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## EDITORIAL COMMENT.

The Carpio News has been absorbed by the Minot Printing Co., Editor Dodge of the News has traded his plant in at \$2000, and E. L. Johnson will go to Carpio to manage the newspaper work. Johnson is quite a capable newspaper man and can give Carpio a good paper if he wants to.

The best definition of a friend that has yet been produced is the word of a Missouri school boy: "A friend is a person who knows all about you and likes you just the same. Lincoln's definition: "A friend is a person who would rather do you good than have you like him." This has to take second place in comparison with the preceding flash of wisdom.

When you wish to stop a paper write the publisher a letter giving your name and address and enclose a money order for the amount due on your subscription, and the paper will be stopped. Don't try to escape paying for your paper by refusing it through the postoffice. The law provides that you must pay your back subscription before you can discontinue.—Ex.

A grand new game has cropped out. It is called "Tickle the Editor," and is as follows: Take a sheet of ordinary writing paper fold it nicely, enclose a bank note sufficiently large enough to pay all arrearages and one year in advance and hand it to the editor. Keep your eye on him and if a smile adorns his face it works fine and dandy. Now is the time to play the joke—it beats ping pong, pit and flinch all hollow.

No wonder things are said about John D. Rockefeller. The old man is worth a thousand million dollars. Think of it. Enough money to make a thousand of our Ward county farmers millionaires. If his wealth were all piled up in gold, it would require 23,000 men to carry it away, allowing 150 pounds for each man. There are no millionaires in Ward county, but its more than likely than any one of you farmers are happier today than Rockefeller with all of his millions.

The Independent is renewing yearly contracts for 1906 and is pleased that Paul V. McCoy regards the worth of our space to such an extent that he has purchased 6240 inches to be used during the year. This space costs money and must bring Mr. McCoy some results. Mr. McCoy believes in printer's ink and will spend more than \$2000 in his advertising in 1906. He never allows the same advertisement to appear more than once. He is not a man who is willing to pay nothing more or less than a strait jacket to our readers. He has a public know that fact. That's worth of business this year.

The farmer is to the merchant as the paper man. The farmer sends and coffee and the merchant howls, but he has a howl to get the trade of the public and sentiment the newspaperman gradually educates the unruly thus prospering the merchant. The extra shekels and continues the newspaperman gets—the "g

The Optic went out of the lead to state that the Independent and the Reporter were neither capable of judging the right price that should have been charged for the court calendars which the Optic printed for the county, and for which they were paid \$389. Later when a terrible howl went up in the county, the commissioners thought it would look better to lower the bill. The warrant was recalled and a new one issued to the Optic for \$150. Even then the price was \$75 too high. A few weeks ago the Independent printed the largest court calendar ever gotten out in the county and received \$48 for the job. We made \$10 on the job at that. There is a little difference between \$48 and \$398, isn't there? Now, we were going to let the Optic down easy and would not have made this comparison at all, if we had not been compelled to do so, by that slurring remark.

Notwithstanding the fact that taxes are higher in Minot this year than usual, a property owner has figured out that he can build houses for renting purposes and still make 20 per cent on the investment. This is good considering that on a \$1500 house, one has to pay nearly \$50 tax. A \$1500 residence in a good part of Minot will rent for \$30 or \$35 per month. This means that the renter has an income of \$420 per year. Subtract from that amount \$50 for taxes and \$10 for insurance, figures plenty high enough, and he will have \$360 left. There are people who are only too willing to pay good rent if they can but secure the houses. The Great Northern without a shadow of a doubt, will bring the big railroad shops here in the spring, which means that we will have to build houses for the people who will be brot here to work. Besides, Minot is growing very rapidly in other lines, and withal, many houses must be erected. Business men who have a little spare money, should by all means invest it in houses for these people. Help your city and at the same time help yourself.

Competition is the life of trade, and farming in North Dakota is no exception to the rule. Twenty-five years ago this was that to be a good place in which to raise cattle and sheep, but the ranchmen were sure it was a poor place for general farming. Some of them aren't converted yet, and a smiling field of North Dakota grain gives many a cattle man that tired feeling. Here and there throughout the state farming was conducted on systematic lines, and wherever ordinary intelligence was used the soil and the sun raised a crop. Then the farmers from Illinois and Iowa came. They might have been looking for cheap land, but they brought their knowledge of corn-raising with them. The result has been to firmly establish North Dakota as a corn growing state, not upon the extensive prairie and Illinois, but as a part of the country where a crop of fine corn may be raised every year. So the Kansan and the Minotian came and taught us all they knew about growing and North Dakota has learned its lesson so well that it is this year among the wheat growing states. Flax was one of the earliest and best crops and we now produce 60 per cent of the American product in this standard grain.

## WHITE GIRL

### CHOOSES NEGRO

For Her Husband—Pretty 20 Year Old Oriska Girl Tries to Marry Big Colored Fellow.

A big, black, colored man, who travels under the name of Ross and who claims to be a fortune teller, and a white girl who has been doing house work in the neighborhood of Oriska, put in an appearance Tuesday morning at one of the hotels in Valley City, where they registered as man and wife, after which they started out on a search for a preacher, who would unite them in marriage. Meanwhile acquaintances of the girl at Oriska telephoned Chief Burt and informed him of what was going on and asked his assistance in preventing the wedding if possible. It is understood that the couple found a preacher, who declined to perform the ceremony. They learned about this time that a license was needed and made application to Judge Irgens, who meanwhile had heard from Oriska, and he declined to give them a license. This colored man has rather an unsavory reputation and has been warned out of Valley City on several occasions. The girl is about 20 years of age, and her choice of a husband would indicate that she was not right mentally.

The soothing and comforting effects of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, when applied to Piles, Sores, Cuts, Boils, etc., subdues pain almost instantly. This Salve draws out the inflammation, reduces swelling and acts as a rubefacient, thus circulating the blood through the diseased parts, permitting or aiding nature to permanently remove the trouble entirely. Sold by McCoy & Co.

### Speaks Well of Penitentiary.

Michael Devauey, recently pardoned from the state pen, writes: "I am an old man—82 years—and the past year have been confined in the state penitentiary at Bismarck on account of violating the prohibition law. I was never in prison before on account of crime. I have traveled in 32 states of this union and have visited and inspected several prisons, but never saw better discipline or better management than is found in the Bismarck penitentiary. Warden F. Boucher, and Deputy Warden Norman McDonald are very able and competent men for the place. I was treated kindly by all the officers of the prison; the physician in charge was very good to me. I was the oldest man in the prison and I write this letter as a token of respect to Warden Boucher and his assistants.

A reasonable amount of food thoroughly digested and properly assimilated will always increase the strength. If your stomach is a "little off", Kodol Dyspepsia Cure will digest what you eat and enable the digestive organs to assimilate and transform all foods into tissue-building blood. Kodol relieves Sour Stomach, Belching, Heart-burn and all forms of Indigestion. Palatable and strengthening. Sold by McCoy & Co.

### Greatest on the Road.

Without a doubt the best moving picture and vaudeville show ever seen in the state is that produced by Beatty Bros. who opened a three nights engagement here Thursday night. The moving pictures were not only interesting but highly instructing and altho the show lasted nearly three hours, all were sorry when the curtain went down. Beatty Bros. know the show business from A to Z and the Independent can say that there is not a poor feature in the entire entertainment. The Japanese-Russian war pictures alone were worth the price of admission. That which pleased the people especially was the picture of Joseph Sold Into Egypt. The great train robbery was especially good, and kept many on the anxious seat until the robbers had been all killed. The show drew a crowded house, and deserved it.

### REAL ESTATE BARGAINS

In well-located city lots, only 1 1/2 block from new handsome \$50,000 Great Northern dept. Will sell to prospective home builders on easy terms. Title absolutely good. Call and see me at once. Sale will not last long.

Dr. J. M. ERREM.

## We Are Cash Buyers OF

# CREAM!

Every farmer who has cows should ship us his cream as it will be a big advantage over making butter. 3c below New York price is our basis, except for sweet cream, 3c more or New York flat.

We Now Pay 25 cents for Butterfat

MINOT CREAMERY CO.

R. C. SANBORN, President

ED. PIERCE, Vice-President

A. J. BRUNNER, Cashier

## MINOT - STATE - BANK.

WE ARE IN A POSITION TO BUY YOUR FARM. SEE US BEFORE YOU SELL. IN CASE WE WILL BE ABLE TO GIVE YOU AS HIGH A PRICE AS YOU THINK YOU SHOULD HAVE LIST YOUR LAND WITH US AND WE WILL SELL IT. WE HAVE ESTABLISHED 350 AGENCIES IN THE EAST AND CAN GET THE HIGHEST PRICE FOR YOUR LAND. YOU SIGN NO IRONCLAD AGREEMENT. IF YOU WANT A LOAN LET US MAKE IT.

The officers pledge themselves to protect the patrons at all times. Your money is in perfectly safe hands when deposited in this bank.

## LOANS

The bank is prepared to loan money on city residences, business blocks and farming lands, at a reasonable rate of interest. Money always on hand. No commission or bonus.

THE BANK SOLICITS A SHARE OF YOUR PATRONAGE.

## SHIP YOUR



To ANDERSCH BROS.

MINOT, N. D.  
OR TO OUR MAIN HOUSE AT MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

The highest market prices guaranteed. You will realize 10 to 50 per cent. more by shipping these to us than by selling at home. Write today.

### Fine Farm for Sale

Eight miles north of Minot, 200 acres of fine land 100 acres under the plow 80 acres was in blue stem wheat this year and averaged 25 bushels to the acre will sell on small cash payment balance one-half crop until paid. This land is all tillable, the soil is of a rich, heavy black loam.

C. D. Wolverton,  
Minot, N. D.

## EASTERN WORK HORSES

Just received a car-load of fine EASTERN WORK HORSES,

Weight from 1200 to 1500 pounds.

Will sell cheap at my farm six miles northeast from Minot.

FOR SALE—A high grade Percheron stallion colt, 2 years old last May. Weight 1500 lbs. Good disposition. Drives nicely singly and double.

Let me know your wants. I can supply you in any kind of a horse.

A. V. Swanson.

## LET US BE YOUR BAKER

By that, we mean let us make your breads, cakes, pies and other pastries. We are equipped perfectly now to turn out the best goods that modern machinery and skill affords

If you want anything special made, tell us and we will accommodate you.

AUSLANDER, THE BAKER,  
MINOT, NORTH DAKOTA.

## ONLY THREE OLD PIECES

I CAN truthfully make the assertion that in my entire line of furniture there are only three pieces that were bought prior to last March. That is the secret of having a first-class stock of furniture. I am careful in my buying, ordering only that which people will want to buy. I sell cheaper than any furniture house in the west, quality considered, and can prove this assertion if you will but come here and let me give you prices.

I have a few pieces of fine furniture that were scratched and marred a little in moving. Will sell dirt cheap. Remember that I am in my new location on South Main Street. Come in and examine the stock and new building even if you don't care to buy anything.

Furniture **McJANNET,** Undertaking  
Minot, North Dakota.