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## SEVERAL RECEIVE PEN SENTENCES

### BEVY OF SQUAWS FROM RESERVATION PLEAD GUILTY TO ADULTERY EACH GETS A YEAR IN THE PEN.

Minnewaukan, N. D.,—A little rapid fire work was transacted in district court when Judge Buttz sentenced Jesse Gray Wind, Jesse Gray Bear, Hapan, Lillian Mebebeya and Clara Lee, five Indian squaws, to one year each in the penitentiary after having entered a plea of guilty to the charge of adultery. The bunch was brought in from the reservation by Deputy Sheriff Kiblinger and their case was disposed of as the final act of the court's business just prior to the adjournment of the regular term.

August Piper pleaded guilty to the charge of bootlegging at his residence northeast of town and was sentenced to serve seven months in the penitentiary.

Albert Olson, the rapist, who was convicted last week, drew seven years and six months in the penitentiary. A jury was secured in the civil case of John C. Lowe vs. F. E. Wood and a portion of the evidence introduced when the case was dismissed without prejudice upon the motion of the plaintiff's lawyer. This was a case to recover fees alleged to be due a stenographer for a transcript made by plaintiff, who is a stenographer.

Several cases were argued, the decisions in which were reserved by Judge Buttz, and a large number of cases were settled out of court, besides several being transferred to Ramsey county, to be heard in chambers.

The criminal calendar was cleared completely and the civil calendar very nearly so, Judge Buttz leaving over the Soo line for home immediately after passing sentence upon the prisoners from the reservation.

**Murphy Attends Many Gatherings.**  
Major Murphy, Soo immigration agent, and his assistant, John J. Bates, have been unusually busy working on the new immigration movement in various sections of the northwest. They spent Friday night at Lansford, Saturday at Carpio and Kenmare and this week they will be at Harvey, Fessenden and Balfour. The major, or will make addresses at each of those points.

## ONE HUNDRED BOYS WILL BE ENTERTAINED

### W. A. PECK IS PREPARING FOR INSTRUCTION OF BOYS OF THE NORTHWEST AT SHORT COURSE.

W. A. Peck of the Better Farming Association, announces some facts concerning the Boys' Short Course that will be held here the entire week of the Grain Growers' Convention, Feb. 16 to 21, inclusive, that ought to interest every boy in this section of the state. Last year 66 boys attended the Short Course and they had the time of their lives. This year an effort will be made to increase the number to a hundred.

The boys will be busy every minute of the time. They will be in charge of someone every hour of the day or night. Good lodging will be provided for 25 cents a night and meals not to exceed 25 cents each.

The boys will meet Feb. 16, organize and elect officers, for the Boys' Better Farming Club. A class will be held that afternoon. Tuesday will be Corn Day, Wednesday Alfalfa Day, Thursday Dairy Day, Friday Beef Day and Saturday Swine Day.

Practical demonstrations will be given each day pertaining to the subject discussed. For instance on Dairy Day, the best breeds of the various types of dairy cows will be lead into the class room and the good points of the animals pointed out.

There will be a livestock judging contest during the week between two teams consisting of five boys and five adult farmers. The boys are likely to win if the adults are not careful. Prizes will be offered to the winning team and to the farmer and boy having the highest scores.

The boys will be taken to the moving picture shows two evenings and on another a banquet will be given at the Commercial club rooms for them. Some of the boys will respond to toasts and a vaudeville entertainment will be arranged.

Both state and county corn prizes will be awarded on Tuesday by President John Worst.

A Domestic course will be provided for the women and girls, three days. Home sanitation, cooking, poultry raising and the care of children will be some of the subjects discussed. A Girls' Poultry Club will be organized to compete for county prizes next year.

The Short Course will be conducted by specialists in the various lines, secured from the agricultural college, Better Farming Association and other sources. Each day some speaker of prominence will address the boys. Prof. Merrill, the dairy expert, will be one of the speakers. Pres. John H. Worst of the agricultural college, will talk on corn, Tuesday, Feb. 17.

The regular form of farm institute will be dispensed with, and a regular school or short course held for the farmers instead. Live stock will be used in the class room for demonstration purposes. A tuition fee of one dollar for the week will be charged adults for the week's course. Tickets will admit women and members of the family under 21, and will be transferable. A daily entrance fee of 20 cents will be charged male adults, in case one does not desire to secure a ticket good for the week. Many of the businessmen about the county will buy tickets and give them to the farmers who will attend. The small tuition fee is expected to merely pay a portion of the expenses of the Short Course.

## SOCIALISTS WANT WARRANTS ISSUED

### CHARGE N. DAVIS, COMMISSIONER SHAW AND THREE POLICE OFFICERS WITH CONSPIRACY.

Minot Socialists are endeavoring to induce State's Attorney Nestos to issue warrants against President N. Davis, Commissioner Shaw and Officers John Reed, Krieger and Warchow, charging them with conspiracy to commit a criminal action. It is alleged that the above named gentlemen were responsible for certain I. W. W.'s being clubbed during the street riots here in August.

Arthur LeSueur informs the Independent that in the event that the State's Attorney refuses to issue the warrant, the matter will be taken before the Attorney General and if he does not act, then it will be settled by ballot.

The Socialists hardly hope that the warrants will be issued, but no doubt see an opportunity to secure some political ammunition.

## SOCIALISTS PLAYED GOOD JOKE.

Wolford, N. D., Dec. 30.—The people of this community are admitting a good joke that has been played on them by the socialists. Leon Durocher of Grand Forks, formerly a candidate for congress, and an able speaker for the socialists, has made many addresses over the state this winter. Usually his meetings have been in the form of a joint debate with a Dr. Cowles, said to be from Michigan. After the debate here some citizens began an investigation and are now convinced the doctor is a socialist who outlines the debate and makes it easy for Durocher to drive home his arguments. They admit it is a rather clever move on the part of the socialists and are enjoying the joke on themselves.

**Arrested for Bootlegging.**  
Ben Carmin, janitor at Sunnyside school, was arrested yesterday afternoon charged with bootlegging. Ben has been in trouble before.

## BUYS STOCK IN SECOND NATIONAL

### MINOT MERCHANT SECURED 100 SHARES FROM MRS. ROACH FOR \$20,000—CONSIDERED A GOOD INVESTMENT.

Julius Fauchald, proprietor of the New York store, bought 100 shares of stock in the Second National Bank of this city from Mrs. Jos. Roach for \$20,000 a share, the deal amounting to \$20,000. Mr. Fauchald secured this stock as an investment and it will no doubt prove a good one.

Mr. Fauchald had practically bought this stock from Mr. Roach just prior to his death. Mrs. Roach still owns between four and five hundred shares of stock in the institution.

Dr. and Mrs. Teal of Berthold have gone to Sheboygan Falls, Wis., where they will spend the winter.

## DEMOCRATS TO HOLD MONSTER MEETING

### EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO SECURE W. J. BRYAN TO ADDRESS THE GATHERING.

At a meeting of Minot democrats held in the offices of Halvor L. Halvorson Monday night, it was decided to hold a monster banquet in this city in February at which time it is expected that several hundred democrats of the state will attend.

E. H. Stenwick was chosen chairman of the committee on arrangements. An effort will be made to secure W. J. Bryan to address the gathering. The banquet will be a sort of a celebration given in honor of recent democratic successes.

## M'COYS CLEARANCE SALE STARTS JAN. 15

### SOMETHING OUT OF THE ORDINARY WILL INTEREST THE PUBLIC—WILL ANNOUNCE SOME UNUSUAL REDUCTIONS AND GIVE SPECIALS DAILY.

The general public is waiting with interest the opening of P. V. McCoy's January Clearance Sale, which starts Thursday, January 15, at the Masonic Temple. This will be something out of the ordinary from the discount sales that have been given heretofore for on all reasonable merchandise Mr. McCoy will offer his merchandise at from 33 1-3 to 50 per cent and less, than the regular selling price. In addition there will be specials added daily, at from ten to fifteen per cent below wholesale cost.

McCoy has a mammoth stock of the very best class of merchandise and the public is going to get its money's worth, and then some. Mr. McCoy promises to advertise nothing but what will prove to be extra big values.

This sale is going to be a hummer. Watch this paper next week for complete announcement.

Mr. and Mrs. Detlaf Hanson and their four healthy little children, passed thru Minot Saturday enroute to their home at Deering after spending Christmas at the home of Geo. Pedlar at Burlington.

J. R. Falconer of Burlington and Mr. McKenzie, a prosperous Donnybrook farmer, were in the city Friday.

## PETER TRACEY A BENEDICT

### POPULAR MINOT LINTYPE OPERATOR IS UNITED IN MARRIAGE TO MISS HAZEL TAYLOR.

A wedding of considerable interest to their many friends in Minot occurred last Saturday afternoon in St. Paul, when Miss Hazel Taylor and Mr. Peter Tracey were united in marriage at the Catholic church. Miss Tracey, sister of the groom, acted as bridesmaid, and Mr. Tom Tierney, cousin of the groom, acted as best man. The happy couple left Saturday evening for Wells, Minn., where they will visit at the home of the bride, after which they will return to Minot and reside on the groom's claim on the Fort Berthold reservation.

Miss Hazel Taylor has lived in Minot for several years at the home of her brother, Mr. Frank Taylor. She has recently been living on a claim near Plaza. Her charming and pleasant ways have won for her a large circle of friends in this community. Mr. Tracey is a former lintype operator of the Optic and a well known and popular young man of the city. They both have a host of friends who hasten to extend their kindest wishes for a happy wedded life.

### Xmas at the Poor Farm.

Christmas proved a very enjoyable day at the county farm. Mr. and Mrs. John Geist, in charge of the place, saw that the nine old people housed there had a day to be remembered pleasantly. Each one received some useful gift, a pair of slippers, a cane, etc. In the evening, the neighbors came in and a dance was given. Perry Baker furnishing some of his choicest music. At midnight luncheon was served and an hour later the music stopped. Mr. and Mrs. Geist proved to be first class entertainers.

## WEINREBE'S IMMENSE FURNITURE SALE

### MINOT DEALER OFFERS MAMMOTH STOCK AT GREATLY REDUCED PRICES—NOW IS THE TIME TO BUY.

J. H. Weinrebe, the furniture dealer, is going to make January one of the banner months for business of the entire year 1914. He is advertising this week a big reduction sale on his entire stock of furniture and furnishings for the home. Mr. Weinrebe has an immense stock and it is as clean as a new coin. The purpose of this sale is to reduce the stock somewhat, make room for his spring stock that will soon begin to arrive, and to bring in new customers.

This sale ought to be an especially good one. Mr. Weinrebe has one of the very finest furniture stores in the west, the stock is all first class and one could not possibly get better furniture bargains in the large cities.

Mr. Weinrebe announces that during the sale he will prepay freight on all merchandise shipped out of the city.

### Kelley Goes After Children.

Sheriff Kelley has gone to Edmonton, Alta., to secure the little Johnson children, kidnapped by the mother after the father, a resident of Minot had secured a divorce. Dolly Johnson, the mother, is said to have disappeared from Edmonton but the children were placed in a home. The Johnson woman formerly lived at Carpio.

## PRESIDENT DAVIS HAS RESIGNED

### HEAD OF CITY COMMISSION HAS OPENED LAW OFFICE AT SCOBEE, MONT.—WILL LEAVE FOR WEST AT ONCE.

Nehemiah Davis, president of the city commission, handed in his resignation Monday night at the regular meeting of the commission, to take effect at once. He was accepted and the vice president, E. H. Boyer, will be acting president until after the special election which will be called to fill the vacancy.

Mr. Davis has opened a law office at Scooby, Mont., forming a partnership with Paul Crum, formerly a Minot attorney. Mr. Davis was at Scooby last week and he believes the future of that city is very bright. Scooby is a new town located at the end of the Plentywood branch. It is growing rapidly and Mr. Davis believes it will have a population of a thousand within a year.

"I have always liked Minot," Mr. Davis laid to an Independent representative, "but I feel that I must go where I can make the most money. Montana looks good to me. I intend to locate at Scooby, forget all about politics, and just attend to my legal business. I realize that I have many warm friends and some equally warm enemies here, but I consider that these are what make life worth living."

Judge Davis has lived in Minot for the past twelve years. For the past eight years he served as county judge and he was a good one. Friend or foe

got about what was coming to him when the Judge had an opportunity to mete out justice.

As President of the city commission the Judge made a good record. He favored the installation of the new paving system and the White Way, which are among the improvements made during his administration. He went after the gambling dens of this city and practically cleaned them out. A number of pool halls were closed and all rooms connected with them were closed.

The Judge took a prominent part in the I. W. W. trouble last August and did not lie down until the last disturber had shaken the dust of Minot from his shoes.

The Independent is sorry to lose Mr. and Mrs. Davis from our midst but we are glad to know that they are locating in a community where unbounded prosperity cannot help but attend their efforts.

## BARKER SELLS JEWELRY INTEREST

### H. L. WINTERS CO. SUCCESSORS TO THE BARKER-WINTERS JEWELRY CO.—START BIG SALE THIS WEEK.

A. L. Barker of the Barker-Winters Jewelry Co., has disposed of his interests to the other members of the firm and the business is now conducted under the name of the H. L. Winters Co.

H. L. Winters, the well known jeweler-optician, will have full charge of the business. Mr. Winters is one of Minot's progressive young businessmen and will no doubt keep this store well to the front among the state's jewelry stores.

The company will start a big jewelry sale Jan. 2, offering the complete stock at a big reduction.

The jewelry store will soon be remodeled and completely equipped optical parlors will be installed.

### McCoy Off for the South.

P. V. McCoy leaves today for Corpus Christi, Tex., where he will spend a few weeks on his irrigated farm, feeding his registered porkers and enjoying life in general. He will superintend some extensive improvements on the place. He expects to make a visit to the famous King ranch, located near his own farm, owned and operated by a woman who is rated at \$50,000,000.

### Smart's Block About Completed.

W. M. Smart's new brick block on West First street is practically completed. One of the stores will be occupied by A. S. Blakey, the druggist, and another by Manson Bros., who will put in another store. The Optic will occupy one of the floors. Mr. Smart expects the building to pay out in about four years. Not a bad investment.

## FOUR ARRESTED FOR ROBBERY

### SACKETT AND STROMSMORE CONFESS AND ARE NOW IN PENITENTIARY MEN BROKE INTO SEVERAL BUSINESS HOUSES.

John M. Stromsmore and C. E. Hackett pleaded guilty to burglary in the third degree Saturday afternoon and were sentenced to serve a year in the penitentiary by Judge Leighton.

The two men, together with Hank Kemmer, sent up for seven months for bootlegging, were taken to the pen by Deputy Sheriffs Nelson and Huber.

M. McCutcheon and Gus Dequesne, implicated in several burglaries with Sackett and Stromsmore, have been arrested and will stand trial. They have been held to the February term of the district court and are in the county jail.

There have been numerous robberies about the city during the past month and these men were suspected. The police arrested them and they were taken before the states attorney. Chief Smith did some very clever detective work and made the men believe that the others were telling tales about them. In this way he got Sackett and Stromsmore to confess.

According to Sackett's story, the men were implicated in some of these robberies:

Burglarizing J. S. Sepp's Family Grocery store, stealing \$11.35 in silver, candy and cigars.

Entering the Bearman fruit house thru an upper window and securing their Christmas dinner, consisting of a box of apples, box of chocolates, cigars, celery, case of honey, five pounds of nuts, sweet potatoes, etc.

Entering the Henningsen Creamery plant and stealing a five pound jar of butter.

Sackett is a carpenter whose wife has left him. He is said to be a whiskey and cocaine fiend.

## SOO WILL GIVE \$10 RATE FROM EAST

### ANNOUNCEMENT MADE THAT PROBABLY IN MARCH, RAILWAY COMPANY WILL GIVE A RATE OF \$10 FROM AS FAR EAST AS INDIANA TO MINOT.

The greatest single factor in years for the bringing of more settlers to North Dakota must be credited to our popular Soo line. Beginning next March, this far-sighted railway will put into effect a rate so low that the towns along its lines should be flooded with eastern landseekers. A fare of only \$10 is announced, good from as far east as Chicago and Indiana. That rate is but little more than the one way fare from here to Minneapolis.

The Soo is ready to put thousands of dollars into North Dakota. In addition it will use its hundreds of agents who have been engaged in selling cheap Wisconsin railroad land to best North Dakota.

The entire state will benefit immeasurably by the Soo's new policy and generosity. Unoccupied lands are now being listed. These will be sold to the new settlers at the owner's price, plus in some cases, \$1 an acre to eastern agents. If a homeseeker wishes to come here alone, the Soo will furnish him a list of farms for sale that can be bought at the owner's price, without a cent of commission.

The entire project will attract hundreds of homeseekers to the state by the extremely low rates. Sales of land to actual settlers are sure to result as soon as the men from the high priced countries inspect the rich North Dakota soil that can be had at a third to a sixth of what eastern land is now selling for.

The colonization project is under the management of Major Murphy of Minot.

**Let Holbein Know Immediately.**  
If the Soo arranges for a special train from Minot to Bismarck for the winter press meeting Jan. 16-17 it will be necessary for the publishers who intend to make the journey on the special to notify the secretary, Will E. Holbein of Lansford, at once. A number have signed up, but not yet enough to warrant the Soo's putting on the train. Sixty round trip fares at \$9.50 will be necessary, and \$1.00 for the berth on the steamer.

## MISS CHATFIELD A NEW YEAR'S BRIDE

### POPULAR MINOT NURSE BECOMES WIFE OF FRED J. SHURR, PROMINENT YOUNG GLENBURN FARMER.

Miss Helen Chatfield and Fred F. Shurr were united in marriage today at high noon at the home of the bride's mother in North Minot, Rev. J. M. Sutherland of Cando performing the ceremony. The wedding was a very quiet affair, only a few of the closest friends and relatives attending. The guests sat down to a dainty wedding lunch, after congratulations and best wishes had been tendered.

The couple will reside on the groom's farm near Glenburn, and will be at home to their friends after Jan. 5.

The bride has made Minot her home for several years. She is a graduate nurse and has followed this profession for a number of years with success. She is a most worthy young woman who has won a host of friends here.

The groom has lived in the vicinity of Glenburn for years where he is held in high esteem by all of his acquaintances.

The Independent extends its best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Shurr.

## IS CHARGED WITH THREATENING TO KILL

### JOHN NELSON, AN I. W. W., SAID TO HAVE THREATENED TO TAKE THE LIFE OF OFFICER JOHN REED—NOW IN JAIL.

John Nelson, an I. W. W. and a friend of Brewer, the I. W. W. who has been confined in the county jail for several months, awaiting trial, was arrested Monday at the New York Cafe by Officer John Reed, charged with threatening to kill him. Nelson was bound over to the district court and will eat his New Year's turkey with Sheriff Kelley.

"I'll kill you if it is the last thing that I do," Reed alleges Nelson said to him.

## GREETINGS



### Hart Swalstead

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### PROSPEROUS and HAPPY NEW YEAR