

Scandalous Remark Made by One Girl About Another is Cause of Tolna Sensation

World Special State Service: Lakota, N. D., Oct. 18.—That a passing remark should have started a civil war at Tolna, N. D., of such magnitude is surprising, yet the entire Nelson county village was represented in justice court here yesterday over a charge of female slander, upon which charge Miss Helen Summer was arrested and yesterday was bound over to the district court by Justice A. L. Freegord.

Miss Stella Moore of Tolna, was married to Arthur Deehr on Oct. 11. Shortly before the wedding Miss Summer is accused of having made a derogatory remark, which passed from neighbor to neighbor like wildfire, resulting in the arrest of Miss Summer by Sheriff Johnson, yesterday afternoon.

The village took sides in the matter, the defendant's side of the case coming by train yesterday, while the prosecution side came overland to this city.

The case was first brought before Justice Folger and a change of venue taken by the defendant to Justice Freegord, which resulted in Miss Summer being bound over. Stator Attorney Skulason appeared for the prosecution and Attorney J. J. Samson of Devils Lake for the defendant.

According to advices received by C. E. Leverich of the Minot division of the Great Northern today, the fast train with its valuable consignment of silk which passed through the city Saturday afternoon reached New York at 5:35 yesterday afternoon. The total time from Seattle to New York was 81 hours and 50 minutes, the fastest time in which a train has ever crossed the continent.

RALLY WILL BE HELD IN DEVILS LAKE FRIDAY OF THIS WEEK BY STATE ASSOCIATION.

AFFAIR WILL BE HELD IN THE COMMERCIAL CLUB ROOMS—ALL INVITED.

An Active Campaign Will Be Started—Insurance Men are Coming from Fargo to Participate in the Affair Which Will Be Held Under the Auspices of the Insurance Men Here—City Will Be Instructed.

The second of the series of meetings that are to be held throughout North Dakota in the big fire prevention campaign which is now on will be held at Devils Lake, beginning next Friday. This meeting is under the auspices of the North Dakota Fire Prevention association.

Thursday evening the following special or state fire insurance agents will be here from Fargo to attend this meeting: A. A. Cohrie, F. H. Wilder, C. S. Whittlesy, James Kane, A. B. Davis, J. Peterson, C. V. Wilson, E. W. Groves, W. S. Himmelwright, E. C. Cooper and B. E. Perry.

O. M. Thurber, secretary of the association, will leave Fargo Thursday morning accompanied by Mrs. Thurber and will spend Thursday in Larimore where he will speak to the businessmen and officials of Larimore on that date. The subject of his address will be Fire Waste and How to Prevent It.

Mr. Thurber will also address the meeting at Devils Lake, as will several other Fargoans.

Besides the Fargo delegation there will be a large number from Grand Forks in attendance and insurance men from several other cities of the state also are planning to be here. It is expected that at least thirty outsiders will be in Devils Lake for the meetings.

This meeting is to be for the purpose of making an inspection of Devils Lake and to get the business men of the city thoroughly aroused over the necessity for action toward fire prevention. The first meeting of the kind was held at Jamestown where it was highly successful.

Besides the mass meetings which will be held for all citizens of Devils Lake, and at which methods of fire prevention will be discussed, the quarterly meeting of the North Dakota State Fire Prevention association will be held.

Commercial club activities that have been dormant for some time will be renewed with energy tomorrow evening when the meeting of the young blood will be held for the purpose of starting an active campaign for new members. The meeting will be held at 7 o'clock and all are invited to attend.

WEBSTER (Special Correspondence.)

Albert Honett left Monday for the Agricultural College, where he will attend the remainder of the year.

Walter DeBour has rented the Albert Swenson estate and has purchased extra horses and other things necessary to the farming of an extra section.

The Commercial club met Saturday night. Nothing beyond the opening of the customary keg of nails was done. It is possible that new activity will possess the club after the fall's work is over.

Several flocks of white geese have been seen. The fact that they are coming so late indicates a late fall as well as poor shooting.

John Rue is helping out at Miller's store for a week or so. The departure of one of the regular clerks left the place short handed.

Mrs. Earl Reese has returned from a week's visit at the home of Rev. Fahl of Devils Lake.

The school board of Webster met yesterday. Little was done beyond the passing of bills. The board adjourned to the school building where they inspected the new laboratory and class room.

Mrs. Norman Morrison was a Devils Lake visitor Tuesday.

It is rumored that Mr. Froelich will move his meat market into Lact's store building and add an up-to-date line of groceries.

One of the smaller types of the Rumley oil burners of one of these shifts Wednesday, pulling an eight gang plow. There are few of these in the country and this one was inspected by many who are interested in such things.

SHORT CIRCUITS.

A traveling man was overheard yesterday in one of the local hotel lobbies commenting on the influence the disposition of the hotel clerk on duty has upon the rest of the staff. He said: "It is really a remarkable thing what a difference in the atmosphere of a hotel is noticed when a genial chap is in charge of the desk. For instance in a hotel that I have occasion to visit often there are two shifts. The clerk in charge of one of these shifts is a pleasant, friendly fellow, whereas the other is a surly, conceited coxcomb. When A is on duty everybody is smiling; the telephone operator has a 'good morning' and a happy hello for every call, the cashier wears a friendly smile, the cigar girl is ready to jolly all the traveling men, the bell boys hop around with an air of good natured alacrity and all of the guests are greeted with a hand-shake and a general air of good-fellowship. Now when B is on duty notice the difference. The bell girl crisply enquires what you wish, the bell-hops are gloomy, and the atmosphere is pervaded by discontent and a funeral air. I tell you, I and a number of the other boys, always make it our business to get in town when A is on, and fight shy of the lobby when the glooms hold sway."

Wm. Moran tramped for ten miles over the marshy ground, finally sinking exhausted under a weather beaten pine tree he murmured: "A man climbed a steeple, and cried out from its top; 'If I should fall a hundred feet, how far would a chocolate drop?'"

A bunch of fellows were discussing aeroplanes at the Commercial club the other day. "They don't cost much," said one, "but a fellow would have to get a new one every month or so." "Aw, piffle!" said another, "One would last you a life time."

NO MORE CHICKEN FOR ARMY BOYS

SUCCULENT POWL TO BE ELIMINATED FROM BILL OF FARE FOR SOLDIERS.

Washington, Oct. 18.—The elimination of chicken from the army menu, the elimination of turkey to Thanksgiving and Christmas, and the abolishment of the field rations, sums up the important changes in the army ration for the American soldier made during the last year, according to the report of Commissary General Henry G. Sharpe.

The elimination of chicken has resulted in a yearly saving to the government of \$52,000.

It costs the United States 16.4 cents a day more to feed the American soldier in Alaska, than it did those stationed in the United States.

The daily average cost of the rations issued during the year in the United States alone was 22.75 cents, while in Alaska it amounted to 38.89 cents.

The report shows the average cost per man in the United States to be \$105.96 and the Philippines, \$114.21; or an average cost per diem of 29.03 cents and in the latter of 31.29 cents.

The experimental farm conducted by the subsistence department at Camp Vicars, P. I., for the purpose of determining whether potatoes could be successfully raised in the Philippines, has proven the unfeasibility of such a project.

DAKOTA BANKERS READY FOR MEET

HEADED BY EX-GOVERNOR THEY ARE IN TWIN CITIES TO ATTEND GATHERING.

Minneapolis, Oct. 19.—Bradford Knapp, of Washington, who represents the department of agriculture, and will be a speaker at the conference of committees on agriculture and education of the Western Bankers' association in Minneapolis this week, reached Minneapolis yesterday to attend a conference of business men interested in the agricultural development of Minnesota and North Dakota. The bankers from North Dakota, headed by former Governor Sarles, arrived early and were the lullest guests of A. E. Rogers at the Minneapolis club. In the party were E. J. Weiser, Fargo; C. B. McMillan, Hannas; B. C. Kittel, Casselton; J. A. Egan, Fossenden; Fred Cath, Bottineau; J. Zimmerman, Mandan, and O. Nierling, Jamestown. These men are identified with a movement for the establishment of 500 demonstration farms in North Dakota, with ideas that were expressed in the recent formation of the One Hundred Dollar Acre club in North Dakota.

P. L. Howe and E. L. Stillwell, who called the meeting, arranged to have Mr. Knapp address the gathering, although Knapp came to Minneapolis primarily for the bankers' association meeting.

VERDICT ACCIDENTAL DEATH

Coroner's Jury Believes That Neri Fell From Window—Discredit Statement of Violence.

East Grand Forks, Minn., Oct. 19.—After listening to the testimony nearly the entire afternoon Tuesday, the coroner's jury, W. J. Buckley, Michael Herrick, E. Arneson, Hugh Dunlevy, I. Kingman and M. A. Foote, sat in the inquest over the remains of Charles Neri, brought in a verdict of accidental death.

A number of witnesses were called who stated that they had seen the deceased intoxicated on Friday night and early Saturday evening when he fell from the third story window of the Minnesota hotel.

The statements that he had met his death by suicide or other violence were discredited by the jury. Neri, while on his death bed, stated that he had been pushed out of the window by a "big Norwegian." This statement is thought to have been a hallucination, as the time Neri spoke he was partly in a stupor. It is thought that he stumbled against the screen over the window with enough force to push it out.

N. D. MEN THERE

Washington, Oct. 19.—At the session of supreme council of Scottish Rite bodies of the southern jurisdiction, Chas. R. Stone and Frank D. Hall of Fargo and Clarence A. Hale of Grand Forks were elected honorary thirty-third degree masters. The trio compose the quota from North Dakota.

Permanent charters were granted to the Langdon and Grand Forks bodies. Temporary charters had been granted by Inspector General Plumley and the supreme council ratified the action.

Devils Lake will be inspected tomorrow by the fire prevention committee and a report will be made at the session which is scheduled to take place tomorrow evening to which the citizens are invited to attend, when the matter will be discussed and an active campaign started for the continuance of offering every assistance in the prevention of fires. The state movement was started at Jamestown and this is the second of a series of meetings which will be held in North Dakota. The move is indeed a good one and those who are coming here from other places to carry on the work and give some good ideas should be given every assistance by the citizens of Devils Lake in forwarding the plan.

Yesterday afternoon at the home of the bride's parents was held one of the prettiest weddings of the season, when Nellie Gunderson and Ray Locke, son of George Locke, were united in marriage. The ceremony took place at 4 o'clock. Miss Lillian Locke, sister of the groom, beautifully attired in a blue messaline gown, and Geo. Gunderson, brother of the bride, were the attendants. The bride wore a beautiful satin dress and carried white carnations. After the ceremony a sumptuous wedding dinner was served. About seventy-five relatives and friends were present. The young couple received many fine gifts. Rev. Barron officiated.

Mrs. G. Stanton of Oray was in the city yesterday visiting with friends.

Mrs. Mellen of Grand Forks is visiting with Mrs. Webster and Mrs. W. H. Reid this week.

Miss Smith is able to be out again and attend to her school duties.

Dr. and Mrs. A. M. Desmond of Aikley, Minn., and Mr. and Mrs. H. Alays of Fargo are visiting with Mrs. Desmond of this city.

Misses Edith Wittkopf, Margaret Walrath and Fredrica Fox have issued invitations for a Halloween party for Oct. 28.

Mrs. J. M. Thompson and son left for Mrs. Thompson's old home in Redwood county, Minn., for a three month's visit.

I. V. Leifur of Mountain, N. D., a prominent worker in A. O. U. W. circles, is a visitor in the city today in the interests of his lodge.

Last evening the admission service of the Girl's Friendly society was held in the Episcopal church. Twenty-five members were admitted.

Yesterday afternoon at the Frank farm was held a very pretty wedding when Miss Frank was united in marriage to Ed. Nootnagle. Rev. Clattenburg officiated.

Deputy U. S. Marshal Haggert is at Fort Totten today to subpoena witnesses for several Indian cases that are to come up at the United States term of court to be held in Devils Lake next week.

Charles Wilimovsky of Russa was brought here today to await trial at U. S. court at Fargo next week. Selling liquor without a government stamp is the charge brought against the fellow, who came here in the custody of Deputy U. S. Marshal Hockman.

Rain again dampened the ardor somewhat, when the farmers were just recovering from the last rain. With a week of settled weather much could be accomplished on the farm and good weather is anxiously awaited by every farmer.

One of the prominent society events that is scheduled for the near future is the card party to be given by the Rebekah lodge next Monday evening in the I. O. O. F. hall. Five Hundred will be played.

Fargo Courier-News: Mrs. J. H. Sheppard, corresponding secretary of the Federation of Women's Clubs of North Dakota, left Devils Lake last Thursday evening for Colorado Springs, where she was a delegate by appointment of President Worst to the Woman's department of the Dry Farming congress. She will visit at her home in Iowa a few days before returning to Fargo.

Mrs. Henrietta Rollins, who left here about a year ago, has returned to the city and is a guest at the George Mooers home on Fourth street. During her absence Mrs. Rollins traveled in Florence, Italy and in Germany. She returned to the United States about the first of August and has spent some time with friends and relatives in Boston and Jersey City. Her many friends in Devils Lake are glad to welcome her back to the city.

Mrs. J. H. Board returned last evening from Devils Lake where she has been enjoying a pleasant visit as a guest at the home of Mrs. Mitchell. She also attended the convention of the Federation of Women's Clubs as a delegate from the local Thursday Musical club.—Grand Forks Times.

One cold, dark night a farmer sat, His feet upon the range; And said: "If I should sell my cows, What would the stock exchange?"

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