

THIRTY-NINTH YEAR

BISMARCK, NORTH DAKOTA, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1920

PRICE FIVE CENTS

LEGION MEN GO ON RECORD FOR SOLDIER BONUS

Resolutions Adopted at Minneapolis Convention Before Congress

TO COST \$1,900,000,000.00

Bond Issue Planned By Delegates in Washington for Conference

Washington, Feb. 16.—A bonus for ex-service men and compulsory military training were announced as the principal aims of the legislative committee of the American legion members of which were here today for a series of conferences with congressmen.

The bond issue watch was sidetracked after considerable agitation at the first annual convention of the legion in Minneapolis on a vote to leave the question to congress last week, was received at national headquarters at Indianapolis. It was claimed that on account of the dilatoriness of congress the legion was determined to press the matter by asking for specific settlement by the government of a \$50 bonus for each month's service performed during the war. Such a bonus it was estimated would cost the government approximately \$1,900,000,000.

STRIKE IS ONLY DEFERRED, NOT OFF FOR GOOD

Maintenance Men Merely Await Outcome of Negotiations at Washington

HINES CALLS CONFERENCE

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 16.—The proposed strike of more than 300,000 members of the United Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way employees and railway shop laborers has not been cancelled but has been merely postponed. Allen Barker, president of the brotherhood announced today. Unless speedy relief is given the workers, he said, the strike will certainly take place.

HINES ASKS CONFERENCE

Washington, Feb. 16.—Director General Hines today telegraphed DeWitt Heyler, chairman of the railroad executives asking him to designate a committee to meet here for conference with railroad administration officials on railroad wage questions and related subjects. The request was understood to have been made at the suggestion of President Wilson.

SULTAN ALLOWED TO REMAIN UNDER STRINGENT RULES

London, Feb. 16.—Reports printed in Paris to the effect that the supreme council decided on Saturday that the sultan and Turkish government would remain in Constantinople but under stringent international control of the Dardanelles coincides with the information gathered here. This, however, is unofficial and has not been confirmed.

ALBERTA EXPORTING GRAIN AND CATTLE TO UNITED STATES

Calgary, Alta., Feb. 16.—Exports from Central Alberta to the United States, composed chiefly of grain and cattle are increasing steadily, according to figures issued by Samuel Best, United States consul in Calgary. In 1919, this consular district cleared goods to the invoice value of \$10,994,287, or about \$4,000,000 more than in 1918, and practically double the exports of 1917. Proportionate increases, it is estimated, were made by the rest of the province, although returns have not been received from United States consular agencies at Lethbridge and Edmonton.

GAME BIRDS FAMISHED, FOLLOW GRAIN WAGONS

Miles City, Mont., Feb. 16.—Grouse and other game birds have become so famished that they have forgotten their fear and now hunt about highways where grain wagons pass, eating the grain that falls.

It is not uncommon, it is said, to see large flocks about the road on the prairies and they have learned to wait for teams to pass, when they crowd into the ruts, to seek food.

TO SAW OWN LUMBER

Daughin, Minn., Feb. 16.—Farmers in the Daughin and Swan River districts have set up a large number of profitable sawmills this winter to cut lumber for their own use. In this way it is expected to solve the high prices of lumber and the growing difficulty of securing shipments, owing to extraordinary demand now existing.

ANOTHER COLD WAVE IN EAST

Washington, Feb. 16.—Another cold wave gripped the eastern portion of the country today, the cold area extending from Canada to the gulf and from the Atlantic to the Mississippi river.

At the weather bureau it was said the cold snap would be of short duration.

ALLIES ASKING NOW ONLY THAT KAISER BE HELD

Original Demand For Extradition of Former German Emperor Reversed

DUTCH WILL MEET TERMS

The Hague, Feb. 16.—The latest allied note to Holland with regard to extradition of the former German emperor reverses the original demand for his surrender and only asks his internment with the suggestion that the former monarch be sent, perhaps to one of the Dutch islands in the East Indies, it became known today.

The Associated Press learns on excellent authority that the Dutch government has already determined to reply with an offer actually to intern Wilhelm at Doorn. Holland would accept the full responsibility of preventing him from endangering the peace of the world, establishing a guard over him and a strict censorship.

HOLLAND ANXIOUS TO PLEASE

The Hague, Feb. 16.—Holland it is pointed out in diplomatic quarters is anxious to meet any request of the allies which is compatible with her own dignity and does not conflict with the nation's laws and traditions. More than anything else as far as can be learned, she desires to bring to a close the issue over the presence of the former emperor which has been a thorn in her side since the Hohenzollern sought refuge here in 1918.

That the ex-emperor is undoubtedly willing to spend the rest of his life in Doorn is the belief in official circles here where it is also believed that the allies will accept the proposal to place upon Holland's shoulders the responsibility for keeping him there. They point to Doorn as being a particularly advantageous place to intern him as the village is not near any large city and the house which the ex-emperor has bought is so placed as to be easily guarded and it is somewhat farther from the German frontier than Aachen where the former emperor is now living.

RAILWAY MEN'S REPLY TO WAGE PLAN HANDED IN

Response Given Wilson Saturday and Wires Sent Out to Local Unions

Washington, Feb. 16.—The reply of the railroad brotherhoods to President Wilson's decision in the wage controversy was presented to the president Saturday. Immediately afterward the union officials sent telegrams to their locals all over the country which B. M. Jewell, president of the railroad department of the American Federation of Labor, said would serve to "steady our men" until they receive the full correspondence covering the negotiations.

Mr. Jewell said just what had been the result of the negotiations but it seemed certain that the president had refused to meet the demand of the 2,000,000 workers for a general increase and that his decision had been accepted by the union officials at least for the present.

LOCAL SALESMAN QUALIFIES FOR KILOWATT CLUB

George N. Vansickle Delco-Light salesman has won a great deal of honor for himself during the past year by qualifying for the Delco-Light Kilowatt club, which is composed of the Delco-Light salesmen throughout the United States and Canada.

The Delco-Light Kilowatt club is composed of the leading Delco-Light dealers and salesmen throughout this country and Canada who have sold during 1919 one thousand watts of business; that being the unit by which the company measures their sales.

There are three thousand Delco-Light representatives in the United States and Canada, and for Mr. Vansickle to be classed as one of the leaders in this large number is quite a tribute to his all around sales ability. As a reward for his record, Mr. Vansickle will go to Dayton, O., the first of March for the annual Delco-Light sales convention. More than one thousand will be in attendance at this convention and the Kilowatt club men will be the honor guests.

Mr. Vansickle is very well known during the past year he sold a large number of Delco-Light plants and has established a very enviable reputation for himself and the Delco-Light plant.

L. V. A. ATTACKS THREE SPECIAL SESSION LAWS

Would Repeal State Sheriff, Smelling Committee and Absent Voter Acts

ASKS BAN ON RED FLAG

Fargo, N. D., Feb. 16.—Petitions for referring to the people three laws passed by the legislature during the recent special session and for the initiation of a law which would prohibit display of the red flag in North Dakota will be placed in circulation Monday by the North Dakota Independent Voters' association.

The petitions were distributed today from the headquarters in Fargo according to Theodore G. Nelson, secretary of the association. Laws to be referred are the state sheriff and the state legislative investigation measures and that extending the provisions of the absent voters act to include women residing more than half a mile from the polls. The plan to refer these laws was laid at the recent meeting of the association at Grand Forks.

All petitions will be signed within a week under the plan of the association. Petition circulators, local units of the association, minority members of the assembly and others will be asked to circulate the petitions. The petitions ask that the governor submit the referred laws and the proposed act at the state primary election to be held June 30.

SOO RAILWAY MEN DIE IN ACCIDENT

Trio of Right-of-Way Workers Run Down By Engine

Valley City, Feb. 16.—Three citizens of Rogers lost their lives Friday through a railroad accident. They are Gust Wallin, Joe Orbin and Charles Eachar, railroad employes of the Soo line, the latter being foreman of the crew. It seems that the men went out to work this morning on the spur and had gotten about half a mile east of Rogers, and the weather being so stormy that they could not work, they had started back on the spur. A light engine and caboose were also coming from the east but the men did not notice its approach. It was making fast time in order to reach Rogers ahead of No. 8 and it struck the spur, throwing the men in all directions. Wallin and Orbin were killed outright and Eachar was picked up in a very critical condition. Mr. Eachar was brought to Valley City on the eastbound train and died on the street car on the way over from the Soo depot. M. O. Grangard and Mrs. Nels Larson accompanied Mr. Eachar to the city.

Mr. Eachar leaves a wife and one boy. Mr. Wallin a wife and seven children and Orbin, who is Roumanian, was a single man.

DICKINSON WILL BUILD WATERWORKS

Dickinson, N. D., Feb. 16.—With a view to providing for the constantly increasing number of tourists who use the Red Trail, the Dickinson city commissioners have voted to prepare a camp site near the city limits this spring. Water will be supplied and other camping facilities will be arranged. The service will be free to any tourists who desire to avail themselves of it.

M'VILLE CLAIMS BIG GAIN IN POPULATION

McVillie, N. D., Feb. 16.—Advance census estimates give McVillie a population of 500, an increase of 25 percent over the population of 401 shown by the last census.

TOM MIX, MOVIE HERO, TO STAGE BAD LANDS SHOW

MEDORA, N. D., Feb. 16.—Tom Mix, who rode the range in the Bad Lands before he became a star rider for Miller Bros., "101" show, from which he graduated into filmdom, has written his old friend Con Short of the Tarrymore ranch, where Mix was married seven years ago by Justice Nels Nichols, that he and other movie stars are coming to the Bad Lands this summer to film a wild west picture. Mix has many friends in the Little Missouri country who will welcome his return with some real rodeo stuff.

ODD FELLOWS TO OFFER SITE AND CASH FOR HOME

Bismarck Members Will Make a Strong Bid to Have Proposed Building Here

Oddfellows in this city are laying plans to raise funds to secure the site of the proposed state Oddfellows' home which will probably be built in or near one of the larger cities of the state some time next year. There will be \$250,000 at least involved, it is said, including both the site and the building and every effort will be made to have this city designated in the location of the building.

George N. Keniston is chairman of the committee of local Oddfellows in charge of the work here. By the time the state convention of Oddfellows is held next June it is believed the local committee will be able to present a definite proposition to the state officers offering a site just outside of the city limits and a fair-sized cash bonus towards the cost of the proposed building.

There is considerable competition between the various cities in the state for the honor of being the site of the proposed Oddfellows home, Grand Forks, Fargo, Devils Lake and Minot being particularly active. The site has been tentatively agreed upon, it is understood, and is, but a short distance from the city limits. The topographical features of the tentatively selected site is exceptionally well fitted for this purpose, it is said, and because of this city's central location in reference to the remainder of the state, Bismarck's opportunity is said to be very bright.

McKENZIE BOOSTERS TO FORM COMMUNITY CLUB

The meeting of progressive citizens living in the McKenzie section to form a community club last week was postponed until some time next month. The organization will be for the purpose of providing a meeting place for the people in that locality and will act as a boosters' club for the McKenzie district. Plans of the promoters of the club include the raising of funds to erect a club house. P. T. Bliss, McKenzie banker, is one of the prime movers behind the proposed organization.

M'VILLE CLAIMS BIG GAIN IN POPULATION

McVillie, N. D., Feb. 16.—Advance census estimates give McVillie a population of 500, an increase of 25 percent over the population of 401 shown by the last census.

ALLIES REJECT WILSON PROTEST TO FIUME PLAN

Prompt Action Taken By Premiers of France and Great Britain

OVERDO INTERPRETATIONS

Meaning He Did Not Intend Read Into His Note, Says Wilson

Paris, Feb. 16.—Prompt rejection of the President Wilson's objections to the compromise agreement by which England, France and Italy hope to settle the Jugo-Slav questions relative to the future status of the eastern coast of the Adriatic is reported in the Echo d'Paris. Premiers Lloyd George of Great Britain and Millerand of France drafted the reply to the American chief executive and insisted Jugo-Slav must accede to the compromise with the alternative of seeing the treaty of London become operative.

INTERPRETATIONS TOO BROAD—Washington, Feb. 16.—President Wilson, it was learned today at the White House, did not say in his note to the entente premiers, regarding the Fiume question, that the United States would no longer be able to concern itself in European affairs if a Fiume settlement were made without consulting America.

Officials said the interpretation of the president's note by the Paris Temps was "too sweeping." They said the United States would not withdraw from participation in the peace treaty and the league of nations if the treaty were ratified by the senate but that it would withdraw from any participation in the Fiume settlement including the policing of the Adriatic. The president's position regarding Fiume and the whole Adriatic situation was said to be unchanged. The position, however, never has been officially outlined and officials declined today to define it.

No reply to the president's note has been received it was said at the state department. Dispatches from abroad said the reply had been dispatched and that in it the premiers adhered to their ultimatum to Jugo-Slavia that it must accept the compromise on the Fiume question, or suffer the carrying out of the terms of original treaty of London.

NO SECRET IN SALE OF SHIPS, WILSON STATES

President in Message to Senate Declares Rumors Are Unfounded

Washington, Feb. 16.—President Wilson will inform the senate emphatically that there is "no basis for a report of a secret agreement between the shipping board and the British interests for the sale of the 39 former German passenger liners," it was announced today at the White House. The president's message will be in reply to the resolution of Senator Brandegee, republican, Connecticut, asking for information regarding the reports.

CENTRAL COMMUNIST PROPAGANDA BUREAU FOUNDED IN MEXICO

Amsterdam, Sunday, Feb. 15.—A central communists propaganda bureau for the western hemisphere will be established in Mexico in accordance with a resolution passed at a recent international communist conference held here early in February, according to the Handelsblad. The newspaper adds this step was taken on the initiative of an American delegate at the conference.

BOLO LEADERS DIGGING IN ON POLISH FRONT

Reds Taking Advantage of Fine Weather to Strengthen Positions

Paris, Sunday, Feb. 15.—Bolshevik military leaders are taking advantage of the cold clear weather to improve their positions along the Polish battle front, according to advices received here. The principle point of concentration on the northern front is near Smolensk, where a crack division arrived recently. In two other districts soviet troops are utilizing main line railroads extending to the interior of Russia.

Polish military authorities here are unable to say whether the reds will remain at their concentration point or be distributed for the early spring drive which has been predicted in event of failure to open peace negotiations with Poland.

BOY ATTEMPTING ESCAPE SHOT BY SCHOOL OFFICER

Youngster at Mandan Industrial Institution Wounded By Guard

Mandan, Feb. 16.—At eight o'clock Thursday evening, directly after the moving picture show was over at the Reform school chapel, two of the older boys at the head of the line broke rank, while the column was passing out in regular formation on their way back to the main building, and made a dash for the hills directly back of the institution.

The night was dark and stormy, with a high wind blowing, hence gave every opportunity for a successful attempt. The officer in charge of the file was of course unable to pursue them, but two other officers who had preceded the column and were standing near the main building, saw the attempt to get away and at once started in pursuit, at the same time commanding them to halt, which the two boys refused to do. One of these officers who was armed fired one or two shots in the air in an attempt to halt them; not succeeding in this he began firing lower and toward the ground, in the more immediate vicinity of one of the fleeing boys. It is presumed that one of these shots glanced from the frozen ground and struck the boy in the fleshy part of the buttock. When he halted he was brought back to the main building. Prompt examination showed the point at which the bullet had entered. Dr. Nickerson, institution physician, was at once called, arriving within a few minutes after the incident had taken place. Emergency dressings were applied and the boy made as comfortable as possible for the night. Friday an X-ray was taken and the bullet located and removed. The second boy escaped and was still at large this afternoon.

BLOOM HEAD OF N. P. DEMOCRATS

The group of Nonpartisan Democrats, represented in the recent state convention by John Bloom of Devils Lake, C. P. Peterson of Bismarck and T. H. Stenvick of Minot, and who asserted in that their nomination at the convention nominations for delegates to the national convention, is preparing a new list of candidates to be filed.

According to advices from Grand Forks, where Messrs. Stenvick, Peterson and others have been engaged several days in framing a ticket, candidates for the delegation decided upon include Mr. Peterson, Melvin D. Hildreth of Fargo, Thorwald Mostad of Minot, M. Murphy of Bismarck and George H. Moellering of Ray. Mr. Mostad is a Nonpartisan state senator. Mr. Moellering is a Nonpartisan administration appointee on the state bar examining board. Mr. Hildreth recently denounced, in interviews printed in the Fargo league paper, the action of the Democratic state convention in putting in the nomination of a group of candidates for delegates to the national convention. He is located in Washington, D. C., in the Democratic national headquarters.

E. E. Cole, of the Metropolitan hotel of Fargo, according to Grand Forks advices, is being considered as a candidate for national committeeman to oppose H. H. Perry of Ellendale in the March 16 election.

BREACH OF PROMISE

Tulsa, Okla., Feb. 16.—Edith M. Fulwider was awarded a verdict of \$100,000 by a jury in district court here last night in her suit for breach of promise against Harry W. Ketchum, wealthy oil man and hotel owner.

OLD WARHORSES OF G. O. P. HERE FOR CONVENTION

Interesting Session of North Dakota Republicans Expected Tomorrow

HARMONY TO BE KEYNOTE

Not Likely That State Issues Will Be Injected Into Capital Powwow

Republicans already are drifting in for the second state convention of the Grand Old Party which will convene in the Auditorium at 10 o'clock Tuesday forenoon. In some respects this promises to be one of the most notable gatherings of republicans North Dakota has ever witnessed. It also appears at this moment to be one of the most difficult to forecast.

RED RIVER VALLEY DELEGATE—Jerry D. Bacon, publisher of the Grand Forks Herald; Treadwell Twichell and Judge N. C. Young of the Cass county delegation; Theodore Nelson, secretary of the independent Voters' association; Ad Leach of Fargo; R. J. Hughes of Walpoleton, Norman B. Black, publisher of the Fargo Forum; J. B. Cooley, city editor of The Herald, and Happy Paulson, news editor of The Forum, arrived in No. 1 last night. Other Red river valley delegates came on No. 2 today.

Among today's arrivals will be Lewis F. Crawford of Sentinel Butte, released only yesterday from the detention hospital at Fargo, where he had been a smallpox patient for several weeks. Another notable who arrived last night is Col. J. H. Fraime of Grafton. Probably 200 delegates crowded No. 1.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS HERE

All of the seven members of the republican state central committee responsible for the calling of tomorrow's convention came in last night. Judge Burleigh F. Spaulding, Treadwell Twichell and Jerry Bacon being among the principals. These members were holding informal preliminary conference this morning, but nothing was divulged as to any conclusions reached. The avowed purpose of the convention as indicated in the call is the election of a member of the republican national committee to succeed Gunder H. Olson of Grafton, the selection of ten delegates and ten alternates to the republican national convention to be held in Chicago on June 8, and the nomination of five presidential electors and five delegates, all to be voted upon at the presidential preference primaries which will be held March 16.

A national committeeman and a set of delegates and alternates and a quota of presidential electors, and alternates already have been selected by a republican state convention held here in January on the call of National Committeeman Olson. Tomorrow's convention was called by members of the republican state central committee who professed to see in National Committeeman Olson's call a taint of Townleyism. The press of the state resounded for a time with charge and counter-charge. Accusations of lawlessness toward Townleyism were answered by Senator Porter J. McCumber in the January state convention which was a tremendous and informal affair, and since that time less has been heard about Townleyism having dominated that meeting. It has even been suggested that in the interests of harmony tomorrow's convention may endorse, in part at least, the slate picked by the delegates to the January powwow.

OLD-TIMERS COMING

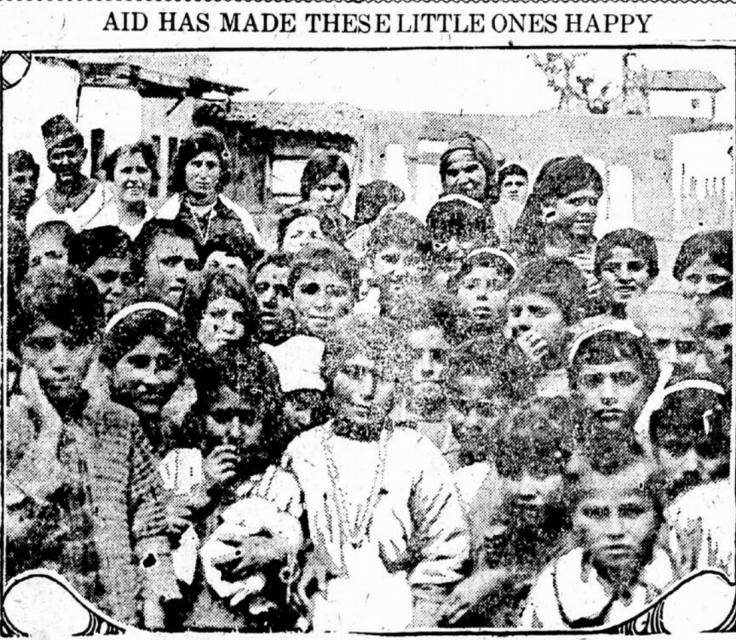
Men who long have been active in republican ranks have been picked as delegates to tomorrow's convention. Cass county will send Rev. R. A. Board, pastor of the Fargo Congregational church; R. M. Pollock, Sam Stern, Lake Twichell, a minority house leader in the 16th assembly; O. L. Engen, treasurer of the I. V. A. and another active minority member of the last house; A. G. Dyck, a leader of the independent class, which opposed Townleyism in the fifteenth assembly; Judge Burleigh F. Spaulding and Judge N. C. Young, and Attorney A. W. Fowler.

All of these men, with W. H. Barnett and Alex Jardine, are Fargoans representing the ninth district. Senator A. G. Stordard, a league solo who was alienated by Townley's recent caucus meeting; Treadwell Twichell, an old-time house member, and Fred Preuvost are among well known Cass county republicans who will represent the tenth legislative district, and Walter R. Reed of Ameda and Joseph Wadson of Clifton will be among those whom Cass will send from the eleventh district.

HYLAND ON THE JOB

Senator Frank Hyland is expected to be on the job from Ramsey county, with Paul H. Kelly of Brockport and Silver Strumgard of Devils Lake among other well known warhorses. Mack V. Traynor of Devils Lake is an alternate who may come with Ramsey county's delegation.

Grand Forks county's delegation will be composed principally of farmers who have not been theretofore active in state politics. Grand Forks city will be represented by Jerry Bacon, Rep. O. B. Burnett, P. O. Thorson, James A. Dineen and other well-known old-timers. E. J. Hughes, who attended the January convention, will be among the delegates from Richland county. The (Continued on Page Three)



Near east relief workers at devastated Armenia are laboring hard to bring a little sunshine into the sodden lives of the survivors of the great massacres and especially into those of the children. The little ones shown in the picture above are in charge of Miss Mary Spalding of Detroit, Mich., at an orphanage. They look far different from the skeletons they were when they came to her. The near east relief is appealing to all Americans for funds to carry on this work.