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LOCATE DONNYBROOK MERCHANT'S WATCH

YOUNG SLEUTH FROM CHICAGO TRACKED HOBO TO MINOT AND GOT BACK VALUABLE WATCH STOLEN FROM J. F. CHISHOLM.

J. F. Chisholm, a merchant at Donnybrook, laid his gold watch upon the counter one day last week and while he was waiting on a customer a sneak thief snatched the timepiece and vanished. Upon missing his watch Mr. Chisholm judged that some tramp had appropriated it so he engaged a young fellow named Strache, who had been employed around the store, temporarily, to catch the thief. Young Strache is a high school graduate from Chicago, notwithstanding the fact that he struck town riding the rods of a through freight. He immediately went down along the track where a company of boys were encamped, and striking up an acquaintance with them learned that a tramp had left that morning on an east bound freight, bound for Carpio. In company with Chisholm, Strache proceeded to Carpio, where he learned that a farmer near there had purchased a watch that morning from a tramp, who had left town soon afterwards, going to Minot.

The watch proved to be the one lost by Mr. Chisholm, so they came on to Minot and informed the police, giving them a description of the fellow. About an hour later while in a wholesale grocery, Mr. Chisholm was called to the phone and informed that the guilty party was safe behind the bars of the city bastille, and that he had made a complete confession. Young Strache proved his ability as a sleuth and no doubt will be suitably rewarded.

Minot Wins in Cando Series.
Minot won two out of three in a mighty fast series with Cando. The first game was played Friday evening, Minot winning 4 to 3. Cando should have won the game, but Keenan, the pitcher, went "up in the air" in one inning, letting Minot score four times. He was taken out, but too late to save the game.

Cando won Saturday's game 4 to 0, but Sunday lost 7 to 6. This was the most exciting game of the season. The immense crowd was up on their feet half the time and the players had some lively arguments, but nothing really serious happened. The game was one of a good many errors. First one team was ahead, then the other. Spillane started pitching for the locals, but he was nearly overcome by the heat and Leigh finished. Spillane did some heroic batting. He made one home run and pounded out a single that went past the third baseman, allowing him to go to third. He was caught between third and home, but brot in two scores.

TRAINING SCHOOL IS AT AN END

TEACHERS RETURN TO HOMES OR LEAVE FOR VACATIONS AF- TER ENJOYING BEST SUMMER SCHOOL HELD IN NORTHWEST- ERN NORTH DAKOTA.

The Teachers' Training School for the ten counties of northwestern North Dakota, which was held at the Minot Normal school, came to a close Wednesday.

On the closing day of the session, 330 were enrolled, as compared with 301 a year ago. The school has been very successful. The students showed the right kind of a spirit throughout the session, their relations with the faculty being very pleasant.

The closing program given Wednesday morning was as follows:
Scripture Reading.
Hymn—"Come Holy Spirit"

Selection—Summer School Orchestra Solo, Selected—Mrs. Harry Grimmer
Address—President Crane
Solo, "Dream Days"—Gertrude Fagen Solo, "Kathleen Mavourneen"

Normal School Song, with orchestra
Sis Boom Bah!
Da Co Tah!
Minot Normal!
Rah! Rah! Rah!

Candidates for certificates from the Rural Course, 1915.
Bakhaugen, Mary, Carpio, N. D.
Champlin, Myrtle, Osakis, Minn.
Copeland, Alice, Glenburn, N. D.
Domrese, Ida, Columbus, N. D.
Gorden, Alma, Carbury, N. D.
Johnson, Ida, Carbury, N. D.
Jorgenson, Norma, Battleview, N. D.
Lindelouf, Tillie, McKinney, N. D.
Mahoney, Anna, Minot, N. D.
Mork, Esther, Drady, N. D.
Nordquist, Agnes, Minot, N. D.
Nordquist, Lillian, Minot, N. D.
Olson, Cora, Esmond, N. D.
Ross, Berna, Logan, N. D.
Sanford, Paul, Charlson, N. D.
Trapp, Opal, Minot, N. D.
Tuff, Katherine, Rugby, N. D.
Vedevig, Julia, Lansford, N. D.

Wang, Mabel, Grelland, N. D.
Resolutions adopted by the Summer School Students and read in Assembly Wednesday morning:

We, the teacher-student body of the Northwestern Summer School of 1915, wish to express our hearty appreciation to President Crane and his faculty for their untiring efforts in our behalf.

We feel the personal interest that each and every one has taken in our well-being.
As we go from this institution, we take with us, renewed inspiration, that we feel assured will advance our work, making it a source of honor to President Crane, his faculty and the Institution which they represent.

The entertainment we have received this term in connection with the school has far exceeded any we have heretofore received at any similar institution. We therefore extend our sincerest thanks to the Social Committee, who have furnished such excellent recreation.

In departing for our homes, we wish to leave with President Crane and his faculty a hope for their future welfare and prosperity.

Signed:
THE STUDENT COMMITTEE.
The following was composed by one of the students and sung at the sessions of the school just closed:

Minot Normal.
Tune, Wisconsin.
Minot Normal, Minot Normal,
Youngest of the three
Normal schools of North Dakota,
Hail, all hail, to thee;
Firm of purpose, square of shoulder,
May we ever be
Proud to bear our Normal flag to victory.

To the green and red forever,
Colors of the free,
To our dear, beloved Normal
True we'll ever be.
Never stain her sacred honor—
Never sell her name—
But by constant high endeavor
Spread her fame.

From the Valley of the river
Of the rolling Red,
To the fertile plains and "Bad Lands"
Yond Missouri's bed,
"Service first," our Normal slogan
Challenging shall ring
To our school—our Minot Normal
Fame will bring.

—H. L. Winsted,
Aug. 2, 1915.
Faculty Vacation Addresses.
Name—Vacation Address—1915-16
Address

President Crane—Minot—Minot.
Mr. White—Williston—Williston.
Mr. Linn—Kenmare—Kenmare.
Mr. Darling—Lake Metigoshe—
Bottineau.

Mr. Colton—Woodson, Ill.—
New Rockford.
Mr. Mitchell—Minot—Minneapolis.
Mr. Tewell—Minot and Ray—Ray.
Mr. Altmann—New York City and
points in the east—Minot.
Mr. Hammond—To points in west—
Minot.

Mr. Clarke—Minot—Minot.
Mrs. Perckett—Minot—Minot.
Mrs. Simpson—Pawtucket, R. I.,
and points in the east—Minot.
Miss Basing—Minot—Minot.
Miss Dean—Chicago—Valley City.
Miss Benson—Orange, Ia.—Jamestown.
Miss Kane—Minot—Appleton Industrial School, Wisconsin.
Miss McKenzie—Detroit, Mich.—
Minneapolis.

Miss Cook—West and the Yellow-
stone—Minot.
Miss Winsted—Minot, Valley City
and Twin Cities—Minot.
Miss McDonough—West and Yellow-
stone—Minot.
Miss Cantwell—Detroit Lake, Minn.
and Valley City—Minot.

Enjoyable Visit to the Hecker Farm.
Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Colcord, accompanied by Mrs. Simpson, musical instructor at the Normal, visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hecker, near Logan, Sunday, where they spent a most enjoyable day. Mrs. Hecker, who has gained an enviable reputation in the culinary art, served a dinner fit for a crowned head and consisting of everything conceivable on a menu from fried chicken to ice cream. The North Dakota farm produces a great abundance of good things to eat, especially when managed by people like the Heckers. Mrs. Hecker was assisted in serving by her daughter, Miss Irene Hecker, a student at the Normal, and by a niece, Miss Hecker, daughter of Thomas Hecker. Other guests at the hospitable home were Mr. and Mrs. Horning, Miss Iola Horning and Vernice Packard.

The guests were shown about the 540 acre Hecker farm in the afternoon, viewing unsurpassable fields of oats, wheat, corn and other grains. Mouse river flows thru the farm which is one of the very best in the valley. Mr. Hecker never expects to dispose of his land, valuing it at no less than \$50 an acre.

Located on the farm is the old Hecker school building, built more than a decade ago by the late Owen Hecker, father of the Hecker brothers. The buildings is used now as a storehouse. The building was erected by Mr. Hecker, who paid out his own money that a school might be provided in that vicinity, during the days when our educational facilities were not yet adequate.

"SOONERS" BEWARE.
It is a mighty serious matter to kill game before the season opens. The last legislature raised the penalty for "sooners" from ten to twenty-five dollars and up to \$50 for each offense.

WILL MANDAMUS COUNTY BOARD

FARMERS BRING ACTION TO COMPEL BOARD TO MAKE THE LEVY FOR BETTER FARMING— CLAIM SUFFICIENT PETITION WAS FILED.

Mandamus proceedings have been completed to require the Board of County Commissioners to make the statutory levy for county agricultural work. The County Board has so far by a vote of three to two, refused to make the levy. Representative farmers from each of the commissioner's districts today retained Attorneys Thompson & Woledge of this city to bring the proceedings. The farmers claim that a sufficient petition having been filed under the statute last year, that it is mandatory for the County Board to make the levy. The farmers who are bringing the mandamus proceedings and who are plaintiffs in the case are William Westlake, Kenmare; Daniel Nash, Coulee; C. O. Bohn, Kenmare and J. B. Rasmussen, Kenmare, all of the Third commissioner's district; G. E. Waterman, Berthold; J. R. Burkhardt, Berthold; John Kassens, Lonetree, all of the Fourth commissioner's district; A. F. Thomas, Deering; Frank Linha, Minot; C. F. Weed, Surrey; I. R. Pence, Surrey, all of the Second commissioner's district; Roscoe W. Beighle, Sawyer; N. D. Welty, Sawyer; Andrew T. Hegreberg, Minot, Route 3; E. B. Bivins, Sawyer, and Charles Taylor, Minot, Route 3, all of the Fifth commissioner's district.

The matter will be heard before the District Court before the end of the month.

Trying to Identify Man Who Drowned.
At the time of going to press, little is known regarding the stranger who was drowned at the Soo swimming hole Tuesday afternoon. He was an Austrian who came here looking for work. He registered at the city hall, where the city is conducting a free employment bureau and a card which H. E. Wheeler gave him was found in his clothing. It is possible that he came here from Great Falls with a number of young men, whom the officials are trying to locate. The remains are being held at Rowan's morgue.

Placing Many Harvest Hands.
During the first two days the city employment agency was open at the city hall. Assessor Wheeler booked sixty men for jobs on the farms and placed thirty-five of them. More are registering every day. Mr. Wheeler states that most of these men are good capable harvest hands who want to work. Farmers needing hands will do well to call at the city hall.

Two Girl Waders Drown.
One Bowman, N. D., Child Tries to Rescue the Other from Swollen Creek.

Bowman, N. D., Aug. 2.—Irene and Maude Willis, aged 10 and 12 years, were drowned in a small creek near Rhame, and two cousins narrowly escaped a like fate while wading.

Recently heavy rains had swollen the stream. Irene Willis got into deep water; her sisters attempted to save her, but both sank.

Treasurers Meet at Bismarck.
The county treasurers of North Dakota are being entertained at Bismarck this week, where their annual convention is being held. The Tribune published the pictures of the treasurers of North Dakota, a handsome lot of fellows, including Treasurer Lindberg of Ward county. According to figures compiled by the Tribune, Ward county stood third in the collection of taxes, amounting to \$944,509.76 for the year ending July 1, 1915.

WHOLE FAMILY POISONED.
Mandan, N. D., Aug. 10.—Rose, aged 8, is dead, and five other children, of the Frank Hecker family are in a critical condition with dysentery as the result of some kind of poisoning. Physicians are unable to diagnose. The parents are also ill, but in no danger now. Drinking impure water from an old well, it is believed, may be the cause.

FARMERS' MEETING.
There will be a meeting of the Incorporators and Subscribers of the new Farmers' Co-Operative Elevator Company, held at Labor Hall on Saturday afternoon of this week at 2 o'clock. All farmers interested in an elevator that will pay patronage dividends to farmers, are urged to be present to help in completing the organization.

AN ELOPEMENT.
(Michigan City Dispatch.)
The aid of the police was sought in finding two lost dogs. C. Pritz is looking for a female dog with a white spot on the tip of her tail. The dog answers the name of "Queenie." She had a plain strap collar. Henry Grattenthaler's yellow bulldog has disappeared. The dog wore a collar with a beer chip attachment.

Hunters Training Dogs.
A good many of the hunters are training their dogs but they do not dare to take any gun into the fields. The law permits anyone to train dogs in the fields after Aug. 1. The season will not open until the morning of Sept. 7.

HORSE SALE SATURDAY.
E. L. Lyons will sell at public auction at the Scofield barn, Minot, Saturday, Aug. 14, at 2 o'clock, a bunch of sound young horses. Col. H. J. Hecht will be in charge of the sale. The horses are said to be among the very best that have been brot to this vicinity this season. Good hankable paper, due Nov. 1, will be acceptable with a reasonable discount for cash.

McCutcheon Invited to Speak.
E. B. McCutcheon, chief game warden, has been invited to deliver an address before the National Board of Game Wardens at San Francisco, Sept. 4. The activities of the North Dakota game wardens and their deputies have been watched with considerable interest by other states.

EARLY WHEAT IS BEING CUT

HARVEST HAS COMMENCED AND FROM NOW ON FARMERS WILL WORK TIRELESSLY TO SAVE IMMENSE CROP.

Many farmers are harvesting their early wheat this week. Rye cutting has been completed and the yield is very satisfactory. In some fields, the effect of the frost early in the summer can be seen, but the crop was not damaged seriously. Rye appears to be good for fifteen to twenty bushels.

The wheat is filling perfectly. We have not heard of any black rust in North Dakota and this will have to appear very quickly if it does any damage. The weather this week has been exceptionally warm and the grain is ripening rapidly. While the harvest is not as early as a year ago, it will be a week earlier than expected a short time ago. The wheat harvest will be on all at once and the farmers will have to do some tall hustling to save all of their grain.

Hundreds of field hands have arrived in Minot and are being placed. The city of Minot is conducting a free employment bureau at the city hall. This is in charge of Police Commissioner Housholder and assistants. This is proving to be a fine thing for laborers and farmers alike. Farmers are paying \$2.50 a day for competent help during harvest.

Haying is on. The recent rains interfered with haying and harvest will be on in full blast before all the hay is put up. The hay crop is big.

Without a doubt, the farmers will harvest the greatest crop in the history of North Dakota. If you want to see the prettiest sight ever beheld in any land, take a drive out into the grain fields of North Dakota right now. The heads are long, and are filled to the very tip.

**HUNDRED FARMERS
IN NEW ELEVATOR**
APPLICATION HAS BEEN MADE FOR THE CHARTER FOR FARMERS' CO-OPERATIVE ELEVATOR CO.
The application for the charter for the Farmers' co-operative Elevator Co. of Minot went forward to the Secretary of State Friday.

Thirty-three names were signed to the Articles of Incorporation in a few minutes at the Armory last Thursday evening and it is stated that one hundred farmers have already subscribed for shares in the company. The promoters expect that between two and three hundred farmers will become members of the elevator company, which is a co-operative organization, with its earnings to be distributed among actual patrons on a patronage basis. The selection of the site has not yet been decided upon but it is expected that the elevator will be in shape to do business within a few weeks.

**PETER ENGESETH
WEDS MISS JOHNSON**
The marriage of Peter Engeseth, a prominent Minot attorney, to Miss Mabel Genevieve Johnson, who has made her home in this city for several years, occurred at Bismarck today, Rev. Chas. W. Harris, pastor of the Presbyterian church performing the ceremony. The couple will return to this city after spending a few days with friends and relatives, to make their home.

Mr. Engeseth has been engaged in the practice of law in this city for a number of years and is highly regarded by a host of friends. His bride has been the very efficient deputy Register of Deeds for some time. Before coming to Minot Miss Johnson resided with her parents near Bismarck. She is very popular with all. The Independent extends its very best wishes to the newly married couple.

**DONNYBROOK WOMAN
INJURED BY FALL.**
Donnybrook, N. D., Aug. 9.—(Special)—While Mr. and Mrs. Delos Hunnewell were in attendance at a barn dance held south and west of town Saturday evening, Mrs. Hunnewell in descending some temporary stairs erected for the accommodation of the guests, the stairs gave way precipitating her to the concrete floor below. Her lower lip was terribly lacerated, and at first it was believed that the jaw had been fractured, but she was taken to Donnybrook at once and her injuries dressed, when it was discovered that aside from a bad laceration of the lip her injuries were not of a serious nature.

EXPOSITION NOTES.
About a dozen of the commercial clubs in the state of North Dakota have signified their intention of sending a vegetable exhibit to the North Dakota building. This is as it should be, but at least fifty clubs should have thrown their hats into the ring in this particular by this time. There is room in the North Dakota building for upwards of a hundred vegetable exhibits and Mr. Freyberger, who has charge of the exhibits at the building, is busily engaged in arranging exhibit shelves for that number. Let there be a united effort on the part of the Commercial clubs in the state to fill the spaces being built for them in the North Dakota building. The secretary of the commission is anxious to make things hum in the building during the remaining days of the exposition.

Battleship row in front of the North Dakota building was augmented Sunday by the arrival of the battleships Ohio, Wisconsin and Missouri, having come through the Panama canal, and up the Pacific coast. Six hundred and fifty midshipmen from the Naval Academy at Annapolis are taking their annual cruise on these ships, and will be at the exposition several weeks.

One morning last week, just after the doors of the North Dakota building were opened, in walked a tall, raw-boned, Lincoln-esque gentleman, accompanied by his wife. The went all thru the building from top to bottom, and expressed surprise at every step. They seemed to be unable to grasp the

magnitude of North Dakota's resources, and their questions were many. Then they registered, and lo and behold, they turned out to be Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sulzer of New York. It will be remembered Mr. Sulzer was at one time Governor of that commonwealth, but "got in bad" with Tammany and the "Tiger" bit him.

The Hunter and the Farmer.
The Independent understands that quite a number of the farmers are preparing to post their farms to head off promiscuous hunting. There is hardly a farmer who will refuse a friend the privilege to hunt on his land, but the farmer has rights that ought to be respected by the hunters. Most every farmer has been guarding carefully a covey or two of chickens and he doesn't like to see his birds all slaughtered in a day. A good way is to see the farmer, get his permission to hunt, invite him to join you in the sport and give him a bird or two, if he does not happen to bag any. Try it.

**NORTH DAKOTA WILL RAISE
116 MILLION BU. OF WHEAT.**
The government predicts that North Dakota will produce this year 116 million bushels of wheat. A billion bushels of wheat are in prospect for the entire country. The August 1 average condition of wheat in North Dakota was 95 per cent, while the ten year average was 76 per cent. Three billion bushels of corn and one and one-half billion bushels of oats are listed among the country's crops for 1915.

Des Lacs Sooners Kill Chickens.
A couple of fellows living about 4 miles south of Des Lacs are going to pay very dearly for shooting prairie chickens out of season. The Independent has the "dope" but prefers not to use it. It is understood that the game warden is keeping a sharp lookout in that direction.

**DES LACS FARMERS
CHARGED WITH THEFT.**
Earl and John Spitsors, farmers living near Des Lacs, were arrested Tuesday, charged with stealing brass fittings, chains, and other parts from an engine owned by E. A. Harthouse, as well as a water tank. They were given a hearing Wednesday and were allowed to return home to secure bonds. Harthouse traced his stuff and got it all back. Just what excuse the Spitsors will put up is problematical.

Nellie Cameron Was Not Insane.
Nellie Cameron, wife of Wm. Cameron, a Douglas farmer, was brot to this city Tuesday by Deputy Sheriff Vandenoever. Her husband had lodged a complaint of insanity against her. After the board had talked with her for a few moments, it was plainly seen that she was not insane in the least. She was given her freedom. It is said that the Camerons have been having trouble at home.

While on his way home from a day's shopping at Rockford, Wis., W. H. Boyd, a prosperous farmer who lives just across the state line, brought his team to a walk and scratched his head. He was sure he had forgotten something. Try as he would, he couldn't think what it was, so he drove on. Arriving home, his loud "whoa!" brot the children out to see what daddy had brot them from the city. Their welcome shouts were quickly silenced, however.

"Where's mamma?" they asked in chorus.
Then Boyd knew what he had forgotten. His wife had accompanied him to the city and while she was making some purchases for herself, the absent-minded husband had driven home without her. He broke all the speed laws driving the 12 miles back to Rockford.

HANGED HIMSELF TO RAFTERS.
Mandan, N. D., Aug. 9.—Frank Johnson, a carpenter and contractor of Stanton, Mercer county, committed suicide this morning by hanging himself in a shed, five miles south of Mandan. He disappeared from Stanton a week ago. Ill health is said to be the reason.

**BUILDING ELECTRIC
LINE TO BURLINGTON**
The Consumers Power Co. have started to build the new electric line from Minot to Burlington, a distance of eight miles, and hope to have the line in operation within thirty days. The poles are being set a hundred feet apart, a large force being employed. It is hoped that the poles will all be in the ground before the harvest starts in order that there will be no shortage of help. The line will extend along the south side of the river as far as the Elsberry farm, where it will cross the river and extend along the north road from that point.

The John Ehr farm, Elsberry's Riverside farm and Major Person's Elmwood farm will be electrified. Motors will be installed to furnish power on those farms. Already thirty places have been wired at Burlington and at least twenty more will be wired by the time the line is completed.

Attempt to Steal Swanson's Auto.
Two thieves attempted to steal C. G. Swanson's auto from in front of his home one night last week at a late hour. Mr. Swanson had driven his car home from the Minot Implement Co. and left it for the night in the street in front of his home. He always takes out the plug but during the night two bold fellows got in the machine and attempted to drive away with it. Mr. and Mrs. Andrews, who live next door, heard them and were about to call the police when the thieves grew alarmed and disappeared.

Dr. and Mrs. Yeomans Return.
Dr. T. N. Yeomans and family will return to the city today. The doctor has been taking special work in the hospitals and schools in New York and Ann Arbor.

STRANGER DROWNED IN MOUSE RIVER

YOUNG MAN ABOUT 28 YEARS OF AGE TAKEN WITH CRAMPS IN SOO SWIMMING HOLE—THE BODY RECOVERED IN AN HOUR

A stranger, whose identity is not known at the time this is written, was drowned at the Soo swimming hole, near the Soo bridge at three o'clock Tuesday afternoon, in fifteen feet of water. The afternoon was warm and in company with two friends, who departed hurriedly as soon as the young man disappeared beneath the water, he went to the stream to swim. He took off his shoes and shirt, but left on his overalls and socks. He attempted to swim across the stream, which is but a few rods wide at that point, and when near the opposite side, was taken with cramps and sank.

The Minot police department was notified and a number of patrolmen and members of the fire department hurried to the scene, but it was nearly an hour before Wm. Holt got hold of the body with a grappling hook and pulled it to shore. A pulmonot was sent to the place and used, but the body had been in the water too long.

The remains were taken to Rowan's undertaking establishment and prepared for burial. An effort is being made to locate the friends of the young man. He is described as being about 28 years of age, dark hair and dark complexion, 5 feet 7 inches tall and weighing about 160 pounds. It is likely that he is some harvest hand who arrived in the city expecting to work in this vicinity.

**ABSENT-MINDED MAN FORGOT
HIS WIFE—HAD TO GO BACK.**
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