

NEGRO CONFESED THREE ROBBERIES

Harvest Hand Broke Into Two Stores and Bank at Ayr, N. D.

Fargo, N. D., Sept. 16.—William Arthur Ross, a negro who has been working in the fields near Ayr for about six weeks, was bound over to the district court by Judge Miller of justice court after having made a written statement confessing to have broken into two stores and the Ayr State bank at Ayr.

While evidence pointed to Ross as the guilty party it was not until he was arrested by Marshal M. T. Dorrance of Ayr on charge of bootlegging it having been learned by the sheriff's office here that he was importing a large quantity of booze and he was ordered taken. Marshal Dorrance then dug up the evidence against Ross that led to his making a clean breast of the robberies. He will probably be brought before Judge C. A. Pollock at court as soon as the jurist returns from his vacation this week.

Ross states that he first entered the store of C. N. Durrant at Ayr, gaining entrance to the building through a window, and that once inside he took two boxes of cigars, a flash light, some pocket knives and some money in the cash register. He says that he then went to the Ayr butcher shop where he pried the door open and after getting in took some money from the cash register. Following these robberies the negro then went to the bank where he attempted to get in by prying up a window but failing in this he broke a window and reaching in unlocked the door. While looking about to see what he could take he touched something that set off the burglar alarm and he then ran to avoid being detected.

Marshal Dorrance had been keeping an eye on the negro for some time, it is stated, and on the night ago the residence of Mrs. Donohue was entered and some things taken, among them being a revolver, which was later seen in the possession of the negro.

The evidence against the negro was further strengthened by the fact that an employe of a blacksmith shop at Ayr was returning on a motorcycle from the country where he had been repairing a separator. This employe arrived at the edge of town about the time the burglar alarm was touched off and he caught a glimpse of Ross running for the country. The three men with whom Ross worked also reported that he was the one who had committed the burglaries and did not return until early the next morning. When arrested for importing the booze and being confronted by this formidable array of evidence against him, Ross concluded that it was best to confess to the crime and did so.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GRAND FORKS COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA.

Grand Forks, N. D., Sept. 1, 1914. 9 O'CLOCK A. M. The board met pursuant to adjournment. Present, Chairman Donavan, Commissioners Donovan and Haddow, and Assistant Commissioners Poupore and Mooney.

On motion the minutes of previous meetings were read and approved as read.

The bill of Joseph Z. Benson, sheriff of Grand Forks county, for transportation of Jasper Weinman, a convict, to the State Penitentiary at Jamestown, N. D., in the sum of \$105.25, was on motion approved by the board.

The bills of Joseph Z. Benson, sheriff of Grand Forks county, for transportation of patients to the insane hospital at Jamestown, N. D., was on motion approved by the board as follows: August 15, 1914, \$42.25; August 15, 1914, \$43.00.

Total \$85.30. On motion the board adjourned until 2 o'clock p. m.

2 O'CLOCK P. M. The board met pursuant to adjournment. Present, Chairman Donavan, Commissioners Donovan, Poupore and Haddow. Absent, Commissioner Mooney.

On motion the following bills were audited and allowed: James Turner, services as superintendent of the new Grand Forks county court house for August, \$200.00.

C. E. Colosky, culverts for county road, \$24.00. Pat Kennedy, dragging roads, \$21.00. Nels Bushaw, dragging roads, \$55.50. Turcott & McLaughlin, dragging roads, \$14.00. F. J. Cowan, dragging roads, \$13.50. James Tannhill, grading and dragging roads, \$24.75. Arthur Dubuque, hauling drag material, \$6.00. E. H. Blair, split log drag material, \$7.75.

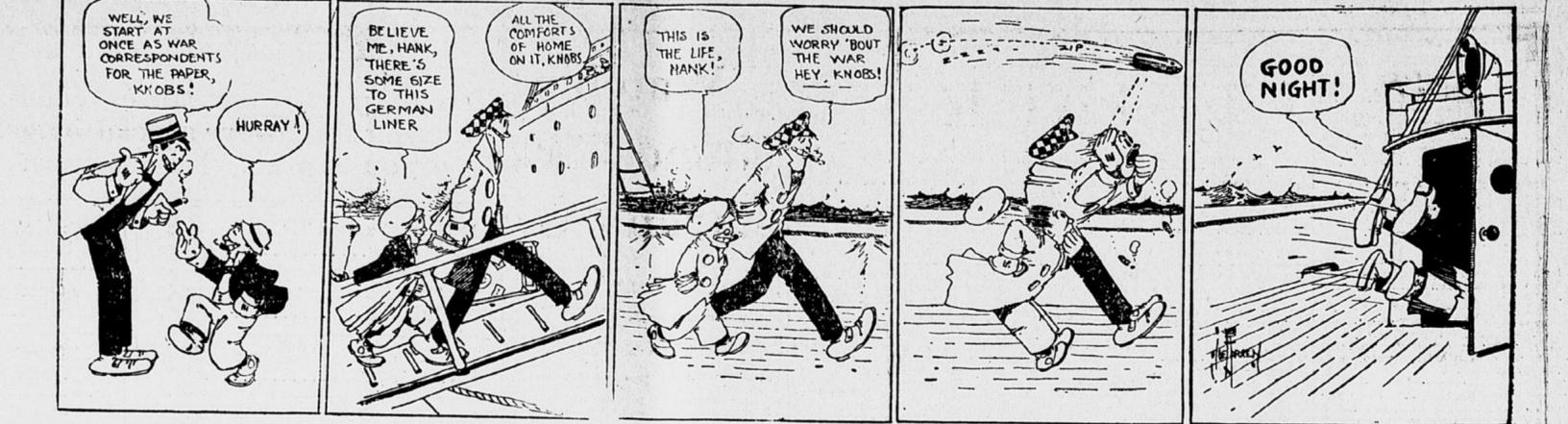
Will Meyer, hauling gravel for roads, \$25.00. Leon Turcotte, dragging Meridian road, \$22.50. James Cronin, hauling gravel for roads, \$12.00. Elsther Brown, hauling gravel for roads in Fairfield Twp., \$40.00. Patent Concrete Cement Co., culverts for road, \$100.00. Manvel, culverts for county road, \$4.00. P. E. Pringle, cards for county officials, \$4.00. M. Beatrice Johnson, cash advanced for county road, \$60.64. City of Grand Forks, water for offices in federal building for county jail, \$3.06. City of Grand Forks, rent for offices in city hall for August, \$50.00. Red River Power Co., gas and electricity for July, 1914, \$8.93. Times-Herald Publishing Co., publishing commission for July, \$7.23. Publishing commission for August, \$12.39. Times-Herald Publishing Co., books and stationery, \$212.57. \$710.43.

The bills of Jardine & Anderson for building bridge in Grand Forks county as per contract was on motion audited and allowed as follows: Grace township, concrete bridge between sections 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 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The bill of the institution for feeble minded at Grafton, N. D., in the sum of \$16.00, in support of Claude Adams, and Edward Lewis, patients from Grand Forks county, was on motion audited and allowed, and the county auditor instructed to draw warrant in the sum of \$16.00 in favor of A. E. T. Wylie, superintendent, for the above support for August, 1914.

On motion the bridge petition of residents of Grand Forks county, praying for a new bridge on the section line between sections 36 and 37, township 120 N., range 102 W., was referred to the bridge committee.

HANK AND KNOBS—Hank Turns War Scribe



On motion the following bills were audited and allowed: Mrs. Arthur Vallancourt boarding transient pauper, \$28.00. A. M. Lott, bookkeeper, registrar of deed's office for August 1914, \$12.50. Oscar Brubaker, clerical services in registrar office for August, \$2.50. Oscar Brubaker, clerical services in registrar office for August, \$2.50. Tri-State Telephone Co., tolls in auditor's office for July 1914, \$1.40. R. P. Haschick, repairing chairs in county hospital, \$1.00. Frederick Hotel, meals to jurors Columbia hotel, meals to jurors in county hospital, \$11.85. Judge Templeton's picture, \$21.50. Western Union Telegraph Co., time service, mailing the late Deed's office for July, 1914, \$1.00. Jorgen Iverson, janitor services for July, 1914, \$20.00. Jorgen Iverson, janitor services for August, 1914, \$20.00. M. J. Londergan, delivering election booths for primary election, \$4.00. M. J. Londergan, delivering election booths for primary election, \$4.00. Joseph Z. Benson, mileage fees in criminal cases for July 1914, \$157.50. Joseph Z. Benson, delivering election supplies for primary election, \$202.50. Joseph Z. Benson, mileage and jury in criminal cases for July 1914, \$18.10. Joseph Z. Benson, summoning grand jury by registered letter, \$2.76. Joseph Z. Benson, mileage and jury in criminal cases for July 1914, \$2.50. Joseph Z. Benson, mileage and jury in criminal cases for July 1914, \$56.65. Joseph Z. Benson, postage, telegraph and telephone in sheriff's office for July, 1914, \$16.11. Tom Whalen, services rendered in criminal cases for Carl Lundberg, drowned therein, \$3.00. Alexander Slattery, services rendered in criminal cases for Carl Lundberg, drowned therein, \$3.00. R. M. Haddow, cash advanced for living, \$5.00. Rowley & Larimore, charged by Northwood Gleaner, publishing commissioners proceedings, \$74.23. Insurance Commission, publishing commissioners proceedings July 7, and Aug. 1, 1914, \$2.53. Total \$900.03.

On motion the county auditor was authorized and instructed to draw warrant in the sum of \$1,112.39 in favor of H. A. Shaw, bookkeeper, registrar of deed's office for August, 1914.

On motion the board adjourned until 2 o'clock p. m.

2 O'CLOCK P. M. The board met pursuant to adjournment. Present, Chairman Donavan, Commissioners Donovan, Poupore, Mooney and Haddow.

The report of W. H. Witherstine, coroner of Grand Forks county, of expenses incurred viewing the body of Carl Lundberg, deceased, was on motion approved by the board and the several items contained therein audited and allowed, viz: W. H. Witherstine, coroners fees, \$18.00. 3 jurors fees, \$3.20. Frank Kilgore, stenographer, \$16.20. Total \$37.40.

The report of W. H. Witherstine, coroner of Grand Forks county, of expenses incurred viewing the body of Rudolph Lund, deceased, was on motion approved by the board and the items contained therein allowed, viz: W. H. Witherstine, coroners fees, \$8.56. August Olson, livery hire, \$2.00. Total \$10.56.

The report of W. H. Witherstine, coroner of Grand Forks county, of expenses incurred viewing the body of Warfel, deceased, was on motion approved by the board and the item contained therein allowed, viz: W. H. Witherstine, coroners fees, \$5.00. Total \$5.00.

On motion the county auditor was authorized and instructed to transfer by warrant drawn on the treasurer of Grand Forks county, the sum of \$887.70, payable out of the county tuition fund to the teachers insurance and retirement fund, being 10 cents for each child of school age in the county, as provided by section 21, chapter 261, of the session laws of 1913.

On motion the following bills were audited and allowed: Joseph Donovan, commissioners services and mileage, \$74.10. J. R. Poupore, commissioners services and mileage, \$66.80. W. B. Haddow, commissioners services and mileage, \$54.40. Robert Haddow, commissioners services and mileage, \$29.55. Total \$324.85.

The receipts of the register of deeds for the month of August, 1914, were \$256.99, that of the clerk of court, \$69.50, that of the county auditor, \$14.25, and that of the sheriff, \$102.55, all for the same period.

Disbursements at this meeting: From general fund, \$1,122.45. From court house, \$200.00. From auto fund, \$18.50. From county bridge fund, \$4,726.80. Total \$6,067.70.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE Northwestern Trust Company, at Grand Forks, in the State of North Dakota, at the close of business September 12, 1914.

RESOURCES. Loans and discounts, \$131,388.81. Securities deposited with State, \$52,700.00. Bonds, warrants, stocks, tax certificates, claims, etc., \$14,838.81. Due from agents, \$2,825.10. Furniture and fixtures, \$2,000.00. Due from other banks, \$18,920.67. Cash, \$424.99. Total, \$324,992.39.

LIABILITIES. Capital stock paid in, \$100,000.00. Surplus or reserve fund, \$20,000.00. Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid, \$7,111.99. Deposits for savings account, \$27,392.37. Demand certificates of deposits, \$5,944.65. Time certificates of deposits, \$4,755.72. Trust (trust funds) \$13,956.63. Due to other banks, \$13,951.06. Secretary Checks, \$113,069.43. Total, \$324,992.39.

State of North Dakota, County of Grand Forks, ss. I, M. C. Bacheller, Secretary of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

W. C. BACHELLER, Secretary. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of Sept., 1914. SAMUEL TORGERSON, Notary Public.

(Seal.) Correct. Attest: ALVIN ROBERTSON, JOHN H. YOLD, E. J. LANDER, Directors.

road drags, \$3.00. Stanley Veitch, dragging roads in Oakville and Chester townships, \$8.25. Dr. H. O'Keefe, services on insanity board, \$14.00. S. S. and August Strom, City of Grand Forks, county share of poor, as per report, \$34.64. Larimore, county share of overseer of poor, \$72.99. Total, \$91.53.

The bill for expenses of better farming in Grand Forks county in the sum of \$257.62 was on motion audited and allowed, and the amount of \$257.62, being for said amount of \$257.62, being for said amount of expenses for July, 1914.

On motion the county auditor was authorized to refund to W. A. Haggerty the sum of \$169.81, being for special sewer taxes paid into the treasury of Grand Forks county and held by the supreme court of the state as an illegal special sewer assessment against lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of block 36 of the original town of Grand Forks, N. D., said lots being sold for the delinquent tax of 1913 on December 1, 1912, to Grand Forks county and certified Nos. 43944, 43945, 43946, 43947, 43948 and 43949, issued therefor, and on the 15th day of January, 1913, was duly assigned to W. A. Haggerty, upon receipt of the certificates the county auditor is further authorized to cancel the same of record and the amount as above, \$169.84, be charged back to the city of Grand Forks special sewer assessment district No. 16.

All members present voted yes.

The bill of the Ryan hotel for \$27.70 for property destroyed in room No. 5 of said hotel by the suicide of R. H. Sanders, deceased, was on motion disallowed by the board.

The bill of Emily Sorenson, administratrix of the estate of William Sorenson, deceased, in the sum of \$49.00 for prolate fees paid into the county treasury was on motion disallowed by the board for reason that no protest was made at time of payment.

The bill of Emily Sorenson, guardian of the person and estate of Louise Sorenson, minor, in the sum of \$15.00, was on motion disallowed by the board for the reason that no protest was made at time of payment.

On motion the following bills were audited and allowed: Joseph Donovan, commissioners services and mileage, \$74.10. J. R. Poupore, commissioners services and mileage, \$66.80. W. B. Haddow, commissioners services and mileage, \$54.40. Robert Haddow, commissioners services and mileage, \$29.55. Total \$324.85.

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE Northern State Bank at Grand Forks, in the State of North Dakota, at the close of business September 12, 1914.

RESOURCES. Loans and discounts, \$629,682.96. Overdrafts secured and unsecured, \$28.58. Bonds, warrants and stocks, \$1,474.33. Real estate, \$18,827.00. Due from other banks, \$155,929.65. Clearing house, \$6,446.20. Items, \$54,921.57. Total, \$907,981.37.

LIABILITIES. Capital stock paid in, \$100,000.00. Surplus fund, \$20,000.00. Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid, \$7,111.99. Deposits for savings account, \$27,392.37. Demand certificates of deposits, \$5,944.65. Time certificates of deposits, \$4,755.72. Trust (trust funds) \$13,956.63. Due to other banks, \$13,951.06. Secretary Checks, \$113,069.43. Total, \$907,981.37.

State of North Dakota, County of Grand Forks, ss. I, C. W. Ross, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

C. W. ROSS, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of September, 1914. B. C. HENDRICKSON, Notary Public.

(Seal.) Correct. Attest: ALVIN ROBERTSON, JOHN H. YOLD, E. J. LANDER, Directors.

From better farming, \$27.62. Total, \$14,735.62.

On motion the board adjourned until September 16th, 1914, at 9 o'clock a. m. George Liddy, Chairman.

SENT TO PEN Took Only Twenty-Four Hours to Put Bootlegger Over the Road. Devils Lake, N. D., Sept. 16.—It took Earl Harris, arrested at Warwick on the charge of bootlegging less than twenty-four hours to get started for the penitentiary. Entering a plea of guilty he was sentenced by Judge C. W. Buttz to six months in prison.

POSTOFFICE ROBBED Postmaster Went Away Leaving Door Open for Customers. Bowman, N. D., Sept. 16.—Ranger, a fourth class postoffice in Billings county, supplies for Bowman, was burglarized during the absence of Postmaster Hubbard, and over \$40 in cash was taken.

Devils Lake, N. D., Sept. 16.—With delegates here representing forty-three Sons of Norway lodges in the state of North Dakota, Alberta and Saskatchewan, with a combined membership of over twenty-one hundred, the fourth grand lodge district was formed, as provided at the last meeting of the grand lodge, Sons of Norway, at Minneapolis, Minn., at that time M. F. Hezge of Hattow was appointed temporary president and B. A. Lee of Pekin appointed secretary.

Formerly the territory which comprised the new district was included in the first district which covered Minnesota, South Dakota, Wisconsin and Illinois. With the order for the formation of the fourth district came an order for the birth of the fifth district comprising the lodges of Wisconsin and Illinois, leaving Minnesota and South Dakota alone in the one supreme first. The west coast with a membership of 2,800 and the Atlantic coast with a membership of 2,000 form the second and third districts respectively. The first now has 3,200, the fifth 1,500 while the new fourth district has 42 lodges and a total membership of 2,110.

The election of officers and the adoption of the constitution and by-laws will be routine business of the afternoon, while this evening will be devoted to a social session.

The Supervising Inspector (Washington Star). A man exclaimed, "Such slight success I've won. I'll have to change the object of my cares. And since my own affairs I cannot run. I will take charge of other men's affairs."

SPLENDID WORK Former Devils Lake Man Writes Interesting Papers. Devils Lake, N. D., Sept. 16.—Residents of Devils Lake, and pioneers endeavored to concentrate in these historical papers a clearly stated and logically arranged mass of facts gathered from over a hundred authorities, of which many are inaccessible to most readers because of their rarity—of especial interest, and of such educational value as to render them worthy of a place in any library for future reference.