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COLEMANS CHARGED WITH WHITE SLAVERY

WELL KNOWN COLORED COUPLE FACE SERIOUS CHARGE REFERRED BY A SISTER OF MRS. COLEMAN.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Coleman, colored, were placed under arrest charged with living off from the earnings of prostitutes, a very serious charge. They were given a hearing before Justice Burke and held to district court under \$250 bonds each, which they have failed to give at this writing.

Recently, Mrs. Simpson, a sister of Mrs. Coleman, was arrested, charged with robbing a white man in the alley back of St. Leo's church. There is a question as to her guilt. It appears that she has turned state's evidence and now charges her own sister with white slavery, receiving Mrs. Simpson's earnings.

The Colemans have sworn out a warrant for the arrest of the Simpsons charging them with extortion. Coleman insists that after Mrs. Simpson's release, Simpson demanded from him \$25 that he might leave the city and he says he can produce several others that Simpson threatened with a complaint, if they did not furnish him money.

It is likely that the cases will be disposed of during the present term of district court.

WINTER PRESS MEETING JAN 8-9

OFFICERS OF ASSOCIATION MET IN MINOT AND TRANSACTED IMPORTANT BUSINESS—PROGRAM FOR MEETING PLANNED

Officers of the North Dakota Press association held an important meeting in Minot Saturday when dates for the winter meeting, to be held at Fargo, were decided upon. The convention will be held Jan. 8-9, several days early this year, on account of the legislative assembly which will convene about the same time.

Fargo is preparing to entertain the publishers in a royal manner. This is the largest city in the state and as a convention city it has no superior.

The program was considered at Saturday's gathering, and at its completion, will be published in the various state papers. An effort is being made to secure some noted speaker to give an appropriate address.

The following attended the meeting: W. H. Francis, Velva, secretary; E. L. Richter, Larimore, 1st vice president.

J. H. McGarry, Alexander, member executive committee. Will E. Holbein, Lansford, former secretary. G. D. Colcord, president.

LOGAN MURMURS.

On Thursday the members of the Good Samaritan club were entertained by Mrs. Frank Teets at Maple Hill Farm. A goodly attendance of members were afforded a delightful visit and the afternoon was devoted to work both useful and ornamental. Luncheon on such occasions is subject to the stereotyped, "delicious," "delicate," "dainty," etc., but Miss Laura served in manner charming, proof of her prowess as a caterer.

Frank Berry, who is now representing the Soo interests Enderlin way, was a visitor during the week. He is registered at the Hotel Metropole.

Max Locher, from Makoti, was renewing acquaintances on Main street on Sunday.

An enterprising man can find a promising opportunity in the livery business locally.

Wednesday, November 25th, Prof. Ira Oard, Ralph Oard, Alf Mostad and Mrs. Bergeson, representing Logan's musical talent, will journey to Sawyer and make merry the hearts of those who attend the masquerade ball, which promises to be the event of the season.

Sam Mich is supervising track work within the Minot sphere for the Soo during the week. Mike is lasting of the sweets of promotion. The Logan Literary and Debating Society met on Saturday last, but owing to the inclement weather the attendance was not fully representative of the vicinity. Mrs. Oliver Saugstad and Mrs. Howard contributed pleasing vocal numbers and an enjoyable evening was reported by those who braved the elements. Saturday, November 28th, will witness the next meeting of the Society and a cordial invitation is ex-

tended all. An excellent program is promised.

Mr. Smith is emphasizing his faith in the future of our town by establishing a feed mill in connection with his elevator enterprise. This should prove a convenience to many, for the long haul hitherto necessary has prompted many a farmer to feed the grain whole. Appreciation of enterprise is best shown by local support.

The Pool Hall was opened for business during the week and has been the center of attraction for many.

Prof. Downing, principal of the high school, takes an active interest in all that appertains to the growth of community interest. The Literary Society claims his time and attention. Each and every happening which will advance the fair fame of our town claims his energy and the class rooms reflected a nature which desires that all things be both pleasing to the eye and above all, orderly.

Curtice Cross was a Sawyer visitor last week end. Jack McKinnon, who avers that ye local Scribe "stretched the long bow" shamelessly, was among the many old friends called upon by the cheerful Curt. Jack was lonesome but interested in the story of the four store clerks at Logan, which, though true, pleased not entirely. Curt, we understand, had to engage a substitute in the person of L. Bates while at Sawyer, business being brisk.

Frank Teets threshing rig has been completing operations at Timber Edge Farm.

The long, lean, lank Englishman has decided to study the Soo time table and incidentally indulge in the extravagance of a new alarm clock. Contemplating a trip to Anamoose last Sabbath Day he succeeded in missing 106, so he carried 105 to journey by the night train from Minot. After enjoying the consolation of the Heavenly Sphere till 7 a. m. on Monday morning, 108 wandered aimlessly in, and then grew he wise to the fact that the Soo, in their wisdom, no longer ordained that the night train should stop at Anamoose. Friend Bean suggests that his worthy spouse should arrange to have him shipped next time by parcel post.

On Sunday evening as the storm sang strangely, the Soul of a sweet sister soared Heavenwards and Logan shares the sorrow which has befallen those near and dear to one who, by a bright and charming disposition had to the entire community so endeared herself, Bernadine Ross, to whom Life unfolded but the happy pages of childhood, a victim to typhoid's scourges. Sympathy sincere, of each and all we would prefer those whose hearts are indeed sad.

Miss Merne Hecker and Miss Burma Ross, Normal school students, enjoyed a week end with the folks. Joe Murphy had a field of yellow flint corn, which for quality and quantity of yield 'twould be hard to beat. Joe does not aim to farm more than can be handled scientifically, thereby exhibiting wisdom.

Burlington boasts a pretender to the title of Cabbage King, who is, we are informed, awaiting the double tracking of the Soo before marketing his crop. We understand that the presence of German warships in American waters is accounted for by the expected shipment of several cargoes of choice cabbage from J. J. Brand. The question of neutrality has been settled satisfactorily, and the Soo have seen to it that Logan's crop will be transported enroute for Antwerp. Maybe Burlington will then get a chance.

Miss Blanche Lane, who submitted recently to a serious operation at Anamoose Hospital, returned to her home at Sawyer on Friday last. The Good Samaritan club will meet next with Mrs. J. C. Oard of St. Marie avenue. Mage Ross will be found in future at ye old Fintleman farm, having decided to grow less wheat and devote his energy to the production of beef and pork.

The Most Grasping Man. "The graspin'est man I ever knowed," said Uncle Jerry Peebles, "was an old chap named Snoopins. Somebody told him once that when he breathed he took in oxygen and gave out carbon. He spent a whole day tryin' to find out which of them two gases cost the most if you had to buy 'em. He wanted to know whether he was makin' or losin' money when he breathed."

Dr. Storey Locates at Washburn. Dr. Thomas Storey, for ten years a dentist of this city, has located at Washburn. Mrs. Storey, who has been visiting her parents in Minneapolis, visited Washburn last week and the Doctor's family will soon join him there.

LEST WE FORGET.

Just now America is engaged in giving freely to the starving Belgians and this is an act most worthy. It takes a great war or some other calamity to stir our people to do such things on a wholesale basis. But we should not forget our own people at home. Right here in Minot we will venture to say there are people who are suffering from the cold. We stood in a coal office Wednesday when a little girl, thinly clad and not over ten years old, walked in and ordered twenty cents worth of coal. She had hauled her poor little wagon nearly a mile to the coal office for a gunny sack full of coal. Her mother is too poor to buy coal in larger quantities and she finds that she must conserve her little supply of fuel from one meal to the next. Let's see what we can do right here in Minot. If the men are too busy to look around, let the women do it. Lord bless them.

INFANT FOUND IN SUIT CASE BETWEEN COACHES.

Mandan, N. D., Nov. 17.—Somewhere in North Dakota along the line of the Northern Pacific railroad, a new-born baby was placed in a suit case and thrown on the draw bars between the baggage car and the first passenger coach of train No. 2 on the Northern Pacific, leaving Bismarck at 7:47 Thursday night.

The gruesome discovery was not made until 11 o'clock Thursday morning, when the North Coast limited pulled into Eau Claire, Wis., and a brakeman opened the suit case that he found lying on the couplings. No clue has been established so far by the authorities who are diligently working on the case.

It has been ascertained today that the copy of the Bismarck Tribune in which the new-born babe was wrapped that was found on Thursday's train No. 2 was addressed to the Cosmopolitan Cafe at Mandan. This fact has been communicated to the authorities here and they are trying to unravel the mystery. Nothing definite can be ascertained here but it would seem probable that the suitcase containing the child was very likely placed on No. 2 while it was stopping here on Thursday evening.

NEW TARIFF HELPS CANADA

CAN BUY ITS POTATOES IN NORTH DAKOTA FOR 40 CENTS A BUSHEL.

Langdon, N. D., Nov. 16.—The effects of the tariff law, which permits the importation of Canadian potatoes without duty, and which is offset by a 20 per cent impost on potatoes shipped into Canada, is being felt by the farmers of Cavalier county as a result of the heavy demand for tubers in Canada, where the crops failed.

Edward Clairemont of Vang, this county, marketed a car of potatoes at Walthalla, for Canadian shipment, receiving 40 cents a bushel. The Canadian duty increased the value of the potatoes to 60 cents the moment they crossed the Canadian border.

Large shipments of potatoes will be made out of North Dakota to Canada this year, from which Canada will reap the big duty benefits.

Small Wreck Ties Up G. N. Main Line.

One of the big Mallard compound locomotives pulling a train of nearly a hundred cars, was derailed in the Great Northern yards in Minot Tuesday night, tying up traffic on the main line for several hours. The engine was off the main line but all of the cars had not passed the switch. As it was impossible to get an engine by, it was necessary to run an engine from Rugby, fifty miles, and pull the train out onto the main line, after which the track was cleared. Several trains were held up for hours. At a late hour today, the engine had not been gotten back onto the track. A defect in the switch caused the accident.

Will Build Underground Crossing.

The city commission has now approved of the plans for the underground crossing at 6th St. S. W. to be built by the Soo and the G. N. The work will be started at once. The city will do its share of the grading outside of the right of way. The crossing will be used by the children who will attend the new Lincoln school to be completed by Jan. 1.

City Scales Moved. The city scales, formerly located at the city hall, have been removed to Second Avenue, just east of the Biorn livery barn, where anyone is at liberty to use them.

WAR NOTES.

According to a letter written by a Galacian priest, the bodies of 40,000 Austrians, killed in battle in a few hours, were buried side by side in a trench four miles long, the bodies being in three layers.

G. N. DESIRE MIXED TRAIN SERVICE

RAILROAD COMMISSIONERS WILL MEET IN MINOT DEC. 1 TO LISTEN TO ALL CONCERNED — SHERWOOD, MAXBASS AND SURREY PROPOSITIONS CONSIDERED.

The Great Northern railway company has again asked permission of the railway commission to install a mixed train service on the Granville-Sherwood branch, the Towner-Maxbass line and the Sarles-Lakota line. The commission will hold a meeting in this city Dec. 1 to consider the Sherwood and Maxbass propositions, and also one that would affect the service on the Surrey-Fargo cut-off.

At Devils Lake the following day, the Sarles-Lakota proposition will be considered.

The commission is anxious that the proposition be given as much publicity as possible and undoubtedly large delegations from along the branches concerned, together with a large delegation from this city will appear and make a protest.

The Great Northern claims that there has been a falling off of business along the branches and is certain there will be no change for the better for some time to come.

Fined for Disorderly Conduct.

Edwin Zierfuss, a former employee at the Dakota Bakery, and Fred Jarbo, the driver, were arrested Monday and fined by Judge Lynch for disorderly conduct.

Miss Erica Grams, who has charge of the lunch department of the bakery in the Flatiron building, swore at the trial that Zierfuss had come to the room several times and demanded money. Monday he appeared and stepped into one of the booths. Jarbo entered and Miss Grams asked him to throw Zierfuss out. This he did with dispatch, landing the luckless young man onto the pavement. The police placed both men under arrest.

Zierfuss was employed at the bakery until about the time that Grams He swore at the trial that he did not appear as a witness because he was bribed to get out of town, receiving \$50 in cash and a check for \$50, going to Minneapolis, where he "blew" it.

HOUSES ARE RE-NUMBERED

CITY ENGINEER ALSO PLACING NEW STREET SIGNS AT VARIOUS POINTS.

A map prepared by City Engineer E. J. Thomas for the renumbering of the houses in Minot has been approved by the board of city commissioners.

Thomas has already started the work of renumbering the houses and the Consumers Power Co.'s new telephone directory will contain the new numbers.

Twenty-four new street signs are also being placed where the mail service has been extended in the city.

Anyone wanting to know what their new house number is can get the information by calling at or telephoning the office of the city engineer in the city hall.

TEMPERANCE IMPROVES THE RUSSIANS.

Petrograd, Nov. 18.—Not one drop of vodka, whiskey, brandy or gin, or any other strong liquor is obtainable in entire Russia today, a territory covering one-sixth of the habitable globe. The story of how strong drink has been utterly banished was related to the Associated Press by Michael Demitrovitch Tchalisheff, the man who directly is responsible for putting an end to Russia's great vice, the vodka habit.

This prohibition, which has been carried out to the finest detail, means a vast population who consumed a billion of dollars worth of vodka a year, has been lifted like a miracle from a drunken state to sobriety. Marks of suffering, pinched cheeks and hideous conditions among peasants, already are disappearing like magic. Their minds are brighter, their faces wear a healthy glow, clothing and homes show the great change which has been brought about since the day of mobilization began, when the sale of vodka and manufacture of which is a government monopoly, was ordered discontinued, together with other strong drinks.

At Grand Forks the county commissioners claim that the decorations for the new court house are not up to standard and fear that the contractor did not do his duty.

Opera House Under New Management

The Grand Theatre is under new management. The dub the Independent mentioned last week has given up the place and may go back to his old job or accept a position on the section.

Horace J. Lianey, who is manager of the Lynnman Players, an excellent and well known theatrical company, is the new manager. His own company will appear at the place from time to time and in addition, he will secure some of the very best attractions on the road.

The All Star Musical Comedy Co., one of the best on the road, will appear at the Grand in The Versatiles, Monday and Tuesday nights, Nov. 30 and Dec. 1. They will be worth the money.

Erick Hustad, one of our old time dairymen, who is beginning on his 13th year in the business, believes this is going to be an old-fashioned winter. He remembers the winter after McKinley's first election, a heavy snow fell the day before election and it did not disappear until the following May.

BERNADINE ROSS OF LOGAN IS DEAD.

Bernadine Ross, aged fifteen, youngest daughter of J. W. Ross, a well known farmer living near Logan, died at St. Joseph's hospital on Monday evening last of typhoid fever, after a sickness of two weeks. She is survived by her father, several sisters and one brother, the mother having passed away in 1906.

The funeral services were held in the Congregational house of worship in Sawyer on Tuesday afternoon, conducted by Rev. J. F. Rood of Minot. A large company of friends and relatives assembled to pay their respect to the departed. A quartette sang several appropriate selections and the pastor spoke from the words of the twenty-third Psalm, emphasizing the sustaining power and grace of God in the midst of life's brevity and uncertainty.

Burnadeau Ross was born in Shelby county, Iowa, on April 26th, 1899, and removed to Logan, Ward county, N. D. in 1906. There she resided until her death at Minot, on November 15th, 1914, at the age of 15 years, 6 months and 29 days. The deceased was preceded to the Great Beyond by her mother on July 29th, 1906, and leaves to mourn her loss her father, John W. Ross, of Logan, five sisters, Mrs. Frank Green of Harlan, Iowa; Mrs. Nettie Dent, Kirkham, Iowa; Mrs. May Bartleson of Plaza, N. D.; Mrs. Sidney Stredwick of Logan, N. D.; Fiss Nettie Ross, of Logan, also on brother, Forest Ross of Logan.

Dear daughter and sister, thou hast left us,

And thy loss we deeply feel; But 'tis God who hast bereft us, He can all our sorrows heal. Yet again we hope to meet you, When our days of life are fled; Then in Heaven with joy to greet you, Where no farewell tear is shed.

Cowboy Hero Is Alive.

Roy Torgerson, the "cowboy hero," who was supposed to have perished near Garrison while trying to save a young woman, Miss Jessie Evens, from the attack of a steer, wasn't drowned at all.

The cowboy's brother, Ole Torgerson, of Crosby, and Lars Rude, hastened to Garrison when they heard the strange story. They engaged an automobile and searched the banks of the Missouri for traces of the youth.

According to the story published by the state papers, Torgerson rode up when the steer was attacking Miss Evens, and roped the animal, which dragged him and the saddle into the Missouri, the steer going down, pulling Torgerson with him.

The story sounds rather "gshy" and the Independent does not place much credence in it.

Babe Found on Front Porch.

A fine little boy not more than four days old was found on the front porch of J. Nelson Kelly's residence at Grand Forks, by a lad who was passing. Hearing the cries of the babe, the boy investigated and found the child wrapped in a white blanket. The Kelly residence being dark, the boy took the baby to his own home, it later being turned over to the authorities.

The child had on clean, pretty clothing, but who placed it on the steps may never be learned. The night was cold and had the young lad not heard the cries of the child, the little one would have perished.

M. J. Pavlik, publisher of the Carpio Free Press, transacted business in the city Wednesday night.

DOGDEN PEDAGOGUE WEDS MISS HUBER

C. E. PICKLES UPON ARRIVING IN MINOT LEARNS HE MUST JOURNEY TO WASHBURN FOR MARRIAGE LICENSE.

The marriage of C. E. Pickles, superintendent of the Dogden schools for the past four years, and Miss Anna H. Huber, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Huber, prominent residents of that place, was solemnized in this city Sunday, Rev. P. W. Erickson of the Presbyterian church officiating.

The couple arrived in this city Saturday only to learn that they would have to journey to Washburn. McLean county, to secure their marriage license, as both were residents of that county. A learned justice of the peace who resides at Dogden had assured them that the license could be procured in Minot, but such was not the case. Mr. Pickles, nothing daunted, secured an auto and faced a stiff winter's wind over a hundred miles of snow covered roads, returning with the license on schedule time.

Mr. Pickles is a graduate of the Carbondale Normal school, Illinois, and attended the University of Indiana, coming to North Dakota four years ago, since which time he has been in charge of the Dogden schools. He is held in high esteem by all whom he knows. He has won one of the very best young women of that section of the state and the Independent joins their many friends in wishing them a joyful journey down life's pathway.

DROVE SAME TEAM 35,000 MILES

SURREY MAIL CARRIER HAS BROKEN ALL RECORDS AS FAR AS IS KNOWN—TEAM IN HARNNESS FOR EIGHT YEARS.

Louis Cook, who distributes Independents and other mail matter on the Surrey R. F. D. No. 1 Route, has driven one team 35,000 miles during the past eight years, during which time he has been in charge of the route. Mr. Cook's team weighs only 700 pounds each, but they surely get over the roads. They are now 17 and 18 years old, but as they have always received the best of care, they appear good for several thousand miles more.

Mr. Cook began carrying the mail eight years ago last July and this faithful servant of Uncle Sam has not missed many trips. His wife carried the mail one winter five years ago, when Mr. Cook was ill, displaying rare grit, giving the best service that winter of any carrier in the county, it is said.

Mr. Cook's route is 28 miles long. He visited the Independent office Saturday and remarked that the farmers can make his work much lighter in the winter by seeing that the weeds are cut down along the highways.

IMPORTANT HEARING

REQUEST OF GREAT NORTHERN TO TAKE PASSENGER TRAINS OFF BRANCH LINES TO BE HEARD AT MINOT DEC. 1.

The Great Northern Railway Company have asked permission to substitute mixed for passenger trains on the Sherwood-Minot and Maxbass-Granville branches and to make changes in train service on its main lines. The state railroad commission will hold a hearing on these matters at Minot at 9 a. m. Dec. 1, 1914, when all parties affected by the proposed changes are invited to be present. By order of the commission. W. F. CUSHING, Secretary. 11-19 42

COSTLY CURIOSITY.

Sheldon, N. D., Nov. 18.—Using a lighted lantern to investigate the amount of gasoline in the tank of his auto, Joseph Speckermeier, living north of here, lost his car and garage yesterday. He planned a trip to town and wished to see if he had sufficient gasoline supply. He was severely burned about the body before he could force his way out of the garage.

Two-Fold Evidence.

Thomas Ellingson of Sweet Grass, Alta., approached a stranger on the streets of Williston and handed him \$32, stating that he had no further use for the spondulicks. Ellingson then tried to kill himself with a knife. He is now confined in the county jail at Williston and will probably be sent back to Canada and entered in an asylum there.