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### Last Will and Testament.

We, the Senior class of Canton High School County of Lincoln, in the State of South Dakota, being of sound mind but realizing the uncertainty of this life, do make and publish this our last will and testament, in the manner following:

I. First: We request all our just debt be paid and charged to the board of education.

II. Second: We bequeath to the present Junior class the honors and dignity pertaining to the exalted position of seniors. This is understood to mean that they may occupy the senior seats. Furthermore we expect of them efficient leadership in the year to come. This brings with it the responsibility of organizing the football, base ball and basket ball teams. We appoint them to aid the faculty in maintaining order in the halls. We believe that nothing could be more acceptable to the Juniors than this box of taffy.

III. Third: We bequeath to the present Sophomore class the right to become Juniors, also to invite the Senior boys (to be) to their parties, also to the Sophomore girls we bequeath these little men.

IV. Fourth: to the Freshman class we give the privilege of answering whatever questions the Freshman (to be) might ask at the beginning of school next fall. To those Freshmen who need them we bequeath this box of brains.

V. Fifth: To the Freshman (to be) we would extend our heartfelt sympathy and to aid their growth and development we would leave this Code of Rules with their guardian, Miss Slagg.

### CODE OF RULES FOR THE CONDUCT OF FRESHMEN 1915.

1. Enter High School with the proper spirit.

2. Show all respect to the superior wisdom of the upper classmen.

3. Obey all rules, for the way of transgressor is hard.

4. Learn your lessons if you do not wish to be Freshmen again in 1916.

5. Every Freshman should be in bed by 8:30 o'clock.

6. All Freshmen should avoid meeting any "Fair Maidens" as they are very detrimental to class standings.

7. Do not try to tell others what you can do; go ahead and show what you can do.

(We give this Code into the keeping of the guardian of the Freshmen (to be), Miss Slagg.)

VI. Sixth: To a chosen few we bequeath the privilege of taking some subjects over again.

VII. Seventh: Ben Noid, Hugh Hughes and Franklin Fain we leave in care of the Sophomore class.

VIII. Eighth: We bequeath to the assembly room desk, a doll for the ones who have nothing to do next year.

IX. Ninth: To the faculty we give peace and quiet in the assembly room in the year to come; also relief from the annoyances of a large tardy list.

X. Tenth: To our highly respected honorary members whose willing hands and minds have directed and assisted us in various ways, we extend our heartfelt gratitude.

We appoint Mr. Menor as sole executor of this our last will and testament. We authorize him to employ any legal means in the enforcement of these provisions.

In Witness whereof we have hereunto subscribed our names, this 15th day of May 1914.

### SENIOR CLASS.

The foregoing instrument was subscribed, sealed, published, and declared by the Senior Class, as their Last Will and Testament in our presence, and in the presence of each other and we at the same time at their request and in their presence subscribe our names this 15th day of 1914, in the year of our Lord.

(Name) BILL PEAVY, (City) No Owl Creek, (State) Nova Scotia.

(Name) JACK-IN-THE-PULPIT, (City) Somaliland, (State) Africa.

### CLASS HISTORY.

Sir Walter Raleigh says: "Fain would I climb but that I fear to fall." Such were the mingled feelings of fear and ambition that struggled in the bosoms of about 60 young Americans who launched out on the sea of education September 7, 1910. Ambitious because we were now starting out on the course along which we had long watched with envy older brothers, sisters and playmates go. But time, as in every other case, served to allay our fears, and under the watchful guidance of Superintendent Boot we were soon making rapid and fearless progress toward the goal which we have now reached. Viewed from a scholastic point of view, the class of 1914 were fairly launched on the rough sea of learning. The mysteries of Latin had been solved or abandoned forever. The intricacies of algebra had been mastered and after some plunges into the depths of rhetoric we were qualified to pass over the skirmish, live and assume the burdens of the departing Sophomore class. It was in this year that Tenneyson's "Charge of the Light Brigade" was made famous by Floyd.

At the call of the old familiar school bell and after a much needed rest of three months, the class again assembled at the old High on a beautiful September morning of 1911. As we were now competent to assume the office of guardian over the oncoming class, it became our solemn duty to initiate the 1915's into the mysteries of High School life, and start them out aright on their ascent of the mountain of knowledge. After the usual festive spirit had subsided, our class began to assert itself in the mental field as well. In oratory Eck, Lou, Vessy and Cork began to show marked ability; Eck also distinguished himself as a debater. During this year the class began to come into its own with the above students to represent it. Although 1914 won no sweeping victories, the outlook for the future looked up brightly. No other class at this stage of its career has showed such marked mental and physical aptitude, and it was with some feeling of satisfaction that we entered the ranks vacated by the flighty Juniors.

In our Junior year we began to show our superiority over all former classes by our perseverance and countless victories in all lines. In declaration, Cork was victorious. In basket ball we defeated the Seniors whose players constituted the first team of the High School. In baseball we won the long end of the score. Bernie won renown with his excellent voice. His fervent love songs struck a responsive chord in the hearts of his listeners. As is customary in institutions of higher learning we treated our departing superiors to a banquet and reception, which eclipsed all other previously given. The feasting, merry making and wit made the halls of Hotel Rudolph echo until the wee small hours of the morning. It was an epoch making event in the history of Canton High School. So gratified were the Seniors of 1913, with the royal treatment they had received at our hands, that they concluded to show their appreciation in a material way, and accordingly invited us to spend a social evening at the Armory Hall. This farewell reception served partly to acquaint and familiarize us with the obligations and dignities accompanying the title "Senior." Our last and most important duty as a Junior class was performed on commencement day, when

our ingenuity and artistic nature were manifested in the decoration of the opera house.

When the class of 1914 assembled for work September 1, 1913, it was the ambition to make the best of all. And we feel that we have to a high degree accomplished our purpose. We are now closing our Senior year, having proven our worth in various ways. We have assumed leadership in all school activities. In our work we have maintained a high grade of scholarship. In manual training and domestic science we became famous. In social activities we have set a standard which all other classes have followed. In athletics we are kings of all. Our basket ball team was a decided success, and we would have won the state championship if we could have beaten Salem. In girl's basket ball, no other girl's team could withstand the onslaught of our basket shooters. With the same aggressive spirit, our athletes introduced football last fall.

Now that baseball season is here, the Seniors are decidedly superior on the diamond, and who can doubt that we would be triumphant on the track too, if we entered into this sport. In declamation we are triumphant over others, thanks to the mighty voice of Eck.

We have spent many happy hours together in the Armory hall, where we held several parties. Notable among these is the one which ended in a pleating contest.

A very successful operetta was presented by the combined glee clubs of the H. S. this year, and as is always the case, Seniors had the leading parts, and acquitted themselves in a creditable manner.

The Juniors of 1914 gave an excellent reception and banquet in honor of 1914 in the parlors of the Lutheran church. This will long be remembered as one of the most pleasant events of our Senior year. The rooms were beautifully decorated in the colors of the two classes, and a perfect bower of house plants and flowers. After a short social hour, made pleasant by Mr. Grant's orchestra, the two classes retired to the dining hall where a splendid repast was served by the dainty maids of the Sophomore and Freshman classes. Toasts were given by different members of each class, and members of the faculty. After the banquet we returned to the parlor where we spent another happy hour in a social way. On Wednesday evening, May 9, the class play, "The Professor's Predicament" was presented before a large and appreciative audience. Competent critics pronounce it one of the best that has been produced in Canton this year. The play was especially well rendered by an all star cast.

After the work and worry of the class play was over the class felt it was entitled to a day of rest. So pushing aside all cares and burdens for a day, we retired to the hills along the river east of town, where, in spite of rain and chill winds, we made the air ring with merry making till a very late hour.

On Sunday evening, May 20, at 8 p. m., this noted class of 34 filled the seats of honor in the Lutheran church. The beautiful church was filled to overflowing by proud parents and admiring friends. It was indeed a privilege to hear the splendid bacalaureate sermon delivered by Rev. Neils Kleven of Northfield, Minn.

And now kind friends, in conclusion, let us review the individuality

of the class and summarize briefly the points in which they excel. We boast of the following:

Eck, the orator; Cork, the physics shark; Vessy, the barber; Paul, the farmer; Lou, the cement block maker; Elmo, the laundryman; Zeke, the undertaker; Tet, the humorist; Bernie, the warbler; and Cub, the whistler.

The closing chapter of our history and the most interesting as well as most important, is at present being made. Events are transpiring in rapid succession which will complete the cycle begun in the dim past. The curtain is about to be raised upon the great drama of life and we must become the actors. On the fly-leaf at the end of the High School History of 1914 we shall write, "Commencement May 19th, 1914"

### Tom Eastcott Named City Auditor of Mitchell.

Thomas Eastcott, cashier in the Milwaukee freight depot at Mitchell, has been appointed city auditor by Mayor Hitchcock and received the unanimous confirmation of the city council.

The appointment was made without solicitation from Mr. Eastcott but as Mayor Hitchcock announced because of numerous evidences of the appointee's ability for the duties and of tact in handling business affairs. This is proud news to Tom's many friends in Canton and all who know him are his friends. The LEADER voices the congratulations of all and extends the glad hand to Mr. George Halsey, who succeeds to Mr. Eastcott's place in the Milwaukee depot. Mr. Halsey claims our interest because he recently married a Canton young lady Miss Edith Goodroad.

### At the M. E. Church.

There will be services at the M. E. church both morning and evening next Sabbath evening. In the morning members will be received and church letters will be read. Let any who have letters to the M. E. church and have not yet taken up their membership with this church hand them to the pastor. If he has not found you out yet. There will be no preaching service at the Jones' school house next Sabbath but there will be Sabbath school as usual. Let all the friends in the community feel an interest in this work and encourage it by their presence and support.

### Congregational Church Notes.

Sunday morning in the opera house services will begin at 10 sharp. Peter Quartel will lead the chorus choir and will sing solos at both morning and evening services. Everyone who attend our services not obligated in other places, who sing, are invited to sing with us each night this week and also Sunday morning and evening. Pastor's subject Sunday morning will be "God's Album." Sunday evening subject "On A Certain Day." Sunday School at the church after the services at noon. Services each night this week at the Congregational church, Peter Quartel and Mrs. James Holyfield assisted by many others will sing every night. Everybody welcome.

Mrs. Mary Garey a former parishioner and friend of the Thurston family, called at the M. E. Parsonage between trains. Mrs. Garey had been spending her winter and spring at San Antonio, Texas and was on her way home to Mount Vernon, S. D.

### City Commissioners Proceedings.

April 14th, 1914.

Board of city commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Puckett, Heckmaster, Kinsley, Wright and Mayor Tank.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Moved by Puckett and seconded by Heckmaster that the following bills be allowed and warrants issued for same. Motion carried.

Salary Fund.

Chas. Brenner	\$64 25
Harvey Kappen	65 00
A. W. Tucker	35 00
Al Payne	48 00
Carl F. Tank	25 00
P. S. Puckett	16 67
C. A. Heckmaster	16 66
W. A. Kinsley	16 67
B. B. Wright	16 67
Geo. Hokenstad	25 00
H. E. Thayer	50 00
J. J. Anderson	125 00
Asa Forrest Jr.	100 00

Street Fund.

C. F. Whitmore, supplies	1 14
Ralph Atwood, labor with team	43 10
Brandsgaard & Helgeson, shovel	60
Electric Light Fund.	
Sioux Valley Power Co., lights for April	240 87

Waterworks Fund

Sioux Valley Lower Co., pumping city water	91 67
R. Betn, draying	1 50
B. S. Summerwill Lbr. Co., supplies	7 95
D. A. Hale, supplies	1 60
Elli Rynes, labor	4 00
S. H. Bowman Lbr. Co., supplies	49 05

Miscellaneous Fund.

Farmers Leader, publishing	25 95
A. W. Tucker, burying dog and drying hose	3 00
Satrum Bros., labor at fire house	2 90
Sioux Valley News, publishing	12 60
J. J. Anderson, Board of Reg.	6 00
Carl F. Tank, " " "	6 00
Geo. Hokenstad, " " "	6 00
Will A. Beach, 2 dozen blanks	70

The petition of Mr. Lunder asking the city to install a water service on Dakota Street, commencing at the end of the main at the residence of James Loomer and extending to the city limits on the north, was granted, Mr. Lunder to stand all expense for the installation of same, rate to be as follows: Minimum of \$9.00 per annum and 20 cents per cubic foot above the minimum, and the city attorney ordered to draw up a contract for same.

On motion board adjourned.

CARL F. TANK, Mayor.

GEORGE HOKENSTAD, City Auditor.

April 21st, 1914.

Board of city commissioners met this date. Not being a quorum present, board adjourned.

GEORGE HOKENSTAD, City Auditor.

### CANVASSING BOARD PROCEEDINGS.

The city commissioners met as a canvassing board this 23rd day of April, A. D., 1914, with the following members present: Puckett, Heckmaster, Kinsley, Wright and Mayor Tank.

The vote in the various wards were as follows:

For commissioner of finance and revenue, P. S. Puckett.				
Wards.				
1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
23	17	10	16	66

P. S. Puckett having received a majority of all votes cast was declared elected and the city auditor was instructed to issue a certificate to him. On motion board adjourned.

CARL F. TANK, Mayor.

GEORGE HOKENSTAD, City Auditor.

April 28th, 1914.

Board of city commissioners met this date. Not being a quorum present, board adjourned.

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### COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS.

May 5th, 1914.

Board of city commissioners met in

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W. S. Nott Co., supplies 7 30

A. E. Stowell, drying hose 3 00

Sioux Valley Power Co., balance due on lamp post 186 28

C. G. Ellis, W. J. Roderick, Bernt Peterson, J. T. Hale, T. H. Helgeson, Wm. Shaft, T. F. Thompson, J. A. Kellar, C. H. Fitch, W. D. Hoffman, Elling Opsal, F. A. Van Fleet, Ole Rommeleim, F. L. Nims, J. C. Solem, Geo. A. Swartz, Anton Yelneek, Wm. Graves, P. A. Anderson, Mark Hunter, each 3 00

C. Gray, erecting booths 2 00

J. P. Nordseth, erecting booths 2 00

Canton Fire Department, annual appropriation 300 00

Moved by Wright and seconded by Kinsley that the monthly reports of the street commissioner, weighmaster and the annual reports of the city treasurer and auditor be approved. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn sine die prevailed.

CARL F. TANK, Mayor.

GEORGE HOKENSTAD, City Auditor.

### NEW BOARD OF CITY COMMISSIONERS.

The board of city commissioners was called to order with the following members present: Commissioners Puckett, Heckmaster, Kinsley, Wright and Mayor Tank.

### RESOLUTION.

Be it resolved, by the board of commissioners of the city of Canton, South Dakota, that the bonds of the different officials of the city of Canton be fixed as follows:

Chief Police	\$500 00
Police (day)	500 00
City Auditor	2000 00
City Treasurer	7000 00
City Attorney	

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