

## 'MINNESOTA PRISON GREATEST IN WORLD'

Major McClaughry, Former Warden of Federal Penitentiaries, Praises Wolfers of Gopher Institution.

### HAS HAD FAMOUS PRISONERS

Tells of Captain Carter and Al Jennings—Men Were Vastly Different—Should Not Lose Franchise

That the Minnesota state prison is the greatest prison in the world, is the statement made by Major R. W. McClaughry, former warden of the Federal prisons at Joliet, Ill., and Leavenworth, Kan., and one of the most widely known authorities in criminology in America.

Major McClaughry has been in Minnesota the past few days visiting Warden Wolfers at the Stillwater prison. Many years ago Wolfers was employed under him at the Joliet Federal prison, and the two are close friends. Major McClaughry has retired from active service with his advancing years and is living quietly at his home in Leavenworth. He came to Minnesota to inspect the new state prison.

### Finest in World.

"It is the greatest prison in the world," he said. "I have never seen its equal, and it's a monument to Warden Wolfers. Within a few days four other Kansas members of a new prison commission appointed by Governor Majors will be here to look it over."

Major McClaughry was warden of the Federal prison at Leavenworth for fourteen years. While there he had as prisoners Captain Carter, government engineer, convicted of mismanagement of funds in the building of the harbor at Savannah, Ga., and Al Jennings, the train robber, recently defeated for the Democratic nomination for governor of Oklahoma.

### Tells of Captain Carter.

"I believe that Captain Carter was unjustly imprisoned," said the old warden. "The engineering works he put in at Savannah, condemned as being inferior, are standing up magnificently—vindicating him and his work. He is in the West now, promoting big business enterprises and making good. In the prison hospital one day Captain Carter was watching a doctor dress a wound on the hand of a negro, and finally said:

"Doctor, I know something about dressing wounds. I believe I can fix that fellow's hand. Would you mind letting me try?"

"He not only brought the hand through all right, but he became interested in the hospital at the prison, got charge of it, reorganized it and became head nurse in charge. He was very capable.

### Jennings of Different Type.

"Al Jennings was of a different type. Jennings was one who was always looking out for himself—taking advantage of opportunities, pushing forward and doing it in such a way no one could get mad at him. He called my deputy warden by his first name and made him like it. He appeared as a little red-headed, good-natured, smiling man with a pleasing personality—not the kind of a man that you would take as the type of a train robber."

Major McClaughry was one of the first prison officials to abolish stripes, and one of the first to use the "movies" in entertaining the prisoners. Baseball games, band concerts and theatrical entertainment early received his approval.

"There is no reason why a man, on leaving prison, should not be



## NEW BOARD IS SELECTED

Scott Stewart, E. H. Denu, M. J. Brown and T. C. Bailey Named for Athletic Club Committee.

## FOOTBALL PRACTICE TO START

At one of the most enthusiastic meetings ever held by the Bemidji Athletic club, Scott Stewart, E. H. Denu, Attorney Thayer C. Bailey and Attorney M. J. Brown were named as members of the board of control of that organization, who with Ralph B. Lycan, president, complete the board, last evening.

The retiring members of the board are R. H. Schumaker, Nat Given, (now treasurer), and T. A. McCann, E. H. Denu and President Lycan being the only officers who hold over.

Every indication is that the coming year will be even more successful for the club than the past. The club spirit and interest is at high pitch and with the football season approaching activities will be renewed in earnest.

Football practice will begin next week and a large squad is expected to answer the first call for candidates. With nine veterans of last year's eleven endeavoring to regain their places and twenty others of football experience determined to land positions, another northern Minnesota championship should be brought to Bemidji. H. Mayne Stanton was named as manager of the team and already he has made plans for an interesting schedule. First practice will be held next week.

In order that a suitable basketball schedule might be arranged, it was decided to name a manager at the meeting and James Malone was the unanimous selection. Malone was manager of the team last year and so successful did he attend to the duties that he was re-elected.

Will Marquette of Freeport, Illinois, is spending a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bridges, 623 Park avenue. Mr. Marquette expects to invest in Beltrami county land before he returns to his home.

Rod Johnson of Cass Lake was a Bemidji visitor today.

"I should be given a chance," he said. "In fact, he should be given more than a chance; he should be helped. And one of the best deeds that can be done is to restore to him the franchise—not requiring him to go through life marked and disqualified."

## BABY CONTEST TO BE MEETING FEATURE

Plans Discussed at Meeting of Sept. Convention Committee Chairmen—Referred to Mothers' Club.

### ALL ARRANGEMENTS COMPLETE

Churches Asked to Co-operate—Otto Davis of State Organization To Assist in Details.

Plans for the program which is to be given in Bemidji September 26, 27, 28 and 29, during the convention of the state organization of Charities and Correction, and the Minnesota county commissioners, were completed at a meeting held in the Library building this morning by chairmen of committees of the local Associated Charities and Otto Davis, of Minneapolis, general secretary of the state association.

### Work Assigned.

Work assigned for the various committees was gone over and each chairman was given an outline as to the work to be done preliminary to the convention.

At the Sunday evening session, the churches of the city will be asked to co-operate and hold a joint meeting. Mrs. A. P. White was chosen to make this arrangement with the various pastors.

### Two Cars of Exhibits.

Mr. Davis stated that the exhibit of the state board of control which will be shown at the state fair, and which will include two car loads of supplies, will be placed on display in the Athletic club hall during the convention.

### A Baby Contest.

Efforts will be made to conduct a "Baby Contest" during the convention. The matter has been referred to the Mothers' club of this city, of which Mrs. L. A. Ward is president. Doctors of the city will be consulted with regard to the conduct of the contest, the purpose of which is to encourage the raising of better babies. They will be judged on points the same as produce and animals. Indications point to a fine contest, as several mothers already have expressed a willingness to have their babies scored.

### FORD CROSSES RIVER.

Machine Driven by Colonel Funkley Accomplishes Feat.

Again the much abused Ford automobile has accomplished a feat that few, if any other, makes of a machine can equal. The car owned and driven by Colonel Henry Funkley Wednesday "forded" the Red Lake river, the outlet of Red Lake, at a place where the water is more than five feet deep. Colonel Funkley placed two large logs at the front of the machine, floating the front wheels and keeping the magneto and carburetor dry. An Indian lad standing on the opposite side of the river and with a rope directed the course of the machine, the water traveling at a rapid rate at the spot where the ford was made. The engine kept running and the entire distance was made by the machine's own power. While in the north country Funkley visited the towns of Minnie, Benville, Spruce Grove and other places. He returned to Bemidji last evening and in speaking of the trip, the Colonel said: "Talk about your durability runs; I challenge any machine in the world to repeat my trip, excepting only, another Ford."

Russia requires all professional photographers to be licensed.

## CASE INVOLVES \$42,000

Motion For Venue Change in Damage Suit Denied By Judge Stanton.

Judge C. W. Stanton yesterday denied a motion made by the lawyers of the Minneapolis & Rainy Lake railroad company for a change of venue in the case brought against them by W. C. Gilbert of Grand Rapids for damages done to property by fire. The case involves approximately \$42,000 and verdicts against the railroad and brought by other plaintiffs have already been returned in sums of \$1,300 and \$13,000 in Cass and Hubbard counties, changes of venue having been allowed in both instances. The Minneapolis & Rainy Lake railroad is the logging line running north from Deer River. A. L. Thwing appeared for Mr. Gilbert when the motion for change of venue was argued before Judge Stanton at Walker yesterday. Other lawyers who had legal matters before the judge at Walker yesterday were George Simpson of Minneapolis and E. E. McDonald and Carl Heron of Bemidji.

## FAIR TO ATTRACT MANY

Persons From Bemidji, Gonvick, Bagley and Surrounding Country to Attend Indian Exhibit.

### FRIDAY TO BE FEATURE DAY

On Thursday, Friday and Saturday, September 3, 4 and 5, the Red Lake Indian fair will be in progress and arrangements are being made at the Agency for a record-breaking attendance.

Bemidji is expected to send several hundred to the exhibition and delegations from Gonvick, Cass Lake, Bagley, Crookston, Blackduck, Kelliher and other places are busy making arrangements for the trip.

The fair grounds have been entirely repaired and remodeled and made more convenient to the spectators. Friday is to be Bemidji Day and because of the many persons to attend from here a large number of entertainments which were to have been given on that date, have been postponed or advanced on the calendar.

### CONCERT THIS EVENING.

New Music for Regular Weekly Band Entertainment.

Featuring many new selections, the Bemidji band concert of this evening will be one of the most entertaining of the summer. The concert will be given at the city dock and the program as announced by Alden Remfrey, director, follows:

1. March—"The Thriller" Conrad
2. Waltz—"Nights of Gladness" Andelfife
3. Medley—"Leg of Mutton" Romberg
4. Selection—"The Desert Flower" Wallace
5. Humoreske—"Dvorak" Lampe
6. Intermezzo—"Sunbeam" Powell
7. Medley—"Tickle Toes" Penn
8. Overture—"The Fall of Jericho" Mallochand
9. March—"Jingles" Favor

### STOCK COMPANY TO OPEN

"Kitty's Romance" will be the opening bill of the Margot Beaton Stock company at the Brinkman theatre next Monday evening. The basement of the theatre has been transformed into a studio and special scenery is now being painted for the

## GERMANS CONTINUE MARCH ON PARIS; ALLIES ABANDON FORTRESSES AT LILLE AND MAUBEUGE; STRENGTH IS TESTED

RUPPRECHT OF BAVARIA. Prince Leads Kaiser's Army Now on the French Border.



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## TO OPEN SOCIAL SEASON

Athletic Club Will Give Grand Ball on Evening of September 11—Arrange Entertainment Series.

## TROUBADOUR TROUPE TO COME

Dances given by the Athletic Club have proven to be among the most enjoyable events of Bemidji and plans are now being made for a grand ball which will open the social season. Morris Ryan, chairman, Bertel Backlund and Merl Spencer have been named as a committee to have charge of the affair, which will be given at the evening of September 11.

A series of high-class entertainments has also been arranged for the coming winter. The club management has profited by the experience of a year ago and only attractions of merit will be presented here under the auspices of the Athletic club. Any show or entertainment appearing in Bemidji in the future and bearing the approval of the Athletic club will be guaranteed.

On September 25 the famous Troubadours Orchestral troupe, comprising four musicians and an entertainer, will appear here. This is one of the best known companies and will give an hour's entertainment, which will be followed by dancing, music to be furnished by the Troubadours.

Later will come the well known Hollowell concert company and a five-course series by the University extension department. These attractions will all be given under the auspices of the Athletic club.

Dr. Mary E. Hartman of St. Paul is the guest of Mrs. J. J. Conger, 901 Lake Boulevard.

H. N. Harding, cashier of the Cass Lake bank, was in the city this morning.

M. D. Lurie, of the Paris, spent yesterday in Cass Lake on business.

S. MacDonnell has gone to Halifax, Nova Scotia.

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BERLIN, AUG. 28, VIA AMSTERDAM.—THE WAR OFFICE ANNOUNCES THAT THE ARMY WHICH HAS BEEN HOLDING MAUBEUGE, HAS BEEN DEFEATED, AND ALSO THAT THE FRENCH AND BELGIAN ARMIES OPERATING SOUTH OF NAMUR, HAVE BEEN Routed. OFFICIAL STATEMENT SAYS THAT THE LOSSES WERE HEAVY.

ST. PETERSBURG, AUG. 28.—FIRST REAL TEST OF STRENGTH OF THE GERMAN AND AUSTRIAN DEFENSE IS BEING MADE. TWO GENERAL BATTLES, ONE IN EASTERN PRUSSIA AND THE OTHER IN AUSTRIAN GALICIA, HAVE BEGUN. MORE THAN TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND RUSSIANS ARE PARTICIPATING IN EACH ENGAGEMENT.

LONDON, AUG. 28.—A TIMES DISPATCH FROM BOULOFNE SAYS: GERMAN TROOPS, PRESUMABLY CAVALRY, BROKE THROUGH ALLIES LINE NEAR ARRAS, THE FRENCH MOVED UP WITH RAPIDITY AND HAVE THE SITUATION WELL IN HAND. DISPATCH SAYS: THE ALLIED TROOPS ARE BEING SWIFTLY ARRANGED TO DEAL WITH ANY FURTHER ATTEMPTS TO BREAK THROUGH THE LINE BETWEEN DUNKIRK AND LILLE.

LONDON, AUG. 28.—PREMIER ASQUITH ANNOUNCED IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS THAT THE BRITISH TROOPS IN WEDNESDAY'S FIGHTING WERE EXPOSED TO THE ATTACK OF FIVE GERMAN ARMY CORPS. LOSSES ON BOTH SIDES, HE SAID, WERE GREAT.

WASHINGTON, D. C., AUG. 28.—WIRELESS DISPATCHES TO GERMAN EMBASSY FROM BERLIN STATES THAT THE FRENCH ARMY IN THE NORTH, IN WHICH NOW INCLUDES THE BRITISH ARMY, IS PRACTICALLY SURROUNDED AND THAT POSITIONS ALONG THE SAMBRE AND MEUSE RIVERS ARE ISOLATED. THE MESSAGE ALSO STATED THAT THE EASTERN AND NORTHERN ARMIES WERE WIDELY SEPARATED, WHILE THE GERMAN CAVALRY HAS ADVANCED ON OSTEND, NOW OCCUPIED BY THE BRITISH MARINES.

LONDON, AUG. 28.—THAT THE DEFENSE LINE FROM DILLE TO MAUBEUGE, HAS BEEN ABANDONED BY THE ALLIES, THESE FORTRESSES LEFT TEMPORARILY TO LOOK AFTER THEMSELVES, IS INDICATED IN DISPATCHES TODAY CONCERNING MOVEMENTS ON THE FRANCE-BELGIAN FRONTIER. THIS INFORMATION, WITH ADVICES THAT MALINES HAS BEEN RETAKEN BY THE GERMANS AFTER A TWO DAYS' BATTLE WITH BELGIAN ARMY, SHOWS THAT THE GERMANS ARE STEADILY PROGRESSING TOWARD PARIS.

Will Have Extra Sleeper. R. E. Fisher, Union station agent, announced this morning that there is a probability that the M. & I. will give Bemidji an extra sleeper during State Fair week, making two cars for this city.

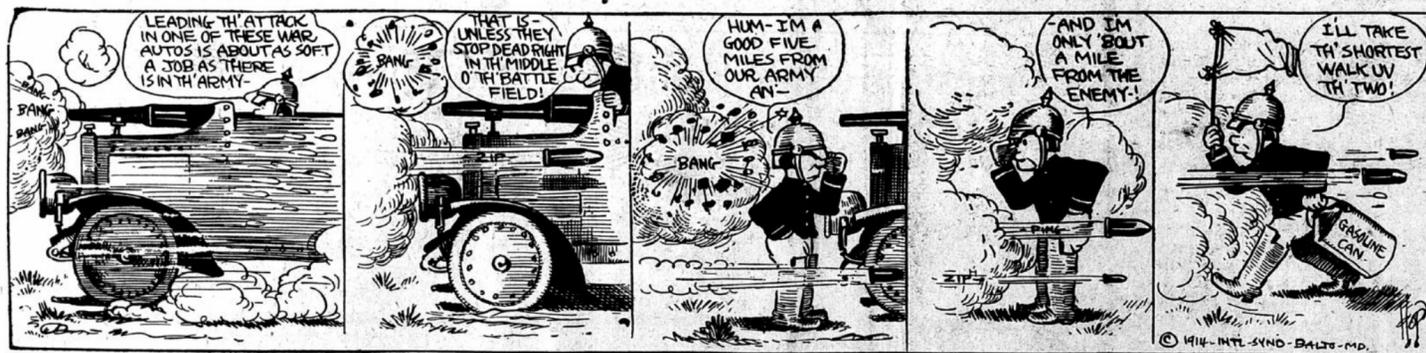
C. A. Plummer of Kelliher arrived in Bemidji this morning, and accompanied by his son, Myron, will leave tonight for the twin cities. While there they will visit the state fair which opens September 7.

Read the Want Ads.

## SCOOP THE CUB REPORTER

## What's An Enemy For If You Can't Borrow From Him?

## By "HOP"



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