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SALVATION ARMY CAMPAIGN TO OPEN FRIDAY; 40 COMMITTEEMEN

Norman A. Borgen, program manager of the Salvation Army campaign for Ward county and the city of Minot, arrived from the Twin Cities Friday and immediately started plans for the drive. Within a week, all committees have been selected and other plans perfected for the drive which starts Friday morning at 9:30 o'clock, several days earlier than was anticipated.

Mr. Borgen had planned on starting the campaign for funds Monday, but at a committee meeting held at the Salvation Army Campaign headquarters at the Elks Home, the committee members declared they were anxious to start. They expect to complete a very large part of the work in one day.

Mr. Borgen appeared before the Elks Lodge Saturday night and that organization heartily endorsed the work, offering the Salvation Army the use of a room for headquarters which Mr. Borgen accepted. A force of typists have been at work during the week, filling out cards and the city is to be quite thoroughly canvassed.

There is no question but that Minot's quota of \$3,100.00 will be readily subscribed.

G. D. Colcord is the city chairman, Soren J. Rasmussen is the vice chairman and J. A. Hennessy, the secretary. They are receiving the finest kind of support everywhere. The Rotary club members have volunteered to render such service as may be required of them.

Nearly fifty men, members of committees from various organizations are to meet at the Elks Home Friday morning at 9:30 o'clock and it is believed that the city campaign can be completed in a day. The committees are:

American Legion committee: Wm. C. Davis, Henry Slocum, Dr. F. J. Brugman, Chet. Jacobson, Herb Allen, Wm. Hallberg, J. H. Colton, Hugh Valley, F. L. Blume and Bert Balrud.

Veterans of Foreign Wars committee: Leo Finnegan, Wm. Woolridge, Harold Myers, Tom Annis and Dan Kriger.

Kiwanis committee: Dr. E. G. DeMots, A. M. Christenson, J. J. Coyle, Chas. Davy, Lawrence Eby, Ira L. Rush, Harry Montgomery, Judge Leighton, Dan O'Neil, E. J. McGrath, and Thos. Murphy, chairman.

Rotary committee: Peter Fugelso, Soren Rasmussen, Aksel Bratsberg, Carl E. Danielson, Evan J. Thomas, Wm. Stevenson, A. E. Boynton, Richard F. Mills, Burt E. Stewart, Ira Jones, Edw. Shirley, David Mair, Robert Graham, Wm. Borene and John McGuire.

Mrs. Herbert F. Wheeler is chairman of the Ladies Auxiliary of the American Legion and has offered to put a committee of ladies to work if it is deemed necessary.

The county organization outside of Minot hopes to raise \$1,000 and if this can be done, the Salvation Army in addition to having enough for its 1923 needs, will have a nice start on its new building fund.

Ensign and Mrs. Shering are working hard in the campaign and feel highly elated over the prospects of success.

The county organization in charge of J. J. Coyle and F. Otto Gross is progressing rapidly. The following organization has been perfected:

- H. A. Kluver, Burlington.
- C. L. Stevenson, Berthold.
- Oscar Herum, Carpio.
- Mrs. Rebecca Varnes and Mrs. H. L. Halvorsen, Des Laes.
- Mrs. Sophie Sherman and J. C. McVeety, Donnybrook.
- S. E. Dahl, Douglas.
- J. P. O'Leary, Foxholm.
- J. A. Canton, Hartland.
- F. M. Cole, Kemare.
- H. C. Kuchenbecker, Logan.
- W. E. Edwards, Lone Tree.
- J. O. Saltness, Makoti.
- Mrs. W. G. Pace, Wolshet.
- Mrs. F. W. Bishop, Benedict.
- Bert Solberg, McKinley Twp.
- Mrs. W. A. Schaefer, Afton Twp.
- B. A. Dickinson, Ryder.
- Mrs. A. D. McKinnon, Sawyer.
- Chas. Taylor, South Prairie.
- J. H. Burns, Surrey.
- James Olson, Aurelia.

The financial program of the Salvation Army in Minot is governed by an Advisory Board. This Board is composed of:

- Glenn D. Colcord, chairman; Soren J. Rasmussen, vice-chairman; Henry E. Byorum, treasurer; J. A. Hennessy, executive secretary; Norman A. Borgen, program manager; Officers in charge: Ensign and Mrs. E. Shering.
- Executive committee: J. J. Coyle, Anthony Walton, Frank B. Lambert, John E. Burke, H. S. Davies, Carlton N. Cox, Dr. Francis A. Brugman, Leo M. Finnegan, Mrs. Herbert E. Wheeler, Mrs. Cyril F. Sweet, Edward A. Shirley, John F. McGuire, Thomas Murphy, F. Otto Gross, Peter Fugelso, Aksel Bratsberg, Carl E. Danielson, Evan J. Thomas, William Stevenson, A. E. Boynton, Richard F. Mills, Burt E. Stewart, Ira Jones, David Mair.

The duty of the Advisory Board will also be to report special cases of need to Salvation Army officers, and in unusual or special instances, the Army officials may call on the Board



for advice as to the consummation of the case.

The Advisory Board will command the Salvation Army in any project for the betterment of Minot and community.

The Minot Rifle Club
On Monday evening a large and very enthusiastic company of members and visitors were present at the weekly practice of the Minot Rifle Club, which took place in the new quarters that recently have been fitted up in the Armory. This club being a member of the National Rifle Association places it in position to compete with any rifle team in the state.

In the year just ending with cramped quarters and other drawbacks with which they have had to contend, the club has grown to a large membership and they expect to start out 1923 with 100 enthusiastic members.

The regular practice night will be every Monday evening during the winter. Club members are expected to attend, and all marksmen interested are invited to be present at a grand turkey shoot to be given by the club Monday, December 18th, at 7 p. m. sharp. The club having already made arrangements for a large number of birds, are looking forward to an evening of pleasure.

The club motto is—Good Marksmanship, Clean Entertaining Sport, and Everybody Busy. The next event will be announced on the above date.

John Ehr Develops New Variety of Potatoes, Dark in Color

John Ehr has developed a brand new variety of potatoes after seven years of experimentation and development. The new variety is very dark, almost black and are especially solid, sweet and evenly formed. Mr. Ehr secured a bushel from a few hills last season and will plant them all for seed in the spring. He has developed six other varieties that give promise of being very good in time.

Producing a brand new variety of potatoes is painstaking work and years are required. On every potato plant that is allowed to go to seed, one will find the seed pod, and opening this, you will find a score or more of small potato seeds. Each one of these seeds when planted, produces a different kind of a potato and it requires three years before one can secure a bushel of potatoes of a brand new variety.

Teach Sues City for \$15,000 Damages

C. B. Teach sued the city of Minot for \$15,000.00 damages for injuries received when an automobile ran off the street at the intersection of Central Ave. and Second Ave. S. W. Teach thru his attorneys, Greenleaf & Woolledge, alleged that the city did not provide proper safeguards along the street. The auto went over a steep embankment and Teach was confined to his bed for weeks thru injury to his back. The case was heard in district court before Judge Buttz. City Attorney Coyle assisted by McGee & Goss appeared for the city.

Similar actions against the city have been brought by Ira Stoddard and A. J. Volkman, who were in the auto when Teach was injured, and who allege that they were also injured.

E. A. Shirley Hopeful for Crippled Boy

E. A. Shirley returned Wednesday from St. Paul where he accompanied Lloyd Beaudry, 14-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Beaudry who has been suffering from arthritis for the past two years. Lloyd has been placed in St. John's hospital where he will remain in charge of a famous specialist on diseases of the joints for two months, and Mr. Shirley has been assured that the disease will not only be checked, but that Lloyd will regain the use of his limbs to such an extent that he will be able to get around with the aid of crutches.

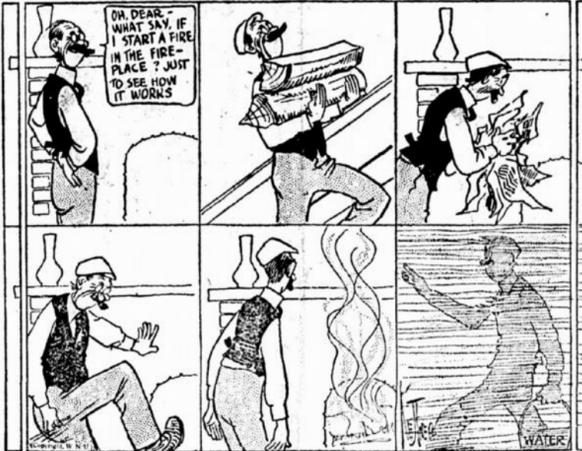
Des Laes Well Nearly 4,000 ft. Deep

W. A. Smith, Grafton farmer, J. C. Jensen, Kathryn banker, Oscar Dahl, merchant tailor from Valley City and Peter Kulaas of Minot spent Dec. 6, 7 and 8 at the Blum well at Des Laes, where the drill was in operation day and night at a depth of 3,960 feet, (240 rods). Dahl in a statement says the drill went into clean oil bearing sand on the morning of the 9th. Those men are making an appeal for additional funds.

Curling Ice in Readiness

Several sheets of ice at the curling rink are in readiness and the regular schedule will start next week. The first game was played Saturday night.

John B. Useless, Esq.



BOY SCOUTS, TROOP 3, INTERESTED IN ODD SPECIES OF RATS

Boy Scouts of Troop Three have been recently interested in an odd species or phase of rats during their week end stays at Spoklie hall. This variety is a small one but is distinguished by being partly gray and partly white. One large gray rat was killed, but when a trap was set for its mate an unexpected prey was captured. Several of the gray and white rodents were taken, together with others of the same size but entirely gray.

The semi-albinos are gray except for the white abdomen and adjacent sides and a sort of white belt that extends part way up toward the back about the middle of the animal. This marking is distinct and uniform in all the four or five specimens taken. The hind legs and feet are pale pink.

Several years ago a Minot man took to raising white rats for sale but, finding the business unprofitable, turned his animals loose. Shortly thereafter citizens reported seeing a new rat that was both gray and white and it is believed the new species is a result of crossing between the white rats and the familiar gray ones.

Spoklie hall is a mile and a half west of the city and the appearance of the strange creatures there is another proof of the wandering habits of the rat family. Traps have fairly well rid the Hall of them.

Insurance Agent Acquitted

Ludvig Palm, former state agent for the American Life Insurance Co., charged with embezzling \$83.00 from the company, while acting as district agent, was found not guilty, the jury being out for twelve hours, or until four o'clock Friday morning. Palm lives at Pingal, N. D., and the case was brot here from Williston. U. L. Burdick, assistant state's attorney from Williston prosecuted the action and Atty. Paulson of Valley City appeared for the defense.

Thos. Fox, who has been very ill from pneumonia at the home of his brother, Robert, at Towner, is reported much better. Marius Erickson called on him one day last week while in that city.

IN THE ROTARY

R. M. Graham was chairman at Monday's Rotary Luncheon.

The guests included Judge Buttz of Devils Lake, Dr. Leonard, who recently came to Minot from Bottineau, where he spent 18 years, to take over the business of Dr. A. M. Hardaway, who is leaving for Louisville, Ky. Guy Humphreys, paper salesman, was also a guest.

Stanley Colburn spoke on the first principle of the Rotary Code of Ethics. R. F. Mills played a clarinet solo and F. P. Taylor read a paper on Victor graphophones, playing a number of educational records. Fred Upton, who has gone to Des Moines, Ia., was presented with a cork screw and later with a knife with a fraternal emblem on it. The presentation speech was made by A. E. Boynton.

Hal Davies announced the arrival of a fine little red headed baby boy at his house and "set up" the cigars.

Fire Hall at Surrey Burns with Engines

The fire hall at Surrey, the first station on the G. N. east of Minot, was burned to the ground at four o'clock last Thursday afternoon. Two engines and chemicals, together with considerable gasoline and kerosene stored in the building were burned. The fire probably was caused by the explosion of a kerosene stove. Four of these stoves had been lighted to keep the building warm. No one was in the building and Doc Wolf discovered the blaze and gave the alarm. He states that he heard an explosion which was probably caused by the explosion of a fifty gallon container of kerosene. Surrey, which maintained quite an effective fire fighting system, is now without protection of any kind.

O. R. Powell, cashier of the Union National Bank, returned to his desk a week ago.

His health is improving steadily and he will soon be at the bank regularly.

Camera Catches a Chicago Ghost



That a ghost can be photographed was seemingly proved in Chicago the other day. The result is shown above. The ghost was materialized by Elizabeth Allen-Thompson, a member of the International Society for Psychical Research, who has just accepted the offer of the Scientific American of \$2,500 for the first psychic phenomenon produced before a committee named by that publication and under its test conditions.

DR. L. V. PARKER DIED MONDAY AFTER SHORT ILLNESS



Minot Defeated Granville 22 to 18

The Minot high school defeated the fast Granville team in an exciting game in this city Friday night, 22 to 18. It was a good, clean, fast game, but two fouls being called. Minot led in the first half 12 to 7, but Granville came back with a terrific wallop and the second half was 11 to 10, in Granville's favor. Olin L. Kaupanger, principal of the Granville schools, and the coach, is building up a formidable basket ball fighting machine. The Granville players are: Hage, left forward; Jorgenson, center; Woolridge, right forward; Stubbins, right guard; and Omlid, left guard. The game was refereed by Emanuels of Minot. Hage of Granville did some clever pivoting and floor work. The minot players are: Golberg, right forward; Amsler, left forward; Jacobson, center; Morgan, right guard and John, left guard.

About Two-Thirds of the Wheat Has Been Marketed

Sever Soine, manager of the Minot Farmers Co-Operative Elevator Co., reported to a representative of the Independent Saturday that his house had bought more than 400,000 bushels of wheat already this season and he is quite certain that he will have an opportunity to buy 200,000 bushels more before spring. He estimates that about two-thirds of the wheat has been marketed in this district. The Minot grain houses will market about 1,500,000 bushels of wheat during the season, he believes. Owing to the inability of many elevators in other towns to get cars, more wheat is being marketed in Minot than usual, much of it being hauled here from long distances on trucks.

Parker Gets Enormous Yield of "Goose" Corn

C. H. Parker bought a bushel of "Goose" corn last spring and planted it securing an enormous yields. Many of the stalks had six large ears, some twelve inches or more long. Also he paid \$14.00 for the bushel of seed, he was well repaid. The corn is known as "Goose" corn, for the man who first planted it in the northwest, secured four kernels from a wild goose which he shot. The corn was peculiar looking and the man saved the kernels planting them in the spring, thus getting a start. The goose no doubt secured the corn somewhere in the far north and may have flown for hundreds of miles with it.

Hulberg Returns from Brother's Funeral

M. O. Hulberg of Freedom township returned last week from Northfield, Minn., where he was called by the death of his brother, Christ O. Hulberg, aged 69 years. Death was due to heart trouble and was quite sudden. Deceased is survived by his wife and one child, and three children by a former marriage. A sister resides in Olympia, Wash., and two brothers in Los Angeles. Mr. Hulberg was a retired farmer and a few years ago built a beautiful home in Northfield.

Potatoes in Warehouse not Damaged

The Minot potato warehouse has stood the test of the present cold snap very well, the thermometers in the building registering from 30 to 34 degrees. Three or four oil stoves in different parts of the building are lighted during the severest weather. The flax straw insulation appears to be effective in keeping out the frost.

Boy Draws Ten Years for Wrecking Train

Harry Kerns, 18-year-old farm boy, who was convicted of causing a railroad wreck at Todd Siding, Williams county, in October, in which the engineer and brakeman were killed, was sentenced to serve ten years in the penitentiary by Judge Lowe.

Ryder Robber Confesses to Spokane Authorities

Sheriff Seefeld left Monday night for Spokane, Wash., and will bring back John Williams, alias Jess Hamiel, who has confessed to Spokane authorities that he robbed a store in Ryder in September. Albert A. Neukom, owner of the store, states he lost \$40 and several revolvers at the time.

Royal Arch Masons Elect

The election of officers in Tyran Chapter, No. 14, Royal Arch Masons, resulted as follows:
High Priest, Torgie Olson; King, F. L. Meservey; Scribe, Albert Lowe; Treasurer, H. E. Byorum; Secretary, M. J. Engeseth.

A Thought for the Day

A man is about as honest as he gives other men credit for being.

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