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## McNUTT IN TROUBLE AGAIN

The Name Made Famous In Sully County Heard Once More.

Pierre, June 14.—Years ago the name of McNutt supplied considerable material for the local papers of Hughes and Sully counties, as well as of more remote parts of this state and others. Press dispatches from New York now tell us that a member of this well known family is now in trouble there.

W. H. McNutt, one of the brothers of the name, formerly of Okobojo, must now serve a two and one-half year sentence in Sing Sing for dealing in fraudulent mining stocks. Pending his appeal he has grown very wealthy through his successful patent of a non-explosive gasoline container.

W. H. McNutt's life has been one of varied adventures. At one time he was in serious difficulties on account of his enterprise in tapping the telegraph lines from New Orleans to get returns from the races there. He was at one time a telegraph operator by profession, and was employed at Ft. Sully. He was known here as an exceedingly smooth person in all his dealings, and was not apparently mixed up in the coarser operations of his brothers, one of whom served a sentence at Sioux Falls for horse stealing.

Another brother served in the Philippines and for some crime was sentenced to prison for a year, but W. H. McNutt interceded with President McKinley so effectively that the young man was pardoned at once.

### Look Before You Leap.

"Back to the soil" seems to be the watchword of the hour. Newspapers and magazines are printing more farm and garden matter than ever before, certain farm periodicals are extending their patronage among city folk in a most unexpected way, and in various localities rural real estate is looking up. Now, largely speaking, these are favorable symptoms. It is true that too many folks live in cities and the average American farm is too large, and that by diligence one can achieve a greater degree of freedom on a little farm than he is likely to achieve in a city in any line. And it is a good thing that these facts are being emphasized.

But there is an element of real danger in the "back to the soil" cult, a danger which is enhanced by the very eagerness with which city folks are taking to the idea. This danger is born of the fact that over enthusiastic writers of "back to the soil" stories are prone to give their readers mere half-truths, to lay too much stress upon the joys of country life and to say nothing at all of the thorns that barb the stem of the rural rose.

The danger is this. That folk who know nothing at all about the practical side of farm life may be persuaded to leap before they look. It's tragedy to find yourself on a farm, with your bridges burned behind you, only to find that it takes quite as much gumption and technical knowledge to run a farm successfully as to run a drug store or a grocery successfully, and that you lack that necessary gumption and knowledge.

Before you go back to the soil, be sure you know what it means. Count the cost well, dis-

count well the rosy stories of success in "back to the soil" ventures you read in the magazines and newspapers, and then, when you are sure of yourself, by all means go back to the soil and stay there. For if you take it right and live for all there is in it, country life is the best life that a human being can live.

### Genius and Hard Work.

It was a significant thing which Dean E. C. Perisho said to the graduating class of the Watertown high school in his address to them commencement day last week. He was speaking of the things which bring success and in the course of an excellent address he said:

"Wendell Phillips rehearsed a speech 300 times before he ever attempted to give it in public. Paderewski said he never played a number in public, on the piano, unless he had practiced the selection every night for three years."

These two sentences should be read by every school boy and every school girl in South Dakota for they contain the sign-board of success. There may be such a thing as "genius" but for the most of common folk, real success must be the result of hard work, which means headaches and self-denial and sacrifices in a thousand ways. "Would give \$1,000 to be able to make a speech like that," said a South Dakota man recently when he heard an address that pleased him; but to be able to do things "like that" requires the time and energy and sacrifice which must first be invested before the results come.

The most usual failing of the American youth is that he expects results too quickly. It discourages many young men to look forward to years of preparation before they can get "into the game." Those who get discouraged should think of Wendell Phillips who became one of the orators of the world, and of Paderewski, the world's greatest pianist, and recall that the applause of the world was not secured without the preliminary outlay of years of hard and grinding work. It is a long hard, toilsome journey; but it pays to take the trip for the splendor of the scenery at the end.

### Ash Creek Anthems.

The weather continues dry, with farming at a stand still.

Gilbert Russell left Monday for Lake Preston, to seek employment at his trade as a stone mason.

Miss Irene Stevens, who has been going to school at Clinton, Iowa, has returned home to spend the summer vacation.

Lars Peterson is utilizing prairie brick in building a new habitation on his homestead.

George S. Poste was transacting business in Philip Monday.

William Sether had business in Cottonwood one day last week.

William Ferguson was visiting relatives near Elbon last week.

If this dry spell keeps up its pace much longer this part of Stanley county will be very near depopulated, and then we sure will have to stop our scribbling, as items are getting few and far between now.

Fresh bread daily at City Bakery.

## HAY BEDDED STOCK REFUSED

Cattle Sold by Nelson Fish to Wyoming Parties Were Delayed.

Deadwood, June 14.—A North-Western train composed of thirteen cars of cattle arrived in Deadwood from Wall, S. D. It was the intention to transfer the train to the Burlington here, to be hauled to Sheridan, Wyo., but on arriving at Deadwood an obstacle was encountered in the refusal of the Burlington to accept the train, on the ground that the cattle were bedded down with hay and that a large quantity of hay for feed was being carried. Owing to the intense dry weather, the Burlington officials were afraid that the hay might be set on fire by the sparks from the engine and in such an event, it would be practically impossible to save any of the stock, while the train was in transit.

It was consequently necessary to return the train to Whitewood where the cattle were unloaded, and the hay removed and the cattle later bedded with sand. The train was returned to Deadwood and left over the Burlington tracks.

There were about 500 head of cattle on the train, including a large percentage of calves, which were suffering for lack of feed and water at Wall. The range in the vicinity of Sheridan, Wyo., which is their destination, is said to be good.

### DIAMOND DUST

The husky Philipinoses have had things about their own way in this section of the state the past week. They trimmed the Quinn sluggers at home Friday by a score of 12 to 15, which greatly humiliated the Pennington county champs and upset Brother Johnson's peace of mind. The game was played in a veritable hurricane, the dust flying so that the Philip boys could hardly see the ball; this, of course, didn't seem to bother the Quinn bunch, who are used to a dry country and dusty conditions in general.

Fearing that we were getting more of the glory down this way than we were entitled to, Cottonwood sent down its warriors to wrest victory from the "home team" on Sunday of this week, and although the wind was blowing but a moderate gale, compared with Friday's at Quinn, the result was about the same. The Cottonwoods got off with the short end of a 7-11 score. Arens pitched both of the games and was on the job all the time, striking out 18 men in the Quinn game, and treating the Cottonwood boys to almost the same dose.

The high school team went to Cottonwood on Friday and were defeated by a very decided score by the youngsters in that burg. This makes the first defeat for the high school team this year and naturally bothered the boys a little.

The next slaughter that is scheduled to take place at the fair grounds will be on Friday of this week, when the Benedicts will trim the Bachelors (so they say).

This will be worth going to see. It will be perfectly safe for ladies and children to attend although the same guarantee is not extended to the umpire; but each male person will be searched for any rocks, pop bottles or

other missile that he might have concealed on his person. This will afford ample protection to the umpire, as far as bodily injury is concerned. Anderson Michael is managing the Benedicts, and those thinking themselves capable will enlist with him and be turned over to Bob Durkee for a try-out. It has been rumored that A. J. Wray and H. J. McMahon are trying out for first base.

However, it will be good and a large attendance is desired.

### Verdict for \$10,000 Returned.

Sturgis, June 14.—A jury sitting in a case before Judge Rice established a record for quick work Monday, when they returned a verdict in the case of Guardian Ladd vs. Nellie McMahon, on a suit for damages. The twelve men were out hardly fifteen minutes and after deliberation gave the plaintiff judgement in the amount of \$10,000, the exact amount asked for in the complaint.

Mr. Ladd was appointed guardian of the children of the late David P. Thomas, who was shot and killed about a year ago by Mrs. McMahon, while sitting in his law office at Sturgis. Mrs. McMahon was arraigned on a charge of murder and found guilty, the lunacy commission of Meade county afterwards adjudged her insane and recommending her commitment to the state asylum for the insane at Yankton. Judge Rice, of this city, acted as judge during the proceedings of the murder trial.

Shortly afterwards while Judge Rice was out of Sturgis the lawyers for Mrs. McMahon went to Rapid City and secured habeas corpus papers from Judge McGee. Mrs. McMahon afterwards being released.

Thomas was said to be trying to secure the property of the accused woman, after her husband had died. Thomas and McMahon were formerly partners in his law business.

Mr. Ladd sued Mrs. McMahon on the grounds that the children of Thomas were without visible means of support. The best legal talent was interested in the damage suit which created considerable interest throughout the Hills.

### Advertised Letters

The following is a list of letters remaining uncalled for at the Philip, S. D., postoffice for the week ending June 14th, 1911.

#### Cards

Mr. Harold Ruthford  
Mr. Peter Weise  
Miss Macy Cochran  
D. E. Payne  
Letters—  
G. H. Swinney  
Mr. Christ Andras  
Mr. Chr. Sorly  
Mrs. Kenneth Allen  
Perl Roberts  
Henry Keith  
Miss Eva Slasoe care S. Pierce  
John L. Hoone

Parties calling for any of the above letters will please say "advertised," and give date.

Albert W. Frewitt, P. M.

#### Off for Chamberlain Meetings

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. McLane, Mrs. G. G. Wheeler and Frank M. Rood drove over to Kadoka Monday afternoon, going from there to Chamberlain to attend the grand lodge sessions of the Masonic and Eastern Star orders. The sessions began Tuesday and close Friday.

## CAPITAL CITY NEWS

Pierre won both games played against the Bloomer Girls last week Wednesday, the afternoon game by a score of 4 to 0, and the score of the evening game stood 7 to 6.

The ash tree planted on the state house grounds by Governor Mellette, South Dakota's first governor, on the first Arbor Day celebrated within the state, has been dug up and moved to a location near the power house. The removal was necessary for the reason that it was in the middle of the driveway which is to be built.

1,000,000 acres of land will come under taxation for the first time this year by having the government or Indian title transferred to private owners. All the government land offices in the state have sent their reports of new lands to the state auditor's department, the Gregory district being the last to come in. The Rapid City district leads the list with 2,863 new tracts for taxation and Timber Lake is the lowest with 229.

The city commission at its meeting last Tuesday night decided to limit the number of saloons in the city to five, and to shut them all off Philip street, the main business street of the city. In doing this they had to eliminate a number of applicants and selected from the list those who it was believed would best control their places of business.

### Smith Items.

Miss Hanna Fenton is visiting Mrs. Carl Werner, of Philip.

John Olson and Calvin Hoag from the Cheyenne river, stopped here to feed and rest last Monday, while on their way to Philip for lumber.

C. L. Sherburne, salesman for Jewetts, of Sioux Falls, called at this place Tuesday, going to Old Trail from here.

Nels Valsvig and son Alvin of Lily, S. D., passed through here Saturday on their way to visit friends and relatives near Hilland.

A Mr. Gephart and wife, from Huntington, Ind., changed to the Marietta stage at this place last Friday. They were going to Hartley to visit their son-in-law, Wm. Ware and family.

While playing ball last Friday Chas. S. Ward, mail carrier from Hartley to Smith, was hit under the eye with a ball, which knocked him down and for a time he was unconscious. Later it was found the cheek bone was crushed.

Mrs. George Shultz, of Pierpont, S. D., who was returning from a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Carl Erickson, of Ash Creek, visited at this place for awhile Tuesday while waiting for the south bound stage.

A party of Indians from the Cheyenne reservation drove through this country last Saturday on their way to the Pine Ridge agency, where they were taking their horses to graze. They reported plenty of good pasture to be found there.

Don't bake this hot weather. Try the new City Bakery.

## Old Trail Etchings.

Mrs. Selma Matthews made Miss Miller a call on Monday morning as she returned from the Jordan ranch, whence she had gone to get some orphan lambs. Mrs. Matthews was born and bred in Chicago, consequently the things pertaining to life on the ranch are all new to her. It would dispel the worst case of blues just to hear her laugh over the way her little lambs wiggle their long, woolly tails when she sets a bowl of milk before them.

The Old Trail ladies' aid society will meet with Mrs. Louis Schlottman on the afternoon of the 22nd. Don't forget the date nor your thimble.

The annual school election for Ames school district No. 40 will be held at Wichee Hole school house on Tuesday, the 20th day of June, from 2 to 6 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing a clerk.

Gene Jordan and Perry Wofford drove to Philip on business last Thursday.

Mrs. Ed Alden took her husband to Philip Wednesday of last week, where he took the noon train for the eastern part of the state. He expects to return in a few days. During his absence Mr. Schipper is caring for the Alden ranch.

James O'Connell and John Ferguson went to Philip for a load of corn last Wednesday.

George Schlottman began on his duties as assessor last week, so be prepared to receive a call from him most any day.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Jordan and George and Lena Schlottman took in the dance at Elbon Friday night.

Eugene Jordan is shearing sheep this week.

Mrs. Alma Randalls and son Neil, called on Miss Miller Friday afternoon.

A splendid program has been prepared for Children's Day at Old Trail, next Sunday, June 18. The Misses Legler have the program in charge, which bespeaks its success. The exercises will commence at 2 o'clock sharp.

### New Law Firm for Philip

R. A. Bielski, of this city, and O. K. Whitney, of Wessington Springs, were arrivals on yesterday morning's train. Both have finished their studies at the university law school at Vermillion and took the examination for admission to the state bar at Pierre Tuesday. Mr. Bielski intends to practice law here, and the plans now are for Mr. Whitney to associate with him. Mrs. Bielski and children will return home within a fortnight.

### Stoughton-Miles Nuptials

The marriage of Miss Mary Stoughton and Frank Miles, both of Powell, was solemnized at the home of the bride Saturday, June 10. Rev. J. C. Clough of Midland, pronounced the words that united in life partnership this estimable young couple. They will make their home on a farm near Powell. They have a host of friends who will join with the writer in wishing them untold success and prosperity through the journey of life.

C. H. Drew, of Highmore, was a business visitor in the city a couple of days last week, returning home Thursday night.