

AUTO SLIDES INTO RIVER; NONE HURT

BUT BISMARCK TRAVELING MAN FINDS ICE IS THIN; AUTO DUMPS INTO RIVER. CAR RECOVERED.

COMPANION WAS INJURED

But Joe Spies Escaped Unhurt as Also Did the Little Car He Drove.

Joe Spies, a traveling salesman, who stops at the Grand Pacific, tried to ford the Missouri river on the ice Sunday afternoon, last, with almost disastrous results.

Mr. Spies wanted to go to Mandan on Sunday and he finally decided to go in his little Ford car, by crossing on the ice. He took a young woman, a cousin of his, along with him on the trip.

Everything looked lovely when the river was reached and the car started ahead onto the ice. But it didn't get very far.

Spring Spoiled It All. Gentle spring arrived on Sunday and brought along with her the warm sunshine and melted the ice, both on Bismarck's sidewalks and the Missouri river.

The Spies car traveled just about three or four feet out from shore and then—the ice gave way. Both the salesman and his companion were thrown from the car and while Mr. Spies was not hurt in the least, his cousin was bruised about the face, some of her teeth were knocked out and her jaw was hurt. She is reported as getting along quite nicely now.

The car was pulled out of the river and was practically undamaged.

BELGIAN KING'S SISTER AND NIECE REFUGEES IN ENGLAND DURING WAR



Princess Marie Louise (top) and Princess Henriette.

Refugees in England during the war are the Princess Henriette and her daughter Princess Marie Louise, sister and niece of King Albert of Belgium. Practically every titled Belgian except the king himself is now in England, as well as hundreds of thousands of the common people.

Japanese Women for First Time in History Participate in Campaign

Tokio, March 24.—Closing an exciting campaign, during which the wives of several candidates at Tokio made personal visits and appeals to voters, a general election was held today throughout the Japanese empire to choose a new house of representatives.

The last house was dissolved by the emperor on Christmas, 1914, because of refusal to ratify the military program of the cabinet. Today's election was a change in a new house, but also decides the fate of the cabinet, headed by Count Okuma.

The campaign has been the most exciting and expensive in the history of Japan. Appearance of women in the campaign for the first time in history caused sensation.



Portrait of a woman.

CLARK AND CROCKARD IN COURT

THIRD JIM JAM JEMS TRIAL OPENS BEFORE FEDERAL JUDGE BOOTH IN BISMARCK.

SECURED JURY YESTERDAY

Defendants Charged With Sending Obscene Literature Through Interstate Commerce Channels.

THE JURY. F. C. Potter, Cooperstown. H. J. Johnson, Grand Forks. James Caldwell, Manvel. D. Shanahan, Grand Forks. J. H. Weinreb, Minot. B. L. Russell, Carrington. David Stewart, LaMour. Robert McBride, Cavalier. O. N. Hatlie, Abercrombie. Chris K. Myhre, Nome. I. H. Ross, Cayuga. J. Austin Regan, Fessenden.

The case of the United States vs. Samuel H. Clark and C. H. Crockard, editor and business manager respectively of the publication known as Jim Jam Jems and charged on two counts with sending obscene literature by express or channels of interstate commerce, opened before United States District Judge W. F. Booth of Bismarck at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

United States District Attorney M. A. Hildreth of Fargo is prosecuting while the defendants are represented by Attorneys Tracy and George Bangs of Grand Forks and Dudley Nash of Minot. Because of the prominence of the defendants and the publication, and the national interest centered in the case, the court room was taxed to capacity with spectators when the trial opened.

History of Case. This is the third trial of Clark and Crockard. In March 1913, they were summoned into federal court before Federal Judge Willard to answer to 24 counts of sending obscene literature through interstate commerce channels. The first trial resulted in a disagreement.

The second trial was held in June of that year when the defendants were found guilty on both counts. Judge Willard imposed a fine of \$2,000 and costs for each count on each defendant and a sentence of two years each in the federal penitentiary. The verdict of the jury was based on two specific charges of the March and another issue of Jim Jam Jems known as the semi-annual edition that year. Clark and Crockard carried the case to the United States Circuit Court of Appeals and won out, the higher court in its decision of March 2, 1914, ordering a retrial on the grounds that the case involved not only the paragraphs of the issues on which the defendants had been found guilty, but the entire articles of those publications. Something like 148 errors were also put forth by the defendants in their appeal, but these were set aside by the higher court. The present or third trial now under way is accordingly a re-trial of the two counts on which Clark and Crockard had been found guilty. Judge Willard yesterday passed sentence in the trial of June, 1913, has since died, and Judge Booth is serving in place of Judge Amidon of Fargo against whom an affidavit of prejudice had been filed.

Jury is Secured. Both the government and the defense exhausted their pre-emptory challenges before a jury was finally secured shortly after 6 o'clock yesterday evening. In all 21 jurors were examined. Both the government attorney and counsel for the defense exercised caution and exacting answers in their examinations. It was plainly seen that the case is going to be hard fought and that the legal talent involved will put forth their best efforts. Several of the jurymen examined admitted they had formed an impression in the matter before they were excused, almost all stated in the examinations.

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FIFTY KNIGHTS JOIN ORDER

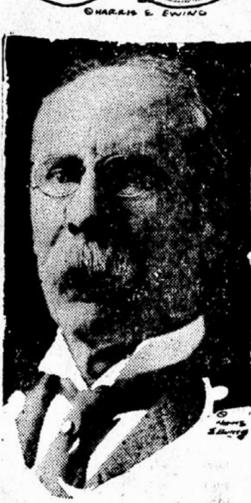
Minot, March 23.—Fifty candidates were initiated into the Knights of Columbus order Sunday when members to the number of several hundred from all over the state gathered at the Elks Home to attend the ceremonies.

Grand Forks, Devils Lake, Fargo, Williston, Stanley, Kenmare and the entire northwestern district was well represented at the affair.

In the evening an elaborate banquet was given for the Knights of St. Leo's Catholic church the Daughters of Isabella serving the big feed.

Francis J. Murphy gave a toast in place of Father Driscoll of Grand Forks, who was unable to attend the meeting. Father O'Neill of Williston gave a fine address. J. E. McKoane of Minot acted as toastmaster and showed himself to be most able in that role. Interesting addresses were also delivered during the course of the evening by G. F. Thacker, state deputy, Grand Forks; Fred J. Traynor, Devils Lake; and F. J. Fanke, Anamosa.

AID UNCLE SAM IN SETTLING PROBLEM IN THE FAR EAST



Minister Reinsch (top) and Ambassador Guthrie.

Ambassador Guthrie at Tokio and Minister Reinsch at Peking have been instructed by the Washington government to report fully upon the demands made by Japan upon China.

ATTEMPTING TO SMOTHER FIRE

Burning Coal Mine Near Haynes Is Causing a Lot of Trouble

Just Now.

W. F. Kelley, county auditor of Adams county, who is looking after the burning coal mine north of Haynes for the state and department, writes Major Frank S. Henry that the entrance and air shaft of the mine have been sealed and it is hoped to smother the fire enough to get beyond it and use dynamite to blow all the dirt possible into the mine.

It seems that no system has been used in mining the coal in this instance and this fact makes the handling of the fire a rather difficult matter.

The burning mine is what has been known as the Pinkham mine. It is located on state school land in Kansas City township. It has been burning for about three weeks now.

The heat dries the nearby coal and thus the fire keeps spreading each day.

GENERAL SCOTT ARRIVES AT UTAH WITH INDIANS

Salt Lake City, March 24.—General Scott and Indians who surrendered to him near Bluff several days ago, arrived here this afternoon. The Indians immediately were given into custody of the United States civil authorities. The Indians are Old Poik, Old Posey, Tee-Na-Gat (Everett Hatch) also son of Old Posey. They were locked in the county jail with four other members of their tribe who were captured in the first day's fight with the "Reds."

WILL OPPOSE REMOVAL OF MR. HORN TO BOSTON

Boston, Mass., March 24.—Habeas corpus proceedings will be brought in the federal district court in Portland tomorrow in an effort to prevent the removal of Werner Horn to this city for trial, according to the announcement of his counsel tonight.

Horn is wanted here to answer an indictment alleging illegal transportation of explosives from New York to Vanceboro, Maine, in connection with his alleged attempt to wreck the international railway bridge at Vanceboro.

AUSTRIAN ENGINEERS BLOW UP BUILDINGS CLOSE TO THE BOUNDARY OF ITALY

ENGLISH AIR RAID ON BELGIAN CITIES IS NOT SUCCESSFUL; AUSTRIANS MAKE A NEW OFFENSIVE MOVEMENT; LITTLE CHANGE ALONG WAR FRONTS.

Geneva, via Paris, March 24, 5:40 a. m.—An uncensored dispatch to the Tribune from the Austrin border states that Austrian military engineers have blown up with dynamite all the buildings between Eugana Pass, in Trent, and Lake Garda on the Italian frontier, which would be in the line of artillery fire. The eastern part of the town of Roverto is reported to have been abandoned and all the buildings torn down. All persons suspected of pro-Ally sympathies are said to have been sent into the interior to be interned.

Geneva, via Paris, March 24.—The Italian government ordered the seizure yesterday at Luino, near the Swiss frontier, of 29 freight cars containing graphite, sulphur and other supplies said to have been destined for the Krupp gun works at Essen, Germany. The Tribune reports that an Italian agent at Luino was arrested on the charge of purchasing the materials.

The Austrian government now considers war with Italy more than probable, according to dispatches received here from Vienna. A large number of troops have arrived in the Tiro and Trieste, where defensive works are being constructed.

The Geneva Tribune professes to have received advices from Austria to the effect that the dual monarchy might consider the signing of a separate peace with Russia without consulting Germany, offering as a concession to cede to Russia large portions of Galicia.

Must Act Energetically. Commenting favorably upon the adjournment of the chamber of deputies, the Giornale d'Italia says every deputy now is convinced of the necessity for Italy to act energetically, "facing any sacrifice, even a supreme struggle, to realize Italian aspirations." The paper adds:

"With the full liberty of action granted by parliament, the government now is free to choose the way, the means and the hour of using the weapons at its disposal with the firmness and persistence necessary to insure success while the country, calm and disciplined, is ready for everything."

Refuses Request. The Italian government is said to have refused a request by Germany that a mission sent to Erythra be permitted to continue its journey through that district into Abyssinia. Italy's refusal is reported to have been based upon the belief that the object of the mission was to incite an attack by Abyssinians upon the British forces in the Sudan.

Erythra is an Italian protectorate in East Africa bordering on the Red Sea, opposite Turkish territory in Asia.

British Air Raid. A British air raid on Hoboken, near Antwerp, where the Germans are constructing submarines and another threatened effort by the Germans in Flanders and heavy fighting in the Carpathians are the outstanding features of the war news.

Five British submarines, starting from Dunkirk participated in a raid on the submarine yards but only two reached the mark. Two of them were obliged to turn back owing to the weather, and the third landed in Holland because of engine trouble and was interned.

According to the admiralty, five submarines were damaged and the works set afire. Prior to the war this plant was known as the Cockerill works, belonging to the British company.

German Captured. When the Germans captured it workmen from Germany were brought to build submarines and no Belgian was allowed to enter.

The Dutch frontier dispatches say seven German airmen attacked the British riders but were outwitted.

In the same region it was reported the German effort in Flanders, already there has been considerable fighting along the Yser, the Germans having bombarded Nieupoort and Dixmude.

Big Battle Progressing. A big battle is progressing between the British and the Germans in the Carpathians. It is indicated that it is likely to continue for some time. The Austrians have developed fresh offensive in Bukovina, to which territory they have some days ago sent reinforcements and have driven the Russians back toward the frontier and removed the immediate menace to Czernowitz. On the other extreme wing of the eastern front, the Germans have reoccupied Mennel. They have checked the Russian advance on Tilsit.

MOBILIZE FORCES FOR BIG BATTLE

Villa With Army of 8,000 Has Already Reached Point Near Matamoros.

Washington, D. C., March 24.—Reports late today to the state department from Mexican agencies here told of the impending battle for the possession of Matamoros. A port across the Rio Grande from Brownsville, Tex., Matamoros apparently is to be the scene of the first real fight of the Villa campaign against the east coast. It is indicated skirmishes already have ensued. A dispatch from Brownsville announced that the Villa force marching against Matamoros was eight thousand and that it had reached a point near town.

MYSTERY SURROUNDS BREACH OF PROMISE CASE IN NEW YORK

New York, March 24.—A mass of contradictory evidence was given before United States Commissioner Houghton when Miss Rae Tanzer, who recently brought suit against James W. Osborne, former assistant district attorney, for alleged breach of promise, was arraigned for a hearing. The proceedings will be concluded tomorrow, when the commissioner will decide whether Miss Tanzer, who is charged with using the mails to defraud, should be held to the grand jury. The charge was based on a bundle of letters Miss Tanzer was claimed to have mailed to Osborne and whom she says she knew as "Olliver Osborne," prior to the time she filed the suit asking \$50,000. Osborne denied emphatically ever having seen Miss Tanzer.

DEVILS LAKE CHURCH MAY DECIDE TO BUILD

Devils Lake, N. D., March 24.—Whether or not the new Presbyterian church will be erected this year, will be definitely decided Wednesday evening at a congregational meeting which is called in order to obtain the sentiment of the members of the church. The prospective church, according to plans which Architect Shannon has drawn, is a handsome, large brick building which will at once meet the requirement of the congregation and be an ornament to the city.

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