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FOR PROHIBITION-VOTE YES

An organization has sprung up in South Dakota with headquarters at Watertown having for its object the defeat of the Prohibition amendment to the constitution of the South Dakota which is to be voted on at the fall election, and is sending out considerable advertising matter to the newspapers of the state. The Press is first, last and all the time for the proposed amendment. If certain people would drink their drinks without becoming drunk, and making themselves a general nuisance to the man who tries to square his life with moral standards, The Press might possibly be induced to support the cause of local option, which the new organization is in favor of; in other words they want to leave the prohibition question where it is now.

The Press believes that intoxicating liquors are a poison, from start to finish, to the man who drinks temperately as well as the man who ends up his earthly career with delirium tremens, or who gets so inflamed from its use that he wants to "paint the town red," or who has no regard for those who want to see the local option as well as other prohibition laws enforced.

The policy of appealing from "Philip drunk" to "Philip sober" may be fun, or a matter of principle, with some people; but hundreds of people believe that no nation can exist "half drunk and half sober," as was said of slavery.

The "goody goody" man, so called, has the same right to inject his moral principles into politics as the other man has to put his views into politics.

People nowadays being generally able to read, we cannot see how a voter can decide the right or wrong of the Prohibition Amendment from a few weeks campaign of "advertising matter" that is very apt to be one sided.

GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS MUST SET EXAMPLE

Much of South Dakota is located either adjoining or near an Indian reservation. For nearly one hundred years it has been the policy of this government, as expressed by the enactments of Congress and decisions of the Supreme court, that it was a misdemeanor to give an Indian intoxicated liquor. The States of the South, except two, seem to have come to the same conclusion in regard to the negro, having enacted Prohibition laws. Is the Caucasian race so wise and superior that it can say to the Indian and the negro "You cannot touch—you have no right to—our wine, gin and brandies?" That is the question that is involved in Licence or No-Licence, which is equivalent to "Prohibition in spots."

United States Indian Commissioner Sells it seems is enforcing this principle of moral law on the Indian reservations, as expressed in the following quotation from one of our exchanges:

"If liquor is bad for the Indian it is also bad for the employees of the Indian service."

"That is what Cato Sells, United States Indian Commissioner, of Washington, D.C., pointed out in an address to the 220 superintendents teachers and Indian service employees at the United States Industrial School."

"Mr Sells called attention to the increase of \$50,000 in the Indian appropriation this year and said that he intends to wage a vigorous

fight on the illicit sale of liquor to Indians.

"At the same time he warned the employees of the Indian service that he would not tolerate their use of alcoholics, and said that if he found any of them drinking and keeping liquor near them he would have them discharged from the service."

Potter County is located on the border of the Cheyenne River Indian reservation. Are the people of this county going to set up in the liquor business, while the rest of America says that over the line it has got to be Prohibition? that the Indian has not got the same right to drink and get drunk as the white man has?

Ed Sutton and Geo Fairbank returned from LaPlant Thursday last with ninetyone head of cattle including calves, most of them being cows or heifers, which they bought from E. A. Booth, and took them down the river to their ranch. Mr Booth and Doc Palmer drove them in for them, all hands remaining in town over night.

Master William, George, Mabel and Frank Merrill had a pleasant outing, Miss Lavina Bolinger coming in after them and taking them back with her to her homestead Wednesday last where the kids remained till Monday of this week when Mr Harry Bolinger brought them home in his car. Then Mabel was given a surprise by her mother in the form of a birthday party in honor of her seventh birthday. Ice cream and cake was served and a number of her playmates invited to eat it with her.

BRIQUETTING PLANT

Contract let for Plant on Missouri River

Charles A. Johnson of Fairfax, president of the Johnson Fuel company has contracted for the erection of a six unit Fernholz Briquetting plant to be located on the bank of the Missouri near Bismark. The matter of securing coal in South and North Dakota to solve the fuel problem expense in these two states has been before the people lately, and the result is this enterprise, which begins first in North Dakota.

The sentiment is now expressed that since the company chose North Dakota for the location there is the more reason why the state of South Dakota should give state aid to a similar enterprise in this state, when the amendment to be voted upon this fall passes, as is expected, permitting state aid to internal improvement.

The Johnson plant will be in operation by November 1, and will have a capacity of 450 tons daily, or 15 car loads. In the spring the company will begin supplying the Missouri river towns with coal via river. Johnson himself has had years of river experience, prior to the building of the railroad to Fairfax having shipped grain and livestock in Gregory county to market by boat.

William Schoof and Ray Bolton, chaff, were over a few days ago. Mr Schoof was up to see Wm. Mann, of Eales, to adjust the loss on a horse which was recently killed by lightning. The gentlemen were great admirers of the shady dells along the river.

Twenty or more autos from Gettysburg and surrounding country enjoyed a picnic in our parks the first of the week.

Mrs Ben Hoover, nee Nina Small, passed away today, at Gettysburg, after a lingering illness.

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A party of Seneca and Faulkton people were here Tuesday to enjoy a picnic in our parks, camping out over night for another day.

Geo Philips and his mother-in-law Mrs Jane Waldron of Ft. Pierre were the guests of Henry Eidam and family Tuesday night, the following day transacting business at the Agency.

WILL SLOANS LINIMENT RELIEVE PAIN?

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FROM ANNUAL STATEMENT
Year Ending December 31st, 1915

**Germania Fire Insurance
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Home Office, New York, N. Y.

Capital paid up in cash	\$ 1,000,000.00
Ledger Assets Dec. 31, 1915	\$ 8,009,673.74
INCOME.	
Total Premium Receipts	\$ 3,193,320.84
Interest and Rents	331,164.47
Increase, Value Ledger Assets	708.63
From all other sources	528.33
Total Income	\$ 3,525,722.27
DISBURSEMENTS.	
Paid for losses	\$ 1,484,845.08
Adjustment and settlement of losses	84,429.54
Paid to stockholders	200,000.00
Commissions or brokerage	641,369.45
Salaries, Agency and office expenses	481,902.67
Decrease, value ledger assets	50,038.66
All other disbursements	240,578.78
Total disbursements	\$ 3,163,464.20
Balance	\$ 8,371,931.81
LEDGER ASSETS.	
Book value of real estate	\$ 788,893.02
Mortgage loans	720,250.00
Bonds or stocks and loans on collateral	5,753,960.22
Cash in office and banks	570,272.68
Other ledger assets	588,755.89
Total ledger assets	\$ 8,371,931.81
NON-LEDGER ASSETS.	
Interest and rents	\$ 51,250.50
Other non-ledger assets	15,896.03
Gross assets	\$ 8,439,178.34
DEDUCT ASSETS NOT ADMITTED.	
Agents' balances and all other non-admitted assets	47,193.03
Book values over market values	362,833.47
Total	\$ 409,526.50
Total admitted assets	\$ 8,029,651.84
LIABILITIES.	
Unpaid losses and claims	\$ 265,927.75
Premium reserve	3,558,971.56
All other liabilities	95,396.37
Total amount of all liabilities except capital	\$ 3,920,295.68
Capital paid up in cash	1,000,000.00
Surplus over all liabilities	3,109,356.16
Total	\$ 8,029,651.84
BUSINESS IN SOUTH DAKOTA 1915.	
Risks written	\$ 1,072,383.00
Premiums received	15,925.15
Expenses incurred	4,524.84
Losses paid	2,714.65

Company's Certificate of Authority
Whereas, The Germania Fire Insurance Company, corporation organized under the laws of New York has filed in this office a sworn statement exhibiting its condition and business for the year ending December 31, 1915, conformable to the requirements of the laws of this state regulating the business of insurance; and
Whereas, the said company has filed in this office a duly certified copy of its charter, with certificate of organization, in compliance with the requirements of the insurance law, aforesaid;
Now, Therefore, I, M. Harry O'Brien, Commissioner of Insurance of the State of South Dakota pursuant to the provisions of said laws, do hereby certify that the above named company is fully empowered, through its authorized agents, to transact its appropriate business of Fire and Tornado Insurance in this state, according to the laws thereof, until the last day of February, A. D., 1917.
In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal at Pierre, this first day of March, A. D., 1916.
M. HARRY O'BRIEN,
Commissioner of Insurance.
(Seal) By F. C. MUELLER,
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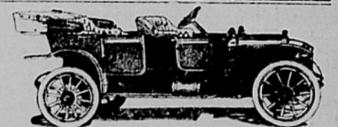
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