

THIEVES ENTER STEARNS BARN; STEAL \$500 WORTH OF HARNESS

Chas. Stearns, who lives on the John Ehr farm three miles west of Minot, reports the loss of nine complete sets of harness, about 15 of his very best horse collars, a saddle and a bridle, sometime Thursday night. Mr. Stearns upon going to the barn at 5:30 the following morning, could not find enough harness to hitch a horse to a stone boat. For the first time this winter, the faithful old dog had been shut in the cow barn and the thieves were not bothered in their work. Mr. Stearns was in the barn at 9:30 that evening. The thieves evidently took their everlasting time in sorting out the harness and must have spent an hour or two in the barn. They took the pads off the harness and hung them up in an orderly manner on the pegs. They wanted only the best and left two old canvas collars, removing the martingales and the lines. They left four old cheap leather collars and overlooked one good bridle which hung in an out of the way place. The loss to Mr. Stearns is fully \$500, as he had some very good harness and it will cost him six or seven hundred dollars to replace his loss. He offers \$50 reward for the recovery of the harness.

CORRESPONDENCE

NORMAL NOTES

Mrs. Elizabeth Records of the Junior class enjoyed a vacation trip to the southern part of Texas in the Rio Grande valley. As a result of her trip she placed a very interesting exhibit in the laboratory. Some oranges of immense size were shown, various sized lemons, grape fruit, sugar cane, broom corn, and three varieties of beans—climbing beans, ebony beans and castor oil beans. The students surely thank Mrs. Records for bringing part of her pleasure trip to them. Miss Genevieve Hertel is the proud owner of a certificate given by the Remington Typewriter Co. Miss Hertel succeeded in writing 27 words a minute for ten consecutive minutes. She is now working for the next certificate.

The Normal School basket ball team met the Kenmare team on the Normal floor Saturday afternoon. Kenmare was defeated, the score being 36-10.

The Playground class has supervision over the play in the gymnasium from one o'clock to one-thirty each day. This arrangement has been made for the benefit of those children who remain at school during the noon hour.

The Boy Scouts held their regular election last Tuesday evening, the following officers being elected: Senior Scout Master, Bertram Lighthall; Scribe, Lynn Christenson; Treasurer, Howard Clarke. Mr. Everett Davis is their Scout Master and his assistant is Fred Mott. Mrs. George Mueller is Deputy Scout Commissioner of Minot.

The Senior and Advanced Senior classes held a joint meeting Friday noon at which plans were made for forming a permanent joint association of the two classes. A social committee was also appointed to serve the entire year.

Moving pictures of Minot and Ward county which were taken last summer were shown Monday, during Assembly period. The Normal school lantern was also used by the Art Club this week, when Mrs. R. M. Graham gave an illustrated talk on interior decorating.

Saturday evening a skating party on Lincoln lake followed by a light lunch in the Main building was enjoyed by the members of the Freshmen and Sophomore classes.

Mrs. Perrett entertained the members of her advisory group at the Lucy Gates concert on Friday evening. A number of the residents took advantage of the reduced rates offered by the public schools and enjoyed this concert greatly.

COUNTY LINE

Our school board met last Tuesday at the S. O. Ringo home.

A number from here attended the N. P. L. meeting at Stanley last Tuesday.

Silas Engen and Oscar Halgrimson were at Minot last week Tuesday and Wednesday.

Millard Kincannon went to St. Paul with a car of stock last Saturday.

A number of neighbors gathered at the Hebig home last Thursday evening, enjoying themselves at cards and music, and at the same time temporarily organized a Community or Booster club. There will be a meeting at the Kincannon school house on Wednesday evening, Jan. 26, for the purpose of perfecting same, electing permanent officers, adopting rules and regulations. Everyone is requested to attend.

The weather was rough, a large crowd attended the hard times dance at Blaisdell last Saturday night, having a fine time.

A good sized crowd attended a surprise party in honor of Miss Benson at the Herman Arndt home last Friday night, reporting a good time.

The Kickapoo Club will give a box social and dance at Tagus next Friday night, proceeds to go to the Community hall fund.

Oscar Halgrimson returns today to McGregor after a ten day visit here with relatives and friends.

A number from here took in a dance at the new town hall south of here last Friday night.

J. H. Hebig leaves today for Fargo to attend the Tri-State Grain Growers, and other conventions, which are billed for this week.

WILLIS TOWNSHIP

Adolph Newman received \$150 hail insurance and Charles B. Seney received \$530 last Friday for the damage the hail did them the latter part of July, 1920.

The Twilight club met at the home of Mrs. Stacy Saturday evening, Jan. 15.

H. Chambers returned from a two weeks business visit from Kidder county the latter part of last week.

Tracy M. Palmer of the Sawyer high school visited over Sunday with his mother, Mrs. E. E. Diehl.

A. L. Louis and Joe Gadbad were each in Minot last week with loads of wheat.

Adolph Newman and Charles R. Seney transacted legal business in Minot Friday last.

Frank Long and R. W. Beighle wert Minot callers Tuesday, also on Thursday.

Charles R. Seney has employed Frank H. Chatborn for the coming year as chauffeur and to do his farming and dairying. Mr. Chatborn saw service overseas during the late war, and prior to that time he was employed by the Swift Packing Co. at South St. Paul.

Obituary

Laurel, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe W. Beighle, passed quietly away Wednesday, Jan. 22, age three days. One infant sister, Beth, preceded her to the Great Beyond some eight years ago, leaving to mourn her loss are her father and mother and two brothers, Douglas of Fargo, N. D., and Jack at home.

A precious one from us is gone,
The heart we loved is still,
A place is vacant in our home
That never can be filled;
God in His wisdom has recalled
The boon his love has given,
And tho the body slumbers here,
Her soul is safe in Heaven.

Mr. and Mrs. Beighle have the heartfelt sympathy from their neighbors and friends in the sad hours of their late bereavement.

A short impressive funeral service was held at the home Friday, Jan. 14, at 2:30 p. m., conducted by their pastor, Rev. Spath of Sawyer, after which the remains were quietly laid at rest at the Willis cemetery.

Vollmer Recalls Days of Real Sport

L. J. Vollmer, who represents Lindsay Bros., the big Minneapolis implement house in western North Dakota and Montana, is somewhat of a philosopher. He is also a pretty fair card player, tho he plays only for the fun there is in it. There was a time years ago when turkey and goose raffles were all the go, when he sometimes participated in those raffles with considerable profit and satisfaction to himself. He used to live in the stump country in Minnesota. "I sometimes cuss just a little," Vollmer confided to the writer, tho we hadn't noticed it. "You see when a fellow is raised in a stump country, he learns to cuss by note, following an old plow barefooted thru the stump land, and I know fellows of that sort who continue to use

semi-profane language in later years, unconsciously."

But to get back to the raffle story. Vollmer and his father attended a turkey raffle in Minnesota when he was a boy. They played euchre for turkeys. Lou and his dad used the sign language, knew just what cards each other had and they beat those walllopers until they cried. They went home early in the morning with 21 big turkeys. In those days they sometimes shook dice for turkeys. "Two bits" on the corner, a dollar for a turkey and fifty cents of that money would be spent by the raffle manager for refreshments.

Lou once attended a goose raffle in Nebraska. They played pitch for the geese. Luck was with Lou that night and at one time he had every goose in his possession, but he was in danger of being murdered, so he let up just a little, but finally went home with eleven big geese.

Work on Sewage Disposal Plant Tied Up

Little work is being done on the city sewage disposal plant this winter. The weather has been quite favorable but owing to the funds being tied up in the Bank of North Dakota, Contractor Kemper is unable to receive the necessary payments to keep the work going full blast. Whether the plant will be completed this year or

not depends on whether the Bank of North Dakota will be able to let loose of sufficient funds.

Aakrann Buys Due's Interests
Martin Aakrann has purchased the interests of L. M. Due in the Minot Distributing Co., who handle the territory in Northwestern North Dakota and all of the state of Montana for the Minnesota state prison make of binders, mowers, and rakes. The Minot Distributing Co. has been in business here for four years and have been quite successful.

J. E. Elsberry of Towner, formerly Holstein breeder near Minot, visited friends in this city Friday. Mr. Elsberry has about recovered from his terrible accident of several months ago when an enraged bull tossed him high into the air, breaking several ribs. Mr. Elsberry was struck over the heart and while he knew what was going on, was powerless to move and would have certainly been killed had it not been for the hired man who drove the infuriated animal off. Mr. Elsberry has been engaged in the sheep raising business extensively, but says this business is "shot" and he is going back to the faithful old Holstein cow with which he has always been successful.

Editor Penn offers the Sherwood Tribune for sale.

The Kenmare Rotary Club has a community chest under way. If a Fourth of July celebration is held, \$3,000 will be needed in the annual chest.

J. H. Sinclair, congressman from the Third district, introduced a bill fixing the price of wheat at \$2.26 for the 1920 crop, and giving the president

power to fix the price and to increase the tariff on wheat to prevent the importation of wheat at a price less than the government guaranteed price. As congress has revived the war finance board, the bill is apt to fall by the wayside.

The infant son of Thomas Thompson of Makoti died from pneumonia.



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