

UNCONFIRMED REPORTS SAY GENERAL VILLA IS SURROUNDED NEAR ELOSO

NEARLY 300 SLOGANS RECEIVED IN SLOGAN CONTEST TO DATE

Many Contributions Being Sent to Slogan Editor; Some Designs Received.

CONTEST TO CLOSE AT NOON APRIL 1

Pays to Advertise; Citizens in Neighboring Cities Submit Slogans.

WANTED A SLOGAN FOR BEMIDJI

All live, growing, buzzing, hustling cities have slogans. You have seen them on stationery coming from live, energetic business men in live, energetic towns. We believe that now is the time to boost for a greater Bemidji. We should have a slogan. Something that will become as catchy and famous as "Minneapolis Makes Good."

That it pays to advertise is evident in the number of contributions that are being received in the slogan contest which is being conducted by the Bemidji Merchants association for the best slogan for the city of Bemidji. Nearly 300 entries have been made, including several entries from Grand Forks, N. D., Bagley, Cass Lake, Park Rapids and other points.

DESIGNS RECEIVED

Several designs have been received. One suggests that the slogan, "Big, Beautiful, Busy Bemidji" be made in a single column with four "B's" to make up the border, a "B" on each corner. Another design is that of the Statue of Liberty with the words "Bemidji, Opportunity, Prosperity."

291 ENTRIES MADE

- 278. Bemidji the magnet.
279. Bemidji the heart of progress.
280. Come to Bemidji and learn to live.
281. Bemidji the Alamo.
282. Bemidji, the Queen City.
283. Bemidji Sixteen to One.
284. Bemidji will stick to it.
285. Bemidji does well.
286. Bemidji prospers rapidly.
287. Bemidji the farmer ballast.
288. Bemidji is a community builder.
289. Bemidji, Opportunity, Prosperity. (Design.)
290. Bemidji, the city of deeds, not words.
291. Nobody knocks in Bemidji but the carpenters.

THIEF RIVER FALLS IN TYPHOID EPIDEMIC

Thief River Falls, Minn., March 24.—Thief River Falls is threatened with an epidemic of typhoid. At present there are three cases in the city and there was a death of the disease two weeks ago. Just south of the city are two additional cases of typhoid, all of them directly traceable to the use of the water from the river.

HEARING IS HELD IN CONTEST FOR 160 ACRES

A hearing was held this morning in the office of the clerk of court in a contest for 160 acres of homestead land settled on by William Porter in Konig township. The case will be disposed of this afternoon. The United States government is plaintiff in the case and Willis Porter, defendant.

YOUNGER FUNERAL AT SCENE OF CONVERSION

Lees Summit, Mo., March 24.—Funeral services for Cole Younger took place yesterday afternoon at the Christian church where the former bandit was converted three years ago.

Little Falls Basket Ball Team Defeated by Rush City

State High School Championship Tournament Opens at Carleton College, Northfield Today; St. Paul Team Wins; Finals to Be Played Tomorrow.

(By United Press Correspondent) Northfield, Minn., March 24.—The basket ball tournament for the state high school championship opened here at nine o'clock this morning.

The Little Falls high school basket ball team was defeated in the opening game by the Rush City high school team in a fast game by a score of 32 to 23. At no time was the up-state team able to keep up with the Rush City quintet.

In the second game beginning at ten-thirty o'clock the Mechanic Arts high school of St. Paul defeated the Northfield high school by a score of 15 to 7.

The Austin high school quint is playing the Willmar team this afternoon. Other games scheduled for late today are Slayton vs. Virginia and Thief River Falls vs. Fergus Falls.

The semi-finals will be played tomorrow morning and the finals tomorrow night. Carleton college students entertained the visitors last night. Tomorrow night the faculty will entertain.

POLICE WATCH ROBBERY SUSPECTS

Clue to Numerous Robberies Leads to Local Party; Dragnet Out.

A dragnet has been extended over the entire city and neighboring villages and the Bemidji police today believe that the numerous robberies of the past few weeks will be solved in a very short time and arrests made. Several clues have been found which lead to a local party.

The case of Frank Hart, alias Murray, who was arrested in connection with the robbery of Charles Martin of several hundred dollars, will be taken up in the municipal court tomorrow before Judge Fisk.

CATO SELLS TO RESIGN SAYS WHITE EARTH REPORT

White Earth, Minn., March 24.—It is reported by delegations which have been at Washington that Commissioner of Indian Affairs Cato Sells may resign for the purpose of "casting his hat into the ring." He, it is learned, is going to be a candidate for congress from the state of Texas. In event of his resignation, Assistant Commissioner of Indian Affairs Merritt may be appointed to fill that position.

FREDERICK C. STEVENS IS ELECTED DELEGATE

The election of Fred C. Stevens of St. Paul as the fourth delegate-at-large on the Republican ticket was conceded today. Totals from 84 counties give Stevens 24,588, O. J. Larson 24,080 and James Manahan 23,973.

COUNTY MARCH SETTLEMENT WILL BE OVER \$150,000

One of the largest settlements ever made by the treasurer of Beltrami county will be made in a few days. The total amount in current taxes is \$125,857.25, of which \$27,796.46 is from January and \$102,060.79 from the March collections. In addition to these amounts, delinquent tax and mortgage receipts will be disposed of, making the total settlement approximately \$150,000.

CITY COUNCIL TO RECONSIDER CITY PHYSICIAN OFFICE

Member Advises Pioneer That Citizens Protest Against Change.

The Bemidji city council at its next regular meeting will reconsider the appointment of Dr. F. J. Darragh as city physician, according to a statement made to the Pioneer by a member of the city council this morning.

The member stated that many complaints had been received in regard to the appointment, not because of Dr. Darragh personally, but because they believed that an osteopath is not as capable to handle the important duties of the city physician's office as is an M. D.

ROGERS OPPOSES INDIAN TREATY

Edward L. Rogers, a Chippewa county attorney of Cass county, who is mentioned as a possible candidate for congress, is against the Indian bill which governs this territory. In a letter to a Cass Lake man he writes:

ASK RECONSIDERATION

The council member also stated that several members of the council who voted for the appointment of Dr. Darragh will ask the council to reconsider.

25,000,000 BUSHELS OF GRAIN IN DULUTH BINS

Duluth, Minn., March 24.—With stocks of all grain in Duluth standing at 25,000,000 bushels, there is approximately 3,000,000 bushels of storage space remaining here after allowance is made for divisions of grades in the bins.

BELTRAMI MUSIC COMPANY TO MOVE TO OLD LOCATION

The Beltrami Music House which has occupied the store building at 205 Beltrami avenue for the past several weeks on account of a fire in the Gunsalus block, will remove to the old location next Monday.

PURCHASE SPARROW TRAP TO EXTERMINATE BIRD

Dr. G. M. Palmer and A. D. Bailey, instructor in the manual training department at the high school, have purchased a large sparrow trap which they will use to exterminate sparrows in this vicinity.

BLACKDUCK APPOINTS FIVE ON PARK BOARD

Blackduck, Minn., March 24.—Three men and two women have been appointed on the park board for the village of Blackduck. The lake park will be in their charge and plans are being made to improve the grounds.

LIBERAL CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED FOR ARMORY

Liberal contributions were received yesterday by the Commercial club committees who are soliciting funds for the Bemidji naval militia armory. In order to secure the armory the city must raise \$2,000. All citizens are being urged to donate, no matter how small the sum.

GERMANS BEGIN HEAVY ATTACKS NEAR VERDUN

French Believe That Big Battle Has Begun, Says London Report.

London Daily News Says Teutons Are Planning to Invade England.

London, March 24.—The Germans have resumed heavy attacks on the French near Verdun. The French believe that a big battle has been begun.

RUSSIANS USE BOMBS

Petrograd, March 24.—There is savage fighting in the vicinity of Jacobstad, 80 miles from Riga. The Russians are using liquid fire and gas bombs, attacking the Germans at Frederichstadt and attempting to squeeze Von Hindenberg out by threats of envelopment.

CHINESE FORCING HAND OF JAPANESE

Washington, March 24.—Government officials here today expressed no surprise at the announcement from Peking that China had abandoned all ideas of a monarchical form of government, as it was known that the revolutionary movement in the southern provinces was instigated by the Japanese.

FORGED PAPERS FOUND IN THIEF RIVER CASE

Thief River Falls, Minn., March 24.—Forged papers and an illegal replivian may result in serious trouble to a Thief River Falls attorney, as a result of a civil suit brought by William Shannon against Charles and C. D. Gustafson for the illegal replivian of a pair of bob sleighs. The papers were purported to have been signed by Municipal Judge Tarrant who claims that the signature is a forgery.

NO BASKET BALL GAME WITH FOSTON TOMORROW

The Bemidji high school basket ball team will not play with the Foston high school team tomorrow night at the armory for the benefit of the Bemidji naval militia armory. Foston wrote to local authorities today stating that on account of a class play that team would be unable to come to Bemidji.

SECRETARY TO VISIT COMMERCIAL CLUBS

E. M. Sathre, secretary of the Bemidji Commercial club, will go to Thief River Falls tonight where he will inspect the operations of the Thief River Falls Commercial club tomorrow. He also plans on visiting the Commercial club at Crookston before returning to Bemidji.

STATE LABOR INSPECTOR INVESTIGATES CONDITIONS

Robert W. Crust of Crookston, inspector representing the department of labor and industries, investigated conditions in Bemidji yesterday. Conditions were found to be very good. Compulsory education laws will be enforced in this district, he stated.

BEMIDJI BOWLERS LEAD IN DOUBLES

Gillette and Cominsky Not Ousted by Grand Forks Bowlers.

Grand Forks, N. D., March 24.—W. J. Brohman of this city rolled high score in the singles of the Northwestern bowling tournament now in progress on the Grand alleys. The local man's count was 590, rolling in the three games 189, 178 and 223. Wood is second with 565 and Nelson of Crookston third with 552.

STUDENTS TO CONTEST FOR PRIZES IN CORN CONTEST

Bueford M. Gile, agriculturist of the Bemidji schools, has announced that prizes amounting to over \$100 will be given to boys and girls in the vicinity of Bemidji who win in the corn and potato contests.

WELL KNOWN TENNIS PLAYER HELD ON MURDER CHARGE

New York, March 24.—In a stupor from self-administered drugs, Dr. W. A. Waite, a dentist and well-known as a tennis player, was in the custody of the police today and will be charged with the murder here on March 12 of his father-in-law, John E. Pec, a millionaire of Grand Rapids, Mich., as soon as he has been taken into court.

\$160,000 FIRE AT CHIPPEWA FALLS, WIS.

Chippewa Falls, Wis., March 24.—Fire destroyed the large brick building of the Chippewa Falls Mercantile company here today. The loss was \$160,000. The origin of the fire is not known.

NO OFFICIAL REPORTS RECEIVED OF BATTLE WITH VILLA AT ELOSO

Herrera is Still in Command of Troops; May Not Have Revolted.

THREE THOUSAND CARRANZA SOLDIERS NEAR DOUGLAS

More Troops Are Ordered to Border; Douglas Citizens Fear Raid.

BULLETIN

El Paso, March 24.—Officials here express doubt that Villa has been surrounded. Washington, March 24.—No mobilization of the national guard at present, the president and the cabinet decided this afternoon. They fear to further embarrass Carranza.

ORDERED TO BORDER

Washington, March 24.—The 21st infantry located near Portland, Ore., has been ordered to proceed to El Centro, Cal. Introduce Resolution. Washington, March 24.—Senator Lewis of Illinois in a resolution introduced today renouncing as treason the furnishing of Villa with supplies or other aids and asked that all guilty be punished as traitors.

DOUGLAS EXCITED

Washington, March 24.—A Douglas, Ariz., attorney today wired Senator Ashhurst that 3,000 Mexican cavalry and ten pieces of artillery were camped within ten blocks of the center of Douglas and that the American forces had been ordered not to prepare for active defense because of fear of being offensive to the Mexicans. Douglas is in grave danger of imminent attack.

NOT ALIGNED WITH VILLA

Washington, March 24.—General Luis Herrera, formerly reported disloyal to Carranza and aligned to Villa, is loyal to the de facto government. He is still military commander of Chihuahua City and is not heading any revolt, a department message from Consul Fletcher in Chihuahua City says.

CONSIDER SENDING TROOPS

Washington, March 24.—The president and his cabinet are today considering sending more troops to reinforce General Pershing in the Mexican campaign. The situation in the pursuit of Villa and bandits is receiving practically the entire attention of the president and his advisers.

NO SHOTS FIRED

San Antonio, March 24.—If a single shot had been fired at the American soldiers in Mexico, Major General Funston says he doesn't know it. Funston's request for a full report from General Pershing has not been answered. The report that Villa is surrounded is unconfirmed. The latest information is that Herrera has not taken up arms against the United States.

TO DISMANTLE WIRELESS

San Antonio, March 24.—The United States will probably dismantle all the amateur wireless stations along the border if they continue to hinder the operations of the army. Twenty-five small stations around

SCOOP THE CUB REPORTER



How Many Pelts Has A Cat?



By "HOP"



By "HOP"



By "HOP"

