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WANTS TO LEAVE ASYLUM

Former Independent Printer Who is in Insane Asylum at Washington, D. C., Would Rather Be in Prison—Says He is Ill Treated.

W. B. Walker, the school-teacher-printer, who is confined in the Federal hospital for the insane at Washington, D. C., is making a legal fight to be set free from that institution, on the ground that the food and treatment which he is receiving there are undermining his health.

Walker formerly worked in the Independent office as printer, and we are certain that he is no more insane now than he ever has been. In fact he never has been insane, but is possessed of a very jealous disposition which, combined with a terrific temper, makes him a man to be feared when anyone crosses his path. Walker, while teaching school near Bowbells, attended a teachers' institute in Minot and met a young woman teacher with whom he fell in love, at first sight, you might say. The woman accepted his attentions but did not return his love, but Walker was persistent and pressed his suit until the young woman could bear his actions no longer.

She soon after married a prominent young real estate dealer in Balfour, and about that time Walker began to send obscene letters thru the mails, attempting to damage the reputation of his former sweetheart. He went as far as to threaten her life and was arrested several times, but always managed to be set free when he promised to go away and forget his troubles.

One night Walker walked into Balfour, went to the home of his former sweetheart while she and husband were sitting about the supper table, and attempted to kill them both. The husband jumped up and grabbed Walker and he was arrested. The Federal authorities took him in charge, and it appeared for a time as though he would be sent to the Federal prison. Thru his attorneys a plea of insanity was made and Walker was sent to the insane asylum where he now is. Just before Walker was taken away he wrote the Independent a letter stating that he was not insane, and that he thought best to spend a few months in the asylum rather than spend a term behind prison bars.

It is likely that Walker will succeed in getting free from the asylum, only to be tried on a very serious charge, that of sending obscene letters thru the mails.

Walker is a bright fellow in nearly every way. He proved up a claim in Canada, sold it and invested considerable money in Minot real estate.

Walker had a hard time to get word out of the Federal insane asylum to his attorney, but this was done in a secret manner. Walker says he prefers a penitentiary sentence rather than remain longer with the insane.

Stomach troubles, heart and kidney ailments, can be quickly corrected with a prescription known to druggists everywhere as Dr. Shoop's Restorative. The prompt and surprising relief which this remedy immediately brings is entirely due to its Restorative action upon the controlling nerves of the Stomach, etc. A. A. P. Slocum, the druggist.

The Desired Effect.

Here is an example of the effects of advertising found in the increase of business at the Branch store, 130 Main street, which concern has used the Independent's columns almost to the exclusion of all the other papers. The name "Branch" has been placed before the people each week for the past year in such a way that there is not a man, woman or child in the northwest but who knows of this concern, and the business of this store is fully double what it was a year ago. The Independent is always glad when its patrons derive a benefit from the use of its advertising columns.

When thinking of wall paper remember Schwartz the wall paperman, corner Main and Second streets.

CONTEST NOTICE

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office, Minot, North Dakota, Sept. 2, 1907.
A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Ludwig F. Ruge, contestant, against homestead entry No. 4922, made June 25, 1906, for the NW 1/4 of Section 25, Township 134 N., Range 36 W., 5th P. M., by Charles W. Colstrom, contestee, in which it is alleged that said Charles W. Colstrom, said contestee, has wholly abandoned said tract and changed his residence 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; said parties are hereby notified to appear, respond and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on Dec. 13, 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 Sept. 26, 1907, 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.
L. D. McCannan, Register.
E. F. Fox, Receiver.
Thomas E. Olgard, of Minot, North Dakota, 0-10-11-14 Attorney for Contestant.

Registered Jersey Bulls for Sale.

Bull calf dropped January 26, 1907, sire Idle Hour, St. Lambert 67205, dam King's Exile Lady 176713. This calf is solid color, with black tongue and switch; his sire is by King of St. L's King 30752 who sired 34 daughters, who made from 14 lbs. to 24 lbs. 6 oz. butter in 7 days, and was out of Elsie Bommer with a test of 21 lbs. butter in a week.

His sire was out of Princess of Eau Claire, a grand-daughter of the famous Mela Ann 5444 and a full sister to Dela S. of Eau Claire 19 lbs. 3 oz. and one of the cows in the St. Louis test; Princess of Eau Claire had a test of 17 lbs. 6 oz. The dam of this calf is a pure St. Lambert of strong constitution and a large milker and butter maker.

Bull calf dropped April 13, 1907, sire Imported King of Hamble 65298, dam Jane Noonan, 146721; this calf is solid color with black tongue and switch; his sire is by Eminent 2nd P. 3533 H. C. who sold for \$10,000, won states prize over the Island of Jersey in 1901 and 1902 and sire of 9 cows with tests from 16 lbs. 13 oz. to 24 lbs. 3 oz. butter in 7 days; King of Hamble has been pronounced by competent judges to be Eminent's best son. The dam of this calf Jane Noonan, has a test of 16 lbs. 13 oz. butter in 7 days; she gave 7540 lbs. milk in one year and comes from some large milking American bred strains.

Bull calf dropped May 26, 1907, sire Imported King of Hamble 65298 (see above), dam, Gladys of Idle Hour

181739; this calf's dam is a big milking young cow who has given over 40 lbs. milk in one day and will without doubt be tested soon. This calf is solid fawn with black tongue and switch.

Bull calf dropped June 3, 1907, sire Brown Bessie's Babchen 69657, dam Hollime 15717; Brown Bessie's Babchen was by Recorder 29230, sire of 11 cows with tests from 15 lbs. 3 oz. to 20 lbs. 1 oz. butter in seven days and out of Brown Bessie, 20 lbs. 8 oz., winner at the Chicago World's Fair dairy test; the sire of this calf traces to the high Combustion strain; the calf's dam is of St. Lambert breeding and a remarkable individual; she is a large milker. This calf is a well grown youngster and bids fair to be a large handsome bull as his pedigree gives him the right to be.

Bull calf dropped September 14, 1907, sire Idle Hour Blue Belle Prince 72292, dam St. Lambert Prospect; the sire of this calf is a grandson of the famous imported Blue Belle, who sold for \$3,800 and of Golden Fern's Lad, believed by many to be the greatest Jersey bull living; his dam was sired by Idle Hour St. Lambert (see above) and part of May Prospect who was a daughter of Two Hundred Per Cent and out of Cretonia Signal; this calf combines the best American and Jersey strains; is solid colored, with black tongue and switch.

For extended pedigrees and price of these calves, address, SPOON FARM, Minot, North Dakota.
Ernest B. Folsom, Manager.

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KATE UNDERDAHL, Prop.

(Successor to Mrs. Egan)

New creations in Millinery just arrived from our large Chicago purchase. I can show you the latest in the art. Work turned out quickly and at reasonable prices.

Morrill Hotel Block

Minot, N. D.



DON'T BE FAT

There is a health advantage in being reduced in weight as it enables the heart and lungs to expand and perform their work naturally. Take off your surplus fat with

OBSESITY TREATMENT

and quickly reduce your weight to normal. With it there is no starvation process, with it you may eat all you want of what you want and you'll feel better the first day you take this wonderful treatment.

RECALL OBESITY TREATMENT is taken right after meals as a pleasant effervescent beverage. You hardly know you're taking a medicine at all and it's absolutely safe. Its action compels proper assimilation of all foods and sends nutriment where it belongs. It will convert your food into muscles, nerves, sinews, brain tissues and energy, instead of into useless surplus fat. Complete treatment for \$1.00.

McCOY & CO.

Leland Hotel

State News

Editor Snyder is running a mighty successful weekly paper in the Kermit News.

Herman Knorr of Estevan, Can., is ill of typhoid fever in the county hospital.

Mrs. Voigt, wife of the editor of the Deeds News, submitted to a successful operation in the Rochester hospital.

Wm. Ireland got his arm mixed up in a threshing machine at Ray and the flesh was terribly torn. The arm may be saved.

Influenced by reading cheap novels two young ladies at Lisbon ran away from their home and were caught at Fargo.

Sam Small has severed his connection with the Devils Lake Inter Ocean and Senator Hansbrough, the owner, may form a stock company of it.

Jack Carter and Dan Hawkins, two prominent southwestern Ward county ranchers, visited the Hub Tuesday and called on their many old friends.

A number of farmers living northeast of Granville report having lost horses since the commencement of threshing season. Overfeeding of oats is the cause given.

According to a law recently passed those who repair engines, threshing machines or well machinery may file liens against those things for their pay.

The public lands of the northwest are being rapidly settled by homesteaders. During the past year over one million acres were homesteaded in North Dakota.

Fred Sorg of Norwich had four valuable horses cut in barb wire this year, putting them out of business for the time being. Fred will cut out the barb wire fences.

Louis Mos is reported to have traded his farm southeast of Velva to Eric Nordstrom for the latter's opera house in Ruso. Mr. Nordstrom, it is presumed, gave considerable cash over and above his Ruso property.

The Rugby papers are saying bad things about the "Puck and Boy" performance given in that city recently. We have failed to learn of a soul who attended that show in Minot, tho it is said that the house was jammed. The young Americans can think up enough devilry without taking lessons from a theatrical troupe.

Gustav Ludtke cleared nearly \$2,000 on his farm north of town this year and secured 13 bushels of wheat and 14 of flax to the acre. He sowed about a bushel of flax to the acre, which he believes is responsible for the large yield.

Editor Disney of the Williston Herald registered a complaint against the building of the \$500,000 monument to the memory of Wm. McKinley. The editor should have complained sooner, and perhaps the monument would not have been erected.

The story published in the state papers about the two young dime novel fiends killing a Russian and his wife north of Williston proved to be a yellow yarn, started likely enough by Bro. Ben of the Williston state. The young men did make a gun play at the home of the Russians but injured no one.

A bold, bad wolf entered A. D. Plummer's barnyard Saturday morning and carried off a chicken in full view of members of the household. The hired man took a few revolver shots at "Lobo," but without effect. Mr. Plummer now offers ten dollars for the hide of that wolf as a decoration for his parlor.

According to the state school census the population of North Dakota has increased 235,601 during the past two years. The total population of the state today is 672,671 people. There are 132,000 boys and girls of school age in the state. The population has been increasing by leaps and bounds.

It has been reported that the Great Northern recently sent a pass to Judge Burr and he returned it. It is wrong for any one to accept passes from a railroad, as this is directly against the state law. There are a good many passes in use in the state however, and some of our legislators dare not deny that they ride on them.

Mrs. Harry Adams, who lost her husband in the wreck at Bartlett on the Great Northern, and sued the company for \$25,000, was "approached" by a claim agent of that road, who wheedled into a settlement for \$4,300. Mrs. Adams' attorney will attempt to upset the settlement and proceed with the case.

Animals in the wreck at Bartlett have been victimized. A smooth-tongued agent sold them a stock food cabinet which has proved to be a box with several departments, filled with stock foods, which are practically worthless. The farmers have been notified that their notes for \$50.50 would soon become due. There are a lot of E. Z. Marks.

John A. Bird, President Alfred Blaisdell, Vice. Pres.
J. C. Blaisdell, Sec'y

Blaisdell-Bird Co.

(Incorporated)

MINOT, NORTH DAKOTA

The Company owns and offers for sale, subject to withdrawal without notice, the desirable farm properties listed below.

- WARD COUNTY**
- \$2800.00 NW 1/4 NE 1/4 and Lots 1 and 2, Sec. 134-82. This is a choice tract of wild land, all fit for cultivation, about seven miles East of Minot, and in one of the best neighborhoods.
 - \$2500.00 NW 1/4 NW 1/4, Sec. 11-15-84. A good tract of level land, five and a half miles from Des Laes; eight miles from Minot. Small home on place—nearly all may be cultivated—about twenty acres excellent pasture.
 - \$2300.00 NW 1/4 Sec. 18-12-84. An ideal stock farm on the Mouse river, two miles from Tasker; fifteen or twenty acres of heavy timber. Upwards of 100 acres may be profitably cultivated. Small house on premises.
 - \$2300.00 NW 1/4 Sec. 33-13-82. An excellent tract, slightly rolling, two miles from Ross. Nearly all wild land; about 140 acres may be profitably cultivated; balance meadow. Small house and good barn.
 - \$3200.00 NW 1/4 Sec. 21-15-84. A fine stock farm, forty acres under cultivation; house and barn. Running water on place. There is an exposed rich vein of coal on this place.
- McHENRY COUNTY**
- \$3200.00 NW 1/4 NW 1/4, Sec. 15-12-84. A fine tract, five miles from Balfour. About 90 acres in all; practically all may be cultivated.
- BURLINGHAM COUNTY**
- \$4800.00 W 1/4 Sec. 34-23-84. A number one tract of wild land in one of the most rapidly developing sections of the state, twelve miles from Williston. May all be successfully cultivated.

The Company controls the townsite of Blaisdell, the new town on the Great Northern Railway forty miles West of Minot. Good business lots average about \$150.00 each. It also controls the original townsite of Berthold, one of the best towns in the county. Choice business and residence lots running from \$100.00 to \$600.00. Exceptional business opportunities in all lines are afforded in both of these towns.

The Company is also owner of, or exclusive agent for, the best available residence property in the City of Minot, including properties in Blaisdell Hill Subdivision and Charlebois' and Hale's Additions.

The Company employs no traveling solicitors, and offers the various properties listed at the lowest net price; no agents' commissions.

Full information given on application, and correspondence invited.

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Good bargains in Houses, Lots, Acre, all parts of Minot, and all parts of Ward County.

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We wish to call attention to the following importations which will arrive in a day or two . . .

- Fancy Norwegian Dry Mutton, which is very fine, at **35c a pound**
- Fancy Swiss Cheese at **30c a pound**

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