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Fritz of Towner Named for Register

McHENRY COUNTY POLITICIAN
WILL SUCCEED T. E. OLSGARD
AS REGISTER OF MINOT LAND-
OFFICE SOON.

The Independent learns that F. F. Fritz of Towner has been named to succeed Thomas E. Olsgard as register of the Minot landoffice. Mr. Fritz is expected to assume his duties as soon as his appointment is confirmed by the senate. Mr. Fritz served two terms in the legislature and one term on the Mandan Reform School board. Local democrats had endorsed John L. Fahey, a prominent attorney of this city, who has for many years been a faithful democrat. There is considerable disappointment in Minot over the fact that Mr. Fahey was not appointed, altho the Towner man is a first class citizen and will no doubt fill the position in a capable manner. T. E. Fox, of Bantry, former receiver of the landoffice, says concerning the appointment:

"As long as a McHenry county man was to be appointed, the selection of Mr. Fritz could not be improved upon. He has been a resident of McHenry county since the early days and has grown prosperous in ranching and farming. For years he was the only democrat in the county and we would have killed him off years ago but for the fact that we considered him harmless in a political way. However, he lived to surround himself with a large following of democrats and has no doubt earned his appointment. Naturally I feel some disappointment because Jack Fahey was turned down. Mr. Fahey was chief clerk in the landoffice four years while I was receiver, and I can say that he is most capable in every way."

Thos. E. Olsgard, receiver for the past four years, has filled the position to the satisfaction of everybody. Mr. Olsgard was register many years ago when the landoffice was first established. He will resume the practice of law as soon as he is relieved.

HUNTING SEASON OPENED SUNDAY

HUNTERS REPORT EXTRA GOOD
LUCK—HAI F THE CITY DINES
ON CHICKEN AND DUCKS.

The hunting season opened Sunday and half the population were out in the fields bright and early that morning. Most of the hunters drove out on the ground early for the morning's hunt. The chickens were reported tame and hundreds were bagged. Those who went after ducks were just as fortunate. Half the city has been feasting on the festive birds ever since.

Ed Kelley and Dan Doherty went out without a dog and got the limit before ten o'clock.

Peter Vandenoever bagged sixteen ducks in a short time.

Babe Marsh, Harry Cailiff and Fred Howard got 50 ducks and 25 chickens in the hills. There are other good hunting stories, "too numerous to mention."

W. A. Peck reports a heavy rain in the vicinity of Glenburn Saturday and one of the heaviest rains of the season at Sawyer the day before. He knows because he was in both of 'em. One mile and a half of boulevard, the new driveway at East Park, will be completed by the end of the week.

FUNERAL OF OLD CITIZEN

LARGELY ATTENDED FUNERAL
OF OLD TIME CITIZEN HELD
AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SUNDAY.

The funeral of Elmer Francis, one of Minot's oldest residents and most respected citizens, who died at Rochester, Minn., last week, was held from the Presbyterian church Sunday afternoon. Reverends Wm. C. Hunter and P. W. Erickson being in charge. The remains were interred in Rose Hill cemetery. The following, all early pioneers, were pall bearers: E. D. Skinner and Wm. Wilson of Sawyer, and E. D. Kelley, John Maloney, C. C. C. Willis and John Lynch, of this city.

The children were all at the funeral. Mrs. Griffith arrived from Missouri and will remain for several days with relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Williamson of Canada, who were called here to attend the funeral, returned home Tuesday.

Two Deer Near Carpio.
Two fine large deer that had evidently strayed away from the Missouri, were seen feeding in a field of shocked wheat by some hunters east of Carpio Sunday. They soon became alarmed and disappeared.

Roll Marsh, foreman of the Leader at Great Falls, arrived in Minot Monday and spent the day with his brother, "Dad" Marsh. The brothers have gone to LaCrosse, Wis., for a reunion of the members of the Marsh family. "Dad" asserts that he's going fishing for some of the Mississippi cats.

FARMER LOSES SIGHT OF EYE

ANDREW LAZARUS, BURLINGTON FARMER, INJURED IN A
HUNTING ACCIDENT SUNDAY—
SON JOHN SHOT AT DUCKS.

Andrew Lazarus, a prominent farmer residing between Burlington and Des Lacs, lost the sight of his left eye while hunting near his farm with his son John, Sunday. Two shot entered the eye, completely destroying the sight of that optic. Mr. Lazarus was brot to St. Joseph's hospital and it is probable that the eye will have to be removed.

Andrew and his son had succeeded in bagging considerable game. The boy was on the opposite side of a slough and fired at some ducks across from the water, not knowing that his father was opposite him, concealed from view by some brush. This is the only hunting accident reported in this locality.

Minot to Market 350,000 Bu. of Wheat
Wm. E. Dunnell of the Minot Flour Mill estimates the number of bushels of wheat to be marketed in Minot from this season's crop at 350,000 bushels. Last fall a quarter of a million bushels of grain were marketed in the various elevators, but the yield has fallen considerably short this year. He is getting in a fine grade of wheat, one of the best that the county has ever produced.

James Scofield is threshing an 18,000 bushel crop at his bonanza farm south of the city. Several teams are hauling the grain steadily to the elevator. Mr. Scofield will find it impossible to ascertain the average his grain yielded until his threshing is completed, altho he has a very nice crop.

The Brush-McWilliams Co. is arranging a fine display of farm products to be taken to the fairs at Aledo and Galesburg, Ill., soon. Halvor Halvorson will have charge of the exhibit.

THRESHING MACHINES DAMAGED

ORGANIZED EFFORT IS BEING
MADE TO RUIN THE FARMERS—
DASTARDLY WORK DONE BY
UNKNOWN CULPRITS.

It appears that an organized effort is being made to ruin the farmers and threshermen of the northwest. No less than half a dozen threshing machines have been damaged by the spikes, couplings and other objects secreted in the bundles and fed thru the machines accidentally.

The first machine damaged was that owned by Pat McCabe on the Peter Ehr farm. Forty teeth were torn out. A piece of coupling iron secreted in a bundle on the Saugstad farm near Logan was run into Jesse Pearson's machine Wednesday last week. Two dozen spikes were also run thru the machine. The couplings were badly broken or bent. Some of the spikes went thru the machine and shot out like bullets onto the straw pile, narrowly missing some of the men. The Pearson rig is manned by some of Mr. Pearson's relatives and other friends from Minnesota. He is certain that the work had been done before his machine was pulled onto the farm.

Frank Teats' machine on the prairie north of Logan several miles was damaged in a like manner. Mr. Teats found eight railroad spikes bound together with baling wire in one bundle.

Albert Nelson, who has charge of Sheriff Kelley's machine, started it up on the north prairie, and found spikes and several boxes of parlor matches in bundles of grain. The matches might have caused a serious and costly fire had they not been discovered before being fed thru the machine.

Threshing operations were suspended on the Olaf A. Olson farm west of Minot Friday when many spikes were found in the bundles. The threshing had been nearly completed before the machine was damaged. Repairs have been made and the machine started up again Monday.

Farmers are very angry over the acts of vandalism and if the guilty culprits can be located, will wreak vengeance on them.

SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS TO BUILD \$100,000 HOSPITAL IN MINOT

FIVE ACRE McKONE SITE ON
NORTH SIDE BOUGHT THIS
WEEK—FOUNDATION WILL BE
COMPLETED THIS FALL.

The Sisters of St. Francis, who for several years have been in charge of St. Joseph's hospital in this city, will start at once the erection of a new \$100,000 hospital in this city. The association bought the beautiful five-acre site from Mrs. Peter McKone, Sr., on Mill street on the North Side this week, consideration \$12,000, including the large eight-room McKone residence, which is to be used for a nurses' home. Ground will be broken at once and the basement and foundation will be completed this fall, according to present plans.

The Sisters themselves furnished the money for the site, which is considered one of the very best in the city, commanding a beautiful view and being located well above the high-water mark.

The hospital will be probably the very finest in the state. It will be large enough to accommodate 100 patients nicely. The building will be constructed of brick, will be absolutely fire proof, and will consist of four stories. It will be 200 feet long and 80 feet wide, equipped with electric



ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL
MINOT-NORTH DAKOTA.
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elevators thruout. A diet kitchen will be located on each floor, with dumb waiters from each kitchen.

The class room, Sisters' dining and sewing room, main kitchen, nurses' dining room and vacuum cleaner room will be located in the well lighted basement.

On the first floor will be found the reception rooms, public and private offices, chapel, dark rooms, examination and minor operating rooms.

There will be twelve private rooms, five wards and two private suites, consisting of sitting room, patient's

points of the state. The Northwestern Medical Society will assist materially in the building of the new structure and others will lend their assistance. The hospital will be of benefit to us all, whether we live in Minot or outside of the city.

Churches, fraternities and other organizations will be given an opportunity to assist in the work. Surrounding towns will be asked to do their share. The campaign has been recommended by Rt. Rev. Bishop Wehrle of Bismarck, who represents this Diocese.

Mr. and Mrs. James Johnson returned Monday from a two weeks' junket to the Twin Cities and Duluth. They spent several days at Lake Minnetonka and White Bear Lake. "Jim" says himself and his better half never spent a more enjoyable fortnight. Of all the cities visited Mr. Johnson seemed better satisfied with Duluth, which compares favorably with Minot. That city is full of good hustlers.

James Johnson was the first farmer in Ward county to complete his threshing, according to reports. He was thru Aug. 26, getting a fine yield.

Wm. L. Duff, who claims that Ontario is his home, was arrested 45 miles north of Ambrose with a team of horses he stole from the Ambrose stockyards. He was pursued with an automobile. The Canadian police turned Duff over to the authorities this side of the line. The horse which Duff rode into Ambrose is held at one of the livery stables by the authorities for duty.

MC CUTCHEON'S CHILDREN POISONED

FOUR CHILDREN OF OUR GAME
WARDEN HAVE CLOSE CALL
FROM PTOMAININE POISONING
THURSDAY NIGHT.

The four children of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. McCutcheon had a close call from death Thursday night just after drinking a quantity of milk. They became deathly sick from ptomaine poisoning and nearly died before a physician could be secured. Mr. McCutcheon was at home and as soon as he realized the condition of his children, made an effort to secure a physician, but practically all of them were busy and it was nearly an hour before one arrived. The physician worked over the children from nine o'clock that night until three o'clock the next morning until they were out of danger. The little babe had the closest call from death. It is believed that the children were poisoned from the milk they drank.

Peter Ramstad, one of our prominent old time residents, was kicked by a wild broncho at the Great Northern stockyards Tuesday afternoon and very seriously injured. His left leg was fractured in three places below the knee and there is a four inch scalp wound on top of the head, besides a three inch wound at the left temple.

Mr. Ramstad was placing a fly net on the bronck when the vicious animal kicked him, knocking him down, then gave him a few extra kicks, nearly laying him out.

He was brot to St. Joseph's hospital where the surgeon patched him up, but it will be many weeks before he is out. As he is 58 years of age, his fractured leg will heal with difficulty.

room, closets, bath and private balcony on the second floor, besides five private rooms with bath.

The operating rooms will be located on the third floor, together with doctors' dressing rooms, ten private rooms and five wards with baths, etc.

The nurses quarters are to be located on the fourth floor.

The building is to be equipped with an electric relay system, the modern method of calling the nurses. This is to be a hospital of which the entire state may well feel proud.

The Sisters of St. Francis Hospital association was incorporated May 2, 1911, and since that time 1500 patients have been accommodated. There have been but 75 deaths, a remarkable record. More than half of these patients have come from outside of Minot, many coming from a distance of several hundred miles. The Sisters have made an enviable record.

The hospital is in no way connected with any church. It is non-sectarian in every way, the ministers of all churches being given a hearty welcome here.

Charles J. Jerome, a well known publicity expert from Cleveland, O., will arrive in a few days with his assistants to open a financial campaign, which he expects to complete ten days from the time it starts. Modern methods will be employed and he will be assisted by a committee of 200 workers located in the northwestern

New Road for Logan.
The county fathers met yesterday afternoon and took action relative to laying out a three mile road south of Logan, thru sections 36 and 24, across the old Davidson farm and thru the school section. Considerable land will be condemned.

Cap Saunders, manager of the Taylor Drug Co., is back on the job, having returned from his trip to Boston and other eastern points.

Chas. Kelly, on the old Kemper farm southwest of the city, secured an average yield of 12 1-2 bushels of wheat.

Mr. Swanson, manager of the Minot Implement Co., has been transacting business in Minneapolis.

George Repole, manager of the Grand Theatre, is spending two weeks at Glasgow, Mont., on business.

LELAND STORE IMPROVEMENTS COMPLETED

FRANK & GRAHAM CO. READY
FOR FALL OPENING SATUR-
DAY, SEPT. 13.

The improvements at the Leland Department Store have been practically completed, after two months of strenuous work. Messrs. Hassell, Graham and Frank and their force of obliging clerks have handled the trying situation well and the store wishes to thank the public for putting up with the inconveniences so well. The store is now in better shape than ever to handle the business. More room has been added as well as modern fixtures in every department. A new hardwood floor has been laid. A great transformation has taken place thruout the entire store. Marble base show cases and new dust-proof garment cabinets have been added. Large lines are carried in the ladies' ready-to-wear department.

The men's department formerly carried only small lines. Now this has an exclusive entrance and a very up-to-date line of clothing for men and boys will be found. The shoe department has been enlarged.

The store is conveniently arranged, the goods being classified and easy to get at.

The proprietors bought the best fixtures that money could buy. Circassian walnut, that will last a life time, is of the neutral finish and adds harmony.

The policy of the store ever has been, good merchandise at low prices, and we are informed that this policy will be continued.

Refreshments will be served at noon and during the evening on Saturday, Sept. 13, the opening day.

Alexander in McKenzie county is to have an electric light system. A committee of businessmen was sent to Ray to inspect that town's plant.

Paving Completed This Week.
The paving will be completed by the last of the week. Plenty of blocks have arrived and good headway is being made. Laying of blocks from the G. N. Viaduct east joining the Main street paving was completed yesterday afternoon.

BURGLARS AT BOWBELLS.
Bowbells, N. D., Sept. 8.—Burglars stole about \$300 worth of guns, revolvers, razors and pocket knives from the Hunter store here. They gained an entrance by breaking a rear window.

M. F. Mulroy, the genial manager of the Russell-Miller Milling Co., is suffering from a blood clot of the eye which has confined him to his bed. The physician expects to have him out in about three weeks. Mr. Mulroy has suffered untold misery, but is resting somewhat easier.

FARMERS GETTING PLENTY OF HANDS

COMMERCIAL CLUB HAS PUT
OUT OVER 400 LABORERS—
TRAINS BRING MEN IN DAILY.

The farmers of this vicinity report practically all the laborers needed. Trains are bringing in more men daily. The Minot Commercial club has done fine work, putting out more than 400 men thru its free labor bureau. Practically all of the grain has been cut and much of it has been threshed. Scores of teams are bringing the grain to the elevators daily. The yield is fair and the quality excellent. Some flax and late grain remains to be cut. Frost has held off unusually well, there being no sign of the "gentleman Jack" as yet and late grain is ripening rapidly. Some of the late fields yielded the best. Many thousands of bushels of corn is maturing and there will be plenty of fine seed another year.

The railroads will have no trouble in transporting the grain this year, as the yield is not as heavy as last. Most of the farmers will make fully as much money.

Three men, all tramps, saw the shooting. They claim the men had quarreled that morning over the scrambling of stale eggs in a skillet. The man who was killed had done the cooking. The men appeared to have forgotten their quarrel, but after drinking during the day resumed their quarrel in the afternoon.

Recent developments in the case led to the supposition that the murdered man was Frank Fisher, son of George Fisher, a millionaire, living at Tucson, Ari. The young man has been wild and detectives have had their eyes on him. He was last traced to the vicinity of Lakota.

BOSTON STORE WILL MOVE

H. O. FELDMAN SECURES LONG
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OCCUPIED BY THE COHN
CLOTHING CO.

The Boston Store has secured a long lease on the store room formerly occupied by the Cohn Clothing Co., opposite the postoffice and will occupy the place Monday without fail. The store is conducting a removal sale this week, wishing to dispose of as much stock as possible.

The new store will permit the Boston to increase its stock to double its present size, and proprietor H. O. Feldman, promises to give Minot a clothing and furnishing store of which the city can feel proud. Mr. Feldman is a live merchant and has made quite a success of the business.

MRS. STEVENS TO ATTEND
NATIONAL ENCAMPMENT.

Mrs. Jean McNaughton Stevens of Towner accompanied Mrs. Webster, a soldier's widow, and an invalid, to the Soldiers' Home at Lisbon, Wednesday. She will join the G. A. R. party which leaves Fargo Sept. 12, for Chattanooga, Tenn., where she will attend the National Encampment of the G. A. R. and W. R. C. The celebration of the 50th anniversary of the battle of Chickamauga occurs Sept. 19.

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Earl Conrad, the drug clerk who mixed the death potion, which caused the almost instant death of his comrade, Oscar Fosse, himself passed away Friday morning without regaining consciousness. Conrad was employed at the Dacotah Pharmacy, and while a dance was in progress, Conrad, Fosse and Noah Maru, a printer, went to the drug store to get a drink. Conrad mixed up an alcoholic drink, but used deadly carbolic acid by mistake, instead of alcohol.

Fosse was the first to drink and he drained his glass. Conrad drank but half of his mixture and Mann discovered that something was wrong with the drink after he had barely touched it to his lips. Conrad realized at once what he had done and informed Mann of his error, who lost no time in spreading the alarm.

Conrad was 26 years of age.

STRANGER SHOT TO DEATH AT LAKOTA

TWO GAMBLERS AT HOBO CAMP
QUARREL OVER SUPPER AND
ONE SHOT THE OTHER THREE
TIMES, THEN SHOT HIMSELF.

Special to The Independent:

Lakota, N. D., Sept. 9.—Two well dressed strangers, believed to be gamblers following the hobo camps, engaged in a quarrel in the jungles near this city this afternoon about five o'clock, over the scrambling of rotten eggs. One of them, the smaller of the two, pulled a 44 calibre revolver and shot the other three times, killing him instantly. He then turned the weapon on himself and made a dangerous wound thru the left nipple. The bullet struck a rib and this saved him from instant death. He became unconscious immediately but later came to his senses and admitted that he had done the shooting, but did not give any reason. He was taken on No. 1 to the Devils Lake hospital, where he may recover. At this date nothing has been learned of the identity of either. One wore a big sparkler and both appeared prosperous.

It has since been learned that the tramp who did the shooting is Fred Mitchell, of Providence, R. I. Mitchell, who turned the weapon on himself after he had riddled his companion with bullets, may die. The bullet has not yet been located. It is believed that it struck the rib, followed it around, lodging in the back.

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