

THIRTY-NINTH YEAR

BISMARCK, NORTH DAKOTA, THURSDAY, FEB. 5, 1920

PRICE FIVE CENTS

## DENIAL IS MADE THAT STATE HAS MADE BIG SUMS

Profits Claimed in Operating Industries Are Really Losses

### OVERLOOK MANY CHARGES

F. E. Packard, in Report on Financial Statement, Says Figures Mislead

Assistant Attorney General F. E. Packard today purchased the bubble of profit claimed by the Townley administration for the Bank of North Dakota in an opinion to Thomas Hall, secretary of state. He pointed out that the alleged profit of the bank was built upon the interest accrued on state bonds, the proceeds of which furnish capital for the bank, and which were purchased by the bank itself.

Secretary of State Hall asked the attorney general's office for an opinion as to whether or not the annual report made to him by the industrial commission complied with the law, and in answering the assistant attorney general pointed out that according to the report the bank showed a net profit for the period from July 28th to December 31st, of \$45,978.45; that in the item of earnings was \$46,719.64 accrued interest on the bank series of bonds of North Dakota, which are the property of the bank. The people through taxation to date have agreed to pay \$46,719.64 interest upon the bonds and in order to show a net profit to the state this item must be set off, which would leave a net deficit for the period of \$641.19.

The report shows a profit for the Drake mill of \$2,748.23 but it appears from the statement of the mill and elevator association that items applicable to the North Dakota system, aggregating \$3,572.60 which should have been charged as operating expense against the Drake mill were found under disbursements of the mill and elevator association which actually left the mill \$624.00 loss for the period of August 20th to December 31st.

According to the opinion of the attorney general all departments of state industry showed an actual loss aggregating \$18,734 for the period under consideration instead of the profit of \$25,756.

He further held that the report did not conform to the provisions of section 6 of the industrial commission act, in that it only listed six employees, while the industrial commission employed scores of people.

The home builders' association was criticized in that one \$5,000.00 cottage had been constructed at the cost to the state of \$8,424.00, and that the report omitted the item of rent amounting to \$200.00.

In one place in the report the inventory of the Drake mill shows \$42,429.59 and in another place the inventory was \$39,713.53, and the buildings and equipment was \$24,419.18, a total of \$62,210.71.

The report was criticized as misleading in toto, false in part and a shameless attempt to deceive the people of the state.

## FATHER ARRESTED FOLLOWING DEATH OF YOUNG SON

Mother Says Beatings Were the Cause of Child's Sudden Death

Rhineland, Wis., Feb. 4.—A warrant was issued late yesterday for the arrest of Stanley Blomski for the alleged murder of his six-year old son at the Blomski home in Sugar Camp. The child died last week and an investigation showed that injury due to severe beatings was the cause.

Testimony of the mother of the child yesterday was to the effect that the father had beaten the child many times and more than once had threatened to take his life.

LOAD OF LUMBER TOPPLES ON HEAD OF MAN; IS DEAD

Mother, Seriously Ill With Pneumonia, Is Not Told of Fatal Accident

Hunter, N. D., Feb. 5.—Wilbur Shepherd of Hunter township was killed under a load of lumber that overturned just as he was driving it into the yard of his home. His father found the body several hours later.

## BLIZZARD GRIPS NEW YORK, TIENING UP RAIL SERVICE

Snow, Hail and Sleet With 50-Mile Gale Disrupts Traffic Badly

New York, Feb. 5.—New York today started to dig itself out of the most severe snow storm of the winter. Snow, hail and sleet carried on the wings of a 50-mile gale fell steadily during the night and early morning hours, clogging the streets and sidewalks with great drifts, demoralizing street car traffic, delaying train service, seriously impeding navigation in the harbor and causing intense discomfort to pedestrians.

## WILL OPEN BIDS FOR STATE MILL AT GRAND FORKS

State Officials Visit Proposed Site of 3,000 Barrel Flour Mill

Bids will be opened on March 15 for the construction work on the 3,000 barrel state-owned flour mill and the 1,600,000 bushel terminal elevator at Grand Forks, in accordance with the decision of the industrial commission reached today after conference with H. G. Lykken of the Charles G. Pillsbury engineering firm which has prepared the plans for the plant.

Governor Frazier, Mr. Lykken and J. A. McGovern, manager of the mill and elevator association, left Bismarck last night for Grand Forks where they will make a final examination of the site offered with a view to reaching a decision next week.

Commissioner John N. Hagan left for New Orleans to visit Louisiana's state-owned terminal elevator and to study its methods of operation as applicable to the North Dakota system. Mr. Hagan will spend two weeks in the southern city.

## FARGO HAS FINE MOTOR DISPLAY AT ANNUAL SHOW

All of Latest Models of Various Manufacturers Will Be On Display

Fargo, N. D., Feb. 5.—Fargo's annual auto show, to be put on at the Berry building next week by the Fargo-Moorhead Automobile Trade association, will compare favorably with the Minneapolis auto show now being held, only on a smaller scale, according to H. L. Wilson, manager of the Fargo show, who returned from the Mill City show last evening.

Although the Fargo show will be many times smaller than the one now on in Minneapolis, it will have many advantages that the larger one has not said Mr. Wilson. The show here will be much more combined and it will be a great deal easier to see all the exhibits here than it is in Minneapolis. Mr. Wilson said that he would take at least two full days to visit the combined exhibits of the Mill City show. He said he spent four hours there and was able to visit only the automobile displays.

## CONFEREES DELETE IMPORTANT PARTS OF CUMMINS BILL

Compulsory Consolidation of Railroads and Transportation Board Eliminated

Washington, Feb. 5.—Plans for the compulsory consolidation of railroads as provided under the Cummins bill were eliminated from the railroad bill today by the house and senate conferees who also agreed to strike out senate provisions providing for the establishment of a transportation board. Duties that were to have been assigned the board will instead, in the main, go to the interstate commerce commission, it was announced.

## LUMBER DEALERS MEET AT MINOT

Annual Session of State Organization Starts Today

Minot, N. D., Feb. 5.—The annual meeting of the North Dakota Lumber Dealers' association will open today in Minot, sessions continuing until Friday night.

C. N. Cox of Minot, secretary of the association, has made plans for the meeting.

## FAMOUS JURIST FLAYS LEAGUE FOR PAST ACTS

Judge Kenshaw Mountain Landis Says It Is "Atrociously Out of Place"

Speaks at Minneapolis

Would Not Support Any Candidate That Was Connected With Nonpartisans

Playing the Nonpartisan League and its leaders saying it was "atrociously out of place in the United States," Judge Keesaw Mountain Landis, United States district judge at Chicago, and one of the most famous jurists in the country, made a stirring address at Minneapolis Monday. The meeting was held under Christian association.

Among other things, Judge Landis, referring to the league and its activities in North Dakota, said: "Coming nearer home to his Minneapolis audience the speaker took up the problems of Minneapolis and the northwest.

"Now there's another concern that's been hessin' around here," he said. "We don't have it in Illinois. We have the 'flu' and the smallpox, but thank God we don't have that. I refer Gentlemen, it's your baby, to the Nonpartisan League. I have not had personal contact with it."

"Yes," someone shouted in the audience. "Yet," repeated the speaker with a smile. "I know enough about it to know it is atrociously out of place in the United States. I understand some politicians are actually flirting with the thing."

LEARN RECORDS  
"Now I don't care whether a man wants to be elected to a city council, and wants to be major, or whether he has been major and wants to be elected governor, that man expects to get the greater part of the votes of his own party and enough of the votes of the other parties to elect him. When a man seeks office, if I were you, I would learn his record and if he had been flirting with this thing, I'd forget all about the democratic and republican parties and tell him to be contented with the votes that he can get from his own kind."

"I understand that in North Dakota there is a governor and other officials, but that there sits in a room in St. Paul a man who tells the governor and judges and others what to do. Now I am not the kind of a man to be in office in North Dakota, but, my God, I'd like to hold court there for about a week."

"You'll suspect before I'm through that I am not intending to run for office in North Dakota."

Judge Landis approved the conviction and sentence in United States court in North Dakota of Kate Richards O'Hare who, in speeches, said that mothers of soldiers were "no better than brood sows."

BAER INTERESTED  
As a result of his speech, Judge Landis will probably feel the effect of the wrath of the Nonpartisan League leaders. Congressman John M. Baer, the league's representative in congress, sent the following telegram to Judge Landis:

"Remarks attributed to you during speech at Minneapolis are grossly improper for a federal judge. Believing for congressional investigation I want to know if you were correctly quoted in declaring that 'the I. W. W., the Socialist and the Nonpartisan League all are in the same boat,' the statement being coupled with a plain intendment to mob violence."

"If you have been truthfully reported, I want to know how you reconcile this intemperate assertion with the fact that the league aims at the overthrow of government through direct action. The Nonpartisan League is a political organization with a definite program of public ownership of basic marketing facilities. Part of this program is being successfully operated in North Dakota. Every one of these measures was enacted by lawful, constitutional methods and every step has been ratified by special elections and sustained and approved by both state and federal courts."

"North Dakota is the first state to start curbing unrest by removing its underlying economic causes instead of patting with effects. And that we have been successful is proved by the fact that not a single resident from North Dakota has been arrested in the recent 'red raids.' Instead of favoring overthrow of government, the Nonpartisan League believes in strengthening and extending its power. We make good citizens by assisting them in getting homes and we do this in a manner that creates confidence in the orderly process of American political institutions."

UNFIT FOR BENCH  
"Your wholesale denunciation of the loyal citizens of North Dakota is a plain perversion of the facts, a gross insult to their patriotism, and assuming you to be correctly quoted, evidence of a deep seated hysteria that quite evidently unites you to sit upon the federal bench."

JUDGE LANDIS COMPETENT  
However, many persons who are intimately acquainted with the splendid record Judge Landis has made on the bench are not worrying about Baer's telegram, it is said. With a reputation of never speaking unless he is granted.

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## FOUR POUND EGG IS WAY ONE HEN STARTS SEASON

Was an Ostrich and Not the Garden Variety of Animal, However

Pasadena, Cal., Feb. 5.—With an egg weighing four pounds—enough for a meal for eight persons—Martha Washington, a veteran egg-producer at an ostrich farm here, has opened the season.

She is the most reliable egg-layer among the more than 300 ostriches at the farm, and for many years has been the first each season to lay an egg.

## W. E. BREEN WILL BE DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION MAN

Was Named as Delegate to the National Convention Yesterday

Presidential Electors

Meeting of State Central Committee at Fargo Entirely Harmonious

Fargo, N. D., Feb. 5.—Candidates for delegates to the democratic national convention which will be held at San Francisco were named here last night at the meeting of the state central committee. Presidential electors, alternate delegates and national committeemen were also named.

H. H. Perry of Ellendale was re-elected national committeeman for the state on recommendation of the nominating committee and by unanimous vote. Sveulbjorn Johnson of Grand Forks was elected state chairman following the resignation of W. E. Byerly. John B. Fried of Jamestown was named secretary, vice Dr. R. A. Bolton, resigned.

Other elections were as follows: Presidential electors: M. F. Hage-Hallon; Mrs. Philip Roesch, Minot; J. P. Lamb, Minot; Jens Peterson, Minot; John Sullivan, Mandan.

Delegates to the national convention: W. L. Noyes, Cando; R. B. Murphy, Grafton; F. F. Burchard, Grand Forks; J. W. McHose, Fargo; W. E. Breen, Bismarck; W. E. Glotzsch, Anamoose; John B. Fried, Jamestown; G. S. Woodlee, Minot; J. R. Mann, Washburn; Charles Simon, New England.

Alternate delegates: J. Hesse, Hallon; Wm. Schuetz, Hankinson; J. D. Faxon, Devils Lake; Jos. McGovern, Anamoose; A. E. Raimsey, Judd; Charles Pollock, Fingol; K. A. Ferguson, Carrington; Geo. Gilmore, Williston; L. A. Winter, Werner; T. F. Murtha, Dickinson.

## WOMAN DIES WHEN ENTERING DEPOT; ILL A LONG TIME

Had Just Left Hospital Because She "Wanted to Go Home" With Husband

Mrs. Anna Nelson of Baldwin, died this morning just as she was entering the Soo depot to take a train for her home. She had been ill for some time and had just left a hospital because she wanted to go home. She had been suffering from cancer.

The deceased was the wife of Robert Nelson, well known farmer who lives two miles north of Baldwin. Mrs. Nelson was 49 years of age and a native of Sweden. Mr. and Mrs. Nelson came to this county twenty years ago and took up the homestead where they have resided ever since.

The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon from the Nelson farm.

## FARGO TO BUILD \$80,000 GARAGE

Will Be Four Stories High and Fireproof

Fargo, N. D., Feb. 5.—Plans and specifications will be completed this week for a modern garage to cost approximately \$80,000, to be erected by J. C. Vincent at the corner of N. P. avenue and Third street, east of the new peace building, now under course of construction.

The garage will be a four-story structure. Bids will be called for soon, according to an announcement today by the architects.

Loans to Soldiers.  
Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 5.—Loans to British Columbia war veterans have amounted to over \$9,000,000 since February, 1919. W. J. Black, chairman of the Soldiers' Settlement board said in a statement issued here recently. British Columbia, with two exceptions, is the highest among Canadian provinces in the aggregate of loans granted to soldier settlers, he declared.

## PALMER SAYS HE KEPT LID ON BY ARRESTING REDS

Did Not Have Cold Feet, He Tells Senate Judiciary Committee

Pending Bills Too Draught

Repressive Measures Would Do More Harm Than Good, He Says

Washington, Feb. 4.—Deportation of radicals, country wide arrests of others and the "vigorous enforcement of existing laws has given notice that the United States intends to keep order and has helped to improve conditions," Attorney General Palmer today told the house judiciary committee.

The positive intention of the government to punish crimes of "reds" and communists has created a state of order which would have been impossible without arrests and deportations, he added.

Mr. Palmer denied that he had "a plain case of cold feet" when he failed to appear before the house rules committee several weeks ago to explain the need for additional anti-depression legislation.

More harm than good would come from repressive legislation, Mr. Palmer said, adding that pending measures were so drastic and far reaching that they would over reach the purpose for which they were intended.

## STATE BOARD OF HEALTH ISSUES FLU STATEMENT

Avoid Crowds, Do Not Sneeze, and Go to Bed If Sick, Are Warnings

In an effort to successfully combat the influenza epidemic which is prevalent in many cities of the state, C. J. McGurran, state health officer and secretary of the state department of health at Devils Lake, has issued the following:

"During the prevalence of epidemic influenza in the state the public is cautioned to avoid as far as possible all unnecessary traveling, visiting and crowding. Special caution should be observed while sneezing or coughing and to protect such spasm with handkerchief that droplet infection may not be projected from the mouth or nose of an infected person to another who may be susceptible. In case one becomes sick, he should immediately go to bed and summon a physician instead of trying to fight the disease until complications arise."

"All local health officers are requested and advised to take immediate precautions against the spread of this disease in their respective districts, when the epidemic makes its appearance there. They should prohibit all unnecessary gatherings and public functions; regulate seating in opera houses and take such other measures as they find necessary during this emergency."

"The secretary of the health officer will also be the office of the health officer who will have charge of the Red Cross activities during this period and who will be in a position to marshal aid where needed."

"The closest co-operation with boards of health is urged in handling the situation that the greater protection be secured."

## NEW HEADS NAMED FOR DEMOCRATIC PARTY IN STATE

F. Johnson of Grand Forks Succeeds W. E. Byerly, Who Resigned

Fargo, N. D., Feb. 5.—At a meeting here today of the democratic state central committee, F. Johnson of Grand Forks was elected chairman to succeed W. E. Byerly, resigned, and John B. Fried of Jamestown was elected secretary, to succeed Dr. R. A. Bolton, Jamestown, also resigned.

Following the state central committee meeting the gathering of democrats was thrown up and steps were taken to nominate candidates for delegates to the national convention, Gay S. Woodlee of Minot was elected chairman of the conference, and a committee of nine was delegated to select the delegates candidate.

The nominating committee also will suggest candidates for presidential electors, the delegates and electoral candidates to be voted on in the primary election of March 16. A candidate for national committeeman will be endorsed this afternoon.

RECOVERING FROM OPERATION.  
Mrs. Elmer Brown, who was operated on yesterday at the St. Alexis hospital, is recovering nicely and will be able to leave the institution next week.

## FLAX TUMBLES WHEN SUPPORT IS WITHDRAWN

Extreme Fall of 51 Cents to \$3.85 Recorded on Duluth Board of Trade

Duluth, Minn., Feb. 5.—Catching of stop loss orders and no apparent support from buyers resulted in serious breaks in flax prices on the local board of trade today. An extreme fall of 51 cents in new May flax to \$3.85 was the greatest break in the forenoon and liquidation continued.

## GUNMEN'S FIGHT EXPECTED OVER ENRIGHT MURDER

Chicago Police Look For "Ten More Killings" Before Assailant Is Caught

Suspects Are Gathered

Authorities Say That "War and Wholesale Murder" Is Imminent

Chicago, Feb. 5.—War among Chicago's gunmen and labor union feudists to avenge the murder of "Bossy" Enright, chief of the feudists and leader of gunmen, today hinges upon police efforts to apprehend and hold suspects before the dead man's friends found them and cancelled the score in their own fashion.

The call for the Enright clan had gone out the police said and "war and wholesale murder" was imminent. There probably will be "ten more killings" before the murderer is caught the chief of police declared.

Enright was the twenty-third victim of Chicago's labor feud and by the sawed off shot gun.

## HEN FRUIT GOES DOWN AS LOW AS 11 CENTS DOZEN

High Cost of Living Victims Chuckle Over Predicament of Speculators

New York, Feb. 5.—Victims of the high cost of living were given cause for revengeful chuckling today when market reports showed that eggs recently put in cold storage at 50 cents a dozen were being thrown on the market at prices ranging downward from 45 to 11 cents wholesale.

In many places today they were being retailed at 50 cents and the slump was reported to have affected the fresh egg market bringing prices down eight cents since last Friday.

The decrease in cold storage egg prices was explained as being due to the fact that the expected European demand for eggs did not fully develop.

## SEED MAN DIES ENROUTE PACIFIC COAST ON TRIP

N. J. Olson of Sanborne is Victim of Pneumonia Traveling to California

Fargo, N. D., Feb. 5.—N. J. Olson of Sanborne, N. D., head of a seed company of Minneapolis and Moorhead, Minn., died last night at Salt Lake City, Utah, according to word received here today. Pneumonia was the cause of his death. Mr. Olson was 62 years old and had lived in North Dakota 35 years. The body will be brought to Fargo for burial. He was enroute California with his wife when he was taken sick.

## WOOD ALCOHOL IS CAUSE OF DEATHS

Three Men Die in Illinois From Drinking Liqueur

Freeport, Ill., Feb. 5.—Three men, aged 29 to 22 years, died last night and fifteen others are in a serious condition as the result of drinking liqueur supposed to have contained wood alcohol.

FREIGHT BARGES BEING BUILT FOR MISSISSIPPI TRADE

Pittsburgh, Feb. 5.—Freight barges of an improved type are being built in a shipyard here for the United States railroad administration. They will be used on the lower Mississippi river for carrying oil in bulk and for general cargo.

## CRISIS RESULTS IN EUROPE OVER HUNS DESIRED

Council of Ambassadors Sent List of Names Wanted For Crimes to Berlin

Cabinet Defies Allies

Entente Will Adopt Necessary Measures to Compel Attendance at Trial

Paris, Feb. 5.—Relations between the allied powers and Germany seem to have arrived at a crisis as a result of the refusal of the Baron von Lersner, head of the German delegation here, to forward to Berlin the names of Germans whose extradition is demanded by the entente. This incident apparently finds an echo in the attitude of the Berlin cabinet which is reported in London dispatches to have expressed through Gustav Noske, minister of defense, seeming defiance of the powers. Von Lersner left for the German capital last night.

The list of Germans accused of violations of laws of war whose trial is contemplated by the allies will be sent to Berlin direct by the council. It is pointed out here that measures intended to compel Germany to carry out the extradition clauses of the Versailles treaty will be adopted, but there is no intimation of their nature.

GERMAN SEND NOTE  
London, Feb. 5.—The German cabinet has decided to stand another note to the allies calling attention to the fatal consequences which would ensue upon extradition of the Germans demanded for trial by the allies for war crimes according to a Berlin dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Co.

PHYSICAL IMPOSSIBILITY  
Berlin, Wednesday, Feb. 4.—At the conclusion of tonight's cabinet session, a member of the government informed the correspondent of The Associated Press that the ministers were unanimous in declaring that surrender of the men demanded by the allies in the unofficial list received here or any other extradition list was an utter physical impossibility.

Paris, Feb. 5.—The list of Germans accused by the allies of war crimes and whose extradition is being demanded is headed by former Crown Prince Frederick Wilhelm and several other sons of the former German emperor. The list will be handed to Baron Kurt von Lersner, the German representative here, this afternoon.

Included in the list are Dr. Theobald von Bethman Holweg, former German imperial chancellor; Field Marshall von Hindenburg; General Ludendorff, formerly first quartermaster general; Field Marshall von Mackensen, Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria, the Duke of Wurtemberg and a number of other princes and titled officers.

Paris, Feb. 5.—The draft of the note to be sent to Germany with the list of persons whose extradition is to be demanded by the allies was approved by the council of ambassadors today. The note and the list will be handed over at once to the German representatives here.

It was decided by the council that neither the note nor the list should be made public here.

MILES STANDISH WAS A MANXMAN RECORDS SHOW

Douglas, Isle of Man, Feb. 5.—Evidence that Miles Standish was a Manxman and born into the Manx family of Standish of Manbane, has been discovered by the secretary of the Isle of Man Antiquarian society.

The family of Standish probably came to Man with the Derby family in the fifteenth century, it is stated, for there is a record that they held property in the capital of the island in the year 1511. This was 73 years before Miles is supposed to have been born.

## IMPORTANT TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED BY MANY SPEAKERS

Leading Educators Will Assemble at Twelfth Annual Convention at Moorhead

Moorhead, Minn., Feb. 5.—A broad range of educational topics including shortage of teachers and poor salaries, and the question of affiliating with the Minnesota Education association, are to be considered at the twelfth annual convention of the Northwest Central Minnesota Educational association, which will open here tomorrow and close on February 6.

The general theme will be "Democracy in Education." M. L. Jacobson, Moorhead, is president of the association.

The program lists as speakers Curtis M. Johnson, president of the National Retail Hardware Dealers Association; Dean L. D. Coffman, University of Minnesota; J. M. McConnell, state superintendent of education; Dean Joseph Kennedy, University of North Dakota and L. R. Finley, of St. Paul, director of physical training.