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## BOOTLEGGING IS CLEARLY DEFINED

### JOHN CAMERON AND JOHN SHARP FOUND NOT GUILTY—INTRODUCED SHOWING THAT BECAUSE EVIDENCE WAS NOT LIQUOR WAS SOLD ON STREET.

John Cameron and John M. Sharp, two young men arrested in Minot on the charge of bootlegging, were found not guilty in district court. The jury considered that insufficient evidence was introduced, besides the attorneys who defended them showed that they could not have been guilty of "bootlegging," because there was no evidence to show that they had sold liquor on the streets or alleys, which alone must constitute the crime of bootlegging. Evidently, care must be taken in drawing up the information, if such technicalities as this are to be considered.

W. A. Ruth and daughter, Miss Dorothy, of Sawyer, were visitors in the city Monday. Mr. Ruth had not been in Minot for over a year, but never fails to give the Independent a pleasant call. Mr. Ruth stated that he had gotten most of his plowing done this fall, in fact his reaper was harrowing that very day.

Harry Rogers, one of the Independent's old time subscribers, from the Benedict country, is in the city, as one of the jurors in district court.

## GEORGE HART IS FOUND GUILTY

### RYDER DRUGGIST, FORMER STATE OFFICIAL GIVEN STIFF SENTENCE.

The jury in the case of the people versus George Hart, druggist of Ryder and former chief game warden of the state of North Dakota, came in Friday night with a verdict of guilty. The charge against Hart was adultery and the action was begun soon after the suicide of Mrs. J. H. Griffin of Ryder. Hart was sentenced, the court's decree being the payment of a fine of \$500 and \$390 costs of the suit, or in default of payment be confined in the Ward county jail for a period of 120 days. Through his attorneys, a request for 20 days time in which to file a motion for a new trial was made. The opinion here is that the fine which has attracted wide attention here because of the prominence of the parties.

Hart took the verdict quietly and made no comment. The case went to the jury late Friday night, following the completion of the arguments. The two little daughters of J. H. Griffin of Ryder, Helen and Lora, 10 and 13 years old, respectively, proved the star witnesses Friday.

J. H. Griffin, father of the two little children and husband of the dead woman, who swore out the warrant for Hart's arrest, one of the state's star witnesses, has been missing from Ryder since Sunday.

"I saw Mr. Hart at mamma's house several times, and I don't think papa was ever there when he came," testified Helen in district court before Judge K. E. Leighton. "He came to the house about once or twice a week." The little girl testified that she could not remember ever having seen him at her mother's home in the night, but the other child said she had.

Lora Griffin gave what appeared to be damaging testimony against Hart. She testified that Hart came to the Griffin home frequently at nights; that Hart would enter her mother's room and they would put out the light. It was also brought out that once when the little girl peeped through a heater when Hart was in the room with her mother, Mrs. Griffin ordered her to go to bed.

Lora also testified that Hart often called up the house, always asking for her mother.

Neighbors Testify. Mr. and Mrs. Rosenberg, neighbors of the Griffins, testified that they had often seen Hart go in the direction of the Griffin home. Mrs. Rierdon, another neighbor, stated on the stand that she had frequently seen the defendant go towards the woman's home.

Hay Famine at Hazelton.

Hazelton, N. D., Nov. 19.—Hay is becoming more scarce here every year with the rapid development of the county, and the big land owners who reside in the east have notified their local agents to raise the rent of hay land from twenty to thirty dollars to fifty dollars a quarter. This is the price that will have to be paid next year, but most of the farmers will arrange for a large increased acreage of tope feed. Experienced farmers have found that thirty acres of millet will go as far as a quarter section of wild hay and is easy to raise.

Big Ball at Burlington. A big ball will be given at Burlington Wednesday evening, Nov. 26, Thanksgiving eve. The committee in charge, R. J. Johnson, Chas. Wistrom, Jack April and Cliff Miller, are working hard and the event promises to be a big success.

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## 100,000 BUSHELS MARQUIS WHEAT

### RUSSELL-MILLER MILLING CO. GETS IMMENSE LOT OF FINE SEED WHEAT FOR FARMERS OF NORTH DAKOTA.

M. F. Mulroy, manager, informs the Independent that the Russell-Miller Milling Co. has bought 100,000 bushels of pure Marquis seed wheat to sell to the farmers of the state. This wheat has had a wonderful record and is believed to be the best that farmers can grow today. It is especially fine for milling purposes and the company is anxious to get the farmers to growing it almost exclusively.

## GEORGE SIMS IS FOUND NOT GUILTY

### G. N. EMPLOYEE ARRESTED DURING I. W. W. DISTURBANCE FOR ASSAULT ON OFFICER JOHN REED WINS CASE.

George Sims, employed at the G. N. round house, charged with assault with a dangerous weapon, stood trial in district court Tuesday and Wednesday and the jury returned a verdict of not guilty at 9:30 Wednesday night after being out since 2 o'clock that afternoon.

During the recent I. W. W. trouble in Minot, Sims was arrested one night, charged with striking Officer John Reed over the head with a chunk of coal. Reed declared that the attack was made by Sims while he was attempting to arrest a disturber. Reed's face was badly lacerated.

Sims, who is a Socialist, was defended by two Socialist attorneys, Chas. D. Kelso and Arthur LeSueur. The case was prosecuted by Assistant State's Attorney Dorr Carroll assisted by Atty. Francis Murphy. The case was bitterly fought on both sides, attorneys for both sides insinuating the witnesses did not stick strictly to the truth.

According to the testimony introduced by the defense, the jury could hardly have brought in a verdict other than it did, altho the attorneys for the prosecution attacked the question of its veracity.

## VAUDEVILLE FOR GRAND THEATRE

### MANAGER REPOLE CONTRACTS FOR BIG SULLIVAN-CONSIDINE ACTS—THEATRE BEING REDECORATED THIS WEEK.

Manager Repole of the Grand Theatre has closed his play house for the week, during which time he is remodeling the place and re-decorating it through.

The Grand will be re-opened Monday night better than ever. Mr. Repole has contracted for the big Sullivan-Considine vaudeville acts, such as are to be seen at the Orpheum in Fargo, the Grand at Grand Forks and in Valley City.

The Grand will give two shows an evening and the admission will be 10 cents for children, 15 cents for adults in the balcony or 25 cents on the main floor. The Seven Persian Violets, (girls) will be the main attraction for the opening. The other act will be Sam Rolley, the little man with the big voice and the mysterious whistle. There will be three moving picture reels.

Brand is Sowing Onion Seed.

J. J. Brand of Logan drove to the city with a bag of beans which he sold to the Minot Grocery Co., receiving a check for \$97 and some cents. Mr. Brand brings a load of vegetables of some sort to the city every time he comes here. He was in a hurry to get back as he intended sowing some onion seeds for the next year's crop. He figured that the seed would hardly sprout before the ground freezes and it will be all ready to grow with the first warm days of spring. He tried this plan a few years ago and never raised such fine onions as he did that year.

## WOMAN ATTEMPTS TO END OWN LIFE

### TOOK GENEROUS QUANTITY OF WOOD ALCOHOL—PHYSICIAN ARRIVED IN TIME TO SAVE HER.

The Independent learns that a young married woman of this city, who became dissatisfied with her existence, tried to end her life one night the latter part of the week by taking a generous quantity of wood alcohol. She would have succeeded in her purpose had not a physician been called immediately. She is still in a serious condition but her physician hopes to bring her to recovery.

## MAY DO MORE PAVING NEXT YEAR

### PROPERTY OWNERS ALONG SEVERAL MORE STREETS ANXIOUS TO FOLLOW THE EXAMPLE OF OTHERS—PETITIONS SOON.

The probability is that considerable more paving will be done in Minot next year. Property owners along streets intersecting with those that were paved this year, seeing the wonderful improvement that has been made in the appearance and efficiency of those thoroughfares, are already preparing petitions providing for paving past their property.

The streets that are likely to be paved during the year 1914 are the following:

East First street, east to Belyea avenue. Belyea avenue, north to Minot Flour Mill Co. Second street, from Ward to Belyea avenue. Ward and Reishus streets, between First and Third. Ramstad street, between First and Third.

Simon Ehr is Robbed.

It is reported that 46 chickens, two hogs, 75 bushels of wheat and \$26 in currency were stolen from the Simon Ehr farm two miles south of the city Monday night. Simon is said to have seen the robbers searching his house, but was afraid to shoot. In the morning he missed his property. The affair was not reported to the officials.

Colored Maud Caught With the Goods. Maud Terrill, colored, was arrested Monday charged with maintaining a common nuisance. It is said that Maud was caught with the goods. She was taken to the county jail where she will probably be a winter boarder.

## NELLIE BROWN SHOT TO KILL

### WICKED COLORED DAMSEL INCENSED AT A CALLER TRIES TO FILL HIM FULL OF LEAD—MANY ARE FRIGHTENED.

Nellie Brown, who is black, was arrested Tuesday, charged with assault with a deadly weapon. She was held to district court and her case came to trial this morning. Nellie lives in a shack near the Virginia flats. She occasionally has callers at any old hour of the day or night. Two white men, supposed to be teamsters, paid Nellie a call late Monday night. They were just out making short calls and didn't care to remain in the dusky Nellie's company. She insisted that they remain. She was alone and lonesome. The surroundings didn't look good to them. As they left, the woman grabbed a wicked looking 38 calibre revolver about two feet long and fired several shots. They all went wild. The men ran some. The residents of that district were aroused from their downy beds. Coroner Doe lives in the Virginia flats and he surely thought that he had another job.

Nellie will probably be convicted.

Mrs. H. J. Melos of this city and Miss Louise Melos of Berthold have returned from Cresco, Ia., where they visited relatives. Miss Melos submitted to an operation in Chicago, where she was accompanied by Mrs. Melos. Mrs. H. J. Melos will leave for Robinson, N. D., early next week to spend Thanksgiving with her mother.

## G. N. TO BUILD STEEL VIADUCT

### RAILWAY COMPANY HAVE PLANT FOR IMMENSE PERMANENT STRUCTURE PROVIDING CERTAIN CONCESSIONS ARE GIVEN.

The viaduct that the city is now using over the Great Northern and Soo tracks has been condemned. It is in fairly good repair, however, but will have to be rebuilt within a short time.

The Great Northern railway company, realizing this, is ready to make the following proposition to the city: The Great Northern is willing to build an underground viaduct on Hazel street, west of the passenger depot, providing the city will agree not to endeavor to open any of the streets now closed.

The Great Northern further proposes to build not later than 1916, a steel and concrete viaduct taking the place of the one now in use, said viaduct to be fifty feet wide, with eight foot concrete sidewalks on either side. The matter will be considered by the city fathers within a short time.

GEORGE MARSH PUT OUT FIRE—RUINED OVERCOAT.

George Marsh was severely burned about one of his hands early Wednesday morning when a gasoline stove exploded at "Dad's" restaurant. George put out the fire with his overcoat after a call had been sent in to the department, but he ruined a perfectly good overcoat in doing so.

## GREAT WHITE WAY LIGHTED

### LIGHTS TURNED ON SATURDAY NIGHT—STREETS BRILLIANTLY LIGHTED—AN EPOCH IN MINOT'S HISTORY.

Another epoch in the history of Minot was made Saturday when the lights of the city's new White Way were turned on. The streets are brilliantly lighted and the whole business district shows a marked improvement in appearance.

A wonderful change in the appearance of our city has been made during the past few months by the installation of both the paving and the new lighting system. Other property owners are anxious to have the new lighting system extended, but the city fathers do not feel disposed to extend the lights ahead of the paving.

McCoy's Big Sale Has Started.

The big clearance sale at McCoy's Masonic Temple store is in progress this week.

Hundreds visited the big store on the opening day, Monday, and the crowds have thronged the place all week long. McCoy is offering some big special bargains on merchandise received only this fall. This is a merchandising event that is not a passing overlook.

S. F. Brown, after holding a sale at his farm south of the city, departed for Minneapolis Saturday, where he will reside.

Mrs. Pauline Pike is quite ill of pneumonia.

## VANG TOWNSHIP FARMER DIES

### SAM EIDE, WEALTHIEST FARMER IN THAT DISTRICT, SUFFERS TO PNEUMONIA TUESDAY.

Sam Eide, aged 50, one of the most prominent farmers of Vang township, south of Des Lacs, died Tuesday morning after an illness of nine days from pneumonia. Mr. Eide became ill upon his return from Minneapolis, a week ago Saturday.

The funeral was held from the home today and the remains taken to Des Lacs and shipped to Minneapolis for burial.

Mr. Eide is survived by a wife, four sons and a daughter. Two of the sons, Moody and Ralph, who are attending the state university, were called home before their father's death.

Mr. Eide was a member of the Minneapolis police force. He was one of the leaders of the Rose Valley church and always took an active part in public affairs, especially in school work. He was one of the wealthiest farmers of the township, where he had resided since 1905.

Farmer Killed by Auto.

Olaf Bergen, a prominent Landa farmer, died as the result of an auto accident. His machine broke thru a bridge railing and fell seven feet. The driver's skull was crushed and his body blistered with gasoline. He was found under the machine.

## CAMPAIN FOR HOSPITAL NEAR END

### FUNDS ARE POURING IN STEADILY BELIEVED THAT SISTERS CAN PROCEED WITH STRUCTURE COMMITTEE IN TWIN CITIES.

The six day campaign for funds for the new St. Joseph's hospital will close tonight. The committees have done some good work and while no statement is ready for publication, it is believed that a large enough sum will have been raised to enable the Sisters to proceed with the building of the structure.

Judge Palda, chairman of the executive committee, and other members of the committee, are in the Twin Cities interviewing the heads of the Soo and Great Northern and they are expected to bring back encouraging reports tonight.

The money is coming in steadily and the campaign is terminating in a very satisfactory manner.

L. D. Palda, Jr., has returned from the Twin Cities, where he interviewed the railway heads and others relative to subscriptions to the hospital funds. Mr. Palda received much encouragement, altho he states that the success of his trip depended largely upon the attitude of the people of Minot towards the proposition.

It has been decided to continue the campaign for several days, as the required sum has not yet been raised.

## TAX LIST APPEARS IN THIS ISSUE

### LARGEST THE COUNTY HAS KNOWN—LESS FARM LANDS BUT MORE CITY PROPERTY.

The 1912 tax list appears in this issue. It requires more than eight pages. One notable fact is that less farm lands were listed this year than usual, but more city property. The list will appear exclusively in the Independent for three successive weeks and the tax sale will take place at the court house December 9.

The list was set by linotype in this office and to give one an idea of the large amount of work required, consider that more than a quarter of a ton of type was used in setting the list.

## HARVEY JOHNSON TO MARRY SOON

### PROMINENT YOUNG MAN OF BURLINGTON TO WED MISS ELISE A. PETERSON, CHARMING YOUNG WOMAN FROM GRAND MEADOW, MINN.

Invitations are being issued this week to the wedding of Harvey J. Johnson of Burlington, N. D., and Miss Elise A. Peterson of Grand Meadow, Minn., which will occur at the home of Mr. Johnson's parents. Hon. and Mrs. James Johnson, at Burlington, Thanksgiving day. The event will occur at 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon, and promises to be one of the most pretentious functions held in that vicinity in many a day. Mr. Johnson recently bought a fine farm a mile from Burlington and has just completed a fine modern residence. Mr. Johnson is the eldest son of one of the county's oldest and most highly respected families and himself is a young man of the very highest character. The woman of his choice is a resident of Grand Meadow, Minn., but is well known to many at Burlington, where she has frequently visited. She is a young woman of many excellent qualities. The Independent joins the numerous friends of the worthy couple in extending congratulations and very best wishes in advance.

## INCEST CASE WAS DROPPED

### TWELVE YEAR OLD DAUGHTER OF GEORGE PRICE REFUSED TO TESTIFY AGAINST HER FATHER.

The case against George Price, a former Kenmare resident, charged with incest, was dismissed Wednesday afternoon by Judge Leighton. Price's twelve-year-old daughter had refused to testify. Price was arrested several months ago after his daughter had told a very revolting story to the officials. According to the law, she cannot be compelled to give any testimony which might incriminate herself and she claimed her rights.

Bowbells Man Died at the Asylum. Peter Cenell, committed to the Jamestown asylum from Ward county in April, 1905, died in that institution this week. His old home was near Bowbells, which was a part of Ward county at the time Cenell was declared insane.

Licensed to Wed.

Wm. F. Dohn, Burleigh, N. D., Myrtle Brown.

Thos. L. Staley, Eugena Louise Meyers.

David A. Johnson, Sheridan, Mont., Mrs. Elsie Thorpe, Minot.

Henry Mark Schammel, Ruth Mary Landis.

Fred B. Pond, Laura J. Whitson.

Hiram A. Rygmyr, Minnie Hauge.

John A. Hennessy, Stella E. Mon Plasure.

James B. Kimball, Josephine B. Purdy.

Knut Christenson, Amanda W. Lindberg.

## DOUGLAS MAN FOUND GUILTY

### H. F. SCRIMPFF, IMPLEMENT DEALER FOUND GUILTY OF SELLING MORTGAGED PROPERTY—JURY OUT ALL NIGHT.

H. F. Schrimpf, implement dealer of Douglas, was found guilty of selling mortgaged property. The jury returned a verdict Tuesday morning after being out all of Monday night.

Schrimpf sold an automobile to A. F. Platt upon which there was a mortgage held by the J. I. Case Co., who foreclosed and took the machine away from Platt. The latter then swore out a warrant for Schrimpf's arrest. He will receive sentence later in the week.

## WORKS HARD BUT IS MAKING MONEY

### WORLD'S FAMOUS CONTRALTO IMPROVES NORTH DAKOTA FARM

Madam Schuman-Heink, one of the greatest contralto soloists that the world has ever known, has announced that she will make extensive improvements upon her North Dakota farm during the coming season.

Two years ago, while filling an engagement at Grand Forks, the famous singer invested in North Dakota real estate, buying a beautifully located farm north of that city.

At present it is being rented, and is understood to have produced an excellent crop during the season just passed.

At the time Madam Schuman-Heink purchased the farm she announced that she intended to spend a good sized sum on improvements, and it is believed that she will make arrangements to do this during her coming visit, which will be in December, at which time she will sing in connection with the Grand Forks Oratorio society's annual concert.

Madam Schuman-Heink is credited with being a shrewd business woman, and her investment in North Dakota farm lands indicates her belief in the excellence of this state and its future.

## THEIR FIFTIETH NATAL DAY

### MR. AND MRS. MARTIN JACOBSON WHO WERE BORN ON THE SAME DAY ENTERTAIN FRIENDS IN ROYAL STYLE—A REMARKABLE RECORD.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Jacobson were born fifty years ago Monday at exactly the same hour in Iowa, within four miles of each other and practically their entire lives have been spent in each other's company. They played together as children. Their parents, who were close neighbors in Norway, were close friends and often visited at each other's homes. As infants Mr. and Mrs. Jacobson were baptised in the same water. They attended the same little country school, the same church and were members of the same Sunday school class. They were confirmed in the same class. They were sweethearts from youth and after Mr. Jacobson as a youth of twenty-two came to North Dakota to seek his fortune, he returned to Iowa and they were wed. Their lives have been replete with happiness and few days have they spent apart. Their union has been blessed with a splendid family and they have so lived that they are honored by all.

Mr. Jacobson came to Ward county twenty-eight years ago and at that time the railroad had been built only as far west as Devils Lake. He shipped six horses to Buxton, N. D., and drove from that point to Burlington in May. Mr. Jacobson has proved one of the very best men for this fast developing country. Both himself and Mrs. Jacobson have the best wishes of hundreds of friends who trust that they will live to enjoy another half century in each other's company.

In commemoration of the above mentioned event, Mr. and Mrs. Jacobson were hosts at a merry gathering at their palatial home Monday evening. A number of their friends of the early days who shared their joys (apparently they never have had many sorrows), together with a number of other close friends of the family were invited in Monday evening. A seven o'clock dinner was served, 34 being seated at one large table. An immense cut glass vase of yellow chrysanthemums formed the center piece of the table decorations and profuse bouquets of the flowers were in evidence. Misses Mildred and Lettie Jacobson were assisted in serving by the Misses May Seefeld, Lulu Henry and Gloria Olson.

At the conclusion of the feast, Hon. James Johnson, one of the earliest of the pioneers in behalf of the Ward County Old Settlers association, of which he is president, extended wishes for many more years of the blessings of this life. Mr. Johnson, acting as toastmaster, called upon the guests, and they responded with interesting reminiscences of the early days. The evening was spent in a pleasant social way.

Miss Gloria Olson of Grafton, an accomplished pianist, played several numbers, Miss Lettie Jacobson sang and Miss Mildred Jacobson gave a number of enjoyable readings.

The guests included Mr. and Mrs. James Johnson, L. S. Foote, Senator T. Welo and family of Velva, Mr. and Mrs. John Bonholzer, Ole Kittelson, Frank Kirkelle, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Fugels, Rev. and Mrs. Nilsen, Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Hanson, Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Hagen, Mrs. Hamre, Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Jacobson, Chas. Kittelson of Des Lacs, Mrs. Chas. Jacobson of Bismarck, Mrs. Halvor L. Halvorson and Miss Gloria Olson of Grafton.

New Fire Auto Truck Arrives. The new automobile truck for the fire department has arrived. The new affair is a Seagrave combination hose and fire truck and cost \$5,500. An expert from the factory arrived with it.