

to accept, saying that it was impossible for him to do so, and he asked that the convention refer the nomination to its committee for the purpose of selecting, if possible, a returned soldier to make the race. This suggestion was accepted and convention adjourned after adopting the following resolutions:

"It is the belief of this convention that the most urgent national problem at present is protection for the farmers against further demoralization of the market by dumping of grain into the United States, threatening further declines in prices which now are far below the cost of production."

"Plow, plant and prosper," was the slogan given to the Amalgamated Independent Voters by Mr. O'Connor.

MRS. WM. RYAN DEAD

Pekin Budget: Mrs. Wm. Ryan, prominent citizen of Pekin, passed away at her home here at 11:30 p. m. on Wednesday, March 30th.

The deceased has been seriously ill since the first of the year, when she was taken ill with diabetes and heart trouble. For quite a while her life was then despaired of, but medical skill and careful nursing helped her over temporarily, and she was now able to be up at times and seemed to be getting stronger every day. Saturday of last week she was suddenly taken ill again, and although everything was done that medical skill and nursing could do to stay the ebbing life, yet it was apparent from the first that there was no hope. She suffered greatly the last two days of her life, and death came as a relief.

Funeral services will be held at Pekin church today at 2 p. m. Rev. T. S. Hanson of Warwick officiating. The remains will be laid to rest in the McVile cemetery, this being the express wish of the deceased.

Bertine Loe Ryan was born at St. Peter, Minn., February 20, 1874, and was 47 years, 1 month and 10 days old at her death. Her parents later moved to Granite Falls, Minn., where she lived until 22 years ago when she was married to William Ryan. For the greatest part of the time the Ryans farmed in Nesheim township, part of the time residing at Aneta and McVile, until in the spring of 1917 when Mr. Ryan bought the local hardware business, and so took up residence in Pekin.

Mrs. Ryan was a most exemplary

wife, companion and helpmeet to her husband, a true and trusty friend, public spirited, of high intelligence and education, and loved and respected by all who learned to know her, and a host of friends mourn her early demise. She was prominent in all moves for the bettering of communities and the welfare of humanity, and ever since the war broke out was a leader in the Red Cross work, and was chairman of the local Red Cross auxiliary from its organization until her death. The world is the better just for the sake of such women, and we can truly say, that not did her sorrowing husband alone suffer an irreparable loss, but also did the community in which she lived and worked lose a valuable member.

Mrs. Ryan is survived by her husband, William Ryan of Pekin, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Loe, and her brother, Bert Loe, all of Granite Falls, and one adopted sister.

Her folks at Granite Falls were notified early Monday morning by wire, but they were unable to come while she lived. Her brother arrived Thursday morning.

Mr. Ryan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Ryan and their grand daughter of East Grand Forks, Minn., arrived on the afternoon train on Thursday.

Mr. Ryan has our sincere sympathy in his hour of sorrow.

\$290,000 in Seed Loan Money Out

More than \$280,000 in seed loans has been paid out from the government office established in Fargo for the purpose of distributing the \$2,000,000 seed loan fund in North Dakota and Montana, according to announcement made by C. W. Warburton, of Washington, in charge of the office.

Of this sum approximately \$200,000 went to farmers in the western counties in North Dakota and \$60,000 of it was sent out on Saturday.

