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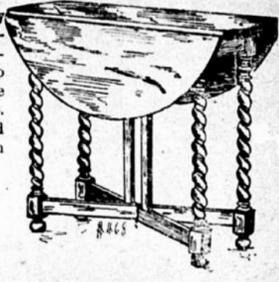
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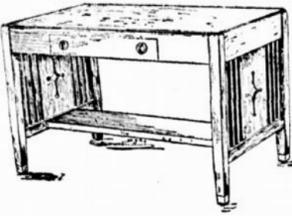
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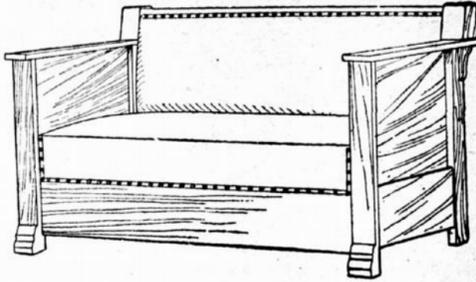
MASSIVE LIBRARY TABLE.



A practical article to give for Xmas, built of solid oak; has a large stationery drawer, and spacious shelf below. Finished in fumed or wax.

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BIG XMAS SPECIAL.



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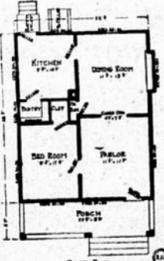
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IN THE LOCAL FIELD

H. E. Byorum, A. D. Hagenstein and Dr. A. D. McCannell spent Friday night at Rugby attending a meeting of the Masonic Council. Mr. Byorum became a member of that order that night.

W. S. Smith of the Smith-McClure Grain Co., of Tasker, was in the city the first of the week. This firm is now buying grain at Tasker and will erect an elevator there this coming season.

The Ladies Auxiliary to the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen will give a grand ball at the Odd Fellows hall Friday evening, Dec. 17. The ball is open to the public and all are cordially invited to attend. The tickets are \$1.00.

B. E. Morstad, formerly engaged in the harness business in Minot, writes from Outram, Sask. Mr. Morstad says that it storms almost every day and right around his home there are 700 acres of shocked grain under the snow.

A sad death occurred near Ross when Mrs. Albert Molzohn passed away following the birth of a babe Nov. 4. She leaves a husband and two little children. Mrs. Molzohn was well known in Minot, where she leaves many friends.

The Independent received a welcome letter from W. Kirchoff, of Mount Prospect, Ill., who owns a valuable farm southeast of the county farm. The Independent is a welcome visitor to his home each week and he is particularly interested in the weather reports, market reports and the stories of North Dakota prosperity.

Ed Durbin of Burlington, who was so severely injured by an enraged bull recently, was in the city Monday, the first time he has been out since his experience. Ed still carries one hand in a plaster cast and four of his ribs, broken in the scrimmage, have not fully healed as yet, but he says he can't stand the confinement of being obliged to remain indoors.

T. E. Boe, who owns a valuable tract of land just east of the city, visited our sanctum. He recalled the time when he came to Minot thirty years ago, a youth of 29—now figure out just how old he is—without any money, to seek his fortune. He figures his land is worth around \$75 an acre and he has refused \$150 an acre for some that lies in the valley.

H. R. Geiselman of Donnybrook, on a piece of land measuring 2.47 acres, raised 113 bushels of Marquis wheat, an average of 46 bushels per acre. This tract of land was plowed with a Spaulding deep tilling machine as an experiment to test the merits of deep tillage. Wheat on adjoining land tilled in the usual manner averaged but 28 bushels. Mr. Geiselman says he is convinced that deep tillage will prove one of the most profitable methods of cultivating old land.

J. S. Swenson, a former resident of Sawyer but now in the restaurant business at Outlook, Mont., was in the city Tuesday on his return to Outlook, after spending a couple of weeks visiting among old friends in Sawyer and vicinity. Mr. Swenson says that conditions are excellent in Montana this season. In Outlook this summer they have erected a hospital, a church and a school house, also eleven dwelling houses. Wheat in the vicinity of Outlook was fine, particularly winter wheat, one field which Mr. Swenson saw averaging 53 bushels per acre.

A special Christmas service will be held next Sunday afternoon at 4:00 at the Arcade Theatre. Miss Eula Miller from the State Normal school will read Van Dyck's "Story of the Other Wise Man," illustrating it with colored lantern slides. Music will be furnished by Prof. Groskopf, the Minot Ladies' Quartette and the Y. W. C. A. Choral Club. This program has been arranged by the Minot Public Library and the Young Women's Christian Association. This is open to the public. While the children have the opportunity of being present Saturday morning, this meeting is open to the men and women.

Fred and Ferdinand Schafer, two ambitious young fellows from New Ulm, Minn., came into this section of the country five years ago with two carloads of stock and farming implements, determined to carve out a fortune in this land of the golden west. Friends advised them against making the venture, saying that Dakota was a land of blizzard and blight. Some added the prediction that within two years the boys would be back minus their modest capital—sadder but wiser. This season these young men threshed 22,000 bushels of grain and besides own a section of fine farming land six miles from Glenburn and are on easy street. The wise heads of New Ulm are still covering soap boxes.

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Miss Mabel Amundsen, of Menominee, Wis., who is teaching at Tasker, with the assistance of her pupils gave a splendid entertainment at the school house last Saturday evening. It was one of the most pleasant events that ever occurred in that community. A basket supper followed with "Billy" Verzett as auctioneer and over \$70 was realized. This money will be used in providing a Xmas entertainment. Miss Amundsen is a teacher of unusual ability, and as a consequence is doing excellent work in the Tasker school this year. Miss Stella Amundsen, a sister, and Miss Ethel Carrington, a former school mate of Miss Mabel Amundsen, came up from Fessenden where they are teaching, to attend the entertainment and supper.

Arthur Braated of Wyndmere was arrested at Wahpeton last week for speeding. The Wahpeton authorities maintain that their speed laws are not for residents only, but apply to all alike, and that hereafter the "road burners" will be gathered in, irrespective of creed, color, or politics.

George Plain, the Milton undertaker and embalmer, enjoys the distinction of having had his picture taken in a far different manner from any other man in Cavalier county, if not in the entire northwest. It is more a statue than a picture, however, being made from the impression of the so-called death-mask taken while he was a student at the Barnes School of Anatomy and Embalming in Chicago. This school was the first in America to teach demo-surgery. This science will be the means of keeping an accurate record of the features of any person, living or dead, and will provide a most accurate means of identification. Mr. Plain was one of the first subjects used in America for the taking of a mask, and his mask picture now appears in all the leading undertakers' magazines in the land.

Bert Plowman Opens New Store.
Bert Plowman's new Two Dollar Hat store has opened for business in the Dolloff block on First Street S. W. Bert's store is making a big "hit" among his many friends thruout the city and all day Saturday, his opening day, the store was thronged by friends desiring to help in the success of his undertaking. Bert is handling only the best quality of merchandise, making a specialty of Munsing underwear and Wilson Bros. furnishings. He has a fine line of holiday goods and fresh additions are arriving daily. Bert is a hustling young business man and will meet with splendid success beyond question.

Briquetting Co. in New Quarters.
Barney Theurer, general manager of the Northern Briquetting Co., is now occupying comfortable office quarters in the Jacobson block. This concern is doing an immense business this year. The demand for Davis lignite has been so great that the Company are now employing 50 miners at the mines at Davis and in spite of this fact they are behind in their orders.

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Rye	.70
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U. S. Hides	No. 1	No. 2
G. S. Kips, 15 to 25 lbs.	15 1/2	14 1/2
G. S. Calf, 8 to 15 lbs.	17 1/2	16
G. S. Bulls, Steers, Oxen and side branded.	12	11
Green Hides	14 1/2	13 1/2
Green Kips, 15 to 25 lbs.	15	13 1/2
Green Calf, 8 to 15 lbs.	16 1/2	15
Green Bulls, Steers, Oxen and side branded, flat.	11	10

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Horse or Cattle, any size \$5.00
Colt or Kip, not over 25 lbs. 2.25
Calf or Calf, not over 15 lbs. 1.75
Tanning pelts, any size, wool on 1.50
Dog, any size 1.25
Wolf or Coyote, any size 1.50
Deer skins, (hair on) 1.50
Deer skins, (for back) 1.25
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1 doz. 3 lb. Standard Tomatoes	\$1.25	5 lb. box Fancy 30-40 Silver Prunes	.85	10 lbs. Macaroni or Spaghetti	.65
1 doz. cans Standard Peas	\$1.10	1 gallon High Standard Corn Syrup	.45	Duffy's Pure Apple Cider, per gal.	.50
1 doz. cans Standard Corn	\$1.00	12 lbs. best Jap Rice	\$1.00	1-lb. Green Tea, good value	.35
10 lb. box choice Dried Peaches	\$1.00	3 lbs. bulk Pop Corn	.25	12 bars Galvanic Soap (1 Palm Olive Free) for	.50

We have a complete line of Xmas goods, including Mixed Nuts, Honey, Layer Raisins, Hallow and Fard Dates, Layer Figs, Citron, Orange and Lemon Peel, choice Candies. Let us supply you early

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