

VANDERSLUIS RETURNS SECOND STREET ROAD RESOLUTION UNSIGNED

Mayor Does Not Approve Action of City Council in New Road Project.

PROVIDES FOR ROUTING OF HIGHWAY ON LAKE SHORE

Lycan Votes Against Resolution; M. & I. Promises Big Legal Battle.

Mayor Charles Vandersluis has returned the resolution passed by the city council for the establishment of the Nymore highway across Second street and along the lake shore, unapproved.

Not Right Step. Mayor Vandersluis stated today that he did not approve the project because he did not believe that it was the right step to take.

The construction of the new highway along the present route, it is pointed out, may also save the city much expense as the Minnesota & International railway promises a big legal battle if efforts are made to open up Second street.

Lycan Opposed. At the meeting of the council all the aldermen with the exception of Aldermen Lycan and Phillippi voted for the resolution.

At the meeting of the council next Monday evening appraisers may be appointed for the Second street project.

RESOLUTION NO. 94.

At a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Bemidji, held in the City Hall in the city of Bemidji, on Monday, the 15th day of May, 1916, at eight o'clock P. M., a majority of the said City Council being present and voting, the following resolution was offered by Alderman Smart, and adopted by the City Council of the City of Bemidji at a regular meeting thereof held on the 21st day of January, 1916, by resolution duly offered, approved and published, petitioned by the Board of County Commissioners of said Beltrami County for aid in the construction of a new passenger bridge across the Mississippi River near the inlet at the south side of Lake Bemidji, and whereas the location of said bridge and the highway and approaches thereto has been finally determined by the City Council and a survey and plat thereof has been prepared by the City Engineer showing the location of said bridge and the approaches and highway thereto which are shown upon said plat and colored red thereon, which said plat has been by direction of the City Council of said city filed in the office of the City Clerk:

And whereas it appears to the satisfaction of the City Council that in order to acquire said bridge and approaches to said bridge and a highway leading thereto it will be necessary to take and acquire private property and the same to be resolved that the following private property be taken and opened as a public highway and approaches to said bridge to be built across the Mississippi River as aforesaid, to-wit: Commencing at a point on the east side of said highway on Bemidji Avenue in said city where the same would be intersected by the south line of Second Street, it is extended, thence running east one hundred six (106) feet, thence due south one hundred thirty-four (134) feet, thence easterly sixty (60) feet, thence northerly and at all places distant sixty feet (60 feet) from the line above designated to a point in Lake Bemidji, where the North line of said highway, if extended, and distant one hundred sixty-six (166) feet east of the east line of Bemidji Avenue, thence west one hundred sixty-six (166) feet to the pavement on Bemidji Avenue, thence south to place of beginning, particular reference being had to said plat and the designation thereon, and the same to be opened up and acquired. Also, commencing at a point in Government lot two (2) section sixteen (16) Township One hundred forty-six (146) North of Range thirty-three (33) on the meandered line of Lake Bemidji, two hundred six (206) feet easterly from the center of the main track of the Minnesota & International Railway, at the southerly end of the said Railroad Company bridge where it crosses the Mississippi River, thence southerly three hundred twenty (320) feet to a point where the same intersects the easterly line of the paving on Nymore Road, thence northerly following the easterly line of the paving on said road, to the north end of said road, thence northerly one hundred feet to the point of beginning, as indicated in red on said plat, and that the City Council appoint five freshers of the commissioners to view the premises to be acquired and opened up as a public highway and approaches to said bridge, to ascertain the amount of damage and compensation, if any, to be paid to the owner or owners of said property to be so taken and opened up as a public highway and approaches to said bridge. Said resolution having been duly seconded by Alderman Moberg it was put upon its passage and was upon the following day and no vote duly adopted and so declared: "Ayes," Moberg, Lahr, Bailey, Smart, Foucault, Ervin, Miller, "Nays," Lycan. Absent Phillippi.

FUNERAL OF MRS. DORA MELLIKKE HELD

The funeral services for Mrs. Dora Mellicke was held at the home of her son, Julius Mellicke, 615 Minnesota avenue, this afternoon at three o'clock, Rev. L. P. Warford officiating. The body will be taken to Lake Park this evening where services will be held tomorrow.

Mrs. C. R. Sanborn, 717 Lake Boulevard, has as her guest for a few days, Mrs. Walter Welland of Brainerd. Mrs. Sanborn will entertain a few friends at dinner this evening in Mrs. Welland's honor.

CLAPP FOR SENATOR.

United States Senator Moses E. Clapp for re-election.

We are for Senator Clapp because we like him and we believe that he is the best fitted for the office. That Senator Moses E. Clapp has always been in accord with public sentiment, and that his votes in the U. S. senate have been recorded as a majority of the people of the state would have registered their own opinions, is a fact clearly borne out by the official records.

In the broad struggle which always has existed, and exists today, between the efforts of the few to control the government in their interest, and the welfare of the many for whom government was really instituted, a struggle which formed an important part of those great policies which came to be known as "The Roosevelt Principles," the senator took an active part, and was an advocate of those measures which became laws, and which were approved by the majority of the voters.

The first thing of importance taken up by Senator Clapp, when he entered the senate, was the effort to amend the Constitution so that U. S. senators should be elected by a direct vote of the people. He was an uncompromising champion of this amendment and the first U. S. senator from Minnesota to make speeches in favor of popular election of senators.

During his present term, on July 31, 1913, Senator Clapp made this statement on the floor of the senate: "During my comparatively short service in this body, I recall the plea I made for the right of the American people to elect senators of the United States, by direct vote, and I was met with much scorn and derision by members of this body at that time, that one distinguished senator could show his contempt in no other way than by arising in his place and leaving this chamber."

In 1903, Senator Clapp, as a member of the great committee on interstate commerce, had charge of the anti-rebate and anti-discrimination bills, and on February 3 of that year he called up and put through the anti-rebate bill. This law was attacked and had to run the gauntlet of the courts, but was sustained at every point. Subsequently nearly all the suits brought against combinations were brought under this law.

In 1906, when there was such a protracted struggle in the senate over the Hepburn bill, which finally gave the Interstate Commerce Commission the right to fix rates, Clapp and Dolliver were the leading advocates of this legislation and its passage was largely due to the efforts of Senator Clapp.

Again in 1910, when a great effort was made to repeal railroad legislation, Senators Clapp and Cummins brought in the minority report condemning the action of the majority of the committee, and pointed out the reactionary features of the proposed legislation. In the end, every item they opposed was stricken out, excepting the one providing for a commerce court, and that was repealed at the following session.

When the attempt was made in 1911 to subject the farmers of Minnesota to free trade with Canada, Clapp was a vigorous opponent of the bill, speaking several times in opposition.

Meanwhile he had risen to the position of chairman of the committee on interstate commerce, and about the first thing he did was to offer and pass a resolution providing for an investigation into trusts and corporations engaged in interstate commerce. This was followed by a far-reaching and exhaustive series of hearings and investigations lasting more than a year, and which finally resulted in the passage of the Federal trade commission bill and the Clayton anti-trust act.

All through the summer months of 1912, when congress was in session, and when it was in recess, Clapp, as chairman of a special committee to inquire into the campaign methods, and the contributions embezzled in the presidential and congressional elections of 1904-1908, and the primaries of 1912, conducted one of the most sweeping inquiries in the history of congress. He sent subpoenas to men who have played big politics in a big way during the past decade, including a former president of the United States, and a former candidate for that office; United States senators; and other prominent men.

SCOOP THE CUB REPORTER



NINE TOWNS ARE HIT BY STORM; \$400,000 LOSS

Six Persons Are Injured, One May Die, at Wimbledon, North Dakota.

TERRITORY NEAR FARGO DAMAGED

Tornado Sweeps Over Wide Section in North Dakota and Minnesota.

Fargo, N. D., May 26.—Six people were seriously injured and property damaged estimated at \$300,000 was done in and around Wimbledon, in a terrific tornado that hit the district yesterday, while an added \$100,000 damage was done by the storm in other sections.

The wire connection with Wimbledon, restored last night, brought the story of the terrific tornado.

Opera House Destroyed. The complete destruction of the Wimbledon opera house and the partial destruction of other business buildings, coupled with the razing of about forty big barns in the district surrounding the city, indicated the fierceness of the tornado.

Other Towns Hit.

Storm damage also is reported at Page, Amenla, Ayr, Erie, Argusville, Hunter, Rogers, Leal and several intermediate points, the storm crossing the Red river at Georgetown and spending itself on the Minnesota side with little additional damage. In the North Dakota district several hundred barns were razed and other damage done.

The storm district seems to run from a point northwest of Wimbledon and thence in an easterly direction to the Red river, the storm spending its force in Clay county.

M'CANN TO MANAGE MINNESOTA OFFICE OF SHEVLIN COMPANY

T. A. McCann, former manager of the Crookston Lumber company of Bemidji, who with his family moved last year to Bend, Ore., where he has been in charge of the Shevlin lumber interests at that place, will return to Minnesota and conduct the offices of the company in Minneapolis.

James Hennessey, at present located at Libby, Mont., will succeed Mr. McCann at Bend.

BEMIDJI AD CLUB TO BE FORMED BY MERCHANTS TONIGHT

An ad club will be formed by Bemidji merchants at a meeting to be held tonight at 8:30 o'clock in the Commercial club rooms. The local club will become a part of the National Ad Club. The purpose of the organization will be to study the various methods of advertising and the writing of advertisements.

REV. ALVORD RETURNS FROM MINNEAPOLIS MEET

Rev. I. D. Alvord returned from Minneapolis today where he has been attending the meeting of the Northern Baptist's association. Mrs. Alvord, who has been in Minneapolis for the past few months, returned with Rev. Alvord. Joe Barlow and Pat Sullivan of East Grand Forks were visitors in the city this morning between trains enroute to Bemidji where they will spend the balance of the week on a fishing and outing trip.—Crookston Times.

JUNIOR COMMERCIAL CLUB ENTERTAINS

The Junior Commercial club entertained twenty couples at the club rooms last evening. This was the first of a series of social events planned by the organization. Cards, pool, billiards and dancing were the entertaining features last evening. Lunch was served.

DULUTH FIRM IS AWARDED CONTRACT FOR BAGLEY SCHOOL

The Johnson Contracting company of Duluth has been awarded the contract for the construction of a new high school at Bagley. The new school will have twelve rooms and without the heating plant will cost about \$23,000.

N. Y. PRIESTS DENY ALL TAPPING CHARGES

New York, May 26.—Roman Catholic clergymen whose telephone wires were tapped during the investigation of charitable institutions, took the witness stand yesterday before the executive committee headed by Etate Senator George F. Thompson and denied the charges of Mayor Mitchell that they were involved in a conspiracy to discredit the city administration through an attack upon the department of charities.

They made a counter allegation that the mayor played a prominent part in a conspiracy designed to discredit the administration of Catholic orphanages. The priests asserted that after discovering their telephone had been tapped they deliberately rearranged the conversation and that they were successful in their purpose.

While admitting certain parts of the overheard conversation, which were read to the committee yesterday by Mr. Mitchell, the witnesses protested that his account of these talks were in the main, inaccurate. They contended that the language used was not theirs.

MANY ARE PAYING TAXES NOW TO AVOID PENALTY

Many people are paying their current taxes at the court house today. After next Tuesday a ten per cent penalty will be added. The receipts at the office of the county treasurer yesterday were \$3,501.64.

MISS KNOERR TO BE WED TO MR. HUBBARD

A wedding license was issued at the office of the clerk of court this morning to John H. Hubbard and Miss Anna May Knoerr.

WETSEL WILL IS UP IN PROBATE COURT

A hearing was held in the probate court before Judge M. A. Clark this morning on a petition for the probate of the will of the late George H. Wetsel of Tenstrike.

"DAMAGED GOODS" AT THE GRAND SOON

"Damaged Goods," the much talked of photo-drama, will be shown at the Grand theater, June 21, according to an announcement made today by Manager G. S. Harding.

Miss Elsie Wolf of Grand Forks is a house guest of Miss Dona Lycan for a few days.

CHAS. CARTER URGES PETITION FOR CHANNEL FOR RED LAKE RIVER

Hines Resident, Candidate for Legislature, Writes Letter to Editor.

FLOODS DOING MUCH DAMAGE TO LANDS

Says Settlers Are Entitled to Action On Part of the State Legislators.

Charles S. Carter of Hines, a candidate for representative from this district, in a letter to the editor of the Pioneer urges a petition of the people to the state legislature asking for a channel in the Red Lake river so that floods in the Red Lake river can be avoided.

His letter is as follows: "One of the great and difficult problems confronting the people of Minnesota and our section in particular is the proper control of the waters of the streams running into the Great Red Lake, the lake itself and its outlet, Red Lake river.

Two Million Acres. The country drained by the aforesaid waters comprises about two million acres of some of the most fertile land in the state of Minnesota.

"The conditions of the water this spring are such that it places in jeopardy the property and in some instances almost the lives of settlers in our county adjacent to said waters.

"The people of the country affected are entitled to action on the part of our state legislature, which, working in connection with the township and county affected and the Federal government, ought to work out some plan whereby the channel of the Red Lake river could be deepened and widened with perhaps some building of dykes along in Clearwater county and other points where necessary.

Channel is Necessary. The draining of a large area of swamp land adjacent to Red Lake and the emptying of the water quickly in the spring into Red Lake has made it absolutely necessary that work on the deepening and widening of the channel of the Red Lake river can be taken up in the near future.

"The result of the quickly emptying of the water from the drainage ditches into Red Lake is that, the outlet, not being of sufficient capacity to carry away the additional burden of water caused by the drainage ditches. There is immediately a backing up of the waters of the lake into all of the rivers such as the Batter river, Blackduck river, Tamarack and Shotly rivers and there is as a result a large area of land owned by the citizens of the state and the state itself which is overflowed and causes a serious loss to the hay crop and to transportation until the flood tide recedes.

A Definite Program.

"Let us start with a definite program, and petition of the people asking for a channel in the Red Lake river starting from the lake and going 25 miles west which could be made at a cost of approximately \$6,000 per mile under the twenty-year state drainage law. This would mean \$7,500 per year. The \$2,500 per year would be paid by the state at large under the established rule of the state drainage department, as well as the law. \$2,500 per year from the Federal government from its river and harbor fund and \$2,500 from land owners from both sides of the river, whether they be red or white. In the latter case this would average about 32 cents per 40-acre tract per year against the lands of the whites or the reds."

ODD FELLOWS TO INITIATE TONIGHT

The Bemidji lodge of Odd Fellows will initiate a class at the lodge rooms tonight. A social session will be held after the initiatory ceremonies. Lunch will be served. All members are urged to attend.

CLAPP IS CHOICE OF PIONEER FOR SENATOR



MOSES E. CLAPP, U. S. Senator.

RAINY LAKE JAM IMPERILS LIVES AND BIG PLANTS

International Falls, May 26.—Many lives will be imperiled and thousands of dollars property damage will be done if water being held by huge jams on Rainy Lake, give way. The Backus power plants, owned by Minneapolis capital, here and at Port Francis, Ont., are threatened. The large paper mills here are also threatened.

BEMIDJI INSURANCE MEN TO ORGANIZE AT MEETING JUNE 3

Bemidji insurance men will be organized into an organization to be part of the Insurance Federation of Minnesota at a meeting to be held at the Commercial club rooms June 3. W. A. Sherman, executive secretary of the Insurance Federation of Minnesota, is organizing the local men.

WAITE WOULD PROVE INSANITY TO AVOID THE ELECTRIC CHAIR

New York, May 26.—Dr. Arthur Warren Waite calmly recounted on the witness stand last night, in an effort to save himself from conviction of the murder of his father-in-law, John E. Peck, by showing that he was of unsound mind, how he attempted to cause the death of Miss Katherine Peck, the wealthy aunt of his wife, and his own benefactor, by feeding her disease germs. He told also of trying to kill his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Peck, in the same way, before resorting to poison as a more effective means. He testified in addition regarding his relations with Mrs. Margaret Horton, his "studio" companion.

He finished his testimony this morning. Washington, May 26.—It was denied unqualifiedly today that Secretary Lansing was planning to resign from the state department. There is a broad intimation that German sources fostered the rumor.

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STATE SUPREME COURT HANDS DOWN DECISIONS

St. Paul, Minn., May 26.—The supreme court today decided that the moratorium of Canada does not affect the right of a citizen of Minnesota to collect a debt in that country. Harry Hewitt of Minneapolis sued George Bridge to collect on a promissory note for \$500. The court also decided that money set aside for road work in Martin county must not be used for other purposes.

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AUSTRIANS TAKE ITALIAN POSITIONS IN CHIESA DISTRICT

After Three Days Struggle Wedges Are Driven in Italian Front.

FRENCH REPULSE GERMAN FORCES

Lieut. Thaw Brings Down German Aeroplane in Vicinity of Verdun.

Vienna, May 26.—(Official)—Austrians stormed and captured the fortified positions at Chiesa, 21 miles from Vicenza yesterday, after a three days battle. This drives a wedge in the Gallian front. The forces of the Italian left wing in the Adige valley fell back over five miles upon the town of Ala.

General Relieved. London, May 26.—A dispatch from Rome says that General Brustata, commanding the Italian forces which have been compelled to retreat before the Austrian offensive, has been relieved on half pay.

French Win Drive.

Paris, May 26.—(Official)—The French repulsed violent German attacks west of the Meuse last night.

An American Airman.

Paris, May 26.—Lieut. William Thaw of New York, attached with the Franco-American flying corps, brought down a German aeroplane in the vicinity of Verdun a few days ago.

Against Peace.

Berlin, May 26.—Two well informed neutral diplomats claim that President Wilson should not attempt peace now but wait until fall. All the belligerents are planning offensives in the fall. It was stated that peace discussions would probably take a year.

VILLA GENERAL IS REPORTED KILLED

Field Headquarters of American Army in Mexico, May 26.—An American this morning killed Cambierio Ceryantes, a Villista general, south of Cruces.

To Hold Court.

Washington, May 26.—General Funston today recommended Houston as a place for the holding of court martial for the 116 militia men of Texas who have refused to go on border duty. He submitted a list of army officers which will constitute the court.

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GRADE CLASSES ARE HOLDING FIELD MEET THIS AFTERNOON

The grade classes of the Bemidji schools are holding a field meet this afternoon on the high school grounds. The meet is under the direction of Miss Helen Shannon, an instructor in the Junior high school.

Take advantage of a want ad.

Advertisement titled 'How To Cut Down Your Gasoline Expense By "HOP"'. It includes a cartoon illustration of a car and a person, with numbered steps: 1. FIRST GET THE GAS. 2. HAVING BUMMED A PINT OF GAS OFF OF AN IDLE RICH - PROCEED TO PUT IT IN YOUR CAR. 3. OPEN HER UP AND BREEZE INTO NEAREST LAKE - (DOING SAFETY BRODIE PER DIAGRAM). 4. TRADE YOUR AUTO LICENSE FOR A PAIR OF ONE SEATED ROLLER SKATES - AND YOUR GAS PROBLEM IS SOLVED. The cartoon shows a man in a suit and hat, a car, and a person on roller skates. There are also some speech bubbles and other text elements.