

# A MOTHER WRITES

About a week ago there was an article in one of the Minot local papers written by a doctor. This doctor stated that many people who could barely support one child were trying to clothe and care for six. Money to him seemed the most necessary commodity for a healthful existence.

It seems to me that the things of earth that are free are more conducive to strong bodies than mission furniture and medicine.

Fine surroundings have become a fetish with humanity and therein lies the secret of much immorality.

In the days of old when children came as a natural result—"most allurs a new one"—played on uncarpeted floors and dined principally

on bread and milk health and genius flourished.

Common sense—sense in common things—was the physician. It is not being poor that is to blame for the large percentage of deaths but being ignorant. Many people who belong to the "well-to-do" class are selfish and grossly ignorant. Their children are taught by example to live but not to let live. They are trained to be awake to graft at the expense of sympathy for those who toil and suffer, in short they must aim at an automobile existence even tho they acquire a stunted affection a starved mind, a dwarfed soul and a diseased body.

A Mother in Minot.

# Person Talks of The West

While in the west, as a private with Co. D, Major Pearson had an excellent opportunity to study the western conditions, and having done so, he comes back to Minot feeling better in every way towards our thriving little city. There is little in the west that surpasses what we have right in North Dakota. The scenery may be a little different and in some ways more magnificent, but the opportunities here are away and ahead of those of the west. Not much is raised with the exception of fruit and there is a tremendous lot of poor country all thru the west, fit for practically nothing. The western climate seems to be quite gener-

ally misunderstood by those who have never been there. The boys in camp were compelled to arise in the night and secure extra covers in order to keep warm, and in the morning, they shivered as they went to drill. The dust arose in the faces of the men nearly suffocating them. The Major thinks Seattle is a great city, but believes that the city will be dead after the fair next year, Seattle depends almost entirely on her coast trade, and especially that of Alaska. Tacoma is a growing city of 115,000 inhabitants, having increased from 35,000 in the past six years. Spokane is also a thriving city.

## "Boost Her" Buttons Arrive.

The "Boost Her" Buttons for the Harvest Festival have arrived and are being sold rapidly at 5 cents a piece. Are you wearing one of them? If not, you are not patriotic enough and you had better dig down and produce your two bits right away. A good many thousand of the handsome buttons were ordered. The buttons are attractive and upon them appear the words, "Magic City Harvest Festival, Sept. 28 29, Minot, N. D. Boost Her." The buttons really didn't cost the committee a quarter but the profit of it is made from them will help to defray the expenses of the festival.

## Tried to Buy It.

Paul V. McCoy sends the Independent a postal card bearing the picture of the Metropolitan Life Building of New York City, the highest building in the world. Mac says: "I tried to buy it, but it isn't for sale, so I bought a cake of ice instead."

## Plenty of News.

Thos. J. Barnes of Granville, one scribbles, writes: "There is more news in your paper than in three or four of the other county papers."

John Wallin's residence five miles up the river was struck by lightning early Saturday morning. The bolt entered the house at the highest pitch of the roof tore a hole in the roof went between the outer and inner wall and tore a big chunk of the wall shattering the plastering from the ceiling and wall. Mr. Wallin was protected with a policy in the Ward county Farmers Mutual Insurance Co. M. M. Samuelson who is the company's agent at Minot was appointed as adjuster and together with A. J. Nelson and L. O. Watne went up Monday and made it satisfactory to Mr. Wallin.

Frank Hallo secured the first one of the "Boost Her" buttons for the Harvest Festival, paying one dollar for the same. Thousands of the buttons are now being worn. One Minot business man got out one evening and sold 160 of the buttons.

The battleship North Dakota will be launched at Boston, Mass., on Nov. 9. Gov. Burke and other prominent men of the state will be present.

Mrs. Andrew Jacobson disposed of a quarter section of land on Shell Creek to Guy O. Frank.

Mrs. John Bates and children, returned from Quincy, Ill., after a six weeks' visit with relatives.

In a recent issue of the Independent, an error was made in regard to mention of the McTavish divorce case at White Earth. Thru a typographical error, a statement was made that Mr. and Mrs. McTavish were married thirteen years ago and had a daughter fifteen years ago. The fact is the couple were married in this city seventeen years ago by Rev. Winfred Baldwin, pastor of the M. E. church on Nov. 12, 1901. The Independent sincerely regrets the error, which was entirely unintentional.

The Independent would not be surprised if Dr. Crockat finally decides to locate in Minot. In fact he recently expressed his desire to once more locate here, but it is likely that he will not do so until next spring. He will either spend the winter in Tacoma or in some good California city. The west is over run with doctors, and the doctor still has a hankering for Minot and his many friends here.

Dr. and Mrs. Pence have arrived from their old home in Iowa where they spent five weeks, and left immediately for Lake Upsilon where they are fishing for a day or two. The doctor enjoys his vacation, which he needed badly.

# Letter Drives Man Mad

A letter received by Eugene Normand, a Kenmare miner from his wife in France, whom he had deserted several years ago, drove him stark mad. Normand was adjudged insane and was taken to a madhouse by Deputy Sheriff Hoffine and Mr. Montgomery last week. Several years ago, Normand left his wife in France, and eloped to America with another woman. He lived with this woman as his wife in Pittsburg for some time, and later deserted her for another. The other day he received a letter from his wife, telling him that she forgave him, all, and that she wished that he would return to her and their little ones. The letter was so unexpected, that for sheer remorse, the man went stark mad, and is now a raving maniac. He imagines that every man he meets is his father and every woman his mother.

Normand was struck over the head with a beer bottle in Montana several years ago, and this may in a degree be a cause of his mental derangement.

E. M. Mitchell, Aug. Zethrin and the Independent editor, enjoyed a few days hunt at Mr. Zethrin's home about thirty miles southwest of Minot last week. For obvious reasons, we hunted ducks mostly. Mitchell and Zethrin got the lion's share, altho the party bagged about 125 ducks in all, among which were many fine mallards. At the lake, the party was joined by James Hulet, who is living on one of the banner claims of Ward county, and to Mr. Hulet the party owes much for many acts of kindness. We found chickens scarce, ducks plentiful and western hospitality at its supreme.

The ministers of Minot have started the ball rolling to secure Evangelist Wm. Sunday to hold a series of meetings in this city soon. Mr. Sunday informs them that he is willing to come providing that a suitable tabernacle can be erected. Sunday is the greatest evangelist in the country today, and in case that he comes, he will arouse great interest.

# Surrey Items

Two children of Mr. and Mrs. Teats are sick with typhoid fever. Mr. Brough was at Sawyer last Sunday conducting a baptismal service.

The man who has bought toot Mr. Eatons stock of goods has arrived with his family and will live in the hotel building which is being overhauled and made ready for the occupants.

School in Surrey will begin next Monday with E. Hostdler and Miss Daisy Pierson as teachers. Last Monday was Mrs. J. J. Larsen's birthday and her husband surprised her by inviting a number of her friends to spend the evening which was spent in games and friendly intercourse. A good time is reported.

It is reported that Ed. Ray has bought the Robinson elevator.

Lyman Bridges returned recently from Hartford, Mich., and is looking after the harvesting of his magnificent crop near Glenburn. "I have an extra good reaper and am making money from my farm," Mr. Bridges stated in conversation with an Independent representative. "I do not care to sell my farm at any price."

A Donnybrook confectionery store was robbed of about \$15 worth of fine cigars and a small amount of cash which was extracted from a slot machine.

# WILL HAVE Y.M.C.A. BUILDING

Plans are well on foot in this city to secure a costly Y. M. C. A. building at a meeting of a number of the prominent business men of this city at the office of Johnson and Nestos Friday night, the matter was discussed thoroughly. We already have quite a little fund started for this proposition, the profits of a lecture course, and another entertainment course has been signed for, which ought to increase this fund materially. During the fall and winter, these entertainments will be given and they will consist of lectures by Gov. Jos. Folk of Missouri, Gov. John A. Johnson of Minnesota and Gov. Henry Buch-

tel of Colorado. The Vassar Girls, double quartette, will probably be the first number of the program. The Chicago Glee club will also appear, as well as Elias Day and wife, entertainers. As soon as there are sufficient funds, a lot for the building will be purchased. Grand Forks has a Y. M. C. A. building erected at a cost of \$50,000 while that of Fargo cost \$75,000. One Grand Forks business man, Mr. Grieth gave \$5000 for the building in that city. Jim Hill can be depended upon to give liberally towards such a building for Minot.

# REPUBLICANS MAP OUT CAMPAIGN

## Important Gathering in This City This Afternoon Cooper, Blaisdell, Bickford, Johnson, M. N. Johnson and Other Notables Present

Quite a gathering of the Republicans, including several of the editors of the Northwestern part of the state, was held at the opera house in this city this afternoon. They were gathered for the purpose of making over plans for the campaign, and patching up any breaches in the political fences if any. The best of feeling prevailed at the meeting, everyone attending expressing himself as being in favor of electing the Republican ticket from top to bottom. State Chairman James Johnson was chairman of the meeting and John H. Stenersen, secretary. Secretary Thompson of Fargo, secretary of the Republican Executive committee was present, and explained a plan whereby a poll was being taken in every precinct in each county in the state, giving the policies of the voter, his nationality, and such other facts concerning him as might be useful in a strenuous campaign. Little books have been published, which may be sent to each precinct. The work will be done by the precinct committeemen assisted by the candidates.

Chairman Johnson stated that the main object of the meeting, was to ascertain where it was necessary to do work in the republican cause and devise ways and means of accomplishing this work. From the speeches which were made by men in different localities, the Independent learned that there is absolutely no danger but what there will be a Republican victory, only they do not want to appear too confident. It will be necessary for every Republican to get out and vote, for the Democrats were never known to stay away from an election only in rare instances.

It is generally believed that Ward county will go Republican three to one.

E. C. Cooper, the present insurance commissioner, who is a nominee for re-election, was present, and stated for the benefit of the newspaper men present, that during the past, it was possible for him to distribute only 37 insurance statements in Ward county but with Bottineau and McHenry counties in another Judicial district, it would be possible to distribute 79 in this county next year. Mr. Cooper stated that he would distribute the statements in accordance with the wishes of the county organization.

C. A. Johnson, candidate for gov-

ernor, was one of the speakers. Mr. Johnson believes in working for the National ticket, first, last and all of the time, and citing the voters to the past years of prosperity under Republican government. Like Mr. Johnson, Secretary of State Blaisdell, thinks that more can be accomplished with the doubtful voters, by instilling them with Taft and Sherman enthusiasm, and Republican doctrine. Gov. Devine and Judge Palda were two of the speakers who believe that principle more than the candidates, themselves, should be uppermost in the minds of the voters. Gov. Devine stated that the Democrats were trying to claim the credit for championing the cause of the working man, when in reality the Republicans had ever been their friend. He believes that it will be necessary for the speakers in the present campaign to dwell upon this fact.

M. N. Johnson, candidate for the nomination to the U. S. senate, was present and made an urgent plea for all to stand by the ticket, and he can see a great Republican victory ahead. Mr. Johnson's remarks were well received.

Editor Rockney of the Mohall News stated that, on Friday night a Taft club was to be organized at Mohall, and Mr. Gray, stated that a Taft club had already been organized at Kenmare. Other Taft clubs will be organized, one in Minot, no doubt.

Among other prominent men of the state present, and making speeches were: Editor Mitchell of Kenmare, Ware of Macroom, Sauer of Tolley, Paulson of Crosby, Linde of Plaza, Hart of Ryder, Snyder of Kermit, C. Stratton of Sawyer, Cleven of Max, Sydney Adams, Marshall's campaign manager from Ransom county, Martin Anderson of Stanley, Child of Kenmare, N. Davis, candidate for county judge, L. A. Larson, candidate for county auditor, A. C. Nedrud, candidate for treasurer, John Wallin, candidate for the senate and others.

Before adjourning, the crowd arose in thanking Manager Bacon for the free use of the opera house.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the executive committee held a meeting at the office of James Johnson, at which time it was decided that each candidate should be assessed ten per cent of his first year's salary for a campaign fund.

Many of the papers are warning the people to be on the lookout for yeggemen as it is about time for them to appear.

An attempt was made to open up a blind pig at Berthold but the promoter was bluffed out on the first day.

The Douglas Herald wants some of the neighboring papers to credit the editorials they clip from that paper.

The fellow by the name of Starck who disappeared from Columbus a short time ago has been located in a small town near Fargo.

James Johnson, chairman of the Ward county, expresses the right idea of urging all the precinct committeemen to keep active for Republican success this fall.

Charley Warren, who rented a farm near the town of Donnybrook had a bad loss by fire one day last week, when his barn and six valuable horses was burned. His neighbors turned out the following day and helped to harvest the crop.

Stickley of the Kenmare Journal uses a small o to spell Minot Optic with.

# Will Complete Sidewalks

## City Fathers Adopt Resolutions to Build Walks for Property Owners--Anne Street Bridge Ordinance Passed--Bridge Over Mouse

The meeting of the city council Tuesday evening was full of interest, and work was done with great dispatch. Wm. P. White was granted the right to erect a brick block 50x150 feet, at the corner of Reishus and Second streets.

A resolution providing for the building of certain cement walks by the city, was adopted and work ordered to commence at once. The City Fathers are determined to see that good cement walks are placed over the entire city.

The ordinance providing for the grading of Welcome street from Sixth street south, was passed at its first reading.

A resolution to extend the sewer system was passed, and bids will be called for soon.

An ordinance providing for the erection of a foot viaduct over the Great Northern tracks, was passed at its first reading. The viaduct will commence at the south end of Anne street and land on Main street. The Great Northern will stand half of the expense of the viaduct which will cost about \$3400.

Attorney Schull appeared before the council and pointed out the fact that owing to the insufficient number of catch basins on Belyea avenue, the Meyer Lumber yard is often flooded and he asked for extra basins. The matter was referred to the proper committee.

Judge Murray reported having collected \$205 in fines and this money was turned over to the city and his report accepted.

Mr. Murray called the attention of the council to the fact that no light has yet been placed at the foot of the G. N. viaduct. The electric light company has promised to see that a light is installed as soon as the power is increased.

The report of the appropriation committee was received and accepted. The committee first figured that it would be possible to raise by taxation, during the coming year, the sum of \$41,900. Of this amount,

\$34,200 can be levied, and the balance will represent the general and water works funds.

Seven thousand dollars were appropriated for salaries. The actual salaries will amount to \$5,700, while there is an over draft of \$1270.04.

The police department will receive \$4400, there being an overdraft of \$2105. Light and fuel, \$5000. Water works, \$7000. Three thousand dollars of this amount will be levied, while \$4000 will be received as rents.

General maintenance, \$500. Board of health, \$1500. Fire department, \$2500. Cemetery, \$700. Hall maintenance, \$1500. Street and bridge, \$3000. Anne street viaduct, \$1700. Printing and supplies, \$600. General fund, \$5000.

Attorney Nestos appeared before the council and sought to have the library fund increased from \$4500 to \$6000, but the aldermen did not see fit to do this. Mr. Nestos stated that an effort was being made to secure a Carnegie library for Minot and the association was trying to secure enough money to pay for a lot, as well as furnish it.

Another election is to be called for the purpose of voting for water works bonds. This election was recently held and carried for the waterworks bonds by an overwhelming majority, but the election was declared illegal because the election was held fifteen days after the notice for the same had been given, whereas, twenty days' notice should have been given.

The bridge in this city across the Mouse river at Belyea avenue, is in bad shape, and the council decided to petition the county commissioners at their present meeting, for a new steel bridge with a concrete floor. Accordingly, Mayor Clark appointed a committee consisting of Alderman Hurd, Anderson and Vandenoever to circulate petitions at once asking the commissioners to order this bridge built.

The regular monthly grist of bills were examined and allowed.

## Notice of Special Election.

Notice is hereby given that in accordance with a resolution passed by the city council of the City of Minot on the 8th day of September, A. D., 1908, a Special Election is hereby called for the purpose of determining whether or not thirty (30) bonds in the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) each and bearing interest at the rate of six (6) per cent per annum, payable annually, shall be issued by the City of Minot for the purpose of improving extending and installing a waterworks distribution system in the said City of Minot, North Dakota.

The form of the ballot for said election shall be as follows:

Said election shall be held on the 6th day of October, A. D. 1908.

The polling places in the several wards shall be as follows:

- For the issuance of bonds | Against the issuance of bonds |
- First Ward at Court House
- Second Ward, J. P. Shields' residence.
- Third Ward, at North Side school house.
- Fourth Ward, at J. B. Reed's residence.
- Fifth Ward, at Martin Jacobson's barn.
- Sixth Ward, at the City Hall.

The polls will be open at 8 o'clock in the forenoon and remain open until 5 o'clock in the afternoon and no longer, on said day.

Dated this 9th day of September, A. D. 1908.

By order of the City Council.

GEORGE L. MORROW, City Auditor.

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## Liquor License or Tax Notice.

Notice is hereby given that a government tax receipt for special tax on the business of retail liquor dealer was issued to Taylor & Co. of Minot, N. D. on June 29, 1908 which said tax receipt is posted in the brick building is located on lot 12, block 20 of the City of Minot, N. D., which said building is owned by E. D. Kelley and Taylor & Co. are the lessors of said building, where said tax receipt is posted.

Dated the 3rd day of Sept. A. D. 1908.

Holder of said Government Tax Receipt. 9-10 9-24 chg

## SUMMONS.

State of North Dakota, County of Ward,—ss

In District Court, Eighth Judicial District.

C. R. Hamilton, Plaintiff, vs. First National Bank of Cassopolis, Defendant.

The State of North Dakota to the above named Defendant:

You are hereby summoned to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer upon the subscriber within thirty days after the service of this summons.

upon you exclusive of the day of service; and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by the defendant for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated this 9th day of Aug, 1908.

W. A. Guilfoyle, Attorney for Plaintiff.

Office and Post Office address, Sherwood, N. D.

To the above named Defendant:

You will please take notice that the above entitled action is brought for the purpose of quieting title to lots 13-14 in block 19 in the original townsite of Sherwood, Ward county, in this plaintiff; that no personal claim is held against the defendant that the complaint in this action is now filed with the clerk of the District Court of Ward county, N. D.

Dated this 9th day of August, 1908.

W. A. Guilfoyle, Attorney for Plaintiff.

9-10-10-15

State of North Dakota, County of Ward,—ss

In District Court, Eighth Judicial District.

L. E. Johnson vs. First National Bank of Cassopolis.

The State of North Dakota to the above named Defendant:

You are hereby summoned to the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer on the subscriber within thirty days after the service of this summons upon you exclusive of the day of service; and in case of your failure to appear or answer judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated this 9th day of August, 1908.

W. A. Guilfoyle, Attorney for Plaintiff.

Office and Post Office address, Sherwood, N. D.

To the above named Defendant:

You will please take notice that the above entitled action is brought for the purpose of quieting title to lots 20-21-22 in block 28 in the original townsite of Sherwood, Ward county, in this plaintiff; that no personal claim is held against the defendant, that the complaint in this action is now filed with the clerk of the District Court of Ward county, N. D.

Dated this 9th day of August, 1908.

W. A. Guilfoyle, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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Editor Culbertson and Fred W. Peglow, two of the prominent citizens of Glenburn, arrived in Minot today and are attending the big Republican meeting. They report the finest kind of a crop, the wheat averaging from seventeen to 22 bushels to the acre. Threshing is in full progress. The Farmers' Elevator took in 108 loads of grain in one day this week.