

## BLACK HILLS UNION

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RAPID CITY SOUTH DAKOTA

New York Post: The hopes of Minnesota champions of forest preservation have been somewhat dashed by recent developments in connection with the Chippewa Indian reservation. It was proposed at first to save the whole tract of ancient pine lands for scientific care as a national forest. The machinations of lumbermen, some pressure from other quarters to open the lands for settlement, and the willingness of Minnesota representatives to truckle to both sorts of self-seekers have led to a considerable modification of the original plan. The segregation of forest lands is to be limited, according to present proposals, to 225,000 acres, and these are not to be turned over to the department of agriculture until the pine timber, or all but 5 per cent of it, has been removed.

A schooner loaded with very bad whisky tried in vain to land its illicit cargo in Bangor, Me., as the deputies were unusually watchful. Finally the skipper grew desperate and decided on a bold move. He happened to own a small and unused barn in the suburbs. That night he caused it to be set on fire, and had some of his friends set up a great hullabaloo about the streets to the effect that a terrible conflagration had started. The police, deputies, small boys, town dogs, members of the board of trade, secret societies and citizens on foot and in carriages, turned out and started for the fire. During the excitement the clever liquor dealer ran his schooner up to the pier and got her cargo safely housed before the crowd came back.

Naples letter Chicago Record-Herald: The shops of Naples are filled with bogus curiosities and antiques, which the dealers claim have been excavated at Pompeii and other places. Several manufacturers in the city produce articles of alabaster, terra cotta, glass and bronze which it is difficult to distinguish from the genuine, and many are exact replicas of the choicest gems in the museums. Ancient arms and armor, marble and bronze images and statuary, urns, jars, lamps and other things are perfectly reproduced. The bronze lamps such as were used by the Pompeians are very pretty, whether they are new or old, and the modern ones have an advantage in that they can be used. Genuine ones are very scarce.

Cassier's Magazine: Automobillism, directly or indirectly, maintains more people in France than any other industry. All the factories have tripled their output during the last three years, and manufacturers formerly making cycles now produce automobiles. At first, Paris was the only city where automobiles were made, but now Lyons, Bordeaux, Marseilles, Lille, St. Etienne, Nantes and Rouen have factories to supply local demands. By reckoning all the workmen in the various branches that are benefited by the automobile industry, a total is obtained of nearly 200,000 persons dependent upon it.

Much of the beef, mutton, pork and lamb in Manila comes from Australia, and is sold at the following prices: Sirloin steak, 55 cents a pound; mutton, 40 cents; fresh pork, 55 cents; lamb, 55 cents. Other prices are: Smoked corn, 60 cents a pound; bacon, 60 cents; ham, 65 cents; cheese, 50 cents; lard, 40 cents; turkey, 65 cents; salmon, 35 cents; mullet, 30 cents; lobsters, \$2 each; butter, \$1 a pound; grouse, \$2.50 each; partridges, \$2.50; rabbits, 60 cents; hares, \$1.25; fowl, \$1.50; tame duck, \$1.35; concentrated milk, 75 cents a pint. All game is hung until soft before dressing for cooking.

Kansas City Journal: At Plevna, Kas., a "joint" keeper cornered the Rev. W. H. Houston in the postoffice and informed the reverend gentleman that he must take a licking on account of a temperance sermon which he had preached the day before. "All right," responded the parson, cheerfully; and two minutes later the friends of the "joint" keeper were taking him down to the butcher shop for the application of beefsteak to a pair of beautiful black eyes.

The presents to be sent to King Edward on the occasion of the coronation by the sultan of Morocco are of a unique character. Many of them are faithful copies by Moorish artists of the most exquisite works of art in the Moorish museum. Among the presents are included specimens of the Moorish craftsmanship of a thousand years ago, which have never before been reproduced or been out of the imperial possession.

Chicago Tribune: "Can you tell me the meaning of the word peace?" asked Miss Gray of a little boy who had just recited a patriotic poem in which the word occurred. "Peace means when you ain't got no children," answered the child. "How is that?" asked Miss Gray. "When my mother has washed and dressed her six children for school in the morning, she says: 'Now I'll have peace.'"

New York Press: A young woman fainted at Paderewski's concert on Saturday afternoon. No one paid any attention to her except one young man, who helped the usher to get her out into the air. His attempts to revive her seemed futile until he suggested removing her large picture hat. "Oh, don't do that; my hair will be so bad," she protested, and thereupon sat up, entirely recovered.

This hunting story comes from Scotland: When the beaters came out of the covert one of the guns said to the keeper: "Have you got all your beaters out?" "Aye," said the man, astonished. "Are you sure; have you counted them?" "Counted them?" said the keeper. "Aye, they're all right." "Then," said the shooter, with a sigh of some relief, "I have shot a roe."

Exchange: Khartoum is not the Khartoum we have hitherto pictured it. In lieu of the mean, crumbling huts facing the mouth of the Blue Nile there now stands a stately, indeed a regal, palace, substantial villas, red-bricked, and last, but not least, a sign of the times, the building upon which an ensign with the words, "The Bank of Egypt."

## PROHIBS WARMING UP.

Think They Can Get More Reforms at Sioux Falls.

Sioux Falls, S. D., March 10.—There is every indication of a red hot municipal campaign in Sioux Falls this spring. Mayor Burnside and every one of the six retiring aldermen are out for re-election.

Two years ago Mayor Burnside promised the prohibitionists certain reforms in the way of blotting out gambling and restraining saloons. The prohibitionists elated over their success in this line now propose to have submitted to the voters the question of license or no license, and some of the more radical are in favor of putting up a full prohibition ticket. The indications are now that there will be a three or four cornered fight for mayor.

The opposition to Mayor Burnside's re-election recognize the fact that there is no chance to defeat him on a straight party issue, but they think if there are three or four candidates in the field there is a chance. The prohibitionists have held a number of small meetings at which some most pointed remarks have been made and they are now preparing to hold a large mass meeting in the auditorium.

## FOR A RACING CIRCUIT.

Horsemen From Various South Dakota Towns to Confer.

Mitchell, S. D., March 10.—Mitchell has issued a call for a meeting of the horsemen of the various towns within a radius of a hundred miles for the purpose of organizing a racing circuit. The meeting will be held on the 12th inst. Definite plans and dates for the different events throughout the circuit will be fixed. The enthusiasts of Mitchell have offered free entertainment to those who may attend in the capacity of delegates to the meeting.

## STEELE SAVES PROPERTY.

Sioux City Man Prevents Sale by Paying Taxes.

Armour, S. D., March 10.—A tax matter of considerable importance was settled here when T. J. Steele of Sioux City paid \$193.60 together with \$30 costs, to prevent the sale of fifteen head of cattle levied upon by Sheriff Marvin of this county for delinquent personal taxes. The cattle were owned by P. Meyer and Mr. Steele held a mortgage on them. Meyer had not paid the personal taxes assessed against the stock. The case proves that taxes must be paid and the county holds a prior lien over all interested parties.

## MORE MILLIONS.

Incorporation of Gigantic Companies at Pierre Continues.

Pierre, S. D., March 10.—Articles of incorporation have been filed as follows:

Erickson Mining and Oil company, Yankton; capital, \$1,000,000; incorporators, Sanborn G. Davidson, Thomas T. Crouch and W. N. Smith.

United Oil and Fuel company, Huron; capital, \$1,000,000; incorporators, William P. Ames, William P. Dix and Philip Lawrence.

Mitchell Mining and Leasing company, Sioux Falls; capital, \$50,000; incorporators, Harold D. Thompson, R. B. Trauslot, Aloyz Fritzel, H. H. Natwick and Frank D. Clappe.

Coleland Surgical Dressing company, Yankton; capital, \$10,000; incorporators, J. T. Hunter, F. J. Minck and Oscar Nelson.

Illinois Loan and Trust company, Sioux Falls; capital, \$1,500,000; incorporators, H. H. Natwick, F. A. Kendall, C. G. Leyse, Wilmot B. Richardson and H. L. Norton.

Cornucopia Land company, Mitchell; capital \$100,000; incorporators, Frederick T. Fish, Lydia J. Lanphere and Oscar Nelson.

Bay State Oil and Mining Company of Southern Alaska, Sioux Falls; capital, \$1,000,000; incorporators, J. T. Hunter, F. J. Minck and Oscar Nelson.

F. H. Schule German American Universal Separator company, Sioux Falls; capital, \$1,000,000; incorporators, John W. Cavanagh, George Adam and Oscar Nelson.

Eastern Kentucky Oil company, Yankton; capital, \$500,000; incorporators, John Moagan, Charles Kerr and L. L. Stephens.

West Side Gold Mining company, Sioux Falls; capital, \$100,000; incorporators, F. G. Chapfel, Hugh Stahl, L. L. Tate, Aloyz Fritzel, Richard Blanchard, J. D. Coffey and Henry Rummel.

Minnesota Land and Live Stock company, Moore, Lyman county; capital, \$100,000; incorporators, Oce B. Jackman, Frank D. Burroughs and Henry W. Burroughs.

Terry Peak Gold Mining company, Lead City; capital, \$1,000,000; incorporators, Fred Doten, Charles C. Giddings and Isaac R. Crow.

## HONOR FOR HARDY.

Will Represent Dakota University at State Oratorical Contest.

Mitchell, S. D., March 10.—The fourteenth annual contest in oratory of the students' association for the honor of representing Dakota university in the state contest to be held at Huron in May took place in this city last evening. It was won by C. D. Hardy, his subject being "Fame and Infamy."

## FUNERAL SUNDAY.

L. C. Taylor Will Be Buried Then—Death Causes Shock.

Alexandria, S. D., March 10.—L. C. Taylor, editor and publisher of the Alexandria Herald, dropped dead in his office at 5 p. m. yesterday of apoplexy, aged 48 years.

Mr. Taylor had been proprietor of the Herald for the past eighteen years. He held the office of auditor of state from 1890 to 1893. He leaves a wife and one son and a brother, W. H. Taylor of Minneapolis.

Mr. Taylor leaves a comfortable competence to his family. He was an upright citizen, respected by all, and his death has cast a shadow over the entire community.

The funeral will be Sunday at 2 p. m. under the auspices of the A. F. and A. M.

## FORECAST OF THE REP'N CONVENTION

First Its Location Will Likely Be Sioux Falls and Early.

## MANY RENOMINATIONS

Governor, Congressman and Secretary of State Sated for Continuance—Speculation as to Other Offices.

Aberdeen, S. D., March 11.—Frank Crane, chairman of the republican state central committee, has called a meeting of the committee for Sioux Falls on the 20th, to fix time and place for holding the state convention.

Watertown and Sioux Falls are the only known candidates for the convention, and the chances seem to favor the latter, though Watertown will undoubtedly make a stubborn fight. As to the time of holding the convention, an early date, say about June 10, will be generally favored in this part of the state. So far as the United States senatorship is concerned, the present incumbent, Senator Kittredge, has given such general satisfaction that he has the field entirely to himself and no other name has been or will be mentioned. There is a very decided sentiment in favor of his indorsement by the state convention.

Governor Herreid and Secretary of State O. C. Berg of Redfield, each serving his first term, have performed the duties of their offices so well that their renomination would be a foregone conclusion even without the unwritten law in regard to giving the incumbent a second nomination.

Congressman Burke and Martin will both be renominated, probably by acclamation. For state treasurer, sentiment seems to be crystallizing in favor of C. B. Collins of Groton, while S. H. Elrod of Clark county appears to be in the lead for railroad commissioner for the northern district.

The fight in the convention will be on attorney general, commissioner of school and public lands, and superintendent of public instruction, for all of which positions there are a legion of candidates and some of the back counties still to be heard from.

Governor Herreid has taken no action as yet in relation to appointing a successor for Attorney General John L. Pyle. The place would probably be tendered to Philo Hall of Brookings were it not for the fact that being a state senator renders him ineligible.

## League Meets on Same Day.

Sioux Falls, S. D., March 11.—W. G. Porter, president and A. B. Sessions, secretary of the State League of Republican Clubs, have just issued a call for a meeting of the executive committee of the club to be held in Sioux Falls on the 20th of March. This is the same date as the republican committee will meet in Sioux Falls for the purpose of fixing a time and place for the next convention. The meeting of the executive committee is for the same purpose as that of the state central committee, only the league will follow in the steps of the state committee and name the same town and place as the committee does. Watertown and Sioux Falls are the only two cities who are openly avowed candidates for the meeting place for the next republican state convention.

## SOUTH DAKOTA HEROES.

Plan to Commemorate War Records of State University Students.

Vermillion, S. D., March 11.—President Garret Droppers of the state university here, together with John L. Jolley, O. W. Thompson and F. W. Medbury, have issued an open letter to the people of South Dakota, asking them to contribute by private subscription the sum of \$2,500, which is intended to prepare a room or hall at the university commemorative of the patriotism of the students of the university and the citizens of South Dakota who participated in the Spanish and Filipino wars. The room will be on the third floor of a new building at the university, which will be known as Science hall. It is proposed to fit up this room with inscriptions and memorial tablets in honor of the citizens of South Dakota and the students of the university who participated in the wars mentioned above. The principal tablet will be of white marble, with the dedication in black letters. In addition to this there are to be the names of all the officers and men from South Dakota who fell in the war against Spain inscribed on mural tablets on the different sides of the room. There are, furthermore, to be busts and bas-reliefs of those who attained distinction in the late war or other military achievements of the state. Lastly, it is intended to provide some few military decorations such as crossed sabers, crossed bayonets, flags, etc. The letter concludes as follows:

"We especially make an appeal to the friends and relatives of those who died in the recent war, so that some memory of those who contributed their lives may remain permanently in the state. In many states of the union such immortal rooms have been established in connection with their chief educational institutions, and we trust that those persons who have been connected with the recent war, and those who are interested, directly or indirectly, in the maintenance of true patriotism and in a permanent memorial for those who shed their blood in defense of their country will contribute generously toward this object."

Contributions are directed to be sent to Orville W. Thompson, cashier of the First National bank, Vermillion. The legislative appropriation was too small to make allowance for the suitable fitting up of the proposed memorial room.

## Gets 15 Months.

Deadwood, S. D., March 11.—Leo Winsberg, who shot Sol Levinson last December, has been sentenced to two years and three months in the penitentiary.

## THREE IN ONE DAY.

Murderer, Forger and Burglar Added to Prison Roster.

Sioux Falls, S. D., March 7.—William Waters, convicted last week at Parker of the murder of George Middleton at Centerville was placed in the penitentiary here yesterday afternoon to serve a sentence of eight years and six months. The murder was cold blooded and the general feeling is that Waters got off with a light sentence.

A. C. Nelson also from Parker was placed in the penitentiary for five years and two months. He was convicted of the charge of forgery. Nelson disposed of some forged paper to the banks in Turner county and fled. He was a sewing machine agent. He was located at St. Paul and brought back and convicted.

A third prisoner to be placed in the penitentiary yesterday was Charles Wenster sent down from Lake county for burglary, he having robbed a country store at the town of Prairie Queen.

## WAS IT FOUL PLAY?

This Was at First Charged Touching Death of Fred Martin.

Pierre, S. D., March 7.—This city was excited yesterday by the finding of the dead body of Fred Martin lying by the railroad track near the east side station. The cause of the death is a mystery.

Foul play was charged by the relatives of Martin, but the examination of the remains, so far as reported by the physicians, shows no indication of any bruise or wound of any kind, which has put an end to any such theory as to the cause of death, about the only foundation for this charge in the first place being a quarrel between Martin and a relative in regard to loading certain property in a car for shipment to Seattle.

It is supposed Martin was running to catch a train. Martin leaves a wife and one child.

## ENORMOUS CAPITALIZATION.

In February South Dakota Granted Charters Aggregating a Billion.

Pierre, S. D., March 7.—The business transacted in the way of incorporations by the office of the secretary of state for February consisted of the issuance of charters to 124 domestic corporations, with a combined capital of \$91,351,700. Charters to six state banks, with a combined capital of \$55,000, and a charter to a railroad company with a capital of \$5,250,000.

The total fees received by the office for the month amounted to \$1,716.50, which is \$179 in excess of January, making it one of the heaviest months for the office. The immense capitalization of domestic corporations is largely accounted for in the filing of articles by the Abattoir company, which was filed principally by New York parties, with a capitalization of \$60,000,000.

## BIG OIL COMPANY.

One Incorporated at Pierre for a Million Dollars.

Pierre, S. D., March 7.—Articles of incorporation have been filed as follows: Wolverine and Beaumont Oil and Refining company, Huron; capital, \$1,000,000; incorporators, William P. Orr, Richard G. Sproul and Philip Lawrence.

Union Land and Trust company, Sioux Falls; capital, \$100,000; incorporators, E. E. Collins, George F. Egan and J. E. Evans.

Natona Power and Gas company, Yankton; capital, \$500,000; incorporators, William E. Hoyt, Jacob Ormerod and Oscar Nelson.

McDonald Oil and Gas company, Chamberlain; capital, \$50,000; incorporators, L. L. Stephens, Phineas McDonald and A. D. Shotwell.

Mabel Martz Gold Gravel company, Deadwood; capital, \$2,500,000; incorporators, F. M. Spogole, William Bonham and L. L. Stephens.

Centerville Scientific and Literary club, Centerville; incorporators, Daniel H. Grenier, Ed. Stoner and Charles M. Johnson.

Winnor-Torgerson Lumber company, Toronto; capital, \$100,000; incorporators, Edward Winnor, Oscar Torgerson and George I. Fetton.

Sharon Oil company, Huron; capital, \$250,000; incorporators, George D. Jones, E. H. Hall and Philip Lawrence.

## PIONEER DIES.

Devere F. Jencks, Long a Resident of Yankton.

Yankton, S. D., March 7.—Devere F. Jencks died here yesterday of pneumonia aged 50 years after an illness of a week. He was a pioneer of this neighborhood and has conducted a large market garden establishment for over twenty years. He leaves a wife, a daughter, Mrs. Harry Davenport, and a son. The latter is dangerously ill at present with the same disease.

Mrs. Kaveny, wife of Attorney W. P. Kaveny will probably not live throughout the day. She has been very ill ever since the birth of a son three weeks ago.

## ALLEGED MURDERER.

John Wilson, Charged With Killing Frank Nobel, Is Apprehended.

Cedar Falls, Ia., March 7.—John Wilson, alias J. B. Farwell, wanted in Spink county, S. D., on the charge of killing Frank Nobel in a saloon fight last September, was arrested here while taking mail addressed to J. B. Farwell from the postoffice.

## Will Not Vote Bonds.

Woonsocket, S. D., March 7.—The special county election to vote on the proposition to issue \$25,000 bonds of this county for the purpose of building a court house was defeated by a majority of about 150.

## GUARDED BY TROOPS.

Street Cars Running at Norfolk, Va., but No One Riding.

Norfolk, Va., March 7.—Street cars, guarded by troops, are running at long intervals today, but no passengers are being carried. All was quiet this morning. The mayor stated there is no necessity yet for declaring martial law. Four additional companies of the Seventy-first infantry have been ordered out and this will place the entire command in the field.

## THE SOUTH DAKOTA DELEGATION SPLIT

Compact to Agree on Federal Appointments Seems Ready for Dissolution.

## HURON LAND OFFICE "IT"

All But Burke Favor Blake for Register, But He Holds Out for Wilmarth—Stormy Conferences.

Sioux Falls, S. D., March 8.—News from Washington, through South Dakotans who have lately visited the national capital, would indicate that the compact between the South Dakota delegates in congress regarding appointments at the opening of the present session of congress has received a jar which is liable to result in a total abrogation of the agreement.

At the opening of congress it was given out that the two senators and two congressmen from this state had made a compact whereby it was necessary for the unanimous indorsement of all four to be obtained before the name of an applicant for any of the federal offices in South Dakota should be sent to the president. Everything worked harmoniously until the Huron land office was reached. The terms of the receiver and register of the Huron office expired the fore part of February, but their successors have not been named, and thereby hangs a tale. John Westdahl and C. A. Blake, the present receiver and register, were candidates for reappointment. Within the past few days it has been given out from Washington that Westdahl had withdrawn his application and that the South Dakota delegation had united on H. J. Rice for the place. There has been no uniting on the office of register. Senators Kittredge and Gamble and Congressman Martin are for Mr. Blake, while Congressman Burke hangs off for A. W. Wilmarth. It is well known here that during the last session of the state legislature, when the capital removal bill came up, Congressman Burke was long on promises for support to kill the bill, and at that time he promised A. W. Wilmarth, who was a member of the legislature, the position of register of the Huron land office. Wilmarth's action in abandoning the capital removal party is well known.

Now Burke is determined to repay the debt and is standing out against the other three members of congress. It is reported by parties returning from Washington that Senator Kittredge and Congressman Burke have had a number of stormy sessions over this position and that recently Senator Kittredge has informed Congressman Burke that he must come to the support of Blake or he will not get anything further himself. Kittredge will stand by Blake to the last and every one who knows Kittredge knows that he is no quitter. Burke has anything but smooth sailing ahead of him. He would like to use the federal appointments to strengthen his fences. While Kittredge would undoubtedly like to have the delegation unite on Blake and have him reappointed and confirmed, Blake certainly has the best of the situation as he has the office and will hold on until his successor is appointed and confirmed.

## BLOODED STOCK SALE.

Good Prices Paid at the Tepeeotah Ranch Near Huron.

Huron, S. D., March 8.—The third annual sale of Herefords at the Tepeeotah Stock ranch near this city brought buyers from all parts of the states as well as many from Minnesota and Iowa. Indications of the movement by the stock growers of the state toward a higher grade of cattle, the following sales of the first day will speak more particularly to the point:

Bull "Asteroid," 60102, \$135; to Dell Cattle Co., Templeton, S. D.

Bull "Samson," 93320, \$160; to Puritan Bros., Irwin, S. D.

Bull "Claymore," 110,149, \$140; to J. B. Davis, Lakeside.

Bull "Erkling," 120,248, \$100; to T. Goodwin, DeSmet.

Bull "Fruenworth," 121,120, \$120; to R. W. Cooper, Bonilla, S. D.

Bull "Anxiety," 120,246, \$125; to T. Goodwin, DeSmet, S. D.

Bull "Chester," 113,999, \$125; to Dell Cattle Co., Templeton.

Bull "Sir Siredwell," 112,759, \$150; to Dell Cattle Co., Templeton, S. D.

Bull "Famous," 1,114,000, \$135; to Oscar Maurud, Volga, S. D.

Bull "White Gray," 5,402, \$105; to Mitchell Cattle Co., Mitchell, S. D.

"Ruth," 110,411, \$145; to G. A. Smith, Irwin, S. D.

"Trickle," 110,415, \$140; to W. Harrington, Bryant, S. D.

"Josephine," 110,409, \$160; to J. B. Davis, Lakeside.

"Cornelia," 110,405, \$150; to J. B. Davis, Lakeside.

"Nymph," 110,721, \$110; to J. C. Jabsen, Arlington, S. D.

"Edith," 110,719, \$140; to J. C. Jacobson, Arlington, S. D.

"Celt," 110,404, \$110; to G. A. Smith, Irwin, S. D.

## COURT HAS ADJOURNED.

Cases Disposed of at Term Held at Parker.

Paris, S. D., March 8.—Circuit court adjourned Wednesday. The following cases were tried: The Great Northern railroad vs. town of Viborg. This case arose over the town of Viborg putting a wagon road across the railroad track without the railroad's permission. Judge Smith will give his decision in thirty days.

Turner township vs. Williams; a dispute over a boundary line. Decision in favor of the plaintiff.

J. A. Crane vs. M. L. Crane; dismissed.

Niels Beck vs. Chris Sorenson. Beck sued for damages. The case was done at a stallion by Sorenson. Beck was allowed \$55.

W. A. Houts vs. Julia Vafed; jury disagreed.

Robert Black vs. John Freeling, jr.; suit for wages. Plaintiff was allowed \$45.95.

The city of Centerville vs. Austin Olson, Lars Peterson vs. Sheriff Kirk, Thomas Willey vs. Frank Epple were dismissed.