

MAY 29 LAST DAY FOR FILING FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Primary Election Will Be Held June 19; Several File for State Representative.

CHARTER AMENDMENT ELECTION IN BEMIDJI

Nymore May Vote on Annexation; No Filings Have Been Made for Probate Court Judgeship.

The Bemidji charter commission will meet tomorrow evening at the Commercial club rooms. All members of the commission are requested to be present. Citizens are invited to attend and participate in the meeting of the commission.

May 29 will be the last day to file for offices for the primary election to be held June 19.

County commissioners, representative and judge of probate will be nominated at the primary election, besides state and congressional officials. If the state supreme court holds the four-year term law unconstitutional all county officers will be elected.

May Amend Charter.

In Bemidji, besides the primary election, a charter amendment election may be held at the same date as the primaries. Efforts are being made to prepare an amendment to the charter so that the installation of a "white way" can be assessed two-thirds against the adjoining property owner and one-third against the entire city. Under the present charter the entire cost of the installation of a "white way" must be assessed against the entire city. The charter commission will meet in a few days to take up the matter of an amendment.

Nymore May Vote.

In Nymore, besides the primary election, an election may be held the same day on annexation to Bemidji. The filings at the county auditor's office to date are as follows: Commissioner in the Second district—Albert Johnson of Baudette, B. A. Arneson of Arneson and A. J. Hilden of Baudette. The present commissioner in this district is Helic Clementson of Clementson who has filed for the state legislature.

Two File in Fourth.

Commissioner in the Fourth district—Gustave Sandell of Stanley and B. M. Armstrong of Kelliher. William Lennon of Kelliher is the present commissioner. It is believed that he will file for renomination. Commissioner in the Fifth district—J. C. Thompson of Blackduck, Nels Otterstad of Turtle River and Paul Halutzak of Tenstrike. Mr. Thompson is the present commissioner.

Representative to the state legislature—L. G. Pendergast of Bemidji, Helic Clementson of Clementson and Sam Sherman of Williams. Mr. Pendergast is the present representative.

No filings have been made to date for the office of judge of probate. It is believed that Judge M. A. Clark will be a candidate for renomination.

SENIOR CLASS PLAY CAST IS CHANGED

Annual Entertainment to Be Given at the Grand Theater May 12.

The annual class play of the senior class of the Bemidji high school will be given at the Grand theater May 12. The play will be Shakespeare's "Comedy of Errors." Rehearsals are being held daily.

The cast of characters has been changed since the announcement of the cast in the Pioneer a week ago. The new cast of characters is as follows: Solinus, Duke of Ephesus, Leroy Mason; Aegeon, a merchant of Syracuse, Charles White; Antipholus of Ephesus, John Stechman; Antipholus of Syracuse, Alex Cameron; Dromio of Ephesus, William Ward; Dromio of Syracuse, Delbert Woods; Balhazar, Earl Iver; Angelo, a goldsmith, Ralph Johnson; First Merchant, Ralph Johnson; Second Merchant, Edna Backlund; Pinch, a magician, Jeanette Stechman; Aemilia, wife to Aegeon, Dolly Koors; Adriana, wife to Antipholus of Ephesus, Corinne Carlson; Luciana, her sister, Lucile Moritz; Luce, servant to Adriana, Marjorie Shannon; Phryne, Edna Anderson.

Charles Hayden, mayor of Blackduck, arrived in the city this morning and will spend the day here visiting with friends.

580 SIGN OPTION PETITIONS HERE

Five hundred and eighty people in Bemidji and Nymore have signed petitions for a county option election to be held in Beltrami county, August. Petitions being circulated throughout the county and it is believed that they have been signed by several hundred people. It is necessary to have 850 petitioners for the calling of an election.

JUNIOR CLUB TO HAVE CHARGE OF CLEAN-UP WORK

School Children and Citizens Urged to Take Part in Campaign Tomorrow.

OFFICERS ELECTED FOR JUNIOR ORGANIZATION

Edwin J. Simons, President; George Klungness, Secretary, of New Organization.

The Junior Commercial club was organized at the Commercial club rooms last evening and Edwin J. Simons was elected president, J. D. Winter, vice president, George Klungness, secretary, and Paul Howe, treasurer.

The club will take an active charge of the affairs of Bemidji and will be under the supervision of the Bemidji Commercial club.

Clean-Up Campaign.

The club will have charge of the clean-up campaign which will be inaugurated in Bemidji tomorrow. A committee was appointed to divide the city into districts and to provide for superintendents of the different districts. The committee is as follows: H. Dure, chairman, Harold White, F. B. Lamson, L. Tanner and Rev. L. P. Warford.

A committee was appointed to plan a dance for the Commercial club. The committee is as follows: C. C. Hill, chairman, R. N. Johnson, F. C. Cutter, Harry Dure and Harold Swisher.

To Meet May 17.

The Junior club will be completely organized at the next regular meeting which will be held May 17. A set of by-laws and a constitution will be submitted at that meeting for approval. The committee in charge of the organizing of the club is Attorney C. L. Heffron, Rev. I. D. Alvord, E. M. Sathre, F. B. Lamson and Daniel Gainey, Jr.

BASEBALL SEASON TO OPEN MAY 30

Memorial Day Program Includes Opening Game; Good Program Arranged.

The baseball season in Bemidji will be opened May 30, Memorial day. The Bemidji team will be called for practice in a few weeks at the new athletic park which is being rushed to completion. Besides local players, a number of outside players have been secured for the team.

The schedule for the season and the plans for the game Memorial day have not been completed.

A committee from the city council and the members of the G. A. R. are preparing a program for Memorial day. An outside speaker will be secured.

Claude McIver, son of Mr. and Mrs. K. McIver, spent yesterday afternoon visiting as the guest of his parents. He returned last night to Grand Forks where he is a representative of the L. C. Smith Typewriter company.

R. J. Opsahl is spending today at Benedict on business.

BAPTIST CHURCH HAS ANNUAL ROLL CALL MEETING

Banquet is Served by the Ladies of the Church; Annual Reports Made.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS ARE ADOPTED

Church is Looking Forward to Very Profitable Work; Excellent Program Given.

One hundred and twenty-five members of the congregation of the First Baptist church met at the church last evening to celebrate the annual roll-call meeting of the church.

After a banquet, which was served by the ladies of the church, a beautiful cornet solo was rendered by Delbert Elletson.

The clerk, Miss Sibyl Benner, read the roll of membership to which each member responded by an appropriate verse of Scripture.

The reports of the several departments of the church for the year were given. The treasurer, H. E. Rice, reported receipts from the church \$1,239.87 and disbursements \$1,226.45, not including the present quarter.

Reports Are Good.

The missionary treasurer, Mrs. G. W. Slater, reported \$131.26 paid to home and foreign missions.

A report of the Sunday school was given by the secretary, Leslie Slater, which showed a good condition in the life of the school. The B. Y. P. U. president, Miss Martha Huntosh, reported for the Young People's society. She also told of the group system which has been adopted by the society.

Miss Mabel Booth reported the work of the Junior B. Y. P. U., stating that the slogan of the society is "Growth."

A very pleasing reading was given by Miss Hazel Hullet.

Society Accomplishes.

Mrs. Robert Chase and Mrs. P. F. Flake reported the work of the Ladies' Aid society. Their books show that the society has been working the past year and have accomplished things. They expect to organize a missionary society in a few days.

A male quartet consisting of Messrs. Arnold Johnson and Robert Chase, tenors, Leslie Slater and Rev. I. D. Alvord, bass, rendered two selections.

Rev. Alvord gave a short talk of the work and read a new church constitution which had been submitted by the committee for adoption by the church. The constitution and by-laws were adopted by a unanimous vote of the members.

The church is looking forward to a very profitable work this year.

MINNESOTA NAVAL MILITIA IS BOOSTED

(By United Press) St. Paul, Minn., May 4.—A revival of interest in the naval militia of Minnesota is looked forward to by state authorities with the passage of the naval appropriation bill.

The house committee on naval affairs Tuesday at Washington inserted an item in the naval bill appropriating \$250,000 for the purchase of boats for the reserves of Minnesota and Illinois.

The Minnesota naval militia has already been assigned the cruiser Topoka to replace the Gopher and a crew from this state will go to Portsmouth in June to bring the vessel to the Great Lakes.

Fred Bursley of Minot, N. D., formerly a resident of this city, is visiting in the city. Mr. Bursley was formerly an alderman and a member of the police department of Bemidji.

Mrs. Frank Ball, who has spent the winter in the town of Funkle, is a guest at the H. Funkle home today while enroute to her home at Pine-wood.

U. S. READY TO PAY \$205.92 TO AUTHOR OF "HOME, SWEET HOME"

(By United Press) Washington, May 4.—After sixty years the United States is prepared to pay to the heirs of John Howard Payne, author of "Home, Sweet Home," money remaining due to him from the treasury on his death at Tunis, April 9, 1852, while stationed there as American consul. The sum is \$205.92. The treasury department is seeking information as to Payne's heirs.

NEW SANATORIUM TO BE OPENED AT LAKE JULIA MAY 15

Members of the Tri-County Commission Hold Meeting in This City.

SUPERINTENDENT AND NURSES ARE SECURED

Believed That Hospital Will Be Filled 60 Days After the Opening.

Members of the Lake Julia Sanatorium commission, accompanied by Dr. Robinson Bosworth, secretary of the state advisory board, and E. H. Sund, architect, inspected the sanatorium at Lake Julia yesterday. A meeting of the commission was held at the First National bank in this city late yesterday afternoon.

The members of the commission present at the meeting were C. W. Warfield, A. G. Wedge and Dr. E. W. Johnson of Bemidji, A. A. Tone and William Durrin of Northhome and Dr. W. Higgs of Park Rapids.

Arrangements Completed. The sanatorium will be opened May 15 and arrangements for the superintendent and nurses has been completed.

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ARCHDEACON PARSHALL PASSES BAD NIGHT

Archdeacon Heman F. Parshall, who is seriously ill at his home in Cass Lake, passed a bad night, according to word received from Cass Lake this morning. His condition is not improved and a specialist will arrive at Cass Lake from Minneapolis tonight.

KELLINER MAN HELD ON TRESPASS CHARGE

Sheriff Andrew Johnson returned from Kelliher this morning with Samuel Marshall, whom he arrested on a charge of trespassing on state timber lands. The charge is brought by officials of the state auditor's office. The case is being tried this afternoon in the Bemidji municipal court.

MARTIAL LAW IN FORGE IN PITTSBURGH

Pittsburgh, Pa., May 4.—Martial law practically prevailed in East Pittsburgh and Braddock today. Detachments of the Pennsylvania National Guard patrolled the streets in the strike zone, but no disorder was reported.

The plant of the American Steel and Wire company and the Edgar Thompson Works of the Carnegie Steel company resumed operations today, but large forces of police were stationed just inside the gate ready for any emergency.

LORIMER ACQUITTED BY JURY IN CHICAGO BANK FAILURE CASE

Former Illinois Senator Announces That He Will Pay Debts of His Institution.

VERDICT RETURNED AT ONE A. M. THIS MORNING

Jury Deliberated Six and One-half Hours; Much Interest in the Action.

Chicago, May 4.—William Lorimer, former senator, was acquitted this morning by a jury at one o'clock on charges as a result of bank failures in Illinois. The jury deliberated six and one-half hours.

To Pay Debts. Lorimer announced today that he would spend the remainder of his life paying the debts of his bank.

Lorimer, together with Charles B. Munday, his partner, and other officials of the La Salle Street Trust and Savings bank, was indicted following the failure of the Lorimer-Munday banks and institutions throughout Illinois.

Munday was convicted and sentenced to five years in prison. He is out on bail, pending an appeal.

Throughout his trial, which began late in February, Lorimer had contended that he was innocent of irregularities in the affairs of the banks in which he was an officer, and that he had left all of the details of the management to Munday.

Furthermore, he contended that sooner or later all who lost through the failures would be paid in full.

Failure Not Necessary. His principal defense was that the failure of the banks was unnecessary, and forced by a clique of opposing bankers to accomplish Lorimer's financial and political ruin.

Lorimer has had one of the most dramatic careers in the records of American politics. Born in 1861, in Manchester, England, he came to America by steamer, was bootblack, street car conductor, contractor, congressman and finally United States senator.

Elected to the senate in 1909 by the Illinois legislature, Lorimer was ousted in 1911, when charges were made that his election had been bought.

Lorimer always denied this, declaring his political ruin had been brought about by Chicago newspapers allied with other interests against him.

HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI TO HOLD MEET TONIGHT

The Bemidji High School Alumni association will hold a meeting at the library tonight to act on a constitution and by-laws which will be presented by a committee. Plans will be made for the annual banquet which will be held June 16.

WHITE SWAN SEEN AT LAKE MARQUETTE

That the game reserves about Bemidji are attracting a number of species of birds not found in this district heretofore, was proven by reports of farmers living near Lake Marquette, today. They reported that a large white swan has been making its home on Lake Marquette. This is the first bird of this species ever seen in this district, according to reports.

Mrs. A. B. Palmer entertained last evening at a seven o'clock luncheon and bridge party at her home on Minnesota avenue in honor of Mrs. F. A. Wilson, who leaves tonight for the Twin Cities.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Olson at their home on America avenue, this morning, May 4, 1916, a son.

FEDERAL COURT AT FERGUS FALLS OPENS

Fergus Falls, Minn., May 4.—(Special to the Pioneer.)—The Federal court opened here yesterday with the grand jury in session. Two cases were taken up yesterday morning. They were a postoffice case and a white slave case. Yesterday afternoon introduction of liquor cases were taken up. There are about 60 liquor cases.

WITHDRAWAL OF U. S. TROOPS IN TWO MONTHS

American Officials Refuse to Confirm Reports of Action.

CARRANZA AND CABINET CONSIDER CONFERENCE

General Scott Makes a Lengthy Report to the State Department.

El Paso, Tex., May 4.—Mexican military men believe that the withdrawal of the American troops from Mexico will take place in about two months it was learned here today. American officials will make no comment on the subject.

Long Report Received.

Washington, May 4.—A long telegram in code reached the war department last night from General Scott at El Paso, giving a full report on his conference with General Obregon, the Carranza war minister. Up to the time the message was decoded, the Washington government had no official knowledge of the result of the discussion between the two military advisors, although administration officials have made no secret of their satisfaction over the news in press dispatches from the border saying that an understanding had been reached, and danger of a clash with the de facto government removed.

Consider Agreement.

Mexico City, May 4.—Carranza and members of his cabinet are conferring on the Obregon agreement this afternoon.

REFORMATORY INMATE SHOT; ATTEMPTS ESCAPE

St. Cloud, Minn., May 4.—An inmate of the reformatory was shot this morning while attempting to escape. Two inmates tried to scale the wall. The guard filled the left arm and left leg of one with buckshot and the other inmate then decided not to escape. The injured inmate was captured. Officials refuse to name the inmate injured.

LAND MEN HAVE OFFICES REMODELED

The offices of Clayton C. Cross, land and insurance agent, have been remodeled and new fixtures added. The offices have been petitioned off into three private offices and a general office. The firm of Jester & Moore, insurance and land agents, will occupy two of the private offices.

GERMAN-AMERICANS PLAN CONVENTIONS

Milwaukee, May 4.—German-Americans favor holding conventions at Chicago and St. Louis when the national political conventions convene to conserve their interests.

Miss Gena Moe was united in marriage to John G. Johnson at the court house by Judge M. A. Clark yesterday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson will make their home in Bemidji.

J. L. George, county auditor of Beltrami county, returned last night to Bemidji from a short business trip to Chicago.

ROGER CASEMENT WILL BE TRIED FOR HIGH TREASON

Leader of Irish Rebels May Escape Death on Account of Insanity.

GERMANY'S REPLY MAY BE GIVEN GERARD TODAY

Dozen Wounded in Tuesday's Zeppelin Raid on London; French Gain.

London, May 4.—(Official.)—Roger Casement, leader of the Irish rebels, will be tried in London within a few days on a charge of high treason. Baron Readin, Lord Chief Justice of England, will preside at the case.

With Silk Thread. Unless Casement escapes death on account of insanity, he will be hanged with a silken thread, the privilege accorded condemned members of the nobility. The rank and file rebels will be leniently handled.

London, May 4.—Several wounded in Tuesday's Zeppelin raid who are dying may bring the total deaths of the raid to a dozen.

Reply to Be Made.

Washington, May 4.—Ambassador Gerard today cabled the state department that Germany's reply to the United States on the submarine situation may be delivered to him today.

Paris, May 4.—The French last night made gains on Dead Man's Hill.

Bill Passes.

London, May 4.—The government military bill for immediate general compulsion passed its first reading in the house of commons yesterday. Its passage was loudly cheered.

The bill had the support of Premier Asquith and the other leaders of the coalition government, who declared that strenuous measures were necessary to increase recruiting.

SOPHOMORES LEAD IN BASEBALL LEAGUE

The Sophomore team is in the lead in the high school baseball league, having won in a game with the Juniors last evening by a score of 17 to 7. Both the Freshmen and Juniors have gone down to defeat before the Sophomores.

NEW CABINET INSTALLED IN COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE

A new "Scientist" cabinet was installed in the office of the county auditor today. The new cabinet is for the safekeeping of valuable books and papers.

PERFECTLY LEGAL TO GRANT LICENSES

Federal Officers in St. Paul State That Any City Can Grant Saloon License.

(By United Press) St. Paul, Minn., May 4.—It is perfectly legal to sell a saloon license in territory made dry by federal laws controlling Indian territory. Any city council may legally do it. Any person desiring to plant that much money in something that's of no use to him may legally buy a saloon license in this territory.

But as quick as any person attempts to sell liquor in this territory he will be arrested and fined. Moreover, the government will close and keep closed any places selling liquor.

This is the official attitude toward the village of Walker, in Indian territory, licensing saloons. Officials of the federal government today said their duty is to prevent the sale of liquor in Indian territory, but did not deal with the licensing of its sale.

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS TO HAVE BASEBALL TEAM

A girls' baseball team is being organized at the high school and preparation is being made by several of the girls students to enter the field and track events at the field meet which will be staged May 17. The baseball team is being coached by the Misses Helen Shannon and Laura Michener, instructors in the high school.

HIGH SCHOOL CLASS TO ENTERTAIN PARENTS

The cooking class of the Bemidji high school will serve 15-cent meals to their parents and friends at the school next Tuesday and Wednesday.

ATTEMPTS TO NAME PROGRESSIVE COMMITTEE

St. Paul, Minn., May 4.—Clarence Halbert, a progressive, is attempting to put a state ticket into the field.

SCOOP THE CUB REPORTER



The Boss Should Worry For Eight More Funerals



By "HOP"

