

OLD SETTLERS TO CONSTRUCT MEMORIAL HALL

Red River Valley Association Leases Three Acres in Riverside Park.

Work to Begin This Winter—Many Old Relics to be Placed on Exhibit.

Within the next few months, building operations will be commenced by the Red River Valley Old Settlers' association on the log cabin and sod shanty, to be erected in Riverside Park as a memorial to the old settlers of North Dakota. The lease for three acres of property, located near the Charles Graber home in Riverside Park, has just been signed by the park board, giving the old settlers a site for the proposed structures.

As soon as logging operations have been completed in northern Minnesota, the logs will be selected and brought here for the construction of the cabin. Nearly 200 evergreens will be planted to represent the typical old settler's abode.

The signing of the lease marks the first step in carrying out the plans upon which the settlers have been working for the past 30 years. During this period nearly \$12,000 has been spent in purchasing relics to be exhibited in the cabin. Besides the relics which have been purchased, donations amounting in value to nearly \$1,500, have been promised, including the old cart and harness, used by one of the first settlers in the Red River Valley, and which has been on exhibit at the state capitol at Bismarck for many years.

M. F. Murphy, president of the park board and a member of the Old Settlers' association, has been instrumental in bringing the plans to a completion. President J. D. Johnson, Vice President Peter Stoughton and Secretary James Twamley also have been active in completing the pre-

liminary preparations and in collecting the exhibits.

The proposed memorial will represent an expenditure of over \$4,000, not including the many contributions. An experienced landscape gardener will be given the contract for making the improvements on the property surrounding the cabins, which will represent the homes of the men who came to this section of the Red River Valley to settle on homesteads, who used only the limited supply of material in the construction of their homes.

The building fund now is being raised and already donations have been received from prominent men who were instrumental in the development of Grand Forks and the eastern section of the north half of North Dakota. George B. Winship, formerly publisher of The Herald, was one of the first to contribute to the fund. Frank Viere and his daughter also are among the first to become donors.

The late James J. Hill, empire builder, was a staunch supporter of the plan outlined by the association and promised to contribute \$500 for building purposes. It is expected that his son, Louis W. Hill, president of the Great Northern railway, will fulfill the promise. Others are contributing rapidly and it is expected that the entire amount will be obtained within the next few months.

Over \$1,000 is now in the treasury. The district to be represented by the memorial includes several counties extending as far west as Devils Lake. There are nearly 3,000 members, all having come to this section of the country to make their homes before November, 1881. There is also a large number of members from the northwestern portion of Minnesota who are interested in the plans.

The buildings will be completed early in the spring, when work will begin on the planting of the evergreens and making the landscape improvements. The exhibits will be on display next summer, and the cabins will be open to the public at all times.

ABSENT VOTERS LAW PUTS STATE IN LEAD

North Dakota, the only state to have an absent voters law which enables any eligible voter who may be out of the city on the day of election, to cast a ballot, now occupies the limelight. Many states in the union have made provisions to have the members of the national guard stationed at the border, cast votes, but the amendment does not provide for traveling men and the residents who are away from home.

The North Dakota law covers every point and from Grand Forks county alone, nearly 200 applications have already been filed. Dakotans eligible to vote in Grand Forks county precincts, who are now in other states, have asked that absent voters ballots be forwarded to them. The applications received come from Texas, Pennsylvania, Florida, Arizona, Montana, Oklahoma, Washington, Illinois, Kansas and points in North Dakota.

The North Dakota law has received considerable favorable comment from the press in other states, and it is now believed that within a few years, similar voting provisions will be made in every state in the union.

COMING WEEK BRINGS LAST CAMPAIGN LAP

Republicans and Democrats Plan Extensive Rallies Throughout County.

Foremost Republican Statesmen to Tour Northwest—Nelson Comes Here.

Monday morning will witness the beginning of the last lap of the political campaigns in Grand Forks county, when politicians will take the fields to support the candidates of the various parties with which they may be affiliated, and candidates will go out in quest of votes. Throughout the entire county, political interest will be at the boiling point, as both the Democratic and Republican parties will extend every effort to establish a firmer foothold.

According to plans completed by the Grand Forks county Republican central committee, about twelve rallies will be held in the various sections of the county during the week. The Republican candidates will attend each gathering and the candidates will be called upon to discuss political issues. At each of these meetings prominent speakers will be present and will feature the program with addresses on subjects relative to the candidacy of office seekers. On Tuesday evening, Lynn J. Frazier, Republican candidate for governor, will hold the center of the district and deliver an address at Larimore.

Senator Nelson Big Card.
Candidates and politicians from Grand Forks will attend the meetings and it is expected that hundreds of voters will be present. If weather conditions permit, several auto parties from Grand Forks will journey to Larimore for the meeting.

On Saturday, October 25, the feature political attraction of the week for the Republicans will be staged, when Knute Nelson, Minnesota's senior senator and one of the most prominent statesmen in the northwest, will visit Grand Forks and deliver an address at the city auditorium.

Letters from every section of the county have been received by W. H. Alexander, secretary of the county central committee, indicating that hundreds will attend the addresses to hear the address. The Minnesota senator, besides being an orator of ability, is familiar with every political issue.

Helgesen Coming.
Although the Republican activities will reach a whirlwind stage during the coming week, they will not cease with the address of Senator Nelson. The following week, several rallies will be held and according to tentative arrangements, Congressman H. T. Helgesen will deliver two addresses in the county. The dates have not been set for his campaign, but plans are being made for his appearance at Northwood and in the city.

Ray McKaig, secretary of the Republican state central committee, also will participate in the campaign of the county. He will open his series of addresses on October 26 at Inkster. During the afternoon of November 1 he will speak at Mekinock and in the evening of the same day will give an address at Gilby. The following afternoon, November 2, he will speak at Emerald and the same evening will conduct a rally at Northwood.

At Larimore tonight, Senator Geo. W. Norris of Nebraska will conduct a rally for the Republicans, which promises to be the important gathering of this week.

Democrats Get Busy.
Democrats will not be idle during the next week. On Wednesday the central committee of that party will meet at the local headquarters for a session which has been called by Chairman Dave Gorman. All forces of the Democratic party in the county will report the plans for the final lap of the campaign. The "Dem" do not plan on conducting as extensive rallies as the G. O. P., but each precinct committeeman will take charge of the work in his own district and laud the principles of democracy.

S. Johnson, a local attorney, will conduct several small rallies and will make a trip through the county supporting his candidacy for state's attorney.

Local Democrats point to the appearance here of H. C. Hansbrough, former North Dakota senator, on that urday evening as the big event of this week. Mr. Hansbrough will take up the Democratic interests, supporting President Woodrow Wilson for reelection.

MOTHERS' PENSION WILL BE APPEALED

Upheld by Judge Hanson, Appeal Will be Taken to Higher Court to Test Constitutionality.

In order that the North Dakota legislature may pass a corrective measure, if necessary, at its next session, an appeal will be taken to the supreme court to fairly test out the constitutionality of the mothers' pension law, brought to public notice Wednesday when Judge A. G. Hanson of the Cass county court upheld the constitutionality of the measure.

The case involved was that of Mrs. Bessie Nixon of Casselton, a widow with seven children, who sought a pension under the provisions of the measure. The case was fought by county authorities.

Land Transfer—One land transfer was filed this morning at the office of Register of Deeds A. M. Lodmell.

The deed was Walter J. Staub to Emma Staub the south half of section 28, Allendale township, for a private consideration.

SWORD SWALLOWER IN THE NAVY.

As a proof to friends of his unhyphenated devotion to the land of his adoption, Signer Gregorio Casarone, a sword swallower and cannonball juggler, has offered his services to the United States marine corps in the event of this country being plunged into a foreign war.

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W.C.T.U. WORK REVIEWED TODAY

Reports Given by Several Officers—Mrs. E. P. Anderson Speaks Tonight.

Herald Special Service.)

Grafton, N. D., Oct. 20.—At the session of the North Dakota W. C. T. U. this morning, some interesting reports were given of work accomplished in the state. Mrs. E. P. Anderson of Fargo, president of the organization, will give her address tonight. At the meeting this morning, Mrs. Abbie W. H. Best of Fargo, vice president, gave an interesting account of the organization of the work in the west. Mrs. Libby B. Bowers of Fargo, the state field agent, reported on the work she had done. She traveled over 4,000 miles during the year and conducted several hundred meetings. An interesting feature of the report was that pertaining to the work among the Indians.

The meeting is proving an unusual success. There are 75 delegates present and more are expected for the Y. P. B. meeting which opens tomorrow night.

Mary Anderson, national secretary of the Y. P. B., wired today that she cannot attend the meeting.

The W. C. T. U. banquet given last night, was attended by 200 people. Mrs. E. P. Anderson was toastmistress and an interesting program of responses was given.

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