of Buehler's soldier dead, who number three. The exercises were held in Buehler's new municipal hall, were largely attended and proved a very gratifying success.

LANGER ASKS FOR SPECIAL TERM OF DISTRICT COURT

Desiring to push the trial of Constables Taylor and Offey and two associates, charged with the murder of M. K. Bowen, a Golden Valley rancher, Attorney General Langer has petitioned the supreme court for a special term of the district court for Golden Valley county. Mr. Langer cites among other reasons for arguing early action the fact that beach hotel accommodations are such that the jurors and witnesses might be subjected to hardships if detained there after cold weather set in, and also that Mrs. Bowen is soon to become a mother, and that if the trial is not held soon the widow will not be in a position to appear as a witness.

FRAZIER THOUGHT TO OPENLY SEEK LABOR PARTY VOTE

Governor Frazier is regarded here as an open candidate for the presidential nomination of the new labor party, which holds its national convention in Chicago this month. The governor was among the eight prospects most commonly mentioned before his recent action in the North Dakota coal strike. His stand in this matter, radical labor leaders of this state say, will make him popular with organized labor the country over.

FARMER IN CITY

F. C. Klawitter of Baldwin, prominent farmer of that section was in the capital city Thursday on business.

\$100,000.00 WORTH OF CHEMICAL DOPE SOLD FOR WHISKEY

Chicago, Nov. 14.—Four men, one of them a graduate chemist, today were under arrest in connection with what the police say was a scheme that has resulted in the sale of more than \$100,000 worth of chemically compounded grain alcohol coloring matter called whiskey to Chicago cafes and saloonkeepers since the prohibition law became effective.

JAILS FILLED IN WASHINGTON BY I. W. W. SUSPECTS

Nearly 200 Suspicious Characters Rounded Up Since Armistice Day

PROVOCATION IS CHARGED

Sympathizers With Wobblies Allege That Legion Men Made First Move

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 14.—Nearly 200 men suspected of being members of the Industrial Workers of the World were held in jail in various cities and towns in the northwest today as the result of raids growing out of the shooting at Centralia, Wash., during an armistice day parade last Tuesday when four former service men were killed and three others wounded.

QUESTION OF PROVOCATION

Centralia, Wash., Nov. 14.—Efforts of officers charged with the duty of prosecuting the 26 alleged members of the Industrial Workers of the World held in jail here and at Chehalis, Wash., in connection with killing of four American Legion members during an armistice day parade Tuesday were centered today on learning whether former soldiers in any degree provoked the attack by leaving the line of march to force their way into the I. W. W. hall. Testimony given last night at the inquest over the four victims of the shooting differed on this point.

Just after the patriotic parade was broken up by the I. W. W. fusillade reports were current that several members of the legion had started toward hall used as headquarters by radicals before any shots were fired. This version later was denied and investigators reported finding evidence tending to show that the attack by the I. W. W.'s was prearranged.

MILL WORKER SHOT

C. A. Godfrey, who described himself as a mill worker was shot in the shoulder early this morning as he was driving thru Chehalis in an automobile. A former service man acting as a guard fired the shot after Godfrey had disregarded the command to halt repeated several times.

NON-UNION MINE OPERATORS WILL NOT JOIN PARLEY

Do Not Wish to Be Construed as Standing For United Mine Workers' Principles

Washington, Nov. 14.—Holding that their participation might be construed as acceptance of the union principle operators of non-union coal mines outside of the central competitive field announced here today after a conference that they would probably not accept the invitation of Secretary of Labor Wilson to take part in the conference between union miners and operators to begin here today.

ATTEMPTS MADE TO RAID I. W. W. OFFICES FOILED

Police With Revolvers Drive Off Mill City People Attacking Wobbly Joint

Minneapolis, Minn., Nov. 14.—Two more attempts on the part of Minneapolis citizens to raid I. W. W. headquarters in this city proved entirely unsuccessful early today. Police armed with revolvers were waiting for the house cleaners when they arrived in three automobiles.

Today's Weather

For twenty-four hours ending at noon, November 14.
Temperature at 7 a. m. 3
Temperature at noon 12
Highest yesterday 24
Lowest yesterday -6
Lowest last night -6
Precipitation None
Highest wind velocity 14-NW

Forecast

For North Dakota: Generally fair tonight and Saturday; warmer to night and in the southeast portion Saturday.

Lowest Temperatures
Fargo 8
Williston 0
St. Paul 2
Helena 22
Chicago 26
Swift Current 4
Kassia City 32

RETURNS FROM TRIP

Fred J. Haberling of this city returned yesterday from an extensive business trip in connection with the insurance company he represents. Mr. Haberling reports that he found business excellent throughout his territory.

OPERATORS SEE DESIRE ON PART OF FRAZIER TO OBTAIN PERMANENT POSSESSION OF MINES FOR STATE

Believed Temporary Seizure Under Pretext of Martial Law Will Lead Up to Legislative Action in Special Session to Convene November 25—Three Hundred Miners Return to Work at Wilton—No Reports as Yet From Other Mines

That Governor Frazier's temporary seizure of the North Dakota lignite mines, under the pretext of martial law, is merely preliminary to their permanent confiscation by the Townley state government is the belief of some of the mine operators whose property has been wrested from them by military force. It is believed that the strike propaganda from the first has been designed with a view to preparing the people of North Dakota for legislation which the league will seek in the special session to begin November 25, and which will have for its purpose the declaration of the lignite mines to be a natural resource and the property of the state. Public ownership of natural resources has been a cardinal plank in the platform of the National Nonpartisan league, and it is thought that Governor Frazier believes the time ripe for a coup which will place the state and his government in possession of the mines and of all the lignite fields in North Dakota. Just how Governor Frazier would accomplish his purposes is not explained.

NOPARTY LEAGUE TO HAVE ANNUAL MEET IN ST. PAUL

"Matters of Far-Reaching Importance to League Membership" Promised

COMMITTEE WILL DECIDE

Fargo, N. D., Nov. 14.—The annual meeting of the national committee of the Nonpartisan league will be held in St. Paul on December 9 it was announced here today.

The national committee is made up of delegates from thirteen states the delegates five in number from each state being the members of the executive committee from each state.

"Matters of far reaching importance to the league membership will be discussed and acted upon at the annual meeting" says the announcement here today by the North Dakota leader one of the league publications, "Campaign activities, policies and platform for next year's election will be taken up. The national committee under the articles of association has authority to amend the articles adopt the rules and regulations for the government of the league and it is probable matters of this kind will occupy much of the time of the league. The books and the accounts of the league will be audited and a full report will be given out as to finances and accounting for the benefit of league members."

Section 2357 of the compiled laws of North Dakota provides that "whenever any portion of the militia is employed in aid of the civil authorities, the governor, if in his judgment the maintenance of law and order will thereby be promoted, may by proclamation declare the county or city in which the troops are serving, or any specified portion thereof, to be in a state of insurrection."

Section 2358 decrees that "The governor shall have power in case of insurrection, invasion, tumult, riot or breach of the peace, or imminent danger thereof, to order into the active service of the state any part of the militia that he may deem proper."

Note is made of the fact that in his proclamation the governor does not recite any of these causes as being responsible for his declaration of martial law. The governor does not contend that there is tumult, breach of the peace, insurrection or rebellion exist nor that they are threatened. It is possible that the legality of his act will be attacked in the federal courts on this ground.

Wilton Miners at Work

Three hundred organized miners at Wilton resumed work this morning, "for the state of North Dakota," John Hanwell, state mine inspector, was originally in charge of the Washburn Lignite Co. properties, surrendered to the state yesterday under protest, but he was relieved later in the day by J. W. Deemy, manager of a Townley mining property at Kenmare, and named by Governor Frazier to be state fuel director.

No reports had been received at the governor's office up to noon today of men returning to work at other mines. In most instances the military mine managers appointed by General Fraser had not had time to assume charge up to that hour.

The maximum price schedule which is to govern the retailing of coal had not been promulgated up to noon.

North Dakota's second day of martial law and state control and operation of coal mines opened this morning with Governor Frazier hopeful that union miners would have resumed work in a majority of the organized mines at the wages prevailing prior to the strike. Mr. Frazier states that in his conference with district President Henry Drennan of the United Mine Workers on Wednesday he was given assurance that the men would return at their old wage scale if the state took the mines over. Three hundred union miners were expected to resume work in the Washburn Lignite Co.'s mines at Wilton, the largest coal producer in the state, which was surrendered Thursday under protest, to Capt. L. R. Baird of the state militia.

In handling over the property, President M. P. Macomber reserved the right to seek restoration and reparation in the courts of the land, and in a signed statement said:

"Under what law or authority you have presumed to take over the private property of the Washburn Lignite Coal Co. and operate the same we are not advised. We believe that the power and authority of the governor of this state to declare martial law is expressly limited by the constitution and laws of the state to occurrences of the peace exist, and then castions and places where riot, tumult

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