

EDITORIAL

We read with amazement in the Courier-News this morning that the I. V. A.'s are becoming panic stricken. Is that the reason why the league speakers are throwing so much mud at them?

The state mill and elevator was put in motion yesterday when Gov. Nestos pressed the electric button that started the wheels of industry grinding out flour. We are expecting the league campaigners to get up on the platform and make the assertion that the wheels have been put on the machinery wrong side to and that it is not the intention of the administration to run the mill and elevator.

Bishop Vincent Wehrle, of the Bismarck diocese of the Catholic church, comes back at B. F. Baker, candidate for commissioner of agriculture on the nonpartisan ticket, for claiming that the bishop had made a speech at Mandan asking the voters to support Gov. Nestos on the ground that "he had not taken up arms against the mother country." Such outrageous statements as made and which are denied by the bishop, are enough to convince any sensible man or woman that the league is trying all kinds of despicable tactics to win the election.

Mr. Frazier, in his speech last night made the statement that if any other bank had stood as much hammering as the Fargo bank it would have gone under, too. If Frazier had said if any other bank had had as much mismanagement as the Fargo bank it would have gone under. If any other bank had a half million of the tax payers money placed in that bank, with good management it would be the strongest bank in the state—but it went under because the league leaders looted it. No other bank in this state had such financial backing as the defunct Scandinavian Bank of Fargo.

One of our lady friends became a little bit excited last night because we were running the regular O'Connor-Nestos ticket without the name of Judge M. J. Englert in it. She wanted to know if we had gone back on the judge. In answer to her inquiries we desire to state that we have not changed our opinion on that matter a bit—we are still strong for Judge Englert. The opposing ticket is one adopted by the independent conference and is being run as political matter the same as any other political advertising. We announced some time ago that we were for Judge M. J. Englert and we are still of that opinion. As editor of this paper we reserve the right to occasionally support some one from a personal standpoint and that is the position we are taking with Judge Englert.

Lynn J. Frazier has improved in his educational qualifications since he was here the last time. He made the assertion on the platform last night at the high school gym, that Nestos was a Norwegian and O'Connor was an Irishman. This of course must have been pleasing to the farmers who went there to have him tell why the New Day had increased taxes to such a great extent. Such a high degree of intelligence on the part of Mr. Frazier certainly entitles him to the support of all those who think that a man capable of arriving at such a remarkable conclusion as to the parentage and nationality of these two men is certainly entitled to two seats in the United States senate instead of one. Somebody will have to wake up Lynn J. next Tuesday morning in time to vote or he will be one shy in his column.

The independent or fusion forces have endorsed a full ticket including a legislative candidate in the fifteenth district. There is danger of losing this seat in the legislature unless there is a unity of action to put it over instead of a few trying to start a backfire against the endorsed candidate that may result disastrously to the state. This legislative district is necessary to the control of the lower house of the state legislature and the fight has become not a district one but a state issue. We must have this seat and a determined opposition is bound to get it away from us. Why not cut out personal feeling and unite on the one who has been endorsed by the independents—P. R. Trubshaw. He is regarded by the best political observers to be the strongest candidate to oppose the league forces. Division and dissension means going up against the rocks of disaster next Tuesday and the loss of this seat. Think this over and vote for the best interests of the state instead of personal feeling.

Lynn J. Frazier has received a liberal education from Suffering Bill Lemke in the matter of vilifying and besmirching those who are opposed to him politically. Last night he went so far out of the way in common decency to say that Mr. O'Connor got the heaviest vote in the red light dis-

trict of Minot. Such disgusting and vicious tactics cannot fail to turn all good thinking citizens away from the league candidate. A cleaner man morally and physically than J. F. T. O'Connor never appealed to the voters of this state for election, and the ex-governor knows it only too well. Mr. O'Connor does not live in Minot, is a product of Grand Forks county, and has no more knowledge of the red light district of Minot or any other place than does Frazier—and apparently from the statement made by the ex-governor last night, not so much. Where does Frazier get all this information unless he haunts these places and the denizens of the districts alluded to put him wise to it?

The papers of the state are naturally giving up a great deal of space these days to politics, but this has to be done every election, and the publishers are just as greatly pleased when it is all over as the rest of you. It is no pleasant job editing a paper through a political campaign—it is a source of worry from start to finish. It is a necessary evil. But if it were not for the newspapers fighting for what they believe is right the public would be bad off. We certainly will say a loud Amen when it is all over. The Times-Record has followed a consistent course all through this as well as other campaigns—it has fought earnestly for what it believed has been the right side and past experience has taught us that we were not very far wrong. Every allegation we made four years ago as to what this New Day would bring to us in increased taxes has come true. The other fellows by this time should have gotten their eyes open. But "there are none so blind as those who will not see."

It is reported that country elevators are posting notices that no more wheat will be received. Do you know at what stations the elevators have been plugged? And, can you get before the people at all those places where there is a blockade, the fact that they are victims of a situation that would be avoided if the St. Lawrence were open today? Oh, yes, I know the explanation—it is car shortage, and the car shortage was caused by the strike. That is all true. But last year it was something else, and next year it will be some other reason. And the fact is that the railroads have so little reserve capacity that their carrying power is broken down by any untoward development. Whatever the cause—car shortage, strikes or any other—if the St. Lawrence were open the trouble would be avoided. If the St. Lawrence were open today, there would be cars enough. The cars that the railroads have are plenty to carry the business plying back and forth between the country elevators and the lake ports. The lake terminals are choked. If the St. Lawrence were open today, there would be terminal capacity enough to load vessels going through to final destination. Tell that to the victims of this tragedy of transportation.

The Courier-News, the leading mouthpiece of the nonpartisan league, has to admit that the state mill and elevator at Grand Forks is running, in fact Saturday it carried a whole page ad. about the opening of this big institution. Now if Mrs. C. A. Fisher and a few other rapid league speakers will go out and tell the truth we might have a little cleaner campaign and the people might be better informed. Ex-Governor Lynn J. Frazier is to speak at the formal opening of this state enterprise with Gov. Nestos today so that is another chance for the league press to come out and say they told an untruth when they said the mill would not be finished and put in operation. If you desire to do so you can go and purchase a sack of flour any time you feel like it made at the state owned mill at Grand Forks. Nestos has made good his promises on this particular enterprise anyway and the league orators and press cannot truthfully say different. Carry the truth to the people. That is all we ask.

A lady voter says: "Next Tuesday, November 7th, we go over the top but we must beware of poison gas, tho this be America, the villian still pursues. There is but one safe way for us to vote and that is against every candidate on the league ticket. We can if we will, rid this good state of ours of the muck and disgrace we have been plunged into the past few years and looked upon as the only freak state in the Union. We were caught napping while the enemy sneaked in on us. Had we been up and doing this would not have happened. Had we been less apt to let men and women tell us what to do instead of looking into things ourselves. There are those who never see any but league papers. They read and seem to believe all that is in them. There is seldom a word of truth in any of their editorials. They do not want their followers to know the truth. It is their business to keep it from them.

Our downfall has been a lesson to other states, tho a very dear one for us who are here and will have to bear the result of their incompetency and dishonesty for several years before we can right the wrong they have done us, and our state. We all must stand by Gov. Nestos who has done so well in the short time he has been our governor. His task is exceedingly hard. We must expect to read in the league papers all kinds of things against Nestos and his ticket, but believe just the opposite from what those papers say and it will be the truth. They aim to lie. That is their business. Vote the Nestos-O'Connor ticket and keep out men like Frazier, Townley, Lemke and their kind. They remind one of an Octopus with its eight arms, and all reaching into our state funds and then to their pockets.

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In ordinary movement of the wheat crop a lake carrier takes a cargo of say, 350,000 bushels to Buffalo in 3 1/2 days. Today there are vessels that have been lying at Buffalo ten days or two weeks. The capacity of the lake fleet is cut in two by congestion at Buffalo. Then, because of congestion the lake rate has risen. Car space is at a premium. What little goes by barge canal or the St. Lawrence canals commands extra rates, and wheat is moving from the Middle West now, by all rail in considerable quantity. The economy of the lake rate is completely neutralized by congestion. The result is to reduce still further the insufficient car supply, taking cars that ought to be employed in the shuttle movement between the country elevators and the lake port and putting them on the swing from the interior to the seaboard. Congestion reduces the carrying capacity of existing car supply. Look at the cost of it! The economic cost. A boat will carry a cargo of say, 350,000 bushels, equal to 300 car loads. The boat goes to Buffalo in 3 days. The box car if it performs a miracle, will do it in a week. In 3 1/2 days the boat performs a service equivalent to 2000 car-days. Congestion results in putting rolling stock to the least economical service. We have all sorts of reports of country elevators being obliged to refuse any further receipts. No cars. There are cars enough in the United States today to furnish adequate service if they could be economically employed in carriage to the nearest lake port, and if the lake ports could give quick clearance by virtue of unimpeded access to the sea.

One of the last minute canards sent out by the Courier-News Sunday is to the effect that Nestos is trying to ditch O'Connor and the split in the independent ranks is widening. For a pipe dream that is about the limit. Any person who hears Gov. Nestos on the platform need not listen to him more than a minute or two to find out that instead of trying to ditch Mr. O'Connor he is trying with all his might and main to elect him. The independent forces are getting together in fine shape and are becoming more united than ever every day, there is every indication that when election day rolls around that Gov. Nestos will have a tremendous majority and Mr. O'Connor will be running up with him in good shape. The people have become tired of the past five years of heavy tax burdens and no relief in sight and they are going to give the independent forces of this state a chance to clean house and try and remedy present unbearable conditions. Mr. O'Connor we feel sure is not worrying about Gov. Nestos throwing him overboard, on the contrary he is very much delighted with the support he is getting from the governor and the rest of the men on the fusion ticket. No man ever got a squarer deal or more united support from the press of the state than has J. F. T. O'Connor, and win or lose we know that his gratitude to the boys of the press will be heartfelt and sincere. Here's hoping every independent voter in Barnes county will vote for O'Connor and Nestos and the rest of the state ticket and particularly do not forget the independent candidate for the legislature—we must have the legislature if we can do any material good. A divided legislature means a session of inaction and waste.

A tremendous fight is being made to carry to fifteenth legislative district against P. R. Trubshaw, the republican nominee. The loss of this seat in the house will mean the loss to the independent forces of the lower house of the state legislature. If you voters of this district are really in earnest in saying that you want to finish the job this fall, you will have to sacrifice whatever personal feeling you have and get behind the candidacy of Trubshaw on November 7. He has pledged himself if elected to work and vote for a substantial reduction of taxes all along the line so far as his vote, influence and work will go, and this pledge he will absolutely make good. He favors retrenchment all along the line, a revaluation of farm lands, the abolishment of many

commissions and bureaus useless and expensive and the running of the state's business on a business and efficient basis. No man can promise more and no man should promise less. The farmers of the state and the business men are tax ridden to the breaking point and they must have relief. If you elect a legislature that pledges itself to carry out the policies of Mr. Townley, and a man like Lemke for governor, you will simply add more tax burdens on yourself and make taxation so high that confiscation of your farm property will result. Hundreds of farmers are leaving the state right now because they cannot pay the taxes. Many farmers are willing to deed land to you if you will assume the burden of debt and taxation, and that is how things are going. It is a safe guess that if Mr. Lemke is elected governor with a legislature that will do his bidding, you might as well get ready to move out—because it is the plan of the socialist element to make taxes so high that your lands will revert to the state—that is the whole plan of the new day. The Townley bunch do not want farmers to prosper—they want them to go so far in the hole that they can get hold of the farms of the state. Cannot you farmers see this? It is as plain as the nose on your face. Trubshaw is not asking you to send him to the legislature to vote for any particular men or set of men, but to be given a chance to work for all the people of the state. We are an independent, and strongly against the league platform of waste and extravagance but we are broad minded enough to vote and work for any measure that will enhance the prosperity of all and lessen your tax burdens. Will you give Trubshaw a chance to do this and help save North Dakota from further encroachment in tax burdens by a bunch of men whose policies are to get control of the lands of this state? Trubshaw has just as much interest in the welfare of the farmers of this state as has the farmer himself. His interests are here and his interests are your interests. We are not fighting the farmer we are fighting Townley, Lemke and state socialism. We are a better friend to the farmer than Townley and those who are trying to capture control of the state, because we are a heavy tax payer and they are not. They are carpet baggers who come in here periodically and hold a shake-down and then blow out again. What interest they have in you—only to get what they can out of you? We are interested in your prosperity because our prosperity is interwoven with yours and because our home is here and we are helping to maintain all the public institutions by our taxes just the same as you are and THEY ARE NOT.

BRING HOME THE SOLDIERS

The whole country would approve an official decision to bring the American soldiers home from the Rhine. Beyond a doubt, they have served the purpose for which they were sent into Germany as part of the allied army of occupation. At least that is the unanimous American view, however much it may be opposed by the French, who have argued that the United States forces ought to be maintained in Germany for "the moral effect" they would have. The only moral effect the Americans could exert is a questionable influence the presence of United States forces might have on the issue of reparations demanded from Germany. That really is at the bottom of the French representation that the Americans—even a greatly diminished force—ought to be kept in the Rhineland. A stronger argument has been made by American officials, among them being President Harding, Secretary of

War Weeks and Gen. Pershing, who, observing the situation in Europe, which will not quiet down, believe that the soldiers ought to come on home and not remain there to tempt fate. Europe has been close to conflict only recently, and many times since the armistice was signed there has been danger of renewed military action. If anything of that kind ever develops, the United States would be better off if its soldiers were here instead of there. A very little thing sometimes may become a very big thing as between nations. Having American soldiers abroad when there is no useful purpose they can serve is as perilous for the nation as it is for the individual to be in bad company.—Carrington Independent.

THE HIGH COST OF POOR THINKING

We are paying a big price for poor thinking on public affairs in North Dakota. We are paying annually more in interest on our public debt than the total of the public debt before the advent of the league. We are paying tripled taxes as the price of poor thinking. We are paying a half million dollars in losses on the Homebuilders project as the price of poor thinking. We are paying \$75,000 in losses at the Drake mill as the price of poor thinking. We will pay a much greater sum, before we get through with it, for losses on the Grand Forks mill as the price of poor thinking. We will pay a million dollars or more in losses in the Bank of North Dakota, and for "political banking" and rotten farm loans made to political henchmen, as the price of the poor thinking which kept us from "turning the key in the door." Surely we are not going to return to office the men responsible for the mess. It isn't a matter of whether they are Republicans or Democrats or even whether or not they are "socialists" and "radicals." It's a matter of common sense. Mr. Barnum used to say that the American public liked to be fooled. We have been "bunked" up here in North Dakota, for five years by a gang of cheap, inefficient, bungling political demagogues. We have made a partial return to sane government, and we have an administration that is making an excellent job of mopping up the mess they have left. And we have the chance to "finish the job" next month. If we fail to do it because of mental inertia, we deserve what we undoubtedly will get—a return to the days of "frozen credits" and discounted warrants and "political banking."—Forum.

PEARS

Why not get some of those excellent Pears, good for sauce canning and pickling. \$1.50 per basket, basket included. McGee's. 1-1td-1twp

TO THE VOTERS OF BARNES CO.

I am a candidate for the office of Superintendent of Schools at the General Election, Nov. 7th, and respectfully solicit your vote and support at the polls. CORNELIA D. SCHROEDER. 21-eodtf-2twf

TO THE VOTERS OF BARNES CO.

Having been nominated by a representative vote at the Primary election, I respectfully solicit your support and vote for the office of States Attorney for Barnes county at the General election on November seventh. Yours for prompt and efficient service, economy and strict enforcement of law. A. F. GREFFENIUS. D-Nov. 6-2tw

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Election Day for
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APPRECIATION

To the Voters of Barnes County: I am grateful to you for having nominated me for the office of County Superintendent of Schools for Barnes County, and will greatly appreciate your continued support and votes in the forthcoming general election to be held Nov. 7, 1922. J. A. JOHNSON. 30-2td-1tw

MY EDUCATIONAL RECORD

I have been a resident of Barnes county since the year of 1878. I received my elementary education in District No. 9, Hobart township. I entered the State Normal School at Valley City in the fall of 1894. After attending two successive winter terms there I began to teach in a rural school in District No. 59 west of Dazey in the fall of 1896. In the fall of 1898 I returned to the Normal School and remained there until I was graduated in the spring of 1901. In the fall of that year I was elected to the principalship of the schools at La-Moure, N. Dak. I remained there for two years. In the fall of 1903 I entered the University of North Dakota. After three years as a student in that



J. A. Johnson institution, I was graduated in the spring of 1906. I received a diploma with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. After graduation I was elected to the city superintendency at Hillsboro, N. Dak. I remained in that position for seven years. In the fall of 1913 I was elected to fill a similar position at Harlowton, Montana. I remained there for four years and returned to La-Moure for a similar position in the fall of 1917. I remained in that position for three years. In the spring of 1920 I became a candidate for the office of County Superintendent of Barnes county which position I now hold. This is my record. I hope that the voters of Barnes county will feel that this entitles me to hold a second term. Your vote will be appreciated.

Grand, Friday and Sat. Nov. 3-4
Rex Ingram presents
"The Prisoner of Zenda"
Matinee Daily 4 p. m.

Monday and Tuesday, Nov. 6-7
The Dazzling Masterpiece of the World's Master-Producer
Cecil B. DeMillie's
"Manslaughter"
with Thomas Meighan, Leatrice Joy, Lois Wilson
Matinee Monday 4 p. m. Prices Evening 35c-15c