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WILL CONTINUE PLAYING BALL THROUGH JULY AND AUGUST

It has been reported that the Minot baseball team would break up since the Fargo series here last week and that no more games would be played. This is erroneous as at a meeting Tuesday night it was decided to go ahead and play thru the entire season. H. H. Hester has relinquished the management and will leave the entire team intact as it has been with probably a few new players added shortly to strengthen the team.

The local team has not had the best of luck in several ways except that distinction of being the only team in the state that has not lost a series to any team. Fargo is the only team that stands even on the games played with Minot and Valley City has taken some 5 out of 7 games from Fargo. Minot has won from Leeds in the two games played and they have defeated Cando and Cando has defeated Devils Lake in the series played. Bismarck won only one game out of the six played with the locals. As to the money taken in at the gate, there have been several things that have worked against the local management. Decoration Day was a total loss. The games here the Fourth with Grand Forks were a fizzle as they brought no team at all, after giving absolute assurance they would give the locals all they wanted. All the first class players from there were out playing with other teams the 4th and they brought nothing they could find from stenographers to farm hands, who would wear a suit. Then a counter attraction kept the crowd away till the game was over when it was pulled off west of the city at 3 p. m. instead of 1 p. m.

Joe Moore, the popular "big fellow" has assumed the duties of managing the team and there is no doubt that he will get the fans' support and that all will be satisfied.

The series with Fargo last week was won by the locals when they took the games of Friday and Saturday by the scores of 5-3 and 8-3 but lost the Sunday game when Boardman, chuck full of confidence, pitched unbeatable ball and shut the locals out without a hit of run. It was the best game Boardman has ever twirled in his life. Whitehouse of Devils Lake was slated to oppose Boardman, but he did not arrive until after four o'clock, so Hester pitched the Saturday game and was not in condition to pitch the Sunday contest. Hester took up the mound duties in the fourth inning, but couldn't stop the Fargo players. Morris was on the sick list and Hightower was nursing a sore arm, which left Minot practically helpless as far as a pitcher was concerned. Shirley has already beaten Fargo twice this season.

This week end the Calgary Black Sox are here for four games, starting Thursday. They drew well here last time and no doubt will give us a better brand of baseball as they have strengthened their team some. Minot broke even on the series with the Sox, each winning two games.

Friday will be Booster Day and the proceeds will be used to make up the deficiency now existing and put the locals on their feet for going ahead.

Bismarck comes here next week end, Cando the next week end and then games will be arranged for all August with the best teams in the state. Another series is probable with Fargo.

Southwestern Section of State Hard Hit

State Senator Baker was in the city Wednesday on his way to his home at Glenburn where he was billed to speak at a farmers picnic in the afternoon. Senator Baker, Governor Frazier and Attorney General Lemke are billed for addresses at Mouse River Park near Tolley Saturday of this week. On Monday, Governor Frazier, John Hagen and Senator Baker will address the Farmers Picnic at Velva and on Sunday these three speakers will be heard at the Farmers' picnic at Crosby.

Senator Baker says that the crops of Burleigh and Emmons counties are completely burned up and there will be great suffering in the southwestern section of the state this fall and winter. He hints at the possibility of a special session of the legislature to furnish relief to the drought stricken sections of the state.

Rotarians Entertain Notables

At the Rotary luncheon Monday, the prominent guests entertained were Charles Fairfield of Rutland, Vt., representing the federal farm loan board of the seventh district; Chester A. Jones, former Minot newspaperman, now with the New York Tribune, and W. L. Scriber, an insurance man from Chicago, all of whom addressed the Rotarians. Dr. A. D. McCannel gave an interesting talk on the St. Paul clinic from which he had just returned. R. A. Nestos, candidate for Governor, gave an interesting address recounting some of his experiences in campaigning.

Medical Association Met Tuesday

The medical association of this district held their quarterly convention here Tuesday afternoon and evening. Drs. Hancock of Carpio, Stone of Balfour and Dr. Johnson of Velva, president of the association, were among the doctors in attendance.

DAIRY PRODUCTS SEE MONEY MAKING CREAMERY

New Salem, N. D.—A cooperative creamery, built by farmers, which has paid annual dividends of from 25 to 50 per cent during the 22 years it has been in continuous operation, will be visited by farmers, business men, bankers and county agents who make the New Salem dairy tour July 20. The tour is being arranged by the animal husbandry department of the Agricultural College, and will be made by automobile.

Youngtown is an inland town nine miles north of New Salem. The creamery is one of the two to which the 17 members of the circuit bring their cream. The members hire a creameryman to sell their products, having learned that the extra proceeds will more than pay his hire.

Since 1912 this creamery has taken only cream, allowing the farmers to keep their skim milk for feed for the calves. The members take their cream to the creamery on certain days.

Parties will be organized in various counties of the state, driving to New Salem. The tour will begin at 8 a. m., July 20, at the farm of John Christianson, president of the circuit, and will visit eight farms during the day.

Minot Association of Commerce News-Letter

Have Faith in Minot. The greatest asset a city can have is a citizenship that has faith in its possibilities and is willing to sacrifice their own selfish interests for their fulfillment. Unless backed by such a spirit natural economic advantages are like seed placed in the earth without cultivation. Minot is your home; as Minot prospers, you will prosper.

At the Association rooms on Thursday there was held a meeting of the Farm Bureau, at which time an inquiry was made as to the costs of production and the net income of the farmer. This meeting was one of many being held thruout the country to prepare statistics to be presented before the Senate in connection with legislation to correct the present economic status of the farmer. Some heated discussions occurred.

At the regular Directors' meeting last Tuesday noon Mr. C. D. See was appointed a director to take the place of Mr. R. A. Nestos, whose resignation was accepted. Mr. Nestos felt that as he was out of the city so much and so couldn't regularly attend the meetings that someone who could be more regular should act.

Did you ever try to find a place to park your car down town some busy day or on Saturday? Quite a job, wasn't it? The automobile has widened the trading territory of Minot, and with the increasing miles of good roads the territory will be enlarged. While we have some good roads, we should not relax our efforts to get more, and to keep those we do have in good repair. These roads are the arteries that supply us with nourishment. Their maintenance means greater success for Minot. As a business man what percent of your business is from town, and what percent from the rural customers? Figure it out some day, when you find time, and then ask yourself if the advantages of better roads is not to your advantage, as well as to the advantage of the rural customer who does business with you.

Dr. L. H. Beeler of the State Normal has set aside next Tuesday as 'Association of Commerce Day,' and plans are being made to have as many of the members of the Association as can attend chapel at the Normal Tuesday morning at 10 a. m. Dr. Beeler feels that the majority of the residents of Minot do not realize what an institution the Normal School really is, and so has set aside this day that the people of Minot can really see what is being done to prepare the young people of North Dakota for teachers. All who can are expected to be present to help make a good showing and to demonstrate our interest in this institution.

The booklets on the North Dakota division of the 'TR' highway have been received by several of the Minot 'TR' boosters, and from reports received the booklet is very nicely gotten up and is surely a boost to the 'TR' trail through this state. It is expected a supply will be received at the Association rooms so that persons desiring a copy can get one here.

What can be done to make Minot grow? What is your answer? Think it over and then answer. There can be no standing still. We are either going ahead or going backward. And it is determined by the citizens themselves. Two things that are necessary for every city that is progressing are Vision and Enthusiasm. With these two when the time comes, the things that really count to make a greater city, can be got.

Governor Makes Appointments

M. R. Porter of the Scandinavian-American bank of this city has been appointed a member of the state bank depositor's guarantee fund commission. Mr. Porter's appointment was recommended to Governor Frazier at a recent bankers' convention. R. E. Shigley of Kenmare was re-appointed a member of the state veterinary examining board and J. I. Cahill, appointed to the state board of administration.

Up-to-Date Report on 'TR' Road

According to data received from points along the route of the Theodore Roosevelt Highway in North Dakota.

Grand Forks to Larimore—by H. M. Stanton. Very good.

Larimore to McCanna—by J. Dexter Pierce. Badly torn-up grading, both on regular highway and detour. Tourists should ask for directions as to detour over route south of Niagara.

McCanna to Lakota—by J. P. Lamb. McCanna to Niagara, good. Niagara to Lakota, fair.

Lakota to Devils Lake. Lakota to Doyon, rough. Doyon to Devils Lake good.

Devils Lake to Leeds—by V. Ward-roppe. A little rough from Churches Ferry to Devils Lake. Bridge out one mile east of Churches Ferry, making detour of one mile south necessary.

Leeds to Knox—by G. Van Slyke. Good.

Knox to Tunbridge—by M. Jacobson. Rough account recent rains.

Tunbridge to Granville—by D. J. O'Connell. No change.

Granville to Des Lacs—by C. E. Danielson. Very good.

Des Lacs to Tagus by D. J. Hillis. Good.

Tagus to Stanley by A. H. Nelson. Fair.

Stanley to Manitou. Fair.

Manitou to Ray—by E. Bylin. Manitou to White Earth, rough. White Earth to Tioga, rough although all stones removed. Tioga to Ray in good condition except for a three mile stretch at Temple.

Ray to Williston. First class speedway.

Williston to Mondak—by F. J. Wilkinson. Good.

State Tennis Tourney Opens Friday

A Northwestern North Dakota Tennis Tournament for men, women and juniors will be held in Minot Friday and Saturday, July 15 and 16, under the auspices of the Riverside Tennis club, according to an announcement made today. Tennis players in the northwestern part of the state have been asked to send contestants. If all climatic matches cannot be played Friday and Saturday, the tournament will be concluded Sunday, July 17. The junior events will be open to boys under 18 years of age.

Minot 34 Years Old Saturday

Saturday, July 16, will be the 34th anniversary of the City of Minot. At the election held Aug. 27, 1888, James H. Scofield was elected mayor of the city. The first board of aldermen consisted of Phil K. Fields, William Brunelle, Eugene Coleman, E. D. Kelley, Dr. Belyea, and Nelson Mott. The city was named after Henry D. Minot, second vice-president of the St. Paul, Minneapolis and Manitoba Ry. Co., now known as the Great Northern.

Rainfall 1.11 on Monday Night

This section was visited by a most welcome rain Monday night. The government weather bureau reports 1.11 inches rainfall which is the heaviest rainfall we have had so far this season at any one time. While probably too late for wheat, yet, there are perhaps many fields of late sown grain such as oats and speltz that will be benefitted. Corn, hay and meadows and particularly potatoes will receive the greatest benefit.

Colter Farm Home Burns at Voltaire

The Clarence Colter farm dwelling at Voltaire burned to the ground Sunday morning. Mr. Colter and his wife had left the house to do the morning's milking when looking up discovered smoke issuing from the building. They reached the house just in time to rescue their little baby sleeping peacefully thruout the excitement. The house and contents were a total loss. Mr. Colter is the son of Thomas Colter of this city.

NO. 1 NORTHERN WHEAT AT HIGHEST THIS YEAR

Minneapolis, Minn. July 13. — The close of fancy No. 1 dark northern wheat here today was \$1.93 and \$2.03. This is the first time this year that wheat has reached the \$2.03 mark, although June 13 it has closed at \$1.90 1/2 and \$2.00 1/2.

The Independent will pay 7c per lb. for clean cotton rags of good size.

DAKOTA-MONTANA TWELVE OIL SYNDICATE WELL SITE RIGGED FOR SINKING WELL

Special to the Tribune: Winnett, July 8.—Material has been hauled to the Dakota-Montana Twelve Oil Syndicate well site in the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of section 8-15-30 and the construction of a standard rig is now under way. The location of the Dakota-Montana syndicate well is less than a mile north of the Jack Rabbit syndicate well, which is now producing at a splendid rate and, as a consequence, the Dakota-Montana people feel that they have an excellent chance of obtaining production.

J. H. Harrington, who has for many years been operating in the Wyoming and Oklahoma fields, is manager for the latest entrant into Cat Creek, while the principal stockholders and directors are citizens of Minot, North Dakota, and surrounding country.

Tools and equipment have been ordered and are expected to arrive in Winnett at any time. Immediately upon arrival here, Mr. Harrington will start rigging up and expects to be marketing oil within sixty days from the date of spudding.

Stock Judging Team Leaves for Fargo

The three young men selected as winners in the stock judging contest held in connection with the recent meeting and sale of the Ward County Boys' and Girls' Calf Club left Tuesday for Fargo where they will take part in the judging contests held in connection with the Interstate Fair held there this week. The young men are Miles Scriber, president of the Ward County Calf Club, Everett Monaghan and Verne Swanson. At Fargo three judges will be chosen from those having the highest standing to attend the National dairy show in St. Paul in October. The team showing the high average there will be sent to the Interstate Fair at Sioux Falls, S. D., where again a contest will be held and the winners sent to the International Stock Show at Chicago.

The Ward county team was in charge of Herbert Allen, county agent and it is confidently expected that they will acquit themselves with credit to Ward county and this section of the state.

Nonparty Squabble Ends in Draw

The Nonpartisan league family row was settled Tuesday by the retraction of published charges against majority members of the state executive committee, abandonment of criminal charges preferred against two leaguers being ordered in consequence thereof.

A joint statement signed by George A. Totten, Jr., and C. K. Gummerson, who admit responsibility for the attempts to use the Courier-News last week in the circulation of charges against the state committee is to the effect that the statements contained in that article were unauthorized by any person, and that they are unfounded.

Two charges against Totten—embezzlement and criminal libel—and one charge against Gummerson—criminal libel—are abandoned in consequence of the signing of the retraction.

Judge Lowe Sentenced Three

Margery Gullixson, the young school teacher, charged with forgery, confessed to the charge at a hearing in district court and was committed by Judge Lowe to the state reform school until she reaches the age of 21 years. Charles Belanger, charged with burglary when found asleep in an auto belonging to a north side resident, plead guilty to the charge and was sentenced to the penitentiary for a period of five years. On account of the destitute condition of the Belanger family Judge Lowe suspended Belanger's sentence. Vasily Shack, who confessed to transporting liquor was sentenced to the county bastille for a term of four months and to pay a fine of \$1,000.

Brinton Not Guilty

The jury in the case brought against J. W. Brinton former secretary to A. C. Townley by Attorney General Lemke, whereby Lemke sought to prove that Brinton perjured himself in his testimony before the investigating committee at the last session of the legislature was concluded Saturday morning by a verdict exonerating Brinton of the charge. The testimony in this case will be used in an action whereby E. B. McCutcheon, trustee in the bankruptcy case against Townley will seek to have the Townley case re-opened. It is averred that the testimony in the Brinton suit thruout additional light upon the bankruptcy proceedings.

B. & R. Clothing Co. Nearly Ready for Opening

The B & R Clothing Co. are about ready for their opening. Their new store next door to the U. S. Cafe has been fitted with a fine set of fixtures and presents a neat and tasty appearance. Messrs. Bader and Feldman, the proprietors returned Friday from the eastern marketing centres, where they secured some especially attractive bargains and placed orders for an excellent assortment of gents' furnishings, including several makes of fine clothes for men and young men. Their stock of shoes was purchased at the prevailing low prices and their offerings will be sold at new low prices. The opening announcement of the B & R Clothing Co. will appear in an early issue of this paper.

Grain Growers Start Campaign in Ward County

J. P. Burkholder, deputy organizer for the U. S. Grain Growers Association, inc., arrived in the city Wednesday, and will proceed at once with the canvass of Ward county. He will be assisted by N. D. Gorman, formerly Ward county's agricultural agent, who is now connected with the Grain Growers in an official capacity. In the work of organization their first duty will be to sign up the farmers co-operative elevators after which an active canvass of the farmers will be made to secure pledges to sell all or part of their crop thru the organization. If not desirous of selling another alternative is offered whereby farmers pool their grain and hold for future market. The United States Grain Growers association is capitalized at \$100,000.00 and the organizers are specially trained for the work, a class of 16 organizers having just completed a course of instruction at Fargo. Mr. Burkholder who is one of the prominent farmers of Traill county was a member of the class, completing their course of instruction last week.

Hints from Squints

Representatives of the Independent visited Burlington last week to investigate the crops of that district and imbibe some of the enthusiasm which characterizes the people of that community. Within the confines of the village we found some of the finest corn we have seen this season. E. A. Madson has a small tract of probably a quarter acre sowed to corn called Soviet Dent—the seed of which was brot back from Russia by Prof. Bolley some years ago and developed by him. Mr. Madson prefers to call this variety I. W. W. Dent. H. A. Kluber has some splendid corn just west of the village. He told the writer of a farmer on North Prairie who fitted up a field of 50 acres early last spring intending to grow corn but the temptation to grow a crop requiring less attention lured him to seed the greater portion to wheat, and as a consequence he is now lamenting the fact that he didn't take Kluber's advice as he intended. Harvey Johnson has a fifty acre field of corn which is doing splendidly in spite of the drought.

Potatoes are the centre of interest of course and just at this time the growers are busily engaged in fighting the bugs. Harvey Johnson has invented one of the most useful devices for spraying potatoes, we believe, that the genius of a western grower has conceived in ages. Harvey took the gas tank of an old acetylene lighting apparatus which his father discarded when Burlington left the kerosene circuit and this he fills with some five gallons or more of Paris green solution and then pumps up the tank until he gets a goodly pressure when he fastens his tank to his cultivator, opens the stop cock and sets off down the field. One tank full sprays a couple rounds. B. B. Mouch north of Minot uses a similar device and sprays three rows. J. H. Werner and H. A. Kluber having spraying outfits which spray four rows at a time.

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Rex Stinchcomb, popular clerk at the C. A. Bugge store left Sunday for Duluth to join the naval reserves for a fortnight's training.

GOVERNMENT BUREAU OF WAR RISK ADOPTS A NEW POLICY

Assistance for ex-service men in their relations with the Bureau of War Risk Insurance.—I. It is the purpose of the War Department, acting through its available personnel, to assist ex-service men in every possible way in securing contact with the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, thus enabling them without delay to renew or convert their insurance, to secure medical or dental treatment, hospitalization or vocational training, or to present their claims for compensation.

The obligation is imposed upon all personnel adjutants throughout the Army, recruiting officers, and regular officers on duty with the National Guard and Organized Reserves, to aid their less fortunate comrades. Such officers will at once familiarize themselves with the orders and circulars relating to the War Risk Insurance Bureau, in so far as those instructions refer to renewal or conversion of insurance, compensation, medical or dental treatment, hospitalization and vocational training so that intelligent assistance and advice may be afforded ex-service men in regard to their relations with the Bureau.

The officers mentioned will obtain without delay direct from the War Risk Insurance Bureau, a supply of all blank forms needed by ex-service men in their contact with this Bureau.

Upon application from ex-soldiers, the officers mentioned in paragraph 2, will furnish blank forms, will assist in the preparation of applications, will carefully examine all papers or instructions on the forms in question and will themselves promptly forward the completed applications or statements directly to the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, Treasury Department, Washington, D. C. (004.61, A. G. O.)

By order of the Secretary of War: JOHN J. PERSHING, General of the Armies, Chief of Staff. Official: J. T. KERR, Adjutant General.

Minot Auto Club to Ryder July 19

The Minot Auto Club at a special meeting held at the salesrooms of the Holt Motor Co. Tuesday afternoon, it was voted that the club participate in the anniversary celebration at Ryder, Tuesday, July 19. A committee was appointed consisting of the Secretary, Dick Welch, John F. McGuire and Carl Danielson, was appointed to make the necessary arrangements. It is proposed that at least as many as 50 to 75 cars be secured to make the trip and that some of the leading entertainers of the Town Criers Club be enlisted to furnish some features for the program. The party will leave here about 11 o'clock in order that they may reach Ryder in time to take part in the festivities of the afternoon as well as the evening performances. Just phone your intentions to some member of the committee and arrange to go. That Ryder town is a "live one".

St. Paul Firm Successful Bidders for State and Federal Highway

At a meeting of the Board of County Commissioners held Friday the contract for the construction of the Des Lacs cut-off on the "TR" trail and the additional mileage on the county road, connecting the Burlington road with Foxholm was let to Stevens Brothers of St. Paul, the lowest bidders. Representatives of the State and Federal highway commissions were present. The contract price was \$81,189.24. These projects will give Ward county 38 miles of Federal highway, the "TR" trail will then be complete from Surrey to Des Lacs and the North Star trail west as far as Foxholm.

Former H. S. Girl Dies in California

Miss Ethel Smith, formerly of this city, died at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Smith of Los Angeles, California, Monday, after a week's illness with spinal meningitis. Miss Smith had just graduated from the Los Angeles schools and was in her 19th year. Besides the sorrowing parents, she leaves two sisters, Lola and Olive and a brother, Carlisle. Mrs. John Stewart of Eastwood park, an old friend of the family received a wire from Miss Lola Smith, conveying the sad news. The wire stated that they were undecided whether the remains would be taken to their former home in Iowa or have the interment made in California.

Chief Justice Taft Sworn In

William Howard Taft was, on Monday, sworn in as chief justice of the United States supreme court.

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North Dakota Baptists Convened in

Minot Wednesday. The 33rd annual convention of the North Dakota Baptists convened Wednesday evening and meetings will continue over Sunday. Beginning Sunday afternoon the Young People's Union of the Baptist church will hold a three days' conference. This is the first of its kind in the state of North Dakota, and will be a success with the Minot young people backing the enterprise.

The convention will bring about 200

delegates from the various North Dakota churches, as well as a number of the foremost leaders of the denomination, who have just returned from the Des Moines convention, where the leaders of the denomination held their annual convention. A special feature of the convention will be the big picnic to be held in Riverside park, Minot, on Saturday, July 16, at which it is expected there will be several hundred besides the delegates to the convention. The Russian Baptists of Max have promised the committees in charge that they will send their band for the afternoon, as well as about a hundred of their young people.

The convention is in charge of the

following committee chairmen: Mrs. D. F. Seed, Entertainment. George Eby, Publicity. Mrs. C. E. Danielson, Registration. H. L. Burdick, Building and Ushers. Conrad Fuglaar, Music. Anthony Walton, Reception.

N. D. Abstracters Re-elect Officers

The North Dakota Title Men's association, whose convention closed here Tuesday, re-elected A. D. Dennis of Grand Forks, president; Geo. Phelps of Bowbells, vice president; R. W. Dutton of Bismarck, secretary, and E. L. Phelps of Steele, treasurer. Mandan was awarded the 1922 convention.