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No. Dak.

A reward of \$5,000 was offered for
the return of a lost rope of pearls by
a New York woman. The working
girl who found the jewels was given
\$100, and now she is suing for the re-
maining \$4,900. Here's hoping she
may get every cent of it.

When the Japan Mail of April 11
states that the Osaka copper mining
company produced 1,400,000 lbs in the
last half year it says we know not
what, but when it adds that the com-
pany will declare an 8 per cent di-
vidend it speaks a universal tongue.

Rebels Routed.

Washington, May 31.—Minister Bowen
cables that the government at Ven-
ezuela has captured a port at Barqui-
simiento, between Puerto Cabello and
La Guayra, which the insurgents have
made headquarters a long time.

Drowned at Ontonagon.

Houghton, Mich., May 31.—William
Corgan, son of the lighthouse keeper
at Ontonagon, was drowned. He was
last seen sitting in the stern of a tug
as it pulled out from the dock. The
body has not been recovered.

NORTH DAKOTA STATE NEWS.

Bowbells will incorporate.
Mohall has organized a band.
Steele has a new land office firm.
Jamestown is to be evangelized.
Minot claims to be long on hobos.
McHenry boasts of its fine park.
Hunter boasts of a tramp barber.
Linton people are subscribing for the
band.

Bisbee people want the postoffice en-
larged.

Better fire protection is demanded
at McHenry.

The herd law seems to be ignored at
Washburn.

Cando sports have some interesting
horse races.

Walhalla people seem to have lots of
fun fishing.

The slope rejoices over the excel-
lent rain.

Medina has been made a money or-
der postoffice.

Sunday racing at Cooperstown is un-
der the ban.

Bismarck will have a fast ball team
and a park.

Flaxton aspires to be a division
point on the Soo.

Langdon bicyclists are being kept
off the sidewalks.

Ludden had a narrow escape from
destruction by fire.

Kenmare rejoices over the many im-
provements there.

Bismarckers are enjoying the fish-
ing in Apple creek.

Merry-go-rounds seem to be epidem-
ic in North Dakota.

Company E at Langdon looks swell
in the new uniforms.

Cathay is planning the erection of a
\$7,000 school building.

Grafton ladies bowl free of charge
Wednesday forenoons.

A gang of gypsies has been working
the people of Crystal.

A Church's Ferry kid broke an arm
in a wrestling match.

Velva claims one of the biggest
stock yards in the state.

Park River has decided to postpone
paving until next year.

Fessenden people insist on more and
better roads into town.

Work on a flax fiber mill 32x100 has
begun at Cooperstown.

A Pierce county man has contested
the claim of a Syrian girl.

Sharon has established a good
creamery at a cost of \$4,000.

The La Moure artesian well seems
to be envied by other towns.

A Casselton lady was numbed by
being struck by lightning.

Walhalla people will go to adjoining
towns to celebrate the Fourth.

Milton intends to have the eagle
screaming its loudest on July 4.

The new board at Harvey met fre-
quently immediately after election.

Bicyclists at Devils Lake are being
scolded for riding on the sidewalks.

Company H at Jamestown is receiv-
ing a course of field drills.

The fire losses over the state have
been unusually heavy this spring.

Druggist McMaster of Lakota
dropped dead in East Grand Forks.

A Starkweather house mover uses a
traction engine as the motive power.

A carload of potatoes was shipped
into Rolla and sold at 70 cents per
bushel.

Langdon is growing so rapidly that
it is necessary to open up more
streets.

The Cooperstown firemen are said
to be making runs very near record
time.

The telephone line at Tower City
is being extended in several direc-
tions.

The people of Williams county are
rejoicing especially over the recent
rains.

One of the new towns in Ward
county has been named after Judge
Palda.

Towner is said to have taken a hump
on himself and is particularly active this
spring.

The indorsement given the pure
food law speaks well for its enforce-
ment.

Senator Kirkeide of Benson county
is planning a trip to his old home in
Norway.

Some residents of Page have taken
claims near Coal Harbor in McLean
county.

A Cando man is in a lot of trouble
on the charge of frequenting a tough
joint.

Two men were arrested at Fair-
mount on the charge of breaking the
seal on a Milwaukee car. The evi-
dence was not strong enough to hold
them.

It is said that the Great Northern
may have some trouble securing water
on the survey from Granville to Mo-
hall, which may necessitate a change
of the line.

A collector in the northern part of
the state has an automobile and the
people have quit attempting to escape
him.

The Jamestown man who insulted
a woman and outran the indignant
husband and friends of the lady is said
to hold the championship belt as a
sprinter.

Lisbon seems to get rain in bunches.
Larimore wants a resident city en-
gineer.

Tennis seems epidemic over the
state.

The lightning rod agent has struck
McHall.

An addition has been plated to
Krox.

The people of Berwick want a secret
society hall.

Gesoline cans must be a flaming red
after July 1.

Williams county is to have some
good bridges.

The diphtheria epidemic at Enderlin
was not serious.

Will Kennely, a Mandan boy, died
in Los Angeles.

Cavalier had its first rain of the
season last week.

An epidemic of blackleg is reported
among the cattle at Adrian.

Williston predicts that its ball team
will make some of the other towns go
along.

A pair of Casselton citizens went
all the way to Illinois to take the Kee-
ley cure.

A La Moure county man died as a
result of injuries and left fourteen
children.

The breach of promise suit at Kulm
seems to attract some attention in
Ashley.

Trainmaster Blewett of the North-
ern Pacific at Jamestown has started
a hog ranch.

There is an unusually large number
of private grain elevators being erect-
ed this spring.

At Michigan City some godless indi-
vidual swiped carpenters' tools from
the church.

Two boys at Oakes scrapped over
a wheel and were given time to repent
in the cooler.

The state fire boys expect to have a
great time at Wahpeton during the
tournament.

The La Moure people are already
planning a lake to be supplied from
the artesian well.

Butter coloring seems to be more
poisonous than the gopher strychnine
in Ward county.

The Langdon people will not be
without music after all. The band has
been reorganized.

The James River Valley National
bank at Jamestown has increased its
capital to \$100,000.

Some of the violators of the law are
on the anxious seat at Bismarck, as
court is in session.

Fred Koppelman of Great Bend was
mixed up in a runaway and one of his
legs was broken.

There is an agitation over the state
to induce the ladies to remove their
millinery at churches.

Wheatland has shipped a few cars
of defunct threshing engines that have
long been an eyesore.

There is said to have been a rough
house at Stanley and all kinds of
shooting is reported.

Many sufferers over the state want
an additional heavy penalty imposed
for setting prairie fires.

It is said that thirty gallons of booze
were recently unloaded at Barlow in
lots of one gallon each.

Carrington has been wanting side-
walks for a long time and has finally
had the proper levels established.

The farmers in many counties in the
state are on the warpath about the
poor condition of the crossings.

The usual number of poor ignorant
suckers seems to have been roped in
by the supply houses this spring.

A tramp swiped two grips at Sav-
er from some trainmen, but he was
rounded up before he got away.

The steamboat people at Bismarck
want the right to build a spur track
from the river to connect with the
Soo.

At Anamoose the merchants have
decided to close their stores one after-
noon each two weeks for baseball
games.

The people of Bismarck are rejoicing
over the report that Fort Yates is to
be abandoned and Fort Lincoln en-
larged.

Prof. McMillan, a former band lead-
er at Cavalier, is reported to have
fallen heir to a large fortune in South
Dakota.

Nelson county had a clever horse
thief who swiped a bicycle as a starter
and finally got together a team and
wagon.

North Dakota sheriffs are rejoicing
that the hard trip to Plankinton with
reform school kids is no longer a ne-
cessity.

It is said that the Northern Pacific
time card at Oakes will be greatly
changed as a result of the Soo com-
petition.

The free ferry at Washburn is a
thing of the past. It has been main-
tained by the Washburn road at great
expense.

The alleged find of cannel coal in
Richland county has excited consid-
erable interest and everybody is hop-
ing it's true.

An Oakes man was tried for driving
a horse so hard that the animal died.
The evidence was not considered suf-
ficient to convict.

One Williams county man drew \$54
wolf bounty and hopes to do better
when the state bounty becomes ef-
fective, July 1.

Relatives of Teacher Sausser, who
was killed in Roulette county, are
much dissatisfied with the result of
the trial of the killers.

Some alfalfa wintered well in Bot-
tineau county and is making a good
showing this spring.

Northwest News

COLLIDE IN A FOG.

**Watchfulness Prevents a Great Dis-
aster.**

Duluth, Minn., May 29.—The dense
fog which overhung the western end
of Lake Superior Tuesday evening was
responsible for a collision off Two
Harbors between the freight and pas-
senger steamer Japan, of the Anchor
line, and the ore-laden steamer Ad-
miral. Fortunately the results were
not serious. The steamers were pro-
ceeding under check and whistling at
short intervals. They became cog-
izant of the danger and both were al-
most stopped when they came togeth-
er. The accident happened in the reg-
ular track of vessels, and a great dis-
aster was averted by watchfulness and
coolness on the part of the officers of
both of the boats. The buff of the Ad-
miral's bow shoved about thirty feet
of the after part of the Japan's cabi-
out of line and damaged the side of
the boat somewhat. Between the fog
and the gathering darkness it was im-
possible to see 100 feet ahead.

PRESIDENT AT BUTTE.

**Greatest Crowd in the History of the
City.**

Butte, Mont., May 29. — President
Roosevelt arrived here yesterday
afternoon over the Great Northern
railroad from Helena. He was met at
the station by Mayor Mullins, escorted
by a company of militia, a platoon of
police and the Spanish war veterans,
who are holding their state convention
at Butte. Such a crowd never has
been seen in the history of the city.

The neighboring towns for fifty miles
had poured in their thousands, and the
line of march was crowded to suffoca-
tion. From the station the president
was driven to the court house. Veter-
ans of the Civil and Spanish-American
wars, militia and police formed the
escort.

DOCTORS MEET.

**State Medical Society Will Be Reor-
ganized.**

Mitchell, S. D., May 29.—Yesterday
the twenty-second annual session of
the state medical society began in this
city, and it is said by the local com-
mittee that there will be at least 150
physicians present during the conven-
tion. An interesting program has been
arranged for the visiting physicians,
and they will be well entertained while
in the city. At this meeting the soci-
ety will be reorganized along lines laid
down by the American Medical asso-
ciation, which, for the main feature,
constitutes the division of the state
into districts. The national organizer,
Dr. J. E. McCormack of Bowling
Green, is expected to be present and
assist in the work under contempla-
tion.

COUNTRY ONE VAST LAKE.

**Ten Miles of Farms South of La
Crosse Submerged.**

La Crosse, Wis., May 29.—Ten miles
of farming country south of here are
under water and the loss is heavy.
Several clam diggers' houses have
been swept away. Landslides and
washouts are reported on all railroads,
and traffic is practically blocked. The
weather bureau predicts a rise of two
feet in the river, which will mean a
heavy loss to the farmers.

ACCUSED OF MURDER.

**Alleged Slayer of Harry Meade Under
Arrest.**

Muscatine, Iowa, May 29. — Harry
Gay, arrested on the charge of murder-
ing Arthur Meade at West Liberty,
was jailed here. He protests his inno-
cence, and says he will prove an alibi.
Gay is a disreputable character, form-
erly of Muscatine. Arthur Meade was
murdered in a restaurant in a hold-up
which he considered a joke.

Damages Awarded.

Watertown, S. D., May 29.—Ludwig
Erickson has brought suit against S.
M. Owsley, a merchant, for \$10,000 for
injuries sustained. Erickson was
drunk and used abusive language be-
fore ladies. An employe pushed him
out of the door. He staggered and fell
on the cement curb, fracturing the
small bones of the wrist and sustain-
ing a hurt shoulder. The jury gave
him a verdict of \$300 and costs. The
case will be appealed.

Bank Robbers Sentenced.

St. Peter, Minn., May 29. — James
Young and George Wilson, indicted for
burglary in the third degree, they be-
ing the parties arrested near Delavan
for attempting to rob the Nicollet bank
last month, changed their plea to
guilty. Judge Webber sentenced
George Wilson to four years and six
months at hard labor and James
Young to four years at hard labor in
the state penitentiary.

Bankers Will Gather.

Sioux City, Iowa, May 29.—Local of-
ficers of Group No. 2 of the Iowa Bank-
ers' association have decided to ex-
tend the scope of the coming annual
convention and invite bankers from
South Dakota, Minnesota and Ne-
braska, as well as from Iowa points.
It is expected 500 bankers will be here
to attend the meeting, which will be
held next week.

Huge Cliff Gives Way.

La Crosse, Wis., May 29. — A huge
cliff near Lanesboro, undermined by
floods, fell yesterday, crushing an iron
bridge and burying two clam diggers'
houses. No one was injured. Much
stock is reported drowned.

MAIL SACK FOUND.

**Russian Is Held on Suspicion of Being
the Highwayman.**

supposed to be the man who held up
and robbed the rural mail carrier near
Morris, was arrested here yesterday
by Officer Elstaad. Joriski drove into
this city yesterday afternoon and had
a small sack under the blanket on the
seat of his car. He was arrested and
the mail sack was turned over to
Postmaster Bjorkquist. The sack had
been cut open and some of the letters
opened. Joriski is a Russian and
speaks very little English. From his
broken language he appears to claim
that he found the mail sack along the
roadside. Joriski will be held for the
United States authorities.

WATERS ARE RISING.

**Fine Park Given to La Crosse Is Un-
der the Overflow of Water.**

La Crosse, Wis., May 31.—Pettibone
Park, one of the handsomest pleasure
grounds on the river, recently com-
pleted and donated to the city by A. W.
Pettibone, is nearly entirely under
water as a result of the big rise in the
Mississippi. The government gauge
registered 11.2 here yesterday after-
noon and was rising rapidly. Several
bridges have been washed out by a big
rise in Root river, which empties into
the Mississippi at this point, and
farmers are cut off from communi-
cation with this city.

VERDICT AGAINST SOO.

**Cook Asks Pay for Timber Burned in
Lumber Yards.**

Marinette, Wis., May 31.—The jury
in the case of Cook Bros. against the
Soo Railroad company returned a ver-
dict in favor of the former for \$22,753.
This was an action brought by Cook
Bros. to recover the value of timber
burned in the yards at Corlies and
Van Horn, Marinette county, alleging
that the failure of the Soo Railroad
company to provide cars as it had
agreed resulted in the loss of the entire
stock of cedar. The case will be ap-
pealed.

TANKO IS GUILTY.

**He Shot a Man Who Refused to Let
Him Come in for a Call.**

Duluth, May 31.—The jury in the
case of the state against John Tanko,
charged with the murder of George
Bollich, found the prisoner guilty of
murder in the second degree. He was
indicted for murder in the first degree.
Tanko shot Bollich to death at Chis-
holm, Mesaba range, last April because
the latter refused him admission to his
house with a number of other callers.

KILLED BY TRAIN.

**Soo Freight Runs Over an Unknown
Man Near Turtle Lake.**

Cumberland, Wis., May 31.—An un-
known man was run over and killed by
a Soo freight near Turtle Lake yester-
day. He was about thirty years old,
smooth face, five feet eight inches tall,
wore a dark brown coat with stripes,
light-colored vest, blue pants with
white stripes, new black hat, and had
a gentlemanly appearance. There is
no clue to his identity.

SENDS FILTHY LETTER.

**Former Worker of Y. M. C. A. Receives
a Sentence of Two Months.**

Milwaukee, May 31.—In the federal
court yesterday W. J. Dundas of Ken-
osha, formerly active in Y. M. C. A.
work, was sentenced to two months in
the house of correction for sending
through the mails a letter which was
characterized by the court as "filthy."
Dundas pleaded guilty and asked for
leniency, saying that he expected to be
married in September.

BOLD STREET ROBBERY.

**Highwayman Holds Up a Mail Wagon
Driver at Helena.**

Helena, Mont., May 31.—While driv-
ing down Helena avenue early yester-
day morning Albert Mausehagen,
driver of the United States mail
wagon, was held up and robbed by a
lone highwayman. Mausehagen lost
\$12 in silver and a gold watch valued
at about \$30. The highwayman did
not attempt to molest the mail and es-
caped in the darkness.

KILLED BY CARS.