WEATHER FORECAST—Fair tonight and Friday; not much change in temperature.

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FOREST FIRES MENACE MINNESOTA TOWNS

SAME OFFICERS HEAD AUDITORS FOR NEXT YEAR

Messrs. Felson, Kramer and Tucker Are Re-elected by the Association

MAKE RECOMMENDATION

Many Resolutions Are Adopted by the Auditors for Changes in Laws

County auditors of the state concluded their convention here today and then went into session with Tax Commissioner C. C. Converse to discuss taxation. The auditors will meet the state board of equalization during the day.

Officers of the auditors were reelected as follows W. W. Felson, Pembina county, president; J. A. Gramer, Ramsey county, vice president, and W. R. Tucker, Cass county, secretary-treasurer. Fargo was selected for next year's meeting place.

Resolutions adopted by the auditors included appreciation of the hospitality shown them in Bismarck by local organizations, the state officials and Warden L. L. Stair, and urged that the auditors give their united efforts with their home representatives to the furtherance of the recommendations as made by the auditors.

Earl H. Tostevin, secretary of the North Dakota Editorial association, explained the action taken by the association at its recent meeting in seeking to remove inequities in the present laws regarding charges for legal printing of complicated matter, and especially in urging all newspapers to charge less for printing delinquent tax lists this fall than the law permits. The auditors adopted a resolution approving this action.

Urge Many Changes.

Recommendations for changes in legislation made from the convention floor included:

That the law be changed so that there would be no political registration in towns casting less than 500 votes, the change held necessary because the addition of women voters under the old registration law extends registration to many small villages.

That compensation of officials of election be $5.00 plus 1 cent for each voter voting, and that absent voters' ballots be in same color and form as others. The present rate of pay for election officials is inequitable in precincts of varying size, the auditors hold.

That the law permit election returns to be sent by express as well as by mail, because saving money may be made in some instances.

That the legislature repeal the interest and penalty distribution on general taxes which shall become a part of the county funds; that is, that interest and penalty on general taxes go into the county general fund and not be distributed to the subdivisions, but that interest and penalty on special assessments be distributed as at present.

That the law be amended to include power companies and all public utilities (particularly high power transmission lines) in the classes originally assessed by the state board of equalization.

That tax sale subsequents be not accepted until November 1.

That the legislature change the law to provide that taxes shall be due January 1 following assessments instead of December 1. This important recommendation was made, it was explained, because many other states have the date of January 1, and confusion to taxpayers is lessened.

Only Woman Auditor There.

During informal discussions many county auditors protested against alleged inequalities and difficulties caused by the present taxation exemptions. The majority opinion appeared to prevail, asking the legislature to do away with all exemptions except complete exemptions and in such cases to provide that the property be assessed at true cash value and the exemption, if any, be a percentage of this total.

One of the most interested county auditors was the only woman auditor in the state, Miss Ida M. Bernhard of Adams county.

The committee on resolutions was composed of: Ida M. Bernhard, Adams; C. C. Mistek, Dickey; John L. Hughes, Stark. The committee on nominations was composed of F. A Burton, Richland; Andrew Blewett, Stutsman; R. W. Kennard, Ward.

Enjoy Prison Visit.

The auditors in attendance were entertained at a dinner at the state penitentiary at 1:30 today by Warden L. I. Stair. Eighty-five guests were served in the employes dining room after a tour of inspection of the twine plant, laundry and power plant. The dinner was announced as a "home grown" affair, everything served having been grown on the penitentiary farm excepting only the coffee and the apples in the pie.

After dinner the guests inspected an exhibit of grains, grasses and vegetables grown on the penitentiary farm, which were a revelation to most of those present. The corn and beets were especially fine, some of the later being of an immense size.

The guests included the members of the Board of Administration, county auditors and representatives of several printing firms.

Fifty Killed on Way to Shrine

Above is the wreckage of the train in which 50 pilgrims to the world's most noted shrine at Lourdes, France, were killed and almost 100 injured at Taure. Below, the remains of victims are borne away by oxen.

BOARD SPLITS ON BUILDING

Contact for Normal Does Not Go to Low Bidder

Contract for building the new main building at the Dickinson Normal School has been let by the state board of administration to T. M. Powers of Fargo. The bid of Mr. Powers for constructing the building on "Alternate A" plan was accepted, the bid for the general building construction being $225,482. The bid of T. P. Reilly of Fargo for the mechanical equipment, plumbing, heating and wiring, of $59,000, was accepted. Under the "Alternate A" plan, it was said by members of the board, the building would be constructed to include an auditorium and gymnasium but if the board found that funds would not be available to complete the entire building the auditorium and gymnasium wing might be omitted.

A. J. Weinberger of Beach was lowest bidder, being about $2,000 under Mr. Powers, the second lowest bidder. On motion of F. S. Talcott the bid of Mr. Powers was accepted as the "lowest responsible bidder."

J. A. Kitchen, member of the board, presented a resolution urging the contract be let to Mr. Weinberger, stating that Mr. Weinberger was the "lowest responsible bidder," adding that Mr. Weinberger had just completed building a $100,000 building in Miles City, Montana, and that two banks had offered to advance $50,000 in the building of the normal building, if Mr. Weinberger desired the advances. Mr. Kitchen's was the only dissenting vote when the motion to award the contract to Mr. Powers was taken.

BRIDGE COST IS $1,375,000

This Approximate Investment in New Missouri Bridge

Cost of the new vehicular bridge across the Missouri river here is approximately $1,375,000, state engineer W. H. Robinson said today. The exact cost, he said, can not be determined just now and is dependent somewhat upon the length of time interest must be paid on estimates now unpaid.

The cost of the bridge is about $175,000 above the estimated cost, he said. Of this amount increases in freight rates accounted for $45,000, he said, while advances in the price of cement and the washouts suffered by the Foundation Company when the Missouri river ice floes took out temporary bridging accounted for most of the rest of the increased cost. Under the contract of the Foundation Company, which built the approaches and the piers, the company was to receive a sliding fee, the fee to be larger if the estimated cost were lessened and smaller if it were exceeded. The company will receive the minimum fee, Mr. Robinson said.

Popular Government at Low Ebb in Chinese Republic

(By the Associated Press)

Peking, Aug. 17.—The attempt to revive popular government in China is on the verge of collapse, according to survey of conditions brought to the attention of the foreign legations. Military leaders are openly defying the government, cabinet ministers are refusing to assume the responsibilities of their posts, the treasury is empty and civil employes, unpaid, have quit their jobs.

CROPS ESCAPE RUST DAMAGE

Obert A. Olson, returning from harvest in Bowman county, said that crops there just escaped heavy damage from red rust. Although threshing has not begun he expressed belief that yields will be large and the quality good. The only threshing done when he left, he said, was on a field of oats, which yielded 50 bushels to the acre.

COAL BIDS FOR STATE HIGHER

General Level of Bids Is Above Those of Last Year

Bids submitted for coal to be supplied state institutions are somewhat higher than last year, according to opinions expressed by members of the board of administration after bids were opened and before recapitultations of the many bids had been made and compared. All bids were for the delivery of lignite coal to the various state institutions, and a large number of bidders were present yesterday afternoon when the bids were opened. Award will be made within a few days, it is expected.

Bids submitted to the board included: Washburn Lignite Coal Co., $3.50 per ton F. O. B. Wilton for 6-inch lump coal; other grades varying prices; Lehigh Mining Co., Dickinson, F. O B. mine, $2.90 for mine run; Stevens Hoe Garrison, $3.00 at the mine; High Grade Coal Co., Werner, $3.00 perton at the mine; High Carbon Lignite Coal Co., Werner, $3.00 per ton at the mine for mine run; High Grade Coal Co., Medora, 6-inch lump, mine run, $5.00 per ton F. O. B. state insane hospital; for state at large, average price of all contracts; Haynes Coal Mining Co., $3.25 for big lump, $2.50 for mine run; Indian Creek Coal Co., Regent, $3.00 per ton at mine; Lucky Strike Coal Co., Zap, 3-inch mine run, $2.50; screenings, $1.50 per ton; 6-inch lump, $3.25; McCormick Coal Co., New Salem, $3.30 contract rate at mine; Whittier-Crockett Co., Columbus, mine run $2.70 per ton; Truax Coal Co., Columbus, screened lump, $3.20; mine run, $2.95; screenings, $1.50; Zenith Coal Co., 6-inch lump, $3.00 at mine. Some bids included qualifications and thus are not comparable as to price in all respects on the above basis.

That freight is in important factors in the cost of coal was shown in the quotations of prices. Freight rates per ton from Dickinson were shown as follows: To Agricultural College, $1.96; to penitentiary at Bismarck, $1.09 1-2; insane hospital at Jamestown, $2.70.

FLYING CIRCUS FOR INDIAN FAIR

Ft. Yates, Aug. 17.—The Standing Rock Indian Fair association has secured as an additional feature for the big Indian fair, which is to be held at Fort Yates, September 6-7-8, the presence of a flying circus. This consists of three aeroplanes of varying types and one auto racer. All kinds of thrilling stunts, sham battles and races between planes and auto are included in the program of the flying circus.

The concession has also been granted a $10,000 electric merry-go-round. This will be a great attraction, especially to the young people.

Because of the splendid crops on the reservation this year, the agricultural exhibits bid fair to surpass the exhibits of any previous year. Supt. E. D. Mossman has asked the Indian Office for $400 with which to pay permiums

PEACE NEARER IN STRIKE IS PREDICTION

Casualties Continue in Strike Zone.—Brakeman Killed at Havre, Mont.

FRUIT IS NOW MOVING

Big Four Stop Blockade of Trains Over Several Southern Routes

(By the Associated Press)

Chicago, Aug. 17.—An end to the strike of big four transportation brotherhoods on western railroads, an improved outlook for peace in the New York conference today, along with shootings, bombings and burnings were high lights in the nation's railway crisis during the past 24 hours.

Blockades and tie-ups on the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe, the Union Pacific, Western Pacific and Southern Pacific cleared up when striking train crews called off their walkout and opened the way to immediate restoration of traffic on lines which were paralyzed by the strike of the Big Four brotherhoods.

With the train strike breaking up in other sections of the country, trainmen who interrupted traffic on the Missouri Pacific at Van Buren, Ark., refused to return to work while guards remained on duty in the yards. Only trains which were made up and delivered to crews outside the railroad yards were moved.

Immediate Improvement.

Settlement of the trouble with the trainmen resulted in an immediate movement eastward of fruit shipments and other perishable freight marooned in California.

Bombs were thrown at a Santa Fe train which left San Bernardino Cal., for the first time in six days. The first bomb explosion occurred in the railroad yards and two more were hurled at the passenger train as the engine wheels spun over oiled rails in pulling out of the city.

George Stambaugh, a brakeman on the Great Northern was shot and killed at Havre, Mont., by a railroad guard.

William Craft, a blacksmith helper, employed by the Denver and Rio Grande since the shopmen's strike, suffered a broken leg and other injuries when he was attacked on the streets of Pueblo, Colo.

Woman Shot.

Mrs. Nels Hansen, wife of a Santa Fe shop foreman was shot and killed in her home. Police took up the trail of two men who are said to have attacked her.

James Lewis, a striking Pennsylvania railroad machinist was shot to death by Charles Parsons, a wealthy real estate man, following a dispute over the strike. Lewis accused Parsons of "listening over the shoulders of strikers when they gathered to discuss the strike.

Three alleged strikers were arrested at Milwaukee following an outbreak in which strikers were said to have stoned a passing train.

Troops remained on guard in virtually all places where soldiers were sent to quell riots earlier in the strike. These included five towns in Kansas—Parsons, Newton, Herrington, Hoistington and Horton, and three in Illinois—Bloomington, Clinton and Joliet.

Troops in Illinois.

Major Stiles in command of troops at Clinton, Ill., recommended martial law following renewed distrubances in which several men were injured. Outbreaks were reported from Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Superior and Janesville, Wisconsin; Birmingham, Mobile and Albany, Alabama, and Scranton, Pennsylvania. An attempt was made to bloy up the tracks of the Louisville and Nashville at Birmingham and a plot to wreck a train on the same road at Mobile was discovered while the home of an L. and N. employe was attacked with bullets and stones. Traffic on the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific was blocked at El Reno, Okla. where a railroad bridge was burned. Farmers reported that two men were seen to fire the bridg.

IRREGULARS ARE DEFEATED

Dublin, Aug. 17.—The town of Clifden of the Irish coast 43 miles northwest of here, has been freed of Irish irregulars and the Marconi wireless station there which was recently seized by the insurgents, has been rescued by national army forces. The station will be put into operation again within a few days, it was stated today.

JUDGE AMIDON HAS BIRTHDAY

Fargo, N. D., Aug. 17.—Federal Judge C. F. Amidon is celebrating his 66th birthday anniversary today. George C. Sikes, an old friend from Chicago, will spend the day with him, and Mr. and Mrs. William Ballou and Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Weible will take dinner with him.

Friends will visit him during the afternoon.

Girls born in July are likely to be faithful in love and friendship, according to an old belief.

One of the big New York hotels sends 1000 sheets to the wash every day.

WILL DELAY MESSAGE ON STRIKE ISSUE

Pesident Harding Decides Not to Go Before Congress Today at Least

NEW PARLEYS CALLED

Administration Action Held in Abeyance Awaiting New Developments

(By the Associated Press)

Washington, Aug. 17.—President Harding was understood today virtually to have completed the message he will present to congress dealing with the nations industrial situation but no indications was given as to just when he would deliver it, previous plans for presenting it today having been, it was understood held in obeyance because of the rail strike conference set for today at New York. Results that might come from that meeting, it was intimated, might affect some phases of the situation with which Mr. Harding was expected to deal in his statement and he was represented as being desirous of withholding if there were any possibilities the union chiefs and rail executives could show prospects of composing their differences.

In the meantime, mediation activities which have been in progress here for the past week were practically suspended as most of the striking shop crafts representatives and heads of the four big non-striking unions who have been enacting the role of mediators were in New York to meet the executives' committee today.

In preparing his message to congress, President Harding is understood to have decided against making a request for legislation to deal with the strike situation at this time though it was regarded as possible he would assure congress that if such legislation is needed he will not hesitate in asking it. It was said the message would explain the entire industrial situation as the president and his advisers had found it by reason of close investigation and contact and that it would further express the determination of the administration to give the full aid of the federal governments efforts to keep the railroads running in event the latest strike settlement parley fails.

Seek Basis for Strike Settlement

(By the Associated Press)

New York, Aug. 17.—The scene of negotiations toward peace on the railroads again shifted from Washington to New York today, when carrier presidents and union chiefs assembled for a conference which will mark the fifth attempt of an outside agency to suggest an acceptable solution to the seniority riddle.

Today the Big Four brotherhoods, "Big Brothers" of the seven striking shop crafts unions, will seek, through their national officials, to place before a committee of the Association of Railway Executives, a proposal for settlement which will be acceptable to both sides.

One possible plan by which the roads might maintain their policy of regarding loyal and new employes with seniority preference over returning strikers and still effect a compromise with the shop crafts, appeared in the mass of unofficial discussion in railway circles prior to the conference.

The Plan

Such a plan, which it was believed, would be acceptable to the crafts was outlined by certain executives as follows:

1—That the railroads instead of being bound by the majority action of the association of railway executives, be permitted to take back as many of the strikers as needs of individual roads dictated. This would assure jobs to all the strikers on most of the roads in the country, particularly in the southeast and throughout the west.

2—That the roads and unions agree to recognize the seniority of loyal employes who refused to strike.

3—That the seniority status of returning strikers and so-called "new men" be fixed through agreements between unions and managements of individual roads, governed partly by standards of efficiency of individual employes in both classes.

4—That all pension rights be restored to the pre-strike status.

No official sponsor appeared for this plan. Members of the executives' committee declined to discuss its merits and the Big Four representatives took a similar attitude.

Start First Hop in 600-Mile Jaunt

(By the Associated Press)

New York, Aug. 17.—Pointing the nose of the Sampaio Corresia seaward, Lieutenant Walter Hinton, took off from the waters of Jamaica Bay at 7:20 o'clock this morning and started on the 600-mile trip to Charleston, South Carolina, the first hop in the 8,500 mile flight from New York to Rio De Janeiro.

The crew, five in all, was up at 4 o'clock making ready for the flight. Hinton expected to make Charleston in about seven hours.

LOVE COURT DOES RUSHING BUSINESS IN OPENING SESSION; CALENDAR SHOWS UNIQUE MATCHES

(By the Associated Press)

Hammonton, N. J., Aug 17.—There has come into being here one of the strangest courts in all the world—the court of love—where men and women in search of mates may come, pour out the longings of the heart and be succorred.

Before the court are the qualifications and the yearnings of some 1,000 bachelors and 1,000 spinsters, but the first day's work resulted in only five matings. These were shining examples of what may come.

A man 62 years old was mated with a gold star mother, 43 years old; an undertaker was selected as husband for a nurse; a coast guard was picked to become the protector and life companion of a fair divorcee; a widow was slated to become the helpmate of a painter, and last, but not least, a Kentucky belle,—a daughter of the mountains — was snatched up by Thomas Bancroft Delker, founder of the court.

The court of love is constituted much the same as any other court, having a presiding judge, or cupid, in this case, a woman and a jury of seven, including the chief of police, a former soldier, a telegrapher and four women.

The idea of the court, so the story goes, was conceived over a plate of hash in the town restaurant by Delker and Lewis Conley, Hammonton's leading cigar store proprietors. They organized the Lover's Cooperative Union, which in turn produced the love court.

The five women whose cases were disposed of were notified that in case they were dissatisfied with the findings of the court they had two weeks within which to file application for new hearings.

ONE VICTIM OF HEAT WAVE IN MINNEAPOLIS

(By the Associated Press)

Minneapolis, Aug. 17—The heat wave caused a second death in the Twin Cities within 24 hours today when Joseph Jaski, 32 years old, a laborer, died at a hospital where he was taken yesterday. A St. Paul man was a victim of the heat yesterday.

RADIO SCHOOL IS OPENED

Father Hillary Explains Problems to Interested Listeners

Wave lengths and magnetism with relation to radio were explained by Father Hillary of St. John's university at the opening of classes last night in the Radio school which is being held at St. Mary's auditorium this week.

Father Hillary who has made a careful study of radio development touched briefly upon the history of the development of the use of electricity from the early Christian era to the present time. He explained and illustrated at what rate of speed wave lengths travel in various substances—water, ether, and solids, and developed the subject of positive and negative charging.

After the lecture the audience which had a representative group of women as well as men listened to radio concerts which were coming in from Denver, Colo., and St. Louis, Mo. Seven radio phones were at the auditorium for the use of the members of the classes. One of the outfits which had been made by Wilbur Rohr and William Ricker was as good in "picking up" as any of the commercial sets, according to reports of the radio fans. During the remainder of the week, persons who are interested in constructing an outfit for themselves will have classes each morning to learn how to build a set.

GIRL HELD FOR SHOOTING BABY

(By the Associated Press)

Melstone, Mont., Aug. 17.—Adelia Lampje, 8, is held here for shooting and killing Harry Gaylord, aged 3. The children, who live in adjoining houses quarreled, it is said, and the little girl shot the baby with a small calibre rifle.

The Weather

For twenty-four hours ending at noon today:

Temperature at 7 a. m.	63
Temperature at noon	78
Highest yesterday	91
Lowest yesterday	69
Lowest last night	57
Precipitation	0
Highest wind velocity	20

Weather Forecasts

For Bismarck and vicinity: Fair tonight and Friday; not much change in temperature.

For North Dakota: Fair tonight and Friday; slightly cooler southeast portion tonight.

General Weather Conditions

Except for a few light, widely scattered showers, the weather is generally fair in all sections of the country. Temperatures are high from the Mississippi Valley eastward, but cooler weather prevails from the Northern Plains States westward due to high pressure over Montana.

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Amenia	99	57	.00	p. c.
Bismarck	91	57	.00	cl'r
Bottineau	84	54	.00	p. c.
Devils Lake	88	58	.00	cl'r
Dickinson	86	49	.00	p. c.
Dunn Center	85	52	.00	cl'r
Ellendale	97	59	.00	cl'r
Grand Forks	92	58	.00	cl'r
Jamestown	97	60	.00	cl'r
Langdon	88	55	.00	cl'r
Larimore	93	55	.00	cl'r
Lisbon	98	54	.00	cl'r
Minot	85	47	.00	cl'r
Napoleon	95	50	.90	cl'r
Pembina	98	54	.00	cl'r
Williston	82	54	.00	cl'r
Moorhead	94	60	.02	cl'r

Orris W. Roberts,
Meteorologise.

ANTHRACITE WORKERS IN CONFERENCE

May Reach Agreement Soon Upon New Wage Scale With Operators

(By the Associated Press)

Philadelphia, Aug. 17.—The return to the mines of anthracite workers was expected to follow today's conference between officials of the miners union and the operators here. The miners through the scale committee have been asking a 20 per cent increase in their pay. The operators wanted a reduction in wages. Both sides, it was indicated as the conference was about to convene, were ready to recede from their stand and close observers declared that there was a likelihood of the 1921 wage scale being captured, for another term.

If the operators and miners' representatives reach an agreement this week, it is believed that a call would be issued at once for a tri-district call at Wilkesbarre to ratify such action. According to terms of the Shamokin convention, agreed to by the miners on January 29, either the convention or a referendum vote is necessary before the men are ordered back to work.

Many of the anthracite miners were declared today to be in bad condition as a result of the long suspension of work. Operators were quoted as saying that in some instances it would take them from a month to six weeks to get them in a safe condition for operation and that it would take even longer before normal operation could be resumed—probaly not before October.

President Kennedy of district number 7 in a statement issued at Hazelton last night said that the miners would enter the Philadelphia negotiations on the basis that they submitted to President Harding in a reply to his invitation. This embraced a no-arbitration basis and the retention of the wage contract which expired March 31, last.

FACES STIFF PROGRAM

(By the Associated Press)

Duluth, Minn., Aug. 17.—Governor J. A. O. Preus faced a stiff program here today. The chief executive was scheduled to discuss the local situation with fuel authorities early in the forenoon and to address the opening session of the Minnesota realty association before noon. At noon the governor planned to give an address at a luncheon at the chaber of commerce. The last engagement of the day was scheduled for this afternoon at Pike Lake near here, where the governor was on the program to address the annual farmer-city picnic.

POINCARE GETS CABINET'S O. K

(By the Associated Press)

Ramboulliet, France, Aug. 17.—The French cabinet today uanimously approved of the German reparations policy of Premier Poincare and congratulated him on the stand he took at the London conference of allied primiers.

The French cabinet, meeting here today under the chairmanship of President Millerand decided not to call an extraordinary session of parliament, since the government is constitutionally empowered to make decisions during parlimentary recesses.

THREE INJURED

Fort Yates, N. D., Aug. 17. — Sam Stern, Mobridge, S. D., tailor is in a local hospital suffering from brain concussion, as the result of an unusual auto accident. As the auto in which Stern and Dr. A. P. Darby and George Defender were riding topped a hill, it was confronted by two other cars coming up. The brakes, failed to hold, and the car, which had been swung to one side, plunged downhill, overturning near the bottom. The occupants jumped. Darby and Defender escaped with slight bruises, but Stern struck on his head and was severely injured. Physicians believe he will recover.

FOREST FIRES BURNING SOUTH OF EVELETH

All Men in City Leave Town to Join Fire Fighters in Surrounding District

MANY ARE IN DANGER

Another Fire Is Reported in Vicinity of Buhl by Virginia Enterprise

(By the Associated Press)

Duluth, Aug. 17.—Eveleth and several nearby towns are in danger of destruction by forest fires burning on the west and south of Eveleth, according to a telephone message received by the Associated Press at 1:15 p. m. today. The Eveleth News reported the town "was full of smoke." The News said "every man in town was leaving for the fires" which are reported to be fanned by a stiff northwest wind.

The town of Eveleth is protected on the west side by a large open pit mine but it is feared the fire may be driven into the town from the south side by the high wind. Kinney, a nearby town of 200 inhabitants, is said to be in the greatest danger.

Forest fires west and south of Eveleth increased their menace this afternoon, and reports to the Associated Press filed at 1:15 p. m. said: "Every man in town was leaving for the fires," which were reported to be fanned by a stiff northwest wind.

Evelyth, a town of approximate 7,000 population, is situated on the Messabi iron range about 90 miles north of here.

The Virginia Enterprise had reports of another fire in the vicinity of Buhl, which is near Eveleth.

In a telephone message at 1:30 p. m. the Eveleth News reported that the town "was full of smoke." Eveleth, a city of 7,500 population, is protected on the west side by a large open pit mine, but residents of the city feared the fire might be driven into the town from the south.

Kinney, a town of 200 inhabitants just northwest of here, was said to be in the greatest danger. The News estimated that 1,000 men already had left Eveleth in automobiles for the main fire front. Details of the fire were not available in Eveleth.

Duluth, Minn., Aug. 17.—With dense smoke clouds from forest, and brush fires blanketing sections of the north country and seriously interferring with location of new fires from the ground towers and also the fighting of the fires, Ranger A. B. Gibbs of Duluth, one of the pioneers of the Minnesota state forest service, was prepared today to report to his headquarters at St. Paul that there is an urgent need of an aeroplane forest patrol during the present emergency.

Ranger Gibbs returned to Duluth from Virginia where he made several flights in a national guard plane yesterday to test the feasibility of utilizing the state aviation squadron to assist the forest patrol force.

Yesterday was an ideal day to make the test, according to Ranger Gibbs who cited the fact that smoke, especially from the Kelsey Peat fire, had put the various lookout towers out of commission and had rendered the ground forces virtually helpless toward spotting new fires. Also, he said, while the ground patrolmen were vainly trying to study the topography of the stricken areas, the airplane riding high above the fire and smoke, provided a ready vehicle for mapping the burning areas. In this way the fighters might be provided with information with which to plan attack on the flames.

SEEK SEAT ON TRADE BOARD

Northwest Wheat Growers Would Operate in Minneapolis

(By the Associated Press)

Minneapolis, Aug. 17.—The northwest grain growers' association today drew up papers for an application for membership in the Minneapolis chamber of commerce, according to John G. McHugh, secretary of the chamber. The application will be filed with two or three days and immediate action by the directors of the chamber of commerce is expected.

The northwest wheat growers' associated will be the first cooperative organization distributing its dividends on a patronage dividend basis to seek admittance to the chamber of commerce, following passage of a bill by the last session of the legislature making the Minneapolis chamber of commerce and the Duluth board of trade open public markets.

George C. Jewett, general manager of the organization, is still in Washington, where he recently obtained a loan of $10,000,000 from the war finance corporation for the financing of the marketing of grain of the 19,000 members of the association. Arrangements for the financing of the wheat pool are also being made with bankers of Minneapolis, St. Paul, Grand Forks and Fargo.

Pecan oil can be used as a substitute for olive oil.