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THE STORIES OF NORTH DAKOTA NEWSPAPERS

The Fargo Courier-News will soon begin a series of articles on the men who make North Dakota newspapers, running one story of the publishers or managers a day. This is going to be an interesting feature and we hope to see the good looking "mugs" of such worthies as Mike Breen "Old Bill" Mumby, Ed Richter and others too numerous to mention. The News will make a hit and some of us may be able to note good qualities regarding ourselves that we never knew we possessed.

SWANSON-MYREN NUPTIALS.

Carl Swanson, a prominent young farmer, residing fourteen miles south of Minot, was married Monday to Miss Mabel Myren, one of the pretty and accomplished teachers of the county. The bride is the daughter of E. H. Myren, and formerly lived in Minot. The happy couple left Monday night for Minnesota points where they are enjoying their honeymoon.

DR. HARDAWAY ON VACATION.

Dr. A. M. Hardaway, one of our prominent dentists, has gone to Chicago and other eastern points for a well earned vacation. When the doctor returns about Feb. 15, he will occupy new offices in the Citizens Bank block. The doctor's new offices will be more commodious and more favorably located for his practice.

PRINTING BILLS TOO HIGH.

Gov. Hanna in a message to the legislature, pointed out that the state was paying too much money for legislative printing. The first twenty days' printing cost \$10,000 and at that rate the printing bills for the session will amount to \$35,000 or thereabouts.

IDEAL WEATHER IN TEXAS.

Paul V. McCoy, who is visiting friends at Corpus Christi, Texas, writes the Independent that the thermometer registered 82 degrees in the shade and he wondered how the snow ball eaters of North Dakota were getting along. Mr. McCoy will visit New York before his return. He will not be back for three weeks.

PAID GLENBURN FARMERS NICE COMPLIMENT

Prof. A. E. Chamberlain, industrial agent of the G. N., paid the Glenburn farmers a nice compliment. He said the farm homes in the vicinity of Glenburn were as well improved as those of the Red River valley or South Dakota and he was particularly delighted with the beautiful groves surrounding those homes.

LESS MONEY FOR NEWSPAPERS.

The legislature has passed a bill cutting out the publication of the proposed amendment notices. The state papers will lose \$18,000 worth of such printing every four years.

EXPECT TO SELL 500 AUTOS.

Miller & Stearns, of the Minot auto garage, have quite a number of them ready to go. They have already received 40 Fords, this season's cars, and are selling quite a number of them. They expect to dispose of 500 Fords in the Minot territory this year. The Ford is a better auto than ever and sells for \$668.75, delivered in Minot this year as against \$770.00 last year.

AROUND THE STATE

Tollef Paulson, publisher of the Kenmare Journal, is in Minneapolis looking for a residence that he intends to buy. He hopes to enjoy metropolitan life, where he can mingle with Bull Moose to his heart's content, for Tollef is some Progressive.

Dr. Wig submitted to an operation at the Kenmare hospital for hernia from which he had suffered for twenty years. The operation proved successful.

Mrs. Chas. Ackerman, aged 42 years, died of pneumonia at her farm home four miles southwest of Kenmare. She leaves a husband, four daughters and two sons.

O. C. Severance, 84 years of age, died at his home eight miles north-east of Kenmare.

Nineteen of the fifty county superintendents in North Dakota are women.

Sheridan county has two boards of

county commissioners and each board designated official papers. The court will decide and in the meantime the newspapermen are in suspense.

After Feb. 1, the Benedict Banner will publish the names of delinquent subscribers.

At Kenmare, an engineer backed his tender into the turntable pit and the wrecker was called. A freight engine did passenger service that day.

Olaf Ribb fears that notwithstanding that Fargo's water supply is now pronounced good, some of the skeptical will continue to cross the river for a drink.

There are at the present time fifteen and a half million dollars more on deposit in the banks of North Dakota than a year ago. The average collector wouldn't suspect it.

Editor Holbein of Lansford, who has just returned from a week's visit with South Dakota friends, reports many in that state about ready to come to North Dakota to seek investments.

The home of Ben Wilkins at Plaza burned. Fire started from a gasoline stove while Mrs. Wilkins was making a short call at the home of a neighbor.

An Epworth League rally and Sunday school institute of unusual interest and importance is to be held at Minot, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, February 7-9. Dr. E. P. Robertson of Grand Forks will be the principal speaker on the League program, and three Sunday school specialists from Chicago, sent out by the board of Sunday schools of the Methodist Episcopal church are to conduct the institute. Delegates and representative Sunday school workers from 35 different churches on the Minot district are expected to be present. An unusually fine convention is anticipated.

While this institute is conducted under Methodist auspices all Sunday school workers, of all denominations are invited to avail themselves of the opportunity for instruction and inspiration that these specialists will bring.

North Dakota ought to be one of the greatest dairying states in the Union, yet our farmers don't furnish enough butter for home consumption. A Columbus merchant received a thousand pounds of Minnesota butter last week and within 48 hours he sold 750 pounds, and 700 pounds were sold to farmers. Do you get the idea?

A sheep expert says a Ward county farmer can double his money on sheep every fall by buying what he can handle and fatten them on his stubble fields.

What farmers need most is the right kind of help to get in the live stock business and then next in importance comes the right kind of help in marketing his produce. The railroads are about to join the big consuming centers in a great movement to give the farmer better marketing facilities. The day of a public market operated by municipalities or large corporations is not far distant.

North Dakota needs a little live stock on every farm.

The farmers in the vicinity of Minot have an immense lot of good potatoes that ought to be marketed within the next thirty days. We understand that an effort is now being made to secure some capable man to take hold of the proposition and engineer the marketing of this crop.

Fargo's slot machines, and for that matter, every one of them in Cass county, are doomed. A crusade was launched against them Monday.

Fred Meighan, a Fargo sleuth, was given 30 days for misusing a fifteen year old girl. He induced the girl to accompany him to Island Park, but she managed to get away from him. He explained that he took her into the park to learn the names of three men who had talked to her, he believing them to be robbers.

'Luck' McCarthy, champion heavy-weight pugilist, arrived in Fargo Monday to visit old friends, that city being his former home. His father, "Dr. White Eagle," true name Abner McCarty, the well known medicine man.

Ray Moore, engineer at the Ray lighting plant, nearly met a horrible death. His clothing caught in the shafting, his overalls and one rouser leg were ripped off, and his right leg broken and severely crushed. The man saved himself from being turned around the shafting and pounded

Archduke Francis Ferdinand of Austria and His Family



THE reported recent critical illness of Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria-Hungary which was both affirmed and denied, centered renewed interest in the Archduke Francis Ferdinand and his family. He will succeed the aged emperor upon the latter's death. It will be recalled that when the archduke married the Countess Chotek against the wishes of the emperor and in violation of royal conventions he brought down upon his head the wrath of the doughty eighty-two-year-old ruler. Later Emperor Francis Joseph partially forgave his nephew and raised his wife to the rank of Princess of Hohenberg. She can never, however, rank as empress. This is the latest picture of the archduke and his family.

to a pulp by holding tightly to a plank brace.

St. Louis Falls brewery is suing the Northern Pacific for \$1500 worth of beer, delivered to a North Dakotan at Bismarck, who happened to be the wrong party. A thing like this occasionally occurs even in a prohibition state.

It will be of interest to the news paper men, who were recently entertained at Wahpeton, to learn that the name of that city is an Indian name which means a tepee at the head of the woods.

The Williston Commercial club is giving 6 o'clock dinners occasionally and talking over matters afterwards. Granville wants a farmer's institute, which will cost \$35 for a one day's session. The legislature ought to appropriate sufficient money for this purpose so that such instruction could be given free.

Bottineau's water supply has run low and that city will be given an intermittent service until more water is in sight.

The Grand Tribune calls one Foster, who stopped his paper, a "pinhead." Foster failed to dictate the editorial policy of the Tribune.

According to the Herald, a Granville farmer received such a severe jolt that his heart was dislocated.

R. F. Neperud, a Riga farmer, butchered a hog that dressed 500 lbs. And still there are hundreds of North Dakota farmers buying Swift's Premium hams.

Nels Nelson, a Sherwood farmer, who became involved too heavily financially, departed for Canada and did not bid his friends adieu. He left all his property, however, which will partially pay his debts.

H. M. Peglow of Bow Island, Can., and Miss Alta E. Pettibone of Glenburn, were married. Mr. Peglow is a former Glenburn citizen and a brother of one of that town's live merchants, F. W. Peglow.

Nels Brekke, G. N. section foreman, found a dog east of Klotten, with its tongue frozen fast to the track. He cut the tongue loose with a hand ax and the animal made tracks for warmer quarters.

Gov. Hanna appointed John G. Gunderson, former senator, to the important position of state bank examiner. Mr. Gunderson, who is a prominent Aneta banker, declined the appointment, as he would have to give up his position in the bank. Tommy

WANT ANNUAL FAIR AT KENMARE

Senator Englund of Kenmare has introduced a bill providing for an annual appropriation of \$2500 for the maintenance of an annual fair at Kenmare. Tollef Paulson has offered to give a forty acre site just east of the city limits for the proposition and the senator believes that his bill will pass. Mandan has a fair that receives state aid of \$2500 a year and Kenmare hopes for similar assistance.

RENVILLE COMMISSIONERS ENJOINED

Grano, N. D., Jan. 28.—The Renville county commissioners have been enjoined from building additional bridges across Mouse river in Muskego township and the matter will be threshed out in district court. Henry Stammen and Jos. Clementich and 75 others signed a protest, stating that while there were already three bridges within three miles, there were points along the river five and ten miles apart without bridges. The commissioners are John Sauer, R. D. Johnson and Ben Harvey.

RUMELY CO. TO GIVE COURSE.

A course in the use and care of farm traction engines is to be given in Minot by the Indiana school of traction engineering, Feb. 12 to 22, inclusive, at the building of the Rumely Products Co. During a portion of this time, Feb. 18 to 22, the annual meeting of the Mouse River Farmers' Loop association will be held, so many farmers will find it convenient to attend both events.

LIGNITE IS GRITTY.

Lignite is going after Bowbells again, notwithstanding the fact that the supreme court decided against that city in the mandamus proceedings. Lignite will now proceed with her contest but two years ago, held in abeyance until the mandamus proceedings could be disposed of. The case will come up in district court before Judge Leighton in February.

DAN KIMBALL LOSES SIGHT OF ONE EYE

Daniel Kimball, one of our local police, and the oldest member of the force, has lost the sight of one of his eyes completely. It is believed that the disability was caused by a blood clot. Mr. Kimball's many friends sympathize with him in his misfortune. Mr. Kimball is confined to his home.

THE POOR WOMEN CANNOT VOTE

The woman's suffrage bill, introduced in the senate by Bronson, failed to pass, having failed to receive the constitutional majority of votes. The vote stood 25 for and 23 against, 2 not voting. Senators Bond, Englund, Linde, Overson, Albrecht and others voted against the bill. Senator Davidson was absent, and not voting.

The bill may come up later.

Tom Hurley, the Bowbells postmaster, will probably engage in the newspaper business again, after his present term expires.

Co. Supt. Hecht of Burke county will hold no spelling contest this year, but will conduct another corn growing contest.

A pocketbook was found at Omeeme and as it contained but five cents, it was entrusted to the care of the editor.

A half set of false teeth was found on the street in Omeeme. The owner has failed to call for them. Perhaps he hasn't missed 'em yet.

The Independent is now receiving daily copies of bills introduced in both branches of the legislature. Those interested may call and look them over.

Mrs. F. W. Thornton of Benson, Minn., a sister of Mrs. Jos. Roach, died last week, the funeral being held Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Roach attended the services. Mr. Roach will leave for the south, where he will spend several weeks.

M. J. Pearson of Surrey left this week for Hot Springs, S. D., where he will enter Dr. Nichols' sanitarium for treatment for a nasal difficulty.

Uncle Sam's Giant Wireless Station Talks 4,000 Miles

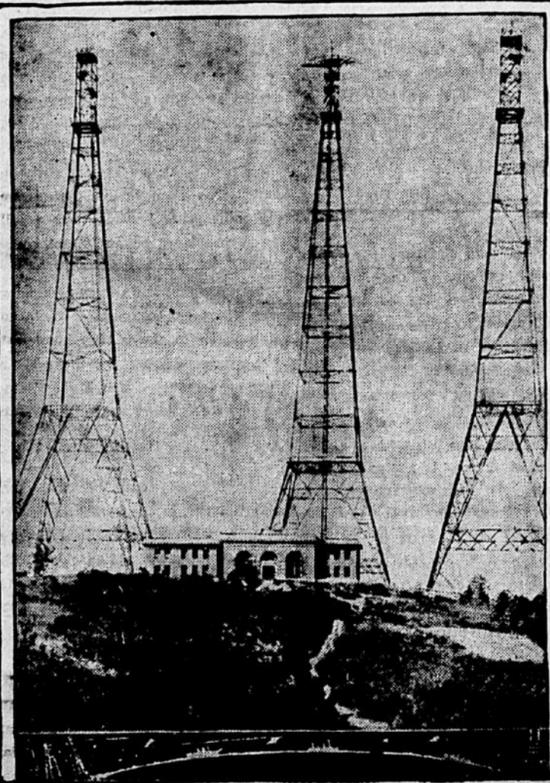


Photo by American Press Association.

SENDING wireless messages 4,000 miles in the latest feat of the new giant station at Arlington, Va., just across the Potomac from Washington. New Year's greetings were flashed to the Eiffel tower in Paris. Uncle Sam's biggest wireless wonder is in charge of Commander W. H. G. Bolland. The station consists of three great steel spires which catch the air messages and transmit them to the instruments in the operating rooms below. It seems hardly credible that one can talk by this means 4,000 miles, but it is so. What this means to the government in time of peace and war is significant. Jules Verne never thought of such a feat. It makes his "Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea" look pale.