

# North Dakota News

## POPULATION IS INCREASING FAST

### Flickertail State is Now Only 100,000 Behind That of Oregon's.

Bismarck, N. D., Dec. 5.—North Dakota is camping on Oregon's trail and is now less than 100,000 behind that state in population, the latest estimates of the United States bureau of the census show. The Flickertail state, the census bureau guesses, now has 752,260 people, while Oregon has 843,866. Six years ago, when the last federal decennial census was taken, North Dakota had 577,156 people; in 1915, a state census gave North Dakota 626,956 people; the fact that approximately 120,000 votes were cast in the recent general election, would indicate that the census department's present estimate for North Dakota is quite conservative.

## His Friend Hurt; He Helped Him

### Injured Man Laughed When Simple Treatment was Suggested, But He Thanked His Comrade Later.

Once upon a time word came to Henry A. Voehl, of Plainsfield, N. J., that a close friend had been injured, and full of anxiety he visited the afflicted man, who was suffering from a sprained ankle.

"It was so bad that the leg had turned black," said Mr. Voehl in relating the story. "I told him I would have him out in a week and he laughed at me. But I took him a bottle of Sloan's Liniment, that night he put some on and noticed the ankle felt better. I told him to use it every day, and in three days his ankle was practically well. In four days he was working. He gladly admits that Sloan's Liniment 'put him on his feet.'"

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## BRUCE AUTHOR OF IMPORTANT WORK

Bismarck, N. D., Dec. 5.—The capitol received today copies of "Property and Society," the latest work of Associate Justice A. A. Bruce of the North Dakota supreme court on the general subject of property rights. The volume is published by the C. C. McClurg company in its National Social Science series. The book is attractively bound, artistically printed, and work very much worth reading.

In a foreword dated October 17, 1916, at Bismarck, Judge Bruce gives credit for much assistance in his labors to his wife, Elizabeth Bruce, and to Iver Acker, former clerk of the state reference library. Among the jurist's conclusions are that property was made for man and not man for property; that the desire for personal ownership is fundamental, and that communism can truly exist only where the thing possessed is common to no little value and so abundant as not to be coveted as a private, personal possession.

## Thinks Brother Died in Railroad Wreck in State a Year Ago

Bismarck, N. D., Dec. 5.—Having just learned that the death of his brother-in-law, Oscar N. Ogren, in a railroad wreck in North Dakota was reported by Chicago newspapers two years ago, Earl L. Berg of 3620 Ward street, Chicago, has written R. H. Thistlewaite, in the office of the commissioner of agriculture and labor, for a record of the accident.

Mr. Berg writes: "My brother-in-law left here seven years ago for the west and we have not heard from him since. Now we have heard that two years ago it was published in one of the Chicago papers that he had been killed in North Dakota. We never read it, or ourselves, or received report of his death. Would you be so kind as to look up if it is true, as his poor old mother is nearly worried to death? His name is Oscar N. Ogren, six feet tall, straight and broad-shouldered, dark brown hair and grey eyes. He was seventeen when he left."

## DELEGATION TO GO TO ST. PAUL

Minot, N. D., Dec. 5.—Minot will send a delegation to the St. Paul winter carnival, plans for the organization of the local delegation, being made by the Minot Curling club.

Minot was prominent in the last carnival by reason of the fact that she was the only woman curler at the tourney was Mrs. L. H. Kernott.

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## HARD CIDER AND WHISKEY SEIZED

Steele, N. D., Dec. 5.—Two casks of "hard" cider, which the state chemist found contain 4.6 per cent alcohol—2.8 per cent more than the law allows, as well as 72 flasks of whiskey, seized in raids made by Ellder county officials, were used to irrigate a pile of saws in the court house yard—with the sheriff in the role of official destroyer.

The liquor was destroyed under the state law limiting the quantity of liquor that any person may have in his possession.

## Equity Concern to Build Elevators in North Dakota

Bismarck, N. D., Dec. 5.—Another big equity concern has been incorporated to operate in North Dakota in connection with the purchase, control and manufacture of food supplies. This is the Equity Co-operative Milling association of North Dakota, capitalized for \$250,000, and authorized to buy and sell grain, erect elevators and flour mills and do a general elevator and milling business.

The incorporators are E. A. Jorlander of Fairmount, W. T. Johnson of Fairmount and C. J. Lee, A. M. Baker and Hans V. Johnson of Fargo. The Equity already has incorporated its million dollar packing plant, and is said to have disposed of more than a quarter million in stock to date.

## Working on Plan To Investigate Terminal Elevators

Bismarck, N. D., Dec. 5.—The most important duty of the state railroad commission in its statutory session at Carrington today will be to determine the plan to be followed in the investigation of terminal elevators, imposed upon the board through the recent adoption by the North Dakota legislature of an amendment to the terminal elevator mill tax act.

The act referred to at the recent election makes it the duty of the railroad commissioners to investigate the matter of location, the cost of building and obtaining sites, and to submit a general plan for the building and equipment of a terminal elevator, or elevators, with methods and rules for the operation of the same, to the legislative assembly, in case the commission shall deem the project feasible and practicable.

A fund of \$2,000 is made available for this purpose. The investigation no doubt will necessitate a journey to Canada, for the purpose of determining the practice adopted there in connection with terminal elevators, and may involve the drawing up of extensive plans and specifications of which must be done in less than one month's time.

## WOULD IMPROVE PHONE SERVICE

Mandan, N. D., Dec. 5.—At a conference of the Mandan Commercial club with the city council, the question of improved telephone service was considered, but no action taken.

L. Schuman, representing the North Dakota Telephone company, which recently purchased the local exchange, went at length into the proposition, declaring that the company was engaged in extensive improvements that would greatly improve the service. As a result of this statement, no action will be taken by the city bodies.

A stringent automobile ordinance, directed against reckless drivers, was approved.

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## Flicker Tales

Bismarck—The state pardon board unable to complete its work owing to the unusually large number of applications for pardons, has adjourned until Wednesday.

Bismarck—Governor L. B. Hanna is in Minneapolis attending a session of the regional reserve bank board.

Williston—Advantage was taken of the Thanksgiving vacation to move the senior high school into the new south wing which is now nearly enough complete to permit being occupied.

Fargo—John Thorne, 70, pioneer Fargo business man since 1882, died at Norfolk, Va. Death followed his third stroke of paralysis, which occurred some three hours previous to his death. His only daughter, Miss Mabel Thorne of Fargo, was at his bedside when he died.

Rolla—Mr. and Mrs. J. J. McLaughlin, Sr., will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary on Monday, December 18, at the home of Mrs. A. T. Sumner. The event was planned by their children—Mrs. Johnson Dewey of Mather, Minn.; Mrs. A. T. Sumner of Williston; Mrs. Fred W. Lewis of St. John, and J. J. McLaughlin, Jr., of Mount View township.

Jamestown—News of the death of Miss Lela E. Lovell, formerly of this city, but for the past few months a resident of Minneapolis, was received by friends of the young lady.

New Salem—Henry Waechter, who lives two miles east of town, somewhat enfeebled of mind, stepped out of his home one night and wandered all that night and a portion of the next day on the prairie, being picked up shortly after noon by Albert Swanson of this town, who took him to the village. Waechter, who is 80 years old, was none the worse for his experience.

Bismarck—J. M. Lash, 34 years old, fireman on the Soo line, and living in Bismarck, was rushed to this city on a special train consisting of one engine and a caboose, suffering from an accident at Moffit. Particulars given out are to the effect that the draw-bar on the engine broke and Lash was under the tender shortening the chain which was wound around the broken bar. The engine backed and Lash was pinned between an elevated car and the tender of the engine, his hips being horribly crushed.

Flasher—J. H. Keith came to town the other day toting eleven sacks of alfalfa seed in his wagon box. He disposed of the load quickly for the sum of \$545.

Fargo—Charlie Anderson, motorcycle policeman, slipped one over on the N. P. officers and went down on the freight yard and brought back an Italian with two hams which he confessed to taking out of a meat car. N. P. yardmen were immediately called who quizzed the prisoner, but could get no further information from him.

Williston—E. W. Hall reports excellent farmers' meetings at both Ray and Tioga held for the purpose of organizing national farm loan associations. The farmers of the Ray vicinity are ready to join an association and organization could have been perfect at the meeting but it was deemed best to postpone the matter until December 9 in order to give a larger number of farmers the opportunity to come into the Ray association. Interest in the federal farm loan act is strong and Mr. Hall is confident that at least three associations will be formed in the course of the winter.

Havelock—Jacob Schauer, prosperous farmer living 13 miles south of town, will have the most modern farm house on the Missouri Slope in a few months. The new house will cost \$6,000, will have a steam heating plant, water will be piped throughout the house, and water will be supplied from a well, the pump of which will be driven electrically from the complete electric lighting system installed. The whole set of farm buildings will be electrically lighted.

Hastings—Lars R. Retten of this village received word telling of the death of his son, Martin, in an automobile accident. Martin Retten left here last month with Erik Brandt and Thomas Rue in an automobile to visit at western points in the Canadian northwest.

Father on Trial for Murder When Little Son is Born

Mandan, N. D., Dec. 5.—While William C. Starkweather is on trial in Morton county district court for the murder of Wm. Osterman at the Jack Crowley ranch in May this year, his wife lies in a hospital, struggling for life after giving birth to a son. The mother is worn by the worries that have been brought upon her by the alleged wrongs of her husband and is now in a critical condition. The baby is healthy.

Accidental shooting will be the plea of the defense. Mrs. Starkweather's testimony, it is said, will be of vital importance.

## DICKINSON HAS \$15,000 BLAZE

Dickinson, N. D., Dec. 5.—Fire, which started in the oil tank at the N. P. round house in this city, destroyed the old part of the building. The loss is estimated at \$15,000. Ten engines were damaged to the extent of \$1,000 each.

The building was built 15 years ago and a new addition was erected last year, but this was not damaged.

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## Supreme Court Decisions

From Pierce County. B. L. Shuman, plaintiff and respondent, vs. Marlon O. Ruud, defendant and appellant.

Syllabus: From a judgment non obstante verdicto defendant appeals. Said judgment was based upon the assumed premises that uncontradicted expert testimony as to the value of services rendered by an attorney establish their value as a fact so as to override the verdict of a jury finding them to have been of less value.

Held—Though plaintiff's experts all agree upon the value of said premises to be the amount for which judgment was subsequently ordered, non obstante verdicto, nevertheless the question remained one of fact for the jury to determine as such.

(2) The verdict was conclusive on the value of such services and it was error to order judgment non obstante verdicto for the greater amount.

Appeal from the district court of Pierce county, Bur, judge.

Modified and judgment directed to be entered on the verdict.

Opinion of the court by Goss, J.

From Foster County. F. B. Scott company, a corporation, plaintiff and appellant, vs. Henry Scheidt, defendant and respondent, and C. M. Forman and Peter Zink, garnishees.

(1) Plaintiff's right to recover against the garnishee is predicated entirely upon defendant's right to recover in his own name and for his own use against the garnishee.

(2) A debt due to a continuing partnership cannot be taken by garnishment to pay the individual debt of a member of the firm.

From a judgment of the district court of Foster county, Coffey, J., plaintiff appeals.

Affirmed. Opinion of the court by Christianson, J.

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