

CASH BASIS IS HELD SUCCESS IN N. D. TRIAL

Tax Commissioner Finds Certificate of Indebtedness Plan Meets With Favor

CUTS INTEREST RATE

Takes Place of Old Warrant System, Reducing Interest Charges to Taxpayers

The law of the 1923 legislature, in placing taxing districts on a cash basis through substitution of certificates of indebtedness for warrants, has worked out satisfactorily, it is declared in the biennial report of C. C. Converse, state tax commissioner. This law was one of several passed by the legislature in revising taxation laws.

The new issues have grown steadily in favor, and have cut the interest rate paid by districts, the report says.

"One of the purposes which actuated the legislature in enacting Chapter 236 (House Bill No. 129), Laws of 1923 was that of reducing the interest drain resulting from the practice of issuing warrants in excess of cash on hand," says the report.

"The legal rate of interest upon such warrants is 7 percent and under the conditions prevailing in recent years, owners of such warrants were generally required to discount them. The discount was seldom less than 3 percent resulting in a total interest charge of about 12 percent. There have been times during recent years when there was no market for registered warrants at any reasonable rate of discount so that often the rate of discount was 10 percent and even 15 percent, while reports are not lacking to the effect that discounts as high as 25 percent were enacted in some instances."

Desirable Investment

"In enacting Chapter 326, the legislature provided for the issuance of a new form of public security known as certificates of indebtedness and sought to surround them with such safe guards as to make of them a highly desirable form of investment with the purpose in view of obtaining a lower rate of interest. Some districts have not experienced much benefit from this act due in part to the fact that their borrowings have been for small amounts and for short terms. Other districts have found the law very helpful and have found ready market for their certificates at 6 percent or less, thus providing funds so that all obligations have been paid in cash. In addition to a saving in interest, they have found that in making purchases they are able to get better price quotations and save substantial amounts in that way. The new form of securities is steadily growing in favor, and there is reason to believe that they will continue to grow in favor with the investing public."

Some Changes Suggested

Suggestions for amendments to improve the act are submitted in the report, among them the advisability of increasing the maximum length of certificates of indebtedness, which is 18 months; permitting borrowings for any purpose for which the officials of the taxing district are authorized to spend public funds; and whether or not there should be a statutory limit upon the number of prior years, the uncollected taxes of which are used in calculating borrowing capacity.

"The day seems not far distant when all taxing districts in our state will be operating upon a cash basis and taking advantage of every opportunity to discount bills," says the commissioner's report. "This will put us in an enviable position in contrast with the average taxing district in many other states. The provision prohibiting the incurring of debts in excess of taxes already levied has met with general commendation as has also the provision making the county treasurer the custodian of sinking funds."

There is no adequate legislation covering the borrowing of money for short terms by the state, the report says, urging such provision be made by law.

CITY NEWS

St. Alexis Hospital

Admitted to the St. Alexis Hospital for treatment:

Vincent Geiss, Solen; Frank Wehri, Hebron; Mrs. Alfred Helgeson, Taylor; Mrs. Bridget Smith, Burnstead; Miss Alice Lindgren, Elbowoods; Eldon and Alice Black Hawk, Elbowoods; Miss Katie Wagner, Turtle Lake; Miss Mabelle Crawford, Harvey; Baby Norma Ness, City; Mrs. H. A. Palmer, Turtle Lake; Master Robert Smith, Hazelton; Mrs. Otto Becker, Ashley; G. F. Henderson, Solen; Miss Olive Eske, Elbowoods; Master Herman Vanouray, Ashley; Mrs. Myrtle Mullenax, City; Mrs. Dan Rott, Bowden; Mrs. Geo. Kugler, Washburn.

Discharged: John Dumas, Wilton; Mrs. Gertrude Beard, Britton; Mrs. Elias Berg, Stanton; E. Hernandez, City; Miss Edna Miller, Washburn; Master John Gough, Elbowoods; Mr. Jake Wagner, Wilton.

St. Alexis Hospital

Admitted to the St. Alexis Hospital for treatment, Saturday:

Elmer Dahl, City; Mrs. J. C. Schlenker, Denham; Nellie Cull, City; Miss Mathilda Vedvig, Solen; Mrs. John Schmidt, Solen; Mrs. Wm. Fandrich, Chasely.

Discharged: Mrs. Aug. Braun, Buffalo Springs; Mrs. John Russell, Streeter; Seb Schwartzberger, Linton.

Birth, Saturday, Mrs. Morris Ludwig, baby girl, City.

Bismarck Hospital

Admitted to the Bismarck Hospital for treatment: Albert Lund, Mof-

fit; Wm. Simonson, "Richardson; Jacob Riddinger, Hazelton; Mrs. Hans Bal, Big Timber, Mont.; Tillie Zander, Mandan; Jacob Gahle, Wishek; Emil Lindner, Rosebud; Rosalie Kittler, New Salem.

Discharged: Alfred Tagestad, Townner; Ann Bergeson, Bismarck; Mrs. Russell Hughes, Mandan; Mrs. S. B. Gooding and baby boy, Garrison; Mrs. J. P. Roth and baby girl, Garrison.

Leaves For Chicago For Funeral

J. G. Cowan accompanied the body of his father, who died here recently, to Chicago. Interment will take place at Oakwood cemetery, Ingleswood, a suburb of Chicago. Mr. Cowan will be accompanied by two brothers, whom he will meet at Minneapolis, his mother, a sister and two more brothers, whom he will meet in Illinois. Arrangements will be made at Chicago.

Return From Attending Funeral

Mr. Gilbert Haugen and daughter Miss Carrie Haugen and son George Haugen returned today from Grand Forks where they were called by the death of Bertha Haugen who died at a hospital there from infantile paralysis. Miss Haugen was taken sick while visiting friends in Grand Forks and passed away soon after being taken to the hospital.

Geese Not Plentiful

R. G. Quam and C. E. Knudson of this city shot six geese near Long Lake, Sunday afternoon. The geese, however, were not very plentiful.

CAR WRECKED ON NEW ROAD

Mandan Family Suffers Injuries in Smash

Mrs. Fred C. R. Schulz of Mandan suffered severe cuts about the head and body and a shock, her 4-year-old daughter sustained a broken leg it is pointed out above the right knee and Mr. Schulz was badly bruised when the Willys-Knight coach in which they were riding turned over at the end of the detour on the Bismarck-Mandan road Saturday night.

Glaring lights of other cars and mistaking the red lantern detour signal for rear light car caused the accident. The car was badly wrecked.

RAIN MAKER'S FAME SPREAD

Hatfield Gets Inquiry From Africa

Hanford, Calif., Nov. 4.—The fame of Charles N. Hatfield as a result of his rain-making undertaking in California has reached Africa where he may have an opportunity to try his cunning against the Sahara desert. The Kings county Chamber of Commerce announced today it had received an inquiry concerning Hatfield from Tunis, West Africa.

The Chamber will reply that the farmers in this vicinity recently paid Hatfield \$8,000 for making it rain. Whether Hatfield was responsible or not it did rain 2.29 inches between March 15 and April 15 over an area 75 miles in diameter after the "rain maker" had "shot the skies" with fumes from chemicals.

YOUTH KICKED BY COLT, DIES

Fargo, Nov. 4.—Glenn Hoefing, four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Hoefing, farmers of near Georgetown, Minnesota, died in a Fargo hospital early this morning of injuries received Sunday afternoon when he was kicked by a colt. He died from a hemorrhage shock and a ruptured liver.

PUBLISHER IS ARRESTED

Brainerd, Minn., Nov. 4.—John L. Morrison, Duluth publisher, who is wanted at Duluth on two charges of criminal libel, was arrested here yesterday.

Last week Victor L. Power, Republican candidate for congress, swore out a criminal libel warrant against Morrison and filed suit against the publisher for the sum of \$50,000. Both warrants were placed with the local police for service against Morrison.

Taken to local police headquarters this afternoon, Morrison was released in the custody of a friend.

CITY WATER REPORT MADE

Report on the city water for the past month was made to the city commission last night by A. W. Eklund, city bacteriologist. He reported the water with one exception was found in excellent condition. On October 25, he said, presence of bacteria was found, which he learned was due to chemical difficulties at the plant. He recommended that whenever turbidity appears in the water, the plant be shut down and examination made. There is water enough in reservoirs to serve the town for several days, he said, and there is no need of pumping turbid water.

London To Have A Cheap Theater

London, Nov. 4.—A playhouse where seats may be bought for sixpence and a shilling is to be opened shortly through the efforts of a band of parliamentarians, including Mr. Lloyd George, Lady Astor and Mr. Stanley Baldwin, who have started a campaign to raise 1,500 necessary to open the house. Only popular dramas and comedies will be presented.

DEPOSED CHINA LEADER FLEES

General Wu Pei-Fu Seeks Refuge on Gulf of Chihli

Peking, China, Nov. 4.—General Wu Pei-fu, former commander-in-chief of the military forces, has fled to Tangku on the gulf of Chihli about 30 miles from Tientsin. It is reported today at the headquarters of Feng Yu-hsiang, "the Christian general," now in control here. This is regarded here as spelling the end of the present conflict between Wu Pei-fu and Feng. The only remaining menace to Peking are large bodies of troops which are left without proper control.

CONFIRM REPORT

Tokio, Nov. 4.—Wu Pei-fu, the deposed Peking commander-in-chief, has fled, boarding a steamer near Tientsin for a destination unknown, but presumably Kiangsu province, where the Tsuchin Chih-shih-yuan is believed to be loyal according to a Kokusai dispatch from Tientsin.

Coolidge Takes Big Lead In North Dakota

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Cass County

Thirty three out of the 82 precincts in Cass county gave Coolidge 5,587, LaFollette 1,684, Davis 882 and Foster 13. Twenty eight precincts reporting on governor give Halvorson 4,351 and Sorlie 1,394.

La Moure County

Coolidge, Halvorson and Hall took early leads in LaMoure county, one precinct giving Coolidge 176, LaFollette 30 and Davis 34. Thomas Hall is running far ahead of Nye for the regular term. Hall receiving 193 votes to 39 for Nye. The same precinct shows Halvorson a favorite over Sorlie. Sorlie, the former getting 185 votes and the latter only 43.

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TEXAS

Partial returns from 108 towns of Texas tabulated by the Texas election board up to 8:30 p. m. show President Coolidge 7,798; Davis 34,995; LaFollette 2,025. For Governor, K. O. Butte 20,358; Ferguson, Democrat, 30,100.

ALABAMA

Alabama 108 precincts out of 1-325 Davis 13,483; Coolidge 1,605, and LaFollette 495.

MARYLAND

Maryland 177 precincts out of 1-122, Davis 13,598; Coolidge 18,958; LaFollette 8,023.

TENNESSEE

Tennessee, 425 out of 2,139 precincts, Coolidge 12,540; Davis 20,908; LaFollette 682.

Heavy Lead in New York

New York, Nov. 4.—Returns received from nearly one third of New York State before 9 o'clock tonight showed that President Coolidge had a 8 to 1 lead over John W. Davis for the Presidency with LaFollette third. These returns indicated a close race for Governor between Governor Smith, Democratic and Theo. Roosevelt, Republican. The returns for president from 2,412 precincts out of 7,663 in the state including 450 out of 2,970 in New York City showed Coolidge 650,137, Davis 313,546, LaFollette 144,423. In the spirited governorship fight Roosevelt showed a lead up state while Smith was running far ahead in the Democratic, strong hold in New York City. Coolidge 30,589, Davis 20,946, LaFollette 10,890.

Drift To Davis

St. Louis, Nov. 4.—A notable drift toward Davis was indicated in Missouri on the face of returns from thirty six of the state 4,069 precincts, which gave Davis 3,227, Coolidge 2,238.

LOCAL PEOPLE HEAR COOLIDGE

Many Bismarck people last night heard the plea of President Calvin Coolidge to the people of the nation to cast a full vote today. The speech was carried by the leading radio stations of the country. Howard Light, reporting the fact, said that he heard the address broadcasted from a Buffalo station.

President Coolidge told his audience it was a non-political address, stating it was the duty of every citizen to vote. He urged them to approach the matter as a sacrament, rather than as a duty. He also quoted from a speech of George Washington praising the part women

took in the winning of the Revolutionary War.

Before President Coolidge bid his audience good night, he said good night to his father, listening in Vermont.

Many also heard the address by John W. Davis, Democratic candidate for President.

ONE KILLED IN N.P. TRAIN-AUTO CRASH SUNDAY

Casselton Man Killed, Wife, Small Son, Step-Father, Are Injured

Fargo, Nov. 4.—Clarence McKay of Casselton, near here, was instantly killed and his wife, a small son and step-father are in a Fargo hospital with serious injuries sustained when their automobile was demolished by a Northern Pacific freight train at a crossing at Casselton Sunday afternoon.

There were five passengers in the car. Mr. and Mrs. McKay, a son, Kenneth, two and one-half years old, a baby one year old and Mr. McKay's step father, J. P. Barnes of Wheatland.

Mrs. McKay has a fractured right leg and several bad bruises on her face and body. Mr. Barnes has a fractured left hip, a badly bruised hand and several body bruises. Kenneth's jaw was broken and he sustained several bad body bruises. The baby was the only one that escaped serious injury.

The accident occurred as the car neared the crossing near the electric light plant in Casselton and the noise made by the steam from the plant, it was said, made it impossible to hear the on-coming freight.

Ring-Leader Is Executed

Persian Government Carries Out Sentence

Washington, Nov. 4.—Execution by the Persian government of Seyid Hussien, ring-leader of the mob which killed American vice-consul Imbrie in Teheran, was reported officially to the state department. Another man was executed for the crime at the same time.

The death sentences were carried out after the Washington government had decided that the two men must receive the extreme penalty despite a decision by the Persian cabinet to commute their sentences.

A third man found guilty and sentenced to death was executed some time ago.

A score of members of the mob which killed Imbrie have been given lesser sentences, as they were merely participants in the crowd.

The Persian government also has completed other phases of the program it laid down for itself at the time of the murder. It has made substantial payment to Imbrie's widow and has professed its readiness to meet the entire cost of bringing Imbrie's body home for burial.

AGED FORMER SENATOR DIES

Los Angeles, Nov. 4.—Cornelius Cole, former United States Senator, 102 years and two months of age, died at his residence here today.

Halvorson Has Good Rest in Bismarck Today

Halvor L. Halvorson, coalition candidate for Governor, enjoyed a good sleep in Bismarck today, after having spoken at the Auditorium last night. Mr. Halvorson had voted in Minot by absent voter's ballot. He planned to visit friends in Mandan today, and go to Fargo tonight, before returning to Minot.

Mr. Halvorson plainly showed the effects of the strenuous campaign, but his voice was in fair condition, and aside from a weariness that comes from the long grind of speech-making and hard traveling, he was in fine spirits.

Airmail Forecast 50 Years Ago

Berlin, Nov. 4.—Writing in 1874 on the postal service between Europe and the United States, the postmaster general of Prussia said the ultimate solution of the problem would be found in a daily mail service by air across the Atlantic.

INCORPORATIONS

Articles of incorporation filed with the Secretary of State include:

Northern Realty and Securities Company, Grand Forks; capital stock \$50,000; incorporators, Edgar A. Berg, Ernest J. Simmons, Raymond O. Gilbert, Clifford Berg, all of Grand Forks.

Oakes Mercantile Company of Oakes; capital stock \$50,000; wholesale grocery and fruit business; incorporators, O. A. Leach, R. M. Lunday, W. C. Prebert, H. W. Rife, George F. Reeder, all of Oakes.

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DAWES VOTES IN EVANSTON

Candidate Quickly Marks His Ballot at Polls

Evanston, Ill., Nov. 4.—Marking his ballot from a lead pencil from his own pocket instead of the customary blue pencil furnished by election officials, Charles G. Dawes voted shortly before noon in the first precinct of the third ward, Evanston. Mrs. Dawes voted at the same time.

"It did not take you very long to mark your ballot," a friend remarked to Mrs. Dawes as she left the polling place.

"I had it all figured out myself, some days ago, inasmuch as Charles had declined to give me any advice," she answered.

PRESIDENT'S FATHER VOTES

Plymouth, Vt., Nov. 4.—Col. John Coolidge, father of the President, was the first to cast his vote when the polls opened in this town, the President's birthplace. Col. Coolidge hitched up his horse and buggy and drove to the voting place, accompanied by his housekeeper. There the ballots were cast in boxes, which were better pails improvised.

VOTES HER STRAIGHT

Locust Valley, N. Y., Nov. 4.—John W. Davis voted in Glenn Cove shortly before noon today. His ballot was number 292, and he said when he stepped out of the booth it might be safely assumed he had voted "the Democratic ticket straight." Mrs. Davis accompanied the candidate.

LAFOLETTE AT HOME

Madison, Wis., Nov. 4.—Senator Robert M. LaFollette, independent presidential candidate, went to the Dane county courthouse early today and cast his ballot, accompanied by his sons, Robert Jr. and Phillip. Mr. LaFollette will spend the rest of the day with friends and at Maple Bluffs, his farm home, just outside of Madison and receive election returns tonight at the state house.

THREE DIE IN FISHING TRIP

Mystery Surrounds Death of Minneapolis Man

Minneapolis, Nov. 4.—Bodies of three Minneapolis men, who met death while on a fishing and hunting trip, were found by deputy sheriffs Sunday at Twin Lakes in Brooklyn Center township, Hennepin county. The dead are:

James M. Dahl, 42 years old, 3901 Queen avenue north, a woodworker.

Aslak Tonstad, 30 years old, 3901 Queen avenue north, a woodworker.

Bernhard Hanson, 42 years old, 3838 Russell avenue north, a carpenter.

Dahl's body was found in a boat. Tonstad's body on the shore, face down, and Hanson's body beside the boat, partly out of shallow water. There were evidences of a struggle which came, apparently after their small craft had capsized.

Lungs Are Empty

Dr. Gilbert Seashore, Hennepin county coroner, said death probably was caused by exposure. There was no water in the lungs, he said.

Dr. Seashore, who conducted a post mortem examination of the bodies of Dahl and Tonstad at the county morgue Sunday afternoon, said traces of alcohol were found in their stomachs.

Hanson's stomach was not examined. Dahl is survived by a wife and six children. Tonstad was unmarried. Hanson leaves a wife.

CAPITOL THEATRE

Tonight and Wednesday

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Wednesday and Thursday

GLORIA SWANSON

PROBE STARTS AS RIOTS IN NILES CEASE

All Military to be Out of the City Tomorrow, Commander Says

Niles, Ohio, Nov. 4.—(By the A.P.)—With peace and order restored here, military, county and city officials today turned their attention to fixing the responsibility for Saturday's rioting between the Ku Klux Klan and the anti-Klansmen, which occurred while Klansmen were preparing to parade.

The list of those wounded as a result of the skirmishes remained at 13.

Only a comparatively few National Guardsmen remained on duty. Most of these, Major-General Hough, in charge of the city, proclaimed under qualified martial law by Governor Donahy after rioting began, said would be home in time to cast their ballots in tomorrow's election.

Investigation into the rioting, which was started by military authorities yesterday was continued today.

What My Neighbor Says

Is of Interest to Bismarck Folks.

When one has had the misfortune to suffer from backache, headaches, dizziness, urinary disorders and other kidney ills—and has found relief from all this sickness and suffering, that person's advice is of unold value to friends and neighbors. The following case is only one of many thousands, but it is that of a Bismarck resident. Who could ask for a better example?

Mrs. N. F. Reynolds, 417 Mandan Ave., says: "I suffered from pains through my back and kidneys and other symptoms of kidney trouble. My ankles swelled and I found it difficult to get my shoes on at times. After trying several remedies without the least help, I finally got Doan's Pills at the Lenthart Drug Co. After using them, all of the trouble disappeared."

Over twelve years later, Mrs. Reynolds said: "I have used Doan's since and obtained prompt relief."

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