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Burke Writes to G. V. Citizen

Reserve Bank Members Cannot Be Compelled By Law But Farmers May Go To Member Banks in Other Towns.

United States Treasurer Burke, in a communication to one of the Citizens of the Golden Valley who is especially interested in farming, in respect to the recent publicity that has been occasioned as a result of the suggestion made by Mr. Burke to the Minneapolis branch of the Federal Reserve bank of Minneapolis has the following to say:

"I certainly hope that I was of some service in connection with the publicity recently given to the loaning of money to the farmers on warehouse receipts. I understand that in some sections the bankers are refusing to loan money. Of course, you cannot compel them to loan it. That is, you cannot compel them by law, but there are banks that are loaning the money and if a bank which is a member of the reserve system refuses to loan the money under the reserve system, to the farmer, it will have no complaint if the farmers go to a bank which is loaning money under the regulations of the Reserve board. There is nothing wrong about this. It would not be boycotting, or anything that is wrong. The farmer goes to the member bank. The bank refuses to make the loan. The farmer then goes to some member where they are making loan with warehouse receipts as security. The banks are advertising to make the loans in Williston, Harvey, Ryder and Rollette, and I presume in other places also."

All Roads Will Use Electricity

St. Louis, Oct. 20.—Prediction that all steam railroads in the United States would be electrified in the next few years, was made by M. W. Storer of New York in an address at a luncheon given to the members of the American Institute of electrical engineers, which began its national convention here.

The meeting was given over largely to the discussion of technical subjects. Philip S. Kealy of Kansas City spoke on "municipal co-operation in public utility management."

Mr. Storer, of Pittsburgh in his luncheon address said: "No railway that has been electrified has ever gone back to steam. The Pennsylvania railroad has made wonderful progress in the east in handling the heavy traffic at the rate of fifty to seventy miles per hour. The Norfolk & Western has electrified the line from Bluefield to Norfolk and is handling heavy freight trains up grade at the rate of 14 miles per hour as against seven miles steam locomotive power. The same speed is maintained in going down grade. There are more wrecks going down grade than from any other cause. Electrification eliminates down grade accidents. Electrification can handle any kind of traffic—

fast, heavy, light or slow. "Its greatest disadvantage is the first cost. Many of the cities are now demanding the electrification of railroad terminals. All this should be carefully investigated before insisting on its accomplishment. Electrification will enable all railroads to reclaim all land they occupy. It means the elimination of smoke and dirt. It eliminates the expense of rolling stock lying around in the yards."

THRESHING WILL SOON BE FINISHED.

The past ten days of excellent weather has made possible the gathering of a large amount of grain in the Golden Valley.

It is estimated that two weeks more of good weather will enable the farmers in this section to finish operations. In spite of the unfavorable weather during the early season, the yields are good and a large amount of the grain is being graded No. 1. A very noticeable feature of the marketing of grain is the large number of tractors which are put in operation for the removal of the grain to the local terminals. It is thought that because of the trouble in the Balkans and the improbability of the European war coming to a close for several months that the price of cereals will be fairly good. The financial condition of the Golden Valley was never better and it is expected that a large number of farmers will hold their grain with the expectation of better prices next season. The price of wheat advanced seven cents during the week, but the reports of the possibility of free entrance of wheat to the United States from Canada had a tendency to force a two cent decline in the price of grain.

The average yield throughout the Golden Valley ranges from 15 to as high as 30 bushels per acre. A few reports indicate that yields have been as high as 32 bushels of wheat per acre.

Rev. F. W. Gress Receives Appointment to Mandan.

At the recent Methodist conference Rev. F. W. Gress pastor of the Methodist church in this city received the word that his pastorate was to be changed. Rev. Ira E. Hamner has been chosen as his successor. Rev. W. G. Bennett will have charge of the Beach circuit.

Rev. Gress, who has received an appointment to Mandan, has been in this city the past four years.

A. C. THOMPSON'S BIG FARM SALE.

The attention of our farmer readers is again called to the big public auction sale of A. C. Thompson, which will occur at the farm two and a half miles east of the Beach cemetery, on the state line. Mr. Thompson has a very complete offering of excellent farm stock, such as horses, milk cows, hogs and poultry. A quantity of farm machinery also will be sold. As usual, free lunch and hot coffee will be served.

The chances for recovery of George Loftus, Equity leader, who was operated upon for abdominal cancer a few days ago, are fairly good. Aside from the operation, doctors for Mr. Loftus treated him with a cancer serum which may aid him in his recovery.

Black Trail Receives Attention

Proposed New Auto Highway Receives Support of Farmers and Business Men Continuous to Route.

M. L. Power, the Killdeer clothing man, was in the city during the week attending to his mercantile interests in this city. He is very enthusiastic over the proposed Black Trail which will, when completed, extend from Bowman county as far north as Williams and Divide counties, this state.

The Black Trail will cross the Northern Pacific railroad at Dickinson and proceed north at Dickinson and proceed north to Manning and Killdeer, and from Killdeer west through the most picturesque country in that section to Oakdale, thence to Alexander and across the Missouri to Williston and north again to Crosby and Ambrose.

Among those who are promoting the new trail in the Killdeer country are Messrs. Power, Lee, Brooks and Houghton, as well as several other merchants who realize the benefits which are attendant to a highway such as the proposed route.

It is said that U. L. Burdick, candidate for governor, contemplates giving the proposal every assistance possible in the territory at the north end of the route.

Now Believe In Reciprocity

Efforts Being Made in Canadian Capital to Dispense With Duty on Grain.

Minneapolis, Minn., Oct. 20.—That Canada will soon take off its tariff against American wheat, thereby automatically rendering inoperative the American import duty of 10 cents a bushel on American wheat, was the prediction made today on the floor of the Minneapolis chamber of commerce. In case such action is taken at Ottawa, the result, in the opinion of members of the chamber, will be to enlarge greatly the importance of Minneapolis as a primary cash wheat market. Prediction made today is based on information coming from Ottawa and Winnipeg.

It will not be necessary to pass legislation to remove the duty on wheat and flour under the war measures act; this can be done by an order-in-council and can be made effective in two hours. If the government decides to remove wheat duty it will not be necessary to summon parliament.

The state department has asked the Chicago packers protesting against British confiscation of their meat products shipments to neutrals to submit further evidence that the meat was not intended for Great Britain's enemies. The cases are covered in a general way in the note to London on interference with neutral trades now awaiting President Wilson's approval. Whether in addition special representation will be made on behalf of the packers, depends, it is understood, on the evidence now asked for.

T. D. Burns during the week took up residence at his farm south-west of Sentinel Butte.

Midland Lyceum Course Opens

Excellent Artists to Give First Entertainment Tomorrow Evening.

Sara Ruth Bates & Co., who will entertain at the opera house tomorrow evening under the auspices of the Midland Lyceum course of Des Moines, will without doubt furnish one of the most interesting entertainments of the present season.

Sara Ruth Bates has bubbled and laughed her way into all hearts in all territories. A violinist, Miss Curtis, in the extraordinary class, completes the feminine contingent, and a mere man, Septimus E. Barbour, with a beautiful voice, completes the company. For greater variety, if more were needed, a sketch written especially for these three is to be put on and it will be a good one. In fact, this alone explains the appearance of "a man" for the first time in Miss Bates' company.

SHIPMENTS OF WHEAT THROUGH U. S. FROM CANADA ENORMOUS.

New York, Oct. 22.—What is said by grain men to be the largest movement of Canadian wheat through the United States that has ever been recorded is now going through this port. Records of the produce exchange compiled to and including Friday, Oct. 15, show that 4,265,791 bushels have been brought here from Canada since the early part of August, and reloaded on steamships for shipment mainly to England, France and Italy.

This wheat, in order to avoid the payment of the duty of 10 cents per bushel, comes through in bond.

The total movement thru New York from August 1 to October 15 is placed at 12,111,525 bushels, of which 7,845,734 bushels were grown in the United States.

The grain men say they expect a heavy export shipment which will continue throughout the entire season or until early in January when the Argentine crop is available.

Notice to Delinquent Tax Payers.

The delinquent tax list has been turned over to me for collection with instructions to collect all. To avoid incurring expenses to and from your residence to make levy I am taking this means of notifying you that you can save that expense by calling at my office and paying the taxes which are delinquent.

If you realize the expense of livery and mileage besides expenses of levy on your personal property you will no doubt take advantage of this opportunity and call at your earliest convenience and settle up. There will be one per cent added each month.

S. A. SMITH, Sheriff of Golden Valley County, Beach, N. D.

The Farmers Co-Operative Produce Co. are now shipping produce to Billings and are enabled to compete with the farmers in that section who raise produce.

Lillian Liles, who is attending the local high school was a Sunday visitor at the home of her brother, Clyde Liles, near Williams.

Plans for Branch R. R. Being Made

Petitions to be Circulated Throughout Section to Ascertain Exact Amount That Will Be Guaranteed.

Plans are now in the making to ascertain the exact amount that may be secured in support of the proposed line in the Upper Golden Valley. The suggestions, which will no doubt bring good results, come from I. H. Claggett of this city, who proposes to have blue prints made of the locality through which the proposed line will run. The blue prints will show the exact location of the home of the owner of the land, the number of livestock and the number of acres that are owned by him, and the amount of tillable land in each area.

Accompanying the blue prints that will be tendered the railroad companies whose cooperation will be asked will be contract guarantees from the farmers interested which will indicate what they are willing to give in the way of bonus in the event a railroad is constructed through that section. Mrs. L. W. Richards of this city is among the others who have manifested a special interest in the movement and who has expressed a willingness to lend financial assistance to the proposition.

To Open New Opera House

As Soon as Electric Service is Furnished Local Manager Will Show Pictures Twice Weekly in Sentinel Butte.

Manager Smith of the opera house in conjunction with local parties in Sentinel Butte, as soon as electric service is furnished will furnish patrons of Sentinel Butte two big feature pictures each week. Manager Smith, like most managers, throughout the country, realizes that the success of the motion picture business lies in the showing of big pictures.

This has been his policy in the city for the past six months and with the addition of a new house will be enabled to furnish to his patrons and in Sentinel Butte the greatest features that are being staged. In two features a week at Sentinel Butte he will be enabled to afford service to a large patronage in the town and country who at the present time must come to this city for a good share of their entertainment.

In all probability the present opera house at Sentinel Butte will be used as a picture house.

Mr. Smith already has made arrangements for the installing in the new house of the latest model picture machine. It is expected that electric service will be furnished by Nov. 15. Most of the residences and business houses in Sentinel Butte are now ready for the arrival of the electric "juice."

MRS. HANS LARSEN IS CALLED BEYOND.

During the week occurred the death of Mrs. Hans Larsen of this city. The deceased had been in ill health for some time from a complication of troubles. Her last illness started from an attack of gall stones, occasioning other intestinal trouble which caused her rapid decline.

Mrs. Larson has lived in this section for several years. Some time ago the family disposed of their ranch and have since resided in the city. The funeral services were held from the Catholic church and the remains were placed in the Catholic cemetery here.

Chrysler to Hold Sale.

Among the large auction sales of the season is that of George Chrysler, which will take place on Oct. 27 on his ranch north and west of Baker. Some very fine live stock and modern farm machinery will be placed for sale to the highest bidder.

U. B. CONFERENCE.

The Montana conference of the United Brethren met in annual session at Glendive, Oct. 14, and continued over Sunday, the 17th, Bishop H. H. Fout, D. D., of Indianapolis, Ind., presiding.

Rev. E. J. Reed, of Stevenson, N. D., was re-elected secretary, as he has been each year since the organization of the conference in Beach, four years ago.

Ira Hawley, M. S. Bovey and Miss Ruby Douglas were chosen to report the conference to the various newspapers within its territory.

Being informed by the bishop that S. B. McVay is a member of the Iowa state conference for his moral conduct, the Montana conference and not answerable secretary to officially notify the superintendent of said Iowa conference of said McVay's conduct while in the bounds of this conference.

Rev. W. T. Kessinger, the new Beach pastor, preached two sermons to the delight of all. Beach is to be congratulated on this new addition to her Christian working force.

Rev. L. C. Hopple of Stuart, N. D., was received on his credentials from the Baptist church, and preached an edifying sermon on the closing night of the conference.

On Sunday morning the conference moved to the White Star church to combine the bishop's annual sermon and the dedication of the new church. The \$800.00 balance needed to pay for the erection and furnishing of the church, was quickly provided, and the house of worship solemnly dedicated to God.

This church is on the new graded road between Glendive and Circle. This and the Pleasant View church are perhaps the only church houses in Dawson county west of Glendive.

After the dedication service the bishop read the pastoral assignments for the coming year as follows:

Beach, W. T. Kessinger; Carlyle, H. T. Longbreak; Ollie, A. E. Landis; Shields, E. J. Reed; Yellowstone, Ira Hawley; Circle, B. F. Bean; Harlem, J. L. Higginbottom; Malta, G. L. Stine; Conference Evangelist, M. S. Bovey.

Three ministers and two laymen were appointed to act with the Bishop during the year as a council of administration as follows: Revs. Ira Hawley, A. E. Landis and W. T. Kessinger, and Messrs. Briely Douglas and E. H. Kinsey. This council will take the place of the superintendent.

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Honeymoon Disappoints Audience

Mediocre Company Occupy Boards on Monday Evening—Beach Theatre goes Disappointed With Production.

"Not to speak it profanely" respecting traveling theatrical troupes that occasionally pay the local patrons a visit and who deign to practice in the land of make believe, but the "Honey-moon" play which showed on last Monday evening at the local opera house was so utterly devoid of merit that it was an affront to one's dramatic taste.

The "play" lethargically wended through five acts. The settings of each act should have suggested that the scenes incident to the play were laid in Spain. A patient audience sat through to the finish in the hope that something real interesting might result. They were disappointed.

As scheduled, a solo dance took place during the first and second act. It was not a Spanish dance as promised. The young lady had not even the proper costume nor the proverbial castanets.

Before the funeral performance was brought to a close, one of the dashing cavaliers, before the curtain begged that criticism be withheld because of the illness of the lady who essayed the leading role. Criticism was withheld in their presence, in spite of the fact that the illness, attributed to the leading lady only, must have been transmitted to the other members of the troupe.

A poorly chosen drama in a measure accounted for the lack of interest.

With respect to an incident such as this the management of the opera house may often come in for severe criticism. It is not quite deserved, however, for the reason that it occasionally happens that mediocre performers come well recommended as in the case of the "Honey-moon" company.

Attention should be called, however, to the lack of ability of the performers so that our neighbors in every direction may be denied the discomfort of having to sit through two hours and a half of wearisome delineation.

New Enterprise in Dickinson Building

During the week Mrs. B. Davitt rented quarters in the Dickinson building across the street from the Beach State bank, which will be occupied as a modern shoe repairing parlor. Otto Wygen will have charge of the new enterprise. The new place of business is fitted with all-electric machinery necessary to an enterprise of this kind.

A young lady who has taken a special interest in the European struggle and who has some pretensions along literary lines was heard to say that in the event Great Britain should decide to secure three million more men that they would have to resort to conscription.

Messrs. Shear and Stuhf of Sentinel Butte were among those who witnessed the depiction of Graustark at the opera house on Thursday evening.

Judge Bushnell of Wibaux was among the business visitors in the city on Monday.