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## MINOT IS VISITED BY COUNT

SUSPECTED HE WAS LOOKING OVER COAL FIELDS, BUT VISIT IS VEILED IN MYSTERY WHICH EVEN NEWSPAPER SHARPS ARE UNABLE TO FATHOM—GOES AWAY TO RETURN AGAIN

Completely veiled by an air of mystery that local newspaper men found impossible to penetrate, Count Gerald Badow, who received his title from the Prussian government, has visited Minot, evidently secured his information and departed with the statement that he may return at a later date, as the only clue to satisfy the curiosity of those who met him.

It is the unexpressed idea of those who were closest to the count during his stay here that he may be the representative of the English interests who had announced their intention of operating the coal fields in this state if proper control could be secured.

### STRINGTOWN LOINGS.

Mrs. Sherwald Larson visited with Mrs. B. C. Witham last Friday. Wm. Jones left Saturday for his home at Bloomington, Ill.

Miss Murrel Trouble entertained a number of her friends last Sunday. A nice lot of peaches at Witham's store.

Old Jack Frost has been calling on every one in Stringtown. He alighted no one.

Mr. O. Paffner killed two birds with one stone Monday. He went to the coal mine and on his way home stopped at Witham's store to do his trading.

Mr. and Mrs. Ole Meadowitz of Minot, visited with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Falkner, Tuesday.

Miss Milley Hesseon who has been visiting in Minnesota for some time past returned home Monday.

A little girl baby arrived at the home of B. C. Witham's Sunday morning. The baby and mother are both getting along nicely.

All who wish to donate to Rev. Mr. Curtiss for his services while he has been among us can do so by leaving same at Mrs. M. Witham's store. Any amount will be very thankfully received.

### DRADY NEWS

Last Sunday morning about 4 a. m. Merritt Warner was taken from his home into the hills.

Later—Merritt was returned to his home at 2 p. m. to find a few of his relatives and friends who had gathered there to surprise him on his 21st birthday. Merritt was given some good looking by his lady friends, and then all joined in for a good social time. Music was furnished by a phonograph and the Peterson orchestra. At 5 p. m. all were invited to the dining room by Mrs. Warner where the table was fairly groaning under the load of good things to eat. Mrs. Warner can sure make one say, "There is nothing too good for the Irish."

After supper, home-going and wishing Merritt and upright future was the order, and to finish the day as one of remembrance, all went to church in the evening at the Sommer's school house where a fine sermon on missions was enjoyed.

—A Reader.

I. F. Eaton the Surrey farmer has finished threshing his big crop of wheat which yielded him 7,466 bu. from 414 acres. The wheat is the Blue Stem quality, and weighed 60 1-2 lbs. the bushel.

### SURREY NEWS.

Mrs. Jay Pierson entertained a brother and wife from Rockwell City, Iowa, last week.

Miss Little Kinns of Norwich was a visitor at the Perry home a few days last week.

Elmer Sjordal is a helper in Berg's store at present.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilton have moved into town.

Rev. Johnston was calling on friends in Surrey last week.

Rev. Hall preached in Minot last Sunday. Monte Perry took his place here in the morning and Rev. Warner in the evening.

A man and wife from Belleville, Penn., are keeping house for Charlie Withers. The man is a cousin of Charlie's.

I. S. Mast is in Missouri attending the annual conference of the Methodist church.

Mrs. Bussel is home again after a few strenuous weeks in a cook car.

A very pleasant social event was the Bundle Shower given Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Margery Perry, in honor of Miss Myrtle Fox, whose marriage to W. W. Brown of Arnegard will take place this week on Wednesday. About forty were present. A clothes basket heaped full of bundles was presented to her, which aside from being useful in her new home, will be a very pleasant reminder of her friends in her old home at Surrey.

Walter Bond was a Sunday visitor here.

Mr. and Mrs. Sorg mourn the loss of their baby which was buried in the cemetery here last Saturday afternoon. They have the sympathy of their friends in this hour of sorrow.

Dan Kooreny of Balfour lost his life in a well on the Odegard farm near that town a week ago. It seems that Kooreny with a crew of men were digging a well on the Odegard farm and had gone a depth of about 90 feet when they struck a rock and dynamite had to be used to blast the obstruction. The next day Kooreny was let down in the well to remove the pieces of rocks and it is supposed that the gases from the dynamite overcome him and he lost consciousness. It about eight hours from the time Kooreny went into the well till his lifeless body was taken out, as the well had to be cleared of the dangerous gases before any one could be let down. The deceased was only a young man, twenty-five years old, and leaves a wife and young son.

### BAD GUN ACCIDENT.

A serious shooting accident occurred at the home of Joe Bell at Wiliston, N. D., Monday afternoon. Mr. Bell's 17 year old son, Robert, was overhauling a 22-calibre rifle and "sighting" it by placing it in a vice to insure steadiness and firing it at a mark. A black bird lit in the yard and the youth thought it would make a good target and hastily released the rifle from the vice. It fell in such a manner that it was discharged, sending the ball through the extreme lower part of the abdominal wall. Both the larger and smaller intestines were penetrated and an extremely dangerous wound inflicted.

Dr. Windell was called at the time and Tuesday afternoon Drs. Belyea Mpelstad and Jones were called in consultation and as operation was decided on. The bullet was found to have stopped some place inside the intestine and no effort was made to locate it as nature can take care of it. All medical assistance possible is being given but the wound is of a dangerous nature and the patient is in a critical condition.

### NORWICH NEWS.

Mr. Henry Mejie died Wednesday at his son Will's place, at the age of 83. He was buried in the Norwich cemetery, Saturday afternoon, at 3 o'clock. He came from Britt, Ia. eight years ago with his family, consisting of wife and seven children, who are all left behind to mourn over the death of a loving husband and father.

The young folks around Norwich have organized a temperance union with the following named officers: Ole Hestkind, foreman, Arne King-lee, secretary and Even Hestkind, treasurer. The meetings have been well attended and their programs have been very interesting, with speeches and singing. It is very nice to know there is so many intelligent and wide-awake young people in this neighborhood.

Thron Bergum has just returned from Norway where he has been for about ten months. He looks fat and healthy and can report a good time while in Norway.

The threshing has just begun and the report has been from two to five bushels to the acre.

The American Society of Equity, of McHenry county are trying to get a meeting with the county commissioners of same county for the purpose of helping the farmers in need of feed and seed. I believe this is a very important thing for the farmers in the whole county for if the farmers are not helped at this time they will probably get their backs bent so it will take a long time to straighten them up again.

Mr. John Stouddt, of the firm of Doebler & Stouddt, returned on Monday from a trip to St. Paul, Hastings and Chatfield, Minnesota, where he spent a week in the interest of his business.

Mr. Chas. Robbins, an old time Minotter, was in from the Ryder country the first part of the week on business.

F. N. Leslie of Carpio, was in Minot Tuesday. Mr. Leslie's brother-in-law, F. R. Mills, died in this city on Monday of typhoid and Mr. Leslie came down to take charge of the funeral. Mr. Mills leaves a wife and three children. The remains were shipped to Dexter, Minn. for burial. Services were held at the house, 518 East Fifth street, on Monday. Mrs. Mills and brother of Minneapolis accompanied the remains to their last resting place. Deceased was 43 years of age, and was born in the state of Wisconsin. Has been a resident of Minot for 4 years, coming here from Minnesota in 1906. The friends and relatives have the sympathy of a large circle of friends and neighbors.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Emerson visited a couple of weeks in St. Paul. They will return the first of next week.

Mrs. Wm. Black lies very ill at her home at Brookbank. Mr. Black will remove her to St. Paul for medical treatment as soon as she is able to be moved.

A message announcing the arrival of a fine 10-pound baby boy at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Gibb, at Brookbank, N. D.

### TURTLE MOUNTAIN ROAD.

On a date that has not yet been fixed, counties included in the second, eighth and ninth judicial districts in the northwestern part of the state will be asked to send delegates to the meeting to be held in Minot, at which the question for building a state road from Bottineau to St. John through the Turtle Mountain district, will be given consideration. This meeting will be called by William Gottbrecht of Dunseith and is to be held in accordance with a decision reached at the Bottineau convention held recently. When the general convention is held a resolution will be presented addressed to the state legislative assembly, asking that an appropriation be made for the construction of the road which would go through a district that is now impossible to reach. It is estimated that the increase in valuation of land in the Turtle Mountain region, by reason of the construction of such a road would be approximately \$500,000. The people throughout this section of the state re-united on the question.

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W. E. Creek was a business visitor in Minot Tuesday. Mr. Creek is editor and postmaster at Berthold, N. D.

R. S. Lee left for Bellingham, Wash. Tuesday where he and his family will make their future home.

The Missionary society of the Presbyterian church met at the Manse, Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Graham entertaining. Several of the ladies read papers and had a very interesting program.

Fred Hermanson, the popular White Earth druggist, was a Minot visitor on Tuesday of this week. Fred was a former resident here and his many Minot friends were pleased to see him.

Chas. Funderburg, formerly of Surrey, returned to his new home at Wemahoe, Wash. on Tuesday after spending several weeks in this vicinity looking after his farming interests.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hunt of Glenburn were in the city last Saturday, to meet Mrs. Hunt's father who arrived from the British northwest to pay his daughter a visit.

Stock may be shipped to the Ward County Fair for full fare to Minot from any point in the county, and free transportation will be given on return.

The Ladies Aid of the W. R. C. were delightfully entertained at the home of Mrs. H. T. Dolloff on East First street. At the close of the business meeting the ladies were requested to gather on the lawn where they found an old fashioned camp fire burning and Japanese lanterns hanging in the trees lighting up the whole lawn. Each lady was presented with a long wire on which they placed an ear of corn and toast it over the camp fire. The corn never tasted so good and the ladies told stories when the corn was all toasted and eaten they returned to the house where a delicious luncheon was awaiting them. Mrs. Dolloff was assisted by her daughter, Miss Bessie. The ladies all report having one of the finest times they have had and thank Mr. Dolloff for keeping up the camp fire.

## SHOT AFTER BIG RAID ON LOCAL BLIND PIGS

Dan V. Brennan, Publisher of Devils Lake Inter-Ocean, Victim of Would-be Assassin

Twenty Citizens of Devils Lake Take Part In An Effort to Rid That City of Illegal Joints

Devils Lake, N. D., Sept. 20.—Dan V. Brennan, publisher of The Devils Lake Inter-Ocean, son of Judge M. H. Brennan, a graduate of the state university and one of the best known men in this section of the state, was shot and quite badly wounded this morning following a wholesale raid on the blind pigs of Devils Lake.

The shooting occurred at 5 o'clock. Brennan was one of a posse which assisted Sheriff W. H. Belford in a series of raids, the most sensational attempt to close up the illegal booze joints of Devils Lake ever made. The young publisher, following the raid, went to his office. He was about to leave the office and had just stepped into the hall and was in the act of turning out the hall light when an unknown man stepped from behind a door and opened fire on Brennan. The bullet entered the fleshy part of the left arm, making a jagged and painful wound.

Brennan at once pulled his gun and returned the fire and the would-be assassin leaped through an open window, tearing through the screen and falling a distance of fifteen feet at the street below. He escaped in the dusk. Brennan did not recognize him.

Furore of Excitement.

The city is in a furore of excitement after the strenuous doings of the early morning hours.

Sheriff Belford, Acting Assistant State's Attorney Traynor, Deputy Sheriff Flummertfelt and twenty citizens of Devils Lake, including some

of the most prominent people of the city took part in the raids.

The sheriff and Attorney Traynor had secured warrants at Starkweather the day before. At 2 o'clock the small army was posted about the different places to be raided. Two citizens were placed to guard each place and the sheriff and his deputy entered and made the arrests, hurrying the prisoners to jail.

### Many Arrests.

In a building said to be used as a warehouse for a brewery concern, 150 cases of beer were seized and the following four men were arrested: A. D. Tuttle, John Wallace, H. Harry and Thomas Flutz.

The famous Nellie Rogers place was ransacked and Nellie Rogers was placed under arrest. In the Andrews pool room a man named Floote was nabbed. Sam Goldberg, who has figured in police court in connection with blind pigging cases before, was placed under arrest and William Reid of the Reid hotel was arrested.

These arrests took about three hours to complete and it was nearly 5 o'clock when young Brennan went to his office. He was evidently followed by a sympathizer of the lawless faction who had determined on a summary vengeance and the shooting affair previously described took place.

No arrests had been made at a late hour today in connection with the shooting.

### TWO TRAMPS

"Dusty" Rhodes and "Hungry" Hawkins just out of town on the G. N. tracks one evening last week. Together they came down the ties to an empty coal car on the siding. Here "Dusty" cooked supper and for some time afterwards the light from their fire could be seen up town.

About 11 p. m. one of our fellow townsmen strolled toward the camp where he saw an amusing sight: "Hungry" had tried to get some sleep on a pile of straw but had not made a go of it, but over near the car door lay "Dusty" sleeping like a man who had been sent for. He lay on his back with his mouth wide open snoring like a trooper. Needless to say he had found a nice soft bed. In fact, it was a bed of the best Soft Coal. Your neighbors and all of your friends will tell you it must have been Zenith. Any man can sleep all night who has Zenith in his stove—it holds fire all night, and four pounds of it holds as much heat as five pounds of Hocking. For sale only by Rogers Lumber Co., John Olson, Manager.

### GUN ACCIDENT.

Ed. Walker's oldest son, Earl, accidentally discharged a gun last Tuesday with the result that his hand is badly shattered. He was taking a loaded gun from off a haw-rack when in some manner the trigger was pulled and the gun discharged with the above result. Dr. Darland was phoned for and took the patient to the Northwestern hospital at Minot and dressed the wounds. Everything possible is being done to save the hand but it is feared the poor boy may lose one or two of his fingers.—Sawyer Clipper.

Miss Irene Fredricks was taken suddenly ill at the home of Mrs. Nelson and Baldwin. Her sister, Mrs. McQueen, was sent for from Berthold. Another sister, Mildred, lies ill with typhoid fever at Berthold.

Mrs. Thomas Hoff brought her little girl in to the Northwestern hospital of this city last Friday. The little one was suffering from a very painful growth back of her right ear which was removed by one of the city physicians.

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