

News of  
**North Dakota**

Telegraph Items of General Interest Gathered from All Sections of the Flickertail State.

**IDENTIFYING MURDERED MAN**

**John Kayser, of Minot, Believed to Have Been Man Slain and Body Cremated.**

Shafer.—That the strange man who was murdered and his body cremated on the bank of the Missouri river, near here, was John Kayser of Minot is a theory on which officials are working. Kayser disappeared about two or three months ago and has not been heard from yet. The description of the skeleton indicates that the murdered man was about the same height as Kayser.

Officials have raised the boat which was found nearby, and it evidently was used by the murderer. It had been scuttled, an auger having been used in boring holes in the bottom.

This lends strength to the theory that the dead man is Kayser, because he was a carpenter and had several tools with him when he disappeared.

**COUNTY WINS ITS CASE**

**Superintendent of Ward County Must Pay Interest on a Fund.**

Minot.—The jury in the case against E. G. Warren, superintendent of schools, returned a verdict for the county in the sum of \$384 for interest on a county fund which was in the hands of Warren from 1905 to 1912. The first cause of action in a case for excessive mileage, amounting to \$14,500, charged by Warren, did not reach the jury, Judge K. E. Leighton dismissing it on motion of the defense.

State's Attorney R. A. Nestos, counsel for the county, says he will appeal to the supreme court, and in the event that his appeal is not granted, will start criminal proceedings against Warren.

It was shown at the trial that Warren made 500 trips in automobiles to points about the county in twenty-nine months and that in most instances he charged his mileage by rail.

**Renew Hunt for Lynchers.**

Williston.—State's Attorney U. L. Burdick has again headed a party of officials to the Ray district and their departure from Williston gave rise to reports that arrests were near at hand in connection with the Culbertson lynching. Officials, however, would not comment on the situation. Attorney General Andrew Miller will join forces with Mr. Burdick in attempting to capture the gang. Officials received a telegram from the widow of Culbertson, asking that the body be held. She lives at Dorchester, Neb. Burial had been ordered today by J. W. Culbertson, of Evanston, Wyo., father of the mob victim.

**Will Add to Barley Yield.**

Dickinson.—Developing two new types of barley especially adapted to the conditions of the western two-thirds of North Dakota, Superintendent Waldron of the state sub-experiment station here says the 400,000 acres of barley annually seeded in that territory can be made to give an increased yield of at least 2,000,000 bushels. The two varieties are the Hannchen and the Swan Neck. Some years ago Waldron became convinced they were highly desirable and began a series of experiments with the cooperation of leading farmers in this section.

**Girls and Boys in Fargo.**

Fargo.—Representing 13,000 contestants who entered the different county contests in North Dakota, there are between 100 and 200 of the brightest boys and girls of the state in Fargo attending the Boys' and Girls' institute. Those who could not reach here for the opening session came later and the work is now in full swing. The delegates range from 16 to 17, with the most of them under 15. They are alert and interested in everything they see and hear. This is a climax to the year's work and a reward.

**Ate Ground Glass; Insane.**

Minot.—Joe Raymond, who attempted to commit suicide by eating ground glass while a prisoner in the county jail here, was committed to the state asylum for the insane by Burke county authorities after the Canadian officials who had a criminal charge against him, decided to abandon prosecution under it.

**Didn't Appear for Trial.**

Towner.—W. E. Smedley, formerly a prominent business man of Minot is being sought under a bench warrant issued by Judge Burr of the district court here when Smedley failed to appear for trial on the charge of obtaining money under false pretenses. D. A. Dinnle charged that Smedley raised a check and Smedley was arrested several months ago in Minneapolis, being returned to Minot for trial. He obtained a change of venue to this city and was free under bonds.

**Flickertail Facts**

North Dakota State News in Condensed Form.

Crystal.—A hen belonging to George Shepard, stole a nest under an old blinder and yesterday walked proudly forth with five chicks.

Flaxton.—Charged with tapping the till of the Hotel Stebert, of which he was night clerk, Sam Martin was arrested at Harvey and returned here.

Portal.—The arrest of Basil Zema and Mrs. McNamara, both being bound over to the district court, under \$1,000 bonds, has created a local sensation.

Bowman.—Incendiarism was for the third time this fall responsible for fire in the Kiehnner meat market. The loss was \$3,500 and the insurance \$2,300.

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New England.—A fire, which it thought to have been of incendiary origin, burned the large barn of the New England Horse Company, Dr. Stribling's veterinary hospital and a barn owned by Ole Johnson.

Jamestown.—Over 700 persons at attending an anti-tuberculosis meeting in this city, addressed by Mrs. J. M. Stevens of Grand Forks, unanimously approved a resolution indorsing the Hobson resolution for national prohibition.

Grand Forks.—D. L. Eckman was elected captain of the Grand Forks Machine Gun company when the permanent organization was perfected. Ansel Wineman was made first lieutenant and Ansley Pierce is second lieutenant.

Grand Forks.—Business conditions in North Dakota, which have been affected by the remarkably mild weather, are assuming normal conditions. This is the opinion of Grand Forks merchants, who have, until the last week or ten days, complained.

Fargo.—Bishop Cameron Mann, in the consecration of Getisemane cathedral as bishop of the missionary diocese of North Dakota. The clearing of the cathedral debt formed a climax to Bishop Mann's twelve years of service.

Langdon.—When a ram, owned by Nenko Liebeler saw its reflection in the basement window of the local Presbyterian church he immediately charged what appeared to him to be a worthy adversary. He landed in the Presbyterian church kitchen, where women were preparing a dinner, and for a few moments there was a wild scramble for safety.

Medora.—Donald Heaton, 47 years old, was shot and killed near Gerham, this county, by Nick Palakuiuk. Heaton, a visitor in the neighborhood, had been hiding traps belonging to Palakuiuk, it is said. When he passed the house of the trapper a dispute arose and Palakuiuk contends that Heaton shot at him, and that he then fired toward Heaton to scare him.

Langdon.—An engagement to wed, of six years' standing, and which failed of fulfillment, netted Miss Josie Erickson of Ambrose, N. D., a verdict for \$1,683, against J. S. Goehring of Sables, N. D., the case being tried in the district court here. Miss Larson maintained that she became engaged to Goehring seven years ago, and that she waited for him in vain. She asked for \$10,000.

Bismarck.—Guilty of murder in the second degree and recommending a sentence of sixteen years in state's prison, was the verdict returned by the jury in the case against Francis Coccimiglio, charged with the murder of Elice Yannazzo in a railway camp near Bismarck. The judge has set Saturday afternoon as the time for passing sentence. The defendant came here with other Italians in a crew from Chicago. He has a wife and child in Italy.

Washington.—Indian Commissioner Sells denied that there was any starvation among the Indians on the Standing Rock Indian reservation, as was reported in dispatches from Bismarck, N. D. The commissioner said that about the time the story of distress was started the government was making a payment of about \$40 per capita to the Indians under an authorization of the Indian appropriation bill. This, the commissioner said, would be sufficient to relieve any distress among the Indians.

Hillsboro.—Henry Michaels, a tailor employed in the establishment of M. St. Clair, was arrested by the sheriff upon the complaint of four young boys. Michaels was brought before Police Magistrate Hong, waived examination and was bound over to the district court in the sum of \$2,000 bonds, in default of which he was placed in the county jail until the next term of district court, which convenes in February. Michaels came here from Hatton, where he left a bad record. The crime for which he is charged is punishable by imprisonment for at least ten years in the state penitentiary.

Fargo.—W. L. Van Horn, secretary of the state fair, has already secured quite a number of special premiums to be offered at the next fair to be held in Fargo, July 20-25 inclusive. Among these donations are two silver cups, worth \$100 each, to be given to North Dakota exhibitors of heavy draft horses. The first will be awarded for the best stallion foal under one year, in any registered draft breed, bred and owned by the exhibitor. The other is for the best filly foal, under one year, in any registered draft breed, bred and owned by the exhibitor.

**DOCKYARD FIRE-SWEPT; 2 DIE**

LOSS IS \$2,500,000 WHEN HISTORIC PLACE BURNS.

Signalmen, Who Stayed at Posts to Summon Assistance Lose Lives—Fire Parties From Warships.

Portsmouth, Eng., Dec. 23.—From \$1,250,000 to \$2,500,000 is the estimated damage of the fire which devastated the famous dockyard and resulted in the loss of two lives and the destruction of the century-old semaphore tower, which in the pre-telegraph days was the greatest signalling station between the fleet and the admiralty.

An examination of the ruins disclosed the fact that two of the three signalmen who had remained in the tower to summon help when the fire broke out, were burned to death. The third escaped through the smoke and flames to an adjoining roof and there fell unconscious. He was subsequently rescued.

Nothing is known as to how the fire originated. When it was first observed from the deck of the new battle cruiser Queen Mary it had obtained a good hold on the inflammable material in the rigging loft and sail house.

All the fire fighting apparatus in the dock yard was rapidly brought into action and the efforts of the men were devoted to preventing the fire from reaching the main store at the end of the burning building, which was filled with 30,000 tons of heavy oil. After many hours of most strenuous work, the fire was got under control. It had then reached within eight feet of these tanks.

Fire parties were sent to the dock yard from all the warships in the harbor.

**WEEK WILL BE UNSETTLED**

Washington Bureau Issues Prediction for Christmas Weather Throughout United States.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Christmas week weather will be unsettled over much of the United States, the weather bureau experts say, and frequent rains are predicted for the Pacific coast.

"A disturbance now developing in the Southwest," the weekly bulletin said, "will advance northward, attended by rains and snows, and cross the great central valleys Tuesday and the eastern states Wednesday or Thursday."

"Another disturbance off the north Pacific coast will cause general rains and snows on the Pacific slope during the next several days. It will reach the Middle West Thursday or Friday and the eastern states near the end of the week and will be preceded by a general change of warmer weather and be followed by considerably colder weather."

**TRAIN WRECKED; NONE HURT**

300 Passengers Aboard—Six Coaches Burned When Train Leaves Track—\$80,000 Loss.

Winnipeg, Dec. 23.—Five passenger coaches and one baggage car were destroyed by fire with a loss of \$80,000, yet no one was injured, when the Canadian Northern Express, number one, was wrecked at Lorette, 18 miles east of Winnipeg. The train was an hour late from Duluth and Port Arthur, and was running at 35 miles an hour when a broken rail was struck, throwing the engine and cars off the track.

In some way gas exploded in the cars and they were soon a mass of flame, but long before this the 300 passengers had all left the cars and not a single person received a scratch. Among those on the train was J. R. Cameron, assistant general manager in his private car.

**GRAIN AND LIVE STOCK.**

Twin City Markets.  
Minneapolis, Dec. 23.—Wheat, May 87 1/2c; July, 88 1/2c; No. 1 northern, 86 1/2c; No. 2 northern, 84 1/2c; No. 3 northern, 82 1/2c; No. 4 northern, 80 1/2c; No. 5 northern, 78 1/2c; No. 6 northern, 76 1/2c; No. 7 northern, 74 1/2c; No. 8 northern, 72 1/2c; No. 9 northern, 70 1/2c; No. 10 northern, 68 1/2c; No. 11 northern, 66 1/2c; No. 12 northern, 64 1/2c; No. 13 northern, 62 1/2c; No. 14 northern, 60 1/2c; No. 15 northern, 58 1/2c; No. 16 northern, 56 1/2c; No. 17 northern, 54 1/2c; No. 18 northern, 52 1/2c; No. 19 northern, 50 1/2c; No. 20 northern, 48 1/2c; No. 21 northern, 46 1/2c; No. 22 northern, 44 1/2c; No. 23 northern, 42 1/2c; No. 24 northern, 40 1/2c; No. 25 northern, 38 1/2c; No. 26 northern, 36 1/2c; No. 27 northern, 34 1/2c; No. 28 northern, 32 1/2c; No. 29 northern, 30 1/2c; No. 30 northern, 28 1/2c; No. 31 northern, 26 1/2c; No. 32 northern, 24 1/2c; No. 33 northern, 22 1/2c; No. 34 northern, 20 1/2c; No. 35 northern, 18 1/2c; No. 36 northern, 16 1/2c; No. 37 northern, 14 1/2c; No. 38 northern, 12 1/2c; No. 39 northern, 10 1/2c; No. 40 northern, 8 1/2c; No. 41 northern, 6 1/2c; No. 42 northern, 4 1/2c; No. 43 northern, 2 1/2c; No. 44 northern, 1 1/2c; No. 45 northern, 1/2c.

Chicago Live Stock.  
Chicago, Dec. 23.—Hogs—Receipts 14,000; strong; 5c to 10c above Saturday's average; bulk of sales, \$7.60@7.75; light, \$7.35@7.55; mixed, \$7.45@7.65; heavy, \$7.45@7.55; rough, \$7.45@7.55; pigs, \$6.25@7.55.  
Cattle—Receipts, 17,000; steady to 10c higher; beefs, \$6.70@7.80; Texas steers, \$6.70@7.75; western steers, \$6.90@7.75; stockers and feeders, \$5.00@7.50; cows and heifers, \$3.35@8.50; calves \$7.00@10.50.  
Sheep—Receipts, 20,000; mostly 10c to 15c higher; native, \$4.40@5.65; western, \$4.40@5.70; yearlings, \$5.50@6.65; lambs, native, \$6.40@7.90; western, \$4.40@7.95.  
Hogs gained in value today on account of receipts being less numerous than expected. Buyers took hold early in order to find what they had call for. Supplies of cattle were light. A good demand hoisted prices for all sorts. Sheep and lambs did not find so quick an outlet as hogs and cattle, but nevertheless advanced with holders content.

**President to Have Good Rest.**

Washington, Dec. 23.—President Wilson intends that his vacation at Pass Christian, Miss., shall be a complete rest from official activity, but if leisure moments he will apply himself to the task of choosing tentatively members of the federal reserve board to be created by the new currency law. The president will not be accompanied by Secretary Tumulty, who will really be the acting president at the White House, inasmuch as Secretaries Bryan, Garrison and other cabinet officers will be away for the holiday recess.

**EXPERT WILL CHECK UP OFFICES**

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PASS RESOLUTION TO EMPLOY EXPERT TO CHECK UP OFFICES OF COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT AND OTHER OFFICIALS.

The county commissioners Tuesday afternoon passed a resolution providing for the employment of an expert to check up the office of the county superintendent of schools as well as those of the other county officials.

The resolution as first introduced provided only for the checking up of the superintendent's office. Com. Huber suggested that it might be well to consider all offices and give the officials a clean bill if they deserve it.

**M. J. FLANNIGAN WILL LEAVE MINOT**

GREAT NORTHERN MASTER MECHANIC TRANSFERRED TO THE CASCADE DIVISION—WILL LEAVE MONDAY.

Michael J. Flannigan, master mechanic of the Dakota and Montana divisions of the Great Northern, has been promoted to the position of master mechanic of the Cascade division of this company, with headquarters at Everett, Wash.

Mr. Flannigan's appointment takes effect Jan. 1 and he leaves Monday for his new home.

Mr. Flannigan has been master mechanic of this division for several years, during which time his record has been as clear as a bell. Prior to this position, he was one of the most capable engineers on the road for many years.

Mr. Flannigan's rise in the railway world has been rapid and came about thru his own capable efforts. He started with the Great Northern as fireman out of Barnesville, Minn., a quarter of a century ago, or longer. Both himself and family have a host

of friends here who will sincerely regret to lose this family from our midst, but who will be exceedingly well pleased at Mr. Flannigan's success.

**LYNCHING IS FEARED**

AUTHORITIES TAKE NEGRO TO FARGO TO ESCAPE VIOLENCE—BLACK'S ALLEGED RELATIONS WITH YOUNG WHITE GIRL DISCOVERED.

Fargo, N. D., Dec. 22.—William Lewis, a negro resident of Casselton, this (Cass) county, was hurriedly brought to jail here to escape possible violence on the part of citizens of that place when his alleged relations with a young white girl of tender years were discovered. No formal arraignment has yet been made, but he will be charged with a statutory crime. The prisoner has been a resident of Casselton several years and conducts a chicken ranch on the outskirts of the town.

**RAYMOND TAKEN TO JAMESTOWN**

COUNTY JAIL GLASS EATER GOES TO THE STATE INSANE ASYLUM.

Joe Raymond, the Ward county jail glass eater, was taken to the insane asylum at Jamestown by Deputy Sheriffs John Slaberg and Joe Hunt.

Raymond's condition was very serious from eating crushed glass in his cell, for a time. He is now a mild lunatic, with suicidal tendencies, according to the authorities.

**B. of L. E. Ball.**

The B. of L. E., No. 695, will give its first annual ball at the Armory Friday evening, Feb. 20. Tickets and advertising matter for the function are being prepared this week. The chief of the organization is Fred Almy, the veteran engineer, and live committees are at work, which assures a great success for the ball.

**Miss Smallwood's Work Appreciated.**

Miss Pearle Smallwood, the popular and exceedingly capable organist at the Presbyterian church, was presented with a beautiful hand bag and fifty dollars in gold, by members of the church last night, as a token of their appreciation of her services. Miss Smallwood is ever ready to respond to a call for her services as organist or soloist.

**JIM JAMS TRIAL STARTS JAN. 14**

THIRD HEARING IN FAMOUS CASE WILL BE HELD AT THE CAPITAL.

Bismarck, N. D., Dec. 23.—A great deal of interest is expressed over the state on the third trial of Sam Clark and his partner, Crookard, of Jim Ja mJems at Bismarck. They were indicted by the federal grand jury for matter contained in the magazine and several news dealers over the United States got into trouble for selling the publication. The first trial resulted in a disagreement. In the second before Judge Willard of Minnesota, the jury convicted but recommended the defendants to the mercy of the court. Judge Willard imposed a penitentiary sentence instead of a fine as had been anticipated. There will be a third trial here Jan. 14. The chief contentions of the defendants against the second trial in which they were convicted are that an attorney was admitted as a juror and that he was a personal enemy of the defendants, and that Judge Willard admitted only excerpts in the evidence and not full sentences and paragraphs and the context shows the intent of objectionable phrases.

**\$20 REWARD.**

Strayed, from three miles south of Ross, N. D., four horses: Bay gelding, Williams brand, wt. 1400, 9 years old, small foot; gray gelding, wt. 1450, 8 years old; bay gelding, wt. 1100, 5 years old; black gelding, white face, wt. 1400, 5 yrs old, white foot.

Anyone giving information leading to their recovery will be paid the above reward. Alex Razouk, Ross, N. Dak. 12-18-t3cg



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