

ACCUSE WOMAN OF BOOTLEGGING

Anna Vollin Will Stand Trial in the Federal Court Charged with Bootlegging

The trial of Anna Vollin, the first woman to appear in the federal court on the charge of bootlegging, begins this morning at 10 o'clock. She is charged with selling whiskey to Indians on the Fort Peck reservation last April and is indicted on three different counts.

Jack Peterson, who was sentenced Tuesday to serve a year and a day in the federal prison at Leavenworth for selling whiskey to Indians at Cut Bank, filed a motion for a new trial on the ground that the decision made by the court was not just and that he did not have the benefit of a fair trial.—Helena Independent.

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Court News

August 8th to the 12th. The court granted a decree of foreclosure of the property sued upon in the case of L. H. Mills vs. Arthur Gould, et al, upon default of defendants being entered.

Emanuel Hammond and Charles Sternau against whom informations were filed by the county attorney for the crime of grand larceny, were arraigned before Judge Utter today and each received a sentence of five years' imprisonment in the state penitentiary. Hammond was accused of the theft of a horse the property of W. F. Haskins, who lives near Malta, and Sternau of the theft of a horse owned by the firm of Stephens, Jarvis and Fishbeck, of near Plentywood.

Hearing on the final account of the administrator in the matter of the estate of Fayette R. Peterson, was postponed by the court until August 22, 1912.

Decree of settlement of First Annual Account was signed by the court in the matter of the estate of Janie Ratchford, deceased.

Upon default of the defendant in the case of Erastus Rounds vs. Mattie Ellis Rounds, Judge Utter granted a decree of divorce, dissolving the bonds of matrimony between the plaintiff and defendant.

Defendant's demurrer to plaintiff's complaint was overruled by the court in the case of Martin Kelly vs. the Great Northern Railway Company, and the defendant allowed until and including Aug. 26, 1912 in which to answer.

PRAY EXPLAINS HOMESTEAD LAW

Clears Up Erroneous Impressions in Regard to Residence Requirements

Washington, Aug. 10.—"There seems to be an impression that under the three-year law credit for residence will not be allowed before the date of the entry for the reason that in its first clause section 2291, as amended, states:

"No certificate, however, shall be given or patent issued therefore until the expiration of three years from the date of such entry, and in presenting this question to the commissioner of the general land office, my attention was directed to the fact that section 2291, as it stood before the recent legislation, began with exactly the same clause, excepting for the word 'five' in lieu of 'three' as it now stands.

"The commissioner has ruled in this matter that credit for residence and cultivation before the date of the entry will be allowed hereafter, as heretofore, through the operation of section 3 of the act of May 14, 1880 (21 Stat., 140), which extends to homestead settlers this privilege, theretofore allowed to pre-emption settlers, with the understanding, of course, that the credit for residence before the date of the entry is not allowed in a case where the land during the time in question was covered by the entry of another claimant so that it was not subject to valid settlement.

"As it appears that the local land offices may be adjudicating cases on principles other than these, the commissioner stated that he would furnish them with instructions in the premises and assured me that no necessity exists for additional legislation on the subject."

POPLAR VS. HAVRE

Havre Wins Series of Ball Games Played this week with Poplar on Havre Ball Grounds

A clipping from the Great Falls Tribune by a special correspondent gives some interesting baseball news. Smith, a former Culbertson pitcher and McCormack, our catcher held similar positions with Poplar in a series of games between Poplar and Havre at the latter city this week. Havre comes out victorious winning three games out of a series of five. Poplar gets away with the first game and Havre the next three:

Havre, Aug. 12.—The series of ball games between Poplar and Havre has so far presented the best exhibitions of the game ever witnessed in the city. The double header yesterday drew a large crowd out to the grounds, at least one half of whom were ladies. Both teams were in prime condition, and played the game for all they were worth. The first game was a pitcher's battle royal. Kenyon was in the box for Havre and Harvey occupied a like position for the visitors. Airtight ball was played for seven innings, neither side securing a run. In the eighth and also in the ninth, Poplar secured one run, and while the home team batted the ball, they were not so well placed, and fell into the mitts of the fielders in such a way that was discouraging to the fans. The net result was Poplar 2, Havre 0.

In the next game Poplar put Smith in the box, and Kenyon remained in for the home team. The Havre boys took kindly to Smith's curves, drops, and spit balls, and enjoyed a swatfeast to the tune of eight runs, while Poplar found Kenyon harder to find than in the first game, and were able to secure but five runs.

The game this afternoon was also of the classy order. Smith again did the tossing for Poplar, while Havre had Peiper to do its twirling. The latter held the visitors down to a row of goose eggs until the ninth inning, when an error in misjudging a fly after two were out gave Poplar their lone-some run. Havre scored four during the game. Manager Durbin has gotten a team together that is a credit to the city, and they are putting up a hard, clean game, and the association is entitled, with him, to a great deal of credit for putting the city in the front ranks in northern Montana as a baseball community. The two remaining games of the series, to be played tomorrow and Wednesday evenings at 5 o'clock, will draw big crowds, and if the same quality of baseball is displayed in the two coming games, the winner should challenge the Electrics of Great Falls for a game at any time when the latter have an open date.

Later—The fourth game played since the above was written was also won by Havre, which decided the victor.

RIGHT TO EXPECT RAIN IN VALLEY

Study of the Weather Statistics Shows Dry and Wet Spells Come in Cycles

Culbertson, July 31.—A study of the statistics of the weather bureau makes it reasonable to expect that for a number of years to come, eastern Valley county should have more than the average amount of precipitation. H. D. Edmonds of this city, a weather enthusiast, who resided in Williston, N. D., for nine years, and in Culbertson five years, compiled a table from the weather reports at Williston, N. D., the station nearest to Culbertson, and where weather conditions are much alike. Mr. Edmonds' compilation is as follows:

The following table shows the annual precipitation by years since 1879, figures taken from the report of the United States weather bureau, located at Williston, N. D., about fifty miles east of Culbertson. The records of about the first half were made at Ft. Buford, where the United States weather bureau was then located, it being removed to Williston, N. D., at the time Ft. Buford was abandoned as a military post. The figures since August 1, 1911, were taken by the voluntary weather observer at Culbertson. The analysis and deductions are our own and you may take them for what they are worth.

What the Table Shows.

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| 1879..... | 20.27 |
| 1880..... | 20.35 |
| 1881..... | 13.48 |
| 1882..... | 12.73 |
| 1883..... | 10.82 |
| 1884..... | 7.37 |
| 1885..... | 15.56 |
| 1886..... | 10.24 |
| 1887..... | 15.43 |
| 1888..... | 14.70 |
| 1889..... | 8.46 |
| 1890..... | 14.24 |
| 1891..... | 18.08 |
| 1892..... | 14.26 |
| 1893..... | 15.90 |
| 1894..... | 17.76 |
| 1895..... | 17.07 |
| 1896..... | 22.04 |
| 1897..... | 12.19 |
| 1898..... | 14.44 |
| 1899..... | 12.61 |
| 1900..... | 15.81 |
| 1901..... | 18.36 |
| 1902..... | 16.85 |
| 1903..... | 17.69 |
| 1904..... | 9.44 |
| 1905..... | 10.66 |
| 1906..... | 22.01 |
| 1907..... | 10.17 |
| 1908..... | 13.49 |
| 1909..... | 11.75 |
| 1910..... | 10.28 |
| 1911..... | 6.80 |

Average annual for whole period, 14.63

*Seven months to August 1.

By referring to the table, it will be seen that the longest dry period in point of successive dry years, was the four year period 1881 to 1884, inclusive.

Here we see four consecutive dry years, all below the average, going from bad to worse, in the following order: 13.48, 12.73, 10.82, 7.37, or an annual average for the four years period of 11.10 inches. This period ending with the year 1884 was then followed by a nineteen year period 1885 to 1903, in which the annual precipitation was in excess of 14 inches, every year except four, and the average annual for the nineteen years was 15.35 inches, which was better than the thirty-two year average. Note that in this whole period there was but one extremely dry year, 1889 with but 8.46 inches.

In the thirty-two years we find the greatest number of successive dry years, 1881 to 1884, inclusive, namely, 13.5, 12.7, 10.8, 7.4, and then compare the past four years to August 1, 1911, 13.5, 11.8, 10.3, 6.8 (seven months in 1911, growing period).

This demonstrates that we have just gone through as long a period of drought, in point of successive dry years, as the country ever experienced since 1879, that the precipitations have been less each year by comparison with the former dry spell, and that the average annual precipitation for the present dry period was less, and that we have just finished the greatest drought period that the country has experienced since any weather records have been kept.

The weather bureau reports that two-thirds of all the precipitation for this whole period has occurred during the months of April, May, June, and July.

This explains how it is possible for us to raise crops as we do with a small amount of rainfall, as the bulk of the moisture comes during the growing season.

The bumper crop of 1909, in which the precipitation was 11.75 or nearly three inches below the average, is partly explained by this. Partly due also to the good fall rains of the preceding year.

The amount of rainfall should be a fairly good guide for the farmer in determining what he will do the following season.

If the seasons move in cycles, we are due for a change for the better and we should have a long period of prosperous years. We look for a change with precipitation in excess to the average for a number of years to come.

If this does not occur, we will at least

establish a new record in point of successive dry years.

The above was written last August, when the dry season was on and we had plenty of time to speculate on the weather.

In September last year it began to rain and it has done right well ever since.

Following are the figures by months:

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| August, 1911..... | 99 |
| September..... | 4.41 |
| October..... | 1.10 |
| November..... | .60 |
| December..... | .50 |
| January, 1912..... | .30 |
| February..... | .35 |
| March..... | .72 |
| April..... | 1.58 |
| May..... | 4.00 |
| June..... | 1.38 |
| July..... | 4.39 |

12 months to July 26, 1912.....20.32

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MONTANA STATE FAIR

There Will Be Some Excellent Racing at this Fair, Over \$20,000 in Prizes Given

Helena, Mont., Aug. 6.—During the past week the management of the Montana State Fair has received word from a large number of the members of the advisory board of the exposition, of which every county in the state has one, regarding the exhibits which their respective counties expect to have at Helena this fall. The interest being manifested in every section of the state in the Fair is greater than ever before, and the exhibits promise to excel accordingly.

The Board of Directors has been informed that Missoula and Ravalli counties have pooled interests for a Western Montana exhibit and will spend \$3,000 in gathering a representative collection of the products of that section of the state. F. A. Hazelbaker, in charge of the Beaverhead county exhibit, and C. H. Draper, in charge of the Carbon county exhibit, have both been in Helena on business connected with the Fair, and report that the exhibits from their counties will be record breakers. Even Silver Bow county has engaged space for an agricultural exhibit.

The racing department of the Fair reports that the prospects are that there will be at least 200 running horses here for the race meet, and the harness races which have closed show entries of the very best horses in the country. There will be more than \$20,000 hung up in speed purses, and these are attracting horse owners from every section of the East and West.

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