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TAXES

THE CUSTOM of growling about paying taxes has become so firmly fixed in our lives that most of us do it from habit, like eating three meals a day, bathing, sleeping and celebrating Christmas.

And it cannot be denied that tax paying time, coming when it does, just before Christmas, or just before the summer vacation, just gives the well known bank roll a severe jolt in the solar plexus.

When one stops to consider, however, all we get for the comparatively small amount we pay in taxes, we have no reason to holler. As payment for our children's education, highways, the care of the poor, the burial of paupers, and the operation of city, county and state governments, the price is low.

WHO SHOULD VOTE BOND ISSUES?

JUST while we are on the subject of taxation, it does appear that our laws should provide that only taxpayers shall vote on bond issues.

As things stand at present, it is possible for non-residents to come into the state in large numbers, during such a rush as we anticipate in the event of the passage of the Boulder Dam legislation. They could easily outnumber the property owners, and when they had been here for six months could vote bond issues which the taxpayers of the next two generations would be paying off.

Bond issues are a mighty good thing on many occasions, and those that have been voted so far were in good causes, but some protection should be afforded the people who foot the bills, making it impossible for those who are free from taxation to overburden the taxpayers.

TREND TOWARD WIDER HIGHWAYS

A FUTURE TREND of road building will be toward constructing wider highways in addition to more new highways. For the past twenty years the good roads building movement has been an outstanding development of our national life. Highways passed rapidly from the luxury age to where they were necessities; today the community without sufficient paved roads is almost foredoomed to economic and social inertia.

It is a great deal cheaper to build highways sufficiently wide to start with than to widen them later. The use of road oils and asphaltic materials make practical the building of waterproof hard surfaces on thousands of miles of rural roads.

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THE ELECTRIFICATION of 325 miles of line and 1300 miles of track of a large eastern railroad, will require more than 55,000,000 pounds of copper, according to an authoritative estimate.

This is more than the entire copper production of the United States fifty years ago, which was, in 1878, 49,000,000 pounds. As well, the copper used for this single electrification program will exceed the total amount of copper in use on locomotives of all American railroads in 1896.

This means greater copper production, and greater stability and prosperity for our mining industry. It is a prosperity that will be felt keenly in the great metal producing states and, indirectly, throughout the entire nation.

WORKING CONDITIONS ABROAD

A WAGE SURVEY just completed in Constantinople is quite appropriate when considering foreign commodities placed on the American market and foreign labor is pitted against that of American," says the Republican Leader, Trenton, Nebraska, in a tariff discussion.

"The survey showed girls of 6 and 7 years bending over embroidery frames making minute cross stitches and hemstitching blouses. For this labor the wage scale commences at one cent per hour. Children are found working in cigarette factories more than half of which were found to be subnormal physically and mentally. They were working in the quarters with ventilation very bad.

"One hotel worker, a boy, was given to eat what was left on the patron's plates. In one beauty parlor a child worked 12 to 14 hours for a weekly wage of about 80 cents American money, while men's wages ranged from \$46 to \$48 per month, and women from \$12 to \$20.

"All one has to do to believe in a protective tariff is to contrast this condition with that of the American scale of wages and living—American ideals and the American home."

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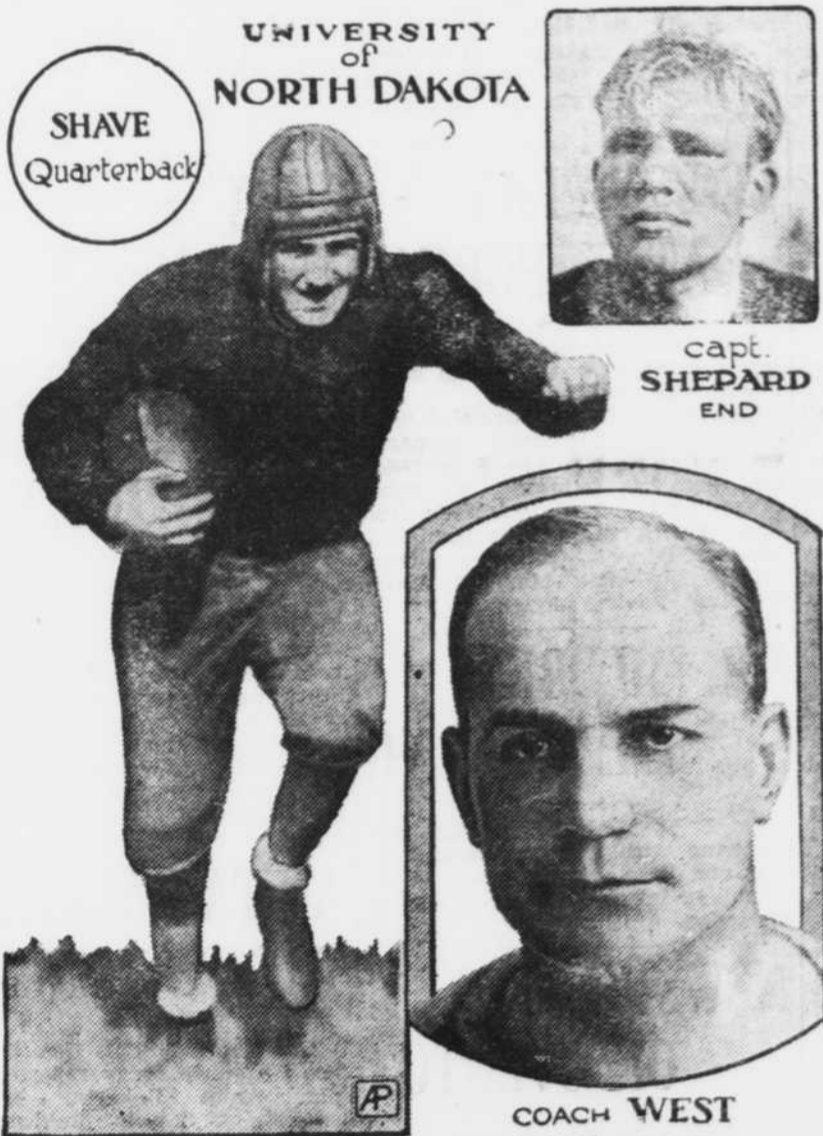
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Santa Claus Is Tempted

By Albert T. Reid



College Has 25 Lean Years Then Is Undeclared In 1928



They stick to their tasks out on the broad prairies of North Dakota. They stuck to the game of football at the University of North Dakota through 25 years of reverses. Their reward came in a near-perfect record in 1928. Coach West and two of his stars are above.

GRAND FORKS, N. D., Dec. 6. (AP)—Some football teams go on and on, winning consistently each season. This is a story about one of the other teams, a team that for 25 years lost as often as it won and sometimes oftener, a team which after all these barren years has come to the front with its first unbeaten record since 1903. The school is the University of North Dakota at Grand Forks. Not disheartened by its previous failures to break in to the winning column, North Dakota built a stadium to seat 15,000 people in 1927 and in line with this progressive step it engaged three new coaches for the current campaign. These were Jack West, who had lost only 17 games out of 100 in nine years' coaching at South Dakota State; Clyde Starbeck, his greatest pupil at South Dakota State, and L. I. "Tiny" Lewis, the former Northwestern fullback.

The inspiration furnished by the Stadium, and more particularly by the new coaching system, worked an instant elixir of life, so far as North Dakota's football fortunes were concerned. Without a grid-iron championship since 1903, the giant Nodaks toppled over opposition and won the North Central Conference title for the first time in history and outside of one tie conflict with Carleton College of Minnesota retained its clean record.

Cheered by its success this fall, North Dakota will branch into the intersectional field in 1929, according to Coach West, who has at hand offers of games from Colgate at Hamilton, New York, and from Oregon at Eugene. West expects to play either of these teams, as well as Minnesota, Haskell Indians, South Dakota State and others.

Quantities of soap have been discovered in Moscow bearing portraits of the Czar, and the Russians are greatly shocked. What we wonder at is how they came to notice it.

Every tramp seeking shelter at the poorhouse at Chelmsford, Eng., must submit to a cold shower bath. This automatically, we presume, solves the problem of overcrowding.

IS IT FAIR?

To earn in Las Vegas and
To spend in Los Angeles?
Who is not guilty?
Is this the ethics of your service club?

VEGAS CREDIT BUREAU

SEN. DUPONT ILL; RESIGNS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5. (AP)—United States Senator T. Coleman Dupont of Delaware has resigned his seat in the Senate because of his health. Dupont is now recuperating after a long illness at his country place near Cambridge, Maryland.

Governor Robinson of Delaware has not indicated who he would appoint to fill the place vacated but the Republican organization of the state has indicated it would prefer Daniel U. Hastings, judge of the municipal court of Wilmington.

Rumor has it that Lindbergh is about to marry. We always felt he had courage.

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