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SEA CAPTAIN HAS VERSION OF DISASTER

CLAIMS THAT THE TRIP OF THE TITANIC SHOULD NEVER HAVE BEEN ATTEMPTED—CLAIMS A MISUNDERSTANDING OF CONDITIONS BY THE OFFICERS.

World Special State Service: Grand Forks, N. D., April 18.—Captain Lew Hough of this city, who has made three hundred trips for the Red Star line states that there must have been some misunderstanding of the officers to have such a disaster as that which befell the Titanic, however he says that at this season to attempt the same passage as that of the Titanic and run into the clouds which hung in a dense fog making any view impossible as has been the case during trips he has made, was an undertaking which was very unwise and seldom attempted.

RAIN HINDERS BALL GAMES SOME

Special to The World: St. Paul, Minn., April 18.—All games in the American Association, American and National Leagues, were postponed on account of rain with the exception of the Boston vs. New York game in the National League; New York 4, Boston 1.

Henry Gehring, former member of the St. Paul baseball team last year, died at Kansas City yesterday.

DICTOGRAPH IS A WONDER POWER

MACHINE IN OPERATION AT THE LAKE GROCERY HOUSE IS AN ATTRACTION.

The Dictograph, operated by Manager Greenburg of the Lake Grocery company, is the center of attraction in Devils Lake, the machine which is used for dictation of letters being a wonder in the eyes of those who have inspected it. The model is the very latest and enables Mr. Greenburg to dictate his letters at any hour of the day, his stenographer then taking the dictation on the machine without interruption.

WILL OBSERVE MOTHERS' DAY

LOCAL SCHOOLS WILL GIVE AFTERNOON OF MAY 8TH IN HER HONOR.

Mother's Day will be observed in the schools of Devils Lake, the afternoon of May 8th to be given in her honor by the school children, when suitable programs will be carried out. Superintendent F. J. Tylor has advised all the schools of the state to make proper observance of the day and like Devils Lake, all, it is expected, will comply with the request.

CHAFFEE DROWNED.

It is now certain that H. F. Chaffee of America, N. D., was a victim of the Titanic disaster, a message from Mrs. Chaffee with the words "I am saved" is construed to mean that Mr. Chaffee was drowned for if he were on board the Carpathia no such message would likely have been sent.

LAUNCHING OF A DREADNAUGHT

THIS WILL BE ONE OF THE FEATURE FILMS AT THE CHARLES TONIGHT.

Don't fail to see the launching of the big battleship at the Charles tonight. Just now the minds of the people are overcome with the recent ship disaster and seeing this picture will give you an inkling of the immensity of an ocean liner.

Besides this film are several others that can't be reproduced in better shape and besides laughing, crying and being entertained you will receive your money's worth in instruction.

ARE DRAGGING CITY STREETS

COMMISSIONERS ARE MAKING THE STREETS SMOOTH TODAY.

The street commissioner is busy today with his men dragging the streets with a steel drag, taking off the bumps and smoothing the rough places.

There are a number of crossings which will receive immediate attention and every improvement needed will be given the streets to beautify the city.

OTTO'S BIG POTATO.

Otto Chiostris is today displaying a large potato in his restaurant window which he claims was grown on his lot at Greenwood during the winter. The potato weighs about four pounds and is a healthy looking member of the spud family.

Mr. Chiostris believes in advertising and also in potatoes and the fact that he can add the two in this unique manner makes a very attractive window display.

A happy birthday surprise party was tendered under the guidance of Mrs. O'Brien last night at her home on Kelly avenue in honor of Mrs. Hall. The feature of the evening was the presentation by forty friends of a cut glass vase and souvenir spoon to the honor guest, Mrs. Cogswell making the presentation speech, which was indeed appropriate to the occasion. During the evening a program was rendered which included a piano selection by Mrs. Nortz. Cards were played, "500" being the order, Mrs. Sheldon and Mrs. W. M. Hines being the victors. Refreshments were served in a very dainty and attractive manner at the conclusion of which the toast for many more such happy birthdays was extended to Mrs. Hall.

COUNCIL MEETS TOMORROW NIGHT

ADJOURNED SESSION WILL BE HELD—IMPORTANT BUSINESS TO TRANSACT.

The adjourned session of the city council will be held tomorrow night at which time there are a number of important items of business to come up before that body.

The matter of light rates, the street car franchise, and the gas franchise will all probably be touched on and some definite action taken.

FIRST SHOVELFUL OF DIRT THROWN

SOO WORKERS STARTED IN AT ACTUAL WORK TODAY AT THE CAMP.

The big shovels and plows of the Soo workers were started this morning bright and early in excavating and grading the roadbed for the new railroad.

Contractor Craven stated to The World today that there will have to be considerable dirt hauled in as the excavating would not furnish enough for the fills.

WOMAN WHO COMMITTED SUICIDE AT GRAND FORKS MAY HAVE BEEN FORMER RESIDENT OF THIS CITY

INSPECTORS NOW IN THE CITY

MAKING THE TUBERCULAR TEST OF CATTLE ASSISTED BY DR. CREWE.

Federal inspector Lowe, together with C. H. Babcock of New Rockford and B. C. Taylor of Hillsboro, are here and assisting Dr. Crewe, the local official in making the tuberculin test of cattle in this section. The dairy herd at the School for the Deaf is under the supervision of Federal Inspector Lowe.

GOVERNMENT IS DENIED RIGHT

Special to The World: Mexico City, April 18.—Mexico, in reply to a warning note of acting Secretary Wilson declined to take advice from America, denying the right of the Washington government to administer to Mexico, for the reason that it is not based on any justifiable incident.

DEVILS LAKE MAN RECEIVES HONOR

REV. CLATTENBURG IS ELECTED TO THE OFFICE OF PRELATE AT KNIGHTS TEMPLAR GATHERING AT DICKINSON, N. D.—GATHERING CLOSED WITH BANQUET.

Dickinson, N. D., April 18.—The twenty-third annual meeting of the Knights Templar closed here yesterday evening with a banquet in the Masonic temple. The convocate next year meets at Grand Forks. Officers were elected as follows:

S. J. Hill, eminent grand commander; Andrew Ekern, grand generalissimo; John W. Carroll, captain general; Frank White, grand senior warden; Albert G. Proctor, grand junior warden; Rev. A. Edwin Clattenburg, prelate; A. B. Taylor, treasurer; W. L. Stockwell, recorder; G. W. Wolbert, grand standard bearer; W. D. JERRY, grand sword bearer; W. L. Richards, grand warden; Dr. G. Roy Ringo, grand captain of the guard.

Dr. J. W. Chamberlain, grand junior warden of grand commandery of the United States, was here from St. Paul.

REVIVALIST AT MINOT.

Now who will come up to the altar and kneel with me in prayer, asked the major at the close of his address last night. Two persons responded. The speaker was Major Percy Morton of Minneapolis, known as the "Salvation Army Red Hot Revivalist." Major Morton arrived in Minot yesterday afternoon from Devils Lake, where he had conducted a week's campaign with good attendance and many conversions, and last night conducted the first meeting of the three days' special services he has been announced for. Tonight the Major's subject will be "The Desperation of a Mother." Maj. Morton has had nearly thirty years of Salvation Army experience.—Minot Optic.

Sam Goldberg informs The World that he has received numerous letters from building concerns regarding his new building. They say in their inquiries they saw the article telling of the proposed new structure in The World.

MRS. BUTTON SHOT HERSELF ON PLATFORM OF GREAT NORTHERN DEPOT JUST BEFORE THE ARRIVAL OF TRAIN NO. 1—WAS GRIEF STRICKEN.

Devils Lake passengers returning from Grand Forks last night on No. 1 relate a sad tale of a suicide which occurred there at the Great Northern depot just before the train for Devils Lake pulled in. Mrs. Button, believed to be a former resident of this city committing the rash deed of taking her life.

The circumstances surrounding the affair prove that the woman was grief stricken. She was found sobbing by one of the hack drivers, who summoned a policeman. The woman stated that she expected some relatives on the train from her home at Crookston. She was taken to where the Crookston train pulled in, by the officer, but the parties she was waiting for did not get off. On the return with the policeman the woman pulled a revolver and shot herself through the head. She was hurried to a hospital, but hope of her recovery soon vanished.

Clarence Haley and Manager Foster of the Robertson Lumber company, were passengers for this city who witnessed the affair and believe that the woman was a former resident here.

World Special State Service: Grand Forks, N. D., April 18.—The cause of the suicide of Mrs. Button is claimed to have been brought on by the double life her husband was living. Two years and a half ago he married his second wife, who committed suicide at Fergus Falls, Minn. Her brother was caught tampering with the mails and was jailed for opening a mail sack. While in jail it developed that he was a deserter from the army. This, it is said, caused family ruin, and J. A. Button married his second wife when she was 19 years old and offered her every improvement.

His attention of late to his former wife, whom it is alleged that he paid more attention to than the one who committed suicide, having tired of his second wife, is supposed to have brought about the rash deed. This, together with the fact that only a couple of days ago his child by his first wife was presented with a pony and other lavish expenditures were made on the lad, Button apparently having considerable money.

It was the return of her husband from Crookston, with the knowledge of the attention that he was paying his former wife and children, that Mrs. Anna Button who committed suicide was awaiting and his failure to return caused her to commit suicide.

Considerable mystery surrounds the sudden disappearance of Button, who has not been located or seen since the purchase of the pony for the little lad at Crookston. A search for him has been in progress during the day but no trace has been secured.

Former Resident.

Mrs. Anna Button was not formerly a resident of Devils Lake, according to latest reports, but Mrs. Mary Button, the first wife, was a resident of this city, as was J. A. Button, who operated a business college in Devils Lake about eight years ago.

Button was a very prominent educator when he lived here and was owner of a string of business colleges throughout the northwest.

Writes Note.

"My life has always been a mistake. Good-bye, dear husband, forgive me."—Anna.

The above note was penned by the woman and was found on her person shortly after the shooting.

ICE CREAM WEATHER.

The past few nights and those coming are what may properly be termed ice cream nights. A large portion of the townpeople were out last night with the families getting accustomed to the after dinner dishes at the local fountains.

Did you see that picture? Which one? "The Measure of a Man."—Charles.

ARE PREPARING TENNIS COURTS

SPRING GAME WILL BE GOING FULL BLAST IN THE COURSE OF A FEW DAYS.

The members of the Lake Athletic club have made arrangements for the improving of their tennis courts across from the Great Northern hotel today and work will start at once. There will be many star players in the city this season and some exciting contests are looked forward to.

SUGAR CAN BE RAISED IN N. D.

Special to The World: Washington, D. C., April 18.—Secretary Wilson in a statement before the senate finance committee yesterday at the hearing of the free sugar bill stated that enough sugar could be grown in North Dakota to supply the entire United States.

DRUGGIST AT MAKOTI TOOK OWN LIFE

Minot, N. D., April 18.—E. A. Gullickson, a prominent druggist at Makoti, N. D., between Ryder and Plaza, was found dead at 9 o'clock Tuesday night, with a 22 calibre rifle by his side. Gullickson was well known in Ward county and his death came as a great shock to his many friends in this part of the state.

The coroner's inquest was held at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon under the supervision of Dr. Rudell, of Plaza, who was given authority by Dr. Taylor of Minot. The verdict of the jury was that death was self-inflicted.

Mr. Gullickson was thirty-eight years old and had been in North Dakota several years. He was a widower and was not survived by any children. His health has been poor during the last few years and it is thought that the suffering preyed upon his mind to the extent that he became partially demented. His business affairs were found to be in good condition, and no reason other than poor health can be found to explain the tragedy. He was well liked and enjoyed a good business.

The discovery of the body was made Tuesday night by some of his friends. It lay on a cot back of the prescription case, and by its side lay a 22 calibre rifle.

The news of the tragedy reached Minot about 11 o'clock last night in a telephone call received by Judge Murray. The judge planned to go to the scene of the shooting to conduct an inquest but owing to the poor condition of the roads, arrangements were made by Coroner Taylor to have the inquest held under the supervision of Dr. Rudell of Plaza.

A. K. TVETO DEAD.

A. K. Tveto, president of the First National bank of Abercrombie, N. D., died yesterday afternoon. He was also interested in a number of other banks in North Dakota.

SOO CAMP IS CHRISTENED

THE RAILROAD WORKERS HAVE A "WHITE CITY" ALL THEIR OWN.

According to Alderman McGurran, after a special trip to the camp of the Soo railroad workers last night, the visit was responsible for christening the metropolis which belongs to the men who make their abode in tents during the process of construction of the road. The name thus applied to the tented village by Dr. McGurran, who officiated at the christening ceremonies was the "White City."

WORLD RECEIVES VOL. OF MESSAGE

TWO BOOKS CONTAINING THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE ON LIABILITY LAW.

The World office yesterday received a copy of the president's message on "The Employers' Liability and Workmen's Commission," and the report of the congress, bound in two volumes, covering the case entirely.

This will no doubt be interesting to many World readers and those who care to look through the books may do so if they will visit the office.

The firm of Haley & Hyland today delivered an engine, a 45 horse power I. H. C. Mogul, and a ten-bottom Oliver plow to John Scrumgard, near Webster. The outfit was taken out by Charles Barnstable. This enterprising firm are disposing of several complete rigs this year and their engines are giving satisfaction.

Postal cards of the various participants in the production of Queen Zephra are now on sale at the various drug stores in the city.

If you want to hear the chickens cackle—Soon the chicken farm snap will be snapped up by a lucky buyer, so if at all interested in such a money-making proposition a stone's throw from town, see Powell immediately.

Hans Westergard, who has just returned from a trip abroad, is thanking his lucky stars these days that he had a pleasant and safe voyage both coming and going. Mr. Westergard figures however that the fear of ice bergs would never have entered his mind at this early date.

FELDMAN DAIRY FOUND PERFECT

MR. FELDMAN IS VERY GLAD TO FIND HIS HERD IMMUNE FROM TUBERCULAR TROUBLE.

George Feldman informed The World this morning that the state veterinary inspectors had thoroughly tested his herd and found them all in good shape, none of the cattle showing any symptoms of tuberculosis.

Mr. Feldman has many milk customers in the city and the fact that his herd has been found clean from this dread disease will be welcome news to them as well as himself.

GOOD SHOW AT GRAND TONIGHT

MANAGER FOSTER INSURES A GOOD PERFORMANCE AND GOOD PICTURES.

Tonight is the first night of the change at the Grand theatre and the management reports two good acts as the attraction besides three reels of the latest moving pictures.

Mack and Scheffels present a singing novelty act while Jimmie Dodd will show some musical comedy stuff that will be well worth seeing. The celebrated Pathe weekly will be the leading among other thing Cardinal Farley's return from Rome.

REFUSE TO SEND MORE MESSAGES

CARPATIA WILL NOT RECEIVE OR SEND ANY MORE MESSAGES UNTIL ITS ARRIVAL AT NEW YORK — NEWS REMAINS THE SAME.

Special to The World: New York, N. Y., April 18.—The Carpathia officials in their last message state that all that can be said has been said through messages, and owing to the constant flood of messages have refused to receive or send any more messages. The news today brings no new results, the actual death toll remaining at 1312. Further details of the catastrophe will not be obtainable until the arrival of the Carpathia at New York.

C. O. Jenks, a Great Northern official at Great Falls, today sent payment to the county for two quarters of land which he purchased in this county from the state.

KNOX IS BACK FROM BIG TRIP

Special to The World: Washington, D. C., April 18.—Secretary Knox returned to Washington yesterday from a trip to the Caribbean republics and expressed himself as pleased with the trip. He says that two forces actuated by selfish motives had operated to perpetrate misuse in counties he visited by misrepresenting the attitude of the state department towards these governments.

ARE THANKFUL FOR SUPPORT

HIGH SCHOOL PUPILS SHOW APPRECIATION OF THE ENCOURAGEMENT.

The high school pupils in a vote of thanks extended by their committee, consisting of J. W. Smith, Genevieve Burrell, Mary Henzie and Elsie L. Stenson, show their appreciation of the help and encouragement they received in their production of the operetta, "The Captain of Plymouth," the proceeds of which went towards the purchase of a Victrola for the high school.

WAS FOUND SICK AT THE ELEVATOR

JOHN BAKER OF WARWICK HAD BEEN THERE TWO DAYS WITHOUT ANY ASSISTANCE.

Friends yesterday went to the Baker elevator at Warwick where they found the manager, Mr. Baker, very sick. He had been there for two days with no assistance and when found was in bad shape.

He was brought to his home in this city yesterday on a freight and is receiving medical attention today.

ABOLISH CUP.

Clark W. Kelly of this city, a member of the board of directors of the North Dakota Agricultural college at Fargo, is attending the meeting of the board, at which important action was taken yesterday at the direction of President Worst to abolish the public drinking cup at the school, setting the example for other institutions to pattern after.

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