

SENATE CONCURS IN PRIMARY BILL

ALL SPECIAL ELECTIONS MUST
BE PRECEDED, AT LEAST ONE
WEEK, BY PRIMARY.

THREE SETTLEMENT BILLS

Encouragement for Settlement of
Northern Minnesota by Soldiers is
Purpose of All Three Measures—
Referendum Bill Introduced.

St. Paul.—Primary elections must be held at least seven days before special elections to fill vacancies, according to terms of a bill introduced by Senator Charles R. Fowler and passed unanimously by the Senate as amended by the House.

As originally drawn, the Senate bill provided for no primary, but amendments offered in the House provided for the primary election, and rather than delay longer the special elections to fill vacancies caused by the deaths of Carlton L. Wallace and Harry F. Weis, members of the Senate concurred.

A resolution memorializing Congress to give all discharged soldiers three months' pay, passed in the House, was unanimously adopted by the senators, only those senators with sons or brothers in the service declining to vote.

Three Settlement Bills.

Three bills were introduced in the Senate to encourage settlement of Northern Minnesota lands by soldiers. One, introduced by Senator Fred Besette of Orr, would give clear title to their land to soldiers who had signed homestead contracts before their enlistment, without further payment on their part. Another bill, also introduced by Senator Besette, would allow settlers who occupy land owned by mining companies and leased to settlers for one year terms to hold such land for ten-year terms. Senator Adolph Larson of Sandstone, was author of a bill providing for an appropriation and investigation of the best methods for clearing cut-over land.

An appropriation of \$100,000 was asked in a bill introduced by Senator Leonard Nord of International Falls, James Cumming of East Grand Forks, and Nels Hegnes of Argyle, for further drainage of the Red Lake river to relieve the overflow from Red lake, which it is said is damaging adjoining farms.

Cannot Slash Budgets.

County boards of tax levy would be unable to cut a road and bridge budget submitted by the county commissioners to a figure below the proceeds from a 2-mill county tax under the terms of a bill introduced by Senator George Turnham of Minneapolis.

Employment of deputy highway engineers by the state highway commissioner was authorized in a bill introduced by Senator Patrick McGarry of Walker. Creation of county schools for children who are deaf, blind or backward in their studies on account of impediments in their speech were provided in a bill introduced by Hilding A. Swanson of Brainerd.

Initiative and Referendum.

The initiative and referendum amendment to the State constitution is now squarely up to the Legislature. In both House and Senate bills were introduced proposing this legislation in amendment of present statutes.

The bill provides that 10 per cent of the legal voters of the state shall be sufficient to petition for either initiative or referendum or amendment of the constitution, provided that not more than 40,000 shall be deemed necessary.

Provision is made in the bill that legislation enacted by any session of the legislature that is of public necessity shall be in full force until definitely defeated by the referendum vote of the people. A majority of the votes cast shall determine the matters proposed.

It is provided that the governor's veto shall not be operative on measures voted on by the people.

Would Limit Farm Work.

Representative Leo J. Gleason of Minneapolis went over day advocates of the eight-hour working day one better when he introduced a bill in the House providing that eight hours shall constitute a day's work and forty-eight hours a week's work in farming as well as in other lines of employment.

To Aid Fire Sufferers.

The bill providing for an appropriation of \$1,300,000 for the immediate relief of forest fire sufferers in northern Minnesota was passed unanimously by the Senate and will go to the House at once, where similar action is expected. The bill, introduced by the relief committee, was passed under a suspension of the rules to make the money available as early as possible.

The bill provides that the state shall

Drainage Measure Explained.
St. Paul.—Senator F. L. Cliff of Ortonville explained his bill reorganizing the state drainage commission and providing a statewide survey and control system, at a meeting of drainage engineers at the old state capitol. Senator F. H. Peterson also spoke, urging centralized planning of drainage work. It was decided to give the measure discussion at the meeting of the Minnesota Engineers and Surveyors' association in St. Paul, Feb. 13 to 15.

Issue certificates of indebtedness payable at the rate of \$370,000 a year, to provide the funds. They bear 4 per cent interest.

The relief committee named by Governor J. A. A. Burnquist, of which W. A. McGonigle, Duluth, is chairman, is to administer and distribute the funds.

Demobilization Urged.

Demobilization of all the federal troops except those of the Regular Army is asked of the federal government in a resolution passed by the House.

The resolution was introduced by Representative Guy E. Dille, chairman, committee on military affairs.

Provost Guard Bill Approved.

The House committee on reconstruction and relief has recommended for passage the bill providing for a provost guard to work under the direction of the adjutant general in caring for discharged soldiers and sailors. The bill was placed on general orders.

The committee amended the bill to provide that the guard shall remain in service for one year unless sooner discharged because no longer needed.

Dimmers for Autos.

A bill to provide a state dimmer law was introduced in the Senate by Senator Oluf Gjerst of Montevideo. The bill, which was referred to the committee on motor vehicles, would forbid the use of any auto of lights, the center rays of which would strike over seventy-five feet from the front of the car. Lights that are used must have a diffused radiance under the terms of the bill.

Cannot "Borrow" Cars.

The Corning bill to discourage thefts of automobiles was passed by the House by a vote of 113 to 0. The measure forbids the use without permission of motor vehicles and is intended to enable the police to fasten guilt on persons caught taking cars and declaring they had "borrowed" them.

Lauderdale Seated.

The majority report of the elections committee of the House of representatives unseating Erling Swenson, Minneapolis, and giving his place to Henry W. Lauderdale, who received a plurality of 40 votes on a recount, was adopted by the House. Representative Lauderdale will take Swenson's seat in the House, and will receive all the committee appointments held by Swenson. The report was adopted viva voce.

Majority Favors Sullivan.

Five out of eight members of the Senate elections committee, considering the election contest brought by George H. Sullivan of Stillwater against Senator W. W. Willcox of White Bear, voted to sustain Mr. Sullivan in his contention that the entire vote of the precinct of Woodbury be thrown out of the general election count.

This action assures a majority report of the committee to reseal Mr. Sullivan in the Senate.

Would Have Bread Labelled.

A bill to require bakers to label each loaf of bread sold with the exact contents was introduced in the senate today by James Hapdian, St. Paul.

The bill was requested by proprietors of small baking concerns, who said larger competitors were using a small percentage of expensive grades of rye and other flours in their bread, making it impossible for them to compete.

Bill Asks Higher Phone Tax.

Increased taxes for telephone companies are provided in a bill introduced by Representative C. F. Serline of Mora. The rates range from 3 to 4½ per cent on gross earnings, the large companies paying the maximum rate, instead of the present flat tax of 3 per cent. All companies earning \$100,000 a year or more are in Class A, paying 4½ per cent rate. Companies earning \$5,000 to \$100,000 are to pay 4 per cent; from \$500 to \$5,000, 3½ per cent, and under \$500 a year, 3 per cent.

Would Speed Road Building.

The Senate committee on towns and counties has recommended passage of the Baldwin bill to prohibit the issuance of injunctions to persons who may be dissatisfied with the damages awarded them in connection with highway construction.

The bill provides that work on the highways shall not be delayed or discontinued on account of damage suits.

Road improvements have been held up in many instances, Senator Baldwin said, by persons who claimed large damages.

Chiropractic Bill Up.

Legalizing and standardizing of the practice of chiropractic in the state of Minnesota is provided in a bill introduced in the house by Representatives Levin, J. G. Lennon and J. O. Hompe.

This measure failed of passage four years ago because of conflict of opinion among the chiropractors themselves, according to members of the house. This session, the chiropractors are behind the bill and agreed on its provisions.

Would Certify Seed Potatoes.

Members of the house and senate from the potato growing districts decided at an informal conference in favor of certification of seed potatoes from Minnesota as a measure likely to increase the demand for the Minnesota product.

To Check Auto Thefts.

St. Paul.—Under a bill introduced in the house at the request of automobile owners, sellers of gasoline will be licensed and will be provided by the secretary of state with a list of lost or stolen automobiles, as reported to the secretary of state by the owners. The dealer in gasoline, and the garage proprietor as well is required to report at once the appearance at his place of any automobile listed as lost or stolen, under penalty of losing his license and being fined.

NEWS OF STATE TERSELY TOLD

Recent Happenings In Minnesota
Given In Brief Items For
Busy Readers.

St. Cloud.—The Minnesota Crop Improvement association will hold its Mid-Winter Seed Fair convention Feb. 18, 19 and 20 in the St. Cloud Institute.

St. Paul.—A report stating that St. Paul has had 8,655 cases of influenza and 1,631 homes are still under quarantine was received by the State Board of Health. Thirteen new cases and 17 releases from quarantine were listed.

Walker.—H. C. Baer, cashier of the Security State bank of Bemidji, was elected president of the Farmers' State bank of Walker. L. H. Ickler of St. Paul was elected vice president and C. Bateman of Walker assistant cashier.

Minneapolis.—J. O. Bentall, one time socialist candidate for governor, convicted of obstructing the draft, has been served notice to deliver himself to the authorities Feb. 2 to begin a term of one year in the Crow Wing county jail.

Stillwater.—Mrs. Paul Mirimonti of this city received word from the war department that Private Carlo Mirimonti, reported as missing in action on Oct. 10, 1918, on the battlefield in France, had only been gassed slightly and had recovered.

St. Paul.—Robert E. Braden has assumed his duties today as a deputy fire marshal. J. B. Sanborn, state fire marshal, announces, Mr. Braden succeeds Burton Kingsley, who resigned when he took his seat in the legislature as representative from the Twenty-ninth district.

St. Paul.—The Capital Trust Company of St. Paul is the highest bidder on \$4,322,000 of bonds of other states held for Minnesota trust funds and which the state board of investment purposes to sell if possible and invest the proceeds in Liberty bonds to increase interest earnings.

Hibbing.—Range sportsmen are interested in a bill to be presented to the legislature allowing no aliens who are not full fledged citizens to carry a gun for hunting purposes. At the present time any alien who has declared his intentions of becoming a citizen is entitled to a hunting license.

Eveleth.—Dr. J. G. Saam, city health commissioner, says that there is not a case of influenza in Eveleth and that this condition has existed for the last two weeks. The last case of the disease was reported on Jan. 10 and was released shortly after that. The last death in the city was reported on Dec. 21.

Brainerd.—The Brainerd Livestock Shipping association, composed of farmers, shipped thirty-one cars of stock the past season to the South St. Paul market and the business amounted to \$52,990.39. The stock consisted of 779 head of cattle, 273 hogs, 121 sheep. The farmers may purchase scales and install them in the local stock yards.

Moorehead.—Sheriff Dan W. McDonald has left for St. Anthony, Idaho, to bring back R. B. Zimmerman, who is under arrest there on a warrant charging forgery. Zimmerman has waived extradition and signed an agreement to return voluntarily, according to a telegram received by Sheriff McDonald from Sheriff J. H. Cusick of Fremont county, Idaho.

East Grand Forks.—There were two fires here in one night last week. One was in Erickson's barn, due to an overheated chimney, and resulted in no damage. The other, in the Hanson & Maves feed store, was more serious and showed signs of having been set in three places down stairs. A bale of hay was broken and scattered on the stairs and upstairs, but unlighted.

Glencoe.—A verdict of guilty was returned against Walter Brinkman, Rufus Graupmann and James Hanson, charged with complicity in the assault upon Dr. A. P. Roper, aged Red Cross worker, here a month ago. The jury deliberated fourteen hours. A similar charge against Frank Donnay, who had been on trial with the trio, was quashed by agreement of attorneys on both sides.

Brainerd.—Pine River was cut off from telephone communication by fire which destroyed a line of frame buildings in the business district. Business houses and public buildings were saved by heroic work on the part of citizens. The blaze broke out in the Lillstrom building and swept south from the Spurrier hotel, destroying E. T. Peters' meat market, the P. E. Lillstrom confectionery, the George Bell restaurant and hall, the Leaf building and land and insurance offices. The postoffice, telephone office, bank, fire hall and depot were saved, but all toll lines of the Northwestern Exchange were burned out. Origin of the fire is unknown. Damage is estimated at more than \$20,000.

Stillwater.—Funds raised in Wash-into county by growing crops on land, from one-quarter to five acres in extent, for the benefit of the American Red Cross society, has reached the sum of \$24,017.58, and it is expected that more than \$26,000 will have been collected when all returns are in.

St. Cloud.—The Commercial Club and Business Men's Association are backing a movement for the building of a \$75,000 armory. It is likely the legislature will be asked to pass an act permitting the issuing of bonds.

Wabasha.—Rev. Joseph E. Zahner, pastor of the Immaculate Conception church here and St. Joseph's church at Thielman, died of pneumonia. He was 48.

Stillwater.—Three hundred farmers attended the annual institute and crop show held at the village of Hugo. Instructors from the state agricultural college were in attendance.

Minneapolis.—With 90 additions during 1918, the federal reserve system has 866 banks in its membership in the ninth district, according to John H. Rich, federal reserve agent. Bemidji.—Partial reports of Beltrami county tax valuations show that the assessed valuation of the county is \$8,038,632, the assessed valuation per acre is \$3.36, and redeemed warrants to have been 6,160.

Crookston.—Martin Ulseth, a farmer of Hammond township, has left Bethesda hospital, where he had been for a week past owing to injuries received at his farm. He had two ribs broken when a steer struck him.

Hibbing.—President E. G. Hall of the Minnesota State Federation of Labor, who is on the range, denies reports of a projected strike among mine workers that is agitated by a small coterie of I. W. W. and says that such reports are unfounded.

Thief River Falls.—The Pennington County Agricultural society at its annual election here elected: President, Herbert Fuller; first vice president, Albert Johnson; second vice president, Fred Bierbauer; secretary, G. Howard Smith; treasurer, A. J. Anderson.

Mankato.—The two Norwegian Lutheran churches in this city, Our Saviors and Trinity Lutheran, are to be united under the name of Bethlehem Lutheran church, as a result of a joint meeting of the congregations. Rev. Nels Nordgaard was asked to serve as pastor.

Crookston.—Sergeant Dean Leick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Leick of this city, and A. F. McKenzie of Bottineau, N. D., walked to Crookston from Grand Forks, where they are attending the University of North Dakota. The trip was made on an average of four miles an hour and without mishap.

Grand Rapids.—The farmers living east of the Prairie river and all others interested will hold a meeting at the town hall here to discuss the feasibility of building a potato warehouse at Erskine's spur on Prairie river. The warehouse would serve a large territory and save the farmers a haul of three or four miles, and the project is considered desirable.

St. Paul.—Reginald Eugene Pease, St. Paul, arraigned in municipal court before Judge Mathias Baldwin on a charge of bigamy, pleaded not guilty, waived examination and was bound over to the grand jury, which indicted him. Bail was fixed at \$3,000. Pease is alleged to have a wife and two small children in St. Paul and to have married Miss Goldie Russell, a Duluth telephone operator, in Superior, Wis., Jan. 14.

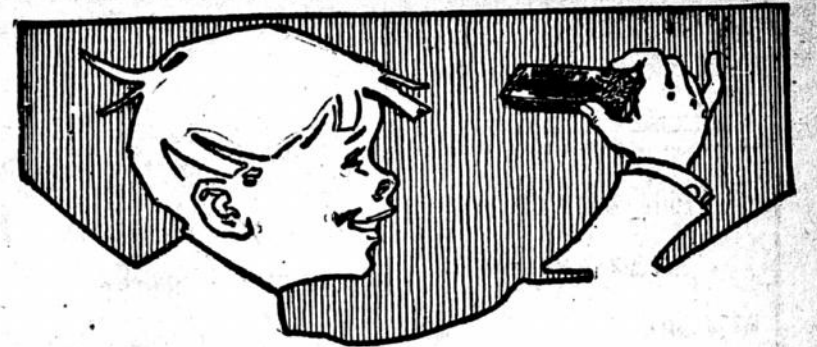
St. Paul.—Closed July 30 following discovery of shortage charged to the president, W. H. Cloud, the First State Bank of Pequot has reopened under new management, it was announced by F. E. Pearson, state superintendent of banks. He said stockholders have removed the shortages. A. T. Kimball, Pequot, and J. O. Ostby, formerly of Albert Lea, are president and cashier, respectively, under the new management.

Pipestone.—There is a good reason to believe that the state supreme court will have opportunity to pass on the constitutionality of the law which prevents creameries from using lime water to kill the acid in butterfat. A test case was brought by state officials against a Pipestone creamery worker who was convicted in district court here. In the event of the trial judge refusing a new trial, the local creamery company, supported by other creameries of the state, will appeal to the higher court.

St. Paul.—Andrew E. Fritz, state public examiner, has recommended that \$22,273, a cash surplus from sale of rough fish by the state game commission, be turned into the state treasury by Carlos Avery, state game and fish commissioner. The fish were taken from lakes under state supervision and sold practically at cost, under orders of the State Public Safety commission, to reduce the cost of living. There is no law to cover the situation, the public examiner says, and he asks legislation to make disposal of the funds.

St. Paul.—Speaking before representatives of a majority of the county farm bureaus of the state at the capitol, A. D. Wilson, state food administrator and official in charge of the operation of the Federal farm bureau program in the state, pressed the claims of the county bureaus on state funds for the continuation of the work now in progress under Federal aid. A state appropriation of \$86,000 was urged by Mr. Wilson, from which each county would receive \$1,000, to which would be added the \$1,000 now possible for the county boards to appropriate, and \$600 expected from Federal funds after July, 1919, making a total of \$2,600 for each county continuing the bureaus.

Minneapolis.—The Woman's Bank of Minneapolis, with a capital of \$200,000 and surplus of \$40,000 has applied to F. E. Pearson, state superintendent of banks, for a charter. The purpose of the bank, one of the few women's banks in the world, will be to encourage thrift by accepting small deposits, according to the incorporators. It will be primarily a woman's bank, although deposits will be accepted from men. One of the first things it will do will be to interest women with small earnings in establishing savings accounts, it was said.



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Things That Passed.
There had been a disturbance, and the case had come before the police court.

"Now, tell us," said the magistrate to the defendant, "what passed between yourself and complainant?"

Defendant—Well, your honor, there was two pairs of fists, one turnip, seven bricks, a lump of coal and uncountable names.

A Preference.
"For \$10 you can take my memory course."
"Um."
"Which teaches you how to remember."
"I'd rather take a course in how to forget."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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