

N. P. WANTS STATION ON THE HIGH LINE

"TOM SMITH'S" CITY PARK TAKEN AS A TEXT BY THE "LIVE WIRES"

Unfiring Energy and Determination of Man Who Made Possible City's Recreation Ground Defines Status of Organization.

Valley City "Live Wires" are getting busy and the organization is progressing with an activity and determination that will characterize their efforts to obtain factories for this city in the campaign for population and payrolls. The press of the state has taken cognizance of the local movement, as well as commercial bodies in other cities, and "Live Wires" of Valley City who have volunteered are men who do things, and there is no danger of any other commercial organization even getting within the flag pole in the race for factories.

There is one incident in the history of Valley City that is being read into the canons of the "Live Wires." It is the history of "Tom" Smith and his campaign for a city park. The lone efforts of Tom Smith stand out as a text for "Live Wires," an example of energy and determination to emulate.

Tom Smith started a campaign for a city park. Then he kept it up. He worked at it night and day and talked it, wrote it, made signs like a park if a man refused to understand. He buttonholed every man he met on the street, he walked with them and talked with them. He visited the fraternal lodges, churches, ladies' aid societies, women's clubs, all the time talking city park. Conversation began with "the city park" and conversation ended with "the city park." He hammered away at the city park, knocking obstacles, objections and discouragement to the four winds with an onward stride. He ignored all argument against the city park and went on, never flinching in the strenuous campaign he had mapped

out for himself. He had the one object in view, a city park for Valley City, and he was determined to succeed.

Tom Smith Wins
The beautiful city park which Valley City now boasts, the first point of attraction shown visitors, the play and recreation ground of old and young, was the result. It is Tom Smith's park. It was his energy and determination that made it possible. It was his unfiring, ceaseless efforts that aroused the citizens of Valley City and won them over to his idea. All of Valley City is now proud of the city park, proud of Tom Smith and proud of the fact that they helped build the park.

Tom Smith's accomplishment is a definition of the "Live Wire" movement. If one Tom Smith can build a beautiful city park, can not a band of Tom Smiths obtain factories for Valley City? All the "Live Wire" volunteers are Tom Smiths, none other are eligible for membership and none other are wanted.

The fact that a company was in Valley City looking for a location for a \$150,000 plant to manufacture building tile and brick was printed in every daily newspaper in the state illustrates the interest those cities take in the industrial development of their neighbors, and will no doubt stimulate their commercial organizations into more activity. But that is what "Live Wires" want. They want it known that Valley City occupies a conspicuous place on the map of industry and wealth, and their purpose is to keep it in that advantageous place.

Mayor Sweet Mum On Third State "Party"

DECLINES TO DISCUSS STATE ISSUES TO CROWD OF TWO DOZEN AT COURT HOUSE.

Owing to the lack of enthusiasm, and the general disinclination to popularly approve the third state "party" movement, and the pronounced apathy in the Sweet gubernatorial campaign, and the indifference of Valley City citizens, also the inclement weather, Fargo's mayor did not muster much of a crowd at the court house last night. By actual count there were twenty-four men and a boy in the audience when the mayor began speaking at 8:30. When the curfew whistle blew at 9 o'clock, there had been added to the audience six more voters, making a total of thirty at the meeting.

Disappointment was expressed because Mayor Sweet said nothing about the third state "party" its purpose or its candidate for governor. Those who did attend the meeting wanted to hear something about the state movement and listen to an explanation as to why it was thought necessary by Mr. Lauder and Mr. Carroll and other leaders of the "party" to place a third ticket in the field to uphold the cause of progressiveness when a preponderance of voters in the state are already lined up in a progressive movement in the Republican party.

Nothing on State Issues.
So far as Mayor Sweet's address was concerned, had the audience not previously been informed that he was a candidate for governor and principal exponent for the third state "party" none would have known of its existence and all would have believed the mayor was merely taking the stump for the National Progressive Party in behalf of Colonel Roosevelt. There was another speaker on the program, Judge Noah Allen, of Texas, an able orator sent here to speak on the national issues in behalf of Colonel Roosevelt, and the audience naturally expected Mayor Sweet would confine his address to state issues and the third state "party," leaving the national questions to Judge Allen, a man well informed on those topics and familiar with the National Progressive movement and its significance.

Mayor Sweet was applauded when he sat down but Judge Allen's speech was interrupted with clapping of hands, although he was subordinated at the meeting by Mayor Sweet.

NOLTIMER TOWNSHIP
Sept. 26.—Rain and snow, cold and cloudy every day, and the fields are standing full of shocks. It looks as if no more threshing will be done this fall.

Oscar Anderson and brother, Peter, were callers in Valley last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Severt W. Anderson were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Larson Sunday.

Mr. Lindquist was a caller and visitor Sunday at Andrew Sunde's home.

B. C. Grotberg has purchased another forty horsepower Buick automobile.

Mr. Sam Larson finished cutting some of his barley last week.

Willie Luzader is a frequent visitor at the home of Sam Larson's.

Mr. Robert Wittenberg and Miss Anna Schmidt perpetrated a surprise on their relations and friends by going to Valley City Friday morning without telling anyone, and were married by Judge Moe.

Mesdames Fred and Bill Schulz were at Fargo a few days last week.

Rev. Gerd. Bruns of Gardina, N. D., spent a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Bruns, last week.

Misses Martha and Mary Marshall spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Perchow. As rumor goes there Miss LaZetta Nottimier is soon to become the bride of Mr. C. Creighton of Spiritwood, N. D.

Mr. Rhenhold Schulz was a Valley City caller last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Theil Raveling were Valley City shoppers last Thursday.

Ferdinand Utke and Edd Albrecht spent Sunday at Paul Utke's.

Rain, rain, nothing but rain in Barnes county for the last two weeks. Everybody is hoping for better weather so threshing can be finished.

Big Clay Products Plant Step Nearer

SAMPLES TAKEN LAST WEEK GOOD AND CAPITALIST IS HERE AGAIN.

Valley City is one step nearer to a \$150,000 clay products plant with the arrival of S. L. Davidson in the city this morning to conduct further investigations of the clay deposits in the surrounding hills. The clay here is the right quality, according to Mr. Davidson, and the question now to be determined is whether or not it is in sufficient quantity to warrant the erection of a plant and keep it going day and night every day in the year. Last week Mr. Davidson and a party of St. Paul capitalists were here and took samples of clay from several of the deposits to work up into tile and brick for the purpose of giving it a physical test of strength. The results were so favorable and the clay proved of such excellent quality that Mr. Davidson returned to Valley City this morning for the purpose of ascertaining the amount of clay in the deposits and if the quality holds out in the beds.

He has two men hired to bore deep into the clay beds and take samples all the way down. He will also prospect deposits from which no samples were taken last week, covering all the surrounding hills to ascertain just what there is in them.

Lee Combs Stirs Commercial Club

VIGOROUS SPEECH IN BEHALF OF CITY RECEIVED WITH GREAT ENTHUSIASM.

The Commercial club entertained one of the largest crowds at its luncheon at noon today in the history of the organization. Lee Combs was the speaker and he did all he promised—stirred up the members to renewed activity and interest in the welfare and development of Valley City.

His subject, "Local Laconics," covered all the important features of municipal betterment, and was well received by an interested and enthusiastic audience. It was expanded into the subtopics "What we have," "What we have not," and "What we need." He mentioned the State Normal school, maintained at an expense of \$1,000 a day, and said the business men ought to be more interested in its further development. He complimented the public schools, contending that they are second to none in the state and urging further co-operation to make them still better. He alluded to the flour mills with 1,800 barrels to capacity a day and paid tribute to the beautiful city park.

Build Good Roads
On good roads Mr. Combs explained the Minnesota method whereby one fourth of the expense is borne by the property owners benefited, one fourth by the county and one half by the state. He urged a similar method in building good roads in North Dakota.

Taking up the labor problem that confronts the farmers each year at harvest time, he suggested the establishment of a labor bureau and asked that steps be taken by the business men of Valley City to assist the farmers in obtaining help when harvest is on.

Among other things he said Valley City wants is a federal building suitable to the needs of the community and compatible with the surroundings. "A site has been purchased for the building and now the question is to get it," said Mr. Combs, "no matter how. We don't care so long as we get it."

Mr. and Mrs. Lin Foster and son Roland, who recently left for Minneapolis where they expected to locate, have changed their plans and will live at Grand Forks this winter. Roland Foster will enter the University of N. D.

Charles W. Robinson was arrested in Grand Forks, charged with embezzling \$300 from the police court at Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, of which he was clerk and stenographer.

NORTHERN PACIFIC AGAIN ASKS TO CHANGE PASSENGER STATION

Special Meeting of the City Council Called For Tomorrow Night to Consider the Matter For the Second Time.

(From Wednesday's Daily)
The Northern Pacific Railway company has renewed its proposition to change the location of its passenger station to the High Line. Mayor Platou called a special meeting of the city council to meet tonight to consider the matter, but owing to the scheduled speech of Governor Burke, the meeting was postponed until tomorrow night.

The reopening of the Northern Pacific passenger station case came as a surprise to the business men of Valley City and there was more than ordinary interest in the fact that a special meeting of the council had been called to consider the matter for the apparent purpose of granting or refusing permission to move. The authority of the council to take such action is questioned, and should the council assume such authority and grant permission to move the station, it is announced that litigation will be started to nullify such action by those business men opposed to the move.

Question Before Electors

It is more than likely that the council will not assume such prerogative but adopt a resolution placing the matter before the voters at the general election Nov. 5, to obtain public expression of approval or disapproval.

Many of the business men of the city were of the opinion that the question had been settled when Judge Amidon ruled in the injunction proceedings instituted more than two years ago, to restrain the Northern Pacific from moving the station to the High Line, that it should be referred to the state railroad commission and that the railway company should give adequate service to the city.

Case Was Dropped
Judge Amidon granted the temporary restraining order when application was made, and the case dragged along in the federal court for nearly two years, before called for decision on a permanent order. At that time Judge Amidon ruled that the case was not properly in his jurisdiction but defined a status of the railway company in its relation to Valley City and dismissed the proceedings.

Just what overtures the Northern Pacific will make to Valley City are not known, but it is proposed to have the matter settled one way or the other, for all time to come.

Fargo Club Urging Fort Peck Opening

Fargo, N. D., Sept. 25.—Fargo is deeply interested in the opening of the Fort Peck Indian reservation which lies in the eastern part of Montana, in that this is Fargo territory insofar as Fargo jobbers and wholesalers are concerned.

This is why Secretary Stine, acting for the Commercial club, has written to the secretary of the interior and President Taft, asking them to use all their best endeavors to have the opening as early as possible in the spring of 1913.

This reservation has 2,068,693 acres, and of this vast territory 723,693 has been allotted to the Indians, leaving 1,345,000 acres for settlers.

Mrs. Gura Swartland arrived here this morning from Glynndon, Minn., with her son who is going to take treatments for paralyzed legs of Prof. Hunt.

Mrs. Platou's Cousin Only Judge in Norway

Women have a double success of their record in Norway—in law and college.

The first female advocate of Norway's supreme court is about to receive her official proxy, having duly passed the necessary tests. She is Miss Elsie Sein, a cousin of Mrs. L. S. Platou of this City, who won her law degree eleven years ago. Three years later she gained the right to practice as a lawyer, but the existing law at the time did not allow women to conduct a law suit in court. But she now has the distinction of being the only woman judge in Norway.

Miss Sein also has taken an active part in the feminist movement, more especially interesting herself in the fight against white-slave traffic.

Norway also now boasts a woman

professor, Miss Kristine Bonnevil having been appointed professor of zoology at the University in Christiania, Norway has outdistanced Denmark, where there are as yet no women professors, although there are several women who have gained the degree of doctor of philosophy. These, however, so far have attained to no higher position at the Copenhagen University than that of lecturer.

HAVING FINE TIME.

Shorty Duvall is in receipt of a letter from W. T. Craswell, who with his wife is attending the National Convention of Fire Chiefs at Denver, Col., in which he says that it is one of the biggest meetings of the kind he ever expects to attend and with such a splendid display of fire apparatus. They are having a very fine time. He sends greetings to all the boys and wishes they were with him.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wilson and family were the guests of friends here yesterday from Leal.

Unable To Talk To Boy From Sweden

For more than half an hour Adolf Blomstead, a boy direct from Stockholm, Sweden, with a big tag in the lapel of his coat labeled "Valley City, North Dakota," waited at the Northern Pacific station Saturday until a countryman could be found to talk to him. He had a letter from the commissioner of immigration in New York to the ticket agent here, telling him that the boy was going to visit his uncle, Louis Anderson, a farmer living near this city, and would then go to his father in Spokane, Wash.

A telephone message was sent to Mr. Anderson at once but the boy could not be made to understand that his uncle would soon come for him. He had learned a little German in school in Sweden but could not understand enough to learn what was being done for him. He was good na-

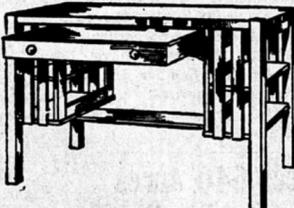
Lecture Association Elects Old Officers

The Lecture Association Monday night re-elected all the officers for the ensuing year, and mapped out the work for the coming twelve months. The officers are: President, D. W. Clark; secretary, A. P. Hollis; treasurer, F. W. Heidel.

The city was divided into eleven districts and a committee was appointed to canvass for the sale of tickets for the lecture course this winter. A committee was also appointed to take up the matter of better heating and ventilation of the Armory and the provision of more doors for exits.

tured and only smiled at the efforts many made to talk with him. A Swede was finally found and the boy had a good visit waiting for his uncle to come to the city for him.

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JOHN HALVERSON

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