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THE COURIER.

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Senator Smead, of Utah, recently married a couple, he being an apostle of the Mormon church. The United States senate should let him remain an apostle but should boost him out of the senate.

The rumor to the effect that King Peter of Serbia had been assassinated turns out to be a fake. Peter is still wearing his golden crown but it burns his head. He will be a lucky man if he escapes the assassin's knife or bullet. A man who ascends a throne dripping with blood and being accused as an accessory to the crime will never sleep very easy in his bed and is destined to meet the same fate as his predecessor.

Whenever supposed that a North Dakota newspaper had as big a fool at its head as the *Hammer Herald* seems to have judging from the following extract:

"If there is not money enough on hand that can be used to keep the two normal schools and the university open, then close them and if they were kept closed for the next twenty-five years the people of the state would be just as well educated, just as cheaply educated, and the money so saved would be a large item in the report of the state finances."

The very late flax got sipped by the frost last week and hundreds of acres were spoiled. It has been demonstrated for the second time that farmers cannot sow flax until the first of July and expect to have it ripen in time to escape the frost. There is no country on earth where you can sow and reap grain in from 50 to 60 days let alone North Dakota. Farmers will have to sow their flax earlier. The great trouble is in this country that farmers try to farm too much, consequently a great deal of grain is stuck into the ground in a poor way and at too late a day to reasonably expect it to mature before the frost catches it. All grains ought to be in the shock or stack by September first at the outside and if they are, there is not much danger of frost in this country nine years out of every ten. There will be a big decrease in the flax acreage next year we opine.

Macaroni flour is a subject that is claiming the attention of millers and others all over the northwest and the discussion is spreading all along the line. Macaroni wheat has been declared by some to be unfit for flour, but persons who are largely interested in raising this kind of wheat have had bread made from the flour and it has been pronounced very sweet and nutritious. Millers are commencing to find out that this kind of grain cannot be side-tracked and are coming around to a more favorable position on the question of grinding it into flour. A market is being created for the flour all over the northwest and it now looks as if flour made from Macaroni wheat will become a common commodity. There is quite a little of this wheat raised in Griggs county and those interested should get some flour made and get it introduced to the people. We have not seen either flour or bread made from this wheat and would like to try it. The Courier would be greatly pleased to do all in its power to boost this wheat as we believe that it will be raised extensively in the future.

This from the Wells County News, to our notion is about the best article we have seen anent the proposed special session:

The question as to the advisability of the calling a special session of the legislature to relieve the financial condition of the state institutions has been much discussed pro and con recently. We have discussed the question with a number of prominent politicians and fail to find any good cause why a special session should be called. As far as we are able to learn, the law provides for just such emergencies as this, as will be seen by reference to the latter part of section 1023 of the Code, which in referring to the duties of the board of control of the various institutions, reads as follows: "When in the belief of any such board, person or persons, an emergency exists, and the interests of the state are jeopardized by reason of the exhaustion of the amount appropriated, or by cause for which there is no provision of law, the matter with all relative facts, shall be referred to a commission consisting of the governor, secretary of state and state auditor, who may authorize the transfer of money from one fund to another fund of the same institution or purpose, or who may in extreme cases authorize money to be drawn from the state treasury to meet the emergency."

Now it would appear to the average person that this clause of the code covers the situation completely, and if so, we fail to see the necessity of calling the legislature into extraordinary session to do this simple job, which is clearly delegated by law to three. If an extra session is called there is no limit to the time it may continue or the number of bills and measures it may take up. The legislature can do nothing to relieve these institutions, which these three men cannot do and the calling of an extra session seems but the rankest folly. We believe that when there is no good reason for doing a thing, there is the best reason in the world for NOT doing it, and until some good reason is shown for calling an extra session, the News will maintain the opinion that the question be dropped and we will further insist that Gov. White, Auditor Holmes and Secretary Porter do business without any further attempts to shift their duties to the shoulders of an expensive and uncontrollable legislature. The inmates of our institutions of charity must be kept warm, properly clothed, fed and cared for, and the three men above mentioned are directly as responsible for their comfort and care as they are responsible for the comfort and care of their own families. In this instance we believe it is their duty and business and not that of the legislature.

Light from a Leading Agricultural Journal.

The Modern Farmer and Busy Bee: "Do not encourage or help any agricultural paper which admits whisky ads in its columns. What right has the publisher of an agricultural paper to send a drummer for the saloon into the sacred precincts of your home? Whisky, like other poisons, is seldom used, and, like them, should only be taken under the direction of a physician, if at all. Do not take a bad paper because it is cheap. Nothing is cheap which comes like a thief in the night to corrupt the morals of your children, and rob your fireside of its joys and happiness."

"This is not a temperance lecture; it is only good horse sense,

based on the experience of the ages, and uttered long ago in thundering tones in that unalterable law, 'Whatever a man soweth that shall he also reap.' In this day of commercialism and greed the saloon has spread its withering blight over the cities of the land, corrupting the politicians as well as leading into vice and wickedness many of the flowers of womanhood and it is now trying to wreck the home of the farmer through his agricultural paper.

"Look your favorite family paper over, and if you find it flaunting in your face gaudy ads for cheap whisky, order it stopped. The publisher evidently thinks more of the pay he gets for his business than he does for the morals of your family. Let him have his demoralizing ads, and you read clean papers. As we said in another paragraph, ads properly considered are news, but there are some kinds of news which the farmer and his family had better not read, and we think a whisky ad is one of them."

Electric Light Plant.

Mr. F. R. Atkinson, of the Flax Fiber Mill Company, accompanied by Mr. J. S. Webster, of Minneapolis, an expert electrician, arrived in town Friday to canvass the situation for putting in a plant. Mr. Webster has been here all the week estimating the cost of putting in a first-class, modern up-to-date plant. He is still here interviewing the business men to see if sufficient patronage can be secured to warrant putting in about \$12,000 which will be required to put in a plant. He is much pleased with the outlook up to this time and it is now up to the business men to decide whether we have electricity or not—if they agree to give sufficient patronage the plant will be a go, if they don't then the stuff is off. In addition to light the company is figuring on furnishing power and heat which is another good proposition. The time has arrived when the town wants to do something or get off the earth. The Courier believes it ought to encourage the proposition and get into line along with our neighbors. Mr. Webster is a thorough electrician, guarantees that a first-class plant will be put in and that the charges will be reasonable. The town could not ask anything better.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

Has world-wide fame for marvelous cures. It surpasses any other salve, lotion, ointment or balm for Cuts, Corns, Burns, Bolls, Sores, Felons, Ulcers, Tetter, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Chapped Hands, Skin Eruptions; Infallible for Piles. Cure guaranteed. Only 25c at H. H. Bateman's the druggist.

Sealed Bids Wanted.

On or before Sept. 30, 1903 sealed bids will be received at the respective offices of the undersigned county superintendent's of Griggs and Steele counties on the following property, viz:

1. Wazieya schoolhouse and outbuildings.
2. One teacher's desk and chair.
3. One hard coal stove and 10 lengths of pipe.
4. One Webster's large international dictionary, as good as new.

Bids must be enclosed in separate envelopes and marked: 1. Bid on school house; 2. Bid on teacher's desk and chair; 3. Bid on stove; 4. Bid on dictionary.

By order of the board of arbitration for Wazieya District, Aug. 18, 1903.
CLARA FEHRING, Supt. of Griggs
T. A. HASSELQUIST, " Steele.

JOHN SYVERSON.



New Cloaks, Suits and Skirts.

Here we are, with the Largest and Worthiest Collection of Women's, Misses, and Childrens Fall and Winter Garments, that we ever had the privilege of showing you.

Every Garment has the earmarks of Worth and Style. The distinction, the fine quality in cut, the genuine worthiness, of our Cloaks, Suits and Skirts, are the points, that will make the knowing, seeing and saving women select her winter apparel here.

Loose Back Cloaks, are unquestionably the proper thing. But if you don't like that style, or think its not becoming to you, the more fitting garments are also general favorites.

Whatever your figure may be, you can easily find a garment, that will be becoming and make your friends turn with admiration when they see you. Is not that the kind of garment you want? Of course it is.

If this "ad." does not impress you favorably, kindly come anyway. Our Suits and Cloaks may do, what our pen and ink can't do.



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