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## COMMISSION IS ORGANIZED

The first meetin of the City Commissioners since election met Tuesday evening and organized. As there was no change in the membership of the board, practically the same city organization will continue as in the past, with the exception of city attorney. Attorney Fred J. Trainor was appointed city attorney instead of Siver Serungard, and Mr. Trainor acts in this capacity without pay.

The following is the personnel of the board:

President, A. L. Johnson;  
Vice President and commissioner of water and sewers, E. F. Flynn;  
Finance and Revenue, Fred Mann;  
Fire and Police, W. F. Hocking;  
Streets and Public Improvement, L. H. Mundt.

The various city appointments remain the same as last year.

All banks of the city were designated depositories, and the city auditor was instructed to ask a sufficient bond from each bank.

The Devils Lake Journal was made the official paper for the city.

Several complaints have been made to the commissioners relating to the promiscuous carrying and using of fire arms in the city limits, and the board decided to see that the city ordinance along this line were strictly enforced from this time on.

## TO FARMERS OF THE STATE

I am writing this short note to call the attention of the farmers of the state to fact that there are certain unscrupulous dealers in seed running about the state, making sales, showing samples of rather good stuff and apparently delivering samples of very poor seed. It seems necessary that farmers should be on their guard in these matters.

In making purchases of expensive seed, such as clover, alfalfa, new varieties, etc., in which high prices are charged, it is particularly wise that you have a man give references and you should be sufficiently fore-handed in your business methods to require him to submit samples long enough before you buy to have them properly examined and tested. This is especially true with regard to alfalfa in which there is apt to be seeds of the alfalfa pest known as dodder.

The North Dakota Pure Seed Laboratory can help you very materially if you submit samples before you buy, but if you buy before you submit the samples, the process of correcting the matter is much more difficult.—H. L. Boelly, State Seed Commissioner.

## COLD MEDAL FOR GRAIN GROWERS

North Dakota Improved Seed Growers and Others Take Notice:—As secretary of the North Dakota Improved Seed Growers' Association, I am authorized to announce that there will be given a very fine gold medal to the North Dakota farmer who grows the finest field of Durum wheat; also a gold medal for the farmer who produces the best field of oats. These prizes are to be won on the basis of acreage, yield per acre, quality of seed produced, and the proper saving and storing of the same.

The terms relative to this contest and the nature of the gold medal, etc. will be given later. Any member of the Seed Association will be eligible to this contest on his present membership, and any farmer in North Dakota who wishes to enter the contest, may do so by sending in the membership fee to the North Dakota Improved Seed Growers Association. It will be quite an honor to win these gold medals. They will be very beautiful and valuable souvenirs of the results of your work.

The seed from these fields will also be eligible for the regular annual Seed growers Contest.

Lay out your plans for winning the prize. Remember that to win such a

prize it will be necessary to raise the durum wheat free from other varieties. Pull out the false heads. Harvest it in such a manner that it will be hard and bright colored. The oats must be free from wild oats and other tame oats. It must be well harvested free from moulds, plump and heavy.

Send in your application for entry, and \$1, which will also entitle you to membership in the North Dakota Improved Seed Growers Association.

Address: H. L. Boelly, Secretary, North Dakota Improved Seed Growers Association, Agricultural College P. O., N. Dak.

## HOTEL BURNED AT BOWBELLS

Bowbells, N. D., April 22.—Fire of unknown origin completely destroyed the Burke hotel building in this city belonging to A. C. Wiper. The fire had gained a big headway before being discovered and none of the contents were saved. The building was a two-story affair with a 50 foot front and was about 50 foot long. The lower floor was used by Ed Ray who conducted a cafe therein, while the upper story was used by the Bowbells Whist club.

## KICK FROM HORSE BREAKS HIS JAW

Frank Pollen, who works for B. E. Burt, near Southam, was brought to the city yesterday by Mr. Burt, and was taken to Drs. McGurran & Drew, where an examination disclosed a very badly broken jaw, caused by a kick from a horse. The jaw was split at the chin, and in order to be properly set it was found necessary to drill the two parts in order to wire them together. He was made as comfortable as possible, but for the next few days he will have to take his nourishment through a rubber tube inserted in his nose.

## PRES. GARFIELD UNDERSTOOD ADVERTISING

The following interesting story about President Garfield is told in the May American Magazine:

"James R. Garfield, of Cleveland, son of the late President Garfield, told one of the editors of the American Magazine the following story about traveling in 1878 as a boy with his father who was campaigning. One night, after a speech in Michigan, young Garfield said to his father:

"Why do you repeat so much? Do you know you said the same thing several times tonight? Do you know that you said the same things tonight that you said this afternoon in Detroit? General Garfield made this reply: "You happen to be an especially interested party and notice these repetitions. Others do not. I repeat the same statements deliberately in order that the people may finally get them. Anything that I want an audience to get and remember I repeat several times—in somewhat different form perhaps. This practice I have developed out of my experience which has shown me that people's attention is distracted in various ways and that a first or second statement may not get to them. You must insist on an idea if you want to get anywhere with it."

## DEATH KNELL FOR SUFFRAGE

HOUSE REJECTS RESOLUTION TO SUBMIT IT TO PEOPLE IN WISCONSIN.

Madison, Wis., April 22.—The death knell of woman suffrage at this legislature was sounded today when the house rejected the Bradley resolution to submit the question to the people.

## MANY AUTOS IN N. DAK.

Bismarck, April 22.—Working overtime the clerks in charge of the issuance of auto licenses find it impossible to keep up. During this month over three thousand applications for auto licenses have been received and so unusual is the number that Chief Clerk Walla finds it impossible to get caught up.

It is expected that at least 22,000 licenses will be issued during the current year which will far exceed the number ever issued in the state before. The number of applications to the 15th of this month exceed the total applications ever made before in any one month and there seems to be little likelihood of the steady stream letting up. Many of the auto owners of the state have apparently put off the securing of their license tags until the roads opened up, but the fine weather of the last few days has brought them all in with a rush.

## CONDITIONS NOT "ROSY" IN CAN.

Minot, April 22.—D. H. Cady, Minot contractor and transfer man, has just received a letter from his brother, Mr. Charles W. Cady, a civil engineer stationed at Sedley, Sask., which indicates that conditions are not exactly "rosy" in the dominion. The writer states that hundreds of men are out of employment and that business of all sorts is at a standstill.

## DEBS TO BE HERE IN JUNE

Socialists of North Dakota are taking great interest in the coming of Eugene V. Debs who will make a tour of the state the third week in June. The man who has thrice lead the party as presidential candidate will be given a rousing welcome in Devils Lake, according to present plans. The socialist champion is scheduled to speak at the Chautauqua auditorium June 16 in the afternoon and plans already being perfected by the party leaders for securing six special trains to bring

delegations from every branch line as well as points on the main line.

Debs will also speak at Bismarck, Garrison, Esmond, Minot and Williston, going from there to Thief River Falls, Minn.

Arthur A. Powell, the local manager for the Curtis Publishing Co., left Monday for St. Paul, where he will attend a convention of the Curtis circulating agents from all parts of North Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin, South Dakota, a part of Michigan and the province of Manitoba. Besides business, there will be considerable pleasure connected with this convention.

## IMPROVEMENTS AT THE CHARLES

As soon as the show is over Saturday night the new management of the Charles theatre will start in making some needed improvements, and will hope to have the same in shape so as not to miss a night with this popular play house. The seats will be taken out and the floor raised so that the seats will be elevated and two aisles will be used instead of the one. The new management, Messrs. Turner and Olson, propose to give the public the most for their money that they can get in any play house. They are putting on some exceptionally strong pictures, which are attracting much attention.

## MIKE ULICK IS BOUND OVER

When the hearing of Michael Ulick came up before Judge Guergens Monday afternoon he waived examination and was bound over on each of the two charges against him in the sum of \$5,000 in each case. The charges are assault with intent to kill, and also assault against the person of the Wessels girl. His case will come up at the next term of District Court. Geo. D. Kelly of Lakota and John F. Cowan of this city will be on the defense.

Get busy and poison the gophers. It will make you big money. A few dollars spent now will be the means of saving your crops from these little pests.

The many friends of Mrs. R. Goer will be sorry to learn that she has been compelled to return to Mercy hospital for further treatment.

## GOLDEN RULE PRESIDENT HERE

J. C. PENNEY OF THE GOLDEN RULE LINE OF STORES VISITS OUR CITY FOR FIRST TIME.

The first of the week, J. C. Penney, who is president of a company who own and operate 83 stores in the United States, the Golden Rule of this city being one of them, was here and spent a day inspecting the new store and looking over the country and city. He is on a tour of inspection and up to this time has visited 63 of their stores, and expects to visit the balance of them before returning to New York City. This company now have four stores in operation in this state and expect to put in more. This was his first visit to this city and he was much pleased with the outlook for business and the way he was received here. Manager Clausen of the local store showed him about some and made him acquainted with several of our people.

## D. L. FLOUR IS IN WAR ZONE

According to information sent to Thos. Anderson of the Farmers Mill in this city, the car load of flour which was sent from here in the winter to Belgium has arrived at Rotterdam, and was in first class condition and probably by this time it is being distributed to the needy Belgians. The word was sent by Wm. C. Edgar, trustee at Rotterdam.

## ROOSEVELT IS BEING SUED

Syracuse, N. Y., April 21.—Theodore Roosevelt and William Barnes faced each other in the supreme court when Barnes' suit for libel, demanding \$50,000 against the former president was called for trial. Barnes and Roosevelt sat at adjoining tables. Neither paid any attention to the other. The examination of witnesses in the special panel of seventy-five called for the case, began as soon as Justice

Andrews ascended the bench and opened the court.

The colonel seemed to be intensely interested in the answers given by the talesmen. He leaned far across the table in front of him so as to catch every word they said.

While Dan Kelly does not profess to be much of a hunter, he has come to the conclusion that the gophers are too plenty, and accordingly left the first of the week for his farm near Bisbee, where he will enjoy himself for a few days poisoning and shooting these pesky little fellows.

## THAW CASE IS REVERSED

New York, April 21.—Supreme Court Justice Hendrick reversed the decision to day on the application of counsel for Harry K. Thaw for a jury trial to determine Thaw's sanity. He requested counsel to submit briefs, and announced he would return his decision before next Thursday. That date was fixed for the re-appearance of counsel before him on the writ of habeas corpus upon which the application is based. If the justice's decision favors Thaw, the date for the hearing will be fixed.

## HOW TO MIX GOPHER POISON

We believe that the most economical gopher poison is strychnine and if the following will be carried out you will get all the gophers on any lands where the poison is put out.

Take 1-8 bottles of strychnine and put into a small can, a tomato can will do, pour on about a pint of boiling water and stir until you are sure that the strychnine is all dissolved. Take a 12-quart pail and fill nearly half full of hot water and then pour in your poisoned water and stir up. Add about 1 pint of cheap syrup. Then stir in ground oats or ground barley as long as the water will take any of the grain, this should make about a pail full. Let it stand for a couple of hours. Put about a teaspoonful at every gopher hole you can find, and a little later go over the field and note the results. You will find it gets them.

## PIKE MADE COMMANDER

ELECTED HEAD OF ORGANIZATION AT BISMARCK CONCLAVE TO-DAY.

Bismarck, April 21.—Grand Forks was chosen as the place for holding the next annual meeting of the grand commandery of the Knights Templar of North Dakota, the 1915 meeting being in progress here today.

Geo. M. Pike of New Rockford was elected grand commander, Frank White of Valley City deputy grand commander, and W. L. Stockwell of Fargo, grand recorder.

There are seventeen commanderies represented at the meetings here. The closing session of the two day convention will be held this evening.

J. G. Kavanaugh and A. Anderson of Edmore were here on business yesterday.

## OFFICIALS FACE SERIOUS CHARGE

Washington, April 13.—The officials of the treasury department and the Riggs National bank are preparing for a legal battle to follow the proceedings begun by the bank yesterday to enjoin Secretary McAdoo and Comptroller of the Currency Williams from alleged prosecution of that institution. The next legal step is expected Friday when McAdoo, Williams and United States Treasurer Burke, must make answer to the complaint of the bank and its prayer for injunctions.

## LEO FRANK LOSES APPEAL

Washington, April 21.—Leo M. Frank, convicted of murdering Mary Phallen, at Atlanta, Ga., factory girl, lost his habeas corpus case in the federal supreme court today, the court deciding against him.

It is believed that only the state pardon officials of Georgia can save Frank from the death penalty.

Justice Pitney delivered the opinion of the court and concluded as follows: "In all the proceedings in the courts of Georgia the fullest right and opportunity to be heard, according to the established modes of procedure, were accorded him."

By direction, the court dismissed Frank's appeal from the federal court of Georgia, which refused to release him on writ of habeas corpus. Frank contended "alleged mob violence" at his trial, and the fact that he was absent from the court room when the jury returned its verdict, removed him from the jurisdiction of the court of Georgia.

The majority opinion of the supreme court today rejected all these contentions and declared that Frank had enjoyed all his legal rights in the Georgia court.

Justices Holmes and Hughes dissented.

## ORTON GETS A LIFE SENTENCE

Last Saturday Clarence Orton, who recently made a full confession to the murder of John Scott, an aged farmer near Hansboro, Towner county was taken before Judge Buttz at Cando and was given a life sentence in the state penitentiary. He is a young man of only 23 years, and has lived with his parents near Hansboro for many years. He killed the old man for what little money and personal property he had, and then circulated the report that he had left the country after giving Orton a bill of sale of his personal property. Nothing was thought of this for some time, but finally the neighbors became suspicious and a thorough investigation was made and the body of the murdered man was found buried in a manure pile on the farm. Suspicion pointed to young Orton and he was arrested and made a full confession and plead guilty and is now safely in the penitentiary. It was justice as only a few days elapsed between the time of his arrest and his landing in Bismarck. It was one of the most cold blooded murders that was ever committed in this part of the state.

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## ROAD DRAG IS EFFECTIVE

The road drag is the most effective single tool yet invented for maintaining a good road bed. There is one principle that it works out better than any other tool and that is it lays down the soil in thin layers and if it is wet it puddles it, which means that it will pack hard. This results in forming a road bed that will take in very little water when it rains and also makes one that will not work up into dust. This means that to secure the best results with the road drag it should be used when the soil is wet, as after a rain, for instance, or in the spring before the roads have dried up. The road drag, if used regularly, keeps the ruts filled up, thus leaving no place for any water to stand.

The cost of using a road drag for a season has been found to vary from four to ten dollars, which is a small cost for having an almost perfect road bed. Road making is more simple in North Dakota than in states with a heavier rainfall. If the roads are kept slightly crowned when smooth and well packed they can be kept in nearly perfect condition throughout the year by using the road drag often enough to keep the ruts filled up.

Edgar Anderson and L. D. Stevens of Crary were Lake visitors Monday.

