

J. O. HARRIS IS FOUND NOT GUILTY; JURY OUT FIVE HOURS

Kelliher Man is Acquitted of Federal Charge of Introducing Liquor.

JUDGE RULES KELLIHER IS IN "LID" DISTRICT

Conductor Testifies in Case; First Ballot 7 to 5 for Acquittal.

(By Special Correspondent.)

Duluth, Minn., Jan. 20.—J. O. Harris of Kelliher, hotel proprietor, was late yesterday afternoon found not guilty by a jury in the United States district court on a charge of introduction of liquor into Kelliher, which is in the Indian "lid" district.

Out Five Hours.
The jury was out five hours, the first ballot being seven to five for acquittal.

The trial began Monday after several continuances.

A former conductor on a railroad testified during the trial that Government Agent Brandt had promised to help him get back his position with the railroad if he testified for the government.

Jennings Missing.
He said that Harris had asked him for a shipment addressed to a man by the name of Jennings. Harris denied this statement. Jennings has not been found and the government tried to make a mystery of his disappearance but failed to convince the jury of crookedness.

Failure to prove Harris anything more than a guarantor of Jennings' account for the liquor led to Harris' acquittal.

In "Lid" District.
Judge Page Morris ruled that Kelliher is in the Indian "lid" district. Harris was arrested April 30, 1915, on a complaint issued by J. M. Dickey, assistant United States attorney, charging him with introducing 15 gallons of whisky into Indian territory at Kelliher. He appeared before Judge H. A. Simons, United States commissioner, in this city, entered a plea of not guilty and demanded a hearing which was set for May 11, 1915.

Case Continued.
At the May term of federal court which convened at Fergus Falls the grand jury returned an indictment against him. By the consent of all parties the case was continued to the fall term of court. On Nov. 9, 1915, at the court term the case was transferred to the January term which met at Duluth on January 11.

Trial Monday.
Owing to the absence of the indictment which had not been sent from Fergus Falls the case was continued from January 12 to January 17 at which time the jury was chosen and the case set for trial.

Attorneys A. A. Andrews and H. Funkley of Bemidji defended Harris. The case against Mrs. Nora Tedford of Cass Lake for the introduction of liquor was dismissed.

Charles La Gesse of Cass Lake was given 60 days and \$100 fine for the introduction of liquor. L. C. Sherwood, who was arrested with La Gesse, was given the same sentence.

TANNER TO BE IN GAME WITH AKELEY

Lloyd Tanner will be in the basketball game with the high school team against the Akeley team, according to a statement made today by Coach Julius Bestul of the high school team. Tanner and Johnson were unable to be in the game last week on account of scholarship requirements. With Tanner in the game it is believed that Bemidji will be able to defeat Akeley easily. The game with Akeley is the first game to be played for the Sixth district title. The game will be played Friday evening at the armory.

ANDREW DEXTER GETS \$7.50 WOLF BOUNTY

Andrew Dexter, living in the town of Langor, was granted a wolf bounty of \$7.50 this morning for a full-sized wolf which he killed near his home.

WATER IN RIVER RISING; LEVEES BEING STRENGTHENED

Phoenix, Ariz., Jan. 20.—State troops are today aiding laborers in strengthening the levees along the Salt river. The water is still rising.

ALSO IS NERVE TONIC
Paul, Minn., Jan. 20.—Imagine your house is built on a hill and you will be more careful about fire prevention, a state insurance commission says today.

THIRTY TO MAKE APPLICATION FOR CITIZEN PAPERS

Hearing to Be Held Feb. 8 in the District Court; Majority of Applications Scandinavians.

R. K. DOE, U. S. EXAMINER, TO BE HERE

About thirty applications for citizenship papers will be heard in the district court Feb. 8. R. K. Doe, U. S. naturalization examiner, and a special officer from St. Paul will be present to conduct the hearing.

Eighteen of the applications are new cases and 12 are continued from the last term of court. The majority of the new applicants are Scandinavian.

Lamson Toastmaster.
After the regular business session tomorrow evening a banquet will be given to the visiting guests at the Presbyterian church which will be followed by a smoker at the club rooms. F. B. Lamson will act as toastmaster and the banquet will be served by the Rebecca lodge.

Bemidji Elks to Initiate Tonight
Neil Morrison, District Exalted Ruler of Duluth in City for Ceremonies.

The Bemidji lodge of Elks will initiate a class of ten tonight at its hall.

Neil Morrison, district deputy and grand exalted ruler of Duluth, is in the city and will have charge of the ceremonies tonight.

John Morrison of Red Lake and J. J. Doran of International Falls are on the program for addresses.

A lunch will be served after the initiation.

BUDGET SYSTEM FOR COMMERCIAL CLUB

Plans are being made for the placing of the affairs of the Bemidji Commercial club on the budget system. It is believed that with the budget system more can be accomplished for the city than under the present system.

ASSESSOR WAGE CASE CONSIDERED

Judge C. W. Stanton today heard the case of Arthur Duell against the town of Langor. Duell is suing the town for \$84 which he claims is due him for acting as assessor in 1914.

Attorney P. J. Russell represented the town of Langor and Attorney C. W. Scrutehin represented Mr. Duell.

W. H. GAINES DEAD; FUNERAL TO BE HERE

W. H. Gaines died yesterday at a hospital at Fergus Falls.

He is survived by his wife, who lives at 807 Mississippi avenue, and eleven children.

The children are W. H., Charles, Eugene, Clark and James, all of Bemidji; Mrs. Clara Pachull of Mason City, Ia.; Mrs. Hubert Jewett and Mrs. Louis Balduc of Duval, Wash.; Mrs. Clifford Ramsdale of this city and Clinton and Clifford of Moose Jaw, Can.

The body will be shipped to this city and will arrive here tomorrow. Funeral arrangements have not been made.

ODD FELLOWS TO INVADE BEMIDJI FOR INITIATION

Delegations From Akeley, Tenstrike, Nebish and Bagley to Be Present.

GRAND OFFICERS OF STATE HERE

Banquet to Be Given for Visitors; Smoker at Lodge Rooms; Eleven Candidates.

Odd Fellows from Akeley, Tenstrike, Nebish and Bagley will invade Bemidji tomorrow with the state grand lodge officers of the organization for the initiation of eleven candidates at the Odd Fellows hall tomorrow night.

Initiatory and first degrees will be conferred upon candidates by teams from Akeley and Bemidji.

Officers Here.
A. L. Bolton, grand secretary, from St. Paul and other grand officers will be here to take charge of the exercises. The class of eleven will make a total of 20 members taken into the lodge here during the past two months.

Lamson Toastmaster.
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Bemidji Officers.
The officers of the Bemidji chapter who will have charge of the first degree initiation are George W. Rhea, N. G.; M. E. Ibertson, V. G.; Dr. A. V. Garlock, recording secretary; F. B. Lamson, financial secretary; J. C. Cobb, treasurer; Theodore Virtz, warden; Archie Ditty, conductor; Daniel Gracie, I. G.; Frank Moore, O. G.; C. J. Larson, P. N. G.; R. L. Given, R. S. N. G.; J. M. Phillippi, L. S. N. G.; O. J. LaQua, R. S. S.; Robert Mitchell, L. S. S.; E. H. Deman, R. S. V. G.; Earl Gell, L. S. V. G.; J. C. McGhee, chaplain.

N. P. OFFICIAL HERE ON VISIT

J. T. McKenney, district passenger agent of the Northern Pacific railway, was in Bemidji today inspecting railway conditions here.

"Nineteen sixteen should be a record breaking year," said Mr. McKenney in speaking of the prospects for this year. "The freight business should be a record breaker. Conditions here, as I find them, are very good."

FOOD FAMINE FEARED IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

San Diego, Cal., Jan. 20.—The skies are clear for the first time today in a week. The food during the week caused the loss of four lives. A food famine is feared.

BEMIDJI BAND ELECTS OFFICERS AT MEETING

The Bemidji band held an election of officers at a meeting held Tuesday night. The new officers are H. E. Anderson, business manager, Fred Burchard, director, Richard Fenton, secretary and Oscar Nelson, treasurer.

JUDGE STANTON HEARS ALIMONY MOTION

Judge C. W. Stanton this afternoon heard a motion for alimony and attorney fees in the case of Peter M. Leonard against Martha Leonard. Attorney P. J. Russell represented Mr. Leonard and Attorney E. E. McDonald represented Mrs. Leonard.

PARTIAL ECLIPSE OF THE MOON TONIGHT

There will be a partial eclipse of the moon tonight. The luminous orb will look like an aerial searchlight with the shutter partially closed. A segment will be sliced off and the man in the moon will give the impression of having a towel tied around his brow. Only a select audience will witness the eclipse. "Rummy" players will be the principal observers. The eclipse will start at 1:43 a. m. and will be over by 3:12, the show lasting one hour and 29 minutes.

JOHN SMITH IS REPORTED BETTER

Aged Indian Consents to Go to Bed; Smokes Pipe; Talks to Friends.

(By Special Correspondent.)
Cass Lake, Minn., Jan. 20.—Kabana-gay-yance or John Smith as he is better known, Indian, reported to be 124 years old, who was found Monday lying beside a railroad track, is reported to be much better and is resting easily at the Cass Lake hospital.

When he was brought to the hospital he refused to lie in bed but took a blanket and slept on the floor. Yesterday, however, after another Indian had slept in the bed to show him that there were no evil spirits there, he consented to sleep in the bed.

This morning, after a good night's rest, he sat up in bed and smoked his pipe.

JUDGE D. H. FISK IN MUNICIPAL COURT

Relieves Judge A. M. Crowell of Duties During Illness; Disposes of Several Cases.

Judge D. H. Fisk, who was appointed a special judge in the municipal court during the illness of Judge A. M. Crowell, held court yesterday afternoon. James Dean, who was arrested on a charge of drunkenness several days ago, pleaded guilty and was fined five dollars.

Ball of five dollars each was declared forfeited in three cases of drunkenness. The men were arrested Dec. 30 and 31. They were Claus Linquist, J. C. Collins and Andy Callis.

Judge A. M. Crowell was reported to be much improved at his home today.

CHALMERS MAY OPEN BRANCH OFFICE HERE

As the result of a fishing and outing trip in the vicinity of Lake Bemidji, taken last summer by Hugh Chalmers of the Chalmers Motor Co., of Detroit, Mich., that company will open a branch office in this city next spring. Thomas Mott, of the engineering department of the company, has been in the city consulting with Bemidji people in regard to establishing the office.

"Bemidji is the ideal place for a branch office," said Mr. Mott this morning. "It is one of the busiest cities in this part of the state. Provided that there is enough business we will have an office opened on the corner of Fifth street and Beltrami avenue."

Fred Rhoda, clerk of the court, and his wife left yesterday for Long Prairie where they will visit with Mrs. Rhoda's mother.

Bemidji Pay-Up Week, Feb. 21-26.

CASS LAKE MAY BUY LIGHT AND POWER CO. PLANT

Meeting of Commercial Club is Held and Council is Asked to Investigate.

EDITORIAL ASS'N. TO BE INVITED

Forty-five Merchants Discuss Plans for Bettering Conditions in Village.

(By Special Correspondent.)
Cass Lake, Minn., Jan. 20.—Cass Lake may buy the light and power company plant of Cass Lake. This was discussed at a meeting of the Commercial club here last evening and the council was asked to investigate the matter and secure a competent engineer to ascertain the condition of the plant.

Price \$55,000.
H. L. Hartly is the present owner of the plant. A movement has been on foot for some time to have a municipally owned plant. Mr. Hartly has agreed to sell his plant at \$55,000. Besides supplying light and power the plant supplies water and heat for several buildings. It is believed that the plant can be run by the city at a profit of nearly \$4,000 a year.

Over 45 business men attended the meeting of the Commercial club here last evening.

Invite Editors.
A committee of business men will attend the Northern Minnesota Editorial convention at Sauk Center and invite the editors of the northern part of the state to visit Cass Lake next summer for their annual summer gathering.

A resolution was passed commending the Northwestern Telephone company for the excellent facilities installed in Cass Lake. It was pointed out that the service has been much improved.

The proposed Jefferson highway and other road matters were discussed.

HAMMOND MONUMENT COMMITTEE NAMED

The men who will serve on the committee to subscribe funds for the erection of a monument to former Governor Hammond have been announced by S. D. Works, insurance commissioner, secretary of the memorial committee.

The members from Beltrami county are A. G. Wedge, A. P. Ritchie, T. Hughes, all of Bemidji; C. R. Middleton, Baudette; B. P. Egan, Spooner.

The members from Koochiching county are G. W. Anderson, Ranier; W. B. Kane, International Falls; M. C. Engelking, Northome; F. W. Van Nort, Big Falls; B. H. Phinney, International Falls.

The members from Clearwater county are Axel Ringborg, W. S. McGlennon, Bagley; L. Jensen, Clearbrook.

THREE GAMES PLAYED IN COMMERCIAL LEAGUE

Three games have been played during the past week in the Commercial Bowling League No. 1. The Barbers defeated the Schneider Bros. team 2-402 pins to 2,491 pins. The Beltrami county quint defeated the Crookston Lumber Co. by 115 pins, the score being 2,265 to 2,150. The Schneider Bros. team defeated the Crookston Lumber Co. team by 183 pins, the score being 2,497 to 2,314.

Sheriff Andrew Johnson returned yesterday from a trip to the northern part of the county.

TODAY'S ODDEST STORY

Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 20.—Boyd Ogelsby has been presented with a handsome silver loving cup by Jacob Tausig's Sons, a jewelry firm. It is inscribed, "He persuaded us to advertise." Mr. Ogelsby is advertising manager of the Harrisburg Telegraph.

PETIT AND GRAND JURORS FOR NEXT COURT TERM CHOSEN

List is Made Public by Sheriff Andrew Johnson; Was Drawn Yesterday.

GRAND JURY TO CONVENE ELEVEN O'CLOCK, FEB. 8

The petit and grand jurors for the next term of the district court were drawn yesterday afternoon by Fred Rhoda, clerk of the court, assisted by Sheriff Johnson and Willis Nye, justice of peace of Nymore.

Court Called Feb. 8.
The list of jurors were made public this morning by Sheriff Johnson. The grand jurors have been ordered to report at eleven o'clock on the morning of Feb. 8 and the petit jurors have been called for nine o'clock on the morning of Feb. 9.

Petit Jurors.
The petit jurors are as follows: J. C. McChesney, Kelliher; William Coutts, Baudette; Olaf Larson, Bemidji; George Bye, Blackduck; Gus Torland, Island Lake; Frank Coleman, Esplee; Carl Wallin, Quiring; Ed Akre, Nymore; C. R. Dickie, Blackduck; Herman Eickstadt, Bemidji; Oscar Flatner, Spooner; K. K. Roe, Bemidji; A. Moen, Bemidji; Carl Rad, Bemidji; John Mason, Williams; Henry Marin, Bemidji; Henry Kelly, Williams; Nels Sorenson, Solway; M. H. Sand, Inez; R. W. Kiehl, Nymore; Arthur Cook, Louis; Chris Linder, Saum; William Engebret, Thorhult, and Gust Karlson, Bemidji.

Grand Jurors.
The grand jurors are as follows: Otto Myran, Inez; John Peterson, Baudette; C. J. Stenmoen, Grygja; L. M. Lovering, Blackduck; Ole Clementson, Clementson; J. E. Patterson, Bemidji; John Kyler, Spooner; B. A. Arneson, Arneson; Peter Krogseng, Saum; John Gibbons, Kelliher; Jake Skriveth, Turtle River; August Stromberg, Quiring; Matt Hendrickson, Baudette; A. H. Dickenson, Turtle River; W. E. Arnold, Turtle River; Iver Nisje, Baudette; Frank Brooks, Hines; Joe Weaver, Blackduck; August Buer, Bemidji; Anton Levandosky, Williams; John Morris, Baudette; R. E. Miller, Bemidji, and Herbert Sanborn, Pitt.

VILLA SENDS DEFY TO CARRANZA FORCES

Mexican Bandit Leader Tells Men to Come and Get Me; Answer to Order.

El Paso, Tex., Jan. 20.—General Villa, in the Sierra Madera mountains, today sent a defy to Carranza, saying practically, "come and get me." This is his answer to the Carranza order that Villa or any of his followers could be legally shot on sight.

Reports Unfounded.
Douglas, Ariz., Jan. 20.—It is officially stated here that the reports indicate that reports yesterday of the imprisoning of seven U. S. cavalry men by the Mexicans were unfounded.

A. P. White, president of the Northern National bank, has returned from a business trip to Minneapolis.

MONTENEGRO RESUMES WAR AGAINST THE AUSTRIANS

All Peace Terms Are Refused by Little Country, Says Minister to Foreign Office.

WILL BATTLE TO THE END, IS BELIEF

Vienna Reports Queer Collection of Weapons Seized at Fall of Gettinje.

Rome, Jan. 20.—The Montenegrins will fight to the end. They have again taken up arms against Austria, according to the statement of the Montenegrin minister to the Italian foreign office. The Montenegrin government has refused all the Austrian peace terms.

Watching Spain.
London, Jan. 20.—The Allies are closely watching Spain. It is believed that Spain is planning to join Germany against England.

Agree on Campaign.
London, Jan. 20.—The Allies have reached a definite agreement in regard to the future military and diplomatic policies in the Balkans. It is officially said that any situation arising in the future will be dealt with very firmly.

British Forces Advance.
London, Jan. 20.—The official statement today says that British reinforcements for Kuetlamara advanced with seven miles of the garrison last night without meeting the enemy.

1,073 Vessels Sunk.
London, Jan. 20.—From the beginning of the war to the end of last November, 1,073 British merchant vessels were torpedoed or mined.

Notes on Blockade.
Washington, Jan. 20.—The state department here and the foreign office in London are drawing up notes for the presentation to each other regarding the British blockade. The British rights in the Baltic sea will be the key to the notes.

Demands Protection.
Washington, Jan. 20.—Declaring that England's real purpose in blocking Germany is to depress the price of American cotton for its own commercial benefit, Senator Hoke Smith demanded this morning on the senate floor that the United States protect its international rights.

Toutons Falling Back.
London, Jan. 20.—Toutons along (Continued on last page).

TODAY'S MARKET REPORT

South St. Paul Markets.
Beef \$3.00 @ 8.75
Hogs \$7.00 @ 6.85
Sheep \$3.00 @ 10.00

(The following markets are furnished the Daily Pioneer by William L. Henderson & Co., Germania Life Building, St. Paul, Minn.)

Minneapolis Markets.
Wheat \$1.28 1/2
Rye 96 1/2 @ 97 1/2 c
Corn 77 @ 77 1/2 c

Chicago Markets.
Wheat \$1.29 1/2
Rye \$1.01
Corn 73 @ 74 c

Duluth Markets.
Wheat \$1.29
Rye 95 c

Bemidji Markets.
Turkey, live, per lb. \$.20
Turkey, dressed, per lb.24
Geese, live, per lb.18
Geese, dressed, per lb.14
Ducks, live, per lb.15
Ducks, dressed, per lb.20
Hens, large and fat, live, per lb.13
Hens, large and fat, dressed, per lb.18
Veal, fancy, dressed, per lb.14
Veal, fancy, oversize, per lb.12
Veal, poor, oversize, per lb.10
Fall lambs, per lb.16
Spring lambs, per lb.18
Mutton, fancy, dressed, per lb.14
Large hogs, dressed, per lb.9 1/2
Medium hogs, dressed, per lb.10
Small hogs, dressed, per lb.10
Beans, per bushel, per lb.10
Butter—
Dairy, per lb.35
Creamery, per lb.40
Carrots, per bushel, per lb.60
Eggs—
Storage, per doz.30
Strictly fresh, per doz.35
Potatoes, fancy, clean and free from rot and frost, per bushel, per lb. 1.00
Cracked corn, per bushel, per lb. 1.12
Cracked corn, per sack, 75 lbs. 1.40
Corn and oats, per sack, 75 lbs. 1.35
Bran, per sack, 100 lbs. 1.25
Shorts, per sack, 100 lbs. 1.40
Oil meal, per sack, 100 lbs. 2.75

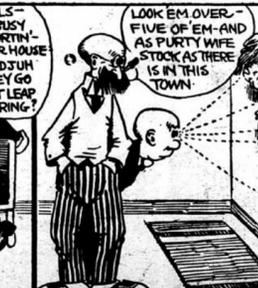
SCOOP THE CUB REPORTER



Well--Suggestions Were In Order



By "HOP"



IT SEEMS TO ME YOUR BEST CHANCE WITH THAT OUTFIT IS TO HANG AROUND THE ASYLUM FOR THE BLIND AND GRAB A COUPLE INMATES THAT ARE CARELESS ENOUGH TO STRAY OFF THE RANGE!



COME RIGHT IN!

