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Arrested For Criminal Libel

John Jepson and T. N. Roble Arrested Monday Charged With Criminal Libel Against J. M. Still, President of Farmers' Elevator Company.

There was a stir in the criminal courts last Monday when Sheriff Smith arrested John Jepson and T. N. Roble of the Beach Advance on a warrant from Justice Heath's court. The complaining witness was J. M. Still, president of the Golden Valley Farmers' Co-operative Company. The complaint charged conspiracy to injure and defame the character of another, making the crime a felony. When the defendants were brought in court Dick Gallagher, who has been interested in the Advance and a contributor to it, appeared in their behalf and asked for a change of venue, which was granted and the case set before Justice Stoddard. On account of the convening of district court, the hearing will probably be postponed until district court adjourns.

The action is the result of a series of attacks upon Mr. Still, and the one complained of was a contributed article which was published following the annual meeting of the elevator company this year, in which very foul and defamatory language was used. The author of the article, however, is unknown and the Advance has refused to make his name public.

Mr. Jepson, according to the last published government statement, is business manager of the paper, while T. N. Roble has charge of the printing and editing of the paper, although he declares he is not the editor. The editor seems to be a mysterious individual and the owners of the paper don't seem to want to make this information known to the public. This will probably come out in the hearing as will also the authors of unsigned contributed articles published in the Advance.

JORDAN BAKER NUPTIALS.

A very pretty wedding took place at the Congregational parsonage in this city last Wednesday at eleven o'clock a. m. when Miss Mary E. Jordan and Mr. Earl W. Baker were united in marriage. Rev. Geo. N. Keniston officiating. Nora Jordan and Lisle Baker acted as bridesmaid and best man, respectively.

The charming young bride wore a beautiful gown of shadow lace over white messaline silk. The bridesmaid was attired in all white embroidered voile. The groom was dressed in the accustomed way.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Jordan, who reside five miles southwest of Beach. The groom is a well known young man, having lived near Beach for a number of years.

The popular young couple are highly respected and have a host of friends who extend best wishes for a happy wedded life.

Mr. and Mrs. Baker will make their home on a farm four and a half miles southwest of Beach.

Miss N. R. Johnson, director for the "Tom Thumb Wedding" will arrive on Saturday, July 17, and take charge of the preliminary arrangements for the wedding. Pictures of the "wedding" will be on sale at the wedding for 15 cents each. Also home made candy in small packages. Tickets are on sale at Stensrud's. Adults 50c; children over six and under 12 years of age, 25c.

Store Building Now Under Way

After Delay Caused by Lack of Material Farmers Supply Co. Building Now Being Rapidly Constructed.—Manager Away on Stock Purchasing Trip.

After a delay of nearly three weeks, work has again been resumed on the Farmers Supply Company building. The high water at Medora delayed the shipment of gravel and as a result the construction of the concrete basement was delayed, holding the entire work back.

Tuesday of this week C. J. Raw completed the basement walls and Wednesday Contractor Chadderden had a crew of men at work removing the forms and getting ready to push the work on the upper part.

Yesterday morning Manager Brinton left for the east on a stock purchasing mission and he will be joined in Minneapolis by a second party who will have charge of the grocery department and assist in making the initial stock selection.

They expect to be back in Beach in about a week and will then see to having the building in readiness when the stock arrives.

BURGLARS STEAL FARMER'S SILVERWARE.

John Graden, one of the prominent farmers south of this city, returned last night from his ranch with the intention of moving his household goods from storage to his farm, only to find that many things of value were stolen and his furniture very painfully mishandled.

A short time ago Mr. Graden stored his household goods in the old mill in the city, with the intention of moving it again to his ranch. While in the country the storage house was broken into by burglars and many articles of value were stolen. Among the articles of special value were a watch, two or three sets of silver, and many other articles which are of some sale value. Aside from the loss of several articles the furniture and bedding was turned topsy turvy, trunks were broken into and other damage done that would indicate that the vandals had visited the place for the intent purpose of securing everything of real worth. Because of the close watch that is kept at all times by the city police officials this is the first crime of any account that has gone undetected. The local officials have good track of the violators and it will not be surprising if in a few days they are not brought to answer for their actions.

TWO COUNTIES WET, TWO ARE DRY; TIE.

St. Paul, Minn., July 16.—Four more counties in this state voted Monday on county option as follows:

Freeborn county, having the largest vote ever cast in the county, went dry by 856 majority, closing thirteen saloons.

Sherburne county, with one precinct yet to be heard from, voted 874 wet to 824 dry.

Goodhue county voted wet by a majority of 235 votes.

Anoka county is apparently dry. Twelve out of 18 precincts give the dries a majority of 105 votes. The missing six precincts are not expected to alter the situation.

Baker has been decided upon as the permanent county seat of Fallon county.

World's Advance Revealed in Exhibits at the Panama - Pacific International Exposition

From the vast displays of the world's great nations at the Panama-Pacific exposition it would be difficult indeed to select an exhibit, or group of exhibits, as representing the most noteworthy contribution to progress within the last decade, or, in fact, within the last one hundred years. From the viewpoint of uniform advancement in science and industry the past ten years is accounted by high authorities as among the most remarkable decades in the history of the world. Among the tens of thousands of displays there are many that are revolutionary, even startling, in their character, but so varied are the developments of the present day that to pronounce one phase of the world's activity as more noteworthy than another is a task beyond human vision.

Yet if one inquires what striking epoch does the Exposition represent, what flaming progress does this giant exposition predicate, the best answer is, perhaps, that it foreshadows an era of marvelous forms of intercommunication and of transportation. Since the exposition opened, on February 20th, the first telephone message across the continent passed between Mayor Mitchel of New York and Mayor Rolph of San Francisco. The conversation was made possible by many improvements in electrical installation, one of the improvements being the marvelous audion amplifier which relays telephone messages. Many electrical experts are of the opinion that it is only a question of time, and, possibly, of a very short time, when men will be able to utilize the wireless for the long distance telephone. The utility of the present long-distance telephone passes the bounds of comprehension. It is one of the important discoveries since man has been upon the earth.

At the time of the great exposition in St. Louis the aeroplane was comparatively new to the world, and yet in the brief space of ten years the aerial motor has become a tremendous agent in the most fearful conflict ever waged. Since the Louisiana Purchase exposition the utility of the automobile has been developed until it is today a tremendous factor in the industrial life of the country. The era of the motor-truck is here and it, too, is a formidable agent in warfare. Throughout the nation the automobile is becoming a part of the railroad. Automobile freight and passenger lines are serving as feeders to the railroads, bringing otherwise remote country districts into direct touch with the world's markets. Of such vast importance is the motor truck industry that it is given recognition by a separate building at the exposition.

In the domain of education the world has advanced as rapidly. Children are taught more and more to think and to execute for themselves. In art American painters are producing work which in the opinion of notable critics, will bear favorable comparison with the many masterpieces of the old world. But there is another form of art which finds distinct expression in the exposition. Indeed, several of the greatest American and European art critics declare that there is revealed in San Francisco the birth of a new ideal in American art. The revolution exists in the exposition itself, in the wonderful coordination of its architecture, sculpture and landscaping, and, one might also add, in the coordination of two other notable features, that of the night illumination and the marvelous use of colors upon the vast exhibit palaces. The fairyland produced by the exquisite ensemble of the color, illumination, sculpture and landscaping, will no doubt have its effect in more beautiful cities, parks, public buildings and private homes throughout the United States. At the World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago sculpture was freely used as a form of outdoor decoration and there followed throughout the country a growing appreciation of its surpassing decorative value when employed in conjunction with great architectural works. Since the wonderful world's Columbian Exposition more and more attention at each succeeding exposition has been devoted not only to sculpture but to the adornment of public buildings and of cities. The great exposition at Chicago marked a renaissance of American architecture and now it does not seem too much to predict that the even more beautiful exposition at San Francisco will be followed by a recognition of the aesthetic effect produced through the marvelous correlation of architecture, sculpture, color and landscaping.

Is it too much to expect that we may see whole cities bound together in a wonderful color scheme. And if such a result may not be accounted as one of the world's most notable achievements that phase of an art so universal in its application that it may be employed to render their homes and cities more beautiful may constitute an achievement? In their exhibits the world's nations display the products in which they excel. Grouped in eleven huge exhibit palaces are the examples of the art, science and industry of the forty-two nations officially participating while further displays are presented by individuals or groups of individuals from every civilized country. The eleven palaces are those devoted to Fine Arts, Education and Social Economy, Agriculture, Food Products, Mines and Metallurgy, Transportation, Manufactures, Varied Industries, Machinery and Horticulture. The art exhibit is notable. From Europe has come an especially fine collection, embracing a loan collection of many paintings of the old masters. The French exhibit in the Fine Arts Palace is the finest ever shown in the United States. Among the foreign artists represented are Bonheur, Millet, Valesquez, Reynolds, Romney, Tissot, Gainsborough, and others. In the galleries given to American artists is a room for John S. Sargent, a James McNeil Whistler room, displaying the vivid and beautiful pyrotechnics of that Bernard Shaw among artists; the late William Keith, master of California landscape, also has a room, and also Joseph Pennell, the foremost etcher of the day. Other famous Americans represented by special rooms are Frank Duvenock, William M. Chase, Child Hassam, Gari Melchers, Alton Skinner Clark. In the Palace of Fine Arts the visitor becomes impressed with the frequent versatility of men of genius. Robert Fulton, inventor of the steamship, is shown to have been an artist of note, engravings by Paul Reverer are displayed and also sculptures by Samuel F. B. Morse, inventor of the telegraph. Had not this famous man become discouraged when starting out in life he would assuredly have been known as a great sculptor. A section shows the historical development of art in America. In the Palace of Fine Arts you note the influence of foreign schools upon American art and also of the action of American Art upon European and other schools. Our inspirations have passed across the oceans. But the Palace of Fine Arts is in itself an inspiration, a temple worthy to hold the works of the artists of the day.

OUTSIDE COMMENT ON MAYOR'S FIGHT FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT.

(From Marmarth Mail.) During the early days of her existence Beach, formerly in the same county as Marmarth, took pride in being a wide open town, and was allowed to be such greatly through the fact that the State's Attorneys of Billings County were for several years elected from that village. During the terms of office of John Keohane and Dick Gallagher "blind pig" red light houses and gambling dens ran wide open with no fear of the law or its servants. This was true until F. C. Heffron was made special enforcement officer by the attorney general, when he engineered a movement that put a stop to the open lawlessness, and closed up the "pigs" and red light houses.

It seems to have been a difficult matter for certain residents of Beach to subject themselves to this law enforcement and this fact coupled with the personal strife and warring that has always been going on in that city has had the effect of publishing abroad that many of Beach's citizens are still desirous of following along in their old ways of lawlessness and border town methods.

Mayor Brinton of that city recently closed up the movie houses on Sunday and this law-abiding action has met a tremendous protest from the bunch of politicians headed by John Keohane and others.

Last week a protest and threat against the Mayor's action was published in the Beach papers and the idea continues to go abroad that a large percentage of Beach's citizens are still desirous of countenancing Sunday theatres, and such other lawless, as well as wicked at in that city in the early border town days.

Wants Produce Man Pinched

J. J. Bartley and Other Merchants Ask Chief of Police and State's Attorney to Arrest P. C. Erickson for Selling Flour for Farmers' Produce Co.

The Farmers Co-operative Produce Society which was recently incorporated under state law and which has rented a building and established itself in business, received its first carload of flour last week. On account of the heavy demand from farmers who had placed orders, it was decided to deliver from the car on the siding instead of hauling to their store building.

About the time Mr. Erickson was busy wrestling flour sacks in the box car a complaint or protest was filed with the chief of police from J. J. Bartley and other merchants, asking for Mr. Erickson's arrest under the box car merchant law. Mr. McNiece believing he had no authority in the matter, took one of the complaining merchants to the state's attorney's office where he was informed there was "nothing doing", as Mr. Erickson was one of the officers of a corporation duly authorized to do business in the state, and had an established place of business in the city.

The action or complaint caused no little amusement among the farmers in the Produce company, especially since Mr. Bartley is reported to have men at work attempting to organize a "farmers' company" to take over his store. Mr. Bartley's former store movement is apparently to buck the other farmer institutions, if his action last week is any indication.

BOY SCOUTS IN CAMP.

About twelve boys with their scoutmaster spent a week from the 6th until the 14th camping on the Big Beaver north of town. The routine and management of the camp was a medium between a picnic outing and a military encampment. A regular routine was followed: Rising, 6:30 a. m.; raising and saluting the flag, 10:30 a. m. and 4:30 p. m.; bathing and swimming lessons; at sunset, lowering and saluting the flag; 8:45, retiring, and at 9:00 p. m., perfect quiet.

The boys took turns in cooking, carrying water, etc. They had practice in tentpitching, building brush shelters and rafts. An interesting feature was guard duty, carried out for two nights, in which two boys each for two hours patrolled the camp and its vicinity. Each pair of boys (it being customary for scouts to work in pairs) made a hike of seven miles and presented a map of the route followed. Signalling with flags, hand and whistles was practiced and some elementary military drill.

With one exception every day saw visitors in camp. Sunday, about twenty-four Beachites came out. All the Boy Scouts seem to be enthusiastic about their outing and hope to make this an annual event.

Mrs. Harold Wakefield, who has been visiting in the city during the past two weeks left on Monday for her home in Minnesota.

"The Man on the Box" is coming to the opera house Wednesday, July 21st. Max Figman & Lolita Robertson appear in this famous five-reel comedy by Harold McGrath. There are 214 scenes in this feature presented by Jesse L. Laskey. Read the book and then see the picture.

Smith Nabs Four Bootleggers

Bootleggers Caught and Brought to Justice.—Sheriff Smith and State Attorney Waldron Deserve Much Credit in Convicting the Law Breakers.

Four of the residents of this city have during the past week been in the toils of the law as the result of charges made against them for the violation of the prohibition laws of the state.

One of the alleged bootleggers is Donald McDonald, who after considerable delay and after becoming acquainted with the fact that the state attorney would have almost a sure case against him, decided to enter a plea of "guilty". He received a sentence of ninety days in the county jail with a fine of \$350.00. "Dago Frank" and Max Friddle were two others who were charged with the unlawful sale of liquor. They waived examination before Judge Heath, who for some unknown reason permitted them to be released upon their own recognizance. Both thereupon made a very hasty exit from the city.

It may be just as well that they did, for they were anything but the most desirable of citizens.

Paul Sloss, a local blacksmith, was among the number who was called to answer a charge of having sold liquor unlawfully. He decided to plead not guilty. He was represented in court yesterday and today by attorneys Parks and Jefferson. Witnesses for the state alleged that Sloss sold intoxicating liquor on the evening of May 31. The trial of this case occupied a full day, after which the jury returned a verdict of guilty. He will in all probability receive sentence on Monday.

The officers of the law have demonstrated that they are ever alert as regards the violators of the law. The actions of the last string of violators and the penalties meted out to each one is evidence that the legal representatives of Golden Valley county have been most discreet in the apprehension of the right parties to crime.

Among the other cases which occupied the attention of the court was the case of Horney vs. Forsythe. Verdict was rendered in favor of the defendant.

The case of Ekre vs. Mezek resulted in a verdict in favor of the complainant.

On Monday the following applications for citizenship were approved: Christ Hanson, Knute Gram, Ole Solberg, Peter Cook, and Lina Brunberg.

The cases which appear on the court calendar were disposed of in the manner following:

Edith Waldron vs. W. H. Terrell continued over term by stipulation; J. M. Underwood vs. Alice Nolan, settled out of court; A. D. Davidson vs. Fred Hubbard, continued over term by stipulation; John Johnstone vs. Golden Valley Land & Cattle Co., stipulation.

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