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ENTERED JUNE 18, 1902, AS SECOND CLASS MATTER, POST-OFFICE, MINOT, N. D., ACT OF CONGRESS OF MARCH 3, 1879.

Minor Topics.

J. W. Warren, of Stanley, was in the city Tuesday.
H. R. Bates, of Donnybrook, spent Tuesday in Minot.
It is rumored that court will set at Minot on Jan. 19th.

Elmer Francis, of Sawyer, was doing business in the city Tuesday.

E. C. Tolly, of Kenmare, spent a couple of days in Minot this week.

Services as usual in the several churches Sunday morning and evening.

Joseph Dinger and M. Hankinson of Donnybrook, were Minot visitors Monday.

Alfred Blaisdell came in from the west Tuesday, after week's absence up the Soo line.

The Rev. Wm. C. Hunter will preach at Burlington, on Sabbath, January 18th, at 3 p. m.

Archie Johnson, of Bowbells, came in to spend a couple of months with Minot friends last week.

T. P. Kulaas received checks amounting to \$20,000, insurance on his lumber yard, which burned recently.

H. C. Boyer has moved his stock of gents' furnishings into the building recently vacated by McGee & Coyle.

One hundred and sixty-three thousand dollars has passed through the Minot land office in the last three months.

Harry McDowell, of Sawyer, was in the city today proving up on his claim. He made the Independent a pleasant call.

The county treasurer's books have been checked up by the county commissioners, and the books and office are reported O. K.

Sheriff Scofield has moved into the court house. Ex-Sheriff Carroll has moved down town and says he intends to enjoy private life for at least two years.

Major Montiel, of Browning, Montana, passed through this city Monday night with ten Indians, en route for Washington, D. C., to interview the Indian commissioner on agency matters.

Harry Butler, of the Surry Budget, came up Monday to witness the wrestling match. He called upon the Independent and reports Surry as flourishing and prospering.

A. D. McGill, who recently returned from Duluth, informs us that Dr. Forbes will lecture in Minot some time in the near future. It is a treat to hear him. Keep tabs on the date, Jan. 28th.

C. A. Johnson now occupies a room on the ground floor of his new building with his law office and has had the interior of it remodeled, making a fine office. The room is the one lately occupied by H. C. Boyer, the clothier.

The county commissioners adjourn today. They have transacted a vast amount of business, and find they will be required to meet again next month, owing to the growing needs of the county.

The Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. church holds its meeting at the home of Mrs. James White, Thursday, Jan. 15th, at 2:30 p. m. All members are urged to be present, and friends are cordially invited.

The post office in Minot is said to be one of the best equipped in the state, it requiring four clerks to do the work, and yet the compensation of the office is not sufficient to pay the expenses. The postal department ought to do something for the Minot office.

The trainmen of the Great Northern and the citizens of Minot will be glad to learn that G. H. Emerson, a former engineer of the road and who used to reside in Minot, has been appointed superintendent of motive power of the Great Northern. Mr. Emerson used to run an engine out of Minot on the Montana and Dakota divisions. The independent joins with a host of friends in congratulating Mr. Emerson upon his appointment to so important a position.

F. A. Pondroy was up from Belfour Friday.
Attorney LeSueur is attending court at Bottineau this week.

Major Murphy arrived home from Bismarck the last of the week.

Editor Mohall, of the Mohall News, spent a couple of days in town last week.

All styles and sizes of Hats and Caps at the GREAT ORTHER CASH STORE.

The dance given at the Nash Hall last Friday evening was well attended and an enjoyable time was had.

The Soo Line's special agent came up from Minneapolis last Friday to adjust several losses by the patrons of that company.

*Corsets! corsets! corsets!!! of all kinds and prices. The Jackson, Straight Front, Girdle, Country Girl, Century and others, from 75c. up, at Clevon and Hansens.

Col. McGill, of the F. A. Patrik & Co. dry goods and notions of Duluth, has returned from a two weeks' visit at that place, and reports having had an excellent time during his vacation.

R. E. Barron of the Second National bank, spent Sunday with Williston friends at that city.

Geo. McGee, of the firm of McGee & Coyle, has returned from the east after a short vacation.

P. King, the efficient post master at Donnybrook, was a visitor in the city on Monday.

The Minot National Bank moved into its new quarters last Saturday night in the new Lealand annex.

F. J. Willman, the popular salesman for the Plant Rubber Co., of Minneapolis, spent Sunday with his family in this city.

In referring to North Dakota in connection with the creamery question, the Independent said "southeastern" when it should have read "southwestern" part of the state.

Lars O. Rebrud, the enterprising merchant of White Earth, was in the city Saturday. Mr. Rebrud has just returned from a week's visit with friends and relatives in Zumbrota, Minn.

R. J. Chamberlin has assumed the management of the Palermo Standard and moved his family to that busy little burg last Saturday. He will no doubt make a success of the paper, as he is a thorough newspaper man. We wish him the best of success.

Ole Person, one of the pioneer settlers and prominent stockmen of Overholt, transacted business in the County Court on Monday. Mr. Person was the administrator of the Nels O. Davis estate, and the affairs of the estate were closed up on that day to the satisfaction of all parties concerned.

Notice.
On and after this date, coal will be spot cash on delivery. R. W. Jones. The Coal Man.

Winter Prairie Fire.
A telegram from Manday says that a prairie fire in the southeastern part of the county last week during the high wind burned up 5,000 sheep and 800 head of cattle belonging to different ranchers. Seventeen ranchmen suffered heavily, some of their houses being swept away by the flames.

Donnybrook Fire.
About daylight Tuesday morning fire destroyed the livery barn belonging to John Powers, of Donnybrook, at that place, together with several horses and cows and harness and rigs. The loss is estimated at \$5,000. The origin of the fire is not known. The building was fully covered by insurance.

Killed in a Mine.
John Groyan was killed in the Electric coal mine at Kenmare a few days ago, aged 58 years. He came from Streator, Ill., with several other miners only a few days before the accident. About a half ton of dirt fell upon him, breaking his leg and severing a large artery, from which he bled to death before medical aid could reach him, it being two and a half miles to Kenmare, the nearest physician. It is reported that he lived only four minutes after the accident. He leaves a wife and family of 13. His brother and son, both miners, accompanied the remains to Streator, Ill., where he will be buried.

Thos. E. Olgard, LAWYER.
Contests, Filings, Final Proofs, Land Scrip, Real Estate and Loans.
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Practical Test of Lignite Briquettes.

A practical test of lignite briquettes for heat producing purposes was made yesterday afternoon at the Soo shops at Shoreham. The test was made on a 17x24-inch, eight-wheel engine under full tonnage, on a 66-foot grade, and was made for the purpose of comparing the practicability of this new fuel with that of soft coal.

The lignite briquettes are the discovery of Dr. R. J. Schimper, a graduate of Heidelberg university, who has made this matter a life long study. He first experimented with the use of lignite as a railroad fuel when connected with the French railroad at Constantinople, and at that time became convinced that with the proper chemical treatment lignite could be transformed into a very valuable fuel.

Three years ago he visited the lignite fields of North Dakota and from experiments made with the product of that region he completed his formula for the manufacture of the briquettes in their present form.

The manufacture of the briquettes is very simple, the lignite ground up into dust and after being submitted to a secret chemical process the product is compressed into bricks that are as hard as anthracite with a specific gravity three points greater. The process of mining the lignite and manufacturing the briquettes costs \$1.25 a ton, and the product is in every way the equal, if not the superior, of anthracite.

From experiments made at the state university 12,213 heat units were developed from the briquettes, 11,000 heat units from anthracite, and about 4,000 from bituminous coal. From the anthracite, anthracite ashes weighing four pounds were produced, while the amount of the prepared lignite only produced one pound eight ounces of ashes.

The test yesterday at the Soo shops was in every way successful, the lignite producing a regular heat and keeping the steam pressure at the required 150 pounds during the entire experiment. The lignite produced but little smoke and at the end of the test the fire box of the locomotive was entirely free from clinkers, 1,800 pounds of the briquets were used, and drove the engine about twenty miles.—Minneapolis Tribune.

Department of the Interior, land office at Minot, N. D., January 14, 1903.
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver of the U. S. land office at Minot, N. Dak., on February 20, 1903, viz:
HARRY MCDOWELL,
H. E. No. 1904, for the ne 1/4 of sec. 11, twp. 153, r. 82.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
Clarence O. Jones, Moses H. Putney, Jewell W. Putney, William Hoffman, all of Sawyer, N. D.
R. C. SANBORN, Register.
First pub. Jan. 14, last. Feb. 18 James Johnson, atty.

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LOUIS WAGNER,
H. E. No. 8507 for the se 1/4 sec. 33, twp. 158, r. 83.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
Claus Staffens, William Rouse, T. B. Caddwell, Dominick Hanser, all of Markkille, N. D.
R. C. SANBORN, Register.
J. J. Coyle, atty. for claimant. 14122

Department of the Interior, Land Office at Minot, N. D., Dec. 30th, 1902.
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before John Lynch, clerk of the District Court for Ward County, N. D., at Minot, N. D., on Feb. 7th, 1903, viz:
ALFRED STEEN,
H. E. No. 7873, for the se 1/4, sec. 11, twp. 157, r. 82.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Ole Opeeson Peter Opeeson, Andrew Anderson, Ole Lens, all of Minot, N. D.
R. C. SANBORN, Register. 4314

JAS. JOHNSON, Attorney at Law.

Proofs Made and Contests Disputed.

Dr. E. A. Crokot,

M. D., C. M., L. R. C. S., Edinburgh.
Surgeon to Great Northern Ry.
Office and Residence over P. P. Lee's Store.

Notice for Publication.

Department of the Interior, land office at Minot, N. D., Dec. 16, 1902.
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver of the U. S. land office at Minot, N. D., on Jan. 30, 1903, viz:
GEORGE H. WEGNER,
H. E. No. 6180, for the e 1/2 sw 1/4 and lots 3 and 4, sec. 7, twp. 155, range 81.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
Joseph Brey, Warren Brey, Daniel Elker, Carl Elker, all of Surrey, N. D.
R. C. SANBORN, Register.
C. Aurland atty for claimant. 41721

Notice for Publication.

Department of the Interior, land office at Minot, N. D., Dec. 13, 1902.
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make commutation proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver of the U. S. land office at Minot, N. D., on Jan. 24, 1903, viz:
CLAUS CARLSON,
H. E. No. 3847 for the sw 1/4, sec. 31, twp. 157, n. range 81, w.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
Cabin Mabin, John Whittenberg, William Mabin, George Sloat, all of Minot, N. D.
R. C. SANBORN, Register.
C. A. Johnson atty for claimant. 41721

Notice for Publication.

Department of the Interior, land office at Minot, N. D., Dec. 15th, 1902.
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver of the United States land office at Minot, N. D., on Jan. 23, 1903, viz:
DAVID W. WOLF,
H. E. No. 9858, for the nw 1/4, sec. 35, twp. 157, r. 81.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
William Stryker, Jonas Frank, of Peebler, N. D.; Charles Whitsell, J. N. Lappe, of Surrey, N. D.
R. C. SANBORN, Register.
Jas. Johnson, atty for claimant. 41721

Contest Notice.

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Minot, North Dakota December 11th, 1902.
A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Matt Lannen, contestant, against Homestead Entry No. 10,763 made November 7th, 1901, for the southwest one quarter (s. w. 1/4) section 24, township 153, n. range 84 w. by Edwin S. Davis, contestee, in which it is alleged that said entryman has wholly abandoned said tract and changed his residence therefrom for more than six months since making said entry and next prior to the date hereof; that he has not established a residence thereon; that said tract remains in its natural state, wholly abandoned and unimproved and that said alleged absence from the said land was not due to his employment in the army, navy or marine corps of the United States as a private soldier, officer, seaman or marine, during the war with Spain, or during any other war in which the United States may be engaged, and said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence concerning said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on Feb. 2, 1903, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in Minot, North Dakota.

The said contestant having in a proper affidavit filed December 8th, 1902, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice cannot be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.

R. C. SANBORN, Register.
W. N. Grams, Atty. for contestant. Minot, N. D. 41717

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PERRY L. CLINE,
H. E. No. 9255, for the southeast 1/4, sec. 20, twp. 157, r. 81.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
Charles Wetmur, Francis B. Wood, Francis M. Watson, Joshua B. Otsey, all Surrey, N. D.
R. C. SANBORN, Register.
J. J. Coyle atty for claimant. 41721

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at Minot, N. Dak., Dec. 23 1902.
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver of the United States Land Office at Minot, North Dakota, on February 12th, 1903, viz:
August Larson,
Coal Declaratory No. 271 for the southwest 1/4 of the southeast 1/4 of Sec. 3, Twp. 155, R. 84.
Now therefore notice is hereby given that you, George Bauwert or anyone claiming adverse claim in and to any of the above described tract of land to respond and show cause, if any you have why said August Larson should not make proof and payment for said tract.
R. C. SANBORN, Register.
Jas Johnson, atty for claimant. 42428

Notice for Publication.

Department of the Interior, land office at Minot, N. D., Dec. 11, 1902.
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before George A. McGee, United States Commissioner, District of North Dakota, at Sawyer, N. Dak., on Jan. 21st 1903, viz:
FISHER OSCAR BJORCK,
H. E. no. 83, for the e 1/2 sw 1/4, and w 1/2 sec. 4, sec. 2, twp. 153, r. 81.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
Lars Larson, Jacob Schwab, Fred Hockspier, Fred Hartlip, all of Sawyer, N. Dak.
R. C. SANBORN, Register.
J. J. Coyle atty for claimant. 41721

Contest notice.

Department of the Interior, land office at Minot, N. D., Dec. 30, 1902.
A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by H. P. Hanson contestant, against Homestead Entry No. 16414 made June 23, 1902, for n 1/2 sec. 27, and w 1/2 sec. 28, twp. 162, r. 87 w. by Carl C. Danielson, contestee, in which it is alleged that said entryman has wholly abandoned said tract for more than six months last past and has wholly failed to establish a residence thereon and has never improved or cultivated said tract according to the homestead laws and that said alleged abandonment is not due to his employment