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Anti-Townley Ticket

If you are a Republican against Socialism and Townleyism mark a cross, opposite each of the following names on the presidential primary ballot, March 16th, 1920. Each name on this list has been approved by the real Republican State Convention and the real Republican State Central Committee.

For national committeeman, Gun-
der Olson, Walsh county.

For delegates to National Repub-
lican Convention at Fargo:

Minnie J. Nielson, Barnes county.
A. A. Tostiven, Morton county.

A. T. Kraabel, Trail county.
Stallo Hendrickson, Burke county.

For Congressional Districts:

Henry McLean, Cavalier county.
E. C. Lucas, Ransom county.

Alfred Steele, Stutsman county.
E. B. Kelly, Foster county.

Oluf Lukennaard, Ward county.
A. B. Bishop, Stark county.

Pick out these ten and vote for
all of them.

The name of Mr. Sham of Minot
and Mr. McKellar of Fargo will ap-
pear on the ballot. Both gentlemen
have withdrawn and are not candi-
dates and request that their friends
do not vote for them but unite on
the ten above indicated.

For presidential electors:

L. E. Heaten, Burleigh county.
P. R. Trunshaw, Barnes county.

E. L. Garden, Bottineau county.
P. H. Cole, Ward county.

E. M. Halverson, Golden Valley
county.

Vote for all five.

Cut out this list for reference at
the polls. See that your neighbors
understand how to vote against
Townleyism.

Advertisement.

A LITERARY MASTERPIECE

The Townley kept press of this
county, the Cavalier Chronicle, de-
votes the greater part of the edi-
torial page last week to show up
the reason why the farmers of this
county pay from one to two hundred
per cent more taxes under the Town-
ley regime than they did before
their laws went into effect. He
first starts out by giving the editor
of this paper a lot of blarney by
saying that he understands that we
are as fine a fellow as ever walked
in shoe leather, etc., and then quotes
a number of things that we have
said with reference to increased
valuation of lands, etc. He tries to
infer that the increase in the value
of land which has been coming on
gradually for several years natural-
ly would increase the taxes. But he
forgets to explain why there was a
sudden raise in one year. Every
line in the article is evasive but he
makes the general allegation that
the old "gang school" is responsible
for our statements.

How a person could assimilate so
much nonsense in the same space
we are at a loss to understand. He
talks about what great things are
being done for the farmers by the
Townley program and what bright
future there is in store for the
farmers of this state if their policy
is upheld. Great guns! If doubling
the taxes, taking nearly a million
dollars from the municipalities
and city corporations in the shape
of automobile license, adding nearly
a half million dollars in gasoline tax
and putting it into the state fund
for the "Big Five" to meter out to
their political friends is of help to
the farmers of North Dakota we
are at a loss to see it.

As a matter of fact land values
have been going up with everything
else. In Iowa, Illinois and other
states value of real estate has ad-
vanced far more than they have in
this state. It is these farmers who
came from the states south of us
and the \$2.50 wheat prices that have
advanced the price of land. It is
not the Townley machine under the
guise of the Nonpartisan party.

If Editor Kelly's article should be
read by people who are familiar
with the facts regarding the mis-
management of our state affairs and
who do not know the editor of this

paper it is a question in our mind if
the send off he gave us will not
place us in bad light.

The Nonpartisan leaders met at
Cavalier last week, with a number
of delegates and passed resolutions
endorsing the action of our senator
and representative who stood by the
Townley caucus, and made arrange-
ments for looking after the primar-
ies next Tuesday. In their reso-
lutions they omitted mentioning any-
thing about the banking law, the
tax increase, the automobile and
gasoline tax, but referred to the
terminal elevator and other things
not yet tried out. In other words
their resolutions were "dealing in
futures."

COST OF WATER WORKS

Minneapolis, Feb. 25th, 1920.
Harry Miller, Mayor,
Pembina, N. D.

Dear Sir:—

We submit herewith a plat of a
portion of the city of Pembina, on
which a proposed water and sewer
system has been projected. You
will find that the sewer system is
outlined in black and the water
system in red dotted lines. The
exact size of the mains and sewer
pipe required for the various parts
of town have not been shown, as,
of course, it will be necessary to
make a survey of conditions on the
ground before final data can be
given.

An estimate has also been pre-
pared covering the approximate cost
of this system, and is as follows:

Total cost of system.....\$56,300 00
Share to be paid by the city as a
whole 26,000 00
Share to be paid by property
..... 30,000 00

This will mean approximately a
cost of from \$2.50 to \$2.80 a front
foot for lots. A 50 ft. lot, there-
fore, would be assessed for both of
these improvements from \$125.00 to
\$140.00. Corner lots where there
are mains in front and on the side
will not be assessed any more than
lots on the interior of the block.

It will be seen from the plat that
the cost of making a system that
will serve all the lots in a block
adequately will cost a little more
than it would if the lots were all
facing the streets. It will be noted
that the lots face both the streets
and the alleys, and, consequently,
require the stubs running up as far
as the alleys.

The city's share, \$26,300.00, in-
cludes \$1,000.00 for ten (10) hy-
drants and \$15,000.00 for the filtra-
tion plant, which was fully dis-
cussed in the report recently for-
warded to you and the council. Twenty
per cent of the system is also
charged to the city as a whole. This
is the usual method of having the
municipality take care of the inter-
sections. This total cost possi-
bly may seem somewhat high, but
when you take into consideration
that your high school project will
take almost twice this amount and
only directly benefit a small part of
the population, this improvement,
which will not only benefit the
health of the entire community but
also benefit it in so many other
ways, the cost does not seem exces-
sive.

We are at present making in-
quiries of the Insurance Depart-
ment of the state of North Dakota
as to the exact amount of insurance
premiums paid by your city, and as
to the changes in rates which will
take effect upon the installation of
such a system as we have suggest-
ed. This information will be for-
warded to you as soon as it is ob-
tained, and will no doubt prove of
considerable interest to you.

The village of Drayton has ap-
pointed a committee to investigate
the nearby plants. They are going
to Grafton to investigate a direct
pressure system under operation, to
Grand Forks to investigate the filtra-
tion operation of a larger town,
and to Apple, Minn., which has re-
cently installed and put into opera-
tion a filtration plant. We will
keep you informed as to the results
of this committee's investigation,
which you no doubt will be interest-
ed in.

We would appreciate being in-
formed at what time it will be con-
venient for you, and in your judg-
ment most propitious for a further
meeting at which the proposition as
a whole can be discussed by the par-
ties interested in your city. The



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Writer finds that this method of tak-
ing up propositions with the large
tax payers and business men of the
community is very desirable, as it
not only strengthens the hand of the
council, but gives the whole commu-
nity the opportunity of a full dis-
cussion of the subject.

We are sending you under separa-
te cover a brochure prepared by
this organization describing in de-
tail its scope of operation.

Trusting that this may be of in-
terest to you, and waiting an early
communication in regard to the mat-
ters above outlined, beg to re-
main,
Yours very truly,
Charles L. Pillsbury Co.,
By S. A. SIVERTS.

RED RIVER BRIDGE

Whereas, there was presented to
the board of county commissioners
at their regular January meeting a
petition signed by one third of the
resident tax payers of Pembina
county, North Dakota, in which peti-
tion is set forth the following:

That they are each and all resi-
dents and taxpayers of the county
of Pembina and state of North Da-
kota.

That the Red river of the North
is a navigable river on the eastern
line of the county of Pembina and
state of North Dakota.

That the city of Pembina, in the
county of Pembina and state of
North Dakota is located on the west
bank, and the village of St. Vincent,
state of Minnesota, is located on the
east bank of the Red river of the
North, and opposite one another.

That an immediate, great and
pressing necessity exists for a foot
and wagon bridge, substantial
enough to bear wagon, automobile,
tractor, threshing machine and simi-
lar traffic across the said Red river
of the North, between the city of
Pembina and village of St. Vincent
to accommodate the needs of the
general public.

There is now no other means of
accommodating such traffic between
said points, across said river, except
an insufficient pontoon bridge wholly
maintained by the municipalities of

the city of Pembina and the village
of St. Vincent which can be used
only at intervals during the summer
season owing to the frequent rising
of the waters on account of rains,
of the said Red river of the North.

That the location of said proposed
bridge is on the inter-state highway,
known as the "Yellow Trail," begin-
ning at Glacier Park, in the Rocky
mountains, and passing east, follow-
ing the International boundary line
as near as practical, passing through
Walhalla, Neche and Pembina, cross-
ing the Red river from Pembina to
St. Vincent and going on to War-
road, Minnesota, and intersecting
the Meridian highway, King of
Trails and Jefferson highway, all of
which international highways origi-
nate at points on the Gulf of Mexi-
co and passing through Pembina and
St. Vincent, the bridge to span the
Red river between Pembina and St.
Vincent where said pontoon bridge
is now located.

That it is estimated that the
whole cost of said bridge when com-
pleted will be the sum of \$100,000
more or less. The county of Kitt-
son in the state of Minnesota will
appropriate and furnish funds for
the payment of one half of the
whole cost of the bridge. The other
half to be provided by Pembina
county. The county to be reimburse-
d by the state of North Dakota as
to one third of the cost of the
bridge under the provisions of Sen-
ate Bill No. 201 passed for the con-
struction of the bridge.

That the consent of the govern-
ment of the United States to span
such river at said point has been
obtained.

Wherefore your petitioners pray:
That your honorable board appro-
priate from the county treasury
such a sum not exceeding one-half
the cost of such bridge.

That your honorable board ap-
point a committee from your own
numbers, as provided by law, to
meet and confer with the county
commissioners of the county of
Kittson in the state of Minnesota,
in the best possible manner, to ad-
vise and assist in the accomplish-
ment of such improvement, to se-
cure surveys of the site of such
bridge plans and specifications for
the construction of the same and
the estimate of the cost thereof,
and do all other acts necessary for
the accomplishment and completion

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of said improvement ready for traf-
fic by the 1st day of September,
1920, and to secure state and feder-
al aid therefore under the provisions
of Article 3 of Chapter 31, of the
Revised Code of North Dakota,
1913, and acts amendatory thereto,
and of Senate Bill No. 201 passed
by the Sixteenth Legislature Assem-
bly of the state of North Dakota
and other provisions of law relating
to the construction of bridges across
navigable rivers and state lines of
interstate highways.

And for which your petitioners
will ever pray:

And whereas, the said county com-
missioners did at their regular ad-
journed general meeting held on the
3rd day of March, 1920, by resolu-
tion duly adopt, order that Wednes-
day, April the 7th, 1920, be set as
the date for hearing and consider-
ing said petition.

Now therefore, in compliance with
the law in such cases made and pro-
vided, notice is hereby given that
Wednesday the 7th day of April, A.
D. 1920, a meeting of the county

commissioners in and for the coun-
ty of Pembina and state of North
Dakota, will be held at the Court
House in the city of Cavalier, said
county and state for the purpose of
hearing and considering such peti-
tion.

By order of the county commis-
sioners of Pembina county, North
Dakota.

Dated this 3rd day of March, 1920.
W. W. FELSON,
County Auditor.

Stallion for Sale or Trade.
My thoroughbred light bay Belgian
stallion is for sale or trade. Will
take another stallion in trade. Reason
for disposing of him is that he
has been on my farm until it is neces-
sary to change breed. The horse is
perfectly sound in every way and a
good foal getter. Will work in har-
ness and is perfectly gentle to handle.
C. A. DEFOR,
R. D. 1, Neche, N. D.