Reprint from the June 12,1879 issue of the Northern Pacific Times (First newspaper in Barnes County)  "A white‑livered, sneak‑thieving scoundrel one night last week stole a neck‑yoke, whiff letree and spring seat from a wagon belonging to Mr. Getchell while it stood at the rear of the Sherman House. A certain man, armed with a Winchester rifle and blood in his eye has spotted the villain and there will soon be one less curse on Civilization." "All residents required to work out poll tax on the road from the village eastward to the Sheyenne River, where the bridge was built by W. J. Bodkin, Moorhead, Minnesota as authorized by the county Commissioners on May 19, 1879."     Reprint from the July 3, 1879 issue of the Northern Pacific Times: "G. E. Bauder of Sanborn, digging for a well, discovered several grains of gold between the black soil and the underlying clay." "County Commissioners ordered no swimming in sight of the new bridge, several women having complained of the sight of nude bodies when crossing the bridge."     Reprint from the October 2, 1879 issue of the Northern Pacific Times: "The body of G. H. Giles, a young man of the city was found burned to death about eight miles southwest of Valley City, the result of a prairie fire which swept the western part of the County on October 1st. Much damage was done to many farms and much hay and crops in stacks lost. Railroad bridges and trestles were also burned." Source: Barnes County History 1976 Page 316