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## MINOT MAN HAS VALUABLE PATENT

Guy Humphreys, Linotype Operator. Receives Large Sum From Mergenthaler Co for Improvement on Typesetting Machine.

Guy Humphreys, a linotype operator of this city, has just received the good news from New York that the Mergenthaler Co. has accepted his patent upon which he has been working for some time. The improvement is very important and will soon be in use on every typesetting machine. Mr. Humphreys is of an inventive turn of mind. It is understood that he has received quite a nice sum of money for his patent.

## NORWAY BETTER THAN HUSBAND

Mrs. Lieberg Thinks the Old Country is Worth While—He Divorces Her.

The following from the Grand Forks Times concerns Mr. Lieberg, a former Minot resident:

Mrs. Asborn Lieberg thinks Norway is a great place.

In fact, she is so stuck on Norway that she won't come to America under any consideration.

That is what her husband told Judge C. M. Cooley of the district court this morning, and the judge was so impressed with the husband's recital of her attachment for her native soil that he gave him a divorce.

And that is just what Mr. Lieberg wanted.

According to the facts as presented, Mr. and Mrs. Lieberg were wedded in Minneapolis on June 16, 1909. Things went along swimmingly for a time. They lived in Minot for a while, and also in Grand Forks.

Then they went to Norway and resided there. But Mrs. Lieberg became attached to the country. She was so well pleased with the world in general when she reached Norway that she didn't want to come back.

The husband has tried several experiments, not the least important of which was that of sending her money for the fare back. But she wouldn't come.

Mr. Lieberg likes America. He likes it a whole lot better than Norway, and inasmuch as the two failed to see just where they could reach any agreement, he adopted the divorce court remedy.

An interesting feature is found in the fact that they are first cousins.

## WILLISTON IS FLOODED

The Independent learns that the Missouri river at Williston is on a rampage. The Missouri has backed up into the Little Muddy which is over its banks. The electric light plant and lower railroad yards are flooded. A huge ice gorge is in the river and several farm houses are surrounded by water. A farmer and his stock near that city are reported to have drowned Wednesday.

## NARROW ESCAPE FOR THE MELOS FAMILY

H. J. Melos and children had a narrow escape while returning to the city from a drive to the farm Monday evening. At the east end of Valley street their buggy struck a guy wire of a telephone pole and the buggy was overturned, the occupants being thrown out. The buggy was damaged, but fortunately neither Mr. Melos nor the children were injured. The wire appears to extend into the street and is in a dangerous place.

## SMALL BLAZE AT SLOCUM'S

A small blaze among some boxes at the rear of Slocum's drug store called the fire department out Tuesday morning. The fire was put out with a chemical extinguisher.

## VIRGINIA FLATS ARE FLOODED

Water Collects in Coulee and Fills Lower Apartments. Within Ten Minutes—Prof. Knowlton, E. E. Yates and Mr. Hancock Heavy Losers.

A flood did several thousand dollars damage at the Virginia flats, owned by W. M. Smart Friday evening. The water collected in the coulee and came down with a rush, filling the lower flats within ten minutes. The sewers, unable to carry the unusual flow of water, had been closed by the city.

Prof. Knowlton, who occupies one of the apartments, considers his damage \$1000. His loss is nearly complete. A valuable piano was practically ruined. Mr. Hancock and E. E. Yates also claim big damages, and all have asked the city to come across. A. C. Smith had removed his effects just in time.

## ACCIDENTLY SHOT HIMSELF

Tobacco Garden Man Accidentally Explodes Cartridge and is Injured.

Schafer, N. D., March 30.—Len Wilcox of near Tobacco Garden, accidentally exploded a cartridge while endeavoring to remove it from a .22 caliber six shooter, and shot himself in the left hand and foot. The bullet passed thru the left hand and embedded itself in the left foot. He picked the ball out of his foot and came to town where he has been ever since under Dr. Morris' care. The wounds are not at all dangerous and the young man will soon be about again.

## HAS ENOUGH OF FLORIDA

Al Calkins of Blaisdell, who shipped a carload of effects to the western coast of Florida, returned the other day. Upon his arrival there he found the land he had bought was nothing but a patch of sand, so he turned around and came back without ever unloading his car. He telegraphed his wife not to come and the message was received enroute. Calkins says he never saw so much vermin and insects in his life. The people are so poor there that they subsist mainly on turnips, eating the tops and all. He lost fully a thousand dollars on his trip, besides his investment. He fortunately has some money left which he will invest in a farm at Tagus. Mr. Calkins brought back a few bushels of grape fruit which he is selling to his friends at a nickel each.

## DIRECTORS HAVE RESIGNED.

A meeting of the members of the Commercial club will be held Monday evening to talk over plans for reorganizing along financial lines. To facilitate matters, the directors have handed in their resignations.

## U. C. T. BALL.

The U. C. T. of Minot will hold a ball in the Armory April 18, to be followed with a banquet served by the Daughters of Isabella in the basement of St. Leo's church. This is going to be the swellest function of its kind held in many a day.

The proceeds will go towards the U. C. T. home which is to be built in this city.

Sheriff Wilcox brought in a card photo the other day which shows his youngest boy with a large pickerel on his back. It measures 39 1/2 inches long, 18 inches around the body, and weighs 18 3/4 pounds. "Dad" says that he took the picture so that he could show the goods to any who doubt that such a fish could be gotten in the Mouse.—Mohall News.

## Sir Thomas Lipton Will Try Again to Lift America's Cup



Photos by American Press Association.

SIR THOMAS LIPTON, following his recent visit to this country, dived headlong into the spotlight's glare on the water of publicity by issuing a challenge for the America's cup. It is six years since he last challenged the New York Yacht club, holder of the famous international trophy, to a race. He agrees this time to build Shamrock IV, and sail her across to compete on this side with the best American product. He stands ready to race in 1914. Thrice before he was defeated, the last time being ten years ago. Sir Thomas is shown here with Shamrock III.

## STATES ATTORNEY STARTS ACTION AGAINST WARREN TO RECOVER \$12,234.00

### A. S. OF E. MEETING AT GLENBURN

The American Society of Equity held an interesting meeting at Glenburn Saturday. About three hundred attended and a free dinner was served. The president and secretary of the state organization were present to explain the findings of the investigating committee before the Minnesota legislature.

J. E. Elderback, a former Des Moines farmer, who left here five years ago, has returned from Missouri, more convinced than ever that this is the country for the man in modern circumstances. He will make his home in Minot.

### County Brings Action Against County Superintendent for Alleged Overcharges for Mileage.

State's Atty. Nestos, representing Ward county, has brot action against County Supt. Warren for the recovery of \$12,234, which amount it is alleged Mr. Warren has overcharged the county for mileage during the past eight years. Mr. Warren has retained the well known firm of attorneys, Greenleaf, Bradford and Nash, who will ask for a bill of particulars. It is the intention of the county, if successful in this action, to keep the amount out of Mr. Warren's salary.

August Midbo and Mrs. E. Cox, who were adjudged insane, were taken to Jamestown Saturday.

## PRIZE-FIGHT PROMOTERS HAVE BEEN ARRESTED

### THE EQUITY CONTROVERSY

Wednesday afternoon at the opera house, J. M. Anderson, president of the Equity Co-operative Exchange of Minneapolis, which has been under investigation, together with the Chamber of Commerce, for several weeks past, by the Minnesota legislature, appeared and presented the Equity's side of the controversy. Notice had been given of the meeting and a goodly number of farmers were present. The Equity people claim that only one side of the controversy had been printed by the Twin City papers, and printed by the Twin City papers, and in order to give the farmers the true facts these meetings are being held in several towns. The controversy involves the Voltaire Farmers' Elevator Co. Messrs. H. G. Band and Fred Schmidt treasurer and manager respectively, of the elevator company, were present and contradicted the statements made by Mr. Anderson. There was considerable sharp debate and before the same ended many local members of the Equity and others were drawn into the discussion. The meeting lasted for several hours and finally adjourned at 6 o'clock. No action was taken at the meeting and after both sides of the question had been discussed the matter was left with those present to draw conclusions.—Velva Journal.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Auland have returned from Long Beach Cal., where they enjoyed the winter months.

### Witnesses Refuse to Testify Because This Might Incriminate Themselves—Case Continued.

Wm. Kimball and Wm. Butler who engaged in a prize fight at Dreamland several weeks ago, have been arrested. O. W. Webb and Wm. Anderson have been arrested charged with promoting the bout. All appeared before Judge Lynch Wednesday afternoon.

Many witnesses were called, including some prominent citizens and officials. All witnesses refused to testify however, claiming their rights, as their testimony might tend to incriminate themselves. It is against the state law to witness a prize fight.

Asst. State's Atty. Carroll asked for a continuance, stating that he has a witness who will testify who is out of the city.

Geo. Eroe, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Eroe, is recovering from a serious attack of blood poisoning, which resulted from a slight injury received while practicing for a basket ball game.

### JAMES FLATLAND VERY ILL.

James Flatland, cashier of the Union National bank, is seriously ill of pneumonia at his home, having taken to his bed Saturday. He is under the care of a trained nurse, and friends anxiously await news of his improvement.

### COHN'S BIG SALE.

Announcement of the big clearance sale of the Cohn Clothing Co. appears in this issue. The sale opens Saturday and will be conducted by the E. P. Murphy Sales Co. of Minneapolis, a representative being here getting the stock in readiness.

## MINOT WILL HAVE FINEST CAFETERIA WEST OF THE CITIES

### MRS. HULBERG WAS NEAR DEATH

Mrs. M. O. Hulberg, who lives ten miles south of Minot, became precariously ill of kidney trouble a week ago Sunday and came near passing away before the arrival of a Minot physician, who made the trip in forty minutes thru a raging snow storm in an auto. Her condition has improved. Mr. Hulberg says he never felt the need of a rural telephone line so much as he did that day.

### Phil W. Myers' Temple Cafeteria Which Opens April 10, Will Be the Very Best in the State.

When Phil W. Myers' Temple Cafeteria opens April 10, the public will see the very swellest place of the kind west of St. Paul. Mr. Myers has spent thousands of dollars getting the cafeteria in readiness. The whole place is provided with a tile floor and a tile and marble stairway has been installed. Over the stairway is a miniature waterfall with green electric lights effects with many beautiful little gold fish in the aquarium below.

The cafeteria is provided with 24 turned oak tables and chairs to match. The entire equipment is the best that money could buy, the knives and forks, spoons, bowls and creamers being of heavy silver.

The equipment for the sanitary kitchen is the very best, from the electric potato peeler that scrapes a peck of potatoes in 20 seconds to the dish washer that does the work of four persons, sterilizing the dishes as well as washing them.

A perfect ventilating system has been installed, the fresh air being sucked in with a great fan propelled by motor power. The Cafeteria is provided with a ladies' dressing and toilet room.

Mr. Myers has been fortunate in securing for his chef, J. W. Young, for five years chef at Carlin's in St. Paul. Mrs. Myers, who will have charge of the Cafeteria has given Mr. Young instructions to buy only the best foods.

After 5:30 each day, steaks and chops will be served.

