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## RUMOR BRITISH MINISTRY HAD DECIDED TO RESIGN SET ALOAT IN LONDON

## MUTINY OF OFFICERS TAKEN UP SERIOUSLY

This Matter Again Came Before  
Parliament Today

## KING GEORGE IS CRITICISED

John Ward, Once Dock Laborer, Stirred  
Things in Law Making Body  
Latest Developments

[Associated Press Dispatch.]  
London, March 25.—Colonel Seely formally resigned his portfolio as secretary of war in the British cabinet, after personally appearing before the house of commons and making a speech in explanation of Ulster affairs.

London, March 25.—After a protracted cabinet council the rumor was started that the entire ministry had decided to resign. Other reports were current that Colonel Seely, the war secretary, and Winston Spencer Churchill, first lord of the admiralty, had handed their resignations to Premier Asquith.

The mutiny of a section of the officers of the British regular army in Ireland when they believed they were to be ordered to fight Ulstermen, was again before parliament. The correspondence between the war office and the army officers in Ireland, which led to the recent wholesale resignations and their reinstatement was made public in the shape of a "white paper" or an official communication to both houses of parliament.

It can be seen from this correspondence that the war office was informed early in December of the possibility of the resignations of the officers in the case the Ulster situation came to a crisis. In consequence of this information, Colonel John Seely, war secretary, interviewed the general officers in command and explained to them that the officers of the British army were compelled to obey orders to shoot "only in case the order was a reasonable one under the circumstances."

## QUITTS THE DIRECTORATE

Henry Phipps Steps Out of Steel Corporation Board to Take Up Philanthropic Work

New York, March 25.—Henry Phipps, identified with the United States Steel Corporation since its origin today announced his resignation from the directorate, also from the finance committee of the corporation. James A. Farrell, president of the corporation, succeeds him on the finance committee.

John Ward, Laborite, formerly a dock laborer and once a private in the army, seconded the motion, but from a different point of view. He said the Conservatives, by approving the rebellion of the officers, have "started to smash the British army."

The house, he said, must decide whether it is going to maintain the discipline of the army as a neutral force or whether the parliament elected by the people "shall make the laws of the realm, absolutely without interference from the king or the army."

The speaker made a dramatic pause after the word "king," and cheering continued for a considerable time. All the Labor men and the home rule Irishmen as well as many of the Liberal members joined in the demonstration.

Westminster continues to be a seething caldron over what the Liberals now denounce as the "mutiny of the army aristocrats" against democratic government.

## Obtain Written Assurances.

The fact has been established from all obtainable evidence that General Hubert Gough and the other officers of the Third cavalry brigade demanded and obtained written assurances, which had been drafted by a lawyer, that they will not be ordered to fight Sir Edward Carson's Ulster volunteers and that these assurances were obtained largely through the personal intervention of the king.

Before they left London they sent telegraphic messages to their brother officers in Ireland that they found support "from the highest quarters." On their arrival at Curragh camp they were welcomed by a guard of honor with cheers and related the outcome of their summons to the war office.

The throne, which traditionally has

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## LOUIS B. WITTRICK KICKED IN STOMACH

## SAD DEATH OF FORMER BLUE EARTH COUNTY BOY

Received Injuries From Horse Which  
Proved Fatal; Funeral Services  
Were Held Today.

Further particulars about the death of Louis B. Wittrock have been received from Ray, N. D. It is stated that he had the misfortune of being kicked in the stomach by a horse on Saturday night. He suffered a great deal but the doctor thought he would recover, unless unforeseen complications set in. He died early Monday morning.

He was born in Mankato on September 23, 1880. He lived with his parents, who later removed to a farm three miles south of the city, until he was of age, when he accepted a position at the St. Peter state hospital. He remained there for several years and then went upon a farm at Mapleton for one year.

About eight years ago he went to Ray and took up a claim, on which he has since resided. On September 28, 1908, he was married to Miss Augusta Landwehr of Ray. He is survived by his wife and three sons, Cyril, aged four; Raymond, aged two, and Walter, three weeks old; also by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Wittrock of Mankato township; five brothers and three sisters, Edward, George, Rupert, Annie and Josephine, living at home; Henry W. Wittrock, 120 Mulberry street; Frank A. Wittrock, Kerns, Belgrade township, and M. Wilhelmina, a novice at the Motherhouse of Good Council, Mankato.

Funeral services were held today at 10 a. m. from the Catholic church at Ray. The body will be shipped on the 4 a. m. train from that place on Thursday and is expected to arrive in Mankato on Friday at 10:35 a. m. or 12:35 p. m. Funeral services will be held from the home of his parents on Saturday morning. A service will also be held the same morning at St. Peter and Paul's church, of which he was a member. He belonged to St. Peter and Paul's Benevolent society of this city, whose members will attend the funeral in a body. Interment will be in the Calvary cemetery in the family lot.

Miss Rosetta Hendrix gave a very interesting and instructive address at the Centenary Methodist church Tuesday afternoon before the W. C. T. U. and friends. Her topic was "Temperance Work and Women's Votes." The meeting opened with singing and scripture reading by the vice president, Mrs. Carl Swenson. Mrs. George E. Nettleton offered prayer.

Miss Hendrix' principal thought was that in order to make this country temperate that the children must be taught temperance from their babyhood. She said that it did comparatively little good to teach older people temperance if the children are neglected, and urged that more time be given to the teaching of the principles of temperance to children in the Sunday schools and churches.

She also urged that young mothers should be taught to give their babies no medicines which contain drugs of an alcoholic nature. Speaking of how to accomplish these things, Miss Hendrix said that such work was the duty of the W. C. T. U., and the meetings of the organization should be made so interesting as to increase the membership and the working capacity of the organization.

In closing her address Miss Hendrix spoke briefly of votes for women. All who heard the address were delighted with Miss Hendrix' presentation of the subject.

## FUND IS NOT WITHDRAWN

## Le Sueur Looks For Construction of Scenic Highway This Year, Or Next Sure

M. W. Grimes of the Le Sueur News writes the Free Press that the dispatch sent out from Le Sueur to the effect that Le Sueur had withdrawn its \$3,000 contribution to the Scenic Highway is not true.

Mayor Termath states that the contribution will remain where it is, as Le Sueur citizens feel certain that the road will be built this year or next, at most.

## Postage on Seeds, Bulbs, Etc.

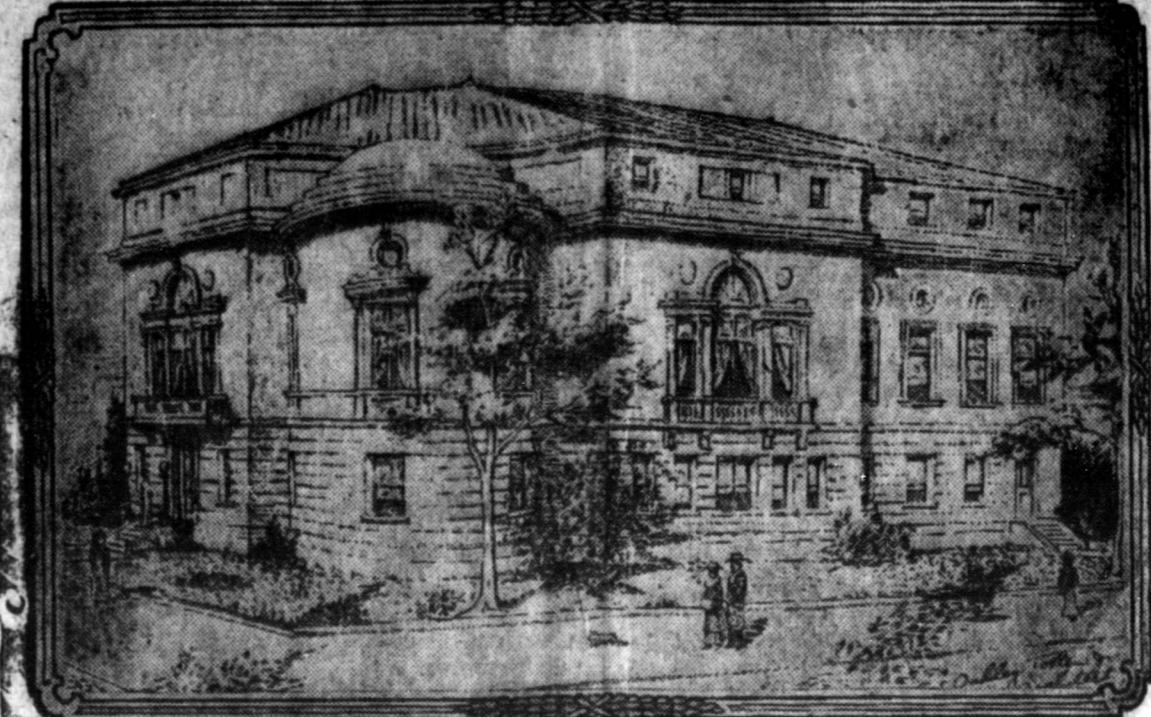
Seeds, plants, bulbs, roots and so forth which have formerly been sent at a special postage rate, will hereafter be sent at the regular fourth class rate. The rate on such parcels weighing four ounces or less, shall be one cent for each ounce, regardless of distance and the regular round rate shall be used in sending such parcels of greater weight than four ounces.

## Murder Plea Continued.

Sioux Falls, S. D., March 25.—Herbert Thompson, formerly of Winona, Minn., who is charged with the murder of his girl wife in Howard last November, when arraigned before Judge Taylor of the state circuit court, applied for a continuance in the matter of presenting his plea, and was granted until March 30.

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ARCHITECT'S DRAWING OF WASHINGTON'S NEW CONGRESSIONAL CLUB.



## REBELS WERE REPULSED WITH VERY HEAVY LOSS AT TORREON

[Associated Press Dispatch.]  
El Paso, March 25.—Miguel Diebold of the Mexican federal consular service said today that he had been officially informed that the rebels were repulsed with heavy loss at Torreon and

## HOW EARLY TEACHING WOULD ASSIST CAUSE

## MISS ROSETTA HENDRIX DISCUSSED TEMPERANCE QUESTION

Duty of the W. C. T. U. Is Made Plain  
At Meeting Held in the Centenary  
Church Yesterday

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## FUNDS NOT WITHDRAWN

## DEATH OF MRS. JONES

Well-Known Lady Died at Her Home  
On State Street After Lingering  
Illness

Mrs. David J. Jones died at her home at 409 State street at 9:30 p. m. yesterday after an illness of two years with progressive paresis due to disease of the central nervous system.

Mrs. Jones was born near Emmett, Wis., March 11, 1851 and was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Roberts. In 1856 she moved with her parents to Minnesota, making the trip overland in a wagon. The family located in Judson township and there she remained until her marriage with David J. Jones of South Bend on May 20, 1874. Twenty-two years ago the family moved to Mankato.

Five children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Jones, two of whom died at an early age. Mr. Jones died fourteen years ago. The three surviving children are Mrs. H. R. Bowden of Groton, S. D., Miss Anna Jones who teaches school in Minneapolis and Thomas X. Jones of Valley City, N. D.

Mrs. Jones was a faithful member of the Welsh C. M. church and Rev. W. E. Evans of that church will conduct the funeral services on Friday. There will be a service at the house at one o'clock and the church service will be at 1:30 p. m. The burial will take place in the Minneapolis cemetery.

Examination of Accounts.  
Examination of the accounts of Frank W. Stanck of Vests, was held in bankruptcy court yesterday. Mr. Stanck was formerly in the hardware and implement business.

## Kind of Weather That Experts Have Predicted

[Associated Press Dispatch.]  
SUPERIOR, WIS., TO BE POINT, SAYS  
CONCERN HEAD

Lease to the Building Was Signed Yes-  
terday; Opening to Occur About  
April 20-25

Three women's outfitting stores, instead of two, will be operated by the F. W. Kruse company after about a month. The new store is to be opened by the company in Superior Wis., between April 20 and 25. The lease on a store room in Superior was closed yesterday by the company with Sutherland & Ostrander of Duluth. The company will send two or three trusty employees from one or both of the other stores to take charge of the new store, but the rest of the help will be employed in Superior.

With these three stores, one at Mankato, another at La Crosse and the third at Superior, the F. W. Kruse company will handle as large an output of goods of their line as any store in the twin cities. This will enable the firm to sell as low as any store in the northwest, the buying power being considerably increased. The company now has a chance to carry every new style that comes upon the market, with an excellent chance of disposing of the goods. All of these stores being located in communities demanding the same kind of goods, the firm will be able to handle the same kind of merchandise at all three, and will thus be safe in making large purchases. The firm believes in selling goods on a small margin and doing a large amount of trading.

English authors have been much worried recently by law suits instituted by persons whose names have figured in their stories, and who declare that on that account they have been held up to public ridicule, odium and contempt.

To prevent these libel cases and get around the statutes Mr. Sims published a full list of the names he intends using and asked that all and sundry bearing the above-mentioned name or names, legally and lawfully, or by common repute, should communicate with me in writing on or before March 25, or forever after hold their peace." It is believed this is the first time such notice has ever been printed.

## DEPUTY FIRE MARSHAL

John Luisdorf Appointed to Position In  
The State Department; Valuable  
Man For Place

John Luisdorf, former chief of the Mankato fire department today received a message from Governor Eberhart appointing him to the position of deputy state fire marshal.

This is a most excellent appointment. Mr. Luisdorf is peculiarly well fitted for the work, having had years of experience in connection with the local fire department. He has handled many fires, is acquainted with their origin and will prove a valuable man in tracing cases of arson, etc. The state department is to be congratulated on securing Mr. Luisdorf's services.

Have Reduced Dividend.  
[Associated Press Dispatch.]  
Philadelphia, March 25.—The directors of the Pittsburgh, Cincinnati and St. Louis Railway company, the Pennsylvania lines west of Pittsburgh, have reduced the dividend on common stock from five per cent to three per cent and on preferred stock from five per cent to four per cent.

## NON-PARTISAN POLITICS

## RAPPED IN PAPER READ BEFORE SCIENCE CLUB

## CITY BOOZE PARLOR CLEAR'S BIG PROFIT

[Associated Press Dispatch.]  
Sisseton, S. D., PUTS \$10,000 INTO  
TOWN TREASURY

[Associated Press Dispatch.]  
This Amount Is Net Above All Expenses  
Cleared From the Municipal  
Saloon

Pierre, S. D., March 25.—Over \$10,000 clear profit for less than a year of operation is the report of the citizens' committee of Sisseton, which has charge of the financial management of the only saloon allowed in the place.

When the town voted "wet" last spring, after several years of "drought," the manner of handling the traffic was turned over to a committee, which hired a manager for the one saloon permitted, paying him a salary of \$1,800 a year and hiring all help needed. All surplus funds were to be equally divided between the funds of the municipality and a special good roads fund, and each has just received \$4,000, the remainder being held as an operating fund.

With no expense of fitting up for business, the managers estimate the net returns in 1914 at about \$17,000.

Several years ago Sisseton started a movement for highways to that place by merchants paying their estimated expenses for calendars into a road fund. The movement has been kept to the front and is the basis for paying half the saloon profits into the road fund.

## WAGING HOT CAMPAIGN

[Associated Press Dispatch.]  
National Issues Are Involved in the  
Contest For Seat In Upper  
House Congress

[Associated Press Dispatch.]  
Paterson, March 25.—The nomination of four candidates for the seat in congress left vacant by the death of Representative Robert G. Bremner, democrat, of the seventh New Jersey district, opens here the first political campaign which involves national issues that has been waged since the enactment of new tariff law and other important federal legislation under the Wilson administration. The result of the election on April 7 is awaited as the first indication by ballot of how these changes suit the American voter. Four parties, republican, democratic, progressive and socialist nominated candidates at yesterday's primaries.

The weakness of the non-partisan plan lies in the fact that it dissipates forces that ought to be united, and that while it ceases to dissipate the forces of evil, it is usually much more effective in dissipating the forces of right, which are generally much less securely bound together. The non-partisan plan leaves the voter only names by which to place his vote, and not principle. Names are good, but good names pledged to right principles are ideal.

## ATTACK ON A. CARNEGIE

[Associated Press Dispatch.]  
Big Missouri Town Is Strongly Advo-  
cated As One Place For Re-  
gional Bank

[Associated Press Dispatch.]  
Washington, March 25.—Chairman Owen and Senator Reed of the senate banking committee today discussed with President Wilson the merits of Kansas City as a location for one of the new regional reserve banks. Although members of congress have been quietly urging various cities, this is the first instance, so far as known, in which members of the banking committee have urged any particular city. It is said at the White House that no decision has been reached either on the federal reserve bank cities or on the federal reserve board.

## POINT IN THE DISCUSSION.

W. F. Brooks, who led the discussion, brought out the point that a non-partisan election was inferior to one that was carried on by parties in the power to push reforms. He said a reform could be pushed for better with a party organization, than without one. There was a little force back of any reform, unless it was pushed by some sort of an organization.

W. D. Willard raised the question of the lines along which parties could organize for municipal elections, if no attention was paid to the national party lines.

Mr. McConnell, author of the paper, said the parties could take up questions of municipal ownership of public utilities, public playgrounds, more parks and similar issues. It was brought out in the general discussion that these issues would be continued on Page Two.