

# DEATH OF CHILD CAUSES CHARGE

### Richardton Man is Alleged to Have Abused His Wife.

Dickinson, N. D., Dec. 22.—The people of this locality were astonished to find that Michael Keller, the Richardton hotel keeper, was in jail on a charge of manslaughter in the first degree. Those acquainted with the family, however, aver that for the past ten or fifteen years Keller has been abusing his wife, and during their residence in Taylor, where they also conducted a hotel until last summer, it became necessary for the wife to seek the aid of the authorities in making Keller behave himself. Each time he begged off and the cases never reached the courts.

It is stated on good authority that Keller was beating and choking his wife early in October and that as a result of this abuse Mrs. Keller gave birth to a child which only lived a short time. The offense for a crime of this kind is punishable by a sentence of five to fifteen years in the penitentiary. Hence it looks pretty bad for Keller.

At the time Keller committed the offense of kicking his wife, she was at home on October 8, she was afraid to complain of his abuse.

In justice court, before A. P. Folsom, Keller waived examination and his case was sent on up to the district court, the bail which defendant is unable to get, being fixed at \$7,000. It was understood that Keller was going to plead guilty but when he reached Judge Crawford's court he had changed his mind. A short stay of proceedings was granted to give Casey & Burgeson, attorneys for defendant, an opportunity to look into the case a little more. These gentlemen were not prepared to say much about the matter. They realize that a most serious charge hangs over the head of their client and if supported by true facts as charged, there is not very much to be done. However, the Dickinson attorneys will attempt to ascertain the real facts as now. If the case comes up right away, as once seems probable, a special jury will be called.

Application may be made to Judge Crawford to reduce Keller's bond. However, it is not likely that bail would be reduced enough to enable Keller to get bondsmen.

# JAMESTOWN MINISTER SEEKS "JUSTICE" WITH MILE LONG PETITION

Bismarck, N. D., Dec. 22.—An unique document was filed for reference in the office of State Auditor Carl Jorgenson by Rev. Frank H. Hews of Jamestown.

It appears from a perusal of the paper that the aforementioned Hews is of the opinion that he is dwelling in a community infested with a bunch of crooks, and this includes not only Jamestown and Stutsman county but also the entire state of North Dakota.

He thinks that his feelings have been hurt, his property damaged and his business ruined to the extent of about \$200,000 and he makes that demand on the state. The petition is presented in one long string of typewritten pages pasted together until it makes an appeal about six feet long.

Only capital letters are used in the writing and it is signed and acknowledged before a notary public.

Mr. Hews, who is said to have been a minister some time ago, has a very poor opinion of the officials as they have been chosen in North Dakota. He also insists that the railroad has been in a conspiracy to do him up both physically and financially.

He insists that unless the state officials take action he has another means of obtaining justice and will use it. He will probably be allowed to go ahead with "the other means."

# LABORER KILLED BY FAST TRAIN

Dickinson, N. D., Dec. 22.—A sad accident happened two and a half miles west of the station of Hodges, Mont., at 9:20 Tuesday morning when the fast train No. 1 struck a motor car occupied by a section foreman and one laborer. The laborer, Ben Roeland, was instantly killed. The train was running between 35 and 40 miles an hour. The remains were taken to the station and the train reached Glendive. The foreman was thrown some distance but was not badly injured. Both resided at Hodges.

# ANNUAL MEETING OF HOLSTEIN BREEDERS

New Salem, N. D., Dec. 22.—The annual meeting of the North Dakota Holstein Breeders' association convened here for a three day session. An important item on the program is a breeder's school at which prominent stock men and educators take a big part. Application from many has been received for membership.

# MRS. BUDLONG WILL DELIVER ADDRESS

Bismarck, N. D., Dec. 22.—Mrs. Minnie Clarke Budlong, secretary of the library commission, will be one of the speakers at the meeting of the league of library commissions to be held at Chicago December 30 to January 1, inclusive. Mrs. Budlong will make a short talk on the aid which the league should give to states considering the formation of new commissions. Another party well known to North Dakotians who will be on the program is Miss Julia A. Robinson of Iowa. Miss Robinson was for one year acting secretary of the North Dakota commission during the absence of Mrs. Budlong. Miss Robinson is now located in Iowa and is treasurer of the League of Library Commissions. She will talk on what system of library institutes she proved most effective.

# LANTERMAN PLANS BRICK STRUCTURE

Mandan, N. D., Dec. 22.—As the result of the city commission refusing permission to A. Lanterman to repair a building partly destroyed by fire on December 15, a new brick building will be erected. The commission has announced that hereafter no repairs can be made on frame buildings located in the business district.

# GOVERNMENT GRANTS EXTENSION OF TIME

Mandan, N. D., Dec. 22.—D. B. Zimmerman of Somerset, Pa., owner of thousands of head of cattle which have been pastured on the Standing Rock Indian reservation, has been granted an extension of time, of the order to remove his stock. He has been given a renewal of his lease from the government for another year.

# DOUBLE ELECTION CONTEST STARTED

### Action in Beaver and Grant Counties Comes as a Surprise.

Mandan, N. D., Dec. 22.—Contest notices of both Beaver and Grant counties were served on County Commissioners C. P. O'Rourke, John Elison, Theodore Feland, J. P. Lang and Simon Nagle. The action of Beaver county supporters came very unexpectedly. Both petitions set forth similar claims, that the allegations in the Grant county petition are more definite. The papers were served at different times during the day, which was the last day limited by law. The election which is being questioned was held on November 3 and the canvassing board met on the 18th and 19th of the same month.

Proposed Beaver county makes large claims and assumes that 467 illegal votes were cast on the proposition. The vote on the issue was 2,013 against and 1,739 for, while the contention of the plaintiff, F. E. Lerschen, is that the Beaver division proposition carried by 183 votes. Definite irregularities are cited in precincts in the eastern and central portion of Morton county where the voters opposed division almost solidly. Alleging, voted 50 according to the three wards in Mandan contributed to the illegality, and all the local territory figured in the illegal election.

Miller & Zuger of Bismarck are representing the plaintiff in the action. Attorney Zuger was in the city yesterday and saw that the papers were served.

P. S. Boettcher of Elgin is the plaintiff in the action in behalf of proposed Grant county and Acting & Sullivan of this city are acting as counsel for him. Grant county was defeated by only 13 votes at the November 3 election. The vote was 1,954 for and 1,967 against.

The principal demand is a recount of the vote. They realize that every possible election irregularity is cited, including the claim that the election officer did not qualify as required by law; that the election was not held in the places as had been advertised; that the voting booths were not erected according to law; that electioneering was prohibited contrary to law; and various other reasons are advanced.

Attorney Hanley stated yesterday that the commissioners will soon file their answer and that the matter would take the form of any other legal action in the courts and that the contest would probably be given at once and disposition would be made of the matter during the winter.

# "TIPPERARY" MAN LIVED IN MANDAN

Mandan, N. D., Dec. 22.—The whole town is humming, whistling or singing "Tipperary," the English soldier's battle song. Not because they are in sympathy with the English, for they are not as the population is over fifty per cent German, but because Harry Williams, the copartner formerly in the Williams, the copartner formerly in the Williams, who clerked in local stores for years, and the town has just awakened to the fact that it was the home of a man who has become famous.

# BIG SUM CLAIMED BY SIOUX INDIANS

Fort Yates, N. D., Dec. 22.—Affidavits are being secured from the old time Indians of the Standing Rock reservation, who signed the treaty of 1878, by which the Sioux ceded to the United States that territory which is now a large part of South Dakota.

At a big Indian council to be held here on January 15, the affidavits and evidence will be collected and prepared for presentation to the United States department of Indian affairs, as a claim for some \$1,000,000 which the Sioux claim is due them.

Chief Justice John Grass of the Sioux tribe and others will make the trip to Washington.

# STEEL CARS PREVENT TRAIN WRECK HORROR

Williston, N. D., Dec. 22.—Trainmen who were in the wreck of the Oriental Limited, Great Northern coast train, at Coburg, Mont., last night, when the steel coaches were overturned down an embankment, assert that heavy loss of life was averted by the steel coaches of which the long train was composed. Four passengers were slightly injured. The wreck was caused by a brook attempt due to the 20 below zero weather.

# COUNTY AUDITOR VISITS GOVERNOR

Bismarck, N. D., Dec. 22.—Ira Williston, county auditor of Billings county, was a caller on Gov. Hanna. Mr. Williston was on his way home from a visit to Iowa where he has relatives and friends. He was elected auditor of Billings county from a part of the county that is now Slope county and is rather interested in the location of the county seat and it is his private opinion publicly expressed that Amidon would make about the best location that could be settled upon. Mr. Williston will probably be here when the matter is taken up on December 31.

# ENGINEER THROWN THRU CAB WINDOW

Mandan, N. D., Dec. 22.—When Engineer H. H. Warren, employed with the N. P., was hurried through the window of the engine cab and down a thirty foot embankment in a head-on collision, vertebrae of the back bone were displaced. He is in the local hospital and the case is a puzzle for specialists. The spinal cord has not been injured but the dislocation of the vertebrae is such that the surgeons fear it will be necessary to replace them for fear of destroying the nerve system.

# WILLISTON

Williston, N. D., Dec. 22.—John Jennison returned Friday from Grand Forks where he has been attending the university. He will spend the holidays with his parents.

Mrs. B. J. Schorager returned last week from the month long visit at Chicago, Kansas City and Marshall, Mo. Miss Florence Dennett returned Sunday from St. Paul.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hutchinson are guests at the home of Mr. Hutchinson's parents.

F. P. Bergman left Monday for Fargo to attend the annual meeting of the Pioneer Life insurance company.

Mr. and Mrs. John Roe left Williston Wednesday for St. Louis where they will make their home.

Nick Hayes, who has been connected with the Williams County State bank as vice president, has been appointed at once and disposition would be made of the matter during the winter.

Mrs. E. S. Shaw returned Friday from a visit with her mother, Mrs. L. M. Miller of Velva.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Benton left the last of the week for Seattle to spend the holiday season with their daughter, Mrs. Waldron.

Thos. Murphy left Tuesday for Minneapolis where he will spend Christmas with Mrs. Murphy.

The A. O. U. W. gave a card party in their lodge hall Friday evening.

James H. Cooper spent a few days in Bismarck last week.

Mrs. Charles Schumacher returned last week from a visit in Wisconsin. George Wilke left Wednesday morning for Barnesville for a few days' visit with his brother.

E. L. Lohrke who has formed an association with Attorney W. Owens has arrived in Williston. He will make this city his home. Formerly he has been engaged in general law practice in Dickinson, Va.

Mrs. M. J. Boreholm and Mrs. John McMillan entertained a number of their friends at the home of Mrs. Boreholm Friday afternoon. The last of the party was a delicious luncheon.

Mr. and Mrs. Denney entertained at their home Saturday evening at bridge.

Miss Agnes Tension left Friday to spend the holidays at her home in Monticello.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Metz left Friday for Minneapolis to visit.

# MANY SENTENCED TO STATE PRISON

### Ward Furnishes its Usual Quota of Citizens for the Penitentiary.

Minot, N. D., Dec. 22.—Judge K. E. Leighton sentenced a number of prisoners to the state penitentiary. Clarence Scott, burglary in the third degree, three years; Andrew Schmidt, burglary in the third degree, three years and six months; William Schmidt, burglary in the third degree, four years; Jack Bowers, three years and six months for grand larceny.

Eibert Baker, aged 18, to the state reform school until he is 21, for a statutory offense.

Paul Olson was given one year in the penitentiary for bootlegging but the sentence was suspended and he was placed on parole.

The case of O. W. Webb, charged with blindpicking, and that of Morgan Rhoades, charged with assault with a firearm with intent to kill, was ordered to be transferred to Mountrail county.

The trial of Sonny Flecks, charged with perjury, will be begun in district court before Judge Flak today.

# LAND OFFICE MAN VISITS BISMARCK

Bismarck, N. D., Dec. 21.—J. G. Quilavin of Dickinson, United States land office was in Bismarck and spent some time visiting old friends at the capitol building. He was on his way to Minneapolis where he expects to visit a few days before he goes to Browns Valley, Minn., where he will spend the holiday season with relatives.

# WEEK'S EVENTS AT JAMESTOWN COLLEGE

Jamestown, N. D., Dec. 22.—President Kroeze has been busy visiting different towns of the state, north and northwest of Jamestown.

Mrs. L. H. Schorager returned to the Williams County department, was called to Colorado Springs by the death of her father.

Mrs. J. H. Schorager, this year four times as large as last year, held their Christmas party. The early part of the evening was spent at the opera house. Later they journeyed to the Science hall where the social committee had prepared a very bountiful dinner. An exceedingly jolly evening was spent and all report a general good time.

Mrs. Griner, wife of the professor of mathematics, has been confined to her room by illness the last ten days, but is reported to be recovering.

Coach Dougan is organizing a teachers' class in physical education. Those enrolling for this work are students expected to take up the profession of athletic coaching and physical culture.

Prof. C. E. Chamberlain of the Commercial department, left for his home in Mattoon, Ill., where he will spend his vacation.

The senior class of '15 will send out two men as athletic directors, Clifford D. Mitchell and Herert Kroeze. Mr. Mitchell, this year's captain of the football team, has had a grand collegiate record as an all around athlete. This has been especially with interest the success of Mr. Mitchell in his profession. Mr. Kroeze also has been very active in all college athletics. This has been especially a successful year for him and his many friends wish him the greatest success in his athletic work.

Prof. Plescia, teacher of modern languages, will spend his Christmas vacation with friends in Genoa, Neb.

Miss Edna I. Zavitz, instructor in the Domestic Science department, will spend her vacation at her home in Hunter, N. D. Miss Zavitz will also deliver several lectures at different points in the state during this time, along the line of her very important work.

The football number of the college paper is just off the press. In the paper is found the individual cuts of the varsity men, and a history of their athletic accomplishments, also numerous other cuts and athletic life-size portraits of the best athletic number ever put out at J. C. and Editor Parker and his staff are certainly to be congratulated.

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# GRAFTON

Grafton, N. D., Dec. 22.—Attorney J. D. Phelps of Minot transacted business matters here on Wednesday.

Mrs. G. W. McIntyre and son, Willie, left Friday evening for Lakeville, Minn., to spend the holiday season.

The university students arrived on Friday evening to spend their holiday vacation here with their relatives.

Miss Winnifred Trotter of the high school faculty left Saturday for Osambrook to spend her vacation with her parents.

A. J. Wilson of Langdon arrived here last week to accept a position with the Grafton Drug Co.

Leonard Sprague arrived Saturday evening from Madison, Wis., where he is attending the state university and spending his vacation at the parental home.

Mrs. J. Kenney and baby returned last week to their home in New York City, Ia., to join a couple of months here with relatives.

Miss Weeks left Friday evening for her home in Thief River Falls to spend a couple of weeks.

R. Klosterman transacted business in St. Thomas last week.

W. E. Small left Sunday for Sioux City, Ia., to join his family for the Christmas season.

The commercial directors here appointed committees to make complete arrangements for the Farmers Institute. The committee is A. McConville, chairman, W. E. Small, H. L. Hausman, M. H. Sprague, H. B. Eggers, Jr., Supt. Hoover, Prof. Duddles, J. Gray, E. C. Jackson and A. G. Tverberg.

Father Munroe of Pembina will spend Christmas day here.

Miss Leslie Hall arrived Monday from New Rockford to spend the holidays at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Taisey of Finley, N. D., arrived the first part of the week to visit during the holiday season with their daughter, Mrs. T. Chantland.

W. J. Clare, wife and daughter of Rugby are guests in the city at the home of Jas. Hall.

Clayton Grange of Prince Rupert, B. C. is spending the Christmas season here visiting with friends.

A hearing was held today at the court house when the railroad commissioners listened to the protest raised by the towns along the line at the Great Northern for petitioning to put on a mixed train on the Wallhalla branch.

R. A. Lone of Drayton was a business visitor here last Tuesday.

Miss Mabel Murphy arrived home Sunday from Carrington to spend the Christmas vacation with her mother.

The board of county commissioners held their regular monthly meeting last week.

H. H. Traveller of Forest River transacted business here on Friday.

Miss Maher left Friday evening for Illinois where they will spend the holidays.

Supt. Erickson and the winners in the county industrial contest spent several days last week at the agricultural college at Fargo. Walsh county was represented by Helges Raedman, Grafton township, district 25; Eugene Darby, Conway, district 64; Blanche Herwick, Fertile, district 62; Theresa Rosholt, Glenwood, district 43; Thilda Tension, Golden, district 46; Blanche Costello, Ops, district 38.

Miss Laura Hanson of Cando arrived home Saturday to spend the holidays.

Miss Genevieve Grover came home Saturday from Fargo to spend the Christmas vacation.

# DISCUSS DICKINSON FEDERAL BUILDING

Dickinson, N. D., Dec. 22.—About 40 club members and invited citizens gathered for a 6:30 o'clock banquet at the Villard hotel. The meal was served in five courses and was much enjoyed.

There was quite a little discussion about the federal building for Dickinson.

The committee on federal court chambers for Dickinson was not present. It is believed, however, that a bill has been introduced in congress authorizing terms of United States court here.

Superintendent P. S. Berg made a very interesting address regarding the normal school for Dickinson. He showed plainly the needs for such a school in the southwestern part of the state to enable our teachers to better prepare themselves for the great work which awaits them on every hand. However, Superintendent Berg assured his hearers that it would require a great deal of hard work to get the school. To better plan for this task, it was proposed to hold a banquet the last of the month and have our local representatives and neighboring representatives meet with the business men. The secretary will confer with Senator McBride, Representatives Turner, Blanchard and Wanner and arrange and announce the date.

Among the new men present who spoke at the banquet were O. A. Hoffmann, N. L. Malengreen, S. C. Barnes, H. L. Mohrke and T. G. Johnson.



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