

Governor Frazier Calls Special Legislative Session for Jan. 23

Bismarck, Jan. 8.—Governor Lynn J. Frazier, by proclamation issued late this afternoon called the Fifteenth legislative assembly to meet in extraordinary session at the capitol in Bismarck on Wednesday, January 23, at 9 o'clock in the morning to revise the county seed bonding law in order that the necessary feed and seed can be supplied the farmers of the state to assure a good crop acreage being planted this spring and to provide for any other war measures that may be deemed necessary. The proclamation was placed on file in the secretary of state's office at 5 o'clock this afternoon and the members of the assembly will be notified immediately.

Coal Miners Object To the New Prices

Minot, Jan. 8.—The Northwestern district of the North Dakota Lignite Operators association met here today. After a long session in which they took up the reduction of price of 50 cents per ton they decided to ask for a hearing and will submit evidence of the impossibility of running their mines at less than \$3 per ton on the car at the mine at present cost of mining.

They claim that during the last year the cost of timbers has increased 30 per cent, steel tracks and tools has increased over 100 per cent and labor 50 per cent. All claim that they are not getting the profit of former years at the present higher price and claim that the new price of two and one-half dollars will cause them to shut their mines down. They will have a hearing at Bismarck by petition on the 14th before Administrator I. P. Baker and will ask for a reinstatement of the three dollar price for this part of the state. They claim that the coal is more expensive to dig in the northwestern part of the state than in the southern part because of soft roof, water, thin veins and other reasons of a similar nature. E. E. Devoil presided at the meeting which closed by authorizing Chairman Dorr H. Carroll of the Council of Defense to offer the use of the mines to the government for the period of the war, and for at least one year for any equitable compensation to be determined by H. A. Garfield the federal administrator. The operators represented a potential output of 5,000 worth \$15,000 per day.

Economic Uses of Meat Will Be Demonstrated

Some people are just beginning to realize what food conservation means; in just what measure we help our boys "Over There" when we do conserve. Our government asks us to conserve certain foods and then does her

part by sending to us experienced demonstrators who teach us the best way to do this. Valley City is fortunate in having Miss Newton as our regular demonstrator each month. Last month she demonstrated cereals and gave receipts for Liberty Breads which many of our women are using entirely. This month Miss Newton will give a demonstration and lecture on "Economical Uses of Meat" in the city hall on Monday evening at 8 o'clock, Jan. 14, and repeat the same demonstration on Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, Jan. 15. From a financial standpoint this subject will appeal to every woman in our city, but from a patriotic standpoint it should appeal to every person and each one should be present. Do not miss one of these demonstrations. They are valuable. Come and catch some of Miss Newton's patriotism and enthusiasm in this work in which every woman can "do her bit." Bring a friend with you.

STATE CONVENTION OF HOTELMEN OPENS JAN. 10
Jamestown, Jan. 8.—The annual convention of the North Dakota Hotelmen's association will open here Thursday morning with Dr. E. F. Ladd, state food administrator, as the principal speaker. Food conservation will be the main topic for discussion.

Miss Francis Sly Will Direct Home Economics

(Normal School Budget)
Miss Frances W. Sly, of Burlington, Ia., has been elected head instructor in home economics at the State Normal school to succeed Miss Nellie W. Farnsworth, President McFarland announced upon his return from the east early this week.

Miss Sly secured her bachelor's degree at the Michigan Agricultural college at Lansing and has furthered her work at the same institution for her higher degrees. Further graduate work has also been pursued by her at the University of Chicago. Home economics has been her major study. For a number of years, Miss Sly has been supervisor of home economics in the public schools of Burlington, including the grammar schools, the high schools, and a Normal training school for teachers. Prior to accepting this position, she was director of home economics in the Lockport, Ill., Township high school, Idaho Springs, Col., high school, and Pendleton Academy, Pendleton, Ore., serving for a number of years at each point. Miss Sly is well fitted for the position here, both by her extensive training and by a rich experience in her field. She will arrive in the city to assume her new duties on Monday.

Victor Wood is expected to return from Minneapolis, where he has been visiting his mother.

War Aims Statement Brings Down Stocks

New York, Jan. 8.—President Wilson's re-statement of war aims before congress was reflected in the stock market today by a reaction of two to five points after an early advance of one to three points.

The selling seemed to be based on the theory that the central powers would refuse to meet the terms proposed, particularly those involving the evacuation of territory and the demand for the abandonment of Alsace-Lorraine, and that therefore peace was remote.

Germany Extends Sub Barred Zone

London, Jan. 8.—Further extension of the submarine barred zone is announced in a wireless statement sent out by the German government. It becomes operative January 11.

Lidgerwood Broadaxe: Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Marquisee came down from Valley City on Saturday and remained for New Year's at the M. Bentson home, returning on Wednesday.

Mrs. John McFadden of Steele, is renewing acquaintances in the city.

WAR SAVINGS

Purchasers of War Savings Stamps and War Saving Certificates at this Bank, a sort of Liberty Bond junior costing 25 cents and \$4.12 respectively, say in effect to their Uncle Samuel, "You need material and labor now worse than I do, so I will not compete against you during the war. I will get along without things and will buy Savings Stamps and Certificates instead of unessential luxuries."

"All right," replies our Uncle, "if you do that I will pay you 4 per cent compound interest on all you save. Is that satisfactory?"

Is it!

BANK OF VALLEY CITY

United States Aviators Are Graduated; Go to Battle Lines

MISS FARNSWORTH LEAVES TO ASSUME NEW DUTIES

After spending the holidays with friends in the city and relatives in Fargo, Miss Nellie W. Farnsworth left last week to assume her new duties as home economics agent for the city of Omaha, Neb. Miss Farnsworth reported first at the University of Nebraska at Lincoln, under the extension division of which she is working in conjunction with the federal government. Miss Farnsworth has been granted leave of absence from the headship of the home economics department at the Normal school.

Mrs. Mary McQuigan of the Normal faculty, is quite ill with a bad case of grip.

With the American Army in France, Jan. 8.—Officers picked out a site and establish another corps aviation school which will be placed in charge of a major who has gained experience in turning out fliers at other schools. A recently graduated flying class will be sent toward the front next week for actual front line experience, using their own machines, but accompanying experienced British and French aviators. The Americans are looking forward to the event with the greatest eagerness. Many wagers are being made as to who will be the first to cross the German lines, who will bring down the first enemy plane and who will get the first photograph of a German battery.

Barnes County to Have Rabbit Drive

"Johnny, get your gun!" The biggest hunt ever pulled off in America is to take place at an early date in Barnes County. The county is to be thoroughly organized for a rabbit drive for the benefit of the Red Cross. New York City wants a carload of rabbits; the Red Cross wants the money; the men and boys of Barnes county want a day off fine sport. These three needs will be brought together in the Barnes county rabbit hunt in about two weeks. A committee of the county's best sportsmen has been appointed by the executive committee of the Red Cross and they will appoint organizers for each township. The plan is to begin at a certain hour in the morning at the boundary lines of the township and work inward, sending the results of each township to Valley City by immediate express. A special car will be waiting here to carry the results of the hunt to New York where arrangements have been made for their care and disposal. can have the opportunity of shooting Boches, but every man, woman and child who can fire a gun may on the date soon to be appointed, shoot rabbits for the benefit of the boys who shoot the Boches. Barnes county is undertaking to set a plan for the rest of the country. Judge N. C. Young, state director of Red Cross for North Dakota, will, after the results of our hunt are in, report the plans and results to the other counties in the state. "Johnny, get your gun," and get it in order with a suitable supply of ammunition for this great day's sport!

Y. M. C. A. Buys 150 Tons of Candy

Fifty tons of lemon drops, fifty tons of chocolate, fifty tons of gumdrops! This is a big order of sweets with sugar as scarce as it is, but it represents a single purchase of the Y. M. C. A. for candy stock for its canteens and huts with the American army at home and abroad, according to information just received here. The

Supreme Court Decides the Draft Law Is Constitutional

boys in khaki love sweet things—and the Y. M. C. A. is almost the sole agency to supply them. Even before Gen. Pershing recommended that the Red Triangle take over the management of the whole canteen system in France, orders had been placed for the entire output of a lemon drop factory and for the period of the war! This means about 15 tons a month for use in this country and abroad.

An official report of articles shipped to France for Uncle Sam's nephews during December alone includes the following: 75,000 tins of canned fruit; 480,000 dozen packages of crackers; 100 tons cocoa; 100 tons of sugar; three carloads of flour; 4,000 dozen tubes of tooth paste; 300,000 packages of chewing gum; 400 tons of milk, nut and sweet chocolate; 75,000 boxes of cough drops. The budget for the month approximated \$600,000.

The Y. M. C. A., it is stated in the report, is shipping each month to France, 8,000,000 sheets of letter paper and 4,000,000 envelopes. Supplies are sold to the men at practically their cost to the Y. M. C. A. Stationery, however, is for free distribution. When the troops move forward into the trenches, Y. M. C. A. supplies of chocolate and coffee, sandwiches and cocoa are passed out at no cost to the men.

Many of the supplies needed abroad are now being shipped over-seas in trunks belonging to secretaries, who are allowed 300 pounds of baggage, but donate their share of their allotment to Red Triangle supplies for the soldiers.

Regular Session of City Council

The city council met in regular session Monday evening. It being the first meeting of the year considerable business was up for consideration.

In addition to the regular list of bills audited and allowed, two ordinances were passed and one introduced.

The first passed was an ordinance for the regulation and control of the fire department. This was necessitated on account of the department having been reorganized with fewer members since the purchase of the motor truck and apparatus.

The other was an ordinance regulating the closing time of pool halls and bowling alleys.

The ordinance introduced was in reference to having snow and ice removed from sidewalks and charging the expense to abutting property.

The mayor also sent a communication to the council members and employees of the city with reference to keeping down expenditures during the war. This communication is published in another column.

New Plan for Caring for Wounded Soldiers

With the American Army in France, Jan. 6.—Plans for the care of American soldiers include a radical departure from former methods of treating wounded. An announcement made today by Surgeon General Bradley says that a method has been formulated assuring that each case continuous treatment from the dressing station on the fighting line, through many hands to the base hospital.

This coordination has been marked out by Dr. J. M. T. Finney of Johns Hopkins university who has been appointed director of the surgery section. It does away with the more frequent examination of wound dressings which has been the method in other armies.

Splints Standardized
Another departure is the standardization of splints. Heretofore every surgeon, even in the armies, used splints on his own devising, making a great number of varieties. The British army doctors have been so impressed with the American plan and the manual explaining it, that they asked and received permission to adopt it themselves.

Plan for the care of the blind include instruction to begin as soon as possible after the wound has been received, experience in other armies having shown that quick treatment and instruction are most valuable. Personal instruction will be continued until the blind reach the United States. Dr. George E. De Schweinitz, of Philadelphia will be in charge of treatment of the blind and also will direct all head surgery, such as throat and facial.

Americans Have Advantage
In these departures, as well as in others, American medical men have had the advantage of the experience of all the other armies. They have adopted the best of each and they have made improvements where it is possible.

Since it has been found that speedy treatment of wounds results in a greater saving of life, divisional ambulance sections have been mobilized to three-quarters of their strength. It is expected the resulting speed will almost cause a merging of the collection, of field hospitals and evacuation hospitals, where there are special operating rooms and special wards for special injuries. Up to this time only male nurses have been used at advanced hospitals, but the new American plans provide for female nurses there, the British and French having found them valuable.

Mrs. Joseph Jones has gone to Columbus, Ohio. Mrs. Jones will visit Mrs. Van Patten of that city.

Washington, Jan. 7.—The supreme court today declares the draft law constitutional.

Chief Justice White, in handing down the decision on the nine cases against the draft law that reached the supreme court said the argument of the objectors was "absolutely devoid of merit."

"Our mind is unable to conceive that raising an army by draft is slavery and violates the thirteenth amendment," White said.

The decision of the court was unanimous. Refuting the argument of the objectors that congress did not have the power to draft citizens Chief Justice White said:

"As the mind cannot conceive an army without men to compose it, on the face of it, the question that it does not give power to provide such men seems to be too frivolous for further notice."

Settled in Nine Cases
The decision of the court settles the constitutionality of the selective service law in nine cases. Eight of these were advanced and considered jointly in order to settle the draft question at one blow.

In arguments before the supreme court December 13 and 14, the main attack of the objectors was that the constitution did not empower the federal government to make a direct draft on its citizens. This power was never surrendered by the states, it was held and the draft should have been made through the individual states.

Big Red Cross Benefit Dance

The Elmora club boys are giving a big dance in the Armory Jan. 17, for the benefit of the Red Cross. They have hired Tillotson's orchestra, one of the best orchestras in the state for the occasion. The ticket sale is now on and tickets can be purchased from any of the Elmora boys. So be prepared to buy when they come around. This is for a worthy cause and should be generously helped by the citizens of Valley City.

Red Cross Credits for Barnes County Schools

Supplementary course in High school sewing (for credit) for war time as prepared by Clara L. Larson, county home economics supervisor and authorized by the state high school inspector.

- First Half Credit**
- I. For kimono. Substitute, 2 pair of bed socks, or knit a muffler.
 - II. For combination suit. Substitute convalescing gown.
 - III. For undershirt. Substitute convalescing gown.
 - IV. For shirt waist. Substitute knitting sweater or making hospital shirt.
 - V. For tailored skirt. Substitute convalescing gown or hospital shirt.
 - VI. For dress. Substitute pajama suit or knit sweater or make two pair of bed socks.
- Substitute for only two out of the last three garments above. Do not substitute the same article for more than one garment in working for this half credit.

Second Half Credit

Note: Remember all work must be exactly and neatly done to pass inspection by the Red Cross.

Each girl should always have on hand a piece of knitting to work on all idle moments when waiting for the cutting table, the sewing machine, or the teacher's attention.

Note Book: Besides the other notes kept on textiles, etc., each girl should make an item of each garment made, giving its name, date finished, time used, and a description of the method. For the latter you may use the mimeograph directions given you. Also write similar notes on knitting, excepting the details of the stitches.

And further state in the note book what other Red Cross work has been done that is not included in this list.

The latest directions require the mufflers to be 68 or 72 inches long, and the sweaters to be 25 inches long from the neck down the front.

Ransom County Gazette: Miss Alma Eikenbury who attends Valley City Normal, spent Christmas at the home of her brother, Homer, of this city. Virginia Hume, who has been the guest of her parents, returned to school at Valley City, Tuesday. Fred Dehn, of Valley City, was transacting business in this city yesterday.

Enderlin Independent: Mrs. Kessler entertained a few of her friends Wednesday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Fred Dehn of Valley City. At the close of the afternoon the guests departed, voting Mrs. Kessler a royal entertainer. Mrs. Fred Dehn, of Valley City, who has been visiting friends left Wednesday for her home.

Miss Charlotte Hallock, who has been visiting Dr. and Mrs. Van Houten, has returned to Glendive, Mont. Miss Hallock is director of music in the public schools of Glendive.

IT is in accordance with a custom adopted several years ago that we publish below a statement of our condition at the close of the year, December 31st, 1917. We enter the New Year with hope and confidence, and we wish you all an abundance of Happiness and Prosperity.

Resources		Liabilities	
Loans and Discounts	\$368,677 44	Capital Stock	\$ 50,000 00
Bonds and Warrants	16,974 62	Surplus and Profits	44,662 79
Cash and Exchange	105,776 53	Deposits	396,765 80
Total	\$491,428 59	Total	\$491,428 59

<u>Our Deposits on</u>	<u>Officers and Directors:</u>
December 31, 1914 were \$205,282.80	JAS. J. EARLEY, President
December 31, 1915 were 349,296.26	LOUIS NOLTIMIER, Vice President
December 31, 1916 were 371,659.84	WALTER COOP, Cashier
December 31, 1917 were 396,765.80	K. A. BONHUS, Director
	JOHN H. EGGERT, Director
	FRANK HEIMES, Director
	WILLIAM OLSON, Director

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