

## THE WARD COUNTY INDEPENDENT

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### EDITORIAL COMMENT

#### Having Steady Growth.

Minot seems to be fully as good a city this year as it was last, though in the early part of the season, it was feared that owing to the blockaded railroads of last winter, and the severity of the weather in general, business might have a slight falling off. Merchants inform the Independent that their business is better this spring than it was last, month for month—which in a good indication. Of course there may be a few exceptions, but this is the rule.

Minot is having a steady growth, which is a source of great pleasure to the people of this city. The knocker who stood on the street corner "chawing" tobacco and looking wise, and telling you that Minot was only the product of a mushroom growth, is not in evidence any more. Only the broad minded, optimistic citizen has a place and to say that a man comes from Minot, is significant to say that he's the best booster in the land. Why do you realize what Minot is doing this year? Forty thousand dollars are being spent in pulling down the hills and grading the streets. Practically a million dollars worth of good buildings are being erected this year.

Residences cannot be put up fast enough. When the foundation for a new residence is completed, twenty are after the owner, wanting to rent the building as soon as it is completed, often paying the rent from the time that the first stone is laid. Three new churches are being erected. A \$200,000 mill, a huge elevator with 70,000 bushels capacity, a \$45,000 Masonic Temple, a big three story double store for Roell & Blakey, a \$40,000 wholesale house for the Stone, Ordean, Wells Co., the completion of the mammoth new Lexington hotel, the enlargement of the Leland at a cost of \$20,000, and many other structures, under the course of erection, make Minot the best city in the United States for its size.

Who can say at looking at any of these improvements that Minot is having a mushroom growth? The Kenmare Journal or the Stanley Sun might be base enough to assert such a statement, but you can't find people with brains say a word against the Magic City.

#### Does It Pay?

Owing to labor troubles, Butte, Mont., a town of 90,000, was for some weeks without a newspaper. It was the most impressive object lesson in advertising, and the worth to a community of the newspaper. The universal testimony of the municipality was, business became stagnant, people lost interest in the life of the city, and all progress was at a standstill.

In the big department stores the clerks idled away their time and the managers displayed their "many bargains" in vain; the proprietors fretted and counted the days until the unpaid fell due. In many of the stores trade fell off to such an extent that half of the clerks were discharged. In a word, the business of the city discovered that it was at the mercy of the newspapers to keep things moving and had the labor troubles continued for any length of time, commercial retrogression would have been well under way.

The merchant who did not realize the value of advertising, became a convert, and the papers of Butte are flooded with ads since the strike was declared off. Some of the merchants in all towns and cities do not advertise and yet they manage to do a certain amount of business—that they succeed is either a peculiar combination of circumstances or because their competitors advertise and they got some of the crowd, but taken as a general proposition, the welfare of a merchant much more largely depends upon the newspaper than is generally supposed. Intelligent advertising, there being a field, will bring success to any merchant—Valley City Times Record.

#### Someone Else's Business.

The Glenburn Advance thinks that the Independent ought to give its advertising space to the Devils Lake Chautauqua free of charge. It claims that the Chautauqua is a worthy institution and is entitled to free advertising. We suppose that Bro. Gilbertsen thinks that the Chautauqua ought to get its job printing for nothing.

The man who sells tickets at the grounds ought to do the work free of all charges and feed himself besides. Of course the Chautauqua is a worthy organization. We never said it wasn't. John Jones may be running a store in Glenburn. His object may be worthy. He may have a family to support and may be running the store for a living. Is that any reason Bro. Gilbertsen that you ought to give Mr. Jones advertising free of charge.

Of course you don't run your business on those grounds. Then why give a Devils Lake concern free advertising when you would be insulted if any one of your Glenburn business men would ask you to do the same with him.

The Independent is purely a business proposition, with advertising space to sell. If we have any space to give away, we will start and dish it out at home, and if there is any left, then we might distribute it among the business institutions of the surrounding towns.

Again we repeat, the Devils Lake Chautauqua is a money making concern. It charges

good and plenty for everything that it gives, and we believe that the newspapers of the state ought to purely get advertising rates for all readers.

#### Once Again.

Our little giant brained contemporary, Mr. Clark, had another spasm Sunday morning. Sam always seems to have a bad taste in his mouth Sunday mornings, but the people have begun to expect this, and are rather surprised if something vituperous does not appear. This time Sam is in mourning because Commissioner De Lance was appointed without his consent.

Isn't it a terrible thing that the appointing board, after Commissioner Black resigned, went about its business and according to law, regularly appointed a man, and a good one too, to fill the vacancy. The board did a terrible wrong. It certainly should have taken Sam into its confidence and ascertained whether Mr. De Lance was acceptable to him or not. Mr. Clark should have been given an opportunity of conferring with Mr. De Lance before he was appointed to see whether he would be "right" for the Reporter or not. The Board should never do such a thing again. Sam might not like it. Perhaps Sam might have some particular friend in the western part of the county that ought to have been considered; and the action of the board last Saturday did not give him a chance to pull any wires.

Isn't it revolting to think that the board of appointment should act exactly in accordance with the law? The idea of observing the law and in Imperial Ward at that.

#### More Improvements.

The Independent has sent in an order for a new type-setting machine—a linotype which we expect will be here within ninety days. This machine has been made necessary by a great increase in business, for it is absolutely necessary that we enlarge and at once. Last week we printed sixteen pages, and was compelled to sidetrack more than two pages of advertising until the present week. The new machine is the late Model 5, the very latest machine on the market and will cost, with metal and full equipment, nearly four thousand dollars.

This is a big undertaking for a weekly newspaper but we have faith in Minot and the country surrounding this city, and believe that the people will continue to give us a share of their patronage. While this machine will do the work of three or four men, we do not contemplate cutting down our working force in the least, but rather intend to increase our capacity. When the new machine is installed, we promise our readers a great improvement in the news service of the Independent, which at the present time is equal to that of any weekly newspaper in the entire state.

#### He May Dodge It.

Physicians who prescribe straight whiskey or other undiluted liquors to their patients and fill the prescription themselves are liquor dealers, says an exchange. This is what John W. Yerkes, commissioner of internal revenue has ruled on the subject and to make the fact more impressive he has ordered that every physician so prescribing and furnishing liquors to his patients must pay the regular federal liquor dealer's tax of \$25 a year. Hereafter the physician who stimulates his patient from his private flask is a liquor dealer. What Mr. Yerkes says in regard to the liquor trade goes unless reversed by the United States supreme court. If, however, the doctor is wise he can dodge the tax by mingling some drug with the booze. If this is done the concoction becomes medicine and the doctor ceases to be a purveyor of alcoholic beverages. But he mustn't call it a cocktail. There's another ruling that would get him on that. The text of Mr. Yerkes' ruling is as follows: A physician cannot prescribe, and furnish to his patient alcohol or whiskey, or any other alcoholic liquor not compounded into a medicine with drugs or medicinal substances, without involving himself in special tax liability under the internal revenue laws, even though he thus sells such liquor for use as medicine only.

#### Sends Out Warning.

County Superintendent E. G. Warren is sending circular letters to the school boards of the county, warning them against buying school furniture thru the furniture agents. Mr. Warren says that there are eight agents in the county who are selling school furniture—at a big profit of course—and one of them has openly boasted that he is making a thousand dollars a week for his company. Mr. Warren asserts that charts are being sold for \$47, whose actual cost is \$10. Furniture factories that have agents in the field, of course refuse to give figures to the school boards, but Mr. Warren says he is in a position to give them figures. It would be well for members of school boards to be a little careful before they buy from strange agents.

#### History Repeats Itself.

It is not surprising that some of our young men seem to have such hard work to be decent. Just remember that the first man to dwell upon the earth was no saint. If we can rely upon his history he was a liar and a sneak. The first woman kept bad company, and woman-like pried into things that did not concern her. The first child born was a murderer and killed his brother. Our first ancestors were a tough lot and it is hard to get it out of the blood.

#### Of Great Value.

The Independent desires to call the attention of the farmers to the fact that shallow surface harrowing is of great value during a dry season. Such harrowing keeps a dust blanket over the ground, breaks up the capillary system which carries considerable moisture from the soil, thus conserving the moisture already in the ground. Proper working of the soil will save an amount of moisture equal to many rains.

## Absolute Safety

is the best thing we have to offer. Other inducements are of secondary importance. Upon this basis only, do we solicit your patronage.

## HANDSOME INCREASE

Our recent published statement is so gratifying that we beg to call your attention to it; also to ask that you note the handsome increase of deposits during the past year.

## SECOND NATIONAL BANK, MINOT, N. D.

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA } In District Court  
County of Ward ss. Eighth Judicial District.  
Peter M. Northensold, Plaintiff,  
The Heirs of Martin Munson, deceased, vs. The Heirs of Victor Munson, deceased, and all persons unknown claiming any estate or interest in, or lien or encumbrance upon the property described in the complaint. Defendants.

#### STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS.

You are hereby summoned to answer the complaint of the plaintiff in the above entitled action, which is filed in the office of the Clerk of the District Court, within and for the county of Ward and state of North Dakota, in his office in the City of Minot, in the said County and State, and to serve a copy of your answer upon the subscribers, at their office in the city of Minot, in the above named County and State, within thirty days after the service of this summons and complaint upon you, exclusive of the date of service, and in case of your failure to answer or appear, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated at Minot, North Dakota, this 21st day of May, A. D. 1907. PALDA & BURKE, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

Postoffice and office, Opera House Block, Minot, North Dakota.

Notice To The Above Named Defendants. You and each of you are hereby notified that this action relates to the following described real estate situated and being in Ward county, North Dakota, East Half (56) of 1/20 Southwest Quarter (34), and the west half (34), of the Southeast Quarter (34), Section Twenty (20), Township One Hundred Sixty (160) north of range Ninety-One (91), west of the Fifth principal Meridian; also the Southeast Quarter (34) Section Four (4), Township One Hundred Sixty (160), north of range Ninety (90), west of the Fifth Principal Meridian.

5-23-07 PALDA & BURKE Attorneys for Plaintiff.

#### NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, Land Office at Minot, N. Dak., May 20, 1907. Notice is hereby given that Gust Moore, of Minot, N. Dak., has filed notice of his intention to make final commuted proof in support of his claim, viz:

Homestead Entry No. 40304, made April 11, 1906 for the SE 1/4, of Sec. 19, township 153, range 83, and that said proof will be made before the Register and Receiver of U. S. Land Office at Minot, N. D., on June 27, 1907. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of said land, viz: Martin Gabrielson, Math Bainshaugen, Peter Nybakken, Odin Vold, all of Minot, N. Dak. L. D. McGAHAN, Register.

#### STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

County of Ward ss. In District Court, Eighth Judicial District.

William Lindsay, Thomas R. Lindsay, and R. J. Fairbairn, co-partnership doing business under the firm name and style of Lindsay Brothers, Plaintiffs, vs. E. C. Erb, Defendant.

Notice is hereby given, that under a warrant of attachment, to me directed and delivered, and issued out of the Clerk's office, of the District court, Eighth Judicial district, State of North Dakota, in and for the county of Ward, I levied upon the following described real property of said defendant, to-wit: Lots Eleven and Twelve (11 and 12), block fourteen, (14) town of Ryder, Ward county, North Dakota; That under and by virtue of an execution to me directed and delivered, and now in my hands, issued out of the Clerk's office of said District Court in and for Ward county, upon a judgment rendered in said court, in favor of Lindsay Brothers, plaintiffs and against E. C. Erb, defendant, I shall on the 22nd day of June, A. D. 1907, at the hour of two o'clock p. m. of said date, at the front door of the Court House, in the city of Minot, in said County and State, proceed to sell the right, title and interest of the above-named E. C. Erb, in and to the above described property to satisfy said judgment and costs, amounting to Ten Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-Two Dollars and Sixty-Seven Cents (\$10,772.67) together with all accruing costs and interest on the same from and after the 12th day of April, A. D. 1907, at the rate of seven per cent (7) per annum, at public auction to the highest bidder for cash.

JOHN J. LEE, Sheriff of Ward County, North Dakota. By C. R. M. Sheriff of Ward County, North Dakota. Paid & Burke, attys for Plaintiffs. 5-16-07

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MATT J. JOHNSON'S "6088"

Is by Far the Best Blood Purifier and Rheumatism Cure Ever Offered.

People suffering with RHEUMATISM, KIDNEY TROUBLE, CATARRH OR ANY OTHER BLOOD TROUBLE will find immediate relief in "6088"

YOUR MONEY REFUNDED if you are not satisfied on taking half a bottle. Could anything be fairer?

Sold and Guaranteed by McCoy & Co., Minot, N. D.

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We own and control a large acreage of the best land in the Northwest for Grain, Stock or Combination Farming at prices within the reach of any man of Moderate Means and on terms that cannot be duplicated elsewhere.

We offer some choice allotments of Western Canada Farm Land at prices that are right.

You can make no better investment anywhere at this time than in Northwestern Farm Lands. They are sure to increase rapidly to several times their present market value.

For prices, terms and other information, call on or address:

## MINOT REALTY COMPANY, Room 12, Lee Block MINOT, N. D.

## Better Than Ever

I am now located in my large new bakery building on Ramstad street which has been fitted with the latest improvements, necessary for the turning out of breads and pastries of the best kinds in the shortest time. Send in your orders. We can supply you and with prices that are right.

I buy my flour, several carloads at a time, get the best that the market affords and can therefore quote right prices.

Besides, I can turn out work right on time, deliver it to you when you want it.

— GIVE ME A TRIAL IF YOU ARE NOT ALREADY A CUSTOMER —

## THE MINOT BAKERY HENRY AUSLANDER, Prop. MINOT, N. D.

## Valley Meat Market

We always handle the best and largest line of Meats in the City Phone orders delivered prompt

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Contractor and Builder of Brick, Cement and Frame Buildings. I solicit all classes of work in my line and guarantee satisfaction. For references let me cite you to the 500 or more modern homes I have erected in Minot.

I am prepared to do all kinds of job work in my shop on short notice Opposite Scandinavian Hotel

## MINOT, NORTH DAKOTA.

#### ALIAS CONTEST NOTICE

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Minot, N. D., May 7, 1907. A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Joseph Kershner, contestant, against homestead entry No. 25489, made October 12, 1903, for 1/2 sec. 34, sec. 34, 1/2 sec. 34, Township 9, Township 151, Range 81, by William Wolinsky, 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 the said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegations at 10 o'clock a. m. on June 25, 1907, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in Minot, North Dakota.

The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit filed April 29, 1907, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of the contest notice herein can not be made, it is therefore hereby ordered and directed that such notice be made by due and proper publication.

L. D. McGahan, Register, Thomas E. Osgard, of Minot, N. D., Atty. for Contestant.

My full blooded black Percheron stallion will be at my home, sec. 8, twp 153, rge 84, from Saturday night until Wednesday morning of each week: Services \$15 to insure sucking standing colt. He weighs 1700 lbs and is a sure animal. JOSEPH GUSTAFSON, Greiland, N. D.

Automobile Owners: We can insure your auto while in any part of the state against loss by fire for \$22.50 per thousand. Montgomery & Company.