

RED RIVER IS NOW RECEDING

Highest Point of 25.8 Feet Above Zero Attained, then Slump Follows.

Having attained its highest point, the Red river has commenced to recede and all danger from a serious flood has passed. The government river gauge recorded 25.8 feet above the normal mark of the year, Saturday night, according to Sandy Slattery, and has been slowly but surely going down since that time.

The gauge registered 25.7 above zero Sunday morning and 25.6 Sunday evening, going down at the rate of one-tenth of a foot every 12 hours. It is believed that within two or three weeks the river will have reached its normal stage if no further heavy rains occur.

The fact that a great volume of water fills the lowlands of the Red river valley will cause the water to go down at a very slow rate for several days, it is believed.

PURITY SUNDAY SET FOR 18TH

Governor Hanna Makes Strong Plea That Citizens of State Pay Fitting Tribute to "Women."

Governor L. B. Hanna has issued a proclamation setting Sunday, July 18, as Purity Sunday. In his proclamation he states that "in the battle for existence, often the moral side has been distinguished between right and wrong," and, "alleged with this and hand in hand, the three great demoralizers—strong drink, drugs and white slavery—have worked incessantly to lower our standards of right." These three great influences, he says, have been a grave menace to our national existence, but with the aid of sensible legislation and the gradual awakening of our people, the first two have been to a large degree eliminated and there remains the last and greatest of the three—the white slave traffic. Praising the International Purity Congress for its splendid work in endeavoring to stamp out these three evils, the governor earnestly requests that "the people, in their homes and places of worship resolve to do their utmost to aid in the development of a higher citizenship and to heretofore conduct themselves, in thought as well as deed, to make 'women mean, as it rightly should, God's finest, purest and most sacred creation.'"

HURT RACING TO HIS WIFE

Grafton Man Sustains Broken Collar Bone when Thrown from Auto—Wife and Child Survive.

M. J. Brandt of Grafton, racing to the bedside of his wife, who underwent the Caesarian operation at a local hospital late Saturday, sustained a broken collar bone when he was thrown from his automobile, which skidded a short distance outside of Grafton.

Mr. Brandt was taken to the same hospital at which his wife is being cared for and Mrs. Brandt and the child, whose birth necessitated the unusual operation were all reported doing well today.

LUTHER BAND HIGHLY PRAISED

College Organization Which Appears in Grand Forks Makes Real Hit.

The Tacoma, Wash., Tribune, gives the Luther college band a most flattering tribute in a recent issue, as follows:

The Luther college band, composed of 65 college men, headed by the brilliant leader, Carlo A. Sperati, arrived in Tacoma at 12:30 from the south, and were met by a great delegation of friends and representatives of the Lutheran societies and musical organizations of the city, who gave them a hearty greeting. The members of the band will be entertained during their stay in Tacoma by friends and prominent members of the Scandinavian societies, who have been looking forward to their visit and to the concert which they will give this evening at the First Christian church.

The band has just finished an extended engagement at the Grand Forks exposition, where it was one of the popular musical attractions. A concert at Santa Barbara called forth unstinted praise, and one of the papers of that city said, editorially:

"The band, composed as it is, of students of the Luther college at De-

corah, Iowa, is a musical sensation. How a college, even one where music is made a major specialty, can produce such a fine musical organization solely from its students, is not evident at this far distance. Certainly no other college east or west does; and we doubt very much the ability of any other college to do so. Though this musical organization consists of young men of student age—some of the members are the very best boys—their musical accomplishments count, it compares favorably with bands of national reputation, those of Trenton and Sousa. Indeed so finished is its product, that with professional bands of national reputation, there and nowhere else, may it be called. This precocious excellence is not understandable, save by conceding at the outset that Carlo A. Sperati, its director, is a band musician."

RIFLES PASS AS MAIN FACTOR

Hereafter Cannon and Big Arms Will Determine Wars.

Rotterdam, July 5.—Military experts here are of the opinion that it is highly probable the present war will see the end of the rifle as the principal weapon of infantry.

According to German agents in Holland the German army is rapidly substituting men armed with machine guns in place of rifles. Men so armed are being sent to the front in great numbers, and it is believed that their men can shoot straighter and more accurately than the rifles. The tendency, it is said, is to bring up main forces of infantry only in emergencies.

At the beginning of the war, Germany was credited with having 50,000 machine guns. Notwithstanding some heavy losses of these weapons, the factories have been working day and night and it is now asserted that the number being used on the various fronts is twice that total.

A German agent in Rotterdam states Germany's case as follows:

"Military science develops so rapidly in times of actual war that the weapon of today soon is discarded and something better taken up. The greatest asset Germany possesses is her ability to see ahead and make today the weapon of tomorrow."

"With the enemy, the rifle is a sort of fetish. The English are highly elated because the war has shown that their rifles are not straighter and quicker than the Germans. There is little cause for triumph. A large part of the time spent in training their troops is spent in teaching them the construction and use of the rifle, while our men are being taught how to handle and serve the machine gun.

"The present war will see the end of many things as it has seen the birth of many things, and although the rifle may not disappear before peace is signed, its doom as the principal arm of infantry is sounded.

"There is no sound argument against the gradual substitution of the light machine gun for the rifle? After all, a Maxim is merely an improved automatic rifle with a water jacket. A man who could fight a kicking gun of the period of 1815 could fire and carry a Maxim with less effort. Are we not told that in the old days the concentrated fire on one side of an English square emptied less than a score of French saddles at effective range? One modern machine gun would have wiped out the whole squadron.

"In modern warfare and particularly in trench warfare, the soldier who can fire a hundred shots to his opponents five has ninety-five chances of coming out unscathed. The German soldier prefers the machine gun to the rifle; it enables him to sit down comfortably and squirt death at the foe as water is squirted through a hose, and it gives him that sense of superiority and security which the possession of a superior weapon always brings to the fighting man."

GOVERNOR HANNA WILL BE GUEST OF STATE FAIR ON FIRST DAY

What promises to be the most successful state fair in the history of North Dakota will open in this city July 20, just two weeks distant, continuing for a period of five days, ending on July 25.

In a letter to the board of directors of the fair Governor L. B. Hanna makes positive assurance that he will be on hand the opening day, at which time he is expected to deliver an address.

Mother Talbot, With Her Great Circus Family, In Grand Forks Tomorrow



MRS. TALBOT TWENTY FIVE YEARS WITH THE BARNUM AND BAILEY WILD AND CIRCUS DEPARTMENT

"Mother" Talbot, with more children than the old woman who lived in a shoe ever dreamed of possessing, will be here tomorrow, and if there is not the trickiest lot of children that ever landed in this town—well, they are, anyway. And for playthings! Elephants and bears, tigers and monkeys, and ever so many other creatures that are not found in the average nursery. Mrs. Talbot is mother of the Barnum & Bailey circus and all the people connected with it are her children—her adopted children. She keeps house for them—sees that their clothes are kept in repair—stores away their savings for a rainy day—lends a sympathetic ear to their tales of tribulation—adjusts their differences, and counsels them when they are in need of advice. It is a pretty weighty responsibility is this job of being "mother" of such a large aggregation of individuals of different races and widely divergent dispositions as is comprised in the big circus.

er of what is in store for those who attend the show. Almost three miles of parade are promised—three miles of brilliant, iridescent, gorgeous, glittering, glamorous, awe-inspiring, traffic-disturbing cavalcade, interspersed with elephants, steam calliope and a little of everything else under the sun, stretched out in such a long review that the weary vanguard will almost have returned to the show grounds before the tail end has even started. The parade will take on the nature of a huge moving horse fair, over 500 horses being in line. There will be twelve, and where conditions permit, twenty-four splendid perchions drawing the leading band chariot, and the man who finds two reins perplexing when he takes his girl out for a lively stable ride on Sunday can look with wonder at the nonchalant charioteer who pilots this remarkable "hitch." There will be large display of wild animal life in open cages and a long string of elephants will make the journey afoot. There will be bands galore.

Gorgeous and ornate floats will form one section of the pageant, and handsome women splendidly costumed and attended by gallant cavaliers will be seen riding thoroughbred horses. And to the horses and animals the more than 1,000 people in the moving column, all in epic and span wardrobe, and one begins to have a faint idea of the treat in store.

The circus itself, which is scheduled for 2 and 8 o'clock p. m., is pledged to be the very last word in excellence, and the circus folk say the dictionary would be torn into shreds in even a feeble effort to do it justice.

In its essential, the big circus must be like another, for the public expects the circus of today to be at least reminiscent of the circus of a generation ago. It is in keeping the circus circus and at the same time in step with the march of progress that the ingenuity of the managers is taxed. This year's Barnum & Bailey's show has all the old circus atmosphere with 1915 decorations, and presents what has everywhere been characterized as the most novel and diverting program of its long career.

The circus will open with a pageant which, for beauty of design and gorgeousness of color and costume, surpasses anything presented in former years. It will represent in processional

—Lupeta Perea and half a hundred others. There's nothing the Barnum show hasn't got that any circus ever had, and there's a lot they will present tomorrow which no other circus could afford to present. It will be the slipperiest, yippiest, nippiest circus that ever flashed through three solid hours of solid fun and wonderment, making memories of former circuses fade into limbo.

Tickets may be bought throughout the day at the Ontario store at exactly the same prices charged at the grounds.

And Buck McCarthy with his Jane Has found the way to Lovers' Lane. Upon the stoop at eighty-two South Forty-second avenue J. Michael breathes a pall of foam And hums a bar of "Home Sweet Home."

And so it goes. The world is made By eyes that see it undismayed, The same sun sets o'er Burke's saloon As glides the Alps in golden June —E. R. B.'s Chant.

GERANIUM AND JASMINE.

Where Croghan's alley slips away, To join on Number Seven quay, There dwells a child with wondrous eyes, Reflecting country's summer skies.

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