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## School Officers Meet

Every District in County Represented And Big Armory Filled With Audience

The meeting of the County School Officers' Association here last Saturday evening was attended by delegates from every district in the county, and many sent two, three or half a dozen to get the good that the convention offered. There were in all 301 accredited delegates and at least 300 more who visited the session and enjoyed the privileges of the entertainment offered.

The audiences at all times numbered fully 600 and the big Armory was needed to accommodate them. Early in the morning the delegates and visitors began to arrive by team and auto and every train brought its quota until the afternoon session opened at 1:30 with every seat occupied.

The Brookpark band came over in autos before noon and aided greatly in keeping things awake and moving throughout the meeting.

The afternoon session was a scorcher. The weather was hot and sultry and in the Armory, with its large crowd, was almost sweltering. President Harte doffed his coat and gave everybody else the cue to follow suit. The program, as announced in The Poker last week, was carried out with only one change—leaving out Mr. McAdam's address. The discussion of school laws by County Atty. Ervin was probably the most valuable number—and his most salient point was in the matter of teachers' contracts. Mr. Ervin covered this ground thoroughly and lucidly and made an excellent impression. The address by Asst. State Supt. Cessler was also excellent and filled with valuable suggestions and information. Attorney Roberts' address of welcome was well timed and pleased everyone.



Hon. J. A. O. Preus, State Auditor, who delivered a telling address before the Pine County School officers' Assn. here last Saturday.

Nobody is better qualified for such an occasion than the classic and able Nestor of our county bar.

The evening session was fuller of musical numbers and reading than that of the afternoon but found its food for thought in the address by State Auditor Preus who, when he arose to speak, was heralded "our next governor" from the audience. His line of thought covered the influence of the rural school for good citizenship.

The hour was late when his place on the program was reached but he held his big audience quiet while he mixed humor with the thought he wished to impress and left the



"Big Smoke" (Sandy) Hamilton led the Minneapolis Contingent in over the state Road at day break. The boys crossed a desert from Wyoming up and said the rain that day was welcome.

platform after having said something worth while and having done it in a way that pleased everybody.

After the evening program the time to the night trains was passed socially, lunch being served.

President Harte and County Supt. Blankenship are entitled to great credit for the success of the meeting, both in attendance and in the quality of the program. Mr. Blankenship especially was always busy, attending to the needs of delegates and dispensing information in connection with his office.

Dr. Dredge of Sandstone was elected president for the coming year. County Supt. Blankenship secretary and C. L. Jack of Hinckley treasurer. The next meeting will be held next June at Sandstone. The Armory was beautifully decorated with the national colors and the sides of the big auditorium were covered with samples of work done in our schools which attracted much attention.

H. S. Graduation Exercises  
The High school graduation exercises in the Armory last Thursday evening called out nearly a thousand

of the parents and others of the community and the event was one of the most pleasing of its, or any other, kind ever held here.

From the moment when the triumphal notes of the "March of the Victors" from Verdi's opera "Aida" told the coming of the graduates to the platform, to the benediction by Rev. Fr. Leo, the whole program indicated a conviction of progress with an appreciation of the conditions that surround it—and to which it leads.

Every number of the program as published in The Poker last week, reflected credit on the young ladies and men who delivered or rendered them and, as well, on those who superintended its preparation.

The hall was excellently decorated for the occasion and the general effect of the scene was a lastingly pleasing one.

After the exercises, the Juniors entertained at a reception for the graduates. Refreshments were served and dancing was indulged in.

## Real Worth vs. Low Cost

If you asked your butcher for a porterhouse steak and he handed you a cut of the flank and said, "This doesn't cost as much and is just as good," you wouldn't believe him, would you?

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## Firemen Were Here

Attendance was Much Smaller Than Was Anticipated But Spirit was Fine

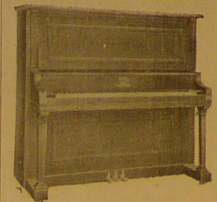
As early as Sunday and thereafter the trains brought crowds of Delegates to Pine City to attend the Convention. Tuesday morning, the weather conditions were unfavorable and it looked during the early hours of the day as though the Convention was doomed to the unreasonable weather that has prevailed throughout most of the Spring. Rain came in a steady downpour until about 8 o'clock when the skies began to clear and at 9 o'clock old Sol was showing his face with a sunny smile on it and everybody felt happier.

To a student of human nature, the scene on the streets was most entertaining and interesting. At first sight one was tempted to think they were on the streets of one of our more Metropolitan Cities. Everywhere decorations had been placed and in such good taste as to reflect great credit on those having that feature of the Convention in charge. Especially does great credit accrue to Mr. W. H. Andersen of Mankato. Alighting from the early morning train every one was impressed with the cheery aspect of things. The Electric Lights and "Old Glory" amid the green of the leaves gave indeed a harmonious setting to the little town. Everywhere to be seen groups of Delegates looking forward to the proceedings of the Convention with pleasurable anticipation. The element of humor was not wanting either. All over the streets were to be seen men good naturedly poking fun at each other; men camping out, so to speak on benches and chairs wherever to be found and accepting their Queerized lot with the more fortitude because they looked forward to the hospitality to come.

The various Band Boys were instant in season and out of season with their contribution to the general fund of entertainment. As early as 8 o'clock the Chisholm and the Brook Park Bands took their station at prominent corners in the town and discoursed sweet music (to which large crowds turned out) as a sort of prelude to the days proceedings.

By this time it is safe to say that most of the delegates who had up to this time arrived in town, were out on the streets making acquaintances among their fellow-firemen. It was great to see the good fellowship that prevailed and the ease with which they approached each other. About 9 o'clock streams of men with a fair sprinkling of ladies were making their way toward the Armory building in which the Convention met. There, every arrangement had been made for the comfort of the visitors and within half an hour after the first arrivals almost the entire Convention was seated. Preliminary work unavoidable in almost every occasion of this kind prevented the calling of the meeting until 10 o'clock.

In the mean time the Brook Park Band had taken its place near the platform and entertained the assembling delegates with four well rendered numbers by way of Preludes. The boys were heartily cheered at each number.  
Chief E. F. Kelly of Fairbault came early to a place on the platform followed in a close order by Chief E. M. Trwford of Owatonna; John Boylhard, Ex-chief of Ro-



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# BRYAN RESIGNS; DISAGREES WITH WILSON ON NOTE

## BELIEVES REPLY TO GERMANY MIGHT POSSIBLY DRAW UNITED STATES INTO WAR—PRESIDENT ACCEPTS.

### ACTING SECRETARY WILL CABLE ANSWER TO BERLIN

#### Lansing Will Sign Document at Once. Cabinet Approves Resignation Pre- pared to Tanton Reply to Rumania— Bryan to Return to Private Life.

Washington, June 9.—William Jennings Bryan, three-time Democratic candidate for the presidency of the United States and author of nearly thirty peace treaties with the principal nations of the world, has resigned as Secretary of State as a dramatic sequel to his disagreement with President Wilson over the government's policy toward Germany.

The resignation was accepted by the President. The cabinet then approved the response which had been prepared to the German reply to the Lusitania note. Acting Secretary Robert Lansing will sign the document and it will be cabled to Berlin at once.

#### Returns to Private Life.

Secretary Bryan will return to private life when his resignation takes effect. It was reported that he intends to continue his political support of the President.

Rather than sign the document which he believed might possibly draw the United States into war, Mr. Bryan submitted his resignation in a letter declaring that "the issue involved is of such moment that to remain a member of the cabinet would be as unfair to you as it would be to the cause which is nearest my heart, namely, the prevention of war."

#### Wilson Regrets Resignation.

The President accepted the resignation in a letter of regret, tinged with deep personal feeling of affection. The letter, constituting the official announcement of Mr. Bryan's departure from the cabinet to private life, was made public at the White House at 6 o'clock in the evening.

#### Causes Resignation.

Dramatically the official relation of Mr. Bryan with the administration of the man whose nomination he assisted so materially in bringing about at the Baltimore convention of 1912, came to an end. It caused a sensation in the national capital, scarcely paralleled in recent years. Ambassadors, ministers and diplomats from foreign lands, officials of every rank and station, heard the news as it was flashed by newspaper extracts. They interpreted variously its effect. They interpreted it as the delicate situation that had arisen between Germany and the United States. The resignation of the staunchest advocate of peace in the President's official family spread broadcast the belief that the policy of the United States as definitely determined upon would assert and defend the rights of the United States in any eventuality that might arise.

Officially it was the intention of Mr. Bryan and Mr. Wilson to have the announcement of the resignation made simultaneously with the dispatch of the note to Germany, but when Mr. Bryan did not attend the cabinet meeting until President Wilson sent for him, rumors that the President had been unable to bring the Secretary of State to his point of view filled the air. Finally, shortly before 9 o'clock, the news leaked out and was confirmed.

#### Bryan Keeps Secret.

When the principles on which the note to Germany should be based were discussed at the cabinet meeting of Friday, Mr. Bryan found that he could not reconcile his own position with that of the administration. Work on the note went forward, however, Mr. Bryan keeping his secret, as did other officials, awaiting the hour when the communication would be ready to be cabled.

The cabinet assembled for a final reading of the note. Mr. Bryan was absent. He declined to receive newspaper news of cabinet action and went to his room where he had arranged on a work of important business. At the White House no word as to the reasons for his failure to appear at the meeting were given, but after the cabinet had been discussing the note for an hour, Mr. Bryan arrived, telling the newspaper men at the White House that he resented being invited.

#### President Sends Invitation.

It was learned that with the knowledge that his resignation had already

## WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN



William Jennings Bryan, Secretary of State, Who Will Return to Private Life.

been accepted by the President, Mr. Bryan felt it would be impudic to attend the session unless his presence was desired by the President. When Mr. Wilson telephoned an invitation, the secretary hurried to the White House, his face somewhat drawn and pale. When the cabinet adjourned shortly after 1 o'clock, Mr. Bryan entertained seven of his colleagues, all who could attend, at luncheon at the University club. The luncheon was in the nature of a farewell.

That there had been friction between the President and Mr. Bryan has been the undercurrent of comment for several weeks, but as the President heretofore had always been able to secure the acquiescence of the secretary in his point of view, talk of resignation was discounted generally.

It came to light that the position of Mr. Bryan in the cabinet recently has become very embarrassing—his advocacy of peace being so pronounced that other members of the cabinet, who felt that the United States should assert itself, respectively of the consequences, were understood to have on one occasion declared their intention of resigning if a policy of firmness and vigor were not adopted.

#### Disagreement on May 13.

The real disagreement dates back to the famous session of the cabinet when the note of May 13, following the sinking of the Lusitania was drafted, informing Germany that the United States would not omit "any word or any act to protect its rights." At that time Mr. Bryan made a speech counseling peaceful measures and cautious action. He gave his consent to signing the note only after it was tentatively arranged that a statement at the White House should be issued, and transmitted to the German government, announcing that inasmuch as Germany had accepted the principle of the peace treaties negotiated between the United States and other countries, differences between the two nations might be adjusted by a commission of investigation. Opposition to this course was most vehement in some cabinet quarters, and the President, after having considered at length Mr. Bryan's suggestion, finally disapproved it at the hour the note was sent. Some cabinet officers argued that such an appendix to the note of May 13 would be construed abroad as a weakening of the American position, and their counsel prevailed.

Since then the official relations of Mr. Bryan with the President and the other cabinet officers have been somewhat strained, although the closest personal friendships have been maintained. Opposition to his resignation were unanimous in their expressions of personal regret. Secretary Timony issued a statement to that effect, and the President reflected the same sentiment in his letter. A minute and praise for the courageous manner in which Mr. Bryan had fought for and held to his convictions were expressed by officials on every side, including those who had been most vigorous in their opposition to his resignation.

The strong personal attachment of the President and Mr. Bryan has long been noticeable in their every-day conferences. Even as they met in the cabinet room for the last time their greetings was one of affection and regard.

It became known recently that twice before in the two years and three months of his term Mr. Bryan had offered to resign so as to save the President from embarrassment, and each time the President refused to accept his resignation.

#### National Guard Instructed.

Chicago, June 9.—Sixty officers of the cavalry of the national guard were ordered to report to the National Guard at their first day's instruction at the instruction camp opened at Fort Sheridan, near Chicago. The instructions include lessons in horsemanship, road building, map making and care of the horse.

#### Dynamite to Check Texas Flood.

Fort Worth, Texas, June 9.—Heavy rains continued to fall throughout northern Texas, aggravating flood conditions which have wrought serious damage to crops and property and virtually isolated Wichita Falls, Glauville and half a dozen smaller towns. At Wichita Falls dynamite was used to relieve a flow of water from the railway embankment near the city. Wichita river is reported doing large damage there, while the Red river, it is higher than in 10 years.

## SCANDINAVIAN NEWS

### SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT HAPPENINGS IN FAR OFF NORTHWEST.

#### ITEMS FROM THE OLD HOME

#### Resume of the Most Important Events in Sweden, Norway and Denmark—Of Interest to the Scandinavians in America.

### NORWAY.

Old Martie Boy, Gudbrandsdal, has sent a rare and very beautiful collection to Frot Sandvig for his national museum at Malhøgen. The lady, who is eighty years old, says in the letter accompanying the gift: "I send you two linen shirts, one of hemp, and spun by my great-grandmother about the year 1700. A red woolen kerchief, spun and woven by my grandmother, Guri Vægran, and sewed by her daughter when she was a little girl. Look at the fringes; they are matchless. A pair of socks knitted by Martie's eighteenth century; a very rare piece of work. An embroidered table cover spun and made by me. These things I turn over to the museum as its property." It is needless to say that the gifts were gratefully accepted by Doctor Sandvig.

A schoolteacher named Numedal has discovered the remains of no less than six dwellings from the older stone age on the small Kirkeland island, near Christiansand. He also found several bushels of flint chips, and among these he also found a number of hand-made flint tools, such as spears, knives, arrows and arrowheads. Besides these, Mr. Numedal found over fifty stone tools of different kinds. Some slate tools were of a form unknown to archaeologists. The large quantity of flint chips and the fact that flint tools were comparatively scarce in Norway prehistoric times.

It is a ticklish matter. But it is of such immeasurable importance that it should be mentioned in these columns that the Government of Norway has passed a law which gives illegitimate children the opportunity of growth and development with a name on a par with those born in wedlock. The illegitimate Norwegian child now has the right to take his father's name if he wishes. It now has equal right with the legitimate children in the matter of inheritance. No other law yet so-called Christian world has ever dared to take such a radical step as the Norwegian storting in this matter.

A bill introduced in the storting provided for compulsory arbitration of labor conflicts. The intention of the bill was to aid the laborers. In the course of time the labor organizations were solidly arrayed against it. As a final trump the labor organizations, representing 70,000 workmen, resolved to go on a national strike in case the bill was passed. The 70,000 were supported by 30,000 nonunion men, so that 100,000 of the bulk of the workmen of the country were pitted against the storting. This was too much. The storting did not dare to fight this force, and so backed out as gracefully as possible.

There was a very serious fodder famine in Gudbrandsdalen last spring. Last fall the farmers realized that they would not have enough hay to carry their stock through the winter, and so they began to buy hay early in winter. During January and February from two to five carloads of hay were piled north through Lillehammer every day, and about 6,200 tons of hay and straw was shipped into this locality during the season. Most of the fodder was shipped in from Smaelene. The cost to the farmers is said to have averaged about \$28 a ton.

The general manager of the railways of Norway, while on a recent visit to Petrograd, said to a Russian newspaper reporter that the Norwegian government is anxious to establish a commercial route between Russia and England by way of Norway. He suggested a steamship line between Bergen and Newcastle. The Norwegians are in hopes that sleeping berths in through trains will soon be furnished between Christiania and Stockholm, Sweden, on the Russian border.

The postoffice from works has received orders to loan his ten freight steamers from a shipowner in Gelle, Sweden. Their tonnage is to vary from 3,000 to 4,500.

Hotelkeepers, steamship companies and others who take care of the tourist trade are prepared for a dull season this year on account of the war. Many foreigners who have returned during the winter are in their places. Many pleasure steamers will be out of commission.

The number of telephone calls made in Norway during the fiscal year 1913-14 was 6,270,000. The number of telegrams dispatched during the same time was 3,250,000.

### DENMARK.

Hamilton Jackson, a negro representative of the native population in the Danish West Indies, has arrived in Copenhagen and conferred with the Danish finance and other government officials concerning grievances of his constituents here against L. G. Halvsgaard, present governor of the islands, and his administration Jackson urged that the negroes be permitted to vote, as almost every negro under thirty-six years of age is now able to read and write. He also urged improvement in the sanitary conditions and health of the economic situation. The negroes asked through Jackson for the privilege of printing their own newspaper and holding public meetings. The minister of finance gave Jackson an attentive hearing and a state conference has been arranged for a date in June when the governor, who is now on his way home, will meet the minister of finance with other officials. Jackson and his followers contend that another governor and a radical reform administration must be provided which is in sympathy with the progressive native population before the unrest can be quieted.

The Danes take the English embargo on the exportation of coal with philosophical coolness. They hold that the embargo will be a stricter control for the exportation of neutral ports. The announcement actually states that single cargoes may be exempted from the general rule. The coal importers believe that they can obtain plenty of coal, and they do not even expect higher prices as a result of the embargo.

The statistical bureau has published a report on the consumption of liquor in 1914. There was some increase of the consumption of spirits and taxable liquors, but a decrease in wine and untaxed beer. In 1914 there was produced 12,500,000 quarts of pure alcohol, of which 2,000,000 quarts was used for medicinal, technical and chemical purposes.

The Danish steamer Betty was torpedoed by a German submarine in the North Sea, and the crew was rescued by the British crew of the Tynne. The Betty was owned in Copenhagen. It sailed from Baltimore April 10 for Copenhagen.

The temperance people of Denmark are making preparations for offering theatrical performances in all parts of the country in the interest of the cause. The performers are to illustrate the evil effects of strong drink.

Denmark, Sweden and Norway have officially notified both Austria and Great Britain that they intend to preserve the strictest neutrality in the Austro-Italian war.

### SWEDEN.

Sweden will be the next country to be given a chance to win the international canoe cup, now held by the United States. The cup was won by Sweden in 1912. A challenge has just been received from the Gothenburg Canoe club of Sweden on behalf of the Swedish national canoeists for a race in New York this summer. It could not, however, be accepted for the current year owing to both the war and the fact that the club that all challenges must be in by May 1.

The leading news of Sweden are succeeding pretty well in avoiding public expressions in favor of either party to the war. But the sinking of the Lusitania proved too much for Hjalmar Branting, the Swedish socialist leader in the country. His anti-German feelings broke out in denunciations, for which his countrymen took him severely to task. His personal feelings have always been known, but in this case he threw all moderation to the four winds and said squarely with the allies.

Sweden has forbidden the exportation of cotton from Swedish ports. Dispatches from Stockholm assigned no reason for the government's action. It was believed the ban is a sequence to the issuance of the British order forbidding the exportation of cotton, and with German ports as their ultimate destination.

The Swedish tobacco monopoly has announced that the price of cigars and cigarettes will not be raised. In view of the fact that the raw materials are higher than before, the monopoly has asked the government to refrain from making the contemplated raising of the tobacco tax.

The Society for Rewarding Virtuous and Faithful Servants recently distributed 250,000 marks to 250 women. One of them, Carolina Fellingstedt, had served faithfully at the same place for fifty-seven and one-half years.

The railway department has reported to the government that the receipts of the railway companies for the year will be considerably smaller than the estimates put up in the budget. The government must either raise the rates or make other arrangements for the year 1915 or raise the rates for that year. The private railway companies have also asked the government for permission to raise the rates.

Prince Eugen is going to return down for the summer as usual, at the Orberg, paragon, Osterfogelnd

## IN THE BROTHERLAND

### INTERESTING BITS OF NEWS FROM THE GREAT GERMAN EMPIRE.

#### WHAT'S DOING IN OLD HOME

#### Summary of the Most Important Happenings in the Land of the Kaiser—Timely Items for the German Readers.

Doctor von Bethmann-Hollweg, the German imperial chancellor, in a speech in the reichstag, touched on Italy's entrance into the war. "Italy," he said, "has now in the world's history, in letters of blood which will never fail her violation of faith. No one has dared to violate it. Austria-Hungary nor Germany. Whether the triple entente was content with blandishments alone, history will show. Without a drop of blood flowing on the part of a single Italian being endangered, Italy could have secured the long list of concessions which I recently read to the house—Italy does not doubt that an Italian attack on the Austro-Hungarian troops would also strike German troops. The Italian manifesto of war, which contains an uneasy conscience behind the phrases, does not give us any explanation of which offers were refused."

Horse racing was resumed in Germany with the opening of the spring meeting at Hoppegarten track in a suburb of Berlin, in the presence of a large number of spectators. There were large fields for all races, with 25 starts in the principal event. Subjects of nations at war with Germany were barred from the grandstand, but applies to trainers and jockeys as well as to spectators, and was adopted as a measure of precaution to prevent loss of money to the British. British race track followers, many of whom were engaged on the German turf before the war began, it had been feared the contrary over the shipments of munitions of war from the United States to nations hostile to Germany might result in some exhibition of feeling against American trainers and jockeys, but two victories to the credit of Jockey Archibald seemed the most popular of the day.

Germany is an immense trapper den and farm this spring. Not in the entire history of the empire has there been such a wholesale reversion to agriculture. In unprecedented numbers Germans have turned out, in the cities as well as in the country, to be plowed and planted every available acre, almost every square yard, of land in anticipation of a crop that should bring an end to the rumors that the country was starved out. It is the exception to see men of military age working in the fields. In their stead women, boys ranging from six to sixteen and old men, all industriously plowing, planting or sowing in place of the horses that have been requisitioned for military purposes. One sees quads of oxen, and even muleh cows, attached to harrows and wagons.

Prince von Buelow, the German ambassador to Italy, whose efforts have been untiring to prevent a break between the powers of the triple alliance, has been disappointed in his mission. He has not had the desired effect. "Behind everything is England, who wishes to accomplish her aim by the blood of other countries. England tried to involve Greece, but the wisdom of the king and the patriotism of the people prevented it. Rumania also so far has resisted all temptations, and it is a fact that Portugal has never declared war."

A great scarcity of petroleum products in Berlin. According to some reports, another shortage is expected at all. Notwithstanding the scarcity, however, the price has been held until lately at 51 cents a quart since the war began; but the government has meant on foot to raise it to 75 cents. It is explained that the German branch of the Standard Oil company purveys kerosene in sufficient quantities so that petroleum might not be displaced during the war by gas or electricity.

Investigators in Bavaria have found that the more bread school children eat the better the condition of their teeth.

Replying to a question at a sitting of the budget committee of the reichstag as to whether the army administration had taken measures to insure a supply of raw materials and textiles in the event of a long duration of the war, a deputy who had just returned from the front made the following statement: "Even a new war campaign would find us prepared in every way. All the raw materials are at hand in sufficient quantities for it. It must be declared out of the question, therefore, that the efficiency of our arms could be impeded owing to some deficiency."

#### WOULD THEY?

The statement that beer drinkers do not drink beer for its alcohol, but for its food value and to quench thirst, a writer in the New York Sun to conclude that the only obtainable they would take to bread and water.

#### DRINK CUSTARD DIMINISHES.

A student publication at the University of Michigan estimates that drink consumption among the boys in that school are being diminishing at the rate of 25 per cent every year.



(Conducted by the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union.)

#### COULD BUILD PANAMA CANAL

An unusual sight and one not without special significance was that of Secretary of State Bryan signing the cards of 15,000 men who had taken the pledge of total abstinence at one of the Billy Sunday meetings, after Mr. Bryan's address against the drink curse. His attack against the liquor evil from the economic standpoint included the following statements: "It is estimated that the people of the United States spend almost \$2,400,000,000 annually on intoxicating liquors. The cost of the Panama canal, the most gigantic engineering feat in history, was about \$400,000,000. It is not appalling to think that we spend for drink every year something like six times the cost of the Panama canal?"

"I have endeavored to obtain an accurate estimate of the amount of money spent on education in this country, and the figure given me is \$750,000,000. We spend for drink more than three times as much as we spend for education."

The annual appropriations of the federal government are a little less than \$1,250,000,000. This sum includes the salaries of all the public officials, from the president down. All of these government agencies employed in administering the federal government of this great nation are operated at an expense of less than \$1,250,000,000. "Think, if the mind can comprehend it, of this nation spending twice that amount for alcoholic liquors."

### OUT OF THE MUD.

In 1915, when West Virginia was one vast battleground for state-wide prohibition, the streets of Charleston, National W. C. T. U. organizer, in the United Signal, "I spent seven months in the state. In 1915, with prohibition an accomplished fact, I visited it again. The change is marked. A blind man could see it. Out from the principal towns the land of muddy roads is building here, there, yonder, paved roads into the country. Almost every mile has been built since the state went dry. It is a new experience to the farmer, when the dirt roads are almost built up to the level of the city, to drive five or ten miles into town on a hard brick road, and get there with team and carriage as quick and easy as when he started on muddy streets. Being paved, parks are being laid out, street car lines are being extended, and new buildings are going up everywhere. In some of the places, because the demand is so great, houses are rented at extravagant prices."

### STIMULATION OF BUSINESS.

The Chicago Banker, a bank periodical, gives under "Towa Banning News" the following statement: "Des Moines banks did a business Saturday, supplying cash to merchants and grocers. At first the cause for the sudden demand for coin was not apparent to the financiers. Then they realized that the saloons of the city had been closed a week. Workmen, who had been cashing their checks in the third parties on Saturday nights and leaving a goodly share of the exchange in the saloon keeper's till were, instead, getting no more cash from the saloon places of business. Des Moines has been dry two weeks now. If business has been injured, as the vets so long predicted, there is no evidence of it. The fact is ready the merchants see a stimulation of business, and money which formerly went for booze is already beginning to go for food and clothing and in the payment of honest debts."

### NO BETTER?

It was a south-bound Indiana avenue oil car and it hardly resembled a returning band of Sunday school picnicers. At Twenty-second street, among others, the car was stopped. The car was two love characters, says the Chicago Tribune. "It's pretty tough," offered one to the other. "Yes, but wait till after election," replied the other. "Everything's fixed."

### SAY, LISTEN.

"Say, listen," responded the other. "Haven't you heard that just before every election we ever helped to carry?"

"It ain't going to be any better after election—he shook his head sadly. "It ain't ever going to be any better."

### OBEYED THE LAW.

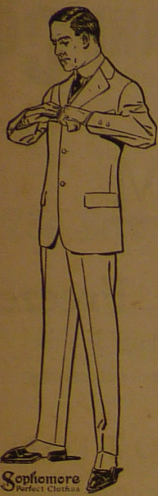
"I contain two pints of pure eye and six bottles of beer," was the placard in large letters that led the parade in large letters that led through the streets of Grafton, West Virginia. Literally the West Virginia law is being disobeyed in the placard shall be properly labeled in large letters.

### WOULD THEY?

The statement that beer drinkers do not drink beer for its alcohol, but for its food value and to quench thirst, a writer in the New York Sun to conclude that the only obtainable they would take to bread and water.

### DRINK CUSTARD DIMINISHES.

A student publication at the University of Michigan estimates that drink consumption among the boys in that school are being diminishing at the rate of 25 per cent every year.



# Attention!

Men and Boys of this community. Summer is here and everything else is coming our way. It's our turn to

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PINE CITY

THE TAILOR

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Read what Minneapolis-Journal and Minneapolis Tribune say: MAP SHOWS MINNESOTA SOIL. STATE SOIL MAP PUBLISHED.

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A practical contribution to the published information about Minnesota, which will be of aid to settlers and intending investors in farm lands, is a new soil map published by C. A. Ackerson of Lindstrom, who has been making much study of soil conditions in the northwest. The map is about 17 by 24 inches and shows the general geographical features of Minnesota in black and the different subsoils in symbols printed in light brown. This information is based on the work of Professor N. H. Winchell, for many years in charge of the state geological survey and a well known authority on physiography. In addition there is information regarding the average annual rainfall, the average date of the last killing frost in the spring and the first killing frost in the autumn and the mean summer temperature—all based on United States government reports.

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## Firemen Are Here

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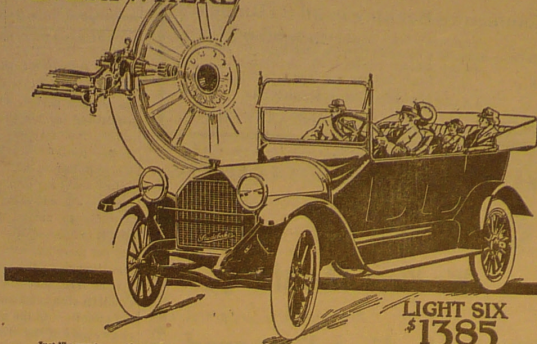
See'ly, M. B. Hurley a Pine City boy once upon a time but now a lawyer in St. Paul; Chief Collins of the Home association and Rev. Father Leo, Pastor of St. Mary's, Catholic Church of this city.

At 10 o'clock sharp the Convention was called to order by Chief Collins who introduced Fr. Leo, asking him to make the opening invocation. Fr. Leo, in acknowledging the call to prayer said in part: "I feel myself highly honored in being asked to pronounce the opening prayer on the occasion of the assembling of the first Convention to be held in our little city. You men, gathered here in Convention irrespective of nationality and religious creed, give of your best endeavor in the defence of Life and property in your respective homes. You are always ready at the call of the bell, and many times at the risk of your lives and limbs rush out to the rescue. As compared to the valor shown by men in war, that displayed by you is most heroic and creditable. They many times go forth at the absolute command which they are not at liberty to gainsay and accompanied by the eel and incentive furnished by excitement and dramatic incident. You go voluntarily, and many times with almost the certainty of loss of all that is dear to you. And I want to tell you that we of this city appreciate the coming to it of this noble band of men, the Firemen of this our great State. Now shall we all stand as we say, "Our Father Who art in Heaven, Amen."

Chief Collins then introduced M. B. Hurley who gave the message of welcome on behalf of Pine City. Mr. Hurley said in part, "It gives me pleasure to bid you welcome at the first Convention to our city. On this occasion of Joy, Pine City feels her sense of responsibility and realizes that she cannot give as largely or as fully as she would like. She asks that estimation of her pleasure be made if considering the sentiment she entertains toward you and which I find it hard to express. In olden days cities were wont to present their guests with the Keys of the City. The keys were symbolic of the freedom the guests was to enjoy. But here is no walled city. In this the symbolic keys would not sufficiently express the fulness with which you are to be taken into the hearts and homes of our citizens. They who would command must first learn to obey. A volunteer body must give unsparringly of itself in order to protect that which is committed to its care. It is fitting and a great satisfaction to Pine City that her first welcome to a Convention is given to those who have learned to give of their best."

Chief Twiford in responding to the message of welcome, in said in part, "Ladies, Mr. President Gentlemen: I believe I voice the mind of every delegate here when I say 'we accept and appreciate your welcome. I believe we made no mistake when we selected Pine City as the meeting place for the 43rd, State Convention. To you today we bring delegates from every village and town in the State. Delegates from departments many of them the best equipped of any the world ever produced. Those who have chosen the fireman's life give seven eighths of their timeto protect the lives and properties of their fellow-citizens. The volunteer has his handicaps in his equipment very often. Very few have ever arrived at anything like adequate equipment and I am sorry to say that quite a great many town officials do not appreciate as they should the volunteer firemen. Many of them use the ordinary volunteer with less consideration than they do the floss on the back of their house dog, (laughter.) Citizens of Pine City, many delegates have come from Bryan zone. If you should happen to see one of our delegates out on the edge of your city grubbing in the ground, you will know he is digging for Genseng or Sasfras root. If you should happen to see one with his knife peeling the bark off of a slippery Elm tree

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# The Tale of Two Cities

## FARGO AND MOORHEAD COMPARED

The wet delight in making the false claim that county option will increase taxes and prevent public improvements. They cite some instances of villages where taxes have been increased for a year or more and where public improvements have been somewhat delayed, but what is the result over a term of ten years. A comparison of Fargo, N. D. and Moorhead, Minn., furnishes an eloquent plea for a dry town from the standpoint of both improvements and taxes.

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Fargo has one mile of street pavement for each 676 population water main for each 270 population sewers for each 338 population City Depot \$19.50 per capita Ratio City Debt to assessed valuation 7.8 per cent City Tax Rate—15.98 mills No Saloons for 10 years

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Without saloons Fargo has over four times as much direct improvement for its population as has Moorhead, has less than half as much bonded indebtedness, and a much lower tax rate, although they are only one mile apart. These figures prove that a wet town wastes its money while a dry town makes improvements.

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### WHO WILL DO IT?

In the Hurly Burly excitement of the present period, with so many sensational incidents to occupy our minds, we fail to realize that another presidential election is fast sweeping toward us.

Just about a year from now the great national convention will assemble to name the candidate who is to succeed Woodrow Wilson and yet there has been little discussion throughout the country.

It is true that the Republican Publicity club is systematically calling attention to the many and greivous errors of the democratic administration and while, as a man, Woodrow Wilson commands the respect of the nation for his integrity and in his recent crisis with Germany he has the united support of the men of all parties, it is just as true that there is a wholesome distrust of the democratic administration and a growing feeling that it ought not to be left in power.

That brings us abruptly to the query as to who the republicans most wisely can choose to oppose the democratic candidate.

Borah, Cummins, Hughes, Roosevelt, governors galore and diplomats extraordinary, and just ordinary, have been mentioned but for the welfare of the nation in its present turbulent career the one man whose proven ability is manifested in a long and brilliant career and who, probably without exception, is the greatest statesman the country has produced since the Civil war, is not as yet frequently mentioned.

Will someone tell us what better man the republicans could name for president than Elihu Root, former United States senator from New York and for six years a member of Roosevelt's cabinet?—Bemidji Sentinel.

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Someone has suggested that, though the idle do get tired it wouldn't be so bad to be tired if one had nothing to do.

"Who struck Billy Patterson?" is all right in its place but over at Cambridge the burning question between the brother editors is "who struck the match?"

Frank Day in his Fairmont Sentinel, walks all over Secretary of War Garrison for suggesting such a thing as a regular army of a million men in this country. Still, that's what's coming if militarism triumphs in Europe. The trouble with Frank is that he can't get away from Burgoyne's surrender or the glories of the good ship Constitution.

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State of Minnesota, County of Pine, Village of Pine City.

Notice is Herewith Given, That application has been made in writing to the Common Council of said Village of Pine City, and filed in my office, praying for license to sell intoxicating liquors for the term commencing on June 15th, 1915, and terminating on June 15th, 1916, by the following person, and at the following place as stated in said application respectively:

Joseph M. Herrigas,  
 In the one story solid brick building situate on the NE corner of 1st Four (4), block Nineteen (19), original town site of Pine City, Minn.

Said application will be heard and determined by said Common Council of the Village of Pine City, at the Clerk's Office in the Village Hall in said Village of Pine City, in Pine County, State of Minnesota, on Friday, the 11th day of June, 1915, at 7:30 o'clock P. M., of that day.

Witness my hand and seal of Village of Pine City, this 2nd day of May A.D. 1915.

H. J. BURGE,  
 Village Clerk.  
 (Seal)

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 Old Kowalke Building, Pine City, Minn.

The Minneapolis Journal claims the volunteer fire alarms of that city disturb the calm of the night and prevent peaceful sleep, just because, the other night when a little blaze broke out in the Milwaukee shops there, every engine in the yard gave the alarm and every steam whistle in town gradually joined in the general acclaim. The inference of the Journal is that July 4 will be here soon enough—and County Option is far enough away.

The Fairbault Republican suggests the name of Senator Rockwell Zambrotta for governor. It is a mighty good suggestion but an impossible one at this time. The state constitution would prevent his election to that or any other state office during the term which he was elected to fill as state Senator. But this is sure, as The Piker suggested months ago—he is of gubernatorial size and quality and we look to see him some day fill that high office. He is safe and sane and his handling of appropriation and other matters in the last legislature show that he knows what the people want and that the people can trust him.

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#### How Chief Devlin Played Ball

You wouldn't think, to look at  
Chief Devlin of St. Paul, today,  
that he was the Slim Hank that  
used to come up to Pine City 'way  
back in '85 and hurl twisters for  
the "Old Reliabls" as our boys  
were lovingly called by the girls  
who have all married, long since.

"Big Jack" Nason used to stand  
up behind the hat to take anything  
that Hank put over. He had a  
reach that ran from east to west,  
which was fortunate for the Devlin  
"outs" was as broad as a barn door  
and his "drops" always started  
for the clouds, though they seldom  
went high.

In those days "Jim" Hurley used  
to manage the team and play second  
base. He had Larry Murphy at 1st  
and Bill Connors at 3rd with  
"Snake" Connors, the kid of the  
crowd, at short and Jack Egan,  
Bill Nason and Ed Madden in the  
field.

The story goes that the team  
went down to play their traditional  
foes at the Chicago county fair at  
North Branch in the fall of '85.  
Side bets were limited by the Mayor  
of the Branch to three figures.

The boys "loaded up" with Devlin  
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#### Citation for Hearing on Petition for Administration

Estate of Tolve Olson.  
State of Minnesota, County of Pine.—  
In the Matter of the Estate of Tolve Olson,  
Decedent.  
The State of Minnesota (all persons interested in the granting of administration of the estate of said decedent):  
The petition of Henry Olson having been filed in this court, representing that the said Tolve Olson, then a resident of the county of Pine, State of Minnesota, died on the 10th day of March, 1915, and praying that letters of administration of his estate be granted to said Henry Olson; and the court having fixed the time and place for hearing said petition: Therefore, You, and each of You, are hereby cited and required to show cause, if any you have, before this court at the Probate Court Room in the Court House in the Village of Pine City in the County of Pine, State of Minnesota, on the 8th day of June, 1915, at one o'clock, a. m., why said petition should not be granted.  
Witness, the Judge of said Court, and the Seal of said Court, this 1st day of June, 1915.  
C. J. DODGE, Probate Judge.  
ROBERT WILCOX, Attorney for Petitioner.  
(Court Seal)

#### Citation for Hearing on Petition for Determination of Descent of Land

Estate of Robert P. Marjesty.  
State of Minnesota, County of Pine.—  
In the Matter of the Estate of Robert P. Marjesty, Decedent.  
The State of Minnesota to all persons interested in the determination of the descent of the real estate of said decedent: The petition of G. J. Albrecht having been filed in this court, representing that said decedent died more than five years prior to the filing thereof, leaving certain real estate in said petition described, and that no will of said decedent has been proved or administration of his estate granted in this state, and praying that the descent of said real estate be determined by this court: Therefore you, and each of you, are hereby cited and required to show cause, if any you have, before this court at the Probate Court Room in the Court House in the Village of Pine City in the County of Pine, State of Minnesota, on the 20th day of June, 1915, at ten o'clock a. m., why said petition should not be granted.  
Witness, the Judge of said Court, and the Seal of said Court, this 1st day of June, 1915.  
ROBERT WILCOX, Probate Judge.  
S. G. L. ROBERTS, Attorney for Petitioner.

#### Citation for Hearing on Petition for Determination of Descent of Land

Estate of Caroline Murobey.  
State of Minnesota, County of Pine.—  
In the Matter of the Estate of Caroline Murobey, Decedent.  
The State of Minnesota to all persons interested in the determination of the descent of the real estate of said decedent: The petition of G. J. Albrecht having been filed in this court, representing that said decedent died more than five years prior to the filing thereof, leaving certain real estate in said petition described, and that no will of said decedent has been proved or administration of his estate granted in this state, and praying that the descent of said real estate be determined by this court: Therefore you, and each of you, are hereby cited and required to show cause, if any you have, before this court at the Probate Court Room in the Court House in the Village of Pine City in the County of Pine, State of Minnesota, on the 20th day of June, 1915, at ten o'clock a. m., why said petition should not be granted.  
Witness, the Judge of said Court, and the Seal of said Court, this 1st day of June, 1915.  
ROBERT WILCOX, Probate Judge.  
S. G. L. ROBERTS, Attorney for Petitioner.

#### Citation for Hearing on Petition for Determination of Descent of Land

Estate of George W. Goodwin.  
State of Minnesota, County of Pine.—  
In the Matter of the Estate of George W. Goodwin, Decedent.  
The State of Minnesota to all persons interested in the determination of the descent of the real estate of said decedent: The petition of G. J. Albrecht having been filed in this court, representing that said decedent died more than five years prior to the filing thereof, leaving certain real estate in said petition described, and that no will of said decedent has been proved or administration of his estate granted in this state, and praying that the descent of said real estate be determined by this court: Therefore you, and each of you, are hereby cited and required to show cause, if any you have, before this court at the Probate Court Room in the Court House in the Village of Pine City in the County of Pine, State of Minnesota, on the 20th day of June, 1915, at ten o'clock a. m., why said petition should not be granted.  
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ROBERT WILCOX, Probate Judge.  
S. G. L. ROBERTS, Attorney for Petitioner.

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My home property, including the house and the business building for sale. Mrs. Mary Neubauer, Pine City. 39-61.  
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like greased lightning until the fatal ninth when, with the bases filled, one of the Branch sluggers lost the ball in a corn field across the road and 4 men trotted across the plate, tying the score. Hank conversed with the stars for five full minutes before he threw a ball—and then the opposing batters went down like a lot of ten pins.

Pine City went to bat. Two men in succession vainly fanned the air before mighty Devlin walked to the plate. He was mad clean through and swung at the first ball over. There was a crack like a peal of thunder. A flock of birds, high in the air were notified to be in a panic and several of them fell to earth, dead, a sturdy oak in the forest across the race track was struck by something and fell to earth—dead also. The ball was never found. Not a man was on bases but the one score won the game for Henry Devlin never gave them a look-in in their half.

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# The Million Dollar Mystery

By HAROLD MAC GRATH

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## SYNOPSIS

Stanley Hargrave, millionaire, after a miraculous escape from the den of the gang of brilliant thieves known as Black Hundred, lives the life of a recluse for eighteen years. Hargrave's confidential man, Francis, leader of the Black Hundred, knowing Hargrave's whereabouts, sends him a message from his own home by balloon. Before Hargrave can answer a letter to the girl's school where eighteen years before he was engaged, but on the day that he answers, Florence Gray, that day's baby daughter, Florence Gray, finds one million dollars from the bank, but it is reported that a man has been seen in the sea when the balloon was seen from the girl's school. Countess Olga, Hargrave's supposed wife, is a woman of a nervous disposition. Two bogus detectives call but their plan fails. The stationer's assistant, a man by the name of the captain of the Orient. Norton may be a man of a nervous disposition. Countess Olga also visits the reporter's office. The plan proves abortive through the intervention of the only thing that falls into the hands of the Black Hundred trap Florence. They get her for money, but she escapes, again falling them. Norton and the countess call on Florence the next day. Countess Olga removes a section of the wall and a cavity takes a box. Pursued by members of the Black Hundred, Norton goes to the water front and succeeds in dropping the box into the sea. Countess Olga, scheming to break the engagement existing between Florence Hargrave and Norton, invites them both to her apartment and pretends to faint in the parlor. Florence goes to the door just at the planned moment, and as a result gives the countess the key. Accomplish of Hargrave succeeds in kidnapping Florence while she is in the parlor and hurries her off to sea. Norton receives a wireless later informing him that the girl had leaped into the sea and been drowned. Florence is picked up in a fishing boat by a party of fishermen. The Black Hundred locate her and attempt to take her back to sea with him. Florence sets fire to the boat and is rescued by a ship on which Norton has been shipwrecked.

## CHAPTER XI—Continued.

It was fortunate that the accident had occurred where it did. Five miles beyond was the station marked for the arrest of Norton as an abductor and the taking in charge of Florence as a rebellious girl who had run away from her parents. If he could reach the Sweden's wharf, where his confederates were in waiting, the game was his.

After struggling along for half an hour a carriage was spied by Vron, and he halted it when it reached his side.

"What's the trouble, mister?" asked the farmer.

"A wreck on the railroad. My daughter is badly hurt. I must take her to the nearest village. How far is it?"

"About three miles."

"I'll give you twenty dollars for the use of that rig of yours."

"Can't do it, mister."

"But it's a case of humanity, sir!" indignantly. "You are refusing to aid the unfortunate."

The farmer thought it over for a moment. "All right. You can have the buggy for twenty dollars. When you get to the village take the nag to Doc Sanders' livery. He'll know what to do."

"Thank you. Help me in with her." Vron drove away without the least intention of going toward the village. As a result, when Florence came to her senses she found herself surrounded by strange and ominous faces. At first she thought that they had taken her from the wreck out of kindness, but when she saw the cold, impassive face of the man Vron she closed her eyes and lay back in the chair. Well, ill and weak as she was, she should find that she was not without a certain strength.

In the meantime Norton revived and looked about in vain for Florence. He searched among the crowd of terrified passengers, the hurt and the unharmed, but she was not to be found. He ran back to the princess and helped her out of the broken car.

"Where is Florence?" she asked dazedly.

"God knows! Here, come over and sit down by the fence till I see if there is a field telegraph."

They had already erected one, and his message went off with a batch of others. This time the message was limited not to trust to chance. The shock may have brought back Florence's recent mental disorder, and she may have wandered off without knowing what she was doing. On the other hand, she may have been carried off. And against such a contingency he must be fortified. Money! The curse of God was upon it! Was the trail of the serpent, spreading poison in its wake.

By and by the princess was able to walk, and supporting her, he led her to the road, along which they walked slowly for at least an hour. They might very well have waited for the relief train. But he could not stand the thought of inactivity. The princess had her choice of staying behind or going with him. He hated the woman, but he could not refuse her aid. She had a cut on the side of her head, and she limped besides.

They stopped at the farm-house, and explained what had happened, and the mistress urged them to enter. She, she had seen no one, and certainly not a young woman. She must have been carried off in another direction. She went into the kitchen for a basin and

towel and proceeded to patch the princess' hurts.

She was extremely uneasy. That she should be under obligation to Norton galled her. There was a spark of conscious left in her soul. She had tried to destroy him, and he had been kind to her. Was he a fool or was he a man? She could not tell. Where was Vron? Had he carried Florence off?

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The princess twisted her fingers. The farmer rudely described Florence.

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"First turn to the left. Come on, I'll get the horse for you."

Once the horse was added, Norton set off at a run. He was unarmed; he forgot all about this fact. His one thought was to find the woman he loved. He was not afraid of meeting a dozen men, not while his present fury lasted.

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"I do. The mask doesn't matter. You're the man who had me shanghaied. The voice is enough."

"Very good. That's what I wished to know. That's your death warrant. We'll do it like they used to do it at the old Academy; by you to the railroad track. We shall not hurt you at all. If some engine runs over you heaven is witness we did not guide the engine. Remember the story of the boy and the cat?" with sinister smile. "The boy said it wasn't pulling the cat's tail, he was only holding it; the cat did the pulling. Bring him along men. Time is precious, and we have a good deal to do before night

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"Never you mind, girl; they're only bluffing. They won't dare."

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"I know, I know," interrupted Jones. "The second rail train is waiting. Let me hurry back. I shan't feel secure till we are once more in the house."

So, arm in arm, the three of them went down the tracks to the hand car which had brought the police.

And now for the iron bound chest at the bottom of the sea.

## CHAPTER XII.

A dippy-chanty, if you please; of sailormen in jerseys and tarry caps, of rolling galleys, strong tobacco and diverse profanity; of cutters, and bluntnose schooners, and frigs, and steam, some of them honest, some of them shady, and some of them pirates of the first water who did not find it necessary to hoist aloft the skull and bones. The seas are dotted with them. They remind you of the once prosperous merchant, run down at the heel, who sinks along the side streets, ashamed to meet those he knew in the past. You never hear them mentioned in the maritime news, which is the society column of the ships; you know of their existence only by the bleached bones of them, strewn along the coast.

You who crave adventures on high seas, you purchase a ticket, a stateroom chair, and a couple of popular novels, go on board to the glare of a very indifferent brass band, and believe you are attending; when, in the matter of fact, you are about to spend a dull week or fortnight on a water hotel, where the most exciting thing is the bugles call to meals or the discovery of a card sharp in the smoking room. Take a real ship, go as supercargo, to the South seas; take the side streets of the ocean, and learn what it can do with hurricanes, typhoons, blistering calms, and men's souls. There will be adventure enough then. If you are a weakling, either they are made strong, or you die.

An honest ship, but run down at the heel, rode at anchor in the sound, a four-rater of the hooker breed; that is, her principal line of business was hauling barges up and down the coast. When she could not pick up enough barges to make it pay, why, she'd go gallivanting down to Cuba for bales of tobacco or even to the Bermudas for the heaven smelling onion. Today she was an onion ship, which precludes any idea of adventure. She was about four thousand tons, and her engines were sternward and not amidship. She carried two masts and a half dozen hoist booms, and the only visible sign of anything new on her was her bowsprit. This was new, doubtless because she had poked her nose too far into her last slip.

Her crew was orderly and tractable. There were four thousand tons, to be sure, because they were sailors; but they were at work. They moved about briskly, for they were on the point of sailing for the Bahamas—perhaps for more onions. Presently the windlass creaked and shrilled, and the biobly links, clattered in order of paint, red as fish gills, clattered down into the bow. Sometimes they painted the chain as it came over, but paint was costly, and this was done only when the anchor threatened to stay on the bottom.

There was a sailor among this crew, and he went by the name of Steve Blossom; and he was one of his kind. A grimy dime nose protruded rakishly from his big forehead, and his right cheek was swollen as with the toothache, due, probably, to a generous "chaw" of Seaman's Delight. He was a real tobacco chummer, for he rarely ate his meals except on a sack of water-bay in summer; non-argumentative and passive, he stood his watch in fair weather and foul.

No one gave the anchor any more attention after it came to rest. The great city over the way was fair-like in its haziness and softened lines. It was the poetry of angles, of shafts and spars of stone; and Steve Blossom, having a moment to himself, leaned against the rail and stared regretfully. He had been generously drunk the night before, and it was a pleasant recollection. Chance led his glance to trail down the seaward. His neck stretched from his collar like a turtle's from its shell.

"Well, I'll be hornswoggled!" he murmured, shifting his cud from starboard to port.

Caught on the fluke of the anchor was the strangest looking box he had ever laid eyes on. There were leather and steel bands and diamond-shaped joints and mother of pearl, and it hung jauntily on the point of the rusty fluke. Anybody would be hornswoggled to glimpse such a drool jet of fate. On the fluke of the rusty fluke, by a hair, you might say, in all the wide sea, yarus he had ever read or heard there was nothing to match this.

And Steve was destined never to be passive again. His first impulse was to call his companions; his second impulse was to say nothing at all, and wait for an opportunity to get the box into his bunk without being detected. Treasure! Diamonds and rubies and pearls and old Spanish gold; all hanging to the fluke of the anchor.

"Hornswoggled!" in a kind of awe, some whisper this time. "An' we shesidin' for th' Bahamas!" For under his feet he could hear the rhythm of engines. "What'll I do? If I leave it, some one'll see it. I'll search it, but my chin precludes, and the cut'll wend back to starboard. I got it!"

He took off his coat and carefully dropped it down over the mysterious chest. It was growing dusk and dim, but all the time, and shortly neither cut nor anchor would be visible with out close scrutiny. Treasure, greed, and audacity, Steve saw only the treasure and not its own followers.

"What did they call them?—doubletons and pieces-of-eight?"

He ate his supper with his mess-mates, and he ate heartily as usual. It would have taken something more vital than mere treasure to disturb Steve Blossom's appetite. He was one of those enviable individuals whose imagination and gastric juices work at the same time. And while he ate he planned. In the first place, he would wait till full darkness had fallen over the sea, and the lookout would be compelled to keep his eyes off the deck. The boys wanted him to play cards.

"Not for me, Busted. How long 'y' thing 'll last in New York, anyhow?" And he stalked out of the fore-



"Be Silent, You Scum."

castle and went down into the waist to enjoy his evening pipe, all the while keeping a weather eye forward at the ratty old pilot house.

It was ten o'clock, land time, when he rammied his cutty into a pocket and resolutely walked forward. If any one watched him they would think he was only looking down the cast-water. The thought of money and the pleasures it will buy makes cunning the stupidest of dolls; and Steve was ordinarily a dull, but tonight his brain was keen enough for all purposes. It was a hazardous job to get the box of the fluke without letting it slip back into the sea. Steve, however, accomplished the feat: climbed back on the rail and sat down, waiting. A quarter of an hour passed. No one had seen him. With his coat securely wrapped about his person, he had made for the forecastle. His mates, save those who were doing their watch, were all in their bunks. An oil lamp dimly illuminated the forward part of the ship. Steve's bunk was almost in darkness. Very deftly he rolled back the bedding and secreted the box under his pillows, and then stretched himself out with the pretense of snoring till the bell called him to duty.

He was rich; and the moment a man has money he has troubles; there is always some one who wants to take it away from you. His bunk was on the port side, and there was plenty of hiding space between the iron plates and the wooden partition. He intended to loosen three or four planks, and then when the time came slip the box behind them. Some time during the morning the forecastle would be empty, and then would be his time.

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### Pokegama News

The Dilohy family moved into one of Mr. Rank's cottages last Saturday.

The Misses Inga Miller and Beatrice Triawold visited at Beroun last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Blanck spent Monday with their daughter, Mrs. H. Grant and family.

Walter Schultz returned last Wednesday from St. Paul, after visiting his sister for a few days.

Mr. Reeves of Minneapolis is sojourning at the home of John Anderson this week.

George Jackson returned last week from the Capital City, where he had some dental work done.

The Wilkie Hotel are entertaining a great many who have come to attend the Fireman's Convention at Pine City this week.

Miss Edith Anderson, who has completed her studies in the eight grade at Pine City, is at home for her summer vacation.

Miss Myrtle Norstrom, Ruby Miller and Mabel Jackson and Stanley Norstrom took eighth grade examinations last Wednesday, in Dist. No. 42.

The Henriette Band gave the Pokegama people some fine music last Sunday afternoon, stopping at the Fritzen Sanitorium and the Wilkie Hotel. Come again boys.

Miss Petre Miller returned last week to St. Paul to resume her work as a stenographer, after visiting her parents. Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Miller for a couple of days.

The party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Jackson, last Sunday evening was well attended. Games were played and ice cream and cake served. A fine time was had by all present.

Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson and children of Harris autoed here last Sunday to visit their brothers, Messrs Henry and Peter Anderson, and sister, Mrs. Fred Norstrom, returning in the evening.

Among those that attended the Commencement exercises at Pine City last Thursday evening from here were Mrs. Wilkie Mrs. Heine, Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson, and family, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Swanson and family, Mrs. Olson and Mabel Olson.

Gus Swanson, John Anderson, Mrs. Lewis Gjoard, the School Board of Pokegama attended the meeting of the Co. School Officers last Saturday afternoon and evening. They report an enjoyable time, although the weather was very unfavorable.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Grant met with a sad accident last Thursday, while playing with a bicycle, it fell on her and serious injuries were sustained. She was taken into Dr. Wiseman at Pine City. She is slightly improved.

### Did You See The Daily Poker

The issuing of a Daily Poker for each day of the Firemen's Convention, this week, has engaged every minute of time in the Poker office and we are unable this week to keep our regular issue up to its usual high standard for local news. Next week, however, we will be back in form again and give you what we miss this week. Those Daily Pokers took like "hot cakes" among the firemen and would make good souvenirs to send to your friends. They were real dailies—the first ever issued in this region, and contain a complete report of the Convention proceedings. Rev. F. H. Randall of Finlayson was here during the convention and was a great help in preparing these papers. They also contain special, local cartoons, prepared by our town cartoonist—the well known "Bart," formerly of the Minneapolis Journal. "Bart" will be seen weekly in The Poker hereafter.

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# WET OR DRY

Have not those who would totally abolish the saloon, simplified the liquor problem at the expense of truth, reason and common sense, or let us say, common experience? Instead of suiting the remedy to the disease, have they not tried to make the disease conform to their premeditated and predetermined remedy?

The liquor problem is one of the most complex of our social problems. It does not stand out alone, simple distinct and isolated as prohibitionists would have us believe. It is at once a moral, an economic, a physiological, and in its final analysis, a purely personal problem. It contains many elements and involves many perplexing difficulties. In its deeper aspects we find that its roots are intertwined with other social problems. It is not a legislative problem however, and cannot be solved by legislation or by voting any particular territory "dry." That simply aggravates the evil of intemperance by adding law breaking to the condition.

No legislative system has ever been more extensively or more fairly tried and tested than that of prohibition. During the last sixty years it has been tried on the state wide scale in many different sections of the country and under the most diverse social and political conditions, the period ranging from ten years in Nebraska to sixty-two years in Vermont. By its record, by what it has done and by what it has not done, prohibition must be judged. On every page of that record, from beginning to end, are written the words failure, folly, farce. Nowhere and at no time, in all its history has prohibition accomplished one of its avowed objects. Nowhere has it abolished the liquor traffic; nowhere has it prevented the consumption of liquor, nor lessened the evil of intemperance.

## U. S. Senator James E. Martine of New Jersey Said:

On a recent visit to Chicago to investigate conditions I was sorry to notice that a number of Illinois towns voted the saloon out this week. They will regret their action in time. Prohibition has proved itself all over the country, after years of experience, to be the worst kind of a farce. It is a failure and a failure of hypocrisy. It changes a daylight business, open and above board, and subject to regulation and observation, into a sneaking midnight huckstering in dark corners.

I am familiar with the situation in all states, particularly in Maine, Georgia and North Carolina. Everywhere I find it a complete failure.

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# Hon. Paul S. Conwell

of Kansas City, Missouri

Will Deliver Addresses in

Johnson's Hall

at Rock Creek

Friday, June 11th

Royalton Town Hall

at Greeley

Saturday, June 12th

Mr. Conwell is a highly qualified speaker and will present reasons why Pine County would be better off, not to vote away its right to issue Liquor Licenses.