

## GERMANS MAKE NEW ATTEMPT TO PASS AISNE

Paris, Feb. 3.—Official reports issued here by the war department late this afternoon say that an artillery battle is raging all along the Aisne, and the Germans, particularly, are directing violent cannonading near Soissons, but their fire is ineffective. The French have silenced several batteries near Lens, and the French artillery forced a German battery to retire.

### New German Onslaught.

Fierce hand-to-hand fighting is going on in the region near St. Paul, and marks the launching of a new German onslaught to force a passage from Aisne to Soissons, less than sixty miles from Paris. French Moroccan troops, stationed outside of St. Paul, on the north bank of the Aisne, repulsed three successive attacks by Von Kluck's infantry, and routed a small force of Germans that made the first assault upon their positions. The Germans were driven back upon the German lines near Cruzy, and several prisoners were taken. Following the failure of this night attack, Von Kluck ordered reinforcements. A small force of Moroccans, entrenched behind the ruins of devastated farm houses, were forced to give ground. Falling back upon the main French positions, they joined in a counter attack and sent the Germans fleeing in disorder.

### Shells Soissons.

Von Kluck's artillery resumed a violent bombardment at Bridge Head, which he took from the French at the north bank of the river and dropped an occasional shell into Soissons. Reinforcements have been pushed across the bridge at Soissons to support the battalions at St. Paul.

Latest reports describe the engagement as a determined attempt to drive the French from the north bank of the river at Franders. Germans are directing fresh attacks against the Belgians near Ypres.

## WOULD DROP MILITARY DRILL AT UNIVERSITY

St. Paul, Feb. 3.—Senator Jones today introduced a bill which calls for the discontinuing of military drill at the State University. All male students are now required to take drill for a certain period of their college course.

Other bills introduced in the senate today were:

A radical bill providing for a more modern system of plumbing in schools, factories and dwelling houses, by Senators Handland and Jones.

A bill bringing a penalty of thirty to ninety days or a fine of \$50 to \$100 for operating a blind pig.

Senator O'Neill would pass a bill making it a felony to bring strike breakers into the state.

A bill was passed by the senate making it lawful for a judge to instruct juries on Sunday.

### GIBBONS BESTS MURRAY.

Ringside, Hudson, Wis., Feb. 3.—By Tim Sullivan, written for the United Press: Tommy Gibbons of St. Paul, added another scalp to his belt last night when he won a newspaper decision over Billy Murray, of San Francisco, in a ten-round bout at the arena here. Gibbons clearly outclassed Murray in all but three rounds. It was a fast fight. From going to gong the two stood up and did their best. In the last round Murray seemed tired and his blows lacked steam, but he was game and the fight ended in a fairly fast round. It seemed certain, however, that Gibbons would have put his man away had the fight gone much further.

### Unclaimed Letters.

List of advertised letters "UNCLAIMED" at Bemidji postoffice department, Bemidji, Minn. Men—Bonrodo, Leslie (3), Coolidge, Mr. Henry, Danielson, Mr. J., Gagon, Mons Vital, Gamble, Mr. G. W., Graham, Frank, Hogan, Mr. J., Holmes, Mr. Fred (2), Hogan, Mr. John, Howe, Mr. T. E., Johnson, John C., Joanis, Isadore, Kennedy, Mr. William, Kinley, Mr. Art, Kowitz, Mr. Albert, Lambert, Mr. J. H., Manchester Biscuit Co., Sargent, Mr. M., Scott & Howe Lumber Co., Thompson, Mr. Anton, Zenith Subscription Agency, (3). Women—Clark, Miss May, Houghland, Miss Agnes, Lortie, Mrs. Adline, LeRoy, Miss Reiza, Murphy, Miss Blanch, Sisk, Miss N. E., Sunvall, Mrs. O., Wans, Miss Helen.

### One Man in Jail.

At last the Beltrami county bastille has a prisoner, and at that one who in being sent there was told his sentence would be indefinite. The man held was sentenced by Judge C. W. Stanton yesterday afternoon for contempt of court, having refused to pay alimony to his divorced wife as directed.

## GREAT NORTHERN CHANGES.

Officials of Railroad Transferred, Announces Agent Lloyd.

William W. Lloyd, Great Northern agent, today announced several changes in the official staff of the road. Lloyd was made lately. R. L. Kneble, has been division superintendent of the Northern division for some time, goes to the Minot division and will be succeeded by T. B. Degnan, formerly terminal superintendent at Seattle. At Superior, General Superintendent C. O. Jenks, who has accepted the position as general superintendent of the Spokane, Portland and Seattle railroad, will be succeeded by F. S. Elliott of the Central division.

## BIG BUSINESS TURNS SEARCHLIGHT ON ITSELF

Washington, Feb. 3.—The searchlight of "Big Business" was turned upon itself here today, when the annual convention of the United States Chamber of Commerce opened. The "Big Business" men from all parts of the country gathered to diagnose business conditions and make prosperity plans for the future.

Tonight at a regular session of the chamber, President Wilson has promised a speech of importance. It is understood that the president will make a speech, as it effects American business, on a par with his political speech recently at Indianapolis.

Among the prominent speakers who will address the convention will be Secretary of State Bryan and Secretary of Commerce Redfield on development of American foreign trade, particularly in Latin-America and the Orient.

Discussion of the federal reserve act in its relation to trade expansion will be led by Vice President Samuel McRoberts of the National City bank of New York.

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo is scheduled to discuss the administration ship purchase bill and enlargement of the American merchant marine. Governor Hamlin of the federal reserve board, will give additional interpretation of the currency reform act.

Commissioner of Corporation Davis will tell the chamber the scope of the Federal Trade commission.

A banquet will be held tomorrow night. The president was to have spoken at the banquet, but demurred at attending a social function so soon after the death of Mrs. Wilson.

### J. H. O'NEIL IS VICTIM OF HEART DISEASE

John H. O'Neill of Park Rapids, member of the State Forestry board, former member of the Minnesota legislature and one of the most prominent politicians of the state, died at St. Luke's hospital, St. Paul, yesterday, following an illness of several weeks. He spent some time at the hospital about two months ago, but improved. He returned about ten days ago, suffering from heart disease.

Mr. O'Neill was 57 years old. He was one of the early conductors on the Northern Pacific railroad, serving in that capacity for eighteen years.

In 1881 he built the Great Northern hotel at Park Rapids and had conducted it since. He became interested in politics and was elected to the legislature from the Fifty-first district in 1901. He served one term, and a few years ago was appointed to the forestry board.

The funeral will be held at Park Rapids tomorrow.

### TO OPEN GALLERIES.

Boston, Feb. 3.—The deferred opening of the Robert Dawson Evans memorial galleries for paintings will take place this evening.

### Machine Shop Not Moved.

The article stating that Garvin & Blanchard had moved their machine shop from the Northern Auto company building was not intended to inform the public that Mr. Jewett had discontinued the shop, which thought might be thus conveyed. "The special tools and machinery for the repair of Ford cars were only rented and are the property of the Northern Auto company," said Mr. Jewett.

## TO BRING OUTERS HERE

Business Men's Association Will Cooperate With Commercial Club in Providing Summer Hotel.

### CONSIDER SEVERAL PROPOSITIONS

As a special order of business the summer hotel proposition was the chief topic for discussion at the Merchants' meeting Tuesday afternoon and as a result a committee was appointed to work jointly with the committee of the Commercial club with instructions to report at the next regular meeting.

Propositions from Tams Bixby and J. J. Opsahl were considered and George Cochran agreed to have a proposition for the consideration of the committee the latter part of the week.

Indications are that something definite will be done this spring and that Bemidji will have a summer hotel for the accommodation of several hundred guests going by May first.

In connection with the hotel will be constructed twenty or more cottages with a large number of tents if any one of the propositions is accepted by the business and professional men of the city.

The matter will be discussed further at the Commercial club meeting tonight and plans are under way to interest twenty or more of our citizens to buy, lease or rent lots and build cottages to be used in connection with the hotel.

The committee appointed by the Commercial club consists of W. L. Brooks, A. G. Wedge and E. H. Denu. President Barker, of the Merchants' association, appointed the same members to act for the association and in addition appointed C. E. Battles and H. E. Reynolds.

## WHEAT JUMPS TO HIGH WATER MARK

Minneapolis, Feb. 3.—The reported bombardment of Dardanelles is blamed for the nervous condition of Minneapolis wheat this morning. The market opened this morning with May wheat at \$1.54, dropping to \$1.53 1/2. July wheat opened at \$1.52, but flopped to \$1.46.

At Chicago the most riotous scenes witnessed on the board of trade since the famous Patten and Leiter corners, took place here this morning. May wheat opened at \$1.62, and in ten minutes dropped to \$1.56 1/2, boosting to \$1.65 1/2 within 57 minutes, a new high mark, the excitement being wild.

### TEAMS AND MEN NEEDED

Red River Lumber Company Not Able to Secure Necessary Labor.

That there is work for everybody was again evidenced today when it became known that the Red River Lumber company is having much difficulty in securing men and teams for timber cutting and clearing near Grand Rapids. "Thirty farmers' teams, with sleds, and 75 men are needed at once," said J. J. Opsahl, the agent of the company here, "and it seems almost impossible to secure labor. We plan to cut what timber there is on a large tract of land north of Grand Rapids, running from ten miles east of Coleraine to south of Remer, and to clear it for the clover seed. The work must be done before mild weather comes." Labor is needed in other places also.

### Infant Son Dead.

John Hubert, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hubert, died this morning. Funeral arrangements have not been announced.

### Drink Straight Booze.

"I think my friend from Mississippi, Senator Williams, is mistaken if he thinks that alcoholic drinks derived from the grape, the fermented liquors in contradistinction to those that are distilled, are less harmful. It is my opinion that he is decidedly mistaken. The Englishman and the Scotchman and those people of Europe who drink heavy port wines are, I think, killed off as quickly, and I think more quickly, than those who confine themselves to the use of pure whisky.

## OREGON SENATOR HAS BLINDPIG CURE

Harry Lane Makes Interesting Discovery Concerning Congress Members and Offers Solution to Problem.

### SHOULD ADOPT PLAN OF ESKIMOS

Says Whisky May Be Correctly Used as Stimulant But Warns Against High Wines and Beer.

By Burton K. Standish. (United Press) Washington, Feb. 3.—Senator Harry Lane of Oregon, who made the original and interesting discovery that United States senators are just plain mutts like the rest of male humans, has offered a solution for the blind pig problem, insofar as it relates to gentlemen from other states finding liquor in states that have gone dry. His experience in Alaska furnished the inspiration.

"For the benefit of those states," he declared, "I would suggest they adopt the method of the Eskimos to protect their food supplies from the ever-hungry malamute dog, which is to cache it upon a platform about 20 feet above the ground. Doing this they would compel enterprising and thrifty gentlemen from other states to seek their soles in the open air by means of a ladder."

Alaska, by the way, has furnished Senator Lane with considerable argument against liquor.

### Take It Away.

"In the interior of Alaska," he says, "where the temperature goes down to 70 and 80 below zero they do not allow anyone to get out upon a long trip and take whisky with him. If a man is met on the trail and it is ascertained he has whisky with him it is taken away from him and the bottles broken. They do not do that out of feeling of kindness toward him particularly, but they have found, and from experience, that it is necessary to do so, for the reason that under the influence of liquor a man on the trail will take chances that he otherwise would not take. If his feet or hands become frozen, the whole expedition is tied up taking care of him. So they go right through his pack and if he has whisky or alcohol they take it away from him and break the bottle."

### Resumes Normal Condition.

"I do not think alcohol is a direct cause of a large proportion of insanity," he said. "I do not think that large tables of statistics if carefully analyzed will show that it is the old alcoholic, the chronic drunk, who, as a rule, goes insane. He becomes a hobo; he becomes a nuisance; he is the cause of misery to his children, he makes his wife unhappy and is the cause of his children not having enough to eat and to wear; he may become shattered physically but, as a rule, he does not become insane. After he quits drinking, as a rule, he resumes his mental condition and lives along without becoming insane. I do not think much of statistics which try to show that he furnishes the largest proportion of the inmates of insane asylums, for the reason that my experience is to the contrary."

"But if you are going to drink," says the senator, "drink straight 'booze'."

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## WAS BRILLIANT LECTURE

Thomas Brooks Fletcher Thrilled Large Audience in "The Martyrdom of Fools" Last Evening.

### MAGNETIC PERSONALITY FELT

It is doubtful if there is one person in Bemidji who heard Thomas Brooks Fletcher's lecture, "The Martyrdom of Fools," at the Methodist church auditorium last evening, who will not proclaim him the equal of the most brilliant speakers on the American platform.

As expected, Fletcher's audience found him filled to the brim with physical and mental energy, and as he dashed forward upon his introduction and plunged eagerly, almost furiously, into his subject, his magnetic personality was felt by each of his listeners.

He proved himself a master of every phase of dramatic art, a graceful Delsarteian one moment, a thunderbolt hurling giant, the next, combining impassioned oratory with the calm reasoning of a judge.

Fletcher demonstrated his wonderful ability to handle language, whether it be biting sarcasm, scathing condemnation, tender pleading or strong exhortation. He seemed to possess but one idea: to startle, to awaken, and then to burn into the soul of his hearers, moral convictions of matters political, social and religious, and gained his purpose by combining his great power in language and dramatic art.

His straight from the shoulder style of dealing with modern conditions, his honest sincerity, his powerful convictions, his contempt for any attempt to sugar-coat injustice, wins for him the admiration of his audience; for the world admires a fighter and passionately loves him if his cause is just.

The Woman's Study club has often been praised for its enterprise in bringing entertainers of the Redpath Lyceum bureau to Bemidji and every bit of commendation is honestly deserved, the appearance of Fletcher being just another evidence of the success of its plan.

### DOING LARGE BUSINESS.

Minnesota & International Keeping Big Force at Work.

With more orders than they have cars to conveniently handle, the Minnesota & International railroad, announced George Walker, the Bemidji agent, is doing a big business new, especially in the hauling of poles and ties and material needed flat-cars for transportation. Nearly every employe of the road is now at work.

## HAD NARROW ESCAPE

Edward, the nine year old son of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Merryman, had a narrow escape from serious injury this morning when a cartridge in a 22-rifle with which he was playing, exploded. A portion of the cartridge was thrown from the chamber and grazed the boy's forehead. The injury was soon dressed and no serious consequences will result. Edward, who recently underwent a minor operation on his throat, was at home alone when the accident took place, and had taken the rifle from the wall.

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## MANY CASES ON CALENDAR.

Ninety-Two Actions Noticed for Trial at February Beltrami Term.

Fred Rhoda, clerk of court, and Miss Lucy LaFontaine, deputy, have just completed the work of compiling the court calendar for the February term which convenes here next Tuesday morning, Judge B. F. Wright of Park Rapids, presiding. Thirteen of these cases are personal property tax actions. Several important cases are to be tried during the term. The grand jury will meet Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock, Wednesday will be devoted to the conducting of naturalization examinations and the petit jury will meet Thursday morning at 9 o'clock.

## EIGHT CANDIDATES FILE

Aspirants for All But One City Office Leave Petitions With City Clerk George Stein.

### CAMPAIGN ENDS IN TWO WEEKS

With but two weeks of the city campaign remaining, interest is almost at a standstill and the election is certain to be the most quiet ever held here.

Eight petitions of candidates were filed with George Stein, city clerk, this morning, being those of William McCuaig, for mayor; Frank S. Lyman, for alderman-at-large; George Stein, for clerk; George Rhea, for treasurer; Thomas Lloyd, for assessor; John Moberg, for alderman first ward; Sherm Bailey, for alderman second ward, and J. M. Phillippi, for alderman third ward.

No candidate has filed for alderman in the fourth ward, although three petitions have been circulated. The last day for filing is next Saturday. No petitions of socialist candidates have been filed.

## MURPHY-DICAIRE

A pretty wedding was solemnized in St. Philip's Catholic church at 9 o'clock this morning when Miss Clara Dicaire, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Dicaire of this city, became the bride of L. F. Murphy, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Murphy of Grand Forks, Rev. Father John J. T. Philippe officiating.

The bride wore a blue traveling suit, trimmed in white, while the maid of honor, Miss Margaret Murphy, a sister of the groom, was dressed in a white suit, trimmed with fitch fur. Both carried corsage bouquets of sweet peas. The groom was attended by Marcus Dicaire, a brother of the bride. The altar of the church was beautifully decorated with roses and other flowers.

Immediately following the ceremony the bridal party partook of a wedding breakfast at the Dicaire home, which had been elaborately decorated for the occasion.

Since childhood the home of the bride has been in Bemidji and until several years ago, when she went to Grand Forks to accept a responsible position with the Red River Valley Power company, attended school here, always being one of the most popular members of the younger set.

L. F. Murphy, the groom, is a member of one of the most prominent Grand Forks families, being a son of M. F. Murphy, for many years mayor of the North Dakota city and one of the state's most influential business men. The young man is in business with his father.

A large number of Grand Forks and Bemidji friends attended the wedding. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Murphy, the groom's parents. The newly married couple left this noon for Milwaukee where they will visit several days before going to points in Wisconsin, returning in the course of a few weeks to Grand Forks where they will make their home.

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## PLANS FORMED FOR MARCH INSTITUTE

Agriculturist Gile Announces That Big Farmers' Meeting Will Be Held Here March Sixth.

### TO ORGANIZE STOCK ASSOCIATION

Farmers' Clubs to Compete in Attendance Contest—W. A. McKerrow to Speak.

With plans practically completed, it is expected that the Farmers' Institute which is to be held at the High school on Saturday, March 6, will be the most successful ever held here. The meeting will begin promptly at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, at which time W. A. McKerrow will talk on breeds of dairy cattle and live stock associations.

### To Form Association.

In speaking of the institute, Bueford M. Gile, agriculturist, who is in charge of the arrangements, this morning said: "An association will be formed whose members will agree to use sires in grading up their herds from one of two breeds which will be decided upon at that time. The Merchants' association desires to have a meeting with the farmers some time this spring. In order not to have two meetings it has been decided to make this a union meeting."

"At 12 o'clock a fine dinner will be served by the domestic science department and financed by the Merchants' association. At 1 o'clock the merchants and farmers will meet together to consider marketing conditions. Professor A. J. McGuire, of the state extension department, will talk on marketing problems in northern Minnesota. At the same time Mrs. Baker, of the University Farm school, will give a demonstration to the women. Mr. Howard, of the state high school board, will give a short talk some time during the day. Music and other entertaining numbers will appear on the program."

### Clubs to Compete.

"Five dollars will be given by the Merchants' association to the treasurer of the farmers' club from the township having the largest representation. If there are two farmers' clubs in the winning township the money will be divided. A count will be taken at 11 o'clock and again at 1 o'clock and the township having the largest average will be the winner. Any person of either sex over sixteen years of age will be counted. It is not necessary to be a member of the farmers' club but to simply live in the township. Northern, Eckles, Lammers, Grant Valley, Frohn, Bemidji, Turtle River, Liberty, Turtle Lake, Port Hope, Helga, Rockwood and Jones will probably be the principal competing townships."

### Help Advertise is Plea.

"We hope everyone will help advertise this meeting as it is impossible for us or the newspapers to reach all the people. All are invited."

## STARVATION FACES POLAND WOMEN IS CRY

Berlin, Feb. 3.—(By Karl Von Weigand.)—Poland is crying for food, and thousands of women and children are dying for want of food, with the soil drenched with blood from those who have been sacrificed in the terrible slaughter. Appeals have been received in the United States and already the work of sending supplies is in progress.

### BANKS TO ASSIST FARMERS.

Bemidji Financial Institutions Will Provide Funds for Cattle Purchases

Bemidji's three banks, the First National, Security State and Northern National, have offered to bring a carload of cattle here this spring and to provide responsible farmers with money for their purchase at reasonable rates. "If you are interested," said Bueford M. Gile, agriculturist, in addressing several farmers this morning, "talk the matter over with your banker and see what you can do. Each person must leave description of what he wants with his banker. Those who might wish to get stock and wish to provide funds in some other way should communicate directly with the Agricultural Department of the High school. If there is a demand for good graded and pure bred dairy stock in excess of what the local market will supply, a way has been found to get it here. If enough farmers report to make up a carload some responsible farmer will be taken along to help buy the stock and see that the farmers get the animals at cost."

### A lot of men like hot weather—especially when it's too hot to work.

## SCOOP THE CUB REPORTER



## Then Scoop Lost His Head



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