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ROBBERS MADE CLEAN GET-AWAY

No Clue to the Three Men Who Held up the Northern Pacific Train Near Buffalo—\$2,500 Reward for Their Capture.

There was considerable excitement at Ruso, N. D., late Saturday when four men from South Dakota, bound for Draper, N. D., passed through that town. Word had been sent ahead to capture the bold desperadoes and about fifty citizens armed to the teeth got out and effected their capture. They proved to be good honest citizens, and were allowed to pass on. Some of the yellow journals of the state published in bold headlines, the story of the capture of these men, claiming that shots were exchanged and that the robbers had confessed. A large number of suspects have been arrested, but after an investigation they have all been turned loose. The robbers have no doubt succeeded in getting out of the state, and it is doubtful if they will be apprehended at all.

Story of the Robbery.
The Independent was able to give but a short story of the most daring train robbery ever effected in this state. The three robbers, heavily armed, had gotten onto the train and after it was well under way, two of them covered the conductor with their guns. There was nothing for him to do but to be good. They took his money, \$18 and his watch, but gave the watch back. The porter came along and he was held up, also. Conductor and porter were then locked in the front of the coach. One of the robbers then went through two coaches, awakening the passengers and making them shut out. One man lost a diamond ring valued at several hundred dollars, and about \$200 in currency. Other jewelry, cash and travelers' checks, good for their face anywhere, were taken, and it is believed that they got about \$1,000 in money and jewelry. One fellow who was too curious stuck his head out of his berth, and not getting it back in time, was shot at. He had a narrow escape. The conductor claims that he shot at one of the robbers, and believes that he struck him in the arm, for he saw him flinch. The dining car conductor was found checking up his accounts and he was relieved of about \$100. His gun was in the other end of the car.

As the train neared Buffalo, the men went to the front of the train and one of them ordered the engineer to stop the train. Thinking the man was a common hobo, he fought with him, and was shot in the side, but the bullet struck his watch and no doubt this saved his life. A second shot struck a rib, passed around to the back and the bullet passed out. The engineer then stopped the train, but he did not know then that he was shot. He was not seriously injured, however, for after being attended to, he ran his train to Fargo, and it is reported that he is covering nicely.

The Northern Pacific has offered a reward of \$2,500 for the capture of the robbers. Many possees have been out and detectives everywhere are on the alert.

ADULTERY CASE TO BE TRIED IN MINOT
The E. H. Linn adultery and abortion cases will be tried in Minot in district court. Linn, a Bufordite, became involved in some trouble with a Buford woman, with whom it is claimed he was guilty of unlawful cohabitation. Recently Linn was married to another woman. The attorneys for the defense are E. R. Slinkler of Minot and Besse of Williston.

SWEDISH MINISTER SURPRISED.
Rev. Oscar Ebb, the Swedish minister, was surprised by members of his congregation Tuesday night to the number of nearly one hundred. Coffee and cake were served and before they left, the guests presented him with a nice sum of money, as a token of the esteem in which he is held.

Wesley Elliott from Mohall is in the city this week. He has been in Canada doing business in the interest of the Elliott Belt Shifter Co.

TWIN CITY AUTOS THROUGH MINOT

Twenty-five Machines in Third Reliability Run From Minneapolis to Helena, Mont., Arrive Here Monday Afternoon.

Twenty-five automobiles in the third reliability run from St. Paul to Helena, Mont., 1,288 miles, reached Minot Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock, mud bespattered but generally in good trim. The cars had been two and a half days out of Minneapolis, and had that day traveled from Devils Lake a distance of 117 miles. A special train on the Great Northern, went thru this city about four o'clock carrying equipment for the machines. There were several sleeping cars on the train, where the travelers put up for the night at each day's stop, a dining car, and a buffet car.

The autoists found the roads in North Dakota good and had no trouble averaging 28 miles an hour.

Pres. I. W. Hill of the Great Northern was among the number, being one of the first to arrive. He remained in Minot but a few minutes, being anxious to leave to inspect the G. N.'s experiment tree farm a few miles west of the city which he had not seen before.

Pres. Hill also had his private car on the special train, as did also Al Ringling, the great show man. Al Ringling rode in his Pierce Arrow \$7,000 auto, one of the finest machines ever seen here. It is a 68 horsepower car. Mr. Ringling had an accident with the machine shortly after entering the state, and overturned the machine. His ankle was injured.

There were other accidents, altho not serious. J. H. Briar broke the axle of his Dayton car near Denbigh and was freed for a new one. The blacksmith fixed the break temporarily.

Andrew Berkey, a friend of Pres. Hill, driving his Packard car, a non-competent, went into the ditch near Niagara, the machine turning completely over. Berkey was not hurt, tho he might have been killed. He was attempting to pass the other cars and was going forty miles an hour, positively against orders.

The Petrol, the only friction drive car in the lot, suffered broken springs 20 miles east of Minot, but it was blocked up and continued.

The three Flanders the Krit and the Mupmobile, came thru without accident.

The guests were entertained at the Commercial club, punch and cigars being served. All were greatly disappointed because they could not stay in Minot that night, but it was necessary to spend the night at Berthold, in order to arrive at Poplar, Mont., the following day, where a big time was arranged for them at the reservation.

They remained over Sunday at Devils Lake, where they were shown a good time. A vaudeville show, a ride to the chautauqua grounds, a swim in the lake, were some of the features of the entertainment.

Clare Mulick, from Fargo, rode in a Flanders car and was one of the observers. He met many old Minot friends.

There were a dozen women in the number, and one little girl. There were a number of representatives of the Twin City press and several G. N. detectives.

Berthold Entertains.
Berthold entertained the guests in a royal manner that night, several autos from Minot going up. Among the Minot cars there were those of M. T. Dahlquist, M. Jacobson, Lindquist, W. H. Reighart, E. S. Person and Dr. A. D. McCannel. Major Person met his old friend, Dr. Dutton of Minneapolis, who was surgeon in the 14th Minn. regiment when Mr. Person was major of it.

At Berthold a bowery dance was given, and refreshments served. One of the features was the arrest of the brakeman on the special, for closing a certain street. Berthold has been fighting for a crossing, and Pres. Hill was invited to attend the kangaroo trial. At its conclusion, the brakeman was freed, but Mr. Hill stated that he'd see that the crossing was provided.

"JOHNNIE BURKE" MEETS OLD FRIEND

Governor Drove Miles Out of His Way to Meet Again the Friend of His Youth—Whom He Had Not Seen for Thirty-five Years.

Gov. John Burke, bound for Minot in an auto, from Ruso, where he left the Bismarck train, could not resist the temptation to go over to the farm home of W. E. Royce, south of North, Monday afternoon, to see his old friend. The governor and Mr. Royce were school boys together back on the farm near Sigourney, Iowa, and they had not seen each other for 35 years. Royce had written back to a mutual friend of both: "Johnnie Burke is doing well in North Dakota. He now wears a silk hat, but we knew him when he was contented with a fifteen cent straw hat." Burke got up this letter and determined to hunt up the friend of his youth.

When he called at Royce's home in the evening, the old gentleman came to the door and said: "Come on in, stranger," and just then recognized his old friend. "Why, how are you, Johnnie Burke?" and then the old friends visited for an hour and a half.

Mr. Royce has lost his hearing, but he can talk some, yet. He produced a little slate upon which the governor wrote his answers to questions asked. "I can't hear anything, Johnnie," he said. The governor wrote: "I am that way myself, sometimes."

The governor made Mr. and Mrs. Royce promise to visit his family at the executive mansion at Bismarck and if he does, he will be mighty welcome, too.

Poyce is a Republican and has never voted for Burke, yet he is proud of the success of his old time friend. If the governor happens to be the Democratic presidential nominee, however, he can depend on one vote from out on the prairie farm of the old gentleman, with whom he tried to play mischief in the days of long ago.

BROTHER AND SISTER LIVED AS MAN AND WIFE

John Bader, a Wild Rose farmer, Williams county, was convicted of incest, by a Ward county jury, his trial having been held in this city before Judge Leighton. The jury was out but a few minutes when it returned the verdict.

Bader, a man fifty years of age, has been living with his sister, as man and wife, for the past thirty years, having moved to Williams county from Renville county, Minn., five years ago. A grand jury failed to indict Bader in Minnesota and in former trial in Williams county, he was convicted, but secured a new trial. Three children were born to the couple, two sons, 24 and 27 years of age, and a young woman 19 years old. The girl recently gave birth to a child, her own father, it is said, being the father of this offspring. The children are not very intelligent and Bader himself is not very bright. He will receive his sentence Aug. 8.

Bader has relatives at Souris, who will have nothing to do with him.

KENMARE NEWS STARTS BIG ROW

Makes Charges Against Mayor Cole—Editors Testify Before Nash—Warrants for the Arrest of Seven Kenmareites.

There's a hot time up in the Goose-neck, where "Stick," Jack Charmley, Percy Cole and some more good fellows live.

Last week, in an editorial, the Kenmare News accused Mayor Cole of aiding the lawless element by allowing the blind pigs and gambling dens to run. Mr. Cole took exception to some of the statements made and came to see State's Attorney Nash. As a result, Jack Charmley, editor of the News, Vic Corbett, publisher, Geo. Towle the foreman, and Eddie Corbett, an employe, were summoned to appear before Mr. Nash to testify as to what they knew concerning the charges. As a result, seven warrants were issued for the arrest of residents of that city, who are charged with running pigs and gambling dens and Sheriff Kelley left Wednesday for that place to gather them in.

Mr. Cole was seen by an Independent representative, and he said that it was entirely possible that he would bring an action against those responsible for the publication of the article which he considers libelous.

WHO WILL TEACH HARRISON SCHOOL?

Old Board Hired Teachers Who Like to Know Whether They Will Be Expected to Retain Their Positions.

There appears to be a little difficulty in the settlement between Minot special school district and that of Harrison township, which includes the school built in what was North Minot, and known as the Harrison township school. When North Minot lost out in its fight in the supreme court, that portion of the city immediately became a part of the city of Minot, and naturally a portion of this district. The directors of that district are J. N. Johnson, John Wallin and Ole Oen, the latter recently having been appointed by County Superintendent Warren. The board had hired the teachers for the ensuing year, who are Prof. Trace, his daughter, from the St. Cloud normal school, and Miss Ines Bager but under the present conditions, these teachers do not know whether they should prepare to teach or not. If the Minot district cannot settle satisfactorily with Harrison township, then it may be up to Minot to take care of the pupils in those schools that are within the district proper, and which have been running. The Minot school board does not consider, however, that it is interested in the settlement, so much as the city of Minot is, and upon the settlement between this city and the Harrison township board, will determine largely whether the Harrison township school will be run as a unit of Minot schools this year or not. In the meantime, there are some anxious teachers.

CRANE PRESIDENT OF MINOT NORMAL

Board Selects Man From Our Own State From Among Eight Aspirants—Winner is a Brilliant Educator.

Supt. Crane of the Jamestown schools, one of the most brilliant educators in the state, was chosen president of the Minot normal school, at a late hour Tuesday night, by the board of control of the state normal institutions, in session in this city.

There were eight active candidates for the position, apparently all strong educators. All were here and appeared singly before the board and their qualifications were considered.

Mr. Crane is a young man, 34 years of age, and while he has had no normal training, he is one of the most prominent educational men in the state. He is a splendid appearing man and it is believed that the board did not make a mistake. The board did the wise thing in selecting a North Dakota man.

The other aspirants for the position were: Supt. Godward, formerly of the Devils Lake schools; Wilson, president of the River Falls, Wis., normal; Miller, a teacher from Carleton college, Northfield, Minn.; Hollis, a Valley City normal teacher; Travers, professor from the Mayville normal; Hilleboe, superintendent of the Benson, Minn., schools; Clark, Forsyth, Mont.; and Englemann, from La-Crosse, Wis.

Prof. Hillyard of the Mayville normal was here in the interest of Prof. Travers.

KENMARE MEN PLEAD GUILTY TO ASSAULT

Thomas and James O'Neil, Charged With Manslaughter, Succeed in Getting Off With Charge of Simple Assault.

The Williams county manslaughter case, the state vs. Thomas O'Neil of Kenmare, brot to Ward county for trial, has been terminated. Francis J. Murphy and G. S. Woolledge, appearing for the defendant, made a motion that the charge be changed to simple assault, which was allowed by Judge Leighton. O'Neil immediately pleaded guilty to that charge and the worst he can get is a county jail sentence. His brother James, charged with the same offense, has also pleaded guilty to assault.

These men were working in a coal mine at Williston in March and in a fight with Geo. Ray, a blow was struck by one of them, which resulted in Ray's death. They claimed self defense, and that would have been their defense, had the charge not been changed. They can consider themselves very fortunate over the result of the trial.

State's Attorney Braathen and his assistant, W. G. Owens, appeared for the state.

CLARK GIVEN FIFTEEN DAYS.
W. E. Clark, who claims to be an industrial worker, was arrested about 2 o'clock Saturday morning for striking Policeman Nick Thilgren. Clark was found lurking in the Soo yards at the early morning hour and when accosted, struck the Soo policeman. He was arrested, thrown in the city bastille, and given fifteen days for disorderly conduct.

Clark spoke at the corner of Main and First streets Tuesday night and he grew so bolterous that Friday night he was moved further west on First street, where he abused the police, the business men and everybody in general. He denounced the stars and stripes and it is a wonder that some one didn't land on him. The Minot Socialists have repudiated Clark and seem to think that such men do their cause more harm than good. They declare he is no Socialist at all.

The cases against the Devils Lake drug stores did not amount to much. B. J. Ness was found not guilty and the jury disagreed in the other cases. The testimony given was unconvincing to convict.

LEE ATTENDED THE CORONATION

Former Minot Man Visiting Here Tells of Great Time in London—Leaves Today for His Home at Bellingham.

P. P. Lee and family, who have been visiting in Minot for several days, leave today for their home at Bellingham, Wash. They have been absent a year or more, having spent most of that time in Christiania, Norway, where Mr. Lee's children attended school. They studied Norwegian, German and French. Much attention is paid to the languages in the European countries, as their interests are so closely allied.

Mr. Lee was only five years of age when he left Norway to come to America, consequently, his acquaintances in the old country were not numerous. However, he traveled about Europe quite extensively and feels that he spent a most profitable year.

The Lee family stopped in London enroute home, and attended the coronation ceremonies of the king. There was an immense crowd in London at the time, but the seven million people had no trouble taking care of the handful of visitors, comparatively speaking. For several days, no attempt was made to transact business in that city. The principal streets were closed to traffic and the theaters were also closed. As it was impossible for the parade to get over the principal streets in one day, three days were given over to the ceremonies.

Mr. Lee for many years was in business in Minot. He became very prosperous and a number of years ago went west, where he engaged in the wholesale business at Bellingham, where he has been very successful.

The Lee family made a prolonged stay in Norway, Denmark, Germany and England. During the summer months they visited many places of interest, Hammerfest the most northern city in the world being one of them, where the midnight sun is visible several months of the summer, hence having daylight continuously.

The "Roukon Foss" (water fall), in Norway, is probably most powerful fall in the world. A power plant of 500,000 horse power is being developed and it is claimed that this can be doubled. The volume of water does not compare with Niagara, but the fall of almost 1,000 feet makes the power almost unlimited. It is regulated by an immense dam which makes the flow uniform the year round.

Mr. Lee states that while he was in London at the time of the coronation, there were a million and a half of visitors there. Seats for seeing the parade were sold all the way five shillings up to 20 pounds. They got a couple of glimpses of the king and queen, however, without paying the top price and the procession was certainly grand.

While London has some buildings like Westminster Abbey and St. Paul's cathedral that are unique in their structure, and the British Museum and the National Gallery, the collection of which in magnitude and value, can be found nowhere else, the business houses of London do not compare with those of New York, where for instance on Wall street the business blocks are insignificant if less than twenty stories, and many are seen from twenty-six to twenty-eight stories tall.

The Lee family arrived on the liner Mauritania, which made the voyage in five days—no sea-sickness, and the voyage was in every way pleasant.

CARRIED CONCEALED WEAPONS.
Alex. George, a Greek, and Geo. Allen, colored, were arrested Monday charged with carrying concealed weapons. The Greek says he was robbed of \$200 not long ago and he doesn't propose to tart with his coin again. Both men were bound over to county court.

The game board met at Valva July 20 and called in the district wardens to instruct them in their work.

DES LACS MAN ACQUITTED.
Walter Durkin of Des Lacs charged with stealing a bar was found not guilty in district court.

Spring Things

NATURE shows the spring flowers; our store displays the flowers of art. The artists in jewelry and silverware have not improved nature, but they have been inspired by her. A visit to our store at this time furnishes an education in beauty, and the prices are as attractive as the patterns.

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