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TO THE RESCUE.

It is indeed amusing to see the democratic papers rushing to the defense of P. D. Norton, Secretary of State, just as they did in the Stockwell and Bickford cases. It is naturally expected that the democratic press, however, must exhaust every effort to protect any democrat who has succeeded in being elected to office through republican channels.

It is equally amusing to read the defense that is advanced, purporting to come from Mr. Norton's office, though of course Mr. Norton was not found there at the time. It begins to look as if it was difficult to set a time when he could be found there. His defense in the claim recently advanced that he was partial in his allottment of the printing was met by the answer that "he was not there," we read of his visits with prominent democrats in Indiana and other states, of his trying cases in Fargo, Grand Forks and other towns of the state, of his being here and there on his own personal business, and yet he 'has not force enough" to allott $20,000 between the counties. The argument that an official is too busy to attend to the duties of his office is one of the best reasons why he should be replaced by a more capable man. The $20,000, which has been in his hands for about four months has been badly needed this fall for good roads work which cannot be done now until next year. It does seem as though the parting of a reform officer and the public funds is indeed a sad parting.

HANNA FOR GOVERNOR.

Hon. L. B. Hanna, North Dakota's popular congressman, has formally announced himself as a candidate for governor at the coming primaries next-year and with this announcement comes one from Mr. Burdick saying he will not be a candidate against Mr. Hanna. This greatly simplifies the situation and leaves Hanna with practically a clear field, which is as it should be.

There is no man in North Dakota more popular or more fitted to the position that L. B. Hanna, and through his two terms at Washington has made such a favorable impression with the people of the state that he would be elected to any office that he wished which was in the power of North Dakotans to give him. His public as well as his private life is known to everyone, and his business ability and integrity is just what the governor's office needs at the present time.

State officials have been running things with a high hand the past four years and as a result a state treasurer has been found guilty of embezzlement of state money and a state superintendent has unlawfully appropriated thousands of dollars of state money for his personal benefit, which the courts have ordered returned, but which has not been returned as yet. And now comes the report that the present secretary of state is not complying with the law in regard to the state auto tax money. It is the governor's duty to supervise the conduct of all the state officials and it is time North Dakota had a governor who will look after the state's interests more closely and pay less attention to building up a state machine for his own political benefit.

L. B. Hanna is the man for the place, and by his record in congress and his fight against reciprocity he has shown his mettle and fitness, and the Chronicle sincerely believes he will make the best governor North Dakota ever had. —Beach Chronicle.

HANNA'S CANDIDACY.

The withdrawal of Lieut. Gov. Burdick leaves L. B. Hanna practically the sole contestant for the gubernatorial chair. True he is opposed by Andy Miller and Aaker, but their political treachery last year will throw support that might otherwise go to an insurgent candidate to Mr. Hanna.

Mr. Burdick, in his withdrawal notice, stated that it was his desire to see the two factions unite and there is surely no more desirable man to unite on than L. B. Hanna. No derogatory word can be said about his political or business life and his services for the people marks him as a man who will do his duty.

There are rumors of other candidates to oppose Mr. Hanna but it is not believed by political prognosticators that there will be any real opposition offered and that the primaries will see only the three candidates on the Republican ticket.

Burdick would have drawn a splendid vote, as he is generally liked by both the Stalwarts and Insurgents. He is eminently fair and a good executive officer. It is hoped that he consents to run for reelection as Lieut. Governor, for with Hanna, the Republican team would be easy winners.

Carl Nelson moralizes thusly in last week's issue of the Democrat.

"Tis a thing of sentiment this little old country newspaper. When perchance disgrace paints the scarlet letter on the family circle, it listens to the pleading of a broken heart and whispers not of it. When it does you a favor you come in and beg a few extra copies, but when it steps on your toes you drop around to lick the editor. Without your dinky country paper your towns and hamlets would be like the man who threw kisses at the girl in the dark—he knew it, but nobody else did . You might imagine you were alive, but other people would have to buy a railroad ticket to come and find out. Thus ends the tale of the blooming thing that isn't worth three cents a week."

Carl, let us weep in unison—adds the Bisbee Gazette.

It appears that Secretary of State Norton has been in no rush to distribute the auto tax money to the different counties. The law requires this work to be done at the end of every month. Auto taxes were due July 1—but the secretary has not sent out the funds.

North Dakota has had some arbitrary work and high financing by former state officials. It is unwise for another to attempt anything of the kind. The people are not in temper to stand any funny business.

It looks like the secretary should get away from the keyhole long enough to perform the duties of his office—according to law.—Fargo Forum.

The Journal, peeved because it was again "scooped" in state service by the report of The World of Lieut. Governor Burdick's withdrawal from the gubernatorial race, again attempts to bolster up its service by claiming that he had never announced himself. The World a short time ago published an interview with Mr. Burdick in which he verified every word of our former announcement regarding his candidacy.

The announcement that the new Chautauqua electric line is a certainty, means much to Devils Lake. With such a summer resort at our very door, all that remained was the problem of transportation. This has now been solved and next year will witness a general exodus to the shores of the lake. Chautauqua is an ideal place for summer homes and many of the local people will start building in the spring.

Mr. Kerlin is even using his opera house to help him in his fight to retain the electric light monopoly and the vaudeville "artists" are trying to tell the people how far they will get in the hole with municipal improvements. Mr. Kerlin is using everything that he owns in the fight except his newspaper and he realizes that its suport would do him more harm than good, so he keeps them quiet.

Theenterprising citizens of the Lake are making an effort to establish a Ramsey county fair association, and we hope they may succeed. This county should have a fair every year. It would be a fine thing for all and if the citizens of Devils Lake will only take the initiative we feel that they will have the heartly suport and co-operation of the whole county.—Edmore Herald News.

A few of the Democratic brethern are nervous over L. B. Hanna's announcement but so far have been unable to find anything that they can say against him. Their friends last week were merely against having any Republican at all but that is hardly a matter for them to decide.

Ex-treasurer Bickford was yesterday sentenced to an indeterminate term in the penitentiary on the charge of embezzlement. The state is aroused over the actions of some of its officials who while perhaps not of criminal intent are at all events criminally negligent.

L. B. Hanna is receiving some splendid endorsements from the papers of the state since his announcement came out. The newspaper boys have followed Mr. Hanna's career with no little interest and know that he has always been actve in the welfare of the state.

An examination of last night's Journal will verify the editorial in last night's World to the effect that that sheet does everything that a real newspaper is not supposed to do—and we took their word for what a 'real" newspaper was.

STICKLEY OBJECTS.

Editor Warren Stickley of the Kenmare Journal takes logical exception to the efforts of some would-be editorial writer to ridicule the women's Clubs. Stickley received the following squib from the eastern paragraph writer and hsi comment is published.

"The old fashioned girl used to put up preserves about now. The modern woman hasn't got time for this, as she is too busy preserving our institutions by writing papers for the Women's Club."

When a professional writer who furnishes brains for other people gets to the "about-now" and "hasn't-got" stage it is time to cut him off your calling list. Further than this, when he attempts to buffon the efforts of a work so noble as that of the Club Woman, it is time it was blue-penciled with a deep, dark blue.

The work of the club woman in this country is one to be highly commended, one of the greatest and noblest enterprises of the country. It is safe to say the average club woman is capable of more honest deeds and more, noble, bright, worthy thoughts in a minute than this babbler can do or conceive in a week. It is safe to say the vast majority of them are true mothers, who do their household duties well, and master many of their hardest lessons as they rock the cradle after a hard day's work. When the men sit about home of an evening "too tired to move" or go down town for a "game of smear," or for what-not, the dear woman trudges off in all kinds of weather to club meeting, where she spends the evening in the discussion of worthy topics, or work for the assistance of the library, play-ground, or other public benefits. It is safe to say there is not one in a thousand who "neglects her preserves" or any other duty for her club work. Her mind is on a high plane. Her hope one for the betterment of her home, her children and her own condition. She seeks to help others and do those thousands of good things which would never be done were it not for her organization.

The Women's clubs in general are a splendid adjunct to society. They are upheld and encouraged. They are an inspiration to the better things in life. They encourage their members to be better women, better mothers, better wives, better members of society, and notwithstanding the fact that the Ed. Tituses of the country amuse themselves by trying to say something funny at the expense of this splendid organization, made up of the wives, mothers, sisters and daughters, we don't believe he will get as much as a pleasant look from even the "old fashioned girl" whom he tries to flatter.

SCHOOLS TAKE UP MOVEMENT.

The leaders of the Boy Scouts of America have made arrangements with several boys' preparatory schools throughout the country to adopt the boy scout movement as supplemental to their educational work. Many other acadtmies are considering the adoption of it. Scouting activities in a general way have been taken up by several schools and have been found very helpful and popular. The different phases of scouting can be added to the school work and give additional incentive to the boys, both in their studies and in their athletic work. For instance, a boy who becomes a Scout can win badges for being proficient in various studies, in athletic events and in his tramps on holidays through the country around the academy which he attends.

The training which the boy receives by engaging in other scout activities can be used as a substitute for military drills and tactics. In the majority of schools the military training is given simply as a means of discipline. Scout activities provide discipline, body building and character training and they take the boy's mind away from the thought of war.

Educators are enthusiastic over the scout movement.

REMOVING OFFICIALS.

Through his ambition to centralize the affairs of the state in his own hands Governor Burke has repeatedly urged the enactment of a law that would give him the power to arbitrarily remove satte and county officials for failure to perform their duties.

It seems the governor is paying little attention to the law, which delegates him a supervisional power over certain officials. It is a part of his duty—according to the state law—to supervise the work of the state officials. Has he done that? If so, why didn't he keep Bickford in the straight and narrow path? Why hasn't he made Norton perform his duties?

What's the use of giving Burke more power—when he fails to properly use the authority he now has at his command?—Fargo Forum.

The World notices that definite work has been commenced on the Midland Continental that will evetnually run to Winnipeg. This would be an excellent beginning point for the augmented Commercial club to take up and get some definite result. Then, with two roads they would be entitled to a rest.

Grand Forks has just adopted a fire protection law, the printing of which alone will cost nearly $1,000. While full and complete laws may be necessary it would seem as if a less bulky one that was lived up to would be more meritorious.

While the Giants and Athletics are resting on their bats waiting for the sun to shine, the sporting writers are figuring up how much each man will get after the series is over, if the rain stops long enough so they can finish it.

Editor Bloom should subscribe for The World, since he refused to exchange, and not trust to securing a copy from his neighbor or his employees. We believe that he is missing a lot of good advice.

The Courtenay Gazette is celebrating its fifteenth birthday and its second year under the present management. The Gazette has always been clean and newsy and seems to be enjoying a healthy growth.

Hon. L. B. Hanna has signified his intention of asking the republicans of North Dakota to make him their candidate at the primaries for governor. Mr. Hanna has made a very satisfactory representative in congress and if elected as governor would undoubtedly give the people of this state a business administration, and it is business, rather that politics, that the state needs in a governor. Mr. Hanna has been a successful business man in this state, and a man who is successful in his own business is likely to be of value in public matter. There promises to be quite a number of other candidates for this office and the fight will be a warm one with the chances in favor of Hanna.—Pembina Pioneer-Express.

THE WILD AND WOLLY WEST.

It seems hard for the effete East to realize that North Dakota is no longer inhabited by the bison and buffalo, that its residents are not redskins and rampaging cowboys, that its towns are not composed of saloons and dance halls and its principal mode of transportation stage coaches and plains of the plains.

The eastern papers have partially educated the people but even now some startling story is spread broadcast regarding the wildness of the Flickertail State.

In a current issue of a popular story magazine, the editor in his private department, publishes a number of letters purporting to be from the readers in various states on various subjects. One is from Mrs. J. R. D. of Towner, N. D., and an extract reads as follows: "But for Mercy's sake don't give us any more like "The Shooting on the Big D." It may read alright to an Eastener but to us who live among cowboys it is plumb ridiculous. Who ever heard of a real cowboy betting all his money on a man who made ONE lucky shot?"

Cowboys at Towner. The Saints preserve us. We can picture Charley Donnolly or Editor Miller dressed in chaps and mounted on a vicous untamed steed, digging in their spurs and shooting off their trusty six shooters. If the people of Towner have seen a show for the past fifteen years it was some sport dressed in pantalettes that was taking a bunch of horses from Ray to the cities and he probably didn't carry anything more harmful on his hip than a sack of Dukes Mixture and a package of papers.

We wish that the Great Northern in some of its "Get Acquainted" trips would load a few cars full of these special magazine writers and editors and show them the state of North Dakota. Then instead of having all of the wild and wolly cowboy tales, fake mining schemes and horse taming bouts laid in the midst of our state, we would get some of the publicity that was coming to us in agricultural progress and municipal advancement.

AAKER AND PUBLICITY.

Though The World has no admiration for H. H. Aaker as a politician, as a publicitist he must be awarded the prize medal. Ever since his self injection into North Dakota politics a number of years ago he has been a consistent advertiser, forcing his way into the press of the state with communications on everything from the high cost of living to the low duty on putty, but he is forcing the issue a little more strenuously since his Bryanic candidacy for Governor started.

Mr. Aaker, it must be remembered, is the proprieto rof a business college in Fargo and he loses no opportunity to remind the people or that fact. Alongside of most of his announcements run a local advertisement about the success of his pupils and his name has been spread broadcast with circular letters, some bearing the stamp of the school and some more modestly written on plain paper.

His latest effusion is a lengthy epistle addressed to The World, in common with several other papers in the state, calling attention to certain alleged misrepresentations that existed in an editorial squib first appearing in the Grafton Record and later reprinted with proper credit in The World. He goes back to the origin of North Dakota politics and traces the connection of H. H. Aaker of Aaker's Business College with it. He tries to explain why, after having been a candidate on the Republican ticket and when defeated for the nomination promising in an unsolicited letter his support of C. A. Johnson, he turned and openly advocated the election of Burke. He takes a whack at National politics, sidesteps a little at the tariff bills, hands LaFollette a little boost and modestly ranges himself right up alongside of the Wisconsin statesman.

As a press agent Aaker would be a hummer. He could concoct more robberies for a prima donna or better sensations for a vaudevillian than any of the ink slingers that are drawing big salaries from the theatrical magnates, but with the publicity that he is getting for his college we do not imagine that he is thinking strongly of accepting another job, even that of Governor of North Dakota.

THE PEOPLE'S FIGHT.

The Devils Lake World is doing great work in its fight against usurping corporations, and for municipal ownership of the lighting plant at Devils Lake. Its claim that the people of Devils Lake could give themselves much better service at much reduced cost than a single individual can, may all be true; and it looks reasonable. While having nothing but praise for the World's position in the fight for improvements we hope that one step will lead to another.—Brocket News.

WEBSTER

(Special Correspondence.)

Miss Grace Stoughton of St. John, N. D., is spending the week end at the Honett farm.

An informal dance was held under the auspices of the M. B. A. lodge. A light lunch wa sserved and the party broke up along about three o'clock with eevryone feeling that they had enjoyed a pleasant night.

Mrs. Henry Baker was sent to Rochester Friday, where she will be operated on by the Mayos. Peter Regan accompanied her.

Supt West and Dan Ferguson transacted business in Devils aLke Saturday.

Once again the Webste rhas been recognized as one of the strongest in the state. At the industrial exposition at Bismarck the school took third prize, which is a splendid set of books.

As a result of the activity of our local nimrods, a goose supper was pulled off at the hotel Tuesday night. Those present tell tails (tales) that tend to make a person's mouth water, to say nothing of the eye.

A party of Grand Forks sports are encamped on the shores of Dry Lake. They announce that they came for hunting purposes.

Herman Garske was a Webster visitor Saturday. He reports that he is well along with his plowing.

Misses Annie Miller and Flora Munig were guests of the facutly of the Starkweather schools Tuesday evening.

An engine expert is spending a few days at the Peder Sorenson farm working on a Flour City gas tractor.

Co. Supt. J. A. Haig is loading a car of potatoes. They bring $.45 on the track here and are going to Missouri. This is the second car that the professor has shipped. Henry Minnette has also shipped two cars.

SHORT CIRCUITS.

Out in the west end of the city there is a family that is mourning the departure of Shep.

He passed from the ken of his loving friends out into the great world of mystery because he was too good, and his case would seem to be one where virtue goes unrewarded, although in at least one family there are those who will ever feel that somewhere, somehow, Shep is getting his reward of merit.

Shep was too patient, too obedient. He would sleep in the sunshine on the porch all day, rousing only to eat the meals set out for him and at night would retire in his box under the porch and seem to feel that he had done a good day's work. While he would not romp very much with the children he would allow them to tumble over him for hours without a growl. He once learned to fetch a ball or stick when thrown, but Shep soon perceived that if he did not bring the ball back it would not be so likely to be thrown again. So he conveniently forgot the trick.

Shep was without pride of ancestry. He was part shepherd dog and part several other kinds and his hair was medium long and black and tan. Nothing bothered him much but fleas and his interest in these seemed variable.

In time there came a new cook to this home who decided that the back porch must be scrubbed. Waiving the mop at poor Shep she shouted "Gte out of here," and Shep slowly came to his feet and slouched off behind the barn with his tail between his legs and has never been seen there since. That harsh order was more than his tender nature could bear.

"The small boy finds ice 'congenital' for other purposes than skating," asserted Attorney Wm. Anderson as he stood on the corner this morning and watched the downy snow flakes chase themselves around the telegraph pole. "If you don't believe it, just listen to this:"

"When the iceman came out of the Locke block one morning he found a small boy sitting on one of his blocks of ice.

"'Here!' he roared, 'wot are yer a-sittin' on that for? Git off of it!'

"The small boy raised a tear-stained face. 'Was you ever a boy?' he queried faintly.

"'Of course I was!' fumed the iceman. 'But'—

"'And did you never play the truant?' cut in the youngster.

"'Of course I did!' snarled the iceman. 'Now then you'—

"'An' when you got home did yer father take a stick an''—

"A lump rose in the ice man's throat. 'That's all right, kid,' he said, 'Just sit there as long as you want to, I'll wait.'"

The class had been discussing various forms of argumentation, and the teacher was trying to impress upon the minds of the students the advantages of being forceful, direct and earnest when they were delivering a speech. There were several members of the class in the back part of the room, who seemed to discover something humorous, either in the remarks of the instructor or in their surroundings, for they would break out with laughter from time to time. The instructor was warming up to his subject and neglected to call them to order. "In making an address," he declared, "have something to say, say it briefly, and be in earnest. Above all, look your audience in the face all the time." One of the unruly students piped out: "All at once? Gee, that would be some job."

An amusing incident is told by a traveling man at the Great Northern. A typical stage Irishman was walking along when he spied on the opposite side of the street a man who bore a very close resemblance to him. "There is a fellow phwat looks just like me, I'm going to ask him his name," he said, and crossing the street he accosted the other man and the following dialogue ensued:

"Say, you do look like me. Phwat's your name?

"Me name is Pat."

"Now phwat do ye think of thot, my name is Pat, too! Phwat's your last name?"

"O'Reilly."

"O'Reilly, now don't thot beat the Dutch. Here's a man thot looks enough like me to be me twin brother, and his name is the same as mine, Pat O'Reilly! How old are you, and where did you come from?

"Sure and Oim 36 and I was born in Dublin."

'And phwat's your business?"

"Oim a bill poster."

"What do you post bills for?"

"Elsie Janis."

"Begorrah and the age of miracles is not over, let's go hev a drink. Here's a man phwat has the same name, is from my same town, is may same age, and in my same business, and he's posting bills for Elsie Janis, and I'm posting bills for her brother, Hunyadi Janos."

John J. Samson was examining a talesman in order to determine his fitness to serve as a juror on an important personal damage case at Lakota not long ago. The talesman was a foreigner, though just what particular breed was not apparent from his answer to questions propounded.

"What is your name?" inquired the Honorable John.

"Ignatz Czkowitszch," promptly replied the man.

I didn't ask you what was the matter with you" replied the Honorable John, severely. I asked you your name.

The man coughed and sneezed out the same jumble of sounds again. The Honorable John turned to the judge and said: "Your honor, will you make this man stop coughing and compel him to tell me his name?"

The talesman looked mildly at the judge and said:

"Those are my names."

"Oh, very well," replied the Honorable John, with a slight embarrassment of manner. I didn't understand. Now, then, have you ever had any business relations with the defendant in this action?" repeated the Honorable John somewhat louder.

A light of understanding overspread the countenance of the man with the asthmatic name and he answered cheerfully:

"Oh, sure, yes. I had von brudder a conductor, unt another brudder he grease the tracks where the car goes round de corner."

"Excused" said the Honorable John

Kill Devil, N. C., Oct. 24.—The new Wright glider which works with a pendulem and aileron attachment turned over in the air with Orvell Wright but he climbed over the top of the machine after it had turned turtle and escaped injury. The new glider, when perfected, is expected to make the aeroplane safe.

EXCLUSIVE ACCOUNT IN THE WORLD YESTERDAY IS GIVEN IN EVERY DETAIL.

FAVORS THE COUNTY AUDITOR AND JUDGE AND PARTIALLY AGAINST TREASURER.

Matter of Fees Was the Subject of Considerable Discussion in Devils Lake—Sargent County Affair Meant Much to Entire State of North Dakota Affecting Every County Within the Bounds of the State.

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

The exclusive account of Judge Allen's decision in the fee cases in Sargent county, which appeared in The World state service yesterday, proved of special interest and for this reason the opinion of Judge Allen is given in full as follows:

Register of Deeds.

Section2595 of the revised codes provides for the keeping by each register of deeds of a book in which shall be entered each item of fees for services and provides further that he shall deposit with the county treasurer the total sum of such fees.

Sec. 2957 provides a fee for making and continuing abstracts, and section 2596 provides specifically that all money received for compiling or continuing abstracts shall be turned over to the county treasurer.

Consequently I find that the county is entitled to judgment in accordance with the tsipulation of facts entered into.

County Judge.

Certified Copies.—I have been unable to find any statute authorizing the county judge to make any charge for the furnishing of certified copies of his records, and notwithstanding the fact that a few decisions may be found authorizing a county, under similar circumstances, to recover from the officer the unauthorized fees collected, nevertheless, I am of the opinion that the county has no interest in said fees, but that the same may be recovered by the parties who paid same to him. as otherwise the officer might be called upon, after payment of said fees to the county, to again pay same to the parties from whom the original collection was made.

Marriage License Fee.—Section 4039 of the revised codes provides that he, the county judge, shall be entitled to a fee of $1.00 to be paid by the party applying for the same. As I view it, the word "entitled" means he may, not must, collect such fee, but he may waive that right if he sees fit. In Thompson vs. Thompson, 18 Southern, 247, the word "entitled" is defined as meaning to give title, right or claim, and in Reed vs. Union National bank of Winchester, 29 Graten, 719, it is held that the use of the word "entitled" in the constitution, article 11, section 1, cannot be construed as preventing him from waiving the right to which he is entitled.

Sec. 2584 of our code provides that clerks of the district court shall charge and collect the following fees: and section 2597 uses the identical words in reference to the register of deeds, and both of said sections provide for the keeping of a fee book and payment to the county treasurer.

On the other hand, section 2600 provides that the sheriff, who personally retains the fee collected by him, "shall be entitled to charge and receive the following fees:" and the same wording is used in reference to the coroner, register, notaries public, jurors and witnesses in sections 2607, 1608, 2609, 2610, 2614 and 2615, all of whom, without question are entitled to retain the fees so collected.

Under these circumstances I a mof th eopinion that the intention of the legislature was that the county judge shold retain marriage license fees collected by him, and consequently judgment in this case should be in favor of the defendant.

County Auditor

This matter comes up on a demurrer to the answer, and consequently I do not consider it necessary to cover in detail the different fees called in question by the pleadings.

The above office was created by the laws of 1887. The first provision as to certifying to deeds by the auditor was section 91, chapter 132 of the laws of 1890, and this provided that the auditor should retain said fees. Under chapter 5 2of the laws of 1891 the auditor was also authorized to retain said fee. Chapter 126 of the laws of 1897 provided that the auditor should convert said fees into the county treasury. Chapter 135 of the laws of 1889 provided that he should retain same up to the maximum salary allowed by law. Chapter 56 of the laws of 1899 provided a maximum salary of $2,000 per year. There was no repealing clause on that enactment; consequently in my opinion, unde rthis law the county auditor could retain the fee received for certifying deeds, providing the same, added to the specific salary provided for, did not exceed $2,000 in any one year. Chapter 144 of the laws of 1901 provided for the retention of said fees absolutely, and chapter 219 of the laws of 1907 was to the sam eeffect. The above chapter 219 was approved March 19, 1907, chapter 70 of the laws of 1907 was approved, which act provided for the salary of the county auditors, and the last clause reads as follows: "All money received as fees for certifying to abstracts or deeds in excess of hte salary as limited by this article shall be paid by the county auditor at the end of each month into the revenue fund of the county." The above mentioned chapter 70 increased the maximum compensation of county auditors from $2,000 to $2,500.

I have been unable to construe this statute so as to give any meaning whatever to the last clause thereof as above quoted by construing the words 'the salary as limited by this article" to mean his salary (in the case om the treasurer of Sargent county, $1,800 per annum, I think) as limited by this article and the article 'the" and not the pronoun 'his" preceding the word "salary" has led me to the conclusion that the words "the salary as limited by this article" should be construed as meaning the maximum salar yas limited byb this article.

If my construction of the above statute is correct, the demurrer to the answer interposed in this action should be overruled, and it is so ordered.

Conuty Treasurer.

Fees for Collection of School Land Money.—I find in the statute no provision for keeping account of such fees, nor do I find any fund in which the same should be deposited, or to which the same should be credited, and in view of the fact of the giving of an additional bond to indemnify the state and not the county, and in consideration also of this being a separate duty imposed by the state authorities and of absolutely no interest to the county authorities, my construction of section 2598 of the revised codes is that the county treasurer is entitled to retain the above fees in addition to his salary as fixed by the valuation of taxable property within his county.

Fees on Court House Bonds.—Section 2570 of the revised codes allowing one per cent on bond sales was passed in 1899 when the treasurer's salary was controlled by section 632 and the following sections of the compiled laws of 1899. As chapter 53 of the session laws of that year repealed all inconsistent and conflicting acts, and consequently in my opinion, section 2570 was thereby repealed, and consequently the county treasurer would not bbeb entitled to the percentage named in section 2570, but the proceeds of bond sales wuold come under the general provisions of section 2598. Consequently my finding is in favor of the defendant as to fees collected of school money an di nfavor of th eplaintiff as to commission on court house bonds.

Yours truly,

Frank P. Allen.

GEORGE K. SHAW PHONED THE WORLD THIS MORNING WITH REFERENCE TO STORY.

NOTIFIED PEOPLE WHEN HE DEPARTED AND HAS BEEN IN DOGDEN RECENTLY.

Was in Ohio Where He Underwent an Operation and It Has Been Impossible for Him to Return—Telephone From Anamoose Where He is Taking Final Proofs Today — Matter Will Be Settled Amicably.

George K. Shaw of Fessenden, N. D., phoned The World from Anamoose this morning with reference to an article which appeared in the Devils Lake Journal, which said that complications had arisen at Dogden, in McHenry county, owing to the inability of the people there to locate him, claiming further that Mr. Shaw was in possession of considerable money which he secured as United States Commissioner.

In his interview over the phone this morning Mr. Shaw claimed that at the time of his departure, the people were notified as to where he was going, having been called to Cleveland, Ohio, where he underwent an operation. He has been there the last three months and returned to his home at Fessenden just three days ago, and is now at Anamoose taking final proofs.

The Bismarck Tribune copied the article and credited it to The World, and Mr. Shaw, who read it in the Tribune, started to call for a retraction and in telling what he thought of such an article threatened suit, until he was put on the right track.

The story originated through the appearance of John Johnson, a banker of Dogden, who visited here the latter part of last week. Mr. Shaw stated that his absence could not be helped and it was impossible for him to leave the hospital before now.

After talking with The World Mr. Shaw asked to talk with Judge Amidon with reference to the steps that the Journal stated would be taken toward the appointing of another United States Commissioner, and the putting of the United States machinery in action looking toward a complete investigation.

CASE OF BAVELLA VS. GREAT NORTHERN NOW ON—WITNESSES ARE EXAMINED.

The examination of witnesses in the case of Bavella vs. the Great Northern occupied yesterday afternoon and this morning and the case will not go to the jury until this afternoon, the defense resting at noon.

The examination of witnesses for the plaintiff was conducted by Attorney Stiles of Minneapolis while Mr. Murphy of Grand Forks appeared for the road. The plaintiff, who is the wife of a Greek killed last October in a collision between a wrecking train and a hand car contends that the wrecking train was not properly lighted, while the witnesses for the defense claims that two white lights were plainly exposed on the train and that there was another lantern in view. The Greeks who were with the deceased on the handcar were on the stand for the plaintiff and the members of the train crew formed the witnesses for the road.

The arguments to the jury started at the opening of the afternoon session today.

This, it is expected is the longest case to be tried at this term and the others will not ocnsume so much time.

At the conclusion of the term here the court and officers will return to Fargo before opening the Minot term on Nov. 7th.

USED MARKED COINS.

Supt. Ziebach Traces Sale of Liquor to Indians With Marked Coins.

J. Brown, a transient bootlegger, was arrested and bound over to the district court on a charge of selling whiskey to Indians. It is understood he will plead guilty as soon as possible. Supt. Ziebach caused the arrest to be made, having traced the sale with marked coins.

WON PREMIUMS.

Personal Exhibitors Made Some Splendid Records at Exposition.

Does it pay to advertise?

This is a question many people ask themselves, and do not always arrive at a satisfactory answer.

There are a number of North Dakota residents who were exhibitors at the Industrial Exposition will admit that the right kind of advertising pays, and pays well.

If anyone doubts it let him read a list of a few personal exhibitors who carried off valuable prizes. Here are the names and the aggregate value of prizes won:

Geo. L. Grayson, Dunn county	$215.60
Th. T. Kristjansen, McLeod county	209.40
S. E. Kurtz, Hazleton	61.00
C. F. Nelson, Bisbee	418.80
A. F. Nohle, McKenzie counuty	959.10
Mrs. Paul Adams, LaMoure	241.20
Fargo Schools	149.00

There are many others whose premiums amounted to from $10 to $100 scattered all over the state. The exhibitors certainly got well paid for their time and trouble.

Next year the contest for the big prizes will be much keener and more spirited.

MOUSE RIVER BOOSTERS ARE NOW ORGANIZED

Minot, N. D., Oct. 23.—To develop the resources of northwestern North Dakota and place a farmer on every quarter section of land in this sectio nis the object of the Mouse River Loop Development association which was perfected here today.

Former Governor Devine of Minot is president and F. R. Bickell of Towner is secretary. The organization comprises Ward, Burke, Renville, Bottineau and McHenry counties, each of which has pledged $500 to prepare an exhibit to be made at the Chicago land show in November.

The association plans to do for northwestern North Dakota what the Missouri slope organization recently organized plans for southwestern North Dakota and a similar organization is accomplishin gin the Red River valley.

Little Girl Lifts 200 Lbs.

Look at this picture taken from an actual photograph. The child seated on an Emerson Foot-Lift Plow has raised with an easy touch of her foot a 200-pound man. That is the test and the proof of Emerson control. It is all done with the feet. In or out of the hardest soil, there is no plow in the world like

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