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THE WEATHER. Cloudy

FARMERS DOUBLE PRESIDENT'S PAY WITH APOLOGIES

Delegates to National Union Reproach Themselves with Charges of Penuriousness and Add Another Thousand.

DRINK MILK, SAYS FRANSDEN Speaker Tells Farmers Per Capita Consumption Less Than Half Glass Per Day.

Beware Creamery Promoters

C. O. Drayton of Greenville, Ill., was not only elected for the sixth time yesterday president of the National Farmers' Equity union in the convention at the Castle hotel, but his salary was doubled.

He is to get \$2,000 a year instead of \$1,000 as in the past.

John L. Boles of Liberal, an., made the motion first to raise the president to \$1,500. "This man has toiled hard and has built this institution up from nothing to a great, big, powerful national institution, and here we are paying him \$1,000," he said. "Why, men, I hire horses on my farm and they charge me for day labor at the rate of pretty nearly \$1,000 a year. Yes, and the little country school teachers come out there on the farm and demand wages almost that high."

Everybody Favors a Raise.

In a moment the motion had its second and was rolling along smoothly without a single bit of opposition. Everybody was giving it another boost. That is why it was not voted through immediately. Everyone wanted to say a good word for the president and apologize for not having raised him sooner.

Then Alex E. Borg of Java, S. D., caught the spirit of the Santa Claus season so strongly that he leaped to his feet and moved to make it \$2,000. Time was worth money to the president.

J. P. Larson of Mott, N. D., seconded the \$2,000 amendment, and said, "It's a disgrace the little money we've been paying a man with the brains that our president has. We're paying our local manager up there in Dakota \$1,500 a year, and our bookkeeper \$75 a month, and our treasurer, and U. L. Denney secretary. The three directors named were T. L. Line of Fort Wayne for Indiana, A. Hoffman of Leola, S. D., for South Dakota, and C. O. Drayton of Greenville, Ill., for Illinois."

Prof. J. H. Frandsen of the University of Nebraska of the department of husbandry talked on the dairy industry and co-operative creameries at the afternoon session. The talk was practically a call to arms for the American dairy industry.

Urges Drinking of Milk. "For capita throughout the whole United States," he said, "we are consuming less than one-half a glass of milk a day. We are using less than one-twelfth of a pound of butter. We are using about one-eighth of a pound of cheese. And we are using about two teaspoonfuls of ice cream."

He gave figures also showing that the farmers of Nebraska are at present milking 700,000 dairy cows, and that the value of dairy products in Nebraska for 1912 was about \$20,500,000.

He called attention to the fact that there is now considerable agitation for creameries throughout the country, and that there are many promoters who would be willing to promote creameries for the farmers any time, and any place, selling the stock, building the plant and turning it over to the co-operative company for a set price. He advised the farmers to beware of these, as the creamery should spring from the heart of a dairy community and not from the head of the professional promoter, who would be willing to build one where there was no demand for it, providing he could talk fast enough to sell the stock and get his commission.

Farmers in Revolt. "The revolt of the farmers has just begun," said L. F. Hoffman of Mott, N. D., in his address on legislation.

The revolt has just begun. We have (Continued on Page Two, Column Three.)

The Weather

For Omaha, Council Bluffs and Vicinity Partly cloudy.

Table with 4 columns: Hour, Deg., and two empty columns for other data.

Table with 4 columns: Name, Temp. High, Rain, and other weather indicators.

MISS MAY SWIFT of Lake Forest, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis F. Swift, who is to marry Count James Minatto, the son of an Italian nobleman, whose estate is near Venice.



BOY-ED SAYS STORY HE RECEIVED NAVAL INFORMATION IS LIE

Recalled Attache Brands as False Newspaper Statement of His Securing Confidential Report.

ASSERTS NEVER HEARD OF IT Declares Article Charges He Stole Document in Shadow of the White House.

WHOLE THING AN INVENTION

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Captain Boy-Ed, the German naval attache, issued an official statement late today branding as "fabrications and invention" reports appearing in the newspapers today that he had obtained, through secret agents, a confidential report prepared by American naval officers, which was to be submitted to the president.

Not only did he not obtain the report in any way, Captain Boy-Ed states, but he never heard of such a report.

"Because of my official relation to the German embassy," says the statement, "I have heretofore felt constrained to suffer generally in silence the many newspaper reflections upon me and my activities in this country, as it is contrary to diplomatic etiquette in my country to take note of irresponsible and unofficial statements.

At Liberty to Talk. "Being no longer a member of the embassy, I feel at liberty to characterize the various stories in this morning's papers as fabrications and inventions from beginning to end without much as a vestige of foundation in fact on which to base them.

"If I correctly understand the purport of these articles, they represent me as having in effect stolen through secret agents from the very shadow of the White House, a digest or a copy of a confidential report that was being prepared by navy officers for President Wilson, or of having in some way known of or come into possession of some such report.

"In point of fact I never heard of any such report or that any report was being compiled for the president or for the United States government or for anybody else. I know of no American, patriotic or otherwise, young or old, such as is referred to in these articles, and have never had and American citizen employed in my office.

All Equality Mythical. "The patriotic young American referred to is as mythical as the rest of the absurd story.

"My reference to the 'patriotic American' refers to a statement in the published reports which announced that an American in the captain's employ had indirectly notified President Wilson about the matter.

Man Marooned on Small Island for Thirty-Four Days

CLAYBROOK, B. C., Dec. 16.—Marooned for thirty-four days on a small island in the Pacific ocean was the experience of Everett Fitzpatrick, a rancher of Flores Island, according to word received here. November 11 he left Abouast, where he had purchased provisions, alone in a canoe and when about twelve miles from Abouast and near a small uninhabited island, he was caught in a squall and his canoe was swamped. Fitzpatrick, who cannot swim, saved his life by holding on to rocks.

He managed to save a sack of flour, a package of oatmeal and a few matches. A case of coal oil was also washed ashore. On the provisions he existed more than a month.

Big waves washed over the island, which is nothing more than a reef, and it was only by lashing himself to one of the few trees that Fitzpatrick managed to hold on.

When found yesterday by two Heaquott Indians who were passing in a canoe, Fitzpatrick was in a demented condition. The man will be taken to the Presbyterian mission at Abouast.

Placer Dirt Pays \$500 a Cubic Yard

NEW CASTLE, Wyo., Dec. 16.—(Special.)—As reports of a placer discovery so rich that some dirt runs \$500 to the cubic yard which was brought by O. G. Baker from the Hurricane district, thirty-five miles north of this place, has caused a rush of locators despite heavy snow in the mountains surrounding the discovery. Baker is exhibiting nuggets ranging in size from that of a pin-head to that of a kernel of corn. He says that the discovery unquestionably is a bonanza. Its exact location has not been revealed although Baker and his associates filed on all available land before news of the strike was brought to town.

Free Dolls For the Kiddies

The Bee is again making a lot of little ones happy by giving away each week one of those big handsome dolls—the kind the girl yearns for and dreams of some day owning.

Cut Out the Pictures That's All.

Bombs Laden With Deadly Gas Are Dropped Into Venice

(Correspondence of the Associated Press)

VENICE, Dec. 16.—The use of asphyxiating gas in the bombs dropped on Venice has added a new terror to these aerial raids. These asphyxiating bombs have been used in the trenches, but not until the air raid of November 18, was the deadly gas used in bombs dropped on cities, so far as is known.

The air raid on November 18, was not made known at the time as the military authorities threw a rigid cordon of silence around the city.

The raid occurred near the arsenal. None of the bombs, however, fell inside the areal grounds. They fell just outside in a quarter, occupied by the poorer people, spreading the effect of their fumes among the civil population. Only one death occurred, but a great number suffered from the paralyzing effect of the gas.

In the three raids made thus far, the first two were with explosive shrapnel bombs, and the last one on November 15, with the asphyxiating bombs. None of these raids has reached the main points sought—the arsenal and the railway station—but they have caused damage at nearby points, notably the destruction of the Scala church near the railway station and the explosions on the quay fronting the Place San Marco.

Wilson Wedding License Is Issued

Ceremony Tomorrow Will Be Performed by Clergyman of Mrs. Galt's Church.

NO BEST MAN FOR PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—President Wilson's marriage license was issued today at the local municipal bureau. It disclosed for the first time that the ceremony Saturday night will be performed by a clergyman of Mrs. Galt's faith, Rev. Herbert Scott Smith, rector of St. Margaret Episcopal church. The president himself is a Presbyterian and an elder in his church.

The license was issued by Chief Usher Hoover, of the White House staff, who went to the bureau, made out the necessary forms and paid the regular fee.

Afterward he delivered the document to the president. In the application the president's age was given as 39 years and Mrs. Galt as 4.

Probably at Nine. The wedding ceremony will be performed at Mrs. Galt's home Saturday night, probably about 9 o'clock, although the hour has not been announced in keeping with the desire of the couple to have the affair strictly a private one. It has not been disclosed where the bride and bridegroom will go on their honeymoon journey or when they will leave the capital.

All their plans have been carefully made to avoid publicity. The general impression among friends, however, is that the honeymoon will be spent somewhere in the south. Mrs. Christian, Miss Galt, who the president has spent some of his vacation times, has been among the likely place mentioned.

It seems to be settled that the wedding journey will not be made on the presidential yacht Mayflower, as was once contemplated. It was decided that such a trip would entail a cold sea voyage of at least two days before the ship could get into pleasant weather south. The officers and crew of the yacht, who had been refused shore leave for Christmas time, now have been given liberty.

Many Gifts Sent. Probably no one outside the immediate members of the wedding party know much about any of the arrangements of the bride's trousseau or the gifts she has received. No formal announcement of the latter is expected, but something about them made known informally after the wedding. It is known that while there has been no organized sending of gifts by congress, government officials or the diplomatic corps, individuals in all the sets in the capital have sent presents. Many of them are said to be rare and beautiful. The presents have come not only from officials and personal friends of the president and Mrs. Galt, but also from persons unknown to either of them, in this country and abroad. Many have come from children.

The list of gifts has not been larger and, as was at first planned, will include only the immediate relatives of the president and Mrs. Galt. So far as is known the invitations have not even gone far enough outside the family circle to include the president's close and intimate friend, Colonel F. M. House, of New York. It is said also that the president will be unattended by a best man.

Society Will Aid Pupils to Secure After-Hours Work

Miss Jessie Towne, Miss Ironker and Miss Ethel Tucker, representing the Association of Collegiate Alumnae, appeared before the teachers' committee of the Board of Education yesterday to ask that the association be allowed a room on the fifth floor of the city hall to carry on vocational guidance work among the pupils of the high schools.

The purpose of the work is to aid pupils who would otherwise have to leave school to work in securing employment after hours and thus keep them in school. It is also designed to give boys and girls leaving school aid and advice in taking up life work.

The association is engaged in such activity in Den Moines, Minneapolis and other cities. The teachers' committee endorsed the plan and will recommend its adoption at the next meeting of the board, which, it is understood, will give its approval.

Italian Gunboat and Transport Are Sunk

ROME (Via Paris), Dec. 16.—The Italian destroyer Intrepido, and the Italian transport Reumberto have been sunk in the Adriatic sea by drifting mines, according to announcement in a semi-official note. All the members of the crews were saved, with the exception of forty men aboard the transport, and three on the destroyer.

The Intrepido was built in 1912. It was 280 feet long. Its armament consisted of one 4.7 inch gun, four twelve-pound guns and two torpedo tubes. The Reumberto was a steamer of 2,862 tons gross. It was 315 feet long.

RUPTURE WITH AUSTRIA SEEMS FEW DAYS AWAY

Unofficial Text of Reply to Ancona Note is Unsatisfactory, Unacceptable and Disappointing to United States.

WILL REFUSE MORE DISCUSSION America Will Stand By First Note, Which is Based on Official Statement of Austria.

LANSING RESERVES COMMENT

VIENNA (Dec. 15.)—(Via Berlin and London, Dec. 16.)—The situation as regard Austria-Hungary and the United States is considered here to have become less tense since the reply to the American note was dispatched.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Austria's reply to Secretary Lansing's note on the Ancona is regarded, on the basis of the unofficial reports received today from London and Amsterdam, as wholly unsatisfactory, unacceptable and disappointing to the United States. Diplomatic relations between the countries may safely be described as standing at the breaking point.

President Wilson and Secretary Lansing are reserving comment until they have the official translation of text at hand, but it is stated authoritatively that the United States will enter into no exchange of opinions as the foreign office of Vienna is represented as suggesting, and absolutely will decline to discuss the facts of the torpedoing and shelling of the Ancona by an Austrian submarine with the loss of American lives.

No official word had reached the State department today that the Austrian reply had been delivered to American Ambassador Penfield, but the news dispatches containing excerpts were taken in official quarters as sufficient evidence that the rejoinder is on its way to Washington.

From such part of the unofficial text as is contained in the news dispatches officials considered the "vagaries" in many respects, but they were not prepared to decide whether that was caused by the translation.

The suggestion for an exchange of opinions, the virtual request for the official statement of the American admiralty itself, American officials are at a loss to understand where there is much room for discussion or dispute of facts.

News from Vienna recently that the submarine which sunk the Ancona was missing led some officials to believe that a new element had been introduced in the dispute, which had promise of carrying some weight. That point, however, seems to have been disregarded in Austria's answer.

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Entente Expects To Hold Saloniki Until War is Over

SALONIKI, Greece, Tuesday, Dec. 14.—(Via Paris, Dec. 16, 10:30 a. m.)—"You may take this as final: The allies will not quit Saloniki until European peace is signed," said an officer of the allies to the Associated Press correspondent today.

Outgoing ships are crowded with foreigners, particularly Germans and Austrians, and the inhabitants of Saloniki are leaving the city in fear of a siege. The British consul is advising civilian British subjects, especially women, to take their departure.

Hundreds of Serbian refugees and Greeks, living between Saloniki and the frontier, on the contrary, are arriving hourly. The greatest misery exists among them. A refugee camp is now well established at Volo, where the allied naval base will be located.

Mrs. Drexel Wins Suit for Money Due from Husband

LONDON, Dec. 15.—A judgment in favor of Marguerite Armstrong Drexel, wife of the American banker, Anthony J. Drexel, was rendered today in her suit to recover money under a separation deed. The point involved was Mr. Drexel's motion to set aside the service of a notice of a writ by the wife to recover money due under the deed on the ground that his domicile was France and that therefore he had allowed Mrs. Drexel a yearly income of \$50,000.

Convicted Murderer is Declared Insane

PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 16.—William Faltn, whom R. B. Sims, warden of the Florence penitentiary, refused to hang November 26 last, was declared insane by a jury and taken today to the state asylum. After Sims refused to execute Faltn, he was cited before the supreme court for contempt, but excoriated. Faltn was resentenced to hang January 7, but the verdict of insanity saved him from the gallows. The prisoner was convicted of having slain a man in Phoenix.

THE WANT-AD WAY.

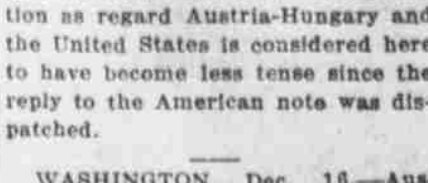
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