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FOREST CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA

John E. Downey, of Ocean City, Del., who is looking for a wife, inserted an advertisement in a newspaper. To qualify, she must be "a good woman, about 30 years old and a good cook." Downey works in the big fish pond and declares that he can not see why business methods should not be applied to marriage.

That he intended shoeing a horse on his 90th birthday had been the assertion of Josiah Collins, of Kansas City, Mo., and when the birthday rolled around Mr. Collins was on the job. Friends of Mr. Collins assert for him the distinction of being the oldest active horsehooper in Missouri, if not in the United States.

A Hays, (Kan.) woman sleeps with an unloaded, bejeweled revolver under her pillow each night. The cartridges are in an envelope in a drawer in the next room and on nights when she feels particularly nervous she locks the door between the revolver and the ammunition.

Rice Bros., of Boothbay, Me., have crated and are sending a 22-foot motor craft of their building to Guayaquil, Ecuador. It weighs 1,684 pounds. The route is: Water to Portland, Me., and New York, rail to the Pacific coast, and water down the coast to South America.

One rainy day recently a parrot, hanging in the doorway of a restaurant in Lewiston, Me., was left out and began screaming and calling. Finally he became exasperated and indignantly screamed at the closed door: "Rain on Poll, rain on Poll." The bird was taken in.

The reflector, 100 inches in diameter, for the Mt. Wilson observatory in California, which will be finished early next year, will be the largest mirror ever cast. It will be 13 inches thick and will contain, in one solid piece, four and one-half tons of glass.

Kettles made of thin paper are used by Japanese soldiers. When needed for boiling, the kettle is filled with water and then water is poured over it. It is hung over the fire, and in 10 minutes the water is boiling. The kettle can be used eight or 10 times.

The recent discovery of extensive deposits of alunite in British Columbia, contributing an additional source of potash to those already known on this continent. The deposits thus far examined are on Vancouver island.

Probably the most buoyant material in the world is the pith from a giant sunflower grown in Siberia, which can support 35 times its own weight when in water. Cork on the other hand, has a buoyancy of only one to five and reindeer's hair one to 10.

Salvatore Bagnasco, aged 40, has entered the high school in Groversville, N. Y., as a student and will begin at once the study of English, penmanship and arithmetic. He is a glove maker and speaks Spanish, French and Italian fluently.

The women of Mexico use fireflies as jewels. They tie them in little gauze bags and put them in their hair or their clothing. Then, until they require them again, they keep them in little wire cages and feed them on scraps of sugar cane.

After courting each other 40 years without a "spat," and feeling confident they knew each other well enough to live under the same roof, Lafayette Gates and Bettie Reagor, of Rutherford, Tenn., were married the other day.

An automobile museum has been established in London, where there are exhibited gasoline cars, made as early as 1895, a steam tricycle made in 1891, and one of the earliest steam cars, made in 1860.

When man breathes he uses his muscular strength to draw in the air and it is afterward forced out automatically. With insects, as a German investigator has just discovered, this process is just reversed.

Mrs. Emma Brooks, aged 56, of Holland, Mich., walked seven miles to register with the township clerk and then walked three miles election day to vote for the \$25,000 bonding proposition for good roads.

Sun glasses have been invented for baseball players, so hinged to a cap that a touch will drop them into position for a man to see a ball coming toward him while looking directly at the sun.

New York city's fire loss in 1915 amounted to \$5,775,018, or \$1.06 per capita, said to be the lowest in the city's history. Effective inspection and safety law enforcement produced the result.

The largest single personal tax schedule in Chicago is that of the Commonwealth Edison company, \$31,250,000. Second place is held by the First National bank, with a schedule of \$19,500,000.

A German electrical society offers a gold medal annually for the best device or process produced in the world for safeguarding life or limb or promoting health in the electrical industry.

That he can produce one horse power for each pound his engine weighs is the assertion of the French inventor of a motor depending upon the explosive force of gunpowder for power.

Exploration has proved a long maintained theory that Finnish Lapland contains vast deposits of the highest grade iron ore, equal, if not superior, to the best Swedish.

To enable a man to work in smoke or gas for a short time there has been invented a combination mask and hat, the latter acting as a fresh air reservoir.

Sleeping car berths have been invented with end sections that can be lifted to give occupants room enough to stand erect when undressing or dressing.

The French have a process of making a sweet flour from fried sugar beets. The substance, when complexed, contains 53 per cent of pure nutriment.

M'CLELLAN CAPTURED AFTER AUTO ACCIDENT

Had Been Fugitive From Justice For Two Years—Charged With Embezzlement.

Deadwood, S. D., Aug. 21.—Through the publicity following an accident, in which he was a member of the party, near Beulah, Wyo., George D. McClellan, formerly a well known resident of Lead, who for two years has been a fugitive from justice, was caught by deputy sheriffs at Belle Fourche as he brought in the body of Asa Gardner, the North Dakota banker, killed in the auto wreck.

McClellan is wanted to answer a charge of embezzlement from the Seth Bullock camp Spanish War Veterans, of which he was treasurer two years ago. At that time he skipped his bail, was caught in Omaha, but persuaded the police there to let him go before the sheriff from here arrived. He has since been in North Dakota.

McClellan was proved by the Lead veterans to be traveling under false colors, his Spanish war record consisting of a short service at Fort Meade, S. D., according to the government authorities. He also at one time claimed to be related closely to the civil war general of the same name, but investigation showed this to be not true.

SOUTH DAKOTA MAY LAND BIG BEET SUGAR REFINERY

Belle Fourche, S. D., Aug. 21.—It is asserted on positive authority that a site for the \$1,000,000 sugar beet factory that the Great Western Beet Sugar company, of Denver, has been investigating here has been selected on ground adjacent to this city. Several officials of the company were here this week and returned to Denver after arranging for the shipment of 100 carloads of sugar beets, raised here this year as a test to the Scotts Bluff, Neb., factory. The beets are bringing \$5 a ton on board the cars. A weighing house and scales are to be put in on a sliding four miles from here and definite announcement of the intention to build the refinery is looked for soon.

YANKTON—A great deal of the grain in this vicinity is being threshed from the shock. Showers have interfered somewhat with the progress of threshing, but most of the grain in shock has now been taken care of. Returns in Yankton county are for the most part highly satisfactory. Oat yields are reported from 40 to 60 bushels per acre, and while the wheat acreage is small, returns from this crop have been large. Corn, which is the main crop in this section, is looking exceptionally fine. There has been plenty of moisture to fully develop the ears and many of the fields have begun to harden already, and will be entirely out of the way of an early frost if such should occur.

DIXON—At a mass meeting of the members of the local Catholic church it was decided to erect a church building, which it is intended shall be one of the finest structures of the kind in the entire Rosebud country. Within a few minutes more than \$1,000 in cash was donated to the building fund. The church extension society of the national church is expected to make a liberal donation to the building fund. Work on the new church building will commence at once and be pushed to completion with all possible speed.

PIERRE—The people of White Butte, in Perkins county, are continuing their fight for the location of a station on the Milwaukee line for their town. Several hearings have been held in regard to the matter, and another date has been set for September 25 to attempt to adjust the differences between the people of the town and get a station established to allow them some of the benefits of the railway which passes through the town.

ALSEN—The committee on arrangements for the Labor day picnic to be held at Alsen on Labor day has completed its program. A 25-piece band from Vermilion will furnish the music for the day. Two or three speakers of state reputation will deliver addresses. There will be a ball game between Elk Point and Hawarden. The picnic will be held in Hendrickson's 15-acre maple grove.

RAPID CITY—Cato Seils, United States Indian commissioner, announced that he had accepted an invitation to deliver an address on August 27 at the Episcopal convention, which meets for three days on the Lower Brule reservation. The commissioner is here paying his first visit to the Rapid City Indian school.

BRIDGEWATER—In the eighth grade declamatory contest for McCook county, held at Salem today, Zack J. Wipf, of Bridgewater, won first honors; David Rosser, Montrose, second, and Miss Lucille Smith, of Canistota, third place.

A great deal has been written about the things boys carry in their pockets, writes a high school reporter in the Toronto, Kan., Republican, but for some reason they missed the girls. Recently our investigation committee held an inquest upon a girl's pockets and found the following: One scented pocket handkerchief, one vanity case containing powder, mirror and some small change, one powder rag, one crochet hook, one ball of thread and work, one tatting shuttle, one button hook, one nail file, one wire hair pin, one coat button, one stick chewing gum, a note from her last beau, and three sen-sens, besides numerous unidentified odds and ends of a miscellaneous nature.

The railway in the western hemisphere that produces the most revenue to the mile is in Brazil. It is the Sao Paulo railway, 134 miles long, from Santos, by way of Sao Paulo to June diahy. The road carries more than one-half of the world's supply of coffee, and is said to be one of the best managed railways in South America.

The markets of Irkutsk, in Siberia, are an interesting sight, for the products offered for sale are in most cases frozen solid. Fish are piled up in stacks like so much cordwood, and meat likewise. All kinds of fowl are similarly frozen and piled up. Some animals brought into the market whole are propped up on their legs, and have the appearance of being actually alive, and as one goes through the markets one seems to be surrounded by living pigs, sheep, oxen and fowls standing up.

Kobe has 491,317 people.

HAMPTON KILLING TO LAUNCH BORDER FEUD

Murdered Man's Friends Deny He Was Rustler and Say Attack Was Unwarranted.

Keystone, S. D., Aug. 19.—A border feud may result from the sensational shooting and killing a few days ago of L. H. Hampton, an alleged cattle "rustler," by John M. Russell and his son George, who reside in the vicinity of Sundance. All the parties to the tragedy were known to many residents of the extreme western section of South Dakota. Details of the affray show it to have been one of the most sensational of frontier tragedies.

Hampton for some time had been holding cattle in the vicinity of what is known as Williams' divide, and also was engaged in farming. The slaying of Hampton occurred at a dance given in a ranch house on the divide. While the dance was in progress the Russells entered the room and within a few minutes had become involved in a dispute with Hampton. The war of words had continued but a short time when George Russell drew his six shooter and shot Hampton just below the heart.

Hampton fell instantly when shot, and it is alleged that while he was struggling on the floor the elder Russell ran up to him and with his six shooter shot the wounded man through the right side, the heavy bullet passing entirely through the body and shattering Hampton's left wrist.

A panic immediately resulted in the dance hall, but some of the cooler headed men seized the Russells and disarmed them. Later they were turned over to the sheriff of Crook county and lodged in jail pending their trial. Hampton lingered some time before he died of his two wounds, either one of which would have caused death.

It is said he was generally esteemed by those who know him. Many look upon the killing as unwarranted, as Hampton was unarmed at the time he was shot down. It is said the Russells claim to have been deputy sheriffs and that Hampton was wanted for stock rustling. Others say the shooting and killing of Hampton was the termination of an old and long standing feud between the Russells and himself, they being neighbors. It is reported that feeling among the ranchers and homesteaders of the region is running high against the Russells.

ARGUED AS THEY ATE; BOTH MISUNDERSTOOD

Aberdeen, S. D., Aug. 19.—Two men sat eating lunch in a restaurant here late last night. They were talking lodge. One man, paying more attention to his pie than his enunciation, uttered a statement which the other took as indicating that the first man belonged to a workman's order which is in bad repute in many railroad circles. The second then made a statement which, coming through the hole of an unraised doughnut, sounded like an insult. A battle started. One man had his forehead bruised up; the other had his scalp laid open with a coffee cup, restaurant weight; the police were coming in the door to answer the call of the proprietor, when it suddenly developed that it was all a mistake. They both belonged to the same organization. Their grief, as they stung each other's wounds, was poignant.

LEE HARNED, BRAKEMAN, WOUNDED BY I. W. W. BUNCH

Aberdeen, S. D., Aug. 19.—Lee Harned, Milwaukee freight brakeman, is in a hospital today with a bullet hole through his leg as the result of a shooting affray with three supposed I. W. W.'s last night on the top of a moving box car. The men, who told him they could ride anywhere on a "red card," drew guns, at which he drew his. One of the strangers shot, piercing Harned's leg. Harned emptied his revolver as did the three men, but all subsequent shots went wild from the jolting of the car. His gun empty Harned jumped from the train and from the ground shouted to the rear brakeman, who immediately pulled the air cord. One of the tramps ran by the caboose and the rear brakeman fired four times at him with no visible effect. The shooting occurred about a mile from Aberdeen, but searching by officers was fruitless. Harned is sure that he hit one of the men when on top of the car.

SOUTH DAKOTA MISSIONARY WORKER DIES IN TURKEY

Pierre, S. D., Aug. 19.—Col. E. P. Farr, of the state treasurer's office, has just heard of the death of his sister, Mrs. Julia Farr Parmelee, the death occurring on June 27 at Harpoot, Turkey. Mrs. Parmelee had been an American missionary in Turkey for the past 50 years. She and her husband were associated together in the work, and his death occurred some time ago. Recently, since Americans have been ordered out of Turkey, Colonel Farr had been much concerned about his sister, who was in frail health. Finally word has been received of her death. Two years ago Mrs. Parmelee visited Pierre.

RAPID CITY—Messrs. Berkowitz and Hoffman, transient dealers in pianos, who arrived about 10 days ago, were arrested by the city authorities on the charge of engaging in business as itinerant merchants without taking out a license as provided by the city ordinances. As the result of their preliminary hearing in the municipal court they were held under a bond of \$100 each for trial at the September term of state circuit court.

ELK POINT—That this section of South Dakota has become an important fruit raising region is indicated by the fact that Herman Becker, who has charge of the Jurney orchard near Elk Point has harvested 800 bushels of apples from the orchard. The apples are of fine varieties and find a ready market at the highest market price. The orchard is one of the most profitable in southern South Dakota.

VINES LOOK THRIFTY BUT POTATOES MINUS

Estimate Now Is That Tuber Crop Will Be Very Short In South Dakota This Year.

Aberdeen, S. D., Aug. 19.—The disquieting feeling seems growing around here that this year may see a shortage of potatoes. Many raisers are finding that fields of potatoes with magnificent tops are minus the necessary spuds. This is attributed to the heat wave during the blossoming period, which prevented the plants from setting. The plants which were not blossoming during the hot spell set tubers and these have grown to good size. It is believed that many raisers figuring on a good yield will be disappointed, as there are no indications above ground of the crop shortage.

Pierre, S. D., Aug. 19.—A potato shortage in South Dakota is indicated from the statements of growers in different sections of the state. One farmer near here said the surface outlook was never better than it is this year, but there is no tuber development. He had tried out a number of hills in his field, and while the tops were heavy, he did not find a potato as large as a walnut in the hills he tested in different parts of the patch. Many sections of the state are reporting a like condition.

THREE COUNTIES SEND SEVEN MEN TO STATE PENITENTIARY

Sioux Falls, S. D., Aug. 19.—The counties of Kingsbury, Hutchinson and Fall River have each contributed an aggregate of seven prisoners to the Sioux Falls penitentiary, who will serve terms varying from 10 years to less than one year. The 10-year terms are Mike Mellow and Sam Heabert, who were sentenced in Kingsbury county for robbery in the first degree. They are negroes. They are the men implicated in the recent box car robbery near Arlington, where they held up and robbed six harvest hands riding on the train, afterward forcing the six victims of the holdup to jump from the moving train. Three of the six were badly hurt when they struck the ground. The two negro holdup artists were captured at Huron and taken back to Kingsbury county. The other prisoners just lodged in the penitentiary are: James Nix, Emmet Keller and Jack Downey, sentenced to terms of one year each, from Hutchinson county; Robbie Claire Campbell and Calvin Boyer, Fall River county, sentenced to terms of nine months and two years, respectively, both for burglary in the third degree.

CELLULOID DOLL TAKES FIRE; GIRL ENDANGERED

DeSmet, S. D., Aug. 19.—A celluloid doll nearly caused the death of Helen Crane, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Crane, of this city. The child, while playing opened the door of a kerosene stove and stuck the doll into the fire. Instantly the celluloid doll exploded and became a mass of flames and the fire was communicated to the clothing of the little girl. Fortunately the mother was able to reach the little girl and extinguish the fire before she was fatally burned. The girl sustained a number of bad burns.

JAMES HART, PIONEER, DIES AT HOME IN DELL RAPIDS

Sioux Falls, S. D., Aug. 19.—At the family home in Dell Rapids occurred the death of James Hart, aged 72, a pioneer of Minnehaha county and a former member of the state legislature from the county. For many years he had been an active worker in community interests. He served in the legislature from 1893 to 1895. He is survived by a widow and a son and a daughter. The son is Bruce Hart, of Logan, Ia.

PROF. TODD SEEKS FOR PAVING TRACES OF OIL

Pierre, S. D., Aug. 19.—Prof. J. E. Todd, of the University of Kansas, is working over this section of South Dakota, looking into the surface possibilities of securing an oil flow for this part of the state. He has been working in the territory west of the Missouri, along the Missouri and Bad rivers, and is now looking over the country north of this city as far out as Okoboji to find what the indications will show.

HALF INCH RAIN BREAKS DROUGHT AT BRIDGEWATER

Bridgewater, S. D., Aug. 19.—One half inch of rain fell here last night, the first rain of any consequence for seven weeks. Corn and pastures will be greatly benefited.

LITTLE GIRL DIES FROM BITE OF RATTLESNAKE

Dallas, S. D., Aug. 19.—The 2-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis A. Sebers, who was bitten by a rattlesnake Tuesday, died at the Winsett hospital Wednesday morning.

LEAD—A unique event in this part of the state next Sunday will be the annual picnic and celebration of the backslaps clubs of Lead and other Black Hills cities, which will be held in Spearfish canyon. Each member is given the privilege of inviting one married couple and each clubman must provide his own lunch and means of transportation to and from the place selected for the annual gathering.

WENTWORTH—Good progress is being made in the work of arranging for the stringing of wires from a central electric light plant at Colman to Wentworth, so the people of this place can be provided with electric lights. In order to secure the service from Colman it was necessary to obtain a number of farmer patrons on the road between Colman and Wentworth.

SIoux FALLS—The building committee of the Lutheran college, an institution of statewide scope in this city, has concluded arrangements for the erection of a new building at the college to cost \$55,000. This will give the college a set of four buildings, valued in the aggregate at \$160,000. The new structure will be started at once and completed next year.

WORTHING—The town council has granted to William F. Donahue, a local capitalist, a franchise to install and operate an electric light system in Worthing. The franchise is for a period of 20 years. Construction of the plant will commence as soon as the material can be placed on the ground.

COURT RULES AGAINST DEADWOOD'S CLUB BAR

Ruse For Dispensing Liquor on Sunday and After Hours Now Under Ban.

Deadwood, S. D., Aug. 18.—Judge Levi McGee has rendered a decision in the case of the State vs. The Deadwood Business Men's club, holding that the club has no right to sell liquor and giving an order restraining the club from selling liquor.

The case was started by R. N. Holsapple, who came out here last spring and tried to get the mayor to enforce the law and close this club, as well as other clubs, but was told by the mayor that he would enforce what laws he chose. He absolutely refused to close these blind pigs and said the people wanted them to run.

Mr. Holsapple took the matter up with the attorney general and that official started the case, assisted by State's Attorney Stritt.

The defense argued that the club was not an incorporated body and that liquor furnished to members was not to be considered as sold within the meaning of the law. Judge McGee held that the state is normally under prohibition until certain requirements have been met and that until the club takes out a retail license, liquor cannot be sold.

The club was enjoined from making further sales of liquor. The effect of this decision will be to close the bars of other clubs conducted on similar lines to the one against which action was taken.

HOTEL MAN SETTLES ON CHARGES FILED BY GIRL

Rutland, S. D., Aug. 18.—John Johnson, a Volga hotel man, for a time faced a charge of kidnaping, because he was alleged to have forced a waitress to accompany him in an automobile as far as Rutland, where Johnson was placed under arrest. The formal charge of having stolen a purse containing \$5 from the waitress, Miss Lillian Morrison, was preferred by the girl.

Johnson and the girl now have settled the case out of court, by Johnson paying the costs of the action, making good the amount alleged to have been stolen, and paying the girl's expenses back to Watertown.

Recently Mrs. Johnson left her husband and took up her residence in Madison, where she was located by the authorities on instructions from Johnson. Johnson visited his wife and attempted to effect a reconciliation, but without success.

TECHNICAL DEFENSE NOW INTERPOSED FOR O. W. LANE

Watertown, S. D., Aug. 18.—After pleading guilty and receiving sentence of four years on the charge of embezzlement, former City Auditor O. W. Lane asked for a stay of sentence and served notice of appeal. The bond was fixed at \$5,000, and efforts are now being made to get bondsmen. The appeal is based on the contention that the Watertown city government had no legal organization during the commission form, therefore there could have been no embezzlement. A guilty plea was entered to the specific charge of appropriating \$1,337.35 in warrants paid to the city by the county from March 1 to March 15, 1916.

Examination of Watertown's records by the state public accountant disclosed that Lane had submitted to the city commissioners bills for supplies which had never been ordered or received or that when payment was authorized he drew warrants and had them cashed.

VIOLATED PAROLE BY HITTING CALF WITH AUTO

Sioux Falls, S. D., Aug. 18.—Because he became involved in a physical encounter with a farmer, a young man named George Phelps, who was under suspended sentence for stealing an automobile in Beadle county, now will have to serve a term in the Sioux Falls penitentiary. He was sentenced to a term of one year in the penitentiary for the theft of the automobile, which sentence afterward was suspended. Phelps was released under the suspended sentence he secured employment on a farm near Wessington. He was returning to the farm in an automobile when a calf ran in front of the machine. Phelps deliberately ran into the animal and a fight with the owner of the calf followed. Phelps' bride of only a few weeks has returned to her home at Rochester, Minn., where they were married only a short time before coming to South Dakota.

MITCHELL—Suffering from a broken collar bone and three broken ribs, Guy Frink extricated himself from an overturned automobile Tuesday morning, and helped to lift the machine which had pinned his brother underneath. The brother, Jack Frink, was severely bruised about the head and sustained a broken thigh and a broken collar bone. Both are in the hospital. The accident occurred when the brothers turned a corner quickly to avoid colliding with another machine. The front wheel crumpled beneath the car, causing it to overturn.

YANKTON—Under auto romantic conditions Bert Fenenga and Miss Ruth Cross, both of this city, were united in marriage Tuesday evening. The ceremony occurred at sunset, at White Bear bluff, two miles west of this city. This bluff, a commanding site overlooking the Missouri, was chartered by Lewis and Clark in 1804, in their historic expedition. Friends were taken to the scene of the wedding by autos. The bride is the daughter of the Rev. Fred Cross, deceased, formerly a well known missionary in Indian fields.