

News of North Dakota

\$18,000 FIRE LOSS ON FARM

Buildings, Grain and Potatoes Owned by Fritz Gruhl Totally Destroyed.

Moorhead, Minn., Dec. 3.—One large grain elevator, two small granaries and one potato house, containing 6,000 bushels of wheat, 10,000 bushels of oats and about 6,000 bushels of potatoes, were totally destroyed by fire, of unknown origin, at the farm of Fritz Gruhl in Cromwell township, twenty miles northeast of here. The loss is estimated at between \$18,000 and \$20,000, covered by \$8,000 insurance, part on the buildings and part on the grain.

The fire started in the elevator and before Mr. Gruhl and other men on the farm could quench the blaze the flames had gained a headway and were sweeping through the building. It was not long before the fire spread to the two granaries, and the potato house and these also were totally destroyed.

Mr. Gruhl and his son, Fred Gruhl, who lives on the farm, are in Moorhead and are not a little put out over the loss. They are unable to explain what caused the fire. Mr. Gruhl says that some wheat had been hauled away from the elevator but that no one on the farm had gone near the building since.

The farmer says he will sustain a loss of about \$10,000, as the insurance on the buildings and part of the grain and potatoes is \$8,000.

MAN FINDS EASY WAY TO GET \$50

Jamestown, N. D., Dec. 3.—Dan Brophy, a farmer south of town, is out \$50. Jack Finch, an employe, went to Fargo recently and wired Brophy \$50, got it and returned to Jamestown. Some other man was wise to this and wired to Jack's man from Minneapolis for \$50 to come by mail, general delivery. And he got it. Just about the time Mr. Brophy's check reached Minneapolis, Mr. Finch loomed up at his old employer's and upon comparing notes found the fraud. Suspicion points to another party who worked in this section and steps have been taken to apprehend the young forger.

LOSES BARN AND STOCK IN FIRE

Langdon, N. D., Dec. 3.—Duncan McDonald, who lives about four miles northeast of Loma, sustained a serious loss, when his barn, containing ten horses, one colt, all of his harness and small tools, chickens, cats and hay, was burned. According to the report of the fire, it is stated that Mr. McDonald noticed a light through the window of his bedroom at about 6 o'clock in the morning. He dressed hurriedly and went out just in time to see the flames break through the roof, and found it was too late to save any of the stock.

FARGO MAN IS SENT TO MINOT

Fargo, N. D., Dec. 3.—T. P. Mullick, who for the past five years has been general agent of the local branch of the International Harvester company, has been transferred to Minot and is now busily engaged in directing the destinies of the branch in that city. Mr. Mullick was notified of his transfer last week, and left for Minot on Monday. Mr. Mullick's place here is being taken by A. E. Clancy of Eau Claire, Wis. Mr. Clancy has been general agent at Eau Claire for the past four years and was formerly assistant general agent at the local branch.

MEETS HIS FATHER FOR FIRST TIME

Fargo, N. D., Dec. 3.—Seeing each other for the first time in their lives, W. J. Botkins of Harwood, Cass county, and Harry Shepard of Mitchell, S. D., father and son, are getting acquainted with each other at the Botkins home at Harwood.

Harry Shepard, who is now 35 years of age and is employed in the postoffice in Mitchell, was born after his father and mother separated. The separation was complete, as the two never heard of each other afterward and Mr. Botkins, who has resided at Harwood for a number of years, never knew whether the child that was expected was a boy or a girl, or for that matter whether it had lived. The mother later became Mrs. Shepard and the boy took the name of his stepfather.

Learns Father is Alive.

Henry Shepard learned later that his real father was somewhere in the world and after he grew of an age to make it possible has been exerting every effort to locate his father, should he still be living, and if not to find out where he was buried. For the past twenty-eight years Shepard has been living at Mitchell, during which time twelve years has been spent in government employ, but it was only a short time ago that he learned that his real father was alive and was living at Harwood. Correspondence confirmed the fact that Shepard had found a father and that Botkins had found a son.

As soon as Shepard could secure a leave of absence he started at once for Harwood and father and son are making up for the lost years and are getting acquainted with each other and holding a sort of reunion or rather union.

POLICE WOMAN FOR FARGO IS WANTED

Fargo, N. D., Dec. 3.—Fargo will in all probability have another trained policeman to take the place of Mrs. Irma Erwin Poppler, who was let out of service according to action taken by the city commissioners. It is also probable that an effort will be made to take the policeman from under the supervision of the police commissioner and to appoint as his chief an original officer of the city with the provision that she and the police department act in harmony and to all, instructing the city attorney to draw up an ordinance creating the office of policeman and defining her duties and containing other matters pertaining to the conduct of the office, et cetera.

KEEPS HIS LITTLE HOME NEAR TRACK

Bismarck, N. D., Dec. 3.—Everyman's house is his castle even if it is a shanty on the railroad right-of-way. In the opinion of the city commissioner, who called off hostilities against Owen Farley, a local character who has lived under squatter's rights upon the Northern Pacific right-of-way for 30 years or more.

The other day he decided to patch his shanty to make it habitable for the winter and add to this abode by a frame annex. Some objection was raised because of fire limits and Chief Downing was summoned to restrain Mr. Farley until permission was given by the city commissioner to allow him to continue the work.

At the meeting, the commission took Farley's side of the controversy and notified Chief Downing to tell Mr. Farley that he would be tolerated. It is said that Mr. Farley has squatter's rights for the rest of his life on the little spot of ground his humble home occupies.

The days seem short enough, but they keep right on getting shorter just the same.

HUSBAND AND BROTHERS IN WAR, SHE WATCHES NEWS OF COLDSTREAM GUARDS



Mrs. Benedict Burbeck.

Mrs. Benedict Burbeck, only daughter of Lady Emily Alexander, follows the slightest movements of the Coldstream guards with extraordinary interest. And well she may, for her husband is a second lieutenant, her brother a first lieutenant, and her younger brother a newly enlisted private in this famous band of fighting men.

FIRE CAUSES BIG DAMAGE

Explosion of Film in Picture Show Starts Flames—Damage is \$15,000.

WOMAN DIES AS RESULT OF BURNS

While Husband is in for Operation.

THREE MEN BOUND TO DISTRICT COURT

Bismarck, N. D., Dec. 3.—The three men, Carl Second, J. J. Shea and Nels Jensen, who are alleged to have taken a number of articles from the house of Mr. Anderson, a farmer residing near Moffit, and a number of his turkeys, were held under \$1,500 bonds each for the December term of court following a hearing before Justice Pierce in the court house. Their case will come up about December 17.

CLARK MAY GO WITH THE PEACE PARTY

Bismarck, N. D., Dec. 3.—Sam Clark, editor of Jim Jam Jams, has left for New York. This announcement was made at the state capital. It is probable that Mr. Clark will make the trip to The Hague on the Ford peace ship, in order to gather data relative to conditions in Europe. Mr. Clark has desired to visit the war front for some time.

COMMERCIAL CLUB PROGRAM PREPARED

N. D. Federation of Clubs Will Meet in Fargo Dec. 15 and 16.

Fargo, N. D., Dec. 3.—Secretary J. P. Hardy of the Fargo Commercial club has outlined the program for the coming meeting of the Federation of North Dakota Commercial club officers, which will be held here on December 15 and 16.

The program is prepared for the purpose of getting the greatest amount of value out of it and instead of any set papers it has been arranged to partake of the nature of a round table at which there will be a general discussion of the subjects to be considered.

On Wednesday, December 15, the program will begin at 10 o'clock in the Commercial club rooms. There will be an address of welcome by J. P. Hardy, secretary of the Fargo club. This will be followed by a response by James A. Dinius, president of the Federation of Clubs. There will then be a report of the secretary and treasurer of the federation followed by the appointment of committees.

There will then be a statement of The Chicago Herald plan by Ward D. Williams. This subject will then be taken up for general discussion until the noon hour.

Lunch will be served at the club dining rooms at noon on each of the two days of the convention.

The discussion of Wednesday afternoon will be that of "Immigration" which will be led by R. F. Flint, commissioner of agriculture and labor of North Dakota, and E. B. Sherman, commissioner of immigration for the state of Minnesota. This discussion will be started at 2 o'clock. The topic of immigration is one of the big subjects to be taken up by the federation at its coming convention. This subject is probably the one that is attracting the attention of commercial clubs and club officers more than any other in this state and a vast amount of interest will be taken in the discussion of the subject.

The subject will occupy the undivided attention of the meeting for the remainder of the day.

The Thursday program is to also be a highly interesting one. At 10 o'clock the election of officers will be held after which there will be a statement of the farm labor proposition by W. C. Macfadden, secretary of the North Dakota Bankers' association. The discussion of the problem will follow in the afternoon at 2 o'clock with L. J. Bricker, immigration agent of the Northern Pacific; E. C. Leedy, immigration agent of the Great Northern; J. S. Murphy, immigration agent of the Southern Railway; and L. J. Bricker, immigration agent of the Northern Pacific.

The farm labor proposition has been another matter that is attracting wide attention by commercial clubs over the state and during the past year the clubs have done much in bringing the farm laborer and the job together.

There is every indication that the meeting next week will be largely attended as there is much enthusiasm expressed by commercial club secretaries and other officers over the topics that will be taken up here. The method of converting the convention into a round table as in this way each one present will be given an opportunity of giving his opinion on the subject will without doubt result in action that will be effective.

NATURAL RESULT. Mrs. Crabshaw—I learned to drive an auto while on my vacation. Crabshaw—What next? Mrs. Crabshaw—What I'm going to buy me a car, dear.—Judge.

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FOGARTY HEAD OF "MILL" STAFF

Mayville Normal Publication Will be Issued During the Year.

Mayville, N. D., Dec. 3.—The editorial staff for the school annual, The Mill, is announced as follows: Editor in Chief—John Fogarty.

Student Business Manager—Sverre Braaten. Student Associate Editors—Caledonia Thompson, organization, Miss Ann Arnum; roasts, Miss Ness; literary, Miss Bervig; art, Mr. Dutee.

The faculty committee on "The Mill" consists of Mr. Butterfield, chairman; G. L. Paine, W. A. Wilkinson, Miss Olson and Miss Speaker.

Owing to the fact that the senior class contains most of the available material for basketball teams this year, the other classes have been obliged to combine forces against them. These allied forces with the assistance of S. Grinde, a senior, succeeded in defeating the seniors last Friday afternoon, the final score being 27 to 19. The game was spirited throughout but rather one-sided from the beginning. The seniors did not show as good form as in the previous game while Grinde, the senior player, with the allies, seemed in almost perfect playing condition and was able to find the basket whenever he tried. The defeat was taken in good part by the seniors. The principal of the state normal school at Moorhead was the official.

The regular meeting of the Women's club was held with Mrs. Kobernagle last Saturday. The meeting was led by Miss Olson, Miss Springren and Mrs. Paine. The discussions were upon the following topics: Literary poverty, the modern novel compared with that of old, and inside the cup.

The next number of the normal leycum course will be given on the evening of December 6 by the Misses Reynolds. This entertainment will be a costume recital of folk songs and dances. While these entertainers have never visited Mayville the patrons of the course are assured of an excellent evening. The Reynolds sisters have planned a sum as literary poverty, the modern novel compared with that of old, and inside the cup.

Miss Speaker will attend a meeting of the teachers of home economics of the three states, North Dakota, Minnesota and South Dakota, to be held in Fargo on Friday, December 3. This meeting will be in the direction of Miss Carolyn Lyford of the national department of education. Miss Speaker will read a paper before the convention.

Miss Tharaldson, sister of Mr. Tharaldson, is visiting in Mayville, having come before Thanksgiving.

Mrs. Butterfield and children returned to Mayville from an extended visit among relatives and friends in Manhattan, Kas.

Dr. Arneberg of Grand Forks was a Thanksgiving visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tharaldson.

Mrs. Travis returned from Fargo on Monday, having been called to Fargo on the illness of her father.

Miss Nelson spent Thanksgiving at her home in Fargo, returning on Monday morning.

GREAT DEMAND FOR BLUE DYE

London, Dec. 3.—The absence of the usual supplies of German synthetic indigo from the leading markets of the world has led to an eager demand for the natural product and record prices are being paid for the small quantities of this indispensable blue dye which comes from India. India is the principal producing country but the expanding demand for indigo has led to a revival of the industry in China where interesting developments are expected.

An estimate from the Punjab district of India states that the area under indigo represents over 14 per cent of the total area planted in British India, but the condition of the standing crops is said to be below average, and the yield from all standing crops will probably be small.

WINNIPEG HELPS WITH BIG LOAN

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 3.—Winnipeg came to the aid of the dominion government in subscribing to the \$50,000,000 war loan by subscribing one-tenth as great a sum as the government called for, the local subscriptions to the fund being \$5,000,000.

Nineteen chartered banks in Winnipeg participated in this loan, while many private concerns and individuals also participated.

The loan was oversubscribed by fully 100 per cent in the dominion.

MANY WOULD TAKE BODIES TO HOMES

Berlin, Dec. 3.—So frequent have been the pleadings of relatives to be allowed to disinter the bodies of their soldier-kin who have fallen at the front and been buried there, and bring them back home for reinterment, that the military authorities have relaxed their rules somewhat.

graves, not in graves in which a number are buried or in graves that form part of a row; the exact location of the grave must be indicated by sketches if possible; a relative or friend who is vouchered for as able to identify the body must superintend the disinterment; the body may be transferred only by horse-drawn vehicles and trains, not by automobiles; transfer on military trains is free, on others subject to the customary charges; the regulations in force in peace time govern the removal of bodies of men who have died from dangerous diseases.

SWEDES ESTABLISH CENTRAL BUREAU

Stockholm, Dec. 3.—The Swedish government has decided to establish a central bureau to deal with all matters affecting Swedish exports and imports, including the transit trade across Sweden to Russia. The bureau will have far-reaching powers and will be manned by men of wide commercial experience. One department will deal exclusively with British trade, another with trade with Germany, and another with trade between Sweden and the United States.

PRICE OF BREAD IS GOING LOWER

Hamburg, Dec. 3.—Hamburg is rejoicing that bread is at least declining rather than increasing in price. The authorities who control the bread and flour situation have just ordered that the maximum price for rye bread be reduced from 50 to 45 penninge, and for black bread from 55 to 52 penninge. Further, the weekly flour allowance per person is increased from 150 to 250 grams.

MAN FOUND DEAD IN ELEVATOR SHAFT

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 3.—Private T. Miller, 27 years old, of the 51st Battalion, is dead, being found at the bottom of an elevator shaft in a local building with his skull crushed. His chum, Private Alex McDonald, is being held pending an investigation.

According to facts so far gleaned by the police, Miller and McDonald, after being paid off, went out for a good time—and had it. In the evening they went to a rooming house, and several hours later Miller was found in the shaft.

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FARMERS CLUB IS ORGANIZED

Brinsmade, N. D., Dec. 3.—The farmers club at the Brinsmade school house was quite well attended. Mr. Boyts, the county field agent, gave an interesting little talk. At this meeting the farmers club was organized, to be known as the Brinsmade Farmers' club, with the following officers to serve in their respective offices for the coming year.

President—Arlyn Hofstrand. Vice President—Magnus Hofstrand. Secretary and Treasurer—Ezra Gerig.

Another meeting will be held at the Brinsmade school house on December 18 at 2 o'clock p. m. The farmers' club is for the purpose of furthering the social, educational and business interest of the farmers.

SHIPBUILDING FOR NAVIES ALMOST DONE

London, Dec. 3.—While the vast resources of the various ship building yards of Great Britain are largely concentrated on naval work, it is believed that during the next few months much of the urgent naval shipbuilding will be completed and a certain number of men released for mercantile building and repair work.

At present, however, there is great difficulty in fitting new mercantile vessels with propeller machinery and other equipment, largely through the number of men engaged on admiralty work and more recently by the new recruiting campaign which is slowly but surely depleting the yards of necessary workmen. Despite these drawbacks seven new vessels have just been completed on the Clyde, including the New Zealand passenger steamer "Aotearoa," 15,000 tons, the Lamer and motor liner "Bostonian" and the motor ship "Montezuma."

MANY ICE BREAKERS USED. Newcastle-on-Tyne, Dec. 3.—The master of a local steamer just arrived in the Tyne from Archangel, stated that there are now fifteen ice breakers at work in the vicinity of that port. Some are constantly stationed there, others have arrived from Canada and some came from Vladivostok to the White Sea via the north of Siberia. Hopes are entertained that steamer traffic will be maintained to and from Archangel till the end of January when the railway line to Kola Bay should be ready for use.

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