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GOVERNOR VETOES ELEVATOR BILL

Believes that Bill Would Hamper Progress and Discourage Struggle of Farmer Against Gamblers

Bismarck, N. D., March 6.—Governor Lynn J. Frazier today vetoed Senate Bill 84, which was passed by the Fifteenth Assembly two hours before it adjourned.

The governor in vetoing the bill sent a message to the secretary of state in which he states that he is "satisfied that this measure would hamper and retard real progress, discourage the people and make the struggle of the farmer against the gamblers much harder and would tend to block the ultimate establishment of a terminal elevator and flour milling system on a business basis that would assure success."

Bill by Gronvold.

Senate Bill 84, introduced by Senator Gronvold, was originally a bill for a state-owned terminal elevator to be erected in Fargo and an appropriation of \$300,000 was provided to be raised by direct taxation. It created a commission of fifteen with the governor at the head to carry out the provisions. The old guard senators secured its passage in the senate and when the bill reached the house it was amended. The two houses were unable to agree on the amendments until two hours before the close of the session. The amended bill as it passed both houses provided for a commission composed of the governor, attorney general, state treasurer, and a citizen from each congressional district and one from the state at large to be appointed by the governor. The commission was empowered to erect a terminal elevator or terminal elevators within the state and the appropriation of \$300,000 was provided to include the \$120,000 which is now in the terminal elevator fund. The balance of the appropriation was to be raised by direct taxation.

Gives Five Reasons.

Governor Frazier in his veto message gives five reasons for vetoing the measure. He takes exception to the direct taxation features of the bill and to the fact that \$300,000 would not be sufficient. He states that such a terminal elevator without a mill to experiment to show the value of such state ownership of such institution would be of little or no value. He also states that he is satisfied that the people of the state would take no pride in building such an institution outside of the state, as could be done under the terms of the bill, where the elevator would not be under the control of the laws of this state.

He further states that he withholds his approval for the reason that the legislature appropriated money in excess of the state's available funds.

MINNESOTA GUARDSMAN GETS FIVE YEARS FOR INDISCREET LETTER

Minneapolis, Minn., March 6.—Officers of the First Minnesota Infantry, returning to Fort Snelling today from the Mexican border, announced that Paul L. Scharfenberg of St. Paul, a private in L. company, First Minnesota infantry, was sentenced to five years imprisonment at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, Feb. 15, by a court martial of regular army officers sitting at San Antonio, Texas, for furnishing military information to Germany.

A letter addressed to relatives in Germany, asserting that ten million Germans in this country were ready to rise up against the government in the event of war with Germany, was intercepted by British authorities and turned over to Washington officials, according to statements by the officers. Scharfenberg is a native of Germany.

Colonel Erie D. Luce, commanding the regiment, and Captain P. L. McClay, regimental adjutant, in confirming the story of Scharfenberg's activities, declared that he had predicted in his letter that President Wilson would "soon be put out of the way," and had stated that the "100,000 troops on the border would not stand up if put against an efficient force."

GRAND FORKS LODGE SCORES SENATOR GRONNA

Grand Forks, N. D., March 6.—Scoring Senator A. J. Gronna for the stand he has taken in opposition to President Wilson's foreign policy and declaring that the action of the senator did not represent the sentiment of North Dakota citizens, members of the Uniform rank, local order of Knights of Pythias, today forwarded to the president an indorsement of his treatment of international affairs.

Messrs. Norberg and Doud of Tolley and Lano, the "tall pine" from Mohall, were in the city last night, attending a meeting of Tyrian Chapter, No. 14, R. A. M.

Dr. Windell of Williston is reported seriously ill from rheumatism and tonsillitis. He submitted to an operation for the removal of his tonsils Tuesday and hopes that his rheumatism will now vanish.

AFTER FIVE MONTHS HE FINDS THAT HIS HENS ARE CAPONS

Kansas City, Mo., March 4.—In an effort to beat the high cost of living, Arnold Hoffman of Kansas City, amateur poultry raiser, bought a half dozen "hens." For five months he fed them, but got no eggs. An expert poultry raiser now tells him the "hens" are capons.

Shrine Ball April 11.

The Shriners of this city have laid plans for their first annual ball at the Masonic Temple, Wednesday evening, April 11. Special decorations in the Shrine colors will be arranged and the committee will leave nothing undone to make the ball a success.

HUSTON WINS INTER-COLLEGIATE CONTEST

Well Known Ward County Young Man Wins \$75 Watch and Will Represent State at St. Louis Contest.

Representing the University of North Dakota, Howard Huston competed in the annual contest of the North Dakota oratorical league Thursday night at Wahpeton, and was awarded first place. Mr. Huston used as his subject, "America's Last Frontier."

Five educational institutions were represented in the contest, Hewitson of Fargo college, Thorfinson of the Agricultural college, Alec Ripple of Jamestown college, and Birkholz of the Wahpeton science school. Hewitson was awarded second prize.

Besides winning the collegiate championship of North Dakota, Huston will be presented with a \$75 gold watch, a gift from the state A. F. & A. M. of the Masonic bodies.

As a result of his victory, Huston becomes the delegate representing the North Dakota educational institutions to attend the annual contest of the Western Oratorical league which will be held in St. Louis late this spring.

Mr. Huston's many friends in this section of the state, who have been aware of his ability as an orator, are not surprised at the honors given him, nevertheless are highly pleased over his latest accomplishment.

EMMETT F. MIX DIES SUDDENLY IN MONT.

Former Resident of Minot, in Employ of Minot Grocery Co., Died Suddenly.

Grand Forks, N. D., March 2.—The body of Emmett F. Mix, who passed away suddenly Thursday morning at his home in Billings, Mont., is expected to arrive here this evening, accompanied by his widow.

The funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock on Saturday afternoon at the home of his sister, Mrs. W. E. Fuller, of Belmont avenue.

Deceased was a former resident of this city.

Emmett Mix was employed as salesman by the Minot Grocery Co. of this city in the early days. He was a member of Star in the West Lodge A. F. & A. M.

NEW REAL ESTATE FIRM FOR MINOT

Stoudt Bros. & Stoudt Form Company and Engage in Loan, Insurance and Real Estate Business.

Stoudt Bros. & Stoudt, well known Minot citizens, have formed a real estate, loan and insurance company and have secured temporary quarters in the Citizens Bank block.

One of the members of the company, John Stoudt, has resided in Minot for a good many years. For the past eight years he has represented the Minnesota Fire Insurance Co., as special agent for this section of the state, and as such he has made a splendid record.

His brother, Ernest Stoudt, came to Minot about a year ago and for some time was engaged as field man for the Union National bank. He has resided in North Dakota for the past twenty-four years, having been engaged in the mercantile business at Page for the greater part of the time until coming to Minot. He, too, is a businessman of experience and has made a big success.

Karl N. Stoudt, son of John Stoudt, grew up in this city, completed the course in our schools and has been practicing law for several years with decided success. Minot has watched his advancement with a good deal of pleasure and interest. He will have charge of the legal end of the business and will continue to look after his fast growing legal practice.

MELVIN FAUCHALD WEDS GRACE BURGESS

Son of Julius Fauchald Takes Well Known Velva Girl for His Bride.

Melvin Fauchald, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Fauchald, was united in marriage Wednesday afternoon to Miss Grace Burgess, a charming Minot young woman, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Burgess. The wedding ceremony was performed at the beautiful home of the bride's parents in Eastwood Park at two o'clock Wednesday afternoon in the presence of the immediate members of the families and a few of their most intimate friends. The ceremony was performed by Rev. P. W. Erickson, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of this city, in the music room, under an arch and wedding bell trimmed in white daisies.

The bride, gowned in a white Georgette Crepe over satin, trimmed in lace and pearls, never appeared more charming. She wore a veil of Maline and forget-me-nots and carried a bouquet of bridal roses.

"O, Promise Me," was sung by Miss Nora Fauchald, eldest sister of the groom, who possesses a rich, well cultivated soprano voice, after which the wedding march was played and the bride was given away by her father, Reginald Burgess, a brother of the bride, acted as groomsman and Miss Marie Fauchald, sister of the groom, was bridesmaid. She was gowned in a gray Georgette Crepe over satin, and carried pink roses. Miss Leona Severson, of Velva, a girlhood chum of the bride, was maid of honor. She was becomingly attired in a cream colored gown and wore pink roses.

The color scheme for the decorations throughout was pink and white. Pink and white roses appeared on the dining table and in the center was the usual bride's cake. A three course wedding dinner was served.

The out-of-town guests included Miss Jennie M. Anderson of Carrington and Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Burgess of Velva.

The bride grew to womanhood in Velva, graduating from the Velva high school in 1916. She came with her parents to Minot in June. She has been very active in church work and social affairs and is a decided favorite with both old and young.

The groom has resided in Minot all his life. He is a young man of the very best of habits who has shown the very highest business qualifications. He has charge of one of the departments of the New York Department store. He has taken a prominent place in Minot's musical circles, being one of the most accomplished violinists in the northwest.

The happy couple left for the east yesterday afternoon and will visit Niagara Falls, New York and Washington, D. C., returning about April 15, to occupy cozy quarters at the Dwire Apartments.

W. R. C. Extends Thanks for Assistance of Public.

We, the committee, and on behalf of Abraham Lincoln Post W. R. C., desire to thank the Association of Commerce for their valuable and very kind assistance rendered in extending to Co. E of Williston and Co. D of Minot such a splendid reception and banquet held on February 15th. We wish to thank the following merchants for courtesies: The New York Hardware Co., and the Lidstrom Furniture Co., also the ladies of the Methodist church, the Normal School Glee Club, the Knights of Pythias for entertainment following the banquet, and all others who in any manner assisted to make the home coming of our soldier boys the occasion of a royal welcome.

FANNIE A. VALKER, JANE M. MAXHAM, METTA McKONE.

OLD TIME TEACHER RELIES TO GEO. T. MURRAY

Towner, N. D., March 6, 1917. Editor Independent:

In your last issue you printed a very interesting letter from George Murray of Berthold. Some accident had happened that folded up a corner of the page, and I could not read a blank, but in what I did read, Mr. Murray has misunderstood very much the purpose of one of our North Dakota laws, and his figures as to waste of funds, and more to be wasted, made me think of the shield that hangs so that one knight saw the silver lining and the other saw the golden.

Permit me to show Mr. Murray the other side. The point in question is the law that permits a school district to pay the salary of a teacher while she attends inspirational meetings, such as the Northwestern Teachers association that will convene in Minot April 5 and 6.

Mr. Murray thinks she should do so at her own expense. Well, I did so in '91, '92, '93, '94 and up to the passage of the law, and I walked from St. Mary's, above Burlington, to Minot many a time. Oh yes, many a time, on a Saturday, a farmer going to market would give me a ride. Several of Minot's citizens will vouch for this. Attorney C. A. Johnson, who helped with the Reading Circle, and Attorney Jim Johnson, who was chairman of the board I served for a while, and my very good neighbor and kind friend all the while.

In those days Miss Webber rode her pony and so did Miss Jennie Strong, now Mrs. Nels Muss of Velva.

But the majority of the growing teachers in Ward and McHenry Counties had small salaries and short terms. I don't know from what corner Mr. Murray came to Berthold, but to do know Mr. James Falconer came from a cultured corner in Michigan and we have had recruits all these years from Indiana, Illinois, Ohio, and even Pennsylvania. They had had access to good schools back home; some of them brought degrees, and some didn't. Well I remember when I hinted gently to one pretty maid that North Dakota required civics for a 3rd grade certificate, and she had better not sit up too late at the dancing party Towner young men had organized to welcome these bonnie lassies (in 1900) she tossed her head scornfully and said she came from an Indiana school. So she faced the examination next day, and did not take out a good second grade, as some maids from the district schools did.

So North Dakota has always set the scale high (when county superintendents needed votes, as well as teachers, did not grant too many permits) and it was a generous policy that said "Let us bring our teachers to the meetings, they will do so much better work for our boys and girls. Let us sow if we hope to reap." And school directors will tell you that the teacher, man or woman, who has the grit to get up and go to meet other teachers, hear good addresses, and talk over knotty problems, will inspire the school. It costs the district money, and it amounts to a mighty total for the county and the state, but I do not believe it adds 2 mills to the taxes in any district. Indeed, our tax payers would be investing well if they would put a house beside every school, and encourage a young man to marry and make teaching his life work. His wife could, if she so pleased, teach the primary grades, home economics and sewing, while her husband taught gardening and manual training. The pensions he pays his share of, would be good insurance for old age. A school house for a home would match our fine farm houses and barns. So I hope to see every teacher in the Northwest at Minot April 6.

—Jean McNaughton Stevens.

Hens Worth Their Weight in Gold.

D. S. Petry, from near Surrey, was in this office Saturday and reported that since Dec. 15, he had marketed 101 dozen eggs laid by 80 hens, selling the product from 50 to 60 cents a dozen. He has Buff and White Orpingtons and believes that the secret of his success is the fact that last fall after his hens started moulting, he fed them well on a poultry tonic and gave them plenty of oyster shells. His poultry house, of course, is warm.

E. E. Kunkle, formerly of Norwich, is now engaged in conducting a garage in company with his brother-in-law, Mr. Loudon, at Kimball, Minn., and gives a special invitation to his friends to make that place their headquarters should they pass thru the city.

SITE BOUGHT FOR GENERAL HOSPITAL

Valuable Plot 250x215 Selected for New \$100,000 Building to be Constructed This Year.

The directors of the Minot General Hospital Association met last night and bought the site for the new \$100,000 hospital which it is expected will be constructed this year.

The site, which is one of the best that could be found in the city, is located on Second Street Southwest between the Salvation Army barracks and the Virginia Apartments. It comprises 20 lots and is 250x215 feet. The directors believe that the site is even larger than is necessary, but owing to its excellent location, should it be decided to sell any portion of it, this can undoubtedly be done at a profit. One of the directors, Julius Fauchald, who is taking great interest in the proposition, has made an offer to take the site off the association's hands at any time for the price paid. The lots face the east and south. A number of residences are located on these lots. The better ones will be moved to the rear of the lots and rented for the time being.

The directors report that \$20,000 has been subscribed to date for the association. Committees will be out tomorrow and it is believed that little trouble will be found in financing the proposition. Some of Minot's very best businessmen are behind the plan. The main building, which is to be built this year, will cost \$100,000, and plans are being prepared so that a wing can be built on either side. Lawns will be laid out and trees planted.

Minot can undoubtedly support a hospital of this kind. This city should become the hospital center of the northwest and there is no question but what two or three first class institutions of this kind will receive plenty of patients.

MEXICAN QUIETLY PUT OUT OF WAY

W. H. Reighart Says that Hundreds of Mexicans Are Given a Nice, Quiet Funeral.

W. H. Reighart has returned from San Antonio, Texas, where he spent the winter with his wife and mother-in-law, Mrs. Olive Wright. Mrs. Reighart will not return for several weeks.

Mr. Reighart was in San Antonio at the time that General Funston died and witnessed a part of the funeral ceremonies, which were of a very simple, yet impressive nature. The General's remains lay in state for a time where the public could see them.

Speaking of the Mexican situation along the border, Mr. Reighart stated that the ranchers were holding the Mexicans level. Whenever a Mexican comes sneaking along this side of the border, he is very apt to fall a victim to a cowboy's gun. Hundreds of Mexicans have been shot, and their bodies tossed aside into the mesquite to become food for the crows, he says, and nothing is ever told of these occurrences in the columns of the newspapers.

HENRY HALL MAKES WORLD'S RECORD SKI JUMP OF 203 FEET

Steamboat Springs, Colo., March 3.—The world's record jump of 192 feet 9 inches, set last year by Ragnar Omtved of Chicago, was broken at the ski carnival here Friday by Henry Hall of Steamboat Springs, who made a jump of 203 feet.

First money, however, was awarded on points to Anders Haugen of Chippewa Falls, Wis., who jumped 190 feet.

Hall received second prize, Omtved third.

Local ski jumpers will be interested in the above. The winners in the tournament mentioned above are well known to many of the ski jumpers of this section of the state.

Had our own scaffold stood up in the face of the terrific storm which blew it down a day or two before the tournament Feb. 7, the results would have been different. Next year a scaffold will be erected which will give the spectators the chills when the boys make their jumps.

Wife of Former Minot Man Died in Portland, Ore.

Mrs. Robert Evans, Jr., passed away at her home in Portland, Ore., Sunday, March 4, at 12 o'clock M., following a congestive chill contracted the Thursday before.

Mrs. Evans was the wife of a former Minot citizen, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. C. Evans of Brady and a brother of Mrs. G. D. Colcord of this city. Many will remember Mr. Evans who spent several weeks in this city last summer, but his wife had never visited here.

The many friends of Mr. Evans extend sincerest sympathy.

Former Glenburnite Limited Time for Own Funeral Sermon.

Frank W. Moses, who with his sons was engaged in the real estate business fourteen years ago at Glenburn, died recently at Clearwater, Neb., where he had made his home for years. Mr. Moses was conscious to the end and selected his pall bearers, the songs to be sung at the funeral and the minister, and limited the pastor to a 25-minute talk.

MEXICAN, GERMAN AND JAPANESE STATESMEN NAMED IN STORY OF ANTI-AMERICAN PLOT



In the picture reproduced herewith are shown four of the men whose names were mentioned prominently in

the report that Germany, in planning unrestricted submarine warfare and counting its consequences, proposed

an alliance with Mexico and Japan to make war on the United States if this country should not remain neutral. They are: 1. Baron von Schoen, formerly secretary of the German embassy in Washington, transferred to Mexico with out explanation; 2. Alfred Zimmerman, German minister of foreign affairs, who sent the note to the German minister in Mexico; 3. Aima-ro Sato, Japanese ambassador to the United States, whose office declared the proposal "absolutely impossible"; 4. Luis Cabrera, Carranza's minister of finance, known to be anti-American and said to have knowledge of the proposed arrangement.