

## MRS. PANKHURST, ONCE HOOTED, NOW IDOL OF ENGLAND

Woman Formerly Spirited Away, Speaks at London Every Night— Praised by Press.

### TALKS OF WOMEN AND WAR

Germany Failed to Consider Women— "Where Women are Crushed, Men are of Inferior Quality," She Says

By WILLIAM G. SHEPHERD. (United Press Staff Correspondent) London, March 19.—(By mail to New York.)—England is cheering Mrs. Pankhurst!

The newspapers are calling her "England's most eloquent woman." Their praise of her is unstinted. She is "a gracious woman" now in the very same columns in which she used to be called a "mad woman."

### Speaks Every Night Now.

Every night Mrs. Pankhurst speaks at the Pavilion, the identical theater from which, every Monday afternoon two years ago, she was spirited away to prevent her from being mobbed. Mrs. Pankhurst is part of the program. She appears in various gowns, mostly black, all of exquisite cut. She invariably wears a lace shawl, and from her neck hangs a lorgnet, which she is never seen to use. There is elegance, poise and restraint in her appearance and in her speech. She is a changed Mrs. Pankhurst. And the England that once hotted her now greets her with cheers of welcome. Her theme is "Women and the War!"

### Not Internal Warfare Now.

"I must refer to the last previous occasion in which I appeared here," said Mrs. Pankhurst on her opening night. "We were engaged at that time in internal warfare—warfare on the part of women who were denied by the government of the country what they considered their legitimate rights of citizenship.

"When I came here before we were fighting about rights; tonight we are fighting for duties. In face of a terrible danger people have to forget their rights and think only of their duties." Lloyd-George, Premier Asquith—all the men of the government whose lives were made miserable by the criticism and physical attacks of Mrs. Pankhurst and her followers—came in for praise.

"I am thankful and proud to say," said Mrs. Pankhurst, "that the nation as represented by the government, is doing its duty. Some of us who think that the government does not always do its duty were anxious when the war broke out. I was in Brittany when the trouble began and I wondered whether England would come in, or play the coward's part by stepping out. Thank heaven, we decided to come in and stand by gallant little Belgium.

"The Germans thought we were a decadent people. One of the reasons was that they saw in this country women engaged with men in political warfare."

Just in this part of Mrs. Pankhurst's speech came her trump card.

### Find Courage in Men.

"The Germans are not good psychologists," she said. "They should have known that the country in which the women have courage to fight is a country where you will find courage in men. Where you have women crushed you will find men of inferior quality."

This paragraph in Mrs. Pankhurst's speech always brings roar of cheers.

"The Germans thought the suffragists would continue their fight in war time," continued the militant leader. "What a mistake! When you are attacked by the enemy without, you have to shut your eyes to your own troubles and form up side-by-side in defense of the national interests."

"We all hate war, but there is this difference between ourselves and the peace-at-any-price crowd, that we determine to prosecute this war to such an end that for generations to come we may be spared war."

A new automobile wind shield is divided in half so that one section can be swung down to lessen the air resistance when but a single person is using a car.

Woman suffrage measures have been recommended by the governors of Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Tennessee and West Virginia.

The English inventor of a new wireless telephone claims that it is so compact that a man can carry the entire apparatus with him.

There are many ways of being happy, but some of them most of us cannot understand.—Albany Journal.

### SALOON CASE ARGUED.

Littlefork Citizens Would Make Village "Dry" Through Town Vote.

Much interest is attached to the Littlefork saloon case, arguments in which were made before Judge C. W. Koochic. In chambers at the court house, this morning, citizens of the county village desiring to enjoin the council from publishing notices of liquor license applications. The Littlefork citizens, who demanded that the saloonmen be required to show cause why a temporary injunction should not be granted, were represented by Franz Jevne, Koochiching county attorney, while Judge Marshall A. Spooner of Bemidji appeared for the defendants. Judge Stanton has not announced his decision. The Littlefork citizens contend that although the village voted wet at the recent election, the Township of Jameson having voted "dry" closes the saloons.

### INSPECTION OF GERMAN PRISON CAMPS CONTINUE

(United Press)

Berlin, March 31.—Inspection of the several German prison camps continued this morning with the American commission in charge. The members of the inspection party are planning on visiting Magdeburg tomorrow. Particular attention was paid to the sleeping quarters and talks were held with prisoners, unheard by the guards. The kitchens where food was prepared was also inspected and talked with the guards and prisoners concerning the kind of work they were forced to do.

### CITY OF DETROIT MAY BUY RAILWAYS

(United Press)

Detroit, Mich., March 31.—Stockholders of the Detroit United Railway company met today in special session to vote on the proposition of selling out to the city of Detroit for \$24,900,000—the amount of the bonded indebtedness of the company. The sale price has been agreed to both by the directors of the D. U. R. and the members of the Detroit street railway commission, and must now be ratified by the D. U. R. stockholders and the voters of the city of Detroit. Consideration of the sale price today by the street car company stockholders marks one of the final steps in Detroit's long fight for municipal ownership of the street car system. Approval of the sale figures by the stockholders would result in the calling of a special election immediately to obtain ratification from the people.

### \* \* \* \* \* MEN TO COUNT IN EASTER FASHIONS \* \* \* \* \*

That women will have to look to their laurels in the "Easter Parade" is indicated by the careful preparation for Easter which is being made by a growing number of men. In this connection Charles Cominsky, manager of Schneider Brothers' men's department, says:

"One very noticeable feature is the widespread popularity of the single breasted cutaway frock suit for Easter and other Sundays.

"The frock is displacing the Prince Albert in all parts of the country, and is being taken up by men and young men who never would wear the old style.

"Another angle of men's clothing for spring is the quantities of imported fabrics being shown. The struggle over the sea doesn't seem to have affected the fabrics up to now. Glen Urquhart and Tartans are among the favorites, although the stripes are holding on strongly.

"In cut the tendency is toward broad lapels, form fitting backs and straight hung trousers; and away from padded and stiff-fronted coats.

"Hats offer a wide variety; stiff and soft. In the soft hats a medium crown with a rolled brim seems a little ahead in popularity, particularly among the younger men.

"Diagonal stripes, some of them quite wide, seem to have the call in the early showings of spring neckwear. A large number of bows, in mixed colors, are being shown.

"Everything in shirts seems to incline toward plain, soft effects; few tucks or plaits are shown. It looks (Continued on last page.)

### THURSDAY ALL FOOL'S DAY

"Doped" Candy, "Lost" Pocketbook, Briek-Hats and Other Stunts to Bring Victims for Jokesters.

### KIDS ARE KEENER THAN EVER

Tomorrow is April Fool day, a day when the fellow with the perpetual grouch is bound to play in a lot of hard luck, for the small lad will strive to take advantage of said grouch's susceptibility to annoyance, and his difficulties will be multiplied. Just who invented April Fool day and what its original purpose might have been, nobody seems to know for a certainty, but the custom of playing practical jokes on one's friends on this day is of unknown antiquity.

All Fool's day is observed not only in this country, but in foreign lands as well. In Scotland the victims of an April Fool joke is called a gowk, or a cuckoo, and in France he is called "un poisson d'Avril" (an April fish).

In this country he is called many names, but not so many as the fellow who is responsible for the joke. Of course, it wouldn't be fair to the small boy to mention at this time the specific tricks that are played on the present-day April Fool victim, for that might interfere with a lot of fun for the youngster. Some of the old "cheatnuts" which are infrequently employed nowadays because of universal suspicion, might be cited. For instance, the "lost" pocketbook, attached to a long string, that is jerked around the corner just about the time the victim is about to pick it up, the brickbat under a plug hat and the chocolate-coated soap candy.

Articles of incorporation had been filed with the secretary of state, March 2, 1915, and the recorder of deeds in Ramsey county, March 4, and the directors in fulfillment of those articles elected, last Friday, the following officers:

President, Judge Frank T. Wilson, of Stillwater; vice-president, W. W. Sivright, merchant, of Hutchinson; chairman of executive committee and executive agent, Allen D. Albert, of Minneapolis; additional members of executive committee, George A. Hornel, packer, of Austin, and E. S. Warner, manufacturer, of St. Paul.

### GERMANS ABANDON SIEGE OF OSSOWETZ

(United Press)

Petrograd, March 31.—German forces have abandoned the siege of the Polish fortress Ossowetz after battering away for several weeks at long range. The enemy found further progress impossible and have begun to withdraw their siege guns toward the Prussian border. The German retreat at this point indicates a collapse of Von Hindenberg's whole campaign against Warsaw. On the Petrograd railway, where the Kaiser's soldiers had been massed for another attack upon Przasnysz, are reported to be retiring toward the border.

### EDUCATORS IN SESSION.

Ann Arbor, Mich., March 31.—Michigan educators are in Ann Arbor today to attend the fiftieth annual meeting of the Michigan Schoolmasters' club and allied organizations. Men prominent in educational circles all over the country are scheduled to address the conference during the four days' session. Among them are Prof. E. L. Thronycke, of Columbia university; Dr. C. E. Chadsey, superintendent of schools, Detroit; Prof. R. D. Salisbury, of the University of Chicago, and Prof. W. H. Hobbs, of the University of Michigan.

### EVADE ANTI-DOPE LAW.

Cleveland, March 31.—"Hundreds of drug users are buying cocoa leaves in the raw state and brewing from them a concoction that has the same effect as morphine, opium and other drugs, the sale of which is now barred by federal statutes." Probation Officer Christian, Cleveland's "dope-fend expert," makes the announcement and says drug slaves here have found a loophole in the law, which does not prevent the sale of the raw leaves.

Donald Shannon, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Shannon, returned to Bemidji last evening from Minneapolis where he has been a student in the Agricultural school of the state university. Donald has but three months more of study before he will be graduated from the institution.

Dr. J. P. Chance of International Falls spent today in Bemidji, having been called here on professional business.

### UNIFORM MINNESOTA IS AIM OF NEW BODY

Gopher State Takes Forward Step Through Organization of Commercial and Civic Federation.

### WEDGE IS MADE DIRECTOR

Is Intended to Foster and Unify Civic Societies of State and to Eliminate Sectional Prejudices.

Minnesota has entered upon a movement in advance of any other state in the union for the co-operation of her business men, farmers, merchants and professional men alike, in the formation of a new Minnesota Commercial and Civic Federation, the organization of which has just been completed.

On the board of directors A. G. Wedge, vice-president of the First National bank of this city, has been named. Mr. Wedge is also treasurer of the state fair association.

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### The Other Directors.

Other members of the board of directors are as follows: Frank E. Millard, farmer, of Canby; A. D. Stephens, banker, of Crookston; Colonel H. V. Eva, secretary and manager of the Commercial club of Duluth; D. M. Neill, president of the present Federation of Commercial Clubs, of Red Wing; Frank E. Wade, president of the Fairmont Machine company, Fairmont; F. A. Anderson, farmer, of Winona.

Two vacancies in the board, due to the inability to serve of George A. Fortsch of Alexandria and Arthur R. Rogers of Minneapolis, will be filled later.

### A Unified Minnesota.

A unified Minnesota is the general aim of the new organization. At present there are by count, more than 3,800 commercial and civic organizations operating separately. About 70 of them, all commercial clubs, are members of the present Federation of Commercial Clubs. Already additional organizations with a membership exceeding 22,000 have indicated their purpose to join the new body.

The Commercial and Civic Federation is to take the place of the present Federation of Commercial Clubs. The latter body will meet in St. Paul, Thursday, April 15, at 10:30 a. m., at the Saint Paul hotel, and as the plan of the new and larger organization came from the directors of the Federation of Commercial Clubs, it is expected on that day to vote to merge its existence into that of the Commercial and Civic Federation.

### Radical Change Made.

The most radical change is in the scope of the work to be done. The new body is intended to foster and unify the civic agencies of the state; to stimulate the towns of the state to further civic activity; to help eliminate the sectional prejudices of the state; to improve living conditions; to advance the causes of better farming, better merchandising, better manufacturing, better transportation, and better legislation; and to foster better feeling between all occupations throughout the state. Other states have state-wide chambers of commerce. But no state has undertaken to bring together the farmers and other men of the state to work through one bureau for the general good of the state.

In a statement issued by the directors of the Federation of Commercial Clubs it was said:

Strength of the Organization. "The plan is to put behind the causes of good government the

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### HARRIET DAVIDS WINNER

Awarded First Place in Declamatory Contest for Serious Selections— William Walker Wins Humorous

### WORK OF MISS COULT PRAISED

It was not without difficulty that the judges in the high school declamatory contest last evening decided the winners, so close was the competition. Harriet Davids and William Walker won first prizes in the serious and humorous selections respectively. Miss Davids recited "The Soul of the Violin," displaying marked ability as an elocutionist. In awarding her first place the decision of the judges was unanimous.

Impersonating an Englishman, William Walker gave "Fin de Siecle," keeping the large audience in continual laughter. Carrying a monologue and showing a distinct proficiency with his "Don't cha know," his selection made a decided hit.

Daniel Gaiety spoke on "The Return of Regulus" in a most pleasing manner and he was awarded second place in the serious selections. In the humorous contest Charles Hayercraft was given second place, his piece being "The Race Question." Hayercraft appeared as a dark faced comedian and his efforts brought forth much applause. Hayercraft won over Edwin Simons, who recited "Mince Pies," by a narrow margin. Simon's selection was without doubt the most difficult of the humorous readings and his skill in bringing out amusing points won him much credit.

Other readings, "The Doctor's Last Journey," by Leonora Ryan; "Seliny Morrow's To Home," by Marion Segal, and "Harvard Mascot," by Lucile Young were cleverly presented.

The musical selections were much enjoyed, the Boys' Glee club giving two numbers; Miss Myrtle Neumann singing "The Kerry Dance," and Misses Margaret Newton and Edith Erwin singing "Oh, That We Two Were Maying."

To Miss Clarice Coult, under whose direction the contest was arranged, belongs much credit for the success of the affair, every participant playing a part on the program which reflected great credit on her tutorage. In congratulating the students upon the excellent showing made W. P. Dyer, superintendent, praised the work of Miss Coult in high terms, expressing regret that contests of the same nature had not been planned for earlier in the year.

The judges of the contest were Mrs. E. F. Netzer, Graham M. Torrance and Dr. E. H. Marcum.

### PUPILS ENTERTAIN TOMORROW.

Junior High School to Give Program—Play Features.

Tomorrow afternoon the students of the junior high school will give an entertainment to which an invitation has been issued to the public. The program is one of the longest given this year and will feature a play entitled "Little Women," and an Irish Folk Dance by Dorothy Nangle, Grace Riley, Blanche Gratton, Eben Bowers, Arthur O'Leary and Omar Edwards. As this will be the last program given before the Easter vacation, a large number are expected to be present.

### RAISING BUFFALOS AN "INFANT" INDUSTRY

Pierre, S. D., March 31.—The North American Buffalo & Cattle Co., at Fort Pierre, is today incorporated for \$500,000, for the raising of American buffalos, and other stock. The company has purchased the famous "Scotty" Phillips buffalo herd and ranch.

### STATE HEALTH BOARD TO BE SUSPENDED MAY 1

(United Press) St. Paul, March 31.—Because of lack of funds, the State Board of Health will be suspended after the first day of May, announced Dr. Bracken, secretary, this afternoon. The laboratories at Duluth and Mankato have been ordered closed.

### Pioneer want ads bring results.

### LAND CLEARING DESIGNED.

Northern Minnesota Men Favor Bill for Co-operative Work.

Northern Minnesota members in both houses of the legislature introduced a measure late Monday to facilitate the clearing and improvement of privately owned lands. It authorizes seven or more owners having not less than 15,000 acres of land among them to form a corporation, without capital stock, to work co-operatively to clear the land and place it on the market. Bonds may be issued to finance the project. Assessments on the members are provided for, which may become liens on the property. The measure is greatly needed, it is said, to enable large land owners in the cut-over country to put their acres in shape for settlement. Authors of the bill are Senators L. H. Nord and P. H. McGarry and Representatives Paul Marschalk, O. T. Stenvick, H. J. Miner, L. G. Pendergast and C. H. Warner.

### RETAIL STORES NECESSARY

W. Z. Robinson Tells Merchants Association Members Why They Are Essential in City's Progress.

### BLACKDUCK SITUATION IS CITED

"Will the elimination of the retail dealer kill the town?" This subject was discussed by W. Z. Robinson at the merchant's meeting Tuesday afternoon, at which about thirty members of the association were present. Mr. Robinson covered the subject thoroughly, citing instances where towns have been literally wiped off the map, by the non-support and elimination of the retail stores.

E. N. French of Blackduck was a visitor at the meeting and gave some interesting information with regard to the work accomplished by the association in his city. In some cases it has gone further than has the Bemidji Association and the knowledge obtained from Mr. French will be of material assistance to this club.

Clayton C. Cross was elected to membership in the association. Mr. Cross is in the insurance and real estate business in this city and is constantly placed in touch with new comers.

At next Tuesday's meeting Forrest Halgren of the Gamble Robinson Bemidji company will give a talk on "Why is the Jobber Essential to the Retailer?" Other important business will come up at this meeting and it is desired that a full membership be in attendance.

### SUBMARINE WAS NOT BEEN DEFINITELY LOCATED

(United Press) Honolulu, March 31.—The submarine F-4 has not been definitely located. Twenty-one coffins are now on the docks awaiting the raising of the craft, making it possible for the bodies of the crew to be recovered.

### EXPERT TO BE IN CHARGE.

J. A. Parmelee to Superintend Vulcanizing Department at Jewett's.

J. A. Parmelee, for eight years in the automobile business and recently of the United States Tire company, but formerly with the Kiesel Kar agency in the twin cities, and who is recognized as an expert vulcanizer, arrived in Bemidji last evening, having accepted a position with the C. W. Jewett Automobile company. Parmelee will be in direct charge of the vulcanizing department of the Jewett garage. His family accompanied him to Bemidji last evening and they will make their future home in this city. Parmelee is a brother of Mrs. H. B. Brookins of Bemidji.

### To Attend Meeting.

W. P. Dyer, superintendent of the city schools, left last night for Minneapolis, where he will attend the Minnesota City Superintendents' association meeting.

## BEMIDJI POTATOES BRING ATTENTION AT BIG EXPOSITION

San Francisco Paper Refers to This City as "Thriving Town of Northern Minnesota."

### COLLECTED BY FARMERS HERE

Display of Great Northern Railroad Company Shows in Fitting Manner State's Agricultural Worth.

Referring to Bemidji as the only portion of the state of Minnesota that actually contributed any money toward placing an exhibit at the San Francisco world's exposition and commenting on the city's enterprise, the San Francisco Call of March 23 says:

"One of the features of the Great Northern display in the Great Northern building at the exposition is the Minnesota exhibit. This, with other exhibits in the Great Northern building, will be dedicated Tuesday, Great Northern day. The Minnesota exhibit in this building is the only representation this state has at the exposition, due to a failure of the Minnesota state legislature to agree on an appropriation.

### Bemidji Thriving Town.

"The only portion of the state that actually contributed any money toward placing an exhibit at the exposition was the thriving little town of Bemidji, one of the most northern towns in the state, situated on Bemidji lake, one of the headwaters of the Mississippi. The display from Bemidji is a great pile of potatoes."

"Minnesota is one of the foremost agricultural states of the Union and for that reason its display is fittingly almost entirely agricultural.

### These are Shown.

"In cases on the wall are shown specimens of the grain at it was taken from the field, including bunches of wheat, oats, timothy, millet, mammoth clover, alfalfa, nine feet long, and dozens of kinds of native grasses. In glass jars are shown celery, melons, peas, beans, sugar beets and various other garden vegetables, and fruits representative of Minnesota's gardens and orchards."

Schroeder in Charge. Charles Schroeder, secretary of the Beltrami County Fair association, superintended the collecting of the potatoes for the Great Northern display, and in his work he was assisted by the following farmers: August Jarchow, J. H. French, Nels Willet, M. Rygg, J. C. McGehee and Ora Whitting, potatoes of each being used in making up the exhibit.

Five varieties of potatoes make up the display, being the following: Carmen, Burbank, Early Ohio, Bliss-Triumph and Russet.

### Bemidji Well Advertised.

"Bemidji is being well advertised and is creating a lot of attention at the fair," writes E. C. Leedy, general immigration agent of the Great Northern, in a letter received by Secretary Schroeder today.

### ANOTHER BRITISH LINER VICTIM OF SUBMARINE

(United Press) London, March 31.—Another British liner has gone to the ocean's bottom, the second victim of German submarines. The Ellerman liner Flaminian, bound from Glasgow to Capetown, was torpedoed fifty miles off the Scilly Islands at three o'clock Monday morning. The crew, consisting of thirty-one, were saved and landed in Holyhead by a Danish steamer this morning. The Flaminian was a 3,500-ton liner with a speed of twelve knots, but was not equipped with wireless. She was torpedoed 100 miles south of where the African liner Falaba was sunk several days ago. It is thought that the same submarine which torpedoed the Falaba encountered the Flaminian as it was returning to its base.

### AMENDED DUNN GOOD ROADS BILL PASSES STATE SENATE

(United Press) St. Paul, March 31.—The amended Dunn good roads bill passed the state senate this afternoon, the vote being 60 to 2, Senators Buckler and Bonniwell voting against it. The proposed constitutional amendment allowing initiative and referendum in Minnesota is being discussed this afternoon in the senate. The senate finance committee has recommended for passage the bill appropriating \$30,000 aid in construction of a sewer system at the state fair grounds.

Some men go about their petty meannesses as if they were all a necessary portion of the day's work.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

### SCOOP THE CUB REPORTER



### Who's Boss In Scoop's Office?



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