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A BLOW TO PUBLISHERS.

Advices from the print paper houses are anything but encouraging for the country newspapers. The paper mills are facing an absolute famine and are threatening to shut down on account of having no rags and chemicals. The salesmen of the paper houses are instructed to make no contracts for future delivery.

The following advances have been made in the prices of materials used in the manufacture of paper:

Rags, 100 per cent increase.
Bleached sulphate was \$45 per ton, now \$110.
Alum, 300 to 400 per cent increase.
Rosin, 40 per cent increase.
Water screen used to run water thru at the mills, 25 to 35 per cent increase.
Felts, 50 per cent increase.
Bleaching powder chlorine, 100 per cent and none to be had.
Colors, 500 to 1000 per cent increase and still advancing.
Satin nut, 25 to 50 per cent increase.
Blanc fix, 100 to 150 per cent increase.
Casein, 250 per cent.

THE MEXICAN SITUATION.

There has been little change in the Mexican situation since the Independent was published last week. General Pershing and his soldiers, 4,000 in number, are somewhere in Mexico, in their pursuit of Pancho Villa, the murderer. Villa has broken his army up into small bands and has fled to the mountains, where it is believed that he can keep in hiding as long as he desires. Villa apparently is trying to make the United States appear ridiculous. General Funston has called for additional troops to guard the border, as he has sent quite a large army into Mexico and will send more.

A reward of \$100,000 has been offered for Villa, either dead or alive. It may be that his body will be delivered by Mexicans themselves, altho this is not probable, as a reward had been out for the bandit for years.

Carranza is working well with the United States. Unless the Mexicans generally get to regard Villa as a leader, and a general uprising ensues, the Mexican trouble may not assume great proportions. In case there is a clash between our troops and the Villistas, thousands of additional troops will be poured into Mexico as soon as possible, and likely the National Guard will be called out.

Wm. C. Redfield of the Department of Commerce, has issued a circular calling attention to the shortage of paper material. Something like 15,000 tons of the different kinds of paper and paper board are manufactured daily in the United States. A large proportion of this, after having served its purpose, could be used over again. A large part of it is burned or otherwise wasted. This, of course, has to be replaced by new materials, of which there is getting to be a scarcity. Old rags and old paper are worth considerable, but in Minot, for instance, there is no way to handle old paper under present conditions, so that any money can be made. The Independent once considered installing a paper baler to take care of its waste material, but when we learned that a car load of baled paper was worth only \$50 and that it would cost \$45 to ship the car to Minneapolis, we gave up the idea. If the government could figure out ways and means of getting the paper hauled, it might pay somebody to bother with the business. There is money to be made, however, in dealing in old rags. The American people are wasteful. In Europe, where most of our material for linen paper comes from, people have learned to save every little old rag. Our own people might become educated along these lines. Paper stock has been going up at a phenomenal rate. Paper houses have notified the trade that the old prices have advanced and the new ones are subject to change without further notice.

County politics have begun to warm up. The surface is unusually calm, but the candidates have been lining up their forces for several weeks in a quiet manner, conserving their energy for the battle that is certain to wax warm before the close of the primaries. Some are wondering if the Non-Partisan League will take any part in county politics. The Independent understands that as an organization it will not, but as individual members, naturally they will have a part in the campaign. One of the latest aspirants for county office to make known his intentions, is John C. Lowe, district

court stenographer under Judge Leighton, who will be a candidate for county judge. Two years ago, he got of coming out for this office, but after considering the matter, decided to bide his time. Judge Murray, the present incumbent, has no intention of quitting. The Judge appears to have as many friends as ever thruout the county and it will take a pretty good campaigner to make any inroads upon him. While the campaign proper may not be launched by any candidate for two or three weeks yet, a good deal of work has already been done and one can look for the fur to be flying in good shape about the first of April.

Hon. W. C. Taylor, insurance commissioner, has not fully decided to become a candidate for re-election, but if he listens to his friends, who are legion thruout the state, he will surely get into the game again. The Independent has never seen a public official of this state who has conducted his business in a more capable manner. We do not remember of ever having heard a word of criticism of Mr. Taylor on the manner in which he has conducted his office and this, we consider, a rare thing.

Pedestrians who have to cross the viaduct will do well to don rubber suits if they do not wish their wearing apparel to be ruined. The viaduct is narrow, the street at the north end of the viaduct is very muddy and the drivers seem to be in a terrible hurry. Two well dressed women who were on their way over town to do some shopping were bespattered with mud, their clothing being nearly ruined. Others have fared a like fate. Auto drivers should cross the viaduct more slowly.

The writer saw a motor cycle driver going along pell mell on one of our busy streets Monday evening after dark with lights off. This is dangerous. The Independent doesn't want to appear cranky, but our ordinances should be enforced.

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Hoosier Day at Surrey a Success.
Saturday, March 18th, was observed at Surrey as Hoosier day and eighty people partook of a repast such as only Hoosier women can prepare.

While the crowd was not as large as was expected, the general good feeling, and associations will long be remembered, and many will look back to the First Hoosier Celebration at Surrey as the starting of friendships that only the Grim Reaper can sever.

After the dinner at the town hall the assemblage gathered at the school auditorium and elected the following officers:

President—C. C. Wyson, of Minot.
1st vice president—G. W. Lingofelt, of Surrey.

2nd vice president—J. H. Burns, of Surrey.

Secretary—Miss Mabel Burns, of Surrey.

Treasurer—J. B. Withers, of Surrey.

After the election of officers the financial matters were quickly disposed of and the business meeting adjourned.

The social and literary program was opened by singing America, followed by several of Riley's poems, being rendered by Prof. Howard Houston, also a history of Indiana, her struggles in early statehood, her heroes of the various wars, poets, statesmen and not the least, the unbreakable ties that bind Hoosier hearts to home scenes and friends.

Old times and reminiscences by Geo. Greathouse, the first white male born in Harrison township, Miami county, Indiana.

Billy and John and Joe—Riley, by Prof. Clendenning.
A Letter Home—J. W. Foley, by Master Ralph Burns.

The audience tried to sing "On the Banks of the Wabash," but on account of the age of the song the music could not be obtained and was sung only from memory, and while the melody was not such as produced by a professional symphony, or high class opera, the spirit in which the attempt was made was commendable.

The next meeting will most likely be held in the East Park at Minot and those Hoosiers who wish to be with us are welcome, and we hope they will send their names to the secretary at once so that they may be notified of the exact date in June next.

J. H. BURNS.

FARMERS CONVENTION AT FARGO.

The Nonpartisan League has announced what promises to be the biggest political gathering and "doings" the state has ever seen, for Friday and Saturday, March 31 and April 1, at Fargo. This is the time of the state convention of the League and there will be convention mass meetings for the entire membership of the organization on the two days. The League management has invited every

member of the League, with his family, to be present and at least 5000 are expected—perhaps 10,000.

Big events of the occasion will include the indorsement and announcement of the men the League is going to support at the primaries for governor and other state officers. This in itself will be a political sensation.

Besides speakers of national repute, various entertainment features for the League members and delegates are planned, both by the League and the Fargo Commercial Club. Some of these will be:

Grand, mass band concerts and contest between brass bands from all parts of the state, for which the Nonpartisan Leader is offering \$500 cash in prizes. The Leader is asking every band in the state except the professional bands of Bismarck, Fargo, Minot and Grand Forks, to participate and share in the prizes.

A big entertainment feature by the Fargo Commercial club will consist of a spectacular political parade—torch-lights and all, in good old rip-roaring style, with fireworks and brass bands Saturday evening.

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Can't Stand Still.

A traveling man approached a "newsy" on one of the incoming trains and asked for a picture of Minot. The fellow had pictures of Grand Forks, Devils Lake and other towns in the state, but none of Minot. When the salesman expressed surprise at this the "newsy" explained as follows: "Well, you see, Minot has never stood still long enough to have her picture taken."

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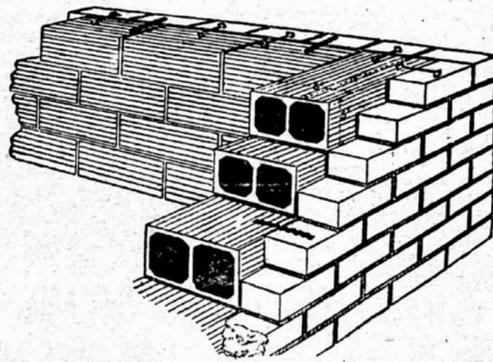
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hours, the jury in the case of the state vs. Norman Schmidt, disagreed. Schmidt is the young Great Northern brakeman who was arrested charged with holding up three Greeks in the G. N. yards in this city. He claims that the Greeks held him up and there appeared to be good reason on the part of the members of the jury to doubt the charge made by the Greeks. It is doubtful whether the case will again go to trial.

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