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Bismarck, Wednesday, December 17, 1913

Charitable People Should Organize

Every person in this city interested in the cause of charity should attend the meeting at the Commercial Club rooms tomorrow evening, for the consideration of the question of organizing a benevolent aid society which is able to discharge the duties of such an organization without placing too arduous duties on the few.

It was 32 years ago that the present Benevolent Aid society was organized, and these noble women have served faithfully and well; but there is need of assistance for them and it should be seen to tomorrow evening that Bismarck is given a strong society for this purpose.

It is urged that the women, especially, attend this meeting, for it seems, as a general rule, that it falls largely to the women of a community to look after the distribution of alms. The meeting will be called to order at 8 o'clock, and those interested hope for a good attendance. The cause is a worthy one, and necessarily demands that there be some head to the distribution of aid to those who are unfortunate in our community, and this is the occasion when all who have charity for the less fortunate may lend a hand in establishing a permanent organization of this kind.

The turkey that escaped Thanksgiving simply received a month's reprieve—lacking two days.

The Williston Tragedy

The second lynching in the state within thirteen months occurred at Williston yesterday morning, and while there may have been great provocation to those who lived in the vicinity of the murder with which Cleve Culbertson was charged, and of which he was convicted, yet the crime of lynching him is a black mark upon the name of North Dakota.

While many a felon receives his just deserts at the hands of a mob, yet the practice of lynching is to be abhorred and has no place in a law-abiding community. It gives a state a bad reputation and should not be countenanced by the citizens of any community.

Governor Hanna voices the sentiment of the great majority of the people of this state when he insists that the authorities of Williams county exert every effort to trace the perpetrators of this crime and secure their conviction. He says if they do not do their duty he will call in the attorney general to look into the matter and also learn why the authorities have not done their duty. This is a move in the right direction and should receive the approval of the people of this state.

To say the least, it is an unfortunate incident for North Dakota.

Militant suffragists show no great interest in Mexico. The disorder there is quite sufficient.

Want Judge Allen for Supreme Bench

A number of his friends in the state are urging Hon. F. P. Allen of Lisbon, judge of the Fourth judicial district, to become a candidate for the supreme bench. At this writing there have been no candidates for this position mentioned, and there is some speculation as to who the candidates will be for this position next year. Of course, it is rather early as yet, and there will probably be more developments a little later.

Judge Allen is one of the best known citizens of the state, and as both county and district judge has made a good record. He is popular at home and abroad and bears an excellent reputation as citizen and jurist. Should he decide to become a candidate the judge will in all probability have the support of his own district, as well as that of other parts of the state.

Some of the plays offered for public entertainment make old-fashioned gossip sound like innocent diversion.

Fewer Medical Schools

There are fourteen fewer medical schools in the United States than there were a year ago; twelve hundred fewer persons studied medicine in 1913 than in 1912, and there was a decrease of five hundred in the number of medical graduates, according to figures compiled at the United States Bureau of Education.

The reduction in the number of medical schools is part of a steady movement for improved medical education that has been going on for the past eight or nine years. The American Medical Association, the various state medical societies and other agencies have aroused public opinion to such an extent that 79 medical colleges have either merged with other institutions or ceased to exist, and the standard of medical training has been raised considerably. Of the 101 medical schools now listed at the Bureau, 83 are requiring one or more years of college work as a prerequisite to entering upon the study of medicine. State examining boards in North Dakota, Iowa, Minnesota, Colorado, Indiana, South Dakota and Kentucky have introduced regulations, in most cases to be made effective within a year or two, providing that every applicant for a license to practice medicine shall have studied two years in college, after a

four-year high school course, before beginning medical training. A similar requirement covering one year of college work will soon be enforced by the state boards of Connecticut, Kansas, Utah, Vermont, Pennsylvania and California.

An interesting feature of the statistics is the part played by women. Although the total number of medical students has decreased, the number of women studying medicine has increased. In 1912 there were 18,451 medical students, of whom 712 were women; in 1913 there were 17,238 students, of whom 835 were women. Only 70 women graduated this year, however, as compared with 142 in 1912.

The recent conservation congress may cause two societies to grow where formerly there was but one.

Secretary Daniels' Recommendations

There is a surprising lukewarmness and an unexpected apologetic tone to the first annual report of Secretary of Navy Daniels. It has been rumored that the secretary would ask for three dreadnoughts in order to make up for the lone battleship authorized by the last Democratic Congress. He intimates that the department might outline a stronger program but for other demands on the limited revenues of the government. This is a novelty. The usual cabinet officer asks largely with the hope that he will receive more in the compromise. He seldom talks of economy, knowing that opponents of his program will sufficiently emphasize that point.

The navy general board recommended four battleships, sixteen destroyers, one destroyer tender, two oilers, two gunboats, one transport, one supply ship and one hospital ship. The secretary modestly reduced the recommendations to two dreadnoughts, eight destroyers and three submarines. If Congress follows its usual practice the naval program will be a sorry thing indeed. There are two probable explanations of Secretary Daniels' modesty. The first is that he is serving his first year in the cabinet and has not formed the habit of demanding that all the revenues be devoted to his department. The other is that he realizes that Congress is controlled by a party that has never shown any anxiety about preparation for war until after a war had already begun. He recalls that it was this party's control of the House that caused the United States to drop behind its next rival among the great naval powers. Whether the recommendations, set forth so mildly and apologetically, will cause Congress to give him the appropriations he asks is a matter of conjecture.

In discussing the proposed naval "holiday" among the nations, the secretary's report calls attention to a feature generally overlooked in its superficial discussion. There can be no "holiday" while projects are under way. But his suggestion for a world conference in which this country shall take the initiative is not new. The matter was discussed at the first Peace Conference at The Hague in 1899. The European nations refused to put it on the program of the second conference in 1907. There are indications that the czar of Russia will decline to call a conference at all in 1915. The "hearty approval" of the holiday the secretary mentions seems restricted to a few newspapers and unofficial gatherings. Great Britain, having the largest navy, is ready for a "holiday," but other nations want to catch up with it first. International disarmament may happen some time, but he is an optimist, indeed, who sees it now. Meanwhile the United States, just opening the Panama canal and having large island possessions, is in greater need of a navy than ever before. Let us hope that Congress will not become so enthusiastic over the naval "holiday" dream that it will neglect to maintain an "adequate navy" that will be really adequate.

The income tax sidestep is regarded as more difficult and less graceful than the tango.

Cold Storage and Prices

Federal inquiry into the effect of the cold storage system upon the cost of food supplies may result in legislation that will materially reduce living expenses. It is charged that in the matter of the egg supply, for instance, cold storage is used to maintain a high retail rate throughout the year, when, in fact, this facility should operate to reduce the high rates of the non-laying period by giving the public the benefit of the season of abundant supplies. There should be no difficulty in ascertaining the volume of egg production in this country at all seasons and the total egg consumption, as compared with a few years ago, when prices were much lower. If the hens are keeping up their ratio of productiveness to consumption, eggs should sell in season of abundance for about 20 cents a dozen, and even without cold storage, in the season of shortage, for about 40 cents a dozen, at the most. The cold storage system is supposed to take up the surplus during the heavy laying period and supply the markets during the period of deficiency. If there is no surplus during the laying period and eggs are stored then the natural result is to increase the price at both times. It is for the government to ascertain just what the fact is in this respect and to see whether any combination of dealers or brokers exists to use the cold storage facilities to control the price for an undue profit at the expense of the public.

What is true of eggs is possibly true of meats and poultry. If the cold storage warehouses are used to raise the prices for these necessities above the normal range, crime is being committed against the public welfare that calls for punishment. The department of justice should be able to ascertain how far an agency that ought to work out to the advantage of the public is employed to its detriment. But punishment alone is not enough. Some method should be found to prevent such a misuse of the cold storage facilities in the future, through inspection and check. This is a large order, but the government, assisted by the state and city agencies, can accomplish it. Representative McKellar's bill proposes a plan to this end and an early report on it to the House is desirable. The department of agriculture is in possession of trustworthy information at all seasons respecting the volume of produce for the meeting of public food needs, and the striking of price averages is not difficult in these circumstances. When prices rise to abnormal points in seasons of normal production it is obvious that manipulation is in progress.—Washington Star.

The explanation the Brookfield pastor gave of his kissing a printer girl behind the ear seems satisfactory to his congregation. But will his wife forgive and forget?

THE WEATHER

Bismarck, N. D., Tuesday, December 16, 1913.

All observations taken at 8:00 a. m. (75th meridian time).

Stations—	Lowest Last Night.	State of Weather
Bismarck	22	Clear
Chicago	36	Cloudy
Denver	14	Pt. Cloudy
Des Moines	32	Clear
Devils Lake	22	Clear
Duluth	28	Clear
Kansas City	38	Cloudy
Miles City	12	Clear
Milwaukee	34	Cloudy
Moorehead	20	Clear
Pierre	26	Clear
Portland	32	Foggy
Rapid City	24	Clear
St. Louis	24	Clear
St. Paul	28	Clear
Salt Lake City	32	Clear
Seattle	34	Clear
Swift Current	22	Clear
Williston	20	Pt. Cloudy
Winnipeg	26	Cloudy

Weather Forecast.

Thru 7:00 p. m. Wednesday.
For North Dakota—Generally fair tonight and Wednesday, no important change in temperature, moderate westerly winds.
For Bismarck and vicinity—Fair tonight and Wednesday, no important change in temperature, moderate westerly winds.

Weather Conditions.

Similar weather conditions to those of yesterday prevail over the entire country from which reports are received, the pressure being highest over the southwest and lowest over the Canadian Northwest. The indications are for fair weather tonight

and Wednesday, no important change in temperature and moderate westerly winds.

ORRIS M. ROBERTS,
Official in Charge.

IN THE SUPREME COURT; STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

Price E. Morris, plaintiff and respondent, vs. E. R. Bradley, defendant and appellant.

(1) Assignments of error relating to rulings in the admission and exclusion of testimony cannot be considered where they are not predicated upon specifications of error as settled by the trial court in the statement of case.

(2) Appellant's assignments of error do not conform to rule 14, (old rules) in that they do not "refer to the facts of the abstract where the particular specification of error is found, and also to the page or pages of the abstract in which the matter is found upon which the error is as-

signed," hence, appellant's assignments numbered 1 to 4 inclusive, which not only offend against this rule but are not predicated upon any specifications of error, are disregarded.

(3) Assignment number 5, which is based upon the ruling sustaining an objection to the introduction of exhibit (1A), considered and held, for reasons stated in the opinion, without merit.

(Syllabus by the Court.)

Appeal from district court, Barnes county; J. A. Coffey, J.

From a judgment in plaintiff's favor and from an order denying a motion for a new trial, defendant appeals. Affirmed. Opinion of the court by Fisk, J. Burke, J. being disqualified, not participating.

Herman Winterer, D. S. Ritchie, Page & Engler, Valley City, N. D., for appellant.

T. F. McCue, Carrington, N. D., for respondent.

People's Experiences.

CHARGED WITH EXTENSIVE FRAUDS.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 16.—A scheme by which farmers and other persons in many sections of the country have been robbed of thousands of dollars is expected to be unfolded at the trial of Levi L. Johnson and his son, Homer E. Johnson, of Oshen, Ind., well known commission merchants, who were arraigned in the federal court here today to answer to indictments charging them with using the mails to defraud. The Johnsons were extensive dealers in hay and it is alleged their frauds were perpetrated largely by falsifying invoices and overestimating freight charges. The indictments against them were found on evidence furnished by alleged victims in Florida, Virginia, Ohio, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Maryland, New York, Massachusetts, Wisconsin, Connecticut, Minnesota, Michigan and West Virginia.

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Christmas Suggestions from Hoskins

For Wife or Mother

Foley's complete poems \$3.75
Good Leather Bible \$1.50 to \$4.00
Japanese Sandwich Baskets, 75c to \$2.50
Good Cash Book \$1.00 up
Boston Fern \$1.00 to \$3.00
Subscription to magazine, \$1.50 up

Embroidery Scissors in case, \$1.75 to \$3.45
Correspondence Cards 35c to 75c
Willow Jardiniere 50c to \$1.00
Oval Picture, Framed 20c to \$1.35
Shopping Lists
File for household accounts 35c
Fern Dish, 50c to \$1.50
Candle Holder, 75c to \$1.00
Card Receiver, \$1.25

HOSKINS, BISMARCK, N. DAK.

The Only Girl in the World

Fine Leather Book \$1.00 to \$3.00
French Ivory Clock \$2.00 to \$3.50
Xmas Box Stationery 50c to \$4.00
Xmas Box Candy 50c to \$5.00
Handsome Art Calendar, up to \$3.00
Gallery of Girls \$3.50
Book of Sweethearts \$2.00
Bachelor Bells \$2.00
Handsome Art Novelties
Foley Poems \$1.35 to \$3.75
Box of Choice Flowers \$2.00 to \$5.00
Fancy Basket of Flowers \$2.00 to \$10.00

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For Father or Husband

Boys and Girls
Foley \$1.35
Nickel Clothes Hanger \$1.65
Card Index, 50c up
Ash Tray, 25c, 85c and up.
Calabash Pipe, \$1.00
Postal Scales, \$2.50 up
Ink Stand for Desk 25c, \$1.50
Daily Calendar Pad \$1.00 to \$1.50
Box of Cigars \$1.00 to \$4.00
Typewriter \$25.00 to \$50.00
Jar of Tobacco 50c to \$1.00
Deck Playing Cards 50c up
Cigar Humidor, \$2.00 to \$5.25
Fountain Pen, \$1.00 up.

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What Big Brother Would Like

Shaving Stand, 65c to \$1.45
Manicure Set, \$2.35 up
Good Pipe, \$1.00 up.
Book Rack, Loose Leaf Note Book \$1.00 up
Fountain Pen \$1.00 up
Late Popular Novel \$1.35
Folding Suit Hanger \$1.65
Glass Jar of Tobacco 50c to \$1.00
Box of Cigars \$1.00 to \$4.00
Golf Goods \$2.00 up
Ash Tray, 85c.
Case of Playing Cards, 60c to \$3.15.

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Between Women Friends

Leather Bridge Set, Japanese Art Baskets 75c to \$3.00
Hand Painted Calendars 10c to \$1.50
Potted Plant 50c to \$3.00
Dainty Booklets 25c up
Manicure Sets \$2.35 up
Basket of Air Plant \$1.00 up
French Ivory Vanity Set 45c
Framed Oval Pictures 20c to \$1.35
Card Index Cook Book
Way of Smiles, Foley \$1.25
Leather Address Books 50c to \$1.00

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Between Men Friends

Humidor Box of Smoker's Crafts \$5.25
Fountain Pen \$1.00 to \$5.00
Box of His Cigars, \$1.00 to \$4.00
A rattling good novel, 60c to \$1.50
Glass jar of Smoking Tobacco 50c to \$1.00
Meerschmum Pipe, \$5.00 to \$12.00
Caddy Bags \$2.00 to \$10.00
Golf Club \$2.00 to \$3.00
French Briar Case Pipe \$1.50 to \$5.00
Leather Playing Card Sets 50c to \$2.50
Travellers' Folding Clothes Hanger Sets \$1.25 to \$1.50
Leather Memorandum Book 35c to \$1.00

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For the School Boy or Girl

Louise Alcott's Books \$1.50
Boy Scout Library, 50c
School Fountain Pen \$1.00
Xmas Writing Paper 25c to \$1.00
Little Pepper Books, \$1.50
Edward Ellis Series 60c
Box of Candy 25c up
Diary 25c to \$1.00
New Testament, 15c to \$2.00
Tennis Raquets, \$1.50 up
Football, \$1.25 up
Subscription to Youth's Companion \$2.00

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For Big Sister

Art Calendar 10c to \$1.35
Initial Stationery, 35c to 50c.
Subscription to Fashion Magazine.
Box of Xmas Candy, 50c to \$5.00.
Christy Books, \$1.25 up.
Parker Art Novelties, 20c up.
Fountain Pen, \$1.00 to \$5.00.
Set scissors in leather case, \$1.75 to \$2.45.
Manicure Set, \$2.35 up
Fancy Desk Blotter Holder, \$1.50.

HOSKINS, BISMARCK, N. DAK.

Anybody Would Like

Fountain Pen \$1.00 up
Foley's Complete Poems, \$3.75
Box of Writing Paper, 25c to \$3.00
Leather Bound Gift Book, 75c to \$2.00
Good Popular Novel, \$1.35
Box Xmas Candy, 30c to \$4.00
Subscription to Magazine, \$1.50 up
Case of Playing Cards, 60c up
Diary 25c to \$1.00
Leather Memorandum Book 50c to \$1.00
Way of Smiles, Foley \$1.25
Dainty Calendar, 10c to \$1.00
Postal Scale, \$1.50 up.
Framed Picture, 25c to \$1.35.
Blooming Plant, \$1.00 to \$5.00.

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Mail Orders Given Careful Attention