

## HARMONY CLOSES G. O. P. MEETING HERE YESTERDAY

### Anti-Townleyites Patch Up Differences and Delegates Approved by All

### SLATE FAVORS LANGER

#### Those Who Will Attend Minot Convention to Work for Attorney General

Complete harmony characterized the Burleigh county Republican convention which met Wednesday afternoon at the court house in Bismarck. All the delegates named at the Anti-Townley convention, April 6, were endorsed. While there was no formal endorsement of a candidate for governor, these delegates are known to favor the nomination of William Langer for governor, being so instructed in a general way at the first convention.

There was a slight misunderstanding at the opening of the convention over how the delegates to the Minot convention May 12-13 should be selected. The majority in order to expedite matters wanted to ratify by motion the action of the April convention. As this met with the opposition of a few, it was thought best to ballot formally, so as to have complete harmony and regularity of action. While an hour was consumed by this action, a better feeling resulted and all there will now stand shoulder to shoulder against Townleyism and for the ticket to be named at Minot next week.

The action also insures the active campaign of the Burleigh County Anti-Townley club named April 6, of which H. P. Good is directing head. Various committees have been named by Mr. Good, according to the club's plan of organization and a hard fight will be waged in this county by the club, combining as it does both democrats and republicans opposed to Townleyism, to the election of its state and county ticket.

G. N. Livdahl called the convention to order as the representative of the preliminary Anti-Townley organization. The selection of Harrington and Fogarty as officers of the convention was made without opposition.

The vote on delegates was: J. W. Burch, 59; L. E. Heaton, 59; Victor Anderson, 56; H. C. Edgerton, 56; H. P. Goodard, 52; P. G. Harrington, 55; E. C. Fogarty, 58; Nels Quigley, Driscoll, 53; G. N. Livdahl, 50; E. C. Wanner, 59; H. G. Higgins, 53; A. O. Krogan, 54.

Opposition candidates received votes as follows: Frank Harris, 13; C. L. McCoy, 8; Theo. Koffel, 12; Gilbert Haugen, 8.

Mr. Wanner started the ball roll (Continued on Page Two)

## WARNS FARMERS NOT TO OBTAIN USELESS SEEDS

### Many Itinerant Seed Sellers Mulcting People of State on Bogus Stock

Farmers and others are warned not to purchase seeds from any person other than responsible representatives of well known seed houses by Prof. H. L. Bolley, state seed commissioner. In speaking of the itinerant seed sellers mulcting farmers in North Dakota with poor seed, Prof. Bolley said:

"I wish to call the attention of the farmers in North Dakota to the fact that there are a number of itinerant peddlers of seeds going over the state, apparently having no residence or location of business, who just pick up any grain for seed they can get and sell for high class stuff.

"We are unable to protect you if you persist in buying or ordering from such persons. We have had a number of letters from people making complaint. The complainant usually sends in a sample of very foul seed saying essentially, 'I expected to get high class seed and this is what I got. I paid in advance, etc.'

"It is not safe to buy any kind of seed from unknown sources and from such itinerant peddlers without seeing the bulk of the seed which you are to get."

## WARM WEATHER IS HERE BUT SHOULD NOT WEAR B. V. D'S

Following mild weather yesterday, the last day of winter or perhaps the first day of summer was ushered into existence here this morning with a higher temperature, cloudy skies and somewhat sultry weather.

Today, however, seems like a beautiful day in June compared with the unpleasant and unseasonable weather of the past seven months. With the comparative warm weather of the last few days aided by the recent rains, freshly sown green grass is relieving the monotony of the dull brown of burned grass in evidence since last year.

People are warned not to take too much for granted at the present time and remove their heavy "underthings" just now as the temperature might take a sudden tumble and touch the zero mark.

## PUPILS WORK TO GET TEACHERS' PAY INCREASED

Newport, Ky., May 6.—When the entire teaching force of the public grade and high schools of Newport went on "indefinite vacations" this morning, because their demands for a salary increase of \$300 was refused by the board of education, the 2,963 pupils rushed from the buildings, paraded the streets and shouted "more pay for the teachers."

## LEAGUE PROMISE OF LOWER TAXES HAD SHORT LIFE

### Burden on Property Owners Increased 64.99 Per Cent. Statement Shows

In comparison with the promises and claims of the leaders of the Nonpartisan league that if the farmers would place the league candidates in state offices, all taxes would be materially lowered, it is interesting to investigate a statement prepared in the state tax commissioner's office covering the state taxes from 1915 to 1919 and notes how these promises have been fulfilled.

In spite of the fact that the special session of the legislature reduced the general fund levy 25 percent, or approximately \$800,000, the amount needed for the general fund under the league controlled state administration increased 64.99 percent over the amount needed in 1918. On the other hand, the general fund for 1918 showed a decrease of 1.95 percent over that of 1917, the statement shows.

The amounts raised for the general fund from 1915 to 1919 and the amount of increase over each previous year are as follows:

Year	General Fund	Increase or Decrease
1915	\$1,491,637	
1916	1,374,672	7.91 decrease
1917	1,542,112	12.26 increase
1918	1,372,255	1.95 decrease
1919	2,504,179	64.99 increase

## DELAWARE VOTES ON RESOLUTION FOR SUFFRAGE

### Has Chance of Being State Which Makes Federal Amendment Operative

#### ACTION DELAYED

Dover, Dela., May 6.—Action by the house on the suffrage ratification resolution adopted by the senate yesterday will probably be postponed for a week or ten days.

Suffrage leaders realized that they needed at least three more votes and are jockeying for a ten day recess.

The present program is for both houses to adjourn until May 17.

Dover, Dela., May 6.—Encouraged by the passage yesterday by the state senate of the resolution to ratify the federal women's suffrage amendment, suffragists here are here in force today to work for similar action in the lower house and thus make Delaware the thirty-sixth state to ratify the amendment, the number necessary to put it in force.

The resolution was expected to come before the house today and suffrage workers claim they have gained sufficient votes in that body since the measure was defeated 22 to 9 on April 1 to assure its passage. Those opposed to the ratification, on the other hand, declare sentiment in the house against the resolution is as strong as ever and that it is certain of defeat.

## JAP STATESMAN DEAD; VERY OLD

Honolulu, May 6.—Viscount M. Sugii, privy councillor, died today aged 80, according to a Tokio cablegram today to a Japanese language newspaper here.

Magoshichiro Sugii, who since 1897 has been privy councillor of the Japanese empire, was born on January, 1845, and was descended from an ancient Samurai clan. Early in life he entered public service and in 1882 was sent to Europe as an attaché to the minister sent there by the Shogunate government. He took an active part in the restoration movement and later was made lord steward of the emperor dowager's household. He was created a viscount in 1887.

## MOONSHINE "HIGH BALL" KILLS AGED MAN IN 4 HOURS

Ironwood, Mich., May 6.—Within four hours after he had taken a drink of moonshine liquor, Thomas Kelly, age 75, constable of Marquette, near here, was dead. Sampling the stuff in the afternoon he became ill soon after and succumbed in great apparent pain.

#### ATHLETIC MEET

Grand Forks, N. D., May 6.—The first annual session of the northeastern division of the North Dakota Teachers association, the state high school conference and interscholastic events will be held at the University of North Dakota May 13, 14 and 15.

## MANDAN TO ENTERTAIN K. P. OFFICIAL

### First Time in 20 Years Supreme Chancellor Has Visited State

### ARRIVES HERE FRIDAY

#### Local Lodge to Accompany Head Officer to Ceremonies

Supreme Chancellor Charles S. Davis of Denver, head of the Knights of Pythias will be the guest of Mandan and Bismarck Friday, May 7. He will arrive in Bismarck tomorrow over the North Soo from Minot and be met by fellow Pythians.

Automobiles have been provided to take visiting guests and local members to the big meeting in Mandan in the evening. The cars will leave the Knights of Pythias hall at 7 o'clock sharp. Those in charge of the affair are anxious to have a representative turn out in this city.

Chancellor Davis will be accompanied by Grand Chancellor Granville W. Wobert of New Rockford, high state official. There will be with the party 70 Pythians representing lodges at Linton, Wilton, Leith, Carson, Mott, and Center.

It has been twenty years since a Supreme Chancellor has visited the state and the day promises to be a red letter one in Pythian circles.

## LANGER DENIES STATEMENTS OF LEAGUE PAPERS

### Declares That He Has Not Promised Anyone His Support for Office

Attorney General William Langer returned to the capital today from a two days' absence in connection with the Wolf murder mystery and was shown the various newspaper articles charging that he has made certain promises in connection with public office and the location of state industries. General Langer said:

"I have been down in South Dakota working on the Wolf murder case and being out in the country was consequently away from newspaper, telephone and telegraph communication. Upon returning to Bismarck I am not surprised at the charges made against me by the league newspapers and by those other papers opposed to progressive republicanism. Everybody knows that the old gang in North Dakota does not like me.

#### Denies Statement

"It is perhaps unnecessary to state, but it is nevertheless unequivocally and emphatically true, that I have never directly or indirectly made any deal to support anybody for state office, nor to appoint anybody to any public office, nor give to any city or county a public industry. The gang now in control of the government of the state may do business that way and their sympathizers may therefore judge me as doing what they themselves might do, but I have made promises to no one.

"As a matter of fact I advocate that the autocratic power now possessed by the governor and the industrial commission be taken from them by the legislature and that non-political boards run the industries instead of the industrial commission.

"Some people seem very anxious to create a division among the anti-Townley forces. Unless the farmers of the state wake up they are apt to find themselves after election day still in the clutches of the ruthless, heartless and merciless gang now in control of the government."

## WEATHER REPORT

For twenty-four hours ending at noon, Thursday, May 5.

Temperature at 7 a. m.	47
Highest yesterday	62
Lowest yesterday	42
Lowest last night	46
Precipitation	None
Highest wind velocity	19.8

#### Forecast

For North Dakota: Fair tonight and Friday; not much change in temperature.

#### Lowest Temperatures

Fargo	40
Williston	40
Grand Forks	36
St. Paul	48
Winnipeg	38
Helena	38
Chicago	44
Kansas City	54

ORRIS W. ROBERTS,  
Meteorologist.

## Estimated that 120,000 Will Hit Red Trail

Fargo, N. D., May 6.—Indications are that 120,000 automobile tourists will pass through Fargo over the Red trail during the summer, according to estimates made by Red trail officials on the basis of the number of inquiries received. The heaviest travel is expected during June and July.

## NEWEST STRIKE BANS SHIRTIES MINUS COLLARS

Chicago, May 6.—Today marked the second day of the twenty day "strike" here against starched shirts and collars.

The "strike leaders" claimed 1,200 workers in the business districts joined the movement the first day.

John W. Champion, secretary of the Chicago chapter of the Red Cross, chief "agitator," said strikers' soft shirts may be any color except white.

He added that the "strikers" had taken a step toward efficiency in dressing by having collars attached to shirts, thus eliminating the time spent searching for a button and attaching the collar.

## FEDERAL SYSTEM OF HIGHWAYS IS URGED BY ARMY

### Better Roads is a National Problem, Reports War Department to Congress

### FIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

Washington, D. C., May 6. (Special)—Declaring the problems of highway construction are national rather than the concern of the individual states, the report of the war department to the highways committee of congress, made public today, summarizes conclusions reached as a result of the army convoy of seventy-three trucks which blazed a trail from Washington to the Pacific coast, last summer. The report recommended the construction of a federal system of national highways.

Urging as a commercial asset, the need for "a comprehensive system of national highways," the report voices the opinion that the transportation arteries of the country should be built to accommodate the rapid movement of heavy vehicles during any season of the year.

The recommendations of the department are as follows:

#### Recommendations

"First—That the necessity for a comprehensive system of national highways including transcontinental or through routes east and west, and north and south, is a matter of urgent, as a commercial asset to further colonize and develop the sparsely settled sections of the country, and finally as a defensive military necessity.

"Second—that the existing roads and bridges, especially in the sparsely settled sections of the middle and far western states, are absolutely incapable of meeting the present day traffic requirements, and until modern types of roads and bridges are constructed, it will permit the rapid movement of heavy motor cargo vehicles during any season of the year and in all conditions of weather, economical transcontinental highway traffic will continue to be but a vain hope.

#### National Problems

"Third—That the road problems of the middle west and far western states are national rather than local problems, as these states, while possessing vast areas and tremendous mileage of highways, have only a sparse population which cannot possibly undertake the needed highway improvement work, which moreover is usually of greater importance to the country as a whole than to the individual states.

"Fourth—That the radius of action and resulting utility value of the motor vehicle is limited only by the condition of the roads, and that the provision of adequate roads will have a far reaching effect on the economic development of the country at large.

#### Coordinate Machines

"Fifth—That the types of motor vehicles, especially those used by the army, should be coordinated with the road conditions. In other words, until such time as all sections of the country are connected by improved highways that are passable to heavy motor vehicle traffic at all seasons of the year, the size and weight of vehicles should be limited to types of light and medium capacities.

"Thirty-three of the army trucks which arrived on the Pacific coast with the convoy last autumn, will take part in a parade during 'national day' by truck—Good roads week," May 17 to 22, at San Francisco.

## LEAGUE COUNCIL IS TO HOLD FIFTH MEETING FRIDAY

Washington, May 6.—A full program awaits attention of the council of the league of nations due to assemble in Rome May 14th for its fifth meeting.

An outline of preparations for the meeting received here shows that first steps are to be taken toward carrying out such provisions of the league covenant as international disarmament, publication of all treaties entered into by league members, plans for the first meeting of the league assembly, admission of new members, and many other matters.

## FARMER FIFTY YEARS Kindred, N. D., 54

Kindred, N. D., May 6.—Fifty years a farmer in North Dakota is the record of Peter T. Trana, who lives near Kindred. Trana settled on a claim on the Sheyenne river in 1871 and has been farming in the vicinity of Kindred ever since.

## CARRANZA'S GRASP ON NATION IS WEAKENING

### Revolutionary Forces Appearing With Startling Rapidity in All Parts

### MAY TAKE MEXICO CITY

#### Old Regime in Mexican Affairs Reported to Be in Very Tight Place

Washington, May 6.—Official interest in the development of the political phases of the sweeping revolution in Mexico has been stimulated by government report which continued to indicate a rapid weakening of Carranza's grip. Although any recognition by this government of the rebel movement other than that accorded any de facto force was said to be improbable, it is known agents of the state department have studied carefully the promulgated program of the rebels and the published assurances of Alvaro Obregon and other leaders of the rebel cause that a more friendly attitude toward foreigners will be adopted.

Official and unofficial advices agree in general that revolutionary forces are appearing with startling rapidity in almost all parts of the country and that steps toward their coordination are well under way. Army officials here, who have been studying the situation, do not agree with the optimistic claims of some of the rebel leaders that Mexico City will be taken within a week or ten days, but they are convinced that Carranza will experience difficulty in extricating himself.

## HUGHES DEFENDS INDICTED MINER HEADS IN COURT

### Former Supreme Court Justice Appears on Behalf of Strike Leaders

Indianapolis, May 6.—Charles E. Hughes of New York, special counsel for the United Mine Workers of America, is expected to present his argument on the miners' demurrer when a number of the officials of the union are arraigned in federal court here this morning on charges of conspiracy to violate the Lever law. They will appear before United States District Judge Anderson together with a number of coal operators, who were indicted in March by a special grand jury which investigated the coal strike last winter.

## ASK CONGRESS 500 MILLION FOR FREIGHT CARS

Washington, May 6.—An additional \$500,000,000 during this year to finance the construction of freight cars was asked of congress today by the railroad executive.

Washington, May 6.—E. N. Brown, chairman of the board of the St. Louis and San Francisco railroad, speaking to the executives said this sum was necessary to build 100,000 cars and 2,000 locomotives immediately needed by the roads to relieve the present shortage. The companies themselves, he testified, could not borrow this amount on their own credit even should the interstate commerce commission allow the general freight rate increase requested this week.

## JAMESTOWN MAN HIT BY TRAIN; DIES INSTANTLY

### John H. Lorr, Chief Engineer Russell-Miller Milling Com- pany in Accident

Jamestown, May 6.—John H. Lorr, chief engineer for the Russell-Miller Milling Co. at Jamestown, died yesterday afternoon at Trinity hospital, just an hour after he had been struck by N. P. train No. 4 while driving an auto across the tracks at the west end of the railroad yards. Mr. Lorr was driving north and the passenger train struck the automobile squarely in the middle, cutting it almost in two and hurling it fully 30 feet. Mr. Lorr was thrown several feet further and fatally injured about the head and internally. He was alone in the car.

The train was stopped by Engineer Taylor and the stricken man brought to the city in the baggage car. Dr. Gerrish, railroad physician, was called and the accident's victim taken at once to the Trinity hospital, where he passed away an hour later without recovering consciousness.

Mr. Lorr had been a resident of Jamestown for the past six years. He is survived by his wife whom he married in 1901. They came to Jamestown from Chicago. Mr. Lorr's brother in St. Paul has been notified and also Mrs. Lorr's brothers in Cleveland, N. D., and Mountrail, Minn.

## BANDIT CHIEF IS HELD FOR MURDER OF 2 Y. M. C. A. MEN

Constantinople, May 6.—A bandit chieftain named Abraham has been arrested at Aleppo Syria, charged with the murder of James Perry, and Frank Johnson, two American Y. M. C. A. men near Aintav on February 4.

## POLES PUSH ENEMY BACK ABOUT KIEV

### Two Russian Bolsheviki Armies Have Been Routed and Destroyed

### RED TROOPS ARE IN PANIC

#### Union With Ukrainian Soldiers Aids in Defense of Two New Nations

Warsaw, Wednesday, May 5.—(By The Associated Press.)—Fighting between the Poles and the Bolsheviki for the possession of Kiev, capital of the Ukraine continues day and night in the entire semi-circle of the Kiev bridgehead the Polish infantry is in contact with the Bolsheviki infantry. The Poles are slowly pushing back the enemy in the face of machine gun and artillery resistance.

### ROUT BOLSHEVIKI

Berne, Wednesday, May 5.—Reports that two Russian Bolsheviki armies have been routed and virtually destroyed in the course of Polish Ukrainian offensive against Kiev seemed to be confirmed by dispatches received here. Reports which are taken with some reserve, indicate that soviet forces have been forced back to the outskirts of the city.

Bolsheviki troops were thrown into a panic by the rapid advance of the Polish and Ukrainian armies and retreated precipitately from some parts of the front, leaving large quantities of arms and ammunition on the field, it is said. Ukrainian peasants in territories still held by the Bolsheviki are declared to be in rebellion.

## ALL SHOULD AID IN PUTTING BIG DRIVE OVER TOP

### Interchurch World Campaign Needs Assistance of Every- body, Says Director

Minneapolis, May 6.—With a hundred million dollars actually raised to date, and the discovery that hundreds of people, who are willing to give to the Interchurch World Movement, have not been asked to do so, caused the announcement today that the whole machinery of all the denominational campaigns, as well as the general campaign organization, would be turned loose the week of May 2 for a strenuous effort to give every person the opportunity to say yes or no to a request for the support of the church.

"There are thousands of dollars waiting to be given for the advancement of Christian work in Minnesota that require only the asking on the part of some interested person," said Wesley McDowell, state campaign director, in making the announcement.

"The astonishing response so far reported throughout the state has served to stimulate scores of churches who despaired of being able to raise their quotas. I am receiving letters daily from towns, which on account of the necessary haste with which the campaign was set up have been unable to complete the work of organization, and in practically every one of these letters a statement 'give us a little time and we will come through. We are going to raise this money, if it takes a month.'

"This makes it probable that the final figures in the campaign will not be available for several weeks, and maybe months, but the church is aroused and the people are stirred to an interest in the Interchurch World Movement and the success of the \$36 million dollar campaign is unquestionably assured by this awakening enthusiasm."

## FLOUR HITS NEW RECORD

Minneapolis, May 6.—Flour made a new record high price here today with an advance of 50 cents a barrel. A good steady demand is the reason ascribed for the increase. Today's quotation \$16 a barrel when sold in 98 pound cotton sacks in carload lots, represents an advance of \$2 a barrel for standard flour in a month.

## Telegraphic Track Meet New Feature

Devils Lake, N. D., May 6.—A "telegraphic track meet"—the first of its kind ever held in North Dakota—will be held between Devils Lake and Jamestown high school this month, according to Superintendent of City Schools Sauvain. Mr. Sauvain said he believed the event would be the first of its kind ever staged in high school athletics in the northwest.

## 3 DEAD FROM ANTHRAX IN CHICAGO PLANT

### Employees of "Curled Hair" Com- pany Victims of Deadly Malady

### INVESTIGATION ORDERED

#### Factory Ordered Closed Pending Investigation by County Health Authorities

Chicago, May 6.—Three deaths from anthrax, two reported by the coroner and one by the county hospital were being investigated today by Health Commissioner Robertson following discovery that all three victims were employees of the Chicago Curled Hair company manufacturers of automobile cushion stuffings. The factory of the company was ordered closed pending investigation of whether the anthrax germs was imported in raw hair.

Leopold Krzemien, the last victim, who died Tuesday, had been sick only a few hours. Health department officials are searching the records for two other cases of the disease said to have occurred within a few months.

Bernard Horwich, president of the hair company, said today that the case was the first he had heard of in 25 years in the business. Anthrax, he said, was a sheep disease and the company handled no sheep wool.

Dr. Robertson said the germs could be transmitted by the hair of other animals.

## NEW WARDEN TO ASSUME DUTIES THIS SATURDAY

### L. L. Stair of Bottineau County Has Accepted Penitentiary Position

L. L. Stair, Nonpartisan league organizer and last speaker of the house of representatives, who has been appointed warden of the state penitentiary, is expected to assume charge at the penitentiary Saturday.

Mr. Stair comes to Bismarck with a somewhat different reputation than is usually attached to league officials. He is known as the only speaker of the house who could handle two entirely different motions on the floor at the same time.

The new warden takes the position which was refused by Sheriff Hennessey of Bottineau county. Stair also hails from the same county. Hennessey could not take the wardenship because the commissioners of Bottineau county refused to name a socialist sheriff to take Hennessey's place.

Both Hennessey and Stair are close friends of R. W. Cathro, director general and manager of the Bank of North Dakota, Banker Cathro being a resident of Bottineau county also. Which is taken to indicate that Cathro's influence with the state administration is just as great as ever. In fact, if the appointment of citizens of Bottineau county to state positions at Bismarck continues there will be very few residents left in the northern county.

## STATE LIBRARY IS CLOSED, BUT REASON OBSCURE

### Rev. George A. Totten Seeking Successor to Carl Emil Stangeland

The state circulating library, scene of the "free love" episodes during the special session of the legislature last year, is closed to the general public and thereby hangs a tale. A big poster on the doors leading to the library announces that it is closed. One reason given for the library not functioning locally is that the special session of the legislature reduced the library's appropriation and the other reason is because there is no librarian available or competent to take charge of the work.

Rev. George A. Totten, chairman of the state board of administration, which is in general charge of the library's activities, is seeking a librarian to direct the library. It is rumored that Totten is seeking a librarian who will be a fit successor to Carl Emil Stangeland, whose forced resignation because of his socialistic notions tempted Totten to proclaim that he would also resign if Stangeland left.

Stangeland has gone, but Totten still remains. Totten, however, is experiencing considerable difficulty in securing a man to serve as librarian who has the same qualifications as Stangeland. It has been suggested that Totten might insert an advertisement in the Appeal to Reason, or seek a suitable successor to Stangeland in the socialistic Rand School of Social Science. And it is further pointed out that any reduction in the library's appropriation made by the special session of the legislature does not go into effect until July 1.