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COLONEL JOHN H. FRAINE OF GRAFTON, IS ELECTED SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE

Minot Man Withdraws and Much of His Strength Goes to Grafton Candidate—Dark Horse Was Strong Opponent.

Col. John H. Fraire was elected speaker of the house of representatives of the 13th legislative assembly after the sixth ballot, defeating his nearest opponent, A. G. Divit, a "dark horse," 64 to 31. A. P. Hanson of Fargo, who entered the race at a late hour, came near stopping the tide for the Grafton man, as at one time it appeared he had organized successfully the field against Fraire.

A. M. Thompson, the Minot candidate, made a good showing, but retired early in the fight. It appears that much of his strength went to Fraire.

The new speaker was a defeated candidate for this position four years ago.

He was born in England in 1861 and is a lawyer by profession. He is colonel of the N. D. National Guard.

A. M. Thompson of Ward has been appointed on the employment committee in the legislature.

COUNTY OFFICIALS ARE SWORN IN

Bonds Are Approved by County Board Monday—Public Administrator C. B. Bach in Charge Thursday.

C. B. Bach, public administrator, took charge of his office Thursday, the law specifying that this official begin upon his duties on the first of the year. The other officials were not sworn in until Monday, when their bonds were approved.

Judge Murray was on hand Tuesday morning but will do little active work before Monday, by which time all records will be in shape.

State's Attorney Nestos' first official act was to appoint Dorr Carroll his assistant. The state's attorney and his assistant find an immense lot of work to do. District court is in session and there are twenty criminal cases to come up at this term. Besides, there are seven appeals to the supreme court.

RUSSIAN FARMER WAS ARRESTED

Kalamenaga Who Escaped Arrest Last Summer by Hiding in Tall Wheat Has Been Arrested.

Kalamenaga, the Russian, who gained considerable notoriety last summer by hiding in the tall wheat near Max when Sheriff Kelley and deputies went out to arrest him, was captured Monday. The Russian was on his way to Minot, accompanied by his wife and the sheriff received a telephone message from Sawyer informing him that the man was on board the train. Upon his arrival in this city he was arrested, but gave bonds for his appearance.

Kalamenaga is charged with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill, having had a fierce quarrel with his wife.

WILL REMODEL TEMPLE STORE.

Nick Arend moved the Unique grocery store recently to the Leland department store and within a few days F. V. McCoy will begin remodeling the room Mr. Arend vacated, getting it in readiness for a large stock of women's and misses' apparel that will arrive in a few weeks.

TRY TO HOLD UP CRANE'S SALARY

STATE AUDITING BOARD REFUSES TO PAY NORMAL PRESIDENT.

Bismarck, Jan. 7.—President-elect E. R. Crane of the Minot normal school is meeting with difficulties in the collection of his salary for services, today.

The state auditing board has refused to O. K. his bill for salary for the months of November and December, totalling approximately \$500, on the contention that inasmuch as there is as yet no normal school under way at Minot, that there certainly should be no need of paying a president.

The state normal board of control has a different view of the situation, and it is upon the action of that board in appointing President Crane and authorizing him to take charge of the preliminary work at Minot during the past two months, that the state auditing board is centering its attack.

Members of the normal board contend that the engagement of President Crane to take charge of the work at Minot at this time is entirely within their scope of powers, and that his services are actually required there. Supervision of the construction work on the first building for the school, as executive agent of the board is one of the important duties falling to him at this time, while they point to other features, such as making preliminary preparations for the opening of the institution next fall, etc., as demanding the remainder of his time.

It is expected that the Minot normal school supporters will ask the legislature to appropriate between \$150,000 and \$200,000 for the institution. Two years ago the school was successful in securing a big appropriation, and this year the normal men feel that almost as large an amount of money is required.

WILL BUY AUTO FOR THEIR PASTOR

The annual meeting of the congregation and ladies' aid of the First Lutheran church was held Monday night and at its conclusion, a tempting supper was served in the church basement. After a program of speeches and music, Rev. Mr. Gulixson, the popular pastor, was presented with a large sum of money that will go towards the purchase of an automobile.

Miss Lillian Evans has gone to Knox, where she is nursing a patient ill of typhoid fever.

JUDGE DAVIS PASSES OUT MANY STIFF SENTENCES

Gives Convicted Men Stiff Sentences as Parting Warning to Wrongdoers.

Judge Davis sentenced the following men who were either convicted in county court, or who pleaded guilty:

F. W. Blood, pigging, 90 days and \$200 costs. Blood has appealed.

Gust Christenson, pigging, 90 days and \$200 costs.

C. C. Tangedahl, pigging, 90 days and \$200 costs.

Wm. Harper, pigging, 90 days and \$200 costs.

J. W. Johnson, pigging, 90 days and \$200 costs. Johnson was granted a new trial.

Wm. Elno, pigging, 90 days and \$200 costs.

Wm. Cyrus, pigging, 90 days and \$200 costs.

Frank Gales, pigging 90 days and \$200 costs.

Of the above only Cyrus, Elno and Johnson stood trial, the others pleading guilty.

T. W. McVeety, convicted of assault and battery, paid \$10 costs and was released.

NEW STATE'S ATTORNEY WILL INSIST ON LAW ENFORCEMENT

JUDGE TEMPLETON DIED IN ST. PAUL LAST FRIDAY

THIS MAN SHOWS NOBLE SPIRIT

New Rockford, N. D., Jan. 6.—Editor Ward Co. Ind., Minot, N. D.

Dear Sir: I read in your last paper about a young woman badly burned and needs skin for grafting, if enough people have not volunteered to help the unfortunate victim, I'll be glad to offer part of my skin or as much as I can stand. I am healthy and young and can stand it. I just arrived here from Minneapolis and can't find any work here and will come at once to your city if I can get work in a store after I have given up some of my skin.

Let me hear at once. I don't want my name mentioned in print.

Sincerely,

ARRESTED FOR ROBBING POSTOFFICE

Edw. Schmidt, Eighteen-Year-Old Youth Held to Federal Court by U. S. Commissioner Hopkins.

Edward Schmidt, an 18-year-old lad, charged with the attempted robbery of the postoffice at Portal, was arrested and brot before R. E. Hopkins U. S. commissioner last Saturday. He was held to the next term of the federal court and now occupies a cell in the county jail.

This is remarkably good weather. Undertakers report fewer deaths in the Minot territory during the past three weeks than any time in ten years.

F. E. GRAVES IS PROSPERING.

The Independent has been getting the San Diego Union, with the compliments of F. E. Graves, a former Minot land man, who is now engaged in a lucrative real estate business in that California city. Mr. Graves is president of the Traders Securities Company, capital, \$50,000, home builders and everything in real estate. F. E. Graves besides being a prince of a good fellow, is a topnotcher in real estate circles. If we ever amass a fortune in the newspaper business, we are going to hunt our old friend up and buy a winter home in southern California. He may be a pretty old man by the time we are able to do this, however.

Lester McLeod, for years a G. N. engineer, received his walking papers recently, it is reported. A forgotten order, after years of hard work a narrow escape from a wreck on the main line, were enough to cause his employers to forget all the good deeds he had ever done. Such is life in rail-roading.

Judge of First Judicial District Passes Away Friday—Had Been Ailing for Several Months.

Judge Templeton, of the First Judicial district, whose headquarters were in Grand Forks, died Friday morning in a St. Paul hospital from heart failure. He had been ailing for several months but continued to hold court until he concluded the December term when he went to St. Paul to recuperate. The judge was 57 years of age and was first appointed judge by Cleveland in territorial days. In 1896 Judge Fisk defeated him but ten years later when Gov. Burke appointed Mr. Fisk to the supreme bench, he appointed Judge Templeton to fill the vacancy and he was since elected to the position.

Judge Templeton had been called to this district frequently. He sat in the famous Lignite-Bowbells county seat case, deciding in favor of Bowbells. He also sat in the Minot normal school site case.

A BOOST FROM JIM JOHNSON.

James Johnson, who generally sizes things up about as they are, says: "I have heard Minot knocked and I have heard her praised. For my part I can only sing her praises. I recently heard some women talking at a meeting of a ladies aid (can't say just how Jim came to be admitted), and several said they had quit sending away for goods and were watching the Minot sales, for they could do much better right at home. And then it's a fact that farmers generally get 2 cents a bushel more for their grain here and right now we are selling eggs for 35 cents a dozen. And again, I have sold cattle for 6 1/2 cents a pound on the hoof. We are fortunate if we own land near Minot."

COLD WAVE STRIKES NORTH DAKOTA

Thermometer Register 28 Below—Ice-men Have No Case to Worry and the Coal Dealers Are Smiling.

The balmy spring like weather that characterized this as one of the mildest winters in years, took a sudden change Friday and for several days the thermometer has registered close to the 30 below mark. Our ice dealers had feared that they would have to content themselves with putting up six inch ice, but they'll now be able to get that of any desired thickness. The coal dealers, too, are smiling. Many of their customers had been ordering little dabs of fuel but with the change in the temperature, orders came in so fast that it is hard to handle all the business. This is good North Dakota winter weather that few germs can withstand, consequently we'll save doctor bills.

R. C. Barrett of Glenburn, passed thru Minot Saturday enroute to eastern South Dakota and Minneapolis for a short visit, where it is expected he will astonish the natives.

Ben E. Combs, the good looking Donnybrook attorney, was looking after legal business here Monday.

County Commissioner B. J. Anderson has moved in from the farm for the winter in order to look after his work more conveniently.

Much grain is being marketed despite the severe weather. Grain men of Minot bought 50 loads last Saturday, one of the coldest, windiest days of the winter.

New State's Attorney Will Uphold the Dignity of the Law to the Best of His Ability—Talks about Druggists' Permits.

R. A. Nestos, the new state's attorney, made the following statements to a representative of the Independent which defines his policy fairly well:

"I am in favor of a pretty strict enforcement of the law, treating all alike and upholding the dignity of the law as much as I can.

"I will live up to the oath of my office to the best of my ability.

"I propose to stamp out gambling, if possible.

"I shall expect a speedy and radical change among certain drug stores of the county, or they can expect trouble over their permits. I understand that some of the druggists are ready to turn in their permits whenever called upon.

"While I personally believe in law enforcement, Minot's reputation is worse than Minot really is. Still there is room for improvement in our condition and as we are soon to open our normal school, an effort must be made to stamp out evils of all kinds."

DR. MCCANNEL HAS NEW OFFICES

Minot Specialist Has Rooms That Would Be a Credit to Any City Occupies Five Rooms in Scofield Bldg.

Dr. Archie D. McCannel, the eye and ear specialist, now occupies newly remodeled office rooms in the Scofield block, part of them being his old room, the doctor having taken in addition the rooms formerly occupied by Atty. Thompson & Woolledge. New hard wood floors have been laid in the five rooms occupied by the doctor and the entire interior had been handsomely decorated. Some magnificent new leather furniture has been added and the entire place is as spick and span as any of the offices in the larger cities.

The large reception room is provided with a large window along the corridor, giving the room a cheery appearance. The surgery room is white enameled and provided with the most modern equipment. There is a dark room for eye testing besides a recovery room.

The doctor has built up a large special practice and many patients come from as far away as Montana and Canadian points.

MINOT WOMAN IN CANADIAN JAIL

Rose Wilson, Formerly of This City, Sent to Prison for Six Years at Regina, Sask., for Serious Crime.

It has been reported that Rose Wilson, a former Minot woman, was recently sentenced to the Canadian prison at Regina, Sask., for six years, for white slavery. The report has it that her own daughters, aged eleven and fourteen years, were the victims. The girls themselves have been sent to a house of correction, while a man claiming to be the woman's husband, was given two years in prison.

The Wilson woman is said to have conducted a resort at Moosejaw. She lived in Minot for several years and while residing here, her first husband left suddenly.

John Ehr has been in Montana several days buying several carloads of horses to ship to Minot for the trade.