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Proofs Made and Contests Defended.

Flotsam and Jetsam

Editor Winship still believes in the primary election law along with the referendum fallacy and democrats. The democratic party owes Mr. Winship a great deal and would not doubt pay him, the devil of it is they have nothing to pay with.

The above is a good sample of the spirit of the Minot Optic in referring to any effort, wise or unwise put forward by men who honestly believe it to be for the public good, in the interests of morality and clean politics. To most men such an effort even if unwise, still deserves something more than ridicule and contempt. Many able and conscientious men high in the councils of the Republican party, believe that these "fallacies" would go far towards mitigating the evils of national, state and municipal corruption, and make government of the people, for the people and by the people more than a myth. But then the words of the great emancipator and references to morality are wasted on the editor of the Optic as completely as the efforts of a man would be who should undertake to bring into the conscious perception of his blind friend an idea of what scarlet is. After a long and laborious effort the blind man would clap his hands and exclaim "it is like the sound of a trumpet!" To the morally color blind, black is white and white is black.

Was ever anything put forward with the purpose and intent of eliminating immorality, boss rule and municipal corruption, that the editor of the optic (excuse the omission of the capitals) that filthy sheet did not antagonize with a venomous spleen worthy to be recorded for future generations as a sample of the corruption and venality of the press in the beginning of the 20th century. It would also furnish some of the Optic's dear sports, (who are to have the freedom of the city) with work for a while to count the typographical mistakes in a single issue of that leaflet. It would appear from the above that the Optic is on intimate terms with His Satanic majesty. There is nothing like an agent standing in intimate relations with his principal. Those poor democrats, by the way it seems have neglected the great opportunity of forming a close alliance with the devil and his official representatives in the administration of political affairs. If they had but taken advantage of this opportunity, they would perhaps have more to pay with. I do not know Editor Winship. I should like to become acquainted with the man. The very fact that the editor of the Optic snarls at him is a letter of recommendation sufficient for me. I expect that he is one of those "cranks" who works for principles, not for lucre, and should like to venture the advice that Mr. Winship become a little broader in his sympathies and more practical. He might try to forget those hateful and impractical sentimental notions that he imbibed at his mother's knee and at the Sunday school, as they don't fit Western affairs, turn his paper and himself over to organized civic and municipal corruption and immorality, then after having received the iron collar of spiritual and intellectual dependence gilded with financial independence receive from the feudal barons of bossism, on his bended knees, the knightly of official recognition. Is there no editor in Ward county that could give Mr. Winship a few points on the details of financial and political education and evolution?

O. O. F.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
Department of the Interior, Land Office at Minot, N. D., March 7th 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 Register and Receiver U. S. Land Office at Minot, N. D., on April 25th, 1903, H. E. 6867, viz:
HARRIET STREPPWICK
formerly Harriet Davis, for the Sw 1/4 Sec. 15, Twp. 152, R. 83 w.
She names the following witnesses to prove her continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
Henry Gasman, Silas Merrill, Robert Waldref all of Minot, N. D.
3-11 4-15 R. C. SANBORN Register, M. & N.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
Department of the Interior, Land Office at Minot, N. D., Feb. 24th 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. D., on April 11th, 1903, viz:
OLE BAKKEN
H. E. No. 11428, for the SE 1/4 of Sec. 4, Twp. 158 Rge. 81.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
Thorval Thoreson, Nels Henriksen, Gabriel Davidson, Edwin G. McDroy all of Walter P. O., N. D.
3-11 4-8 R. C. SANBORN Register, J. H. Fraser atty.

CONTEST NOTICE.
Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Minot, N. D., March 23, 1903.
A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Jonas Kauffman, contestant, against Homestead entry No. 7205, made May 9th 1902, for North West Quarter Section 30, Township 159, Range 85 w., by John I. Hebrer, Contestee, in which it is alleged that said claimant has wholly abandoned said tract of land for more than six months just prior to the filing of this contest, the fact is he never did reside upon said tract of land, or make any improvements thereon, and the said alleged absence from said land was not due to his employment in the army, navy or the 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.

Said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on April 20, 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 March 7, 1903, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.
ABNER L. HANSCOM, Receiver, 3-11 4-8

NOTICE OF SALE ON EXECUTION.
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA,
COUNTY OF WARD,
IN DISTRICT COURT
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT
J. G. Gilmore and Joseph H. Ruhl, copartners under the name of Gilmore & Ruhl, Plaintiffs,
Against
William E. Boyer, Defendant.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a writ of execution to me directed and delivered and now in my hands issued by the Clerk of the District Court in and for Ward County, North Dakota, upon a judgement rendered and entered in the above entitled action in the above named Court, in favor of the said Plaintiffs and against said Defendant William E. Boyer. I have levied upon the following described property located in Ward County and described as follows to-wit: The east half of the south west quarter and lots three and four in section eighteen in township one hundred sixty north of range eighty seven west of the Fifth Principal Meridian containing 153 thirteen one hundredths acres.

And that I shall on Saturday the 18th day of April, A. D. 1903 at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon of that day at the front door of the Court House in the City of Minot, county of Ward and State of North Dakota, sell the above described property or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said judgement amounting to \$413.85 together with all accruing costs of sale and interest on the same at the rate of seven per cent per annum from March 2, 1903, at public auction to the highest bidder for cash.
Dated March 9, 1903
A. P. SCOTFIELD,
Sheriff of Ward County, N. D.
C. Anrlaud, Atty for Plaintiffs, Minot, N. D.

CONTEST NOTICE.
Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Minot, N. D., March 5, 1903.
A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Peter Jensen, contestant, against homestead entry No. 12222, made December 30, 1901, for the Sw 1/4 of Section 3, Township 160 N., Range 85 W., by Clarence Brown, Contestee, in which it is alleged that said Clarence Brown, entryman has wholly abandoned said tract for a period of more than six months last past, and that he has never established a residence thereon; and that said land remains in its natural state, wholly abandoned and unimproved; and that said alleged absence is 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; said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on April 30, 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 February 27, 1903, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.
R. C. SANBORN, Register, 3-11 4-8 T. E. Olsgard, Atty. for contestant, Minot, North Dak.

CONTEST NOTICE.
Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Minot, N. D., March 23, 1903.
A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Matt Lanner, contestant, against homestead entry No. 10763, made November 7th, 1901, for southwest one-quarter (sw 1/4), section 24, township 159 N., range 84 W., by Edwin S. Davis, Contestee, in which it is alleged that said entryman has wholly abandoned said tract for a period of more than six months since making said entry and next prior to the date hereof; that he has not established a residence thereon; and that said tract remains in its natural state wholly abandoned and unimproved; and that said alleged absence from 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.

Said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on May 14, 1903, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in Minot, N. D.
The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed March 23rd, 1903, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.
R. C. SANBORN, Register, 3-25 4-15 W. N. Crane attorney for contestant, Minot, N. D.

CONTEST NOTICE.
Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Minot, N. D., March 8, 1903.

A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Christina Johnson, contestant, against homestead entry No. 4533, made April 7th, 1900, for the set of section 4 township 162 N., range 87 w., by Carl Hanson, Contestee, in which it is alleged that said entryman has wholly abandoned said tract for a period of more than six months last past and has never established a residence thereon and has never improved or cultivated said land according to the homestead laws and that said abandonment still exists and is not due to his employment in the army or navy 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.

Said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegations at 10 o'clock a. m. on May 4, 1903, before Francis J. Murphy a Notary Public at Kenmare, N. D., and that final hearing will be held at 10 o'clock a. m. on May 11, 1903, before the Register and Receiver of the United States Land Office in Minot, N. D.
The said contestant having in a proper affidavit filed March 7, 1903, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice can not be made it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.
3-25 4-15 R. C. SANBORN, Register, E. R. Williams atty.

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Said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on May 14, 1903, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in Minot, N. D.
The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed March 23rd, 1903, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.
R. C. SANBORN, Register, 3-25 4-15 W. N. Crane attorney for contestant, Minot, N. D.

CONTEST NOTICE.
Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Minot, N. D., March 31, 1903.
A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Hugh E. Jewell of Devil Lake, Ramsey County, State of North Dakota, contestant, against Homestead entry No. 9404, made Oct. 5, 1901, for the sw 1/4 of Sec. 21, Twp. 158, Range 83, by Oltmann B. Selver, Contestee, in which it is alleged that said Oltmann B. Selver has wholly abandoned the said land for a period of more than six months immediately preceding the date of the said contest affidavit and has never established a bona fide residence on said land; that his shack is uninhabitable; that the said entry was made for the purpose of speculation and not in good faith, 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; said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on April 4, 1903, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in Minot, N. D.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed February 27, 1903, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication.
R. C. SANBORN, Register, 3-34 4-1 ABNER L. HANSCOM, Receiver.

CONTEST NOTICE.
Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Minot, N. D., March 19th, 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 United States Land Office at Minot, N. D., on April 18th, 1903, viz:
LEIGHTON PIERCE
one of the heirs of Jennie H. Pierce, deceased, for the S 1/2 of NE 1/4 and S 1/2 NW 1/4 of Section 4, Township 156, Range 82.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence and cultivation of said land viz:
George A. Lawrence, James Anderson, R. H. Emerson, L. A. Emerson all of Minot, N. D.
3-11 4-15 R. C. SANBORN, Register, LeSueur & Bradford

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Land Office at Minot, N. D., Feb. 11, 1903.
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ANNA M. STAKSTON
H. E. No. 12633, for the nw 1/4 of Sec. 2, Twp. 153, Rge. 84.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
Peter O. Berget, Ole A. Arnestad, Jacob Dwyig, Ludvik E. Mikkelsen all of Minot, N. D.
3-11 4-15 R. C. SANBORN, Register, C. A. Johnson Atty. for claimant 2-18 3-25

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
Land Office at Minot, Feb. 1903.

Notice is hereby given that the following named claimant 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 March 20th 1903, viz:
GEORGE BAUMBER.
C. D. S. No. 231, for the w 1/2 of sw 1/4 sec. 2 and s 1/2 of sw 1/4 sec. 3, Twp. 155 N., Range 84 w.
Notice is further given to August Larson and all other persons claiming adversely to said entry to be and appear at said time and place for the purpose of submitting such adverse claim or claims, if any they have.
R. C. SANBORN, Register, Bird, Harris & Beede, Attys for claimant. 2-18 3-25

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
Department of the Interior, Land Office at Minot, N. D., Feb. 18, 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 William Murray, County Judge, at Minot, N. D. on March 28th, 1903, viz:
CHARLEY WISEN.
H. E. 933, for the s 1/2 nw 1/4 and lots 3 and 4, sec. 2, Twp. 155 n of range 83.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
Axel L. Nelson, Winfield Slatky Frank Slatky, Harry Frank, all of Minot, N. D.
3-11 4-8 R. C. SANBORN, Register 2-18 3-25

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August Carlson
H. E. No. 2486 for the lot 2 sec. 20 Twp. 153 range 82 and ne 1/4, ne 1/4 and s 1/2 of ne 1/4, sec. 25, Twp. 156 n of r 83 w. 15. names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: John Lee Helmer Lee, Alfred Luediger, Lars Sjog, all of Minot, N. D. R. C. Sanborn Register, M. N.

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THORVAL THORESSON
H. E. 7898, for the S 1/2 Sec. 14 Sw 1/4 Sec. 10, Twp. 153, north of range 81 w.
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:
Ole Bakken, Nels Henriksen, Gabriel Davidson, Edwin G. McDroy all of Walter P. O., N. D.
3-11 4-8 J. H. Fraser atty.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.
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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 Register and Receiver U. S. Land Office at Minot, N. D., on April 8th, 1903, viz:
CLARENCE MYATT
for the N 1/2 of S 1/2 of NE 1/4 of Sec. 11, Twp. 152, N of Range 82 W.
Now therefore notice is hereby given that you Walter A. Stafford of Velva, N. D., who made Coal Declaratory Statement No. 305, and you, Charles W. Stafford of Velva, N. D., who made Coal Declaratory Statement No. 306, or any one claiming adverse claim in and to any of the above tract of land, to respond and show cause, if any you have, why said Clarence Myatt should not make proof and payment for said tract.
R. C. SANBORN, Register, James Johnson, atty. for claimant. 2-4 4-3

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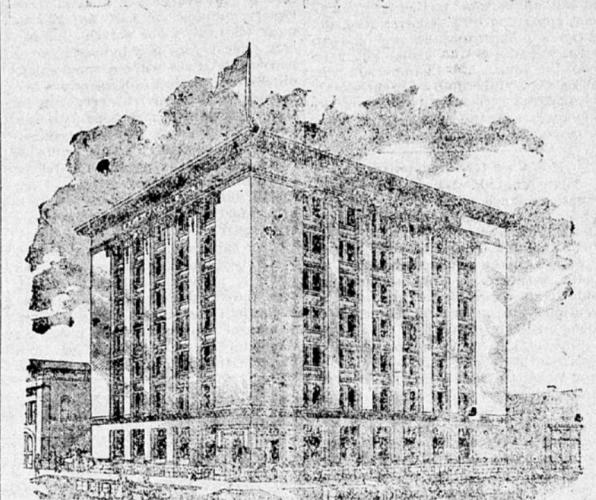
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