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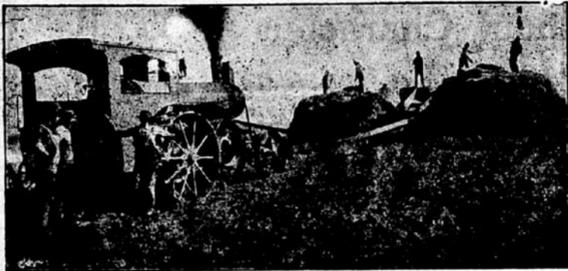
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THRESHING SCENE NEAR MINOT.

One of the familiar sights in this section of the state every fall. The above picture was taken north of Minot last fall for the Ward County Land & Loan Co.

Tloga Gazetts: Gundar Syverson dug out a nest of coyotes on his farm the other day and after dispatching the mother of the tribe took the young to the house and set them

down outside while he went into the house for a minute. On his return he noted that one of the young coyotes was missing, and on investigation discovered that the family dog who has a litter of pups, had adopted them and was taking the bunch to her kennel, where three of the young wolves are now enjoying all the pleasures of life as in their native lair.

Farmers Succeed by Diversifying

John D. Geist recently sold his quarter of land near Deering for \$5000, and his neighbor, Geo. Evenso, sold his half section for \$9,000, to a Mr. Kelley from Glidden, Iowa. Each bought a quarter four miles south of Minot, the former from T. Kirkjorden and the latter from Frank Rouse, and will go into dairying, poultry raising, and gardening extensively next year. They are milking several cows now, and bring to Minot each week from \$15 to \$20 worth of butter, which the people gladly buy at the best prices. They take great pains in making the butter. The milk is separated, the cream placed in a cool cave and allowed to sour just enough. In hot weather it is necessary for them to churn two or three times a week. They market their products together, thus saving extra trips to the city.

For feed they grow millet, oats, hay, which produces four good loads to the acre, and for feed for the cows beats anything they ever used. The hay is cut green and the cows like it better than timothy. They would rather feed this kind of hay than ground feed, for the cows seem to show a greater gain in milk from it.

Bolley Discovers New Wheat Disease

Prof. Bolley in his remarks made on the N. P. "Better Farming" special says:

"So far, I have not observed any wheat fields suffering materially from drought. The stand is of good color and generally strong for this stage of growth."

Wheat wilt and wheat root rot fungi are, however, doing great damage on certain of the old wheat land areas—and in certain fields of virgin, or new lands, on which poor, diseased wheat has been used for seed.

The wilt diseases of wheat kill off the young wheat in the same manner as flax wilt destroys that crop.

I have seen the wheat in spots sick and dying out just the same as it wilts off in the case of flax. The fungi are different but the results are much the same on the crop and on the soil.

Any one can find out whether he has the disease on his lands from the seed by pulling up the plants. Healthy wheat at this time is white close the ground, even down to the seed, and will be stooling well. Diseased plants will be wilting away in spots or will be sending up only single unstooled plants, which are brown or crescent colored below the ground line, or so spotted below.

The diseases are more destructive on slightly alkaline areas than on well drained land and such diseases, I think, have much to do with the deteriorated yields upon the older wheat soils of the state. I am not a strong believer that two or three or ten or twenty crops of wheat can exhaust the fertility of North Dakota soils.

Farmers must cease sowing low grade wheat and flax and must rotate with other crops, cultivation and pasture.



WHEAT FIELD NEAR MINOT.

The above cut is used through the courtesy of the Ward County Land & Loan Co., and shows a field of wheat on the D. H. Lord farm three miles east of Minot. This wheat averaged 32 bushels to the acre. While this is above the average in yield for wheat in North Dakota,

the fertile Ward county land always produces more bushels to the acre than any other county in the state. Land that will do as well under the same circumstances can be bought here for from \$25 to \$50 per acre. The price is advancing very rapidly.

Morton County to the Front

County Treasurer Killand Tells of Wonderful Development of that Part of the State

O. H. Killand, of Mandan, Treasurer of Morton county, arrived in the city this afternoon to attend the annual meeting of the Telegag.

Mr. Killand reports conditions in this part of the state as being the very best. The crops are doing nicely and that part of the state is developing very fast.

Most of the government land in the county has been homesteaded but good railroad land ten or fifteen miles from Mandan can be bought on easy terms for \$20 an acre.

The farmers are growing wealthy. Many are running their own automobiles. Four Russian farmers in that vicinity recently invested in autos.

Mandan is enjoying a healthy growth. The city now has a population of 4,000, has miles and miles of

cement walks, and acres of fine residences, many of them costing from \$7,000 to \$10,000.

There are 74 schools in Morton county. The assessed valuation was boosted a year ago from \$5,900,000 to \$8,000,000. The county and state tax amounts to 19.4 mills this year, while the school tax varies from 5 to 30.

Mandan is installing a new sewer system. That city has the commission form of government, which is giving satisfaction. President Packard seems to be the right man in the right place.

The county primary election will be quiet, as no one except the superintendent of schools has opposition.

Mr. Killand is an old time resident of Mandan, having located there 23 years ago.

Milling Durum Wheat

Department of College Extension, Agricultural College, N. D., W. C. Palmer, Agri. Editor.

Food bulletin No. 2 takes up the subject of milling Durum wheat. The results show that it costs 3 1/2 cents more for power grind a bushel of Durum wheat than Fife or Blue Stem, while at the present time there is a difference in price of 26 cents per bushel. It also shows that the mixing of 15 per cent of Durum flour with the hard wheat flours improves the bread. At the present prices it costs \$4.28 to produce a barrel of Durum wheat flour, showing that quite a saving can be made by combining the two kinds of wheats and at the same time improve the quality of the product. The cost for grinding 100 barrels of Durum wheat was \$7.43; for grinding 100 barrels of Fife or Blue Stem wheat was \$7.00. The bulletin also contains an analysis of whiskeys and many articles of general interest. It can be had by writing to the Agricultural College at Fargo.

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Asked Shaft to Vote for McGahan

John J. Keavin played a trick on Jim Dwyer, the land agent, that will keep the latter busy a long time, figuring how he will even up with the merchant. Dwyer was doing some missionary work last Monday, in the interests of L. D. McGahan, candidate for city commissioner, and was pretty busy rounding up votes. Keavin seeing McGahan's opponent, G. D. Shaft, standing on the street, beckoned Dwyer and informed him that there was a man who was looking for a place to vote. Jim not being personally acquainted with Shaft, hurried over to the candidate and asked him if he had voted yet. Shaft replied that he had not.

"Well, who are you going to vote for," Jim continued, as he handed Shaft one of McGahan's cards.

"Well, I suppose I will vote for myself," Shaft replied, and about that time Keavin was making tracks to get away from the infuriated Jim.

Miss Emma Grains left Tuesday for Sand Point, Idaho, where she will remain for several months. Her brothers are located there.

Board of Equalization Completes Work

Minot's Board of Equalization has completed its work and finds that the assessed valuation of this city exceeds two million dollars. The assessed valuation of personal property is \$590,605; lots exclusive of structures, \$821,545; buildings of all kinds \$750,870. The assessment last year was over the million and a half mark.

There were fifty-three automobiles assessed, the value being placed at \$13,800. There were 330 pianofortes and 98 organs and other musical instruments. The diamonds worn in the Magic City are valued at \$2,818.

while the gold and silverware reaches \$1,744.

The merchandise in Minot is worth, according to the books, \$241,390, while Minot people have outside of the banks \$4,747 in currency. The boats are valued at \$5,950.

There are 437 horses, 173 cattle, 46 sleighs and sleds, 323 wagons and buggies and seven bicycles in Minot.

The bank stock assessed this year amounted to \$58,796. The furniture and equipment of billiard rooms, restaurants, etc., amounted to \$15,350.

Beavers Back In North Dakota

Eight Beaver Dams Between Burlington and Des Lacs—Energetic Little Animals Cutting Down Fairly Large Trees

The beavers are coming back to North Dakota. Old timers tell us that the energetic animals were numerous along the Mouse and Des Lacs rivers in the early days, but left when the dry weather came. They have returned in large numbers this year. There are eight beaver dams along Des Lacs river between Burlington and Carpio. The beavers are felling the trees along the banks at a rapid rate, often cutting down trees that are as large in diameter as a stove pipe. Old timers say that the large number of beaver dams is a sure sign of dry weather. The animals always take precautions to

hold back the water when it is needed, and their instinct seldom fails them.

The farmers who reside along the river are protecting the beavers and woe be unto the hunters who capture any of them. There is a strict law in this state protecting beavers, the fine being \$25 for the first offense with a jail sentence attached.

Old timer hunters used to make good money trapping the beavers as their hides are worth a good deal of money and it is said their meat is valuable for food. To secure a large fat beaver meant a feast for them for a week.

Melons from Texas

Paul V. McCoy received by express Sunday from Corpus Christi, Texas, two large water melons, weighing 30 pounds each. They were sent by Mr. McCoy's mother, and were extraordinary fine ones. The melons came thru safely without being crated, the name of Mr. McCoy merely appearing on the melon rind, which had been scraped. The melons were four days in transit and were raised near the place where Mr. McCoy owns a tract of land.

SLOCUM'S SILO BLOWN DOWN.

The silo on the A. P. Slocum stock farm two miles north of the city, was blown down in a very severe wind storm last Thursday night. There was no feed in the structure. The loss is estimated at \$2,500, fully covered by insurance. The silo, which was one of the very best in Northwestern North Dakota, will be

rebuilt. It was reported in the city in the morning that not only the silo had blown down but one of the big barns, and Mr. Slocum hurried out to the scene of the disaster.

The Ward County Land & Loan Co. bought three 160 acre farms last week from farmers in this vicinity. This concern has great faith in the future of this part of the state.

..Buy Sterling Silver..

Twenty years ago a dozen plated teaspoons cost five or six dollars.

To-day a dozen sterling silver spoons can be bought for only a few dollars more. The intrinsic value of the metal is worth more than the difference in price.

Years ago when sterling ware was sold at prohibitive prices nearly everyone used plated ware, at least every day. To-day it is real economy to buy the best, even for daily use.

Call and see our plain and elaborate patterns of sterling silver and start collecting an outfit, by buying a few pieces at a time.

W. H. REIGHART

THE EXCLUSIVE JEWELER

Model of N. D. Battleship

Congressman Hanna Secures Permission from Government to Ship Twelve-foot Model to State Fair

The model of the battleship North Dakota, which was secured from the navy department of Congressman L. B. Hanna to be exhibited at the state fair at Fargo on July 25-30, has been shipped from the Washington navy yard and is expected to arrive in Fargo in a week or so. This model is over twelve feet in length and shows in detail every feature of the greatest fighting ship commissioned.

When Congressman Hanna secures this model he landed an attraction that will be of interest to every citizen of this commonwealth as all are greatly interested in the great man-of-war that was named for this state. It is the first time that the navy department has allowed any of its material or equipment to be exhibited at fairs in which the government was not directly interested. The fair association feels much gratified that it has been able to secure this model and Congressman Hanna is to be congratulated on securing it for the exhibition.

Buildings Wrecked In Winds

Regular Tornado Does Much Damage Fifteen Miles South of Minot—McCormick Brothers Injured In Storm

A regular hurricane visited the country fifteen miles south of Minot last Thursday night, doing considerable damage. The wind was a straight one, which probably accounts for the fact that there were no fatalities.

Two brothers, Pat and Mike McCormick were quite badly injured, when they were mixed up in the wreckage of a cook car. They were sitting outside the cook car when the storm came up suddenly, turning the car over onto them, bruising them very badly. They were confined to their beds the following day but are recovering. The cook car was blown on top of a drill, which was smashed.

John Winn, who lives in the southern part of Freedom township, lost a strongly built barn, 24x30 feet in size. The barn was reduced to kindling wood and the broken lumber scattered about the prairie. Luckily

the stock were all in the pasture, so were uninjured.

At W. R. Foster's place, two buggies, one owned by Mr. Foster, and the other by John Kane, were turned over and over and badly wrecked. Mr. Foster's wagon was turned squarely around and blown down the field forty rods.

McCormick Bros.' granary was blown over two or three times.

Louis Irving's poultry house was picked up and blown across a wire fence and a number of chickens killed.

Wm. Johnson's machine shed was blown to pieces.

Peter Fleming's hog house was scattered over the prairie.

Hundley Newman's residence was moved ten feet from its foundation. Many smaller buildings were wrecked.

Big Socialist Meeting

A big Socialist meeting was held at the Lyceum theatre Sunday morning at which time President LeSueur of the Minot City Commission, addressed the gathering. The object of the meeting was to call the attention of the voters to the fact that an election was to be held in Minot the next day and that G. D. Shaft was the man who should be supported. It is reported that the speaker stated that if the people wanted to get back to the days of gambling and slot machines, they should support McGahan, but if not, Shaft was the man to work for. The

speaker talked for more than an hour and gave a rousing address.

BEDE COULD NOT COME.

J. Adam Bede, the well known Minnesota humorist, who was to have appeared in Minot Monday night, in a political effort, was compelled to cancel his engagement on account of his voice giving out. Many were disappointed.

To get the best out of life is a problem. Learn how by sending to Mankato (Minn.) Commercial College for their free Year Book. Worth a fortune to you, so send today.