

## SOLDIERS WILL GET BONUS FROM STATE IN MARCH

Adjutant General's Office Believes 1,500 Claims Will Be Paid in Month

### FUND INCREASING DAILY

Bill Lemke Promised Legion League Would Provide All Funds Necessary

With \$12,000 in the soldiers' bonus fund at the present time and this amount increasing daily as tax receipts are turned in, at least 1,500 claims will be paid before the middle of next month.

These important facts were disclosed last night in a talk delivered by Major Harold Sorenson of the adjutant general's department before American legion members here. The speaker outlined some of the requirements of the amended soldiers' bonus law and how the work in his office was progressing in filing claims of former service men for the \$25 a month for each month in service which the state will pay.

It was also disclosed that plans are underway to pay a bonus this year and for that reason all former service men were urged to send in their certificates and applications. A great many men, it was stated, were delaying these requirements because of the improbability of getting their bonuses for several years.

An interesting disclosure of the causes held by the Nonpartisan league representatives during the recent special session of the state legislature was made by Capt. Henry T. Murphy, Capt. Murphy, in urging ex-service men to file their claims at once said: "William Lemke once the legislative committee of the American legion, of which I was a member, that funds would be provided at either the special session of the legislature or at the next regular session by the league majority to pay all soldiers' claims in full. As this was not provided for by the special session, I presume, in view of the solemn promise made by Mr. Lemke to the legion committee, that the league members will provide a fund to pay all bonus claims at the regular session."

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Big Convention at Grand Forks Outlines Program and Campaign Methods to Be Followed in State to Defeat Nonpartisans

Grand Forks, N. D., Feb. 6.—Organization and campaign plans for the North Dakota Independent Voters association were adopted at the state convention of that organization today. The convention will close this afternoon.

By the plan of campaign outlined and adopted it is proposed to organize a force of at least 25,000 voters to dedicate their time in carrying on the campaign against the Nonpartisan league in the state.

Continuation of the work heretofore conducted by the association was advised. **CANDIDATES**  
In the nominations of candidates it was proposed by the committee on campaign methods that the anti-Nonpartisan league members of the republican and democratic state central committees be asked to appoint seven members each to confer with a like committee of several members from the Independent Voters association for the purpose of calling a state mass convention of all voters opposed to the league to nominate tickets. This plan of procedure also was recommended in the counties and in the legislative districts and was approved by the association.

The reports of the committee on referendum and initiation of legislation advised that petitions be circulated referring to the people the state sheriff bill, the so-called "smelling" committee bill—and the absent voter bill passed by the state legislature at its recent special session. The committee also advised the initiation of a law prohibiting the display of the red flag. The reports were accepted by a vote of 500 delegates.

Resolutions adopted declare that the state administration under control of the Nonpartisan league has furthered a brand of socialism in the state.

## CALIFORNIA HAS MANY STARS FOR TRACK SEASON

Last Year's Veterans Expected to Clean Up on Coast Championships

Berkeley, Cal., Feb. 6.—The University of California has a half score versatile veterans of the track and field training. These include Merchant, Spratt, Hutchinson, Lupton, Majors, Waltz, Roach, Carson and Grunsky.

Walter Christie, coach, considers his squad weak only in the 40-yard dash and the high jump.

## GERMAN HONOR WOULD PERMIT TREATY EVASION

Commanders Wanted By Allies to Stand Trial "Only Did Their Duty"

Berlin, Feb. 6.—Field Marshal von Frenckel told the local Anzeiger today that Germans whose names are on the list of those whose extradition is demanded by the allies "only did their duty to the fatherland" and that extradition was ignominious to which "no German would voluntarily submit." The field marshal declared he never placed himself at the disposal of the entente nations and expressed the belief that most of the commanders named in the allied list would take the same view.

**GERMAN HONOR**  
It is understood that meetings of army and navy commanders were held January 7 and it was unanimously concluded that evasion of the extradition clause of the Versailles treaty was entirely compatible with German honor and that no one must voluntarily surrender. Legal objections should be lodged against orders for the arrest of any of the commanders, it was decided at these meetings.

The government has issued to the press a proclamation reiterating its opposition to the extradition demands and declaring it cannot be fulfilled by this or any other government.

**JUST GETTING MAIL**  
Two Harbors, Minn., Feb. 6.—People in Grand Marais are getting their Christmas mail today. The entire district along the north shore of Lake Superior extending to Grand Marais is also getting mail after an absolute shutdown in delivery for six weeks owing to deep snow and bad roads that defied the strongest trucks. Three carloads of mail were started for Grand Marais today. It contained all Christmas mail and presents that had been stored in the local post office.

**FIGHTING IN ASIA**  
London, Feb. 6.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Co. from Constantinople under date of January 30 reports important engagements in the region of Marash and Antab, Turkey, in Asia, between national forces and French troops. Marash is seriously endangered the dispatch says.

## FRAZIER'S BOOM FOR PRESIDENT FINALLY BURIED

Courier-News Says "We Need Him" and Therefore Lynn Stays in North Dakota

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Only League's Official Mouthpiece Has Taken Governor's Campaign Seriously

The "Frazier for President" boom has been officially buried and the "Frazier for Governor" boom has been resurrected by no less an authority than the Fargo Courier-News, official mouthpiece of the Nonpartisan league.

For weeks past, the league paper has been devoting considerable space to influencing sentiment in favor of Governor Frazier for president of the United States. Outside of the paper's own office, nothing but ridicule has greeted this propaganda and now the Courier-News has at last discovered the humor of the situation.

The discarding of the "Frazier for President" boom was announced in the following editorial in the Courier-News Thursday under the caption "We need him."  
"As the voters of North Dakota approach the presidential primary they distrust with the prospect of being compelled to choose between such an array of candidates as General Wood 'Pulman' Lowden, Senator Polinder, Senator Harding, and such like aspirants for the presidential nomination becomes acute. They cannot be blamed, therefore, for feeling more and more strongly that the choice of North Dakota should rest upon our own Governor, Frazier."

He has shown the qualities that would make for a good president. The report of the industrial commission, of which he is chairman, indicates what a splendid business man he is. He brought North Dakota thru the turmoil of the war with less disorder than any other state. North Dakota not only ranked with the best in filling all its financial obligations to the war, but it went even farther than any other state assisting farmers to increase their acreage on behalf of a starving world. Governor Frazier is an American of the old variety, who believes in the kind of Americanism that was preached by Washington and Jefferson and Lincoln. He has permitted no Prussianism in North Dakota and there has been no "red" arrests here. And he is, above all, a man whose sympathies are always with the struggling masses.

"He stands head and shoulders above the entrants in the Republican presidential race. But we all know of course, that the Republican convention will be controlled by big business. The nomination of Governor Frazier is an idle dream—this year."

"In the meantime, he is needed in North Dakota. His work here is not completed. Much has been done. There is more that remains to be done. Our job consists first of all in establishing on an unassailable foundation the North Dakota program. We cannot at this time spare Lynn J. Frazier. We must remain away from the presidential primaries, or choose the least offensive of the various old-guard candidates presented. Governor Frazier's work in North Dakota is far too important at this time to permit us even to think of drafting him for the presidential primaries."

**EMPLOYEES TO HELP**  
All officers, agents, traffic representatives and other interested employees have been instructed as to the details of this order and asked to secure the full co-operation of grain dealers, farmers, commercial organizations and others in order to secure the desired results.

**KJELSTRUP BUYS RESIDENCE LOT**  
Christ Kjelstrup, an officer of the Capital Security bank of this city and interested extensively in McLean county, has purchased fifty feet on Avenue B near First street adjoining the home of H. H. Steele. Mr. Kjelstrup now resides at Underwood, but it is stated that he plans on erecting a home on this property in the near future.

**DENVER MINT MAN STOLE \$100,000 IN BARS OF BULLION**  
Skilled Worker Arrested By Secret Service Agents, Who Find Gold in Home

Denver, Colo., Feb. 6.—Oreville Harrington, skilled worker in the Denver mint, was arrested early today by the local branch of the federal secret service on a charge of having robbed the Denver mint of gold bullion valued at more than \$100,000. A search of Harrington's home revealed the gold bars buried and hidden in various parts of the premises and all of it was recovered.

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**NEW AIR ROUTE**  
London, Feb. 6.—British government agents have proposed an air route between Europe and South America via Paris, Madrid, Rabat, in Morocco, Bathurst, on the west coast of Africa, and thence by a 1,400-mile ocean route to Pernambuco, the ocean passage is comparatively short and lies in a region of equatorial calm.

**COLLEGE WOMEN TAKE UP SPORT IN SERIOUS WAY**  
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Since the meeting referred to in the foregoing, the British empire cotton growing committee has recommended that the British board of trade grant a subsidy for five years to that committee to promote the growth of cotton within the empire. The committee stated that the British cotton industry drew four-fifths of its supplies from the United States and said there was evidence of a world shortage of cotton. Confidence was expressed by the committee that if proper measures were taken it would be possible to grow within the empire "a very large proportion of the cotton it requires."

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The state railroad commission here received a telegram yesterday from the director general of railroads at Washington that from February 8 to 18 North Dakota and other states will be given priority in the furnishing of box cars for bulk grain loading.

This order is expected to release a large number of box cars for carrying wheat and other grains, the shipment of which has been badly handicapped by the car shortage.

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Charlestown, W. Va., Feb. 6.—Twenty-two illicit stills were captured by officers of the state prohibition department and 44 persons arrested during January, according to a report of commissioner Walter Hallahan made public today.

It was also stated that details of the newly-formed state police have been sent into a number of mountain counties to work with prohibition officers in a carefully planned campaign against moonshining.

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Precipitation	Trace
Highest wind velocity	8-W
Forecast	