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A project was recently approved by the Russian government for the construction of a privately owned railway to serve the big timber areas of northern Russia and the mining regions of the northern Ural mountains. The new line will run from Archangel, the Russian White sea port that has come into such prominence during the present war, through Pinnoga, across the Ural, and through northern Siberia to Chonshesky on the River Ob. There will also be a branch from the Ural chain to Nadezhdinsk. The length of the line will be about 1,000 miles. Owing to the difficult nature of the region to be traversed the estimated cost of construction is \$51,655,000.

In spite of additional expenses due to the war, the street railways of Vienna, owned by the city, paid into the Vienna treasury during the first year of the war a sum of \$160,000. The report for the fiscal year in question shows that, whereas the city owned street railways employed in normal peace times 12,258 persons, they lost 5,700 immediately to the army, and 1,706 later, and were obliged to fill the vacancies largely with women. Not only did the service continue, however, without interruption, but new work was undertaken, such as the transportation of wounded soldiers by special street trams and the forwarding of all sorts of freight.

Havana is to have a big amusement park and hippodrome. It will be in the suburb of Cerro, accessible from the central portion of the Cuban capital by means of two electric car lines. Among the features promised for the new park is an annual agricultural, horticultural and live stock fair, at which will be exhibited the principal products of Cuba. The cost of the park and buildings will reach, it is estimated, \$400,000. An effort will be made to hold the Olympic games of 1920 in the new Havana park.

Details of the regulations fixing the prices of flour and bread in the principal cities of Australia are given in an article in the Melbourne Age. The price of flour is fixed at \$54.75 a ton, except in western Australia, where it is \$55.48. The price of bread in states other than western Australia is fixed at 13.2 cents for a four-pound loaf sold over the counter, and 12 cents in western Australia. Where a fraction of four pounds is bought a proportionate price is to be charged.

There has been introduced recently a hand magnet which is only a trifle heavier than an electric iron and is designed for connection to any lamp receptacle or socket. It is suitable for cleaning up chips and borings, for separating brass from iron chips or filings for handling warm or awkward shaped castings in foundries, for dipping metal pieces in paint, for recovering nails from sweepings in shipping rooms, and for hundreds of other purposes.

Aeronautic units are to be developed within the United States fleet for the purpose of directing the fire of battleships at extreme ranges. With seaplanes it is expected that effective fire can be maintained at a distance of 17,000 to 18,000 yards, according to the Aerial Age Weekly, which states further that the naval engagements in the North sea indicate that there has been effective firing at 17,000 yards.

Carl Musser, of Cynthiana, Ky., had a good time attending the Kentucky derby at Louisville recently, but the train he went on had a head-on collision. Carl also lost a wager memorandum, on which he had won, and missed the return train, going by automobile. Nothing else happened, although he had to make a 50-mile detour around some impassable bridges, and he reached home at 5 next morning in ship shape.

In the E. W. Thornburrow yard in Westmore, Kan., is a large bunch of bluegrass growing in the fork of an elm tree, 10 feet from the ground. Every fall the residents of Westmore, who are watching this curiosity, expect the grass to be winter killed, but every spring it shows up green and strong and matures seeds. The grass has been growing in the tree for three years.

The official organization for handling trade between Germany and Russian Poland, now occupied by the German armies, consists at present of 70 chambers of commerce. It has published a report stating that the total value of sales effected between German and Polish firms through the organization has been more than \$2,350,000. The organization has appointed 200 agents to represent German firms in Poland.

Of the engineers assigned to the Black Diamond express of the Lehigh Valley road, when it was instituted, 20 years ago, four are still in active service. Two have been promoted and five have left the service. Thomas Farley is still on the same run and has missed few trips. The three conductors originally chosen to serve on the express are still at this work.

Money is of so little importance to many Hazelton (Pa.) school teachers that the board was forced to pass a resolution ordering them to cash the checks for the last four and five months' salaries due them, to permit the treasurer to balance his books.

Athena colonized the peninsula of Gallipoli more than 2,500 years ago. Its inhabitants, the Dolonkian Thracians, asked Athenian aid against savage neighbors, and Miltiades walled off the isthmus near Bulair to keep the enemy in check.

Out of 303 occupations in which the workers of the United States are engaged, women are represented in all but eight. Of those eight, three are of a military nature. Street car drivers and boiler-makers are also in the list.

William the Conqueror introduced horses into England. Stirrups, however, were unknown to the ancients, who had posts erected on their roads to enable horsemen to mount.

One Chinese province annually exports more than 150,000 tons of peaches, all because an American missionary several years ago gave a native a quart of California seed.

Misses—Did you see if the butcher had pig's feet?
Nah—No, ma'am, I couldn't, he had his boots on!

DAKOTA MAN MARCHES 35 I. W. W.'S TO JAIL; WIFE MADE COMPLAINT

Takes Shotgun, Proceeds to Camp and Lands Bunch In Garretson Jail.

Garretson, S. D., Aug. 7.—Angered because a hobo had threatened the life of his wife, Charles Schurman, a well known farmer of the Garretson territory, armed himself and single handed and alone, rounded up and marched to Garretson 35 tramps and I. W. W.'s who had assembled in a shady retreat near his home.

Arriving in Garretson with his nearly two score of prisoners, the angry farmer turned them over to his brother, Chief of Police Schurman. The city jail being too limited to accommodate the small army of prisoners, they were escorted to the town limits and told to shake the dust of the town from their feet and never return. The badly frightened tramps and I. W. W.'s, who had been cowed by the blood curdling threats of their captor, lost no time in making their exit from the vicinity.

The roundup resulted when one of the tramps went to the home of Charles Schurman and asked Mrs. Schurman for something to eat. When the woman refused his demand for food, the tramp threatened to shoot and kill her. When she told her husband of the occurrence he seized his shotgun and started on his tramp roundup.

CROP REPORTS.

Aberdeen, S. D., Aug. 7.—Crop reports somewhat reassuring were received here from a banker in Lemmon who has been doing considerable investigating. According to the report in that vicinity the average bluestem and velvet wheat yield is eight to 10 bushels per acre, there being quite a little red rust, but much less black rust. Marquis and durum look good for 12 to 20 bushels and oats should be up to average. Barley should be 75 per cent average, with the hay crop never better and cattle in prime condition. Late grain of all kinds except flax and corn stand little chance of making anything.

Webster, S. D., Aug. 5.—Crop prospects in Day county for 1916 are not good. Wheat for the whole county will not average more than four bushels, and that will not be good quality. Oats, rye and barley are better, but will not yield a half crop. Flax should make an average crop. Corn is coming fine, but is a little late in prime condition. The hay crop is short because of meadows filled by early rains. Extreme heat and rust later ruined all prospects.

GETS 15 YEARS.

Aberdeen, S. D., Aug. 7.—Lee Griest, white Tennessean, who shot and killed Mack McLane, of Hutchinson, Kan., colored, in a crap game quarrel here Monday, was this afternoon sentenced to 15 years in the penitentiary by Judge Bouck.

SIXTH CASE.

Mitchell, S. D., Aug. 7.—The sixth case of infantile paralysis was reported by the board of health today.

EIFFERT BACK IN GAME.

Alexandria, S. D., Aug. 7.—"Turk" Eiffert, the Morningside boy, who is catching for the Alexandria Corn Belt league team, was behind the bat in the game with Salem Thursday for the first time since a foul tip split his right hand, two weeks ago.

LAKE MADISON—Oakley Adams, a banker of Artesian, had a thrilling adventure with four men, who said they were members of the Industrial Workers of the World. They stopped him at the points of pistols while he was traveling in an automobile from his home to join his wife, who is encamped with friends on the shores of Lake Madison. The men demanded that he carry them to Lake Madison in his automobile, threatening to throw the banker out of the car and operate it themselves as far as Lake Madison if he did not comply with their demands. There was nothing to do but carry his unwelcome guests to the point they designated. They left the car and soon became lost among groups of harvest hands who were in the vicinity.

ALEXANDRIA—At a preliminary hearing before Justice Quinney, Wm. Colson and Wm. Abbott were bound over under \$500 bonds, each charged with assault upon J. McNally at Emery Sunday night. McNally, who was brutally beaten about head and face, was placed under \$200 bonds to insure his presence as a witness when the case comes up. All are strangers in Emery and this city.

PARKSTON—While walking along the street near the railroad tracks at night Will Lichter was slugged on the head and a gash cut across the chest by some unknown assailant, presumably a hobo. He was knocked unconscious, and when he came to his pockets had been rifled of \$4.35.

ALEXANDRIA—At the annual meeting of the school board this week, A. J. Gifford was elected president, F. L. Folsom vice president, Hiller Schumacher clerk. This year the city schools paid \$3,500 of the bonded indebtedness, practically clearing up school debts.

PIERRE—In the death of James Howardson, sr., at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Keely, in this city yesterday, another of the pioneer settlers of Sully county is gone. He was one of the first to enter the county when it was opened for settlement.

Raisin Biscuit.

One cup chopped raisins
Two cups flour
Two teaspoons baking powder
One-half teaspoon salt
Two tablespoons shortening
One-third cup milk
Sift flour, salt and baking powder into bowl, add the shortening and rub in very lightly; add enough cold milk to hold together; add the raisins and mix. Place dough on floured board, roll or pat with hands until one inch thick, then cut with biscuit cutter and brush tops with cold milk; bake in hot oven 10 to 15 minutes.

At the Butchers.

Misses—Did you see if the butcher had pig's feet?
Nah—No, ma'am, I couldn't, he had his boots on!

DAKOTA HARVEST ON; HEAVY CROPS RESULT GENERALLY IN STATE

Help Situation Is Serious— Wheat Somewhat Damaged —Corn In Good Shape.

Sioux Falls, S. D., Aug. 5.—The excessively hot weather caused harvest in South Dakota to come on with a rush, and the farmers have been commencing to work early and late in getting their small grain harvested. They now are utilizing every hour of daylight in the work of completing their small grain harvest.

The help situation has been a very serious problem in many sections of the state. Members of the Industrial Workers of the World have demanded from \$4.50 to \$5 per day and board and lodging for their services, but harvest hands independent of this organization have been satisfied with \$2.50 and \$3 per day, and thousands of them are being employed in different sections of the state at these prices.

In the state at large most of the spring wheat has been cut, and rye, barley and oats generally are in the shock. The past three mentioned grains have yielded well in the greater part of the state, black rust for the most part having damaged spring wheat, and this in only a part of the state. In the extreme southeastern section of the state there was but little damage by rust, and reports indicate that the same is true in the lower agricultural region between the Missouri river and the Black Hills in western South Dakota.

Good Crop.

Notwithstanding the rust damage, the crop of spring wheat raised in South Dakota this year will average up with that of many former years. Other small grains are believed to be better than those of many former years. In many sections small grain will thresh out well.

Corn has been making rapid progress during the few weeks and now is in fine condition. While in some localities rain would benefit it, so far as reported there is no section of the state where corn yet is suffering from a lack of rainfall. One more general rain over the state will assure the production of the greatest crop of corn ever raised in South Dakota.

In some localities some threshing already has been done, and the results are interesting and important in view of the great difference of opinion which exists as to the volume of the small grain crop raised in South Dakota this year.

Gerald Muller living near Plankinton, threshed winter wheat which averaged 17 bushels to the acre, and which he sold for \$1.25 per bushel. Rye and barley harvested in the vicinity of Onida, it is estimated, will thresh out from 15 to 20 bushels to the acre. The hot and dry weather seriously damaged wheat in the vicinity of Winfred, but oats was not injured so extensively, and it is expected that it and barley will thresh out a good average crop.

Barley and Oats.

While wheat was damaged by rust in the Milk River territory, barley held its own and together with oats is expected to yield as well as during many former years. In the vicinity of Volga, the wheat crop is poor, while oats and barley will be not more than an average crop. Rye and barley have been harvested in that territory. The cutting of early oats now is nearing completion in the Volga territory.

Winter wheat in the vicinity of Elk Point is being threshed, and the yields are exceptionally favorable. William Nolz, of that territory, threshed the crop from 22 acres of winter wheat and it yielded an average of 35 bushels per acre. This was the best yield so far reported for that territory. W. M. Shearman threshed winter wheat which averaged 23 bushels, but the average for the territory, so far as yet reported, is about 24 bushels—which is regarded as very good, considering everything. Some spring wheat has been threshed in the vicinity of Elk Point and the early reports indicate that this variety of wheat will yield from 14 to 15 bushels to the acre.

The yield of oats in the Salem territory is light and wheat was badly damaged by black rust. Shock threshing commenced in the vicinity of Salem this week, but no returns have yet been made. Reports from Lyman, Haakon, Jackson and other counties in the new agricultural region between the Missouri river and the Black Hills in western South Dakota are to the effect that that territory has raised a very good crop of small grain, the crop having matured before it was seriously damaged by the excessively hot weather. It is said that many fields of wheat in Lyman and adjoining counties will thresh out from 20 to 25 bushels to the acre. In many respects the region west of the Missouri appears to have done better in crop production this year than many localities east of the river.

CHARGED WITH THEFT.

Sioux Falls, S. D., Aug. 5.—Charged with having stolen an automobile from the Page Land company, of Blooming Prairie, Minn., two men giving their names as Melvin Engals and Frank Williams have been lodged in jail in this city. They were captured near Dell Rapids, north of Sioux Falls. The capture of the two men was the result of their suspicious actions after the car in which they had been riding turned over two and one-half miles out of Dell Rapids. The two defendants have asked for a postponement of their preliminary hearing in order that the burns they received in the fire which followed the upset might be attended to and also that they might have time to produce witnesses in their behalf.

BOY ARRESTED.

Sioux Falls, S. D., Aug. 5.—William Hyronimus, of Lennox, was arrested and brought to Sioux Falls by Deputy United States Marshal Anderson. He is charged by the federal authorities with forging the name of his uncle to a postal money order drawn payable to the uncle. His arrest resulted from information furnished by a postoffice inspector. The amount of the order was \$20. The defendant is only 22 years of age and his relatives are prominent at Lennox and vicinity. When taken before United States Commissioner Conway he waived his preliminary hearing and furnished a bond of \$500 for appearance at the next term of United States court in Sioux Falls.

HIRED MEN IN FIGHT RESORT TO BULLETS; VICTIM IN HOSPITAL

C. L. Hodge Rushed to Sioux Falls For Treatment—Other Man Held For Trial.

Sioux Falls, S. D., Aug. 5.—C. L. Hodge, a farm hand, is in a Sioux Falls hospital receiving treatment for bullet wounds in the hip and arm, which are alleged to have been inflicted by another farm hand, Jack Shannon, who is under arrest. While both were employed near Garretson, the shooting occurred on the Rock county, Minnesota, side of the boundary line, and the prisoner is being held for the authorities of that county, where his trial will take place. The injured man is expected to recover.

INDIAN ARRESTED.

Sioux Falls, S. D., Aug. 5.—Capt. Tom Taubman, United States marshal for South Dakota, has returned from the interior of the state, where he arrested an Indian and a white man, alleged offenders against the federal laws. The Indian defendant is George Walker, who was arrested on the Crow Creek reservation on the charge of horse stealing. The other person arrested was A. P. Wienke, who was found at Vega by the United States marshal. He is charged with sending an objectionable postal card through the mails from Artesian to his wife, who had left him, at Larchwood, Ia.

GYPSIES IN AUTOS.

Aberdeen, S. D., Aug. 5.—A band of gypsies, traveling in six-cylinder automobiles, descended on Aberdeen today and so dumfounded were the natives that they suffered their palms to be read without resistance. When the palmyrist had netted enough money to buy oil and gas for the next leg of their journey the wanderers again packed themselves into their cars and drove on. The cars carried California license numbers.

THRESHING REPORTS.

Bridgewater, S. D., Aug. 5.—Returns from shock threshing here are as follows: R. E. Harter, marquis wheat, 15 bushels; winter wheat, 23 bushels; oats, 40 bushels. Theodore Kieple, velvet chaff wheat, 14 bushels; several other fields of spring wheat range from 6 to 10 bushels. R. A. Savage, oats, 40 bushels. J. H. Jones, barley, 30 bushels. Wheat will average from 8 to 10 bushels in this immediate vicinity, testing low. Oats and barley average well and are of good quality. Corn is suffering from lack of rain, less than half an inch falling during July. Unless relief comes very soon the yield will be short.

Mitchell, S. D., Aug. 5.—First threshing reports of this vicinity coincide with earlier estimates. Loss to spring wheat from black rust is even greater than predicted. Returns from five fields of wheat at various places give the best yield at seven bushels per acre and the lowest at five. The quality does not exceed No. 2 in any case, and part of it is little better than bran. Three fields of oats yielded 30, 40 and 50 bushels per acre respectively.

Tyndall, S. D., Aug. 5.—Early threshing returns indicate that the oats yield in Bon Homme county will be between 45 and 50 bushels per acre. Anton Hajak has threshed a field that yielded 50 bushels. Balvin Bros. threshed a field that ran 43 bushels, machine measure, but weighed out a little over 46 bushels. No wheat in this locality has been threshed.

TOUGH LITTLE GUY.

Aberdeen, S. D., Aug. 5.—Walking into his home after a short absence last evening Ed Fuller, a painter, encountered a chair in the hands of a burglar. The chair was swung at his head. The burglar struck a gas mantle instead and Fuller gave fight. There were two intruders, a negro and a white man, and in the three handed battle much furniture and some heads were broken. The burglars broke out into the yard where Fuller, a small man, followed them. He tackled the white man and was getting the best of him when the negro returned, rescuing his comrade. Both escaped.

SCOTLAND—Bloodhounds were brought to this vicinity to aid in unraveling a mysterious fire in a barn on the farm of Michael Koupal, near Scotland. The barn was completely consumed. As the owner has not been near the barn for some time, there was little doubt that the fire was the work of an incendiary. The bloodhounds apparently found the scent in close proximity to the burned barn, and, much to the surprise of the men accompanying them, followed the trail straight to the home of a neighbor. The neighbor protests his innocence, and as bloodhound evidence would not be accepted in court no arrests have been made.

WENTWORTH—At the family homestead on Lake Madison occurred the death of Mrs. Anna Marie Johnson, one of the pioneer residents of this section. She was the widow of the late Lars Johnson, who was a pioneer homesteader of Lake county. Mrs. Johnson was 89 years of age. She is survived by six sons and one daughter, all of whom are prominent in this section. She also is survived by 40 grandchildren and 35 great grandchildren. Prior to taking up her residence in South Dakota in 1874 the family resided at Decorah, Ia. She died on the same homestead on which herself and husband located 42 years ago.

MADISON—Frances Cole, aged 4 years, is alive today owing to the fact that a large pall of water had been left standing at the rear of the Vreyns block. The child was playing on the upper porch, missed her footing and fell 18 feet, striking in the fall of water, which broke the force of the fall sufficiently to prevent instant death. She is injured internally and her recovery is uncertain.

MADISON—The assessment for this year shows that the assessed valuation of the real and personal property in Lake county is \$25,016,231, exclusive of railroads, telephone and express companies' holdings. This is an increase of nearly \$1,500,000 over the assessment for last year.

TOWN MARSHAL HELD ON ASSAULT CHARGE; SHOT MAN IN NECK

August Paschke, of Hartford, Will Be Tried—Brother Stopped Arrest.

Sioux Falls, S. D., Aug. 4.—August Paschke, city marshal of Hartford, as the result of his preliminary hearing in this city, has been held for trial in the state circuit court on the charge of assault with a dangerous weapon. The arrest of the marshal on this charge is the sequel to a recent incident at Hartford, when the marshal was striving to arrest one brother when another brother interfered and tried to take the prisoner away from the marshal, who drew a gun and fired, the bullet taking effect in the neck of one of the brothers. Prior to drawing and firing his revolver the officer's club had been taken away from him.

RESEEDING WORK.

Pierre, S. D., Aug. 4.—The reforestation carried on last fall is now proving very successful in the Black Hills. As soon as burned areas occur, timber cutting has been carried on, the forest service department has reseeded the area, and the progress of the work is carefully watched. Special check of counting plots are established, and from time to time an examination is made of them. The reseeded work is done by the seed spot method, which consists in removing about one square foot of the sod and depositing a number of seeds therein. Under ordinary conditions the seeds will germinate and give indications of life in about three weeks after they are placed in the spots. A great deal of this artificial seeding has been done the past year in the Black Hills forests, to conserve for future use the lumber of that region.

BIG CROPS AHEAD.

Pierre, S. D., Aug. 4.—The grain activities of the state have been shown this year during July in an unusually "preparedness" manner, indicating the farmers are expecting large returns along that line. They have incorporated five grain companies, four elevator companies and seven equity exchange companies, with the secretary of state during the month of July. These are all new organizations, added to the hundreds of others of older incorporations in the state.

MITCHELL—Riding the blind baggage on a Milwaukee passenger going west from here last night, a stranger was instantly killed when he was thrown beneath the wheels of the train. He was decapitated, his head being found 15 feet from the body. There was no mark of identification, even on an I. W. W. membership card he carried, which showed he had joined the order on July 21, last.

BRADLEY—John Fry, a prominent resident of this vicinity, has been sentenced to a term of 10 years in the Sioux Falls penitentiary. A short time before pleading guilty he was arrested on the charge of victimizing the 14-year-old sister of his wife. Complaint in the case was made by the father of the girl. Fry has a wife and two small children. Promptly following the imposing of sentence in the case he was lodged in the penitentiary.

SALEM—At the regular July meeting of the board of education, the new board organized by electing E. H. Wilson president, W. A. Nye vice president and Clyde H. King secretary. It was voted to have school begin on September 11, thus avoiding the disturbance created by the MeCook county fair, which is held on September 5, 6 and 7. In the matter of tax levy, the board levied the same as last year, being a total of \$9,000 for all funds.

REPUBLICANS TO OPEN WESTERN OFFICE MONDAY

Chicago, Aug. 4.—William R. Willcox, chairman of the republican national committee, will arrive in Chicago next Monday prepared to open the new national headquarters and to announce the organization that will be in charge. This was the advice received by leaders of the party here yesterday. When Charles E. Hughes, the presidential nominee, reaches Chicago, Tuesday morning, it will be to find the western campaign under way, it is said. Speculation is active among Illinois republicans as to who will be placed in charge of the Chicago headquarters. Frank H. Hitchcock, former postmaster general, and Joseph P. Keating, of Indianapolis, are mentioned in connection with the position.

SWANGER AND GARDNER MISSOURI'S NOMINEES

St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 2.—The republican gubernatorial nomination was in doubt at 9 o'clock this morning, returns from the Missouri primary held yesterday, indicating a close race between Henry Lamm and John E. Swanger, both of Sedalia, with the latter leading. Frederick D. Gardner, of St. Louis, seemed certain of the democratic nomination.

United States Senator James A. Reed was renominated by the democrats and Walter S. Dickey, of Kansas City, seemed certain of the republican senatorial nomination by a big plurality. Jacob Meeker, republican congressman from the Tenth district, which embraces a large part of St. Louis, was renominated by about 2,000 plurality in a five-cornered race. Henry Kersting, former president of the St. Louis German-American alliance, ran fourth. Speaker Champ Clark was renominated in the Ninth district without opposition.

HUGHES PLANS TOUR.

New York, Aug. 2.—Charles E. Hughes spent part of his time today shopping, in preparation for his western tour beginning Saturday, and which includes a vacation outing at Estes Park, Colo. Chairman Willcox will go with the candidate as far as Chicago, where he will confer with republican leaders and look over the situation in the middle west. Mr. Willcox plans to devote much of his time at Chicago headquarters.