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FORTY-FIVE CENTS PER MONTH

BEMIDJI WOMEN TO HELP PROVIDE AVIATOR SECTION WITH COMFORTS

Study Club Takes Up Movement of Treasure and Trinket Fund By National Society.

ASK DONATIONS OF DISCARDED JEWELRY OR SILVERWARE

Sent to Government Assay Office; Proceeds Used for Sweaters, Etc., for Flying Corps.

The Woman's Study club of Bemidji has taken up the work of the Treasure and Trinket Fund which is a movement started under the direction of the aviation committee of the National Special Aid Society of New York, a society working for the welfare of the aviation department of the United States service.

The aim and purpose of this society is to collect discarded jewelry and silverware, treasures and trinkets of all kinds and description, to be subsequently turned into cash, this cash to be used in buying sweaters, stockings, helmets, wristlets and any and all warm clothing for the comfort of the aviators, also to furnish amusement for the boys in the aviation camps.

Nation-Wide Move.

Cities, towns and village throughout the country are rapidly taking up this branch of the work and it is believed Bemidji will stand ready, as usual, to co-operate in any worthy movement. It is requested that anyone who has any old silver or plated ware that has been discarded or of no use, donate same to this fund. Old silver coffee pots, tea pots, silver cake plates, candle sticks, rings, brooches, drinking cups, trays, knives, forks, spoons, napkin rings and in fact every and any article that can be melted down can be used; also trinkets, watches, etc., that cannot be melted are requested as such are sold or disposed of in some profitable way, all for the benefit of the boys at the front. No money is asked, only scraps of gold and silverware.

Bought by Government.

The articles donated are sent to the United States assaying office where they are melted, the gold and silver being sent to the United States mint, and nickel and plated ware are used by the navy department in fitting ships. The money thus derived is used in purchasing articles of clothing, etc., as mentioned, for the boys in the flying corps.

These In Charge.

Any and all articles can be left at Netzer's drug store any time from now until March 9 on which day a shipment will be made to the United States assaying office.

Anyone wishing further information may call or see Mrs. L. A. La-Baw, 718 Bemidji avenue, phone 476-W, or Mrs. R. A. Olson, 1118 Bemidji avenue, phone 465, and any information will be gladly given.

STORE BUILDING SOLD TO EDWARD ANDERSON

A deal in business district property of interest has just been consummated, whereby Edward Anderson purchased the business building occupied by A. Brose on Minnesota avenue, between Third and Fourth streets, from Charles Swedback. The amount involved was not stated.

Mr. Anderson bought the property for a business investment.

WILSON WILL NOT FURTHER PROPAGANDA IN AUSTRIA

Washington, Feb. 28.—Despite the apparent hopelessness of peace negotiations on Chancellor Hertling's terms, President Wilson will make no attempt to increase Austrian discontent with German "junk" rule, officials here believe.

Capt. George Geib of Bemidji Helps Assign County Draft

An interesting feature of the arrival of the Beltrami county draft quota at Camp Dodge, was that Captain George Geib of Bemidji was one of the officers who received the quota. Captain Geib is the statistical officer of Camp Dodge and was active with Colonel Howell in assigning the new selectives. Captain Geib was a member of the architectural firm of Geib & Leible in Bemidji and when he went into the service he left his partner, Roy Leible. The latter is now in an officers' training camp in the south.

Minnesota has acquired an interest in almost every unit in distributing the 8,600 Minnesotans who were ordered to report at Camp Dodge this week.

There are no longer units at Camp Dodge made up entirely of Minnesotans.

JURY FOR HENRIENNET MURDER CASE FILLED; EXAMINATION BEGINS

Again did the Pioneer demonstrate its "pulling power" as an advertising medium, for today the twelfth juror was secured for the Henriennet murder case, and Judge Stanton was much pleased with the result of the little "want ad," which appeared in the Pioneer yesterday.

At any rate, Iver Myhre of the town of Liberty came to the rescue today, after a two days' attempt to secure the last of the twelve jurors in three ventures.

The jury that Henriennet will face, on a charge of shooting and slaying Oscar Nelson, consists of William Hunt, Carl Peterson, Henry Falk, George W. Moore, Henry Breckner, E. J. Tucker, Peter Ten Eyck, Carl Wallin, Ascar Shea, Eldore Rippey, Carl Haegenson and Iver Myhre.

The trial was set to begin at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon, and it is the belief that it will occupy at least two weeks. There will, no doubt, be some sensational testimony produced and a packed courtroom daily is expected throughout the trial.

Nonpartisan League Head Under Arrest

(By United Press)

St. Paul, Feb. 28.—President Townley of the National Nonpartisan League, and Joseph Gilbert, manager of the league, were arrested at league headquarters here this forenoon on a warrant issued by Albert Allen, prosecuting attorney of Martin county, charging combination to conspire seditiously to teach men not to enlist to fight Germany.

The Lakefield warrant, making similar charges, has not been served. Sheriff Carver of Martin county, who served the warrant today, wanted to take the prisoners back to Fairmont. They insisted upon getting bail here and took the matter to the state capitol for decision.

The warrant was drawn upon a 32-page pamphlet, issued by the league and entitled "War Program and Statement of Principles." Never was an attempt made to withhold this pamphlet, which was issued last June, from the public.

BEMIDJI LUTHERANS CLOSE PATRIOTIC DRIVE

In the national drive of the Lutheran churches of the United States for a war fund of \$750,000 to be used for the welfare of Lutherans who are in the military of the United States, which closed last night, Bemidji and vicinity contributed \$218.25.

The first allotment of Minnesota was \$100,000 and then it was decided to raise it to \$150,000, but the state Lutherans even went over the \$200,000 mark, making a remarkable record. One congregation of 800 in the state subscribed over \$5,000.

The Lutherans of Bemidji met a ready response to their solicitations, the various wards of the city being canvassed by specially appointed committees. Of the total amount collected, \$12.05 was raised in Solway, \$4 in Wilton and \$3 in Turtle River.

With the colors in France there are 150,000 Lutherans and thousands more in the camps in the United States.

SERBIAN CABINET RESIGNS

(By United Press) London, Feb. 28.—The Serbian cabinet has resigned, says a Corfu dispatch today.

GERMANS PREDOMINATE IN UNITS

The 350th regiment, another Iowa organization under the old system, drew about 600 Minnesota troops this week, and 1,000 Minnesotans have been scattered among the machine gun units, trains, sanitary corps, medical department and similar organizations.

Several regiments, however, will be predominately Minnesota organizations.

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BIG ADVERTISING PROJECT STARTED FOR MINNESOTA'S SUMMER RESORTS

Bemidji To Take Active Interest As It Will Mean Much to This City.

RAILROADS ARE AIDING IN PROMOTING PLAYGROUNDS

Special Exhibition Train To Tour Southland; Everybody Should Boost for Bemidji.

At a meeting of the Commercial club Wednesday noon the members endorsed the raising of funds for the Ten Thousand Lakes association and also to send two men as representatives of the community with the advertising car, which will tour the southern states next month, in cooperation with Minnesota railroads and hotel men.

The amount decided upon was not to exceed \$800, as Bemidji's share toward furthering this great advertising project. The purpose of this organization is to advertise the summer resorts in Minnesota. The car will carry exhibits of game and fish, as well as a supply of fresh fish to be served at the various stopping places along the route.

The committee named to solicit this fund is as follows: F. S. Lyman and T. J. Burke will call on the hotels, wholesale houses, banks and mills; C. W. Jewett and J. P. Lahr will canvass the garages, real estate men and restaurants; E. J. Willets and F. J. Koors will wait on the business and professional men.

WILL SOME ONE KINDLY AID RECRUITING OFFICER?

The Pioneer is again going to ask a favor, this time for Raymond Magaurin of Bemidji, just appointed recruiting officer for the Canadian military in Bemidji, and that is if anyone has a desk not in use and it can be spared, would it be loaned to Mr. Magaurin. It will be well taken care of and returned when it has served its purpose.

Mr. Magaurin is a young man who lost the first two fingers on his left hand. He has endeavored every way to enlist, making four attempts, but the missing fingers have proved a handicap. He has just received his appointment as Canadian recruiting officer at Bemidji and will have the co-operation of Recruiting Officer Foucault, U. S. A.

Neither of the governments furnish office equipment nor much of the incidental expense and these come out of the recruiting officers. Corporal Foucault is using a desk loaned by a patriot and Mr. Magaurin would also appreciate the courtesy. Anyone willing to make the loan of a desk will call the local recruiting office.

ANNUAL MEETING OF COMMERCIAL CLUB

The annual meeting of the Commercial club will be held Tuesday evening, March 12, in the club rooms, at which time a new board of directors will be elected and new officers chosen.

A list of members in good standing will be mailed out to every member March 1 by the secretary, from which list the members are to select fifteen directors. These selections are to be mailed or turned over to the secretary before the meeting and canvass of these returns will be made that night.

New officers will be chosen from the newly elected board members. Members who are not in good standing, which means that dues must be paid for February, 1918, will not be permitted to vote, neither will such names be considered if chosen to the directorate.

"SILENT" LARSON PAYS VISIT TO HIS INDIAN AGENTS

H. A. Larson, better known as "Silent" Larson, of Denver is in Bemidji on a business visit. Mr. Larson is the head of the Federal Indian officers, of which J. P. Brandt of Bemidji is the head of this district.

The nom de plume "Silent" was fastened upon Mr. Larson because he has so much to say.

GERMAN BATTLE FLEET REPORTED HEADED NORTH

(By United Press) Copenhagen, Feb. 28.—The German fleet in the Baltic is steaming northward, full speed, toward Finland, a Berlin dispatch stated today.

REBUILDING THE ROADS IN FRANCE



French soldiers rebuilding a road which was completely wiped out during a German bombardment in the Alsne. Due to recent victories of the allies, this district is well behind the firing line and is, of course, in the hands of its rightful owners.

MANKATO HOME GUARD CALLED INTO SERVICE TO PREVENT MEETING

(BULLETIN) (By United Press)

St. Paul, Feb. 28.—Nonpartisan League officers this afternoon denied there was any meeting scheduled for Mapleton, where the Mankato guards were ordered sent.

PERSONA NON GRATA

Wiverton, Feb. 28.—A Nonpartisan League speaker arrived here today to arrange a meeting. He was informed by merchants that he was persona non grata and he immediately left.

REP. LENROOT SHIES GAUNTLET FOR SENATORSHIP

(By United Press)

Washington, Feb. 28.—Congressman Lenroot this afternoon telegraphed an order to Wisconsin to file his name in nomination for United States senator, to succeed the late Senator Hustling.

Congressman Cooper of Wisconsin is also mentioned as another starter in the race, but he said he would not file.

SERGEANT ADDRESSES COMMERCIAL CLUB

Sergeant McDeHenry, Canadian recruiting officer, addressed the members of the Commercial club at the noon day luncheon Wednesday and narrated some interesting incidents to which he was an eye witness in France and Belgium.

The sergeant related some startling facts and pointed out the need of men to keep the regular army up to war strength. He urged the co-operation of the business men and members of the Commercial club in assisting him and his office to locate Canadian aliens and "slackers."

FOUR SAMMIES SENTENCED DEATH: ASLEEP AT POSTS

Washington, Feb. 28.—Four Sammies in France have been sentenced to death for sleeping at their posts. General Pershing approved the order. President Wilson will review the order before the execution.

"PIONEER" PRESSMAN JOINS THE ENGINEERS

When Ed Ripple leaves Bemidji tomorrow night for Columbus, O., to join an engineering regiment, the Pioneer will lose a valuable man in its mechanical department and the engineers will acquire an all 'round athlete and a good soldier. Mr. Ripple has been in charge of the presses of the Pioneer Publishing company.

Just about the most disappointed patriot in Bemidji at the outbreak of the war was Ripple. He had been a member of the Fifth division, Minnesota naval militia, but a strain received prior to the departure of the naval division prevented him from going. But Ripple didn't intend to remain behind and he underwent an operation that straightened him out and he is now ready to get into the game. He has had several months experience as a locomotive fireman, is an expert around machinery and will be sent to France.

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(By Joseph Shaplen) United Press Correspondent

Petrograd, Feb. 28.—The Austrians have refused to advance against the Russians in Volhynia, say dispatches from Zithomir today. Fearing the Austrians' refusal, German and Austrian commanders stationed 200,000 Germans in the Dabno region.

Reports of growing dissatisfaction on the part of the German troops have come from Orsha. General von Hindenburg has ordered operations in that district to halt. The Germans have been ordered to stop the advance against Pskoff.

Petrograd has undergone a marked transformation. The city is optimistic, warlike and determined.

BEMIDJI CHICKENS TAKE BLUES AT CROOKSTON SHOW

Dr. J. Warringer today received the prize ribbons won by his poultry exhibits at the big Crookston show, recently held, and from the looks of the stack of blues there wasn't much left for any one else in the Buff Plymouth Rock class.

Dr. Warringer had sixteen birds entered, seven pullets, four hens, three cockerels, two cock birds and two pens. In pullets he won first, second, third, fourth and fifth. Hens, first, second, third and fourth. Cockerels, first, second and third. Cock birds, first and second. Pens, first and second. Third in cock bird of American breed.

These birds were also big winners in the show of the Minnesota Fanciers' association in St. Paul.

442 ALIENS REGISTER WITH THE CITY CLERK

The three days registry for all aliens in Bemidji and vicinity, aside from German aliens who had special days set for them to register, closed last night with 442 registered with City Clerk Stein.

Among the aliens were a large number of women and some children. The latter were obliged to register if over 14 years of age.

The names will all be forwarded to the state auditor's office at St. Paul and made part of the state record of aliens.

"Boosters" Rally To Assist Civilian Recruiting Work

The civilian recruiting committee "hit the trail" Wednesday morning for about an hour, saw sixty-two men and women and secured a contribution from sixty of them, and the two who did not contribute "were broke," but stated that they would "come across" as soon as they had it.

The "Good Fellow" story in the Pioneer Tuesday afternoon, asking for contributions to the local recruiting fund, familiarized most of the people with the purpose of the committee's call and they were ready to give. In one instance, the committee was hailed from across the street, with, "Wait a minute, I want to get on that list."

Twenty-eight outright dollar donations were made and thirty men signed the "Good Fellow" list, who agree to keep a surplus in the fund from month to month.

Young Men to Help. During the next few days several of the younger men will continue the canvass, Joseph Forester and

GASSED SAMMIES GO CRAZY WITH PAIN; AMERICAN TELLS OF HORROR

From Hospital Bed, Victim Gives First Detailed Account of Deadly Attack.

"BOYS BEHAVED FINE BUT IT WAS HELL," HE SAYS

Companion Runs Shrieking With Mind Gone; Unable to Get Gas Mask On.

(By United Press) With the Americans afield, Feb. 28.—The first detailed story of the German gas attack night before last on the Americans in the trenches on the western front, is given by Private Hado, from his bed in the hospital.

The gassed soldier said: "The stuff had a funny effect. I feel dopy and want to sleep all the time. That day the Germans shelled our trenches accurately, showing they had the range. It rained all day and then cleared. The front was quiet when all of a sudden there was suspicious German activity. We signaled for barrage but the wires were cut and the Germans started gassing."

"We sent up rockets but the barrage was delayed and the cry came that gas had been let loose at us. Everyone grabbed his mask. I got mine on but my companion failed to get his on and he fell to the ground in terrible pain. I tussled with him to get his mask on and mine slipped. I got a little gas.

"The other man went clean crazy with pain and I couldn't hold him. He dashed out of the dugout shrieking.

"Our boys behaved fine although it was hell. Next time we will get the Boches."

The United Press learned that a crazed soldier ran barefooted a mile and then dropped. It is believed he fell dead.

BELTRAMI COUNTY SUFFERED HEAVILY FROM FIRE IN 1917

(Special to Pioneer) St. Paul, Feb. 28.—The fire loss in Beltrami county last year was \$277,956 from 88 fires.

This is an increase over the preceding year of \$206,203 with 61 more fires, says George H. Nettleton, chief assistant state fire marshal.

While it is probably true that many of these fires were of such nature that they occurred despite precautions taken, still nothing should be overlooked at this time to keep down this loss.

The state and federal governments are doing their utmost to conserve resources and fire losses are coming to be distinguished as a menace that every citizen should guard against especially during war times.

CLUB MEETS MARCH 4

The Woman's Study club will meet at the home of Mrs. C. E. Battles, Lake Boulevard, Monday afternoon, March 4.

These Start List

The following are the first thirty to sign the "Good Fellow" list: Northern National Bank, Bemidji Hfg. Co., Bemidji Pioneer, Given Hardware Co., Security State Bank, D. L. Stanton, A. T. Carlson, E. N. French, M. C. Longballa, C. A. Knapp, E. S. Ashley, G. M. Palmer, G. W. Campbell, P. N. Murphy, E. B. Berman, Shavitch Bros., F. S. Lycan, G. W. Ferrel, Cushner & Dunn, E. W. Johnson, E. A. Barker, H. Z. Mitchell, Gill Bros., T. J. Burke, Gamble-Robinson Co., St. Hilaire Lumber company, Huffman & O'Leary, C. R. Sanborn, Charles Nangle and A. L. Molander.