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RAMSEY COUNTY FAIR ASS'N NOW LOOKS LIKE A SURE GO

The formation of the Ramsey County Fair association is the possibility of the near future, with the assurance of an electric railroad, which deal is about completed. The new fair association will be located at Greenwood and it is anticipated that \$25,000 will be subscribed to put the organization on its feet, the Stotlar Investment company already having signified a willingness to subscribe \$5,000 of this amount.

The fair ground location will cover an area of 10 acres at Greenwood, according to present plans with a half

mile horse race track and a mile dip automobile track. When asked about the fair proposition this morning Mr. Stotlar stated: "It's coming," and with reference to the electric railroad from Greenwood to Chautauqua, he made a similar remark which would indicate that the proposition was not far from a reality.

Rev. A. G. Bailey of the Presbyterian church will preach his farewell sermon to the local congregation next Sunday, he having resigned to take up work elsewhere. It is not yet known who will be his successor.—Penn Hustler.

RAMSEY BOY IS HONORED

CLYDE DUFFY ELECTED VICE
PRESIDENT OF U. N. D. DE-
BATE BOARD.

The university debating board of control held a meeting at Grand Forks for the purpose of organizing for the year. The meeting was held at the law school. The board was called to order by George Shafer, president of last year's board, and he presided during the organization.

Officers were elected as follows: President—Albert Wold. Vice President—Clyde Duffy. Secretary—Harry South. Treasurer—Lester Smith. Sergeant-at-arms—Earl Loudon. Clyde Duffy, who is honored as vice president is a Ramsey county boy, residing at Webster.

E. DAVIS WAITS FOR CROWN CASE

CASE AGAINST TEACHER'S AB-
DUCTOR POSTPONED AT IN-
STANCE OF CROWN.

Morden, Man., Oct. 5.—George Brown, alias Davis, alias Miner, charged with assault on Mrs. Frank Patterson, formerly Miss Elenore Gladys Price, the Riverdale school teacher, went before a magistrate but was remanded until Thursday, when it is expected the crown will be ready to go ahead with the case. He told the court he was willing to plead guilty to all the charges against him. It is said the crown has no case apart from the statement made by the girl. No one saw him except Miss Price from the Saturday before the abduction until the Saturday afternoon. No one saw him shoot at the proprietor of the Western hotel at Snowflake, and the victim himself says he cannot identify him. It is admitted that with a clever lawyer Davis might go free.

CANDO TO PLAY FOOTBALL HERE

GAME IS SCHEDULED FOR LOCAL
GRIDIRON NEXT SATURDAY
AFTERNOON.

Cando will be here Saturday for a game with the local high school football team. The Cando team is about equal in strength to the locals and the contest should be interesting. This will be the first game of the season and will take place at the baseball park, the contest being called for 1 o'clock.

PRISONERS TO COUNTY JAIL

THOSE IN CITY BASTILE WERE
REMOVED—CHEMICAL ENGINE
BROKE.

Due to the fact that the bottle on the chemical engine broke last night, the prisoners in the city jail were choked by the ammonia odor and had to be removed to the county jail. Other material in the city hall was damaged by the chemicals also.

CARDINAL S. VANUTELLI.

Prefect of the Congregational
Council of Catholic Church.



FIFTY DOLLARS REWARD OFFERED

FOR CAPTURE OF THE WOULD-BE
MURDERER OF JOHN SLOVICK
AT WEBSTER.

A fifty dollar reward has been offered by the county commissioners for the capture of the would-be murderer and robber, who shot and severely injured John Slovick, the Polander, near Webster last Friday night. Slovick's condition is somewhat improved and unless complications arise he will recover.

ARCHIE NIMMO WAS DISMISSED

MAN WHO WAS CHARGED WITH
ASSISTING IN VIOLATION OF
LAW, LET GO.

Archie Nimmo, who was charged with violation of the liquor law, in assisting Youngworth and Thomas, who were bound over to the district court on the same charge, was dismissed, there being no evidence against him.

BAD BLAZE AT TURTLE LAKE

LIGHTNING STRUCK STORE BUILD-
ING—DESTRUCTION OF \$40,000
WORTH OF PROPERTY.

Turtle Lake, N. D., Oct. 5.—Lightning struck the store building occupied by J. Kusler at Turtle Lake and before the flames could be quenched \$40,000 worth of property was destroyed.

The flames spread to adjoining buildings and destroyed a vacant store building, barber shop, a dwelling house and barn. The Kusler store, known as the Eureka Bazaar, was one of the largest department stores on the branch and carried a \$20,000 stock.

TO THE TAXPAYERS OF DEVILS LAKE.

It has been charged by Mr. Kerlin and his cohorts that "high handed tactics" and "unfair methods" have been employed by the Committee on Lights in their efforts to have the rates on electric lights reduced, and it may be of interest to the citizens of Devils Lake to know that Mr. Kerlin has had ample time to make concessions in rates had he felt so disposed. The matter has been in the hands of this committee for the past four months, during which time Mr. Kerlin has been invited to submit a proposition, but so far he has not offered to reduce his present rates one cent or a fractional part of a cent.

The committee began gathering data as early as June 1st, 1911, and the members have labored continuously since, gathering facts and figures from other electric light plants, similarly situated, from electrical engineers and from concerns that make it their business to construct electric light plants. The result of these investigations were filed with the city council at a meeting held Sept. 18, 1911, and we believe that the figures presented at that time were as nearly correct as possible, and we are reasonably certain that they are more authentic than any figures that we may have obtained from the perusal of the books of the Devils Lake Improvement Company.

Mr. Kerlin has openly accused the city council that the matter was being "railroaded through" and that he was not getting a fair deal. Now, let us see:

On about July 1st, 1911, Mr. Kerlin met Mr. Ohnstad, Chairman of the Lights Committee, on the street, and he informed Mr. Ohnstad that he (Mr. Kerlin) had heard that he would be cited to appear before the city council to show cause why he should not reduce the rates on electric lights; that he was then about to float a bond issue of the Devils Lake Improvement Company; that if the buyers of this issue found out that the city council was after him on rates that he would not be able to sell the bonds, and finally asked that the meeting be postponed until Aug. 15th. Mr. Ohnstad told him that he would be glad to do what he could for the postponement of the meeting, and it was accordingly set for August 21st.

At this meeting Mr. Kerlin appeared, and instead of making a proposition to reduce the rates, he presented to the council a lot of figures intending to show that he was furnishing lights cheaper than 80 per cent of the light plants in the state—in the face of the fact that his rate was the highest of any light plant in the state, or the United States, as far as we could find, with the exception of Rugby, N. D., which was equal to the rate in Devils Lake.

Mr. Kerlin again appeared before the council on Sept. 18, at which time we offered him 10 cents per kilowatt hour as a maximum rate, which he flatly refused to accept. Nothing further was done in the matter until our regular meeting in October, when a resolution calling for a special election on Nov. 6th, 1911, for the purpose of voting on a bond issue in the amount of \$33,000.00 for the establishment of a municipal light plant. This resolution passed without a dissenting voice, which would indicate that the members of the council were pretty well satisfied with the figures gathered by the committee, and that relief was necessary.

Do you think Mr. Kerlin has been treated unfairly in the matter?

Does it look like a measure that has been "railroaded" through. Don't you think that four months is ample time for Mr. Kerlin to arrive at some conclusion with reference to the reduction in rates?

No, we owe no apology to Mr. Kerlin for the way in which the matter has been handled; he has been shown more consideration than he was entitled to, under the circumstances.

At lucid intervals, when all other arguments have failed, he has "scared" us with "increased taxes" in the event that a municipal light plant is established, and it is possible, Mr. Taxpayer, that he is advancing the same argument to you now.

If you are at all inclined to place any credence in this "tax scare," we would suggest that you apply to any member of the Light Committee, and they will be glad to furnish you with a complete list of all the towns in North Dakota and Minnesota owning their own light plant, so that you may write and satisfy yourself on this point.

O. W. OHNSTAD.
C. J. R. TURNER.
S. L. WINEMAN.

ASSESSED VALUATION OF THE RAILROADS AND TELEPHONES

County Auditor Bice today completed the total returns on the assessed valuation of the telephone, telegraph, railroad and express companies doing business in Ramsey county, the totals being as follows:

Railroad.	
Great Northern	\$1,085,565
Farmers Grain & Shipping Co.	125,054
Chautauqua railroad	3,338
Soo railroad	1,538
Telephone.	
Northwestern	\$12,300
North Dakota Independent	1,316
Penn Rural	792
Farmers	2,300

Brocket	1,854
Lakota	1,998
A. B. Kerlin	3,532
Devils Lake Imp. Co.	12,000
Norton	165
Northern	672
Lawton	794
Farmers', Twp. 156	51
Grand Harbor	212
Hampton	240
Express.	
Great Northern	\$8,315
Western	12
Telegraph.	
Western Union	\$5,049
Soo Linc	12

ANDREA FERRATA.

Archbishop of Milan and Mem-
ber of College of Cardinals.



COLORED MEN BOTH SUFFER

NOEL WOODS' CONDITION IS CRIT-
ICAL AND HE MAY NOT
RECOVER.

Noel Woods' condition was reported serious this morning and the colored man who was stabbed by John Smith in the argument of last Sunday night, may not recover from his wounds. Smith is also suffering more from the wounds in his head than he has heretofore.

CUTTING CASE IS UP TODAY

LAWTON WILL BE TRIED THIS
AFTERNOON.

The case of John Rausman, brought here from Lawton yesterday, charged with the use of a dangerous weapon with intent to kill, was brought before Judge Juergens this afternoon, a number of witnesses being present from Lawton. Alderson, who was the victim of Rausman's brutal attack, is in a very serious condition and may not recover.

COLORED WOMAN STOLE BIG ROLL

SECURED CASH FROM ACTOR BUT
RETURNS IT WHEN BISMARCK
POLICE WORK.

Bismarck, N. D., Oct. 5.—A clever piece of police work was pulled off by the Bismarck police department in the capture of a colored woman by the name of Mrs. J. M. Reid, of St. Paul, who, it is claimed, had stolen a roll of \$171 from Chas. G. Gaylor, an actor who appeared at the exposition theater on the opening bill.

ARMS HIMSELF TO FIGHT LAND

FARMER IS ENTRENCHED IN A
STRAW STACK AND REFUSES
TO BUDGE.

Gardena, N. D., Oct. 5.—William Dagnar has established headquarters in a straw stack on his farm and defies arrest. The trouble grows out of a land deal made by the elder Dagnar, now deceased. The latter acquired title to a quarter section which he considered worthless and abandoned. Several years afterward a man named Watson squatted on the land and has lived there since, or some fifteen years.

When the elder Dagnar died this land was not even listed in the property mentioned in his will. William Dagnar, a son, has now concluded he wants the land. His attorneys advised him that his rights had doubtless lapsed, so he decided to take the tract by force.

STILL WAITING REQUISITION

PAPERS FOR REMOVAL OF LAW-
RENCE WALSH TO CHICAGO
NOT HERE.

Sergeant Duffy of Chicago is still waiting for the requisition papers to remove Lawrence Walsh to Chicago on the charge of rape. Walsh was caught while waiting for mail, the mother of one of the boys by the name of Johnson, Walsh's companion, having written to her son. The police of Chicago notified the sheriff of the letter and were there to nab Walsh when the boys came for the mail. Walsh denied his guilt, despite the fact that a picture which the officials had here was an exact likeness. When Officer Duffy arrived here he at once recognized Walsh and the eighteen year old lad gave up and admitted his guilt. Miss Gertrude Tansey, the victim of his assault, is thirteen years old.

EXHIBITS ARE COMING FINE

PRESIDENT KELLY OF THE LAKE
REGION ASSOCIATION IS WELL
PLEASED.

President Joseph Kelly of the Lake Region organization stated today that the exhibits for the Ramsey county portion of the St. Paul Land show were coming in fine. Space at the St. Paul auditorium is being held pending the decision of the county commissioners for the \$500 appropriation. The fact that the Cass county duds made an appropriation makes it more plausible and Ramsey county will sure be in the running.

FIRE AT MAXON'S LAST EVENING

LITTLE DAMAGE RESULTED—
FIRE DEPARTMENT ON JOB IN
SHORT TIME.

Fire broke out at the Dan Maxson place about 7 o'clock last evening, little damage resulting to the building, except to the bedding. The fire department was on the scene early and soon had the flames under control.

LIGNITE OUTPUT SOME LOWER

SLIGHT DECREASE SHOWN—ITS
POWER AS A GAS PRODUCER
DEMONSTRATED.

The value at the mines of North Dakota's coal production in 1910 was \$395,139, with a total output of 399,041 short tons.

According to Edwin W. Parker, author of the chapter on coal in the volume, Mineral Resources of the United States for 1910, the one exception to the general increase in coal production among the states of the Rocky mountain and great plain provinces is noted in the output of North Dakota. All the coal produced in this state is lignite, and does not enter into competition with the coals of other states as the latter are brought into North Dakota by transportation, and does it bear long distance transportation of North Dakota is restricted to that of No. 10 markets. It is not a highly volatile fuel, and requires special furnace fuel making, but will serve for domestic use when other fuels are not available or are obtainable only at a high price. But although lignite is not a fuel of high calorific value it is well adapted for certain purposes and is used satisfactorily for burning bricks at Dickinson, Serranton and Kenmare, where experience has shown that one ton of lignite is equal in efficiency to one cord of such wood as is available.

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CHANGE IN THE DRUG STORE CASES

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WORLD SERIES OCTOBER 14

Special to The World:
New York, N. Y., Oct. 5.—It was decided today to star the world's baseball series between New York and Philadelphia on October 14, when the first game will be played probably here.

PRAISE CORN IN THIS PART

SYNDICATE OF BRITISH CAPITAL
ISTS SEE BIG FUTURE IN
NORTH DAKOTA.

Minneapolis, Minn., Oct. 5.—Gerald Garnett of Manchester, England, who represents a syndicate of British capitalists, and O. M. Corwin of the Wells and Dickey company, returned from a trip through Stutsman, LaMoure, Foster and Wells counties in North Dakota, where they inspected loans in these counties held by English capitalists. Mr. Garnett has visited North Dakota every second year since 1893. Corwin said that it is estimated by conservative bankers that in Stutsman county alone there are two thousand acres of corn.

"Part of it is well matured and will be a source of wealth to the country," he said. "In all five counties visited, nearly every farmer has a field of corn. One farmer near Jamestown raised a hundred bushels of potatoes on a quarter of an acre, sold sixty bushels for eighty cents a bushel, and kept the remainder for home use. Flax is generally fair. The wheat around McHenry averages twelve to fifteen bushels an acre."

Corn from North Dakota land not far from the Canadian boundary, big and well matured, is a exhibition in the Security National bank, where Cashier Pomeroy has a box of it that W. D. McClintock, president of the Merchants' bank of Rugby, sent down. Red Devils of North Dakota, between Church's Ferry, Towner and Rugby, ed fields of corn Minot, has scattered this year and have done well. The feed supply of the country to last year had to bring in it, which and other live stock provender.

C. C. Rosworth was up from the Saticum city the fore part of the week attending to farming interests. Outside of greeting friends and attending to business matters Charlie was having his hands full upholding the honors of the famous baseball team his city boasted the past season.—Penn Hustler.

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