

## Bismarck High and Grade Schools Make Good Showing

Attendance in the Grades Has Increased Forty Percent and in the High School Over Fifty; Report Is Attached.

The report of the Bismarck schools, high and grades, made by Superintendent Rood is as follows. The showing is excellent and the work done in the city schools is of such an order that the extended report is given.

Epitome of Superintendent's Report of the Bismarck City Schools.

Grade	No. of Teachers	Enrollment			Avg. Daily Attendance (Approximately)	Percent of Attendance	No. Neither Absent nor Tardy
		Boys	Girls	Total			
Kindergarten	33	39	72	46	91.8	22	
1st	81	63	144	107	92.88	22	
2nd	40	39	79	59	94.2	1	
3rd	47	46	93	77	93.89	5	
4th	43	36	79	63	94.5	3	
5th	38	49	87	67	94.56	7	
6th	39	50	89	73	95.46	4	
7th	39	42	91	77	94.94	2	
8th	23	37	60	53	96.33	10	
High School	10	78	122	200	96.96	16	
Drawing and Music	1	30	471	523	994	790	94.5
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**ENROLLMENT.**  
The total enrollment is only six short of the thousand mark and the High School reached 200. The percentage of attendance for the entire school is nearly 95 per cent. The highest percent was in the high school, nearly 97 per cent.

**Boys Outnumber Girls.**  
Boys outnumber the girls below the 5th grade, while the boys lose ground from the 5th grade with the exception of the 7th. In the whole high school, there are one and one-half times as many girls as boys and in the Senior class there were more than two to one. There has been a big improvement in this respect, for three years ago the number of girls in the high school were two and two-thirds times the boys and there were five times as many girls as boys in the graduating class.

**Growth of the School.**  
A comparison of the past year's enrollment with that for 1910-11 shows that the grade enrollment has increased 40 per cent in three years and the high school 50 per cent in the same length of time. A conservative estimate places the number in the high school at 225 for next year and probably more. This will necessitate the increasing of the seating capacity of the assembly room almost to capacity.

**First Grade Large.**  
It will be noted that the enrollment in the first grade was very large. This necessitated the hiring of the third teacher for this grade last year and the second grade will be correspondingly large next year rendering the employment of an extra teacher for that grade necessary. This has already been done. The next problem is to provide room for these people and the board will decide soon what is to be done.

**Other Improvements.**  
All of the 8th grade and 7th grade pupils will be housed on the second floor of the North Ward school next year. There will be no pupils of these grades in any other building. They will occupy the four rooms formerly devoted to high school work. There will be 150 to 160 pupils in these grades a larger number than was ever in the high school in the old building. It will be a high school in itself. In fact, it may be called the Junior high school and our teachers will have charge of this work, the work being arranged on the department plans.

**Separate Drawing and Music.**  
Another decided improvement is the employment of separate music and drawing teachers. Miss Smith, who taught both subjects the past year will have charge of the music only and Miss Palmer, formerly of Williston, will supervise both drawing and penmanship.

**History.**  
Mr. Irvine A. White, a young man from the University of Wisconsin, will have charge of the history department thus adding another man to the high school faculty. He has athletic ability and will also assist the boys in debating. Mr. Roy Van Duzee of Menominee, Wisconsin will have charge of the work in manual training next year and will also assist in athletics.

**Another full time teacher will be added to the commercial department.**  
A full list of teachers and assignments will be given out soon.

**Neither Absent nor Tardy, 1913-14.**  
There were but 50 pupils out of nearly 1,000 who were neither absent nor tardy and we desire to give these people credit for their record. The following is the list by grades:  
First grade—Cecil Elstrom, Geo. Eyaline.  
Second grade—Joy Tabler.  
Third grade—Arthur Nathan, Berkeley Neff, Gordon Neff, Dorothy Parsons, Katherine.  
Fourth grade—Josephine Cook, Mabel Nathan, Mabel Parsons, Dorothy Huber, Louise Huber, Florence Jager, Lucy Snyder, Robert George, Sylvia Sell, Margaret Smith.  
Sixth grade—David Cook, David Jones, Robert Roberts, Alice Webb.  
Seventh grade—Karolina Yegen, Edwina Taylor.  
Eighth grade—Bert Cook, Harold Fullerton, Roy Hartley, Mary Murray, Erma North, Hugh Spangler, Raymond Tabler, Olga Vigness, Philip Webb.  
High School—Edna Baumgarten, Albert Blumer, Paul Cashman, Frances Close, Helen Erstom, Arde Kaufman, George Keenan, Luther Knudson, Hazel Miller, Ruby Ode, Ada Belle Sime, Harold Spangler, C. L. Spear, Esther Spetz, Esther Weatherhead.

**Report Savings Deposits.**  
The following report of the school savings bank department is given below in a brief form:  
Number of depositors 181.  
Total deposits, \$511.66.  
Four hundred checks issued to individuals, amounting to \$481, to be placed in savings bank.  
Withdrawn from bank with parents' consent, \$27; leaving \$484 on interest in savings bank.  
Withdrawn in small amounts on request of parents to teacher, \$6.42.  
Balance in general fund in depository, \$74.84.  
Report covers a period of 15 weeks. Average weekly deposit, \$34.12.  
This does not represent the savings of the school, because no effort was made to get pupils who already had accounts to change to the school savings system.

**DESTROYED BY FIRE.**  
Munich, N. D., June 27.—The barn on the Henry Fast place at Rose Hill was completely destroyed by fire, with all its contents. Two horses, several hundred bushels of oats and some harness were burned. The fire was first noticed by people coming from church, but it had gained such headway that all that could be done was to prevent the flames from spreading to the house, which was saved with difficulty.

**HOTEL CLERK MISSING.**  
Devils Lake, N. D., June 27.—Where is Henry Lessman? This is the question being asked by C. E. Gray of the Colonial as a result of the mysterious disappearance of the man on June 18. When it was reported that clothes had been found on the lake shore, apprehension was felt for the fact that was seen of Lessman he was headed for the lake shore.  
Lessman was employed at the Colonial as night cook. On June 16 he drew his pay, at the same time giving the assurance that he would be on the job that evening.  
Little was thought of his failure to return for a time, but the fact that his watch, trunk and clothing were left at the Colonial has caused apprehension and a search has been started.

**CROSS OCEAN IN LAUNCH.**  
Winnipeg, Man., June 27.—Lawrence Marples, aged 22 will in August attempt to cross the Atlantic in a 30-foot motor boat, accompanied by three friends. The trip will be taken in an endeavor to win a \$25,000 prize offered by the London Mail.  
Marples, who is sales manager for a Winnipeg realty firm, was at one

time apprentice on a Liverpool-West Indies line of steamers and believes by taking a northerly route via Belle Isle Straits he can make the trip in 7 days and 7 hours, averaging 15 miles per hour.  
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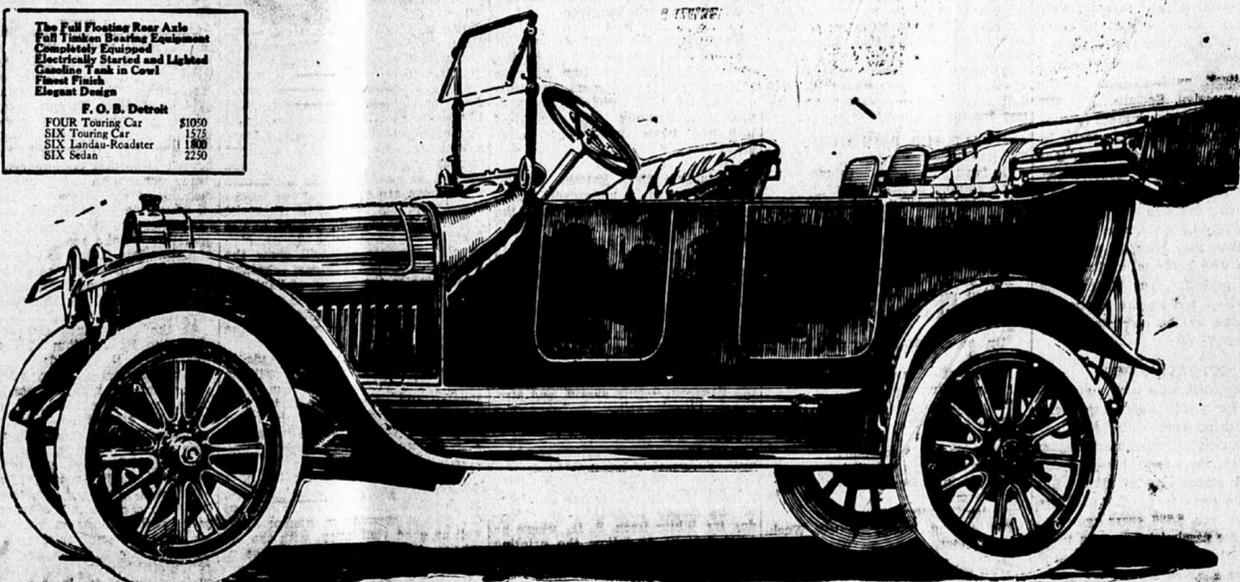
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