

News Of North Dakota

LITTLE CHILD IS BURNED TO DEATH IN EDMUNDS FIRE

Was Left in High-Chair While Mother Assisted in Stabling

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SCENE OF CHRISTMAS TRAGEDY IN FARM HOME

(Special to The Tribune) Jamestown, N. D., Dec. 23.—A Christmas tragedy was brought to light this afternoon in a report from Edmunds, Stutsman county, stating that the three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Vee, living a mile and a half north of that village, was burned to death in a high-chair when the house was destroyed by fire.

Mrs. Vee and her four children had returned to the farm home from the station after bidding Mr. Vee goodbye, who left for eastern points. The smallest child was placed in the chair while the mother kindled a fire and then went with the other three children to the barn to stable the horses. A few minutes later the house was in flames. No trace of the three-year-old baby's remains have been found. The house is a veritable pile of ashes.

PLAN DETAILS FOR CENTRAL TEACHERS' CONVENTION

Jamestown, N. D., Dec. 23.—The program and executive committee of the North Dakota Central Teachers' association meets here next week for the purpose of making preparations for the annual convention which will be held here in March. Superintendent Herman C. Kuntz of the city schools, is president of the association.

COLORED EMPLOYE IN BAD AT NEW ROCKFORD

New Rockford, N. D., Dec. 23.—A colored boiler washer undertook to run the Great Northern Railway company at this point yesterday. He did until the watchman ended the reign. Becoming intoxicated, the colored employe ordered all hands out of the roundhouse and then raided the car shanty, creating terror among the foreigners. He was arrested on the scene.

EFFORT TO BE MADE TO CAPTURE FAT STEER PRIZE

Grand Forks, N. D., Dec. 23.—As a direct result of the recent excursion of the 647 North Dakota farmers and business men to the International Livestock show at Chicago, a determined effort will be made at the 1917 show to capture the fat steer prize for North Dakota. The idea of going after the great prize was suggested by F. R. Crane, agricultural agent for the Great Northern.

HIGH SCHOOL PLAY AT JAMESTOWN POSTPONED

Jamestown, N. D., Dec. 23.—The high school class play, "A Venerated Savage," which was postponed from last night to January 8, has been postponed one week later on account of a conflicting program. The play will now be staged on January 15.

RESIDENCE OWNED BY JUDGE HEMMI BURNED THIS WEEK

Jamestown, N. D., Dec. 23.—Fire, evidently starting from a spark igniting material in the basement, caused damage to the amount of \$900 to the residence owned by Judge John U. Hemmi yesterday noon. The house was partially destroyed. It was occupied by the P. A. Kvenmoen family.

PORTAL SPORT CLUB LEASES OPERA HOUSE FOR SEASON

Portal, N. D., Dec. 23.—Announcement was made yesterday that the Town and Country club has leased the opera house for the winter. The club is composed of 60 members. The theatre will be managed by Elmer Knutson.

EDGELEY WOMAN THROWN FROM SPEEDER—BROKE ARM

Edgeley, N. D., Dec. 23.—Thrown from a speeder on which she was riding with her husband on their way home from town, Mrs. William Crombie of this city suffered bodily injuries and a broken arm.

NEW \$40,000 GATES HOTEL AT MOHALL FORMALLY OPENED

Mohall, N. D., Dec. 23.—The new \$40,000 Gates hotel was formally opened with a banquet, which lasted from 5:30 o'clock until midnight. Music was furnished by the Twin City Symphony orchestra. A dance closed the event.

IT'S A UNIQUE BOOZE LAW IN SOUTH DAKOTA

Gregory, S. D., Dec. 23.—It's against the prohibition law in South Dakota to give a man a booze if said booze is used to intoxicate a man that drives an automobile. That peculiar situation became evident today from the trial of Pete Ledoux, charged with furnishing the ready liquor that made Joseph Selwyn drive an automobile in a zig-zag course.

STORK TO SAVE STATE—TRIPLETS ARE PRESENTED—Mandan, N. D., Dec. 23.—Evidently taking precautions for fear that the supply of North Dakota men would run short after announcement was made by Louis Hill that he will run a "honey-moon special" to Chicago for North Dakota bachelor boys, the stork made a special trip to the Fleak district this week and left one set of triplets—all boys—with Mr. and Mrs. Louis Lindemeyer.

HEBRON SCHOOL BOARD TO ENFORCE ATTENDANCE LAW

Hebron, N. D., Dec. 23.—The board of education is taking vigorous steps to enforce the compulsory attendance law in the public schools and has appointed Chief of Police Klein as truant officer.

EXTRA ROOM NEEDED FOR SCHOOL POPULATION

Sherwood, N. D., Dec. 23.—To accommodate the work of the high school and the commercial department of the public schools of this village, a room is now being overhauled in the basement of the school building.

LISBON MAN IS FOUND NOT GUILTY STATUTORY OFFENSE

Lisbon, N. D., Dec. 23.—Wm. Skofington, charged with a statutory offense, was found not guilty on the verdict returned yesterday by the jury sitting in the district court here. The complaining witness was Gertrude Hanson. It is very probable that the case will come up for trial again.

RANCHER KILLED IN FALLING FROM WAGON—NECK BROKEN

Beach, N. D., Dec. 23.—Martin Muller, 53, one of the old ranchers living north of Wibaux, Mont., was killed yesterday in falling from a load of wood which partly tipped when with in a few miles from his home. His neck was broken.

JOHNSON ELECTED PRESIDENT PETERSBURG COMMERCIAL CLUB

Petersburg, N. D., Dec. 23.—P. E. Johnson was elected president of the Commercial club at the annual business meeting and election of officers held this week. The other officers are J. O. Edgesather, secretary; O. S. Hove, treasurer; J. H. Field, vice-president, and P. I. Flem, director.

VALLEY CITY WORKMAN BADLY INJURED IN MISHAP

Valley City, N. D., Dec. 23.—Caught underneath a cable car, a laborer by the name of Smith, working on the new postoffice building, was taken to the local hospital, where an examination revealed a broken ankle and a crushed hip. Smith was operating the hoist inside the building which is used for raising material from the basement to the second floor, when the cable broke and the car dropped on him, a distance of 12 feet.

MINERS RETURN TO WORK; PEACE DOVE FLIES AT NOONAN

Noonan, N. D., Dec. 23.—A conference held Tuesday between miners and the head of the Hought coal mines in this city resulted in the striking miners returning to work Wednesday morning, after a general close down for several days. A strike also was threatened at the "Trux" mine, an increase of 10 cents per ton and a raise of \$5 a month being the demands. These were refused. Only a few of the men favored the strike, which for that reason failed to materialize.

TWENTY-NINE-PIECE BAND IS ORGANIZED AT WOLFORD

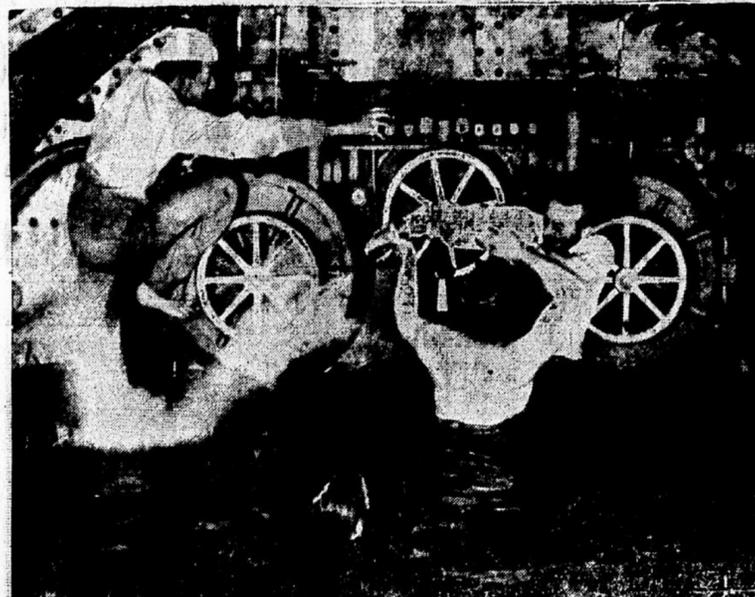
Wolford, N. D., Dec. 23.—A band, composed of 29 pieces, has been organized here with the following set of officers: President, Theodore Ingabretson; vice president, H. L. Lutz; secretary, Max Yoder; treasurer, John VanDeusen, and librarian, Sam Clark. The directors are: Harry Cook, Ole Erickson and Ed. Humble. General practice will be held each Monday night.

JAMESTOWN COLLEGE

The young ladies of the college gave a banquet at 6:30 o'clock Saturday evening in honor of the "J men," that is, the members of the 1916 football team who have earned the J and been admitted to the "J" society. Covers were laid for 20, including the coach, assistant and others closely connected with college athletics. There were a number of impromptu responses to toasts, all marked by the joyous and confident spirit which the work of the season has created and justified. Following is a list of the men who received letters: Captain, Ken Wanner, quarterback; captain-elect, Karl Erickson, fullback; John Robertson, end; Charles Harmon, end; Ralph Landis, end; Roy McLeod, half-back; Elmon Miller, half-back; Leslie Dysart, half-back; Wallace Ruud, tackle; Edward Lindgren, tackle; William Dickie, guard; Hugh Wright, guard; Don Wanner, guard, and Dave Lindgren, center.

The College Dramatic Club has been undertaking successfully more substantial and difficult plays, as its success has seemed to warrant it. This year it presented "The Melting Pot" to a \$400 house with success beyond any achieved heretofore. William Landis and Fannie Magoffin played the leading roles of David and Vera. Miss May Chalfant, who had her preparation for the work of dramatic trainer in the Chicago university and

Scene From "Civilization" Showing the Great Submarine Destruction Feature



One of the gripping scenes from "Civilization"—the destruction of the submarine—which comes to the ismarck Auditorium January 1 and 2 with special matinees each day. One will see a trans-Atlantic liner go to its doom. There is no pseudo-sinking of the big ship, but close-up view shows that it actually sinks below the level of the water, torpedoed. Passengers on the promenade decks are shaken from their footing as the death-dealing shell strikes. This spectacular scene, staged months ago by Thomas Ince with the aid of the United States government, same as a great prophecy of what is actually occurring along the Atlantic coast these days.

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FOOD PROBE COST

(By United Press) Washington, Dec. 23.—The Borland resolutions dealing with the federal trade commission's report on the food situation was reported to the house today by Representative Carlin of Virginia. It was sent to the judiciary committee for further consideration. Carlin said that the proposed investigation would cost \$142,000 and would consume from 12 to 15 months.

EXTRA DIVIDEND

(United Press) New York, Dec. 23.—The Union Pacific today declared an extra dividend of two percent on its common stock, and declared a bonus of 10 percent to its employes receiving less than \$1800 annually.

TO INVADE GOTHAM

(By United Press) New York, Dec. 24.—A tabernacle capable of seating 20,000 and equipped with a bathroom, is being built here, for the coming Billy Sunday meetings. The bath is for Billy's use, after his fight with the devil.

ASK CO-OPERATION

Pekin, Dec. 23.—The Russian, Japanese, British and French legations, have indicated to the foreign office at

Christmas Dinner at the GRAND PACIFIC HOTEL Christmas Day 75c per plate 12 to 2:30 p. m. 6 to 8 p. m.

MAIL VIA SUBMARINE FOOD RIOTS AT DRESDEN (Associated Press) Amsterdam, Dec. 23.—The news service from Berlin contains a statement that ordinary mails to the United States can shortly be forwarded by commercial submarines.

WALL STREET EARNS RESPITE (By United Press) London, Dec. 23.—Serious food riots at Dresden, in which military forces were used, were reported in Rotterdam dispatches today. The riots occurred Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, it was said. On Tuesday, the dispatch said, three policemen were seriously injured. Women joined in the procession, shouting for food. The sharpest fighting was reported on Tuesday, when 100 women joined in the procession.

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