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## THE WEEKLY PIONEER

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## OFFICIAL COUNTY AND CITY PROCEEDINGS

### LIVE UP TO CONTRACT—THAT'S ALL

We don't mean that the Minnesota Electric Light and Power company, with which Bemidji has a contract to furnish light and power for the city, considers its contract merely "a scrap of paper," but City Attorney M. J. Brown hit it squarely on the head in his brief argument before Judge Stanton when he said in substance:

"There's nothing in the contract between the light company and the city of Bemidji that allows the company to charge any more for service. If the company is allowed to change its contract now there's nothing to prevent it doing so any time. If it can do that the contract isn't worth the paper it's written on." The franchise of the Minnesota Electric company was granted by the city of Bemidji upon certain conditions. It is reasonable to presume the company wouldn't for a moment tolerate the city attempting to lower its rates to suit its convenience at the expense of the company, and it would be perfectly consistent for the city to do so, in that the company attempts to impose an added burden of \$1.10 per month upon the consumers, not provided in the contract.

The company pleaded increased expense. So have the people increased expense. The people are curtailing and hewing close to the bone. They are glad to be alive and help win the war. They have been sacrificing and expect to continue until the Kaiser is chased off his pedestal, and it would seem consistent for a corporation like the Minnesota Electric Light and Power company to do likewise and stand a little of the gaff even if it hurts a bit. However, we don't believe the company intends to go out of business by a jug full on account of "hard times."

The city is unable to comprehend an attempt by the company to inject something into a contract when it isn't there.

### EFFORTS OF COMMISSION COMMENDABLE

The efforts of the Minnesota Public Safety commission to eliminate the root of much of the evil, disloyalty and sedition in Minnesota by declaring 54 more counties "bone" dry, is most commendable.

Those residing in this part of the state know only too well what has been contended with on account of the illegal sale of liquor and its attendant licentiousness and disorder.

The order of the Public Safety commission, following the decision of the State Supreme court anent Beltrami county, was designed for the correction of the illegal flow of booze and what goes with it, yet the distillers and brewers have to be reckoned with for they are bent upon defying the law of the state and mandates of the Safety Commission.

That's no secret.

### ANOTHER PROBLEM TOO DEEP FOR US

Of course half a loaf is better than no loaf at all, but what we can't understand is why the "lid" on 54 counties of the state and not on the rest of the commonwealth.

Can't be that part of the people of Minnesota are not desirous and the other part possessed of a saintly halo. If booze is bad for one it is bad for others. If it is detrimental to one part of the state why not to other parts?

And it would seem from reading accounts in the Twin City papers that the people there are not suffering from parched throats nor lack of "some other things" in their balliwicks.

### FEBRUARY 1—LOOKS LIKE "SOME" MONTH

Well, this is the first of February. Going to be some month. On February 12 comes Lincoln's birth anniversary; on February 14 comes St. Valentine's day, and on February 22 comes Washington's birth anniversary. Then on February 19 takes place municipal election day.

And doggone if we didn't nearly forget again, District court convenes on February 12.

Yes, it looks very much like SOME month.

### HOW LONG THE DAYS ARE GETTING

And now Fisher, Minn., comes along with the council decreeing two baths per month, and designating the days for the village scrub.

Might invite in some of the neighbors and give it a sort of a social affair flavor and serve a Hooverized lunch. Of course, the guests would be expected to bring their own soap and towel. Annette Kellerman in "The Daughter of the Gods" wouldn't have anything on that, we surmise.

### DON'T FORGET—PORRILESS DAY TOMORROW

While we haven't received any official notice we believe tomorrow is "porriless day." We are also laboring under the impression that "meatless day" is also porriless. It's getting less painful every time Hoover opens his mouth or takes his "pen in hand."

### CITY SHOULD OWN LIGHT PLANT

The attempt to saddle an added burden onto "the little fellow" who is a consumer of electric light, demonstrates clearly again that Bemidji should take steps to equip itself with a municipal plant.

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## CLASSIFIED

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**FOR SALE**—Baby Rice popcorn 20c per lb. Elephant Brand popcorn 15c per lb. Sold in bulk. C. E. Batties. 6-24

**FOR SALE OR TRADE**—On account of illness, farm 120 acres, 20 acres under cultivation, house and barn, fruit garden well stocked with trees and shrubbery. Inquire Harry Knapton, Wilton, Minn. Will trade for house in town. 6-27

**FOR SALE**—Two-chair barber outfit complete. Will sell for \$75. Also No. 6 Remington typewriter, new. Address James Taylor, Tenstrike, Minn. 2-22

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Two sets of good, heavy, new work harness.  
One yearling black draft colt.  
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One 6-year-old cow, fresh soon.  
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1 new wide tire wagon.  
1 set new bobs (heavy).  
1 set light bobs.  
3-room house and lot, close in, only \$35.00 cash and \$10.00 per month, no interest.  
4-room house, \$35.00 cash and \$12.00 per month, no interest.  
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**BEAUTIFUL 16 ACRE FARM, 5 ROOM HOUSE** (new), barn, hog house, chicken house, wood house, and splendid well and pump, 12 acres cleared and fenced, joins platted Nymore. Only \$1,500.

Good Hummobile 6-passenger car in fine shape, to trade for clear land. A snap for some one.

Metz runabout, in good running order, sale cheap or trade for driving horse, cows or wood.

40-acre improved farm, heavy hardwood soil. To trade for house and lot.

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Good second hand buggy.

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The largest rental list. Come in and look it over.

156-acre improved farm, 55 acres under high state of cultivation, 12 acres tame meadow. Good house and barn. Will rent, \$150 per year.

**FOR RENT**—40-acre improved farm, 12 acres under cultivation, good 5-room house, good barn, chicken house, fine well and firewood. Rent \$100 per year.

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There is big business for us this year, so give me a chance.

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115 3rd St.  
Phone 41. 6-24

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**FOR RENT**—Room, furnished or unfurnished. 502 Fourth St. 6-22

**FOR RENT**—Three-room steam heated apartment. Kaplan's. 2-21

**FOR RENT**—Strictly modern furnished room. Phone 327 or 250. 21tf

**WANTED**  
WANTED—Clean cotton rags. No buttons or fuzzy edges and no little bits of pieces. We will pay 5 cents a pound for rags brought to the Pioneer office in any size quantities up to 100 pounds. Here's a chance for boys to search mother's basement or attic for rags and make a little spending money. Come on, boys, bring your rags here and get the top prices. Bemidji Pioneer. 118tf

**WANTED**—Laundry work to take home. 318 America Ave. 6-22

**WANTED**—Experienced dressmaker wants sewing by the day. Call Room 37, Jefferson Hotel. 6-22

**WANTED**—Man and team to haul wood. Reynolds & Winter. 125tf

**WANTED**—Girl for general housework. Apply 504 Beltrami avenue. 3-24

**WOODSTOCK**  
*The Wish of the Wise*

THE BEMIDJI PIONEER

## —HOME BUILDING—

**BEFORE ADAM**—Yes, before the CAVE MAN had learned the art of LIVING in a FIXED PLACE, that FORCE IN NATURE called INSTINCT had TAUGHT the FEATHERED FELLOWS OF THE FOREST to WEAVE, MOULD and SEW into convenient form the FIBRES, LICHENS and LEAVES BEST SUITED for THEIR HOMES.

And antedating that period when still the earth was young—BENEATH THE DARK UNFATHOMED CAVES OF THE OCEAN—the TRILOBITE, the PERIWINKLE, the CLAM guided by the MASTER BUILDER PRACTICED in their own way the art of providing shelter and protection from THEIR FELLOWS who were too prone to practice the COMMON HABIT of "BENEVOLENT ASSIMILATION."

So after all "SAFETY FIRST" is not the 20th Century notion, but a commend as OLD as the HILLS—HANDED DOWN TO MAN WHO HAS PROFITED BY THE EXAMPLE of the BIRD, BEE and CRUSTACEAN.

HOME BUILDING has been developed to the Nth DEGREE by the GENUS-HOMO, though some of us still persist in the early habits of our Ancestors to which this message is not addressed, BUT FOR THE REAL HOMEBUILDERS OF TODAY—THE MAN, who wishes to BUILD THE HOME OF HIS DREAMS—the one his better half and he has planned through years.

YOU should come today—we have the PLANS for THE BUNGALOW—the COTTAGE, the STORY AND A HALF, the DUPLEX AND OTHERS. SEE US FOR THE PRACTICAL HOME OF YOUR DREAMS.

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Bemidji, Minn.

(One Board or a Carload)

Telephone 97

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C. W. VANDERSLUIS  
For Mayor.

To the Voters:

At the earnest solicitation of a large number of residents of this city, I have consented to again run for the position of mayor. I have enforced the laws of the city, the state and the nation during my previous terms and endeavored to keep this city free from internal disturbances. I do not hesitate to stand squarely on my past record and there is not an official act but what should the occasion again demand, will be repeated. I intend, if elected, to continue to endeavor to make Bemidji a place in which it is pleasant to live and one which we can cordially welcome visitors. I therefore solicit the vote and support of each citizen at the coming election.

CHAS. W. VANDERSLUIS.  
20-218

## BAD BREATH

Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets Get at the Cause and Remove It

Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets, the substitute for calomel, act gently on the bowels and positively do the work.

People afflicted with bad breath find quick relief through Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets. The pleasant, sugar-coated tablets are taken for bad breath by all who know them.

Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets act gently but firmly on the bowels and liver, stimulating them to natural action, clearing the blood and gently purifying the entire system. They do that which dangerous calomel does without any of the bad after effects.

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These are guaranteed tires and subject to replacement the same as all other tires.

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## Assist The Government

At the suggestion of the officers of the federal government's food administration a "Fair Price" list has been prepared for the protection of the customers and merchants. Our customers can be certain that we will co-operate to the fullest extent.

Buying at home means a saving of transportation charges and facilities. We are always glad to assist the housewife in making her selections and will appreciate an opportunity to tell you of our specials.

## P. R. Peterson

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