

TO CONTINUE COUNTY WORK

Sufficient Funds to Carry on Work Until Jan. 1, it is Now Believed.

Although the proposition to tax the county for the maintenance of the Grand Forks County Better Farming association was defeated at the polls at the primary election held Tuesday, the organization will continue with its work for several months, at least, according to an announcement made yesterday.

When the organization was formed in 1914, it was understood by the directors that provision would be made to finance the work with the assistance of the county commissioners, until the question of supplying funds for the work could be put to a vote, at which time the tax payers could make the decision as to whether or not they wished to support the proposition.

The work was originally started with a petition signed by 25 per cent of the tax payers of the county, and the Better Farming association board decided that it was only fair to have all of the tax payers of the county voice their opinions through the polls in order to find out if the farmers, who directly benefited by the work of the association, wished to have the co-operation of the society continue.

With the overwhelming majority against the continuance of the association, shown by the returns of the election last Tuesday, it is now probable that the work will be closed in the near future, and the work of the field agent discontinued. Edgar I. Olsen, field agent, has signed a contract which does not expire until Jan. 1, 1917, which will probably be the date on which the office will be discontinued.

A meeting of the board of directors will be called in the near future when the matter will be taken up with the county board of commissioners and it will be decided how long the office shall remain in existence.

Field Agent Olsen has done a great deal of work during the past year assisting the farmers to improve their farms, herds and general conditions. Clubs have been organized in practically every section of the county and more work has been done along this line than in any other year in the history of the county.

Students of the rural schools have been started in canning and garden work this year, and will be occupied with a good portion of the time of Mr. Olsen, it will be necessary to continue the field work until late next fall.

AGGIE COLLEGE IS TO HAVE DISPLAY

Splendid Display of Live Stock Promised for Fair—To Be Housed in Large Tents.

An announcement from Fargo, just received at the office of the secretary of the Grand Forks Fair Association, gives the list of live stock which will be exhibited here July 25th to 29th. Live stock will be able to see the results obtained through the use of a

self feeder for pigs, and also to observe the comparative gains made by pigs pastured on alfalfa, field peas, oats and rape. These facts will be shown by an exhibit of five pens of pigs.

Three pens of sheep will be shown, at four steers will be exhibited to show types of beef cattle. Several dairy cattle will be on exhibit. Two Holsteins and two Jerseys will show the value of blood lines and of selection for milk production within the breed.

The exhibit will be housed in a tent which will be located at the fair grounds, and will be open during the year. This year the plan adopted last year of exhibiting the A. C. stock purely as an educational show, will be followed and none of the animals will be entered for prizes.

FARM LABOR FOR ITALY ARRANGED

Rome, Italy, June 20. (Correspondence of The Associated Press.)—In order to solve problems of farm labor and farm production, Italy has introduced a set of communitarian measures that are stated to be more comprehensive than any of those yet devised by the various countries of Europe now at war.

By decree of the minister of agriculture, the entire farming system of the country has been re-organized on a mutual basis by which land owners are forced to aid their tenants, by which prefects of departments are required to oversee the relations of both owner and tenant, by which the government itself is compelled to buy and loan machinery, and, finally, by which tenants must help each other and loan both machinery and labor.

The decree provides for the exemption from military service of the farmer, if he be the only male left to till the soil. It also encourages the employment of women labor on the farm, giving them proper pay and permitting them to make contracts with the land owner, made in peace times with men laborers.

Laborers are granted a seventy-five percent reduction in railway fares, as if on military service, so that they may be attracted from one district to another according to labor demands and the rotation of crops. Special courts to settle disputes between labor and land owners have been provided for each farming district.

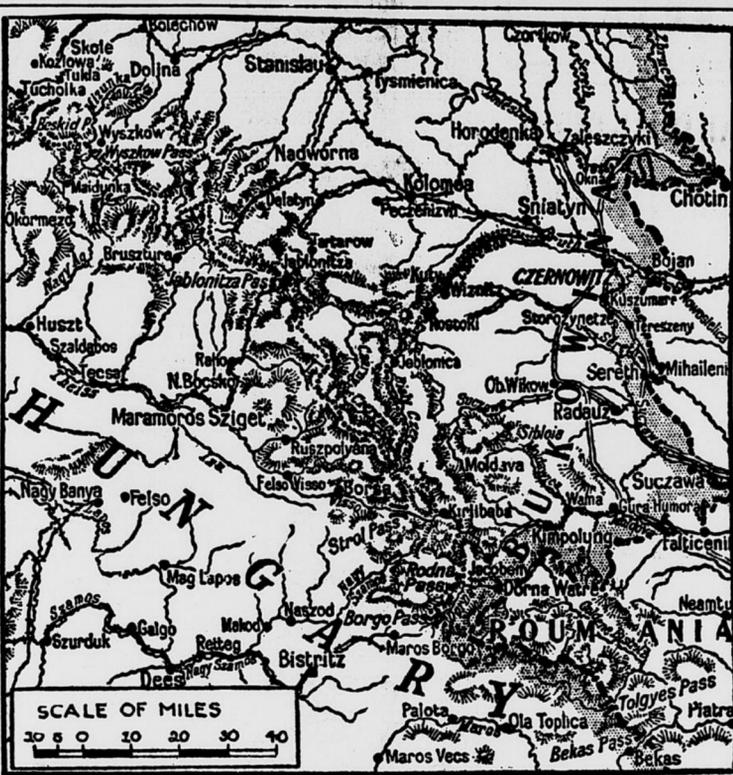
When a tenant is forced to employ extra help the land owner is required to pay the head of the household help. Special commissions are also being established in each department to regulate the distribution of labor, machinery, and of horses, mules and oxen, no matter who the owner, so that the most pressing crops and harvests may be attended to in time. These commissions are also empowered to transfer such labor, machinery, and animals from one province to another.

It is hoped these measures will keep up the production of the land which has recently suffered severely by the calling of farmers under arms. This present year the wheat crop of Italy was valued at over \$15,000,000. From August last to the end of March of this year, Italy imported more than twice as much wheat as for the preceding year.

Brown bread has been the rule on all the tables of Italy for the past four months. The price of wheat is more than twice that it is in the United States, being \$3 the quintal, or \$3 more per quintal than before the war.

The days have begun to become shorter and more interesting. It has been many years since the newspapers were so eagerly read.

RUSSIANS APPROACH CARPATHIAN PASSES IN GREAT OFFENSIVE



While the Russians have failed to make much if any headway against the Germans, their great offensive in Bukovina is not yet spent. In the south they have passed Kimpolung and are now at the juncture of Roumania and the Carpathians. In the north the offensive has taken the Russians to the gates of Kolomea. Nearly all of Bukovina is now in their possession.

OBJECTORS GET HOT TREATMENT

Are Not Found Heroic Figures in England at the Present Time.

London, June 20. (Correspondence of The Associated Press.)—The heated feelings kindled by war prevent the "Conscientious Objector" to military service from being so heroic a figure in the perspective of the present times as he may be in some more idealistic age. Great Britain is the only nation having compulsory military service which excuses those whose consciences forbid them to take human life. Notwithstanding the parliamentary act which recognizes either the justice, or the impolicy, of forcing such men to bear arms, the "Conscientious Objector" are objects of general derision and suspicion.

HAGGARD UPON A WORLD TOUR

Sydney, Australia, June 24. (Correspondence of The Associated Press.)—Sir Rider Haggard, the English novelist and land settlement expert who is on a tour of British overseas dominions to investigate ways and means of placing British soldiers and sailors on the land after the war, arrived in New Zealand last week having finished his work in Australia. He will spend about a month in New Zealand and will then go on to Canada.

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Another objector's letter ran: "This letter no doubt will cause you and all friends the greatest disappointment for I have been forced to give in. I did so knowing I was doing wrong, but my physical body could not stand the treatment. This morning I refused to go on parade, with his stick. I did nothing on parade for an hour, or being tied up along with a sergeant and a corporal. There I had the roughest time you can imagine. I refused to march or to turn, and I was punched and slapped on the face until I was nearly fainting. I could do no other than what I have done. I know I am absolutely wrong. Now everyone, N. C. and officers, are treating me like a lord."

Other objectors have written of severe military punishments for refusing to drill, such as standing still on parade for an hour, or being tied up to trees, while others complain of what in American colleges would be considered as mere hazing, having their names pulled off at night, and ducked under pumps.

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CENSORSHIP IS MUCH IMPROVED

New Italian plan favored by All Journalists as Superior.

Headquarters of the Italian Army, June 20. (Correspondence of The Associated Press.)—The Italian censorship has been reorganized and vastly improved, particularly from a newspaper point of view. Little censorship is now exercised over mail matter coming from or going to all countries, such as France, England, but every mailed letter or package going to or coming from the United States and Switzerland is opened and read. The censor, however, are sometimes courteous enough to notify persons sending suspected matter that it is being held for explanation. In the case of cable messages, the censor tries his best to let them go through, either holding the message for a time before sending it, or else cutting out objectionable information, sending the message in the new way, or by notifying the sender what portions have been eliminated.

One of the reasons for the more favorable attitude of the Italian censorship is an abatement of the hysteria and the realization that this class of information is not as harmful as was formerly supposed.

Another reason has been the influence of certain officers, patriotic journalists and business men who feel that Italy has not been fully understood in this war, and that correspondence both of private individuals and newspaper men visiting or living in the country would, if not too severely censored, let the outside world know the truth about conditions and the reasons for Italy's war.

A direct result of this attitude has been the establishment recently at the headquarters of the army of a press bureau. One of the first steps taken by the officers in charge was to secure for both ally and neutral journalists the same military maps of the region and, as they are within speaking distance of the Italian soldiers for nearly every foot of the four hundred miles of front, it would be difficult to hide from them the names of the rivers and mountains and towns along the front.

The press bureau, although not long formed, has already proved itself. It is stated, in the better understanding by France and England of the terrific difficulties under which the Italian army works in mountain territory, where it takes weeks to move large bodies of troops or put artillery into new positions, and where the taking of a single mountain involves the patient effort and staunch heroism of months of hard fighting.

The numbers frequently referred to in official military bulletins, in connection with operations at places the names of which are not mentioned, has given rise to the popular impression that the number is used, in order to withhold exact information as to the geography of the operations.

As a matter of fact, and particularly in mountain operations, the use of a number covers the most accurate and accurate information. Every hilltop and mountain in Europe has long been identified by a number. This number is not an arbitrary one. It is the exact height in meters (one meter is 39.37 inches) of the hilltop or mountain above the sea level. As no firm hilltops or mountains have the same height, the numbers are never the same, at least in the same range of mountains, and they differ so as to indicate the heights of different sections of the mountain range.

While these numbers are of the utmost importance in military operations, inasmuch as they indicate heights and distances in particular to artillery officers, they have been long determined by other than the geographical branch of the general staffs of armies. They are found in every detailed map of a given territory and therefore come under the head of information accessible to automobilists, physicians, miners, engineers and mountain climbers.

BAPTISTS CLOSE ANNUAL SESSION

Many Conferences and Addresses Yesterday—Good Lecture on Mexico.

In the morning session of the Red River Valley Baptist association yesterday, Mrs. W. A. Eddington of Hamilton spoke on "The Sunday School Program." Mrs. C. E. Tingley spoke on "Elementary Work in the Sunday School," and Rev. E. E. Barnhart, director of Sunday school work in the state, spoke on the work of the Sunday school in general.

At the afternoon session, Rev. R. G. Pierson led in devotionals, Rev. J. McDermid of Crystal spoke on "The Individual and the Five Year Program." R. E. Griffith of this city spoke on "The Local Church and the Local Program," at the conclusion of which Dr. Kinney led a conference on the subject.

Crystal was selected as the next convention place of the association, and Rev. R. G. Pierson as the convention preacher. A picture of the delegates was taken on the steps of the church at noon yesterday and during the afternoon the visiting delegates enjoyed an auto ride about the city.

The feature of last evening's session was the illustrated lecture on Mexico, delivered by Rev. Bruce Kinney of Topeka, Kan. This lecture was very well attended and all were pleased with the manner in which Rev. Kinney dealt with his subject. He gave the audience an insight into some of the underlying causes of the present almost unbelievable state of upheaval and revolution which exists in this southern country. His address was therefore very timely.

WANT STEPS TO REGULATE PRICE

London, July 1.—A special trades union congress of 600 delegates representing 3,000,000 organized workers met in London today and adopted a resolution asking the government to

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The mover of the resolution said prices had increased 50 per cent owing largely to the rise in freights and the greater cost of coal.

The congress also adopted an alternative resolution in favor of government ownership of all merchant shipping. Still another resolution declares that if the government offers objection to the proposal of the congress immediate steps will be taken to press for such advances in wages as are necessary to maintain a proper standard of living.

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