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"THE COURIER"---all the NEWS.

THE COURIER. By Percy R. Grubbs.

APPROPRIATIONS.

If our economical legislature should pass all the appropriation bills introduced for new buildings and the institutions that we now have North Dakota would soon be in the hands of a receiver. The governor needs to use his pruning knife pretty liberally when he gets a chance.

CURRY BUTTED IN.

Editor Curry spoke a little piece about the McHenry papers and the new editor of the Free-Press up there told Curry where to get off at, which will no doubt teach Theo. how to take a joke and be good. Just wait till you hear the jar caused by his falling on top of that new McHenry editor.

NO BUCKET SHOPS.

The bill prohibiting the operation of bucket shops in North Dakota has passed both houses of the legislature, and is now a law. This is the only important measure that has so far passed and received the governor's signature. It is a good bill and should be rigidly enforced.

HITS AND MRS.

Ed. Pierce who has been editor of the Walsh County Record for the past two or three years has purchased that valuable paper and is now sole owner. The COURIER is glad to welcome Bro. Pierce back to the fold as a newspaper owner in North Dakota. We presume Poison Carrots will be thrown in with the deal. We extend congratulations to Mr. Pierce and the fraternities at large.

A NEW OFFICE.

While our legislators are introducing bills creating nice fat offices for a few of the faithful, why would it not be a good scheme to introduce a bill creating the office of chief janitor of the capital whose duty shall be to draw a big salary and see that the janitors and clerks appointed by the legislature be kept at work. This would be a nice opening for Major Butz who had to sweep out his committee room while his tired janitor slept peacefully in some cosy corner.

MACHINE ORATORY.

Representative Phelan and a few other politicians are trying to talk the primary election bill which recently passed the senate, to death, and failing in that to cripple the bill so that when it does pass the house it will be absolutely worthless. The people of this state demand a primary law that means something and the sooner the people are given what they want the better it will be for all concerned. The political jugglers must be afraid to trust their own chances with the people.

HOUSE BILL NO. 27.

The manufacturers of drugs and patent medicines seem to have stirred up a hornet's nest by writing to all our state papers asking them to work against the passage of House Bill No. 27. The state papers almost without any exception, are in favor of the passage of the bill and are working to that end. The fact that they might lose four dollars

worth of patent medicine advertising in the course of a year does not bother the editors a particle. Most of them, if they feel like the editor of this paper does, would a great deal rather be without it, giving room in our columns for more profitable advertising. We hope this bill will go through with a rush.

PRIMARY ELECTION.

Some of the state leaders are being quoted in the papers as being in favor of a primary law, but one not so radical as the Sharpe bill which has passed the senate. In other words they want to cut out congressmen and state officers and give us a law governing only county officers. This would leave the bosses all the judicial, congressional and state officers to manipulate as of yore and would be no relief from existing conditions. If the legislature cannot give the people a law governing every elective office in the state it had better let present conditions alone. We don't want a law that is only a farce. The COURIER believes the Sharpe bill as passed by the senate is all right and it ought to pass the house with very little amendment if any.

SENATE BILL No. 181.

Senate Bill No. 181 which has recently been introduced by Senator Maynard Crane, is a bill of importance and merit that the COURIER hopes to see become a law. It will do away with this pass system and compel us all to pay our way, at the same time it will reduce the price of travel materially to the public which will be a big benefit to those who wish to travel on the railroads. This bill has been approved by one of the best attorneys in North Dakota, and if it becomes a law will undoubtedly be constitutional. The railroad companies can afford to carry passengers cheaper if they cut out all the passes. Below is the bill as introduced in the state senate by Mr. Crane:

An act to regulate the transportation of persons by common carriers operating railroads within or through the State of North Dakota, and the furnishing and use of free transportation.
Sec. 1. It shall be, and is hereby declared to be, unlawful for any common carrier operating a railroad within or through this state, to charge for the transportation, upon its passenger trains, of any person, between points and over distances lying wholly within this state, a greater rate than two and one-half cents (2½c) per mile, for each mile or fraction thereof, of such transportation.

Sec. 2. It shall be, and is hereby declared to be, unlawful for any such common carrier to issue passes, or in any other manner furnish free transportation to be used within this state, upon its passenger trains, under any guise or pretext whatever, to any person, excepting railway employes, regularly in the employ of such common carrier, and it shall be, and is hereby declared to be, unlawful for any person, except as hereinbefore qualified, to accept, use, or attempt to use, any such pass or free transportation as aforesaid.

Sec. 3. Any corporation, company or person violating any of the foregoing provisions, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be punished by fine of not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each offense.

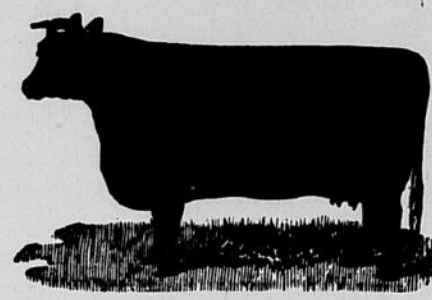
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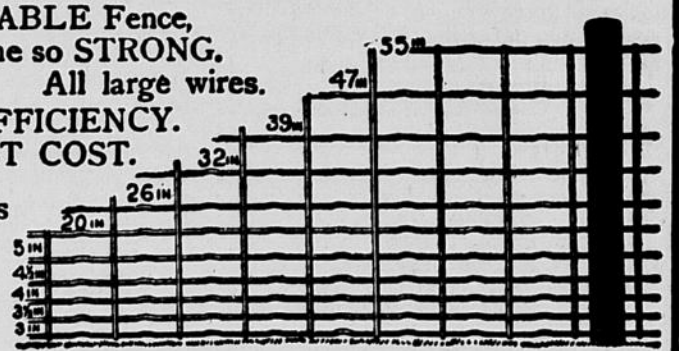
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