

STATE NEWS.

A. F. Warner of Medina is charged with committing rape on a seven-year-old girl.

J. C. Atkins, a Des Lacs farmer, held a cannon cracker in his hand and is minus a part of it.

John Millet of Bismarck is harvesting his crop of strawberries, 300 boxes a day. Frozen, barren North Dakota!

A number of patients at the Jamestown insane asylum were taken to the circus the other day and thoroughly enjoyed it.

That strawberries, and fine, large, luscious ones at that, can be raised in Ward county was demonstrated by C. C. Larson of Bowbells.

The apple trees in the vicinity of St. Thomas were injured by the cool weather. The report did not say whether the banana trees were injured or not.

The Souris pool room owners have banded together and have agreed to sell only 2 per cent. malt. They will assist the state's attorney to prosecute the blindpiggers.

A Bismarck baker, completing baking 2,000 loaves of bread for a great Indian celebration, made a great ado over it. The Minot bakeries turn out that many every day.

A very few farmers—not one in forty—in Ward county carry hail insurance. It will take one or two good hail storms to wake them up along these lines. We don't sell hail insurance either.

The two Rock young men who were sentenced to the penitentiary at Bismarck nearly two years ago for stealing grain at Bowbells are home. It is hoped that they will lead upright lives hereafter.

Eugene V. Debs, the great socialist, gave a socialistic address at McKinney July 4, which was far from a patriotic address. Over 3,000 people attended the celebration, which would have been a hummer but for a heavy rain which fell.

It isn't often that an editor can afford to go on a bankers' excursion, yet Editor Gilbertsen of the Glenburn Advance accompanied Banker Healey to Grand Forks, where they joined a party of bankers on a trip to Duluth and Minneapolis, taking a two days' ride on the lake.

Talk about easy money. John Burkey, in Billings county, bought 100 old ewes last fall for a dollar apiece, and last spring sold their wool for \$160, and still has the original ewes, with their 40 lambs. Every farmer should have a few sheep. The cost of keeping them is practically nothing, and the percentage of gain almost fabulous.

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Unusual Activity.

Two Methodist churches were dedicated Sunday, one at Pleasant Lake by Dr. Forbes and one at Sherwood by Presiding Elder Moore. Next Sunday a Methodist church will be dedicated at Mohall by Dr. Forbes and another at Voltaire by Mr. Moore. At a large meeting held at Des Lacs Monday night it was de-

cided to build a new M. E. church 24x40.

Mrs. Beinek, who injured her ankle on an icy side walk at the corner of Main and Second streets on Dec. 23, is suing the city of Minot for \$5000.

Charles Olson is now in Manila where he will work for the government.

Jourgen Olson sold a quarter of land and a relinquishment for \$2600 last week.

Geo. Griffith, foreman for the Reporter's job office, and one of the best printers that ever struck Minot has severed his connections with that plant and will leave for Portland, Ore., to see the big fair.

We wonder why it was—that there were so few drunken men in Minot on the Fourth. Some say it is because a good many of the blind porkers have been decapitated. Others say that the supply of whiskey grew scarce. The best reason seems to be that L. G. Walstrom, the manager of the Murray Cure was in the city and it does beat all what an

influence for good such a man as he has anyway.

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The work on the excavation for Mejanet's new building is progressing nicely.