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#### SUNDAY:

Morning Service 11:00  
Sunday School 12:10  
Junior League 3:00  
Y. P. Meeting 7:00  
Evening Service 7:30

#### WEDNESDAY P. M.

Prayer Meeting 7:30

Strangers Invited.

C. T. ENSIGN, Pastor.

## Important News of North Dakota

Interesting Accounts of Happenings in the Flieker Tail State During the Last Week.

Grand Forks.—Minot was selected by the North Dakota Mechanics' Mutual Benefit association as the place for holding the next annual meeting.

Bismarck.—Instructions for the assessment of elevators are contained in a circular issued to assessors of the state, under which elevators will be assessed this year on a capacity basis.

Fargo.—The Town and County club, has taken an option on eighty acres of land one mile south of Fargo, for the club's golf links, at \$12,000. Announcement to this effect was made by Sam Stern secretary of the organization.

Grafton.—Asbjorn Johnson, 65 years old, employed by the Robertson Lumber company here for many years, was killed by a Great Northern freight train. Johnson was climbing between two cars which started unexpectedly, dropping him onto the rails.

Williston.—Range stock in western North Dakota and Montana are in a precarious condition. There is 24 inches of snow on the level and the extreme cold weather for the past forty days, together with the strong winds, has made it impossible for stock to graze.

Grand Forks.—Surrounded and attacked by a band of Villa's men, Bart Cramer, brother of Mrs. J. G. Haney of Grand Forks, was slain on the night of January 5. The first report of Cramer's death was denied, but the latest information substantiates the fact of his death.

Dickinson.—A mother and her babe are dead and the father was not expected to live as the result of a fire which destroyed the J. A. Underwood home at Sentinel Butte. The body of the 4-month-old child was recovered from the debris. Its mother died after several hours of agony.

Watford City.—The ranchers of the McLucas school district near the Little Missouri in this county in cooperation with the teacher have solved the problem of winter schooling for their boys and girls by converting the schoolhouse into a home for them from

Monday morning until Friday night each week.

Grand Forks.—Ed Brennan of Estevan, Sask., was burned to death by fire which destroyed the Davidson building in this city. It was not known that Brennan was in the building until his body was found in the ruins. The identity, however, immediately was established, Brennan had been in the city only a few hours.

Casselton.—Re-opening of the First National Bank of Casselton, closed three months ago when bank examiners declared its condition unsatisfactory, was declared by President M. E. Straus to be practically certain. With the re-opening of the bank, \$330,000 in deposits will be guaranteed to depositors, that being the sum in the bank when it was closed.

Minot.—Every facility Minot has to offer is being combined this week to make the annual Northwestern mid-winter fair and agricultural short course a success, the work being maintained under the direction of a body created by the Minot Association of Commerce. On Monday the formal opening was featured by a meeting of farmers.

Wildrose.—Found staggering and crawling across the prairie, almost exhausted, Mads Gydesen, 59 years old, died soon afterwards here of heart disease, induced by exposure. Gydesen's toes and hands were frozen, and he suffered seriously from exposure. The man had driven seven miles to his home from Wildrose, and it seems that his mind became affected.

Devils Lake.—Marooned in a snow bank on the open prairie in Rolette county for thirty-two hours, with only the limited provisions brought by team from Rolla for nourishment was the experience of thirty passengers who finally reached Devils Lake. The train coming from Brandon, Man., struck a snowbank west of Gronna, a place little more than a siding, about 6 P. M. It was after midnight the following night that the track was opened.

Dickinson, N. D.—The new 1914 Klier directory for Dunn and Stark counties will be out in a few days and will show the first census of the new towns on the branch line of the Northern Pacific Railway company north as follows: Kildeer, the terminal, 400; Dunn Center, 235; Harriday, 220; Werner, 228. When it is taken into consideration that these towns in the northern part of Dunn county only came into existence about a year ago, the showing of the population is considered remarkable.

Grand Forks.—The North Dakota Federation of Women's clubs will hold its next annual meeting in Valley City, such decision being announced at the executive board session here. The federation will meet next October, and will celebrate the twentieth anniversary of its establishment.

Fargo.—Arrested by a deputy sheriff working in conjunction with W. C. MacFadden, secretary of the North Dakota Bankers' association, B. W. Jones formerly of Fargo, was brought here for passing bogus checks aggregating close to \$500, about \$200 of this amount being obtained in Fargo.

Peculiar Flint Rock.  
J. C. Oliver of Woodstock, Vt., has a white flint rock somewhat smaller than a man's fist. Through one end of it is an irregular hole smaller than a lead pencil, caused by a vein of iron which had rusted out. The long root of a dock plant has grown through the hole, filling it solidly and extending some distance in the ground beyond.

## INHERITANCE TAX LAW HELD VALID

NORTH DAKOTA STATUTE DECLARED CONSTITUTIONAL BY JUDGE HANSON AT FARGO.

### ITEMS FROM STATE CAPITOL

Bismarck Letter Giving Important and Interesting News of Officials and Departments of North Dakota Government.

Bismarck. The constitutionality of the North Dakota inheritance tax has been upheld by Judge Hanson of the county court at Fargo, in an opinion given in the matter of the estate of Martin A. Hagen, deceased. According to State's Attorney A. W. Fowler the case will eventually go to the supreme court for the legality test.

Attorney General H. J. Linde's ruling by which it is held that delegates to the national convention must be paid \$200 each to cover the expense of their trips, likely will bring about a contest in the courts, seeking to have the provision of the law covering the expenses of national delegates declared unconstitutional.

Under the presidential preference act, provision is made whereby each delegate is allowed his expenses, not to exceed \$200, for attending the national convention. In the budget act passed by the last legislature, an attempt was made to repeal such provision, but the attorney general holds this provision is in similar position to the tax commission appropriation. In that instance, the legislature specifically repealed the appropriation for the tax commission, but made no reference to the tax commission law itself. So the supreme court held that the commission must be paid its salary expenses, etc.

### Ask Aid of Teachers.

E. J. Taylor, superintendent of public instruction, has sent out letters to the teachers of North Dakota enclosing blanks to be filled out by them for the purpose of making an educational survey of the state.

A circular letter was also enclosed from Hon. P. P. Claxton, United States commissioner of education, explaining the object of the survey, and in part is as follows:

"To the Teaching Forces of North Dakota. Upon the request of the state board of regents, the United States bureau of education is undertaking an educational survey of North Dakota. For this purpose a survey commission has been appointed, which is acting under the general direction of the United States commissioner of education.

### For State Road Map.

State Engineer Bliss is securing information from the various county auditors of this state relative to the locations of the more important county roads. If sufficient data can be secured, he hopes to compile a state road map of sufficient accuracy to be of value. A great many inquiries have been made for a state map which would show the more prominent roads, and Mr. Bliss expects that there will be a big demand for them. Mr. Bliss says that the reports received from the county auditors to date practically assure the completion of a map which will indicate the location of the best roads between the various county seats of the state.

### Counties Get \$71,434.45.

The secretary of state has sent out a circular letter to every owner of a motor vehicle in North Dakota in 1915 urging each to register his vehicle early as renewals must be made annually and take effect January 1, of each year. Last year 10,000 applications were made in April and the department urges earlier registration this year. Registration fee is \$3 per vehicle.

A statement prepared by secretary Hall shows the number of motor vehicles registered in each of the counties and the total amount of money returned for road purposes. More than \$71,434 was remitted to the various counties last year.

### Beaver Cut Trees.

From all over the western part of North Dakota, come stories of the depredations of the beaver, which is protected by state law until 1920, and numerous are the calls upon the state game board for relief. A rancher on Garner creek in Billings county, near Roosevelt's Old Maltese Cross ranch, says he has 3 or 400 beaver on his land. They have he says, cut fully 1,000 trees on his place, and he has written Governor L. B. Hanna asking that a bounty of \$1 a tree be granted him.

U Registrar Appointed.  
William H. Greenleaf has been ap-

pointed Registrar at the University, to succeed George E. Schlafer, who recently resigned. Mr. Greenleaf has for some months been a secretary of the extension division, in charge of the bureau of public information. He will continue to act in this capacity, assuming at the same time the duties of the Registrar. Both University offices will continue along the present lines. An increased office force will make possible the combination of activities.

## AN EXCELLENT ARRAY OF TALENT FOR SHORT COURSE

To be Held in Hope Feb. 22-25, Inc.; Women will Hold Course too

That the farmers near Hope will try to make the Farmers' Short Course School which will be held Feb. 22 to 25, inc., the largest of its kind ever held in the state, is evidenced by the interest being taken and the number who have expressed their intentions of attending. The greatest difficulty facing the committee in charge will be the arranging of sufficient seats to properly take care of the crowd. It is expected that more than 250 will attend.

This course will be practical in all respects. Geo. W. Porter, a man who makes concrete work his business during the warmer months, will be present one day. Cement, gravel, frame lumber, etc., have been ordered for his demonstration. He will build a corner for a concrete foundation, a concrete fence post a hog trough and as many other things as time will permit. He doesn't claim to be much of a talker but he can show how it should be done. He was one of the greatest drawing card at the Corn and Clover Show held at Grand Forks.

Dr. Vird O. Cudd, of Kansas City, will also be here. Dr. Cudd is, without doubt, the greatest authority in the west on animal breeding. He will talk on the "Barrenness of Stallions, Mares and Cows." He will also hold a clinic, wherein he shows various reasons why mares refused to breed. Dr. Cudd not only knows his subject but he has the excellent faculty of stating his knowledge in such a clear fashion that everyone can understand exactly what is meant.

A. F. Borchert, now of Jamestown but formerly of Wisconsin, will also be here. Mr. Borchert was at one time the head architect of one of the largest barn supply houses in the United States. He will talk on and demonstrate the proper method of ventilating farm buildings.

Miss Lillian Topping, of the Florence Crittenton Home, Fargo, will talk to the women on one day, giving two of her excellent lectures. She will speak on "Crime" and the "Juvenile Court". One evening she will address the both men and women on "The Florence Crittenton Home." Miss Topping is in touch with criminals and courts every day of her life and is well qualified to talk on those subjects. The Womens Federated Clubs of North Dakota paid Miss Topping \$100.00 to deliver one of the lectures she will give here.

Miss Farnsworth, of the Valley City Normal, will be here. That ought to draw a crowd in itself. The girls who have gone from here to the Valley City Normal have advertised Miss Farnsworth much more favorably than we could do in this column. She is the best along domestic science lines there is in the state.

We wish that we had space to tell all of things that should be told in regard to all of the speakers that will be us the last week

in February. They will be the best qualified group of men and women, in their various lines, that have ever visited our city. They know their work and can tell what they know. We do not feel that any man or woman in this section can afford to miss a single session.

A full program appears at another place in this issue.

### February, Month Of "Red-Letter" Days

By "Observer."

February, while the shortest month of the year, certainly holds its own in number of "red-letter" days—days having some special significance attached to them. With an added day tacked on the rear end, the month this year also crowds September, April, June and November for length. Over the United States there are thousands of people who will this year celebrate an anniversary of their birth of February 29th who have not had an opportunity for doing so for four years.

The first red-letter day of February was the 2nd—candlemas, or groundhog day, more or less associated with superstition the United States over. The 12th is an anniversary of the birth of Lincoln, born 107 years ago. On the 14th comes St. Valentine's day, when little tokens of love and remembrance are exchanged—an ideal opportunity for us to remind our absent relatives and friends that they are still in our memory. Sunday, the 20th is a more or less widely known church day—Septagesima—meaning the third Sunday before Lent. Washington's birthday comes on the 22nd and is the 174th anniversary of that event. On the 27th is Sexagesima—second Sunday before Lent, and then the 29th—Leap year Day, the extra one added to the month one year in four which gives the year the title of "Leap Year," during which those girls of marriageable age who think it is not embarrassing to "propose" are offered an opportunity of doing so themselves.

The word "February" is from the Latin "febru," meaning to purify.

### Dental Practice Change

Dr. N. B. Benson has taken over the dental practice of Dr. E. L. Hughes, and commenced active practice Tuesday. The new addition to New Rockford's professional men is not a stranger to our citizens, having been in charge of Dr. Hughes' practice for some time last fall and since the first of the year. He is an exceptionally good dentist, a young man of promise and will be a welcome addition to our circle of professional men. Dr. Hughes has been forced to discontinue the dental work on account of ill health and will devote his time to the more healthful business of demonstrating and selling automobile. The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Hughes will be pleased to know they will still continue to be residents of our city.—New Rockford Transcript.

### Something Good.

Those who hate nasty medicine should try Chamberlain's Tablets for constipation. They are pleasant to take and their effect is so agreeable and so natural that you will not realize that it has been produced by a medicine. Obtainable everywhere.—Adv.

### Folly of Revenge.

By taking revenge a man is but even with his enemy, but in passing it over he is superior.—Bacon.

### "90" For Wm. Snowden

The following item in the Twin City papers marks the end of the career of another of the old timers of Hope. In the early days Billie Snowden was employed in the Pioneer office for a number of years. He then took to the road and has worked in the many of the leading offices all over the country. Last spring he started out from Chicago and worked his way west landing in Hope in August and worked for a few days on the cases again. A few days later he left for the east again and the news of his death is the first information as to his whereabouts that has been received since. The following is from the St. Paul Dispatch of Feb. 4th:

Kneeling on his cot in a cell at Central police station with his hands clasped as in prayer, William Snowden, an itinerant printer was found dead Wednesday night by Newman, a jailer.

Snowden had been arrested at Fourth and Jackson streets by Patrolman Fren Hammergren two hours before. When locked up he told the jailer he wanted to sleep. In adjoining cells were thirteen other prisoners and none of them nor the jailer heard a sound. Snowden was 62 years old. He carried a traveler's card of the International Typographical union, issued at Fargo, N. D. He had not worked in St. Paul so far as is known, but had been here several weeks, according to local printers. The coroner found death to have been caused by heart disease.

### Newspaper Ethics

Every once in a while someone brings in prying with the request that it be kept secret. Perhaps a little more information concerning the rules of newspaper offices will not be out of place. One of the first things an apprentice is taught absolute secrecy concerning anything that is done in the office. He must not give any information out as to what kind of printing is being done nor give any notice of what is to appear in the paper. Another rule is that the copy hook is sacred—that is, outsiders must not read its contents and neither should they read the copy on the case before the compositor. This last is considered by the average printer to be ill bred as the reading of private correspondence. All proof sheets and in fact the paper itself, is considered private property until it is delivered to the public.—Exchange.

### Learn A Little Every Day.

The United States produces 80 per cent of the oil of the world.

The "trench knife" is a new weapon of warfare, with a blade 15 inches long. It is used for fighting in the trenches when there is no room to swing a sword or bayonet.

In this country electricity is a \$3,000,000,000 industry.

The street lighting bills for the city of New York will be \$400,000 less this year than for 1914. This saving was made by using nitro-filled krypton lamps in place of arc lights.

Upward of 300 children are being killed each year in the streets of New York, and about 7,500 are injured.

London has 1600 churches.

### Short and Sweet

Pat—"I heard you and the boys struck for shorter hours. Did you get 'em?"

Mike—"Sure. We're not working at all now."—Columbia Jester.

### MARKET REPORT

Feb. 2nd, 1916.

WHEAT	
1 Northern	\$ 1.28
2 Northern	1.20
1 Durum	1.14
2 Durum	1.12
FLAX	
	2.20
BAREEY	
	.55 to .65
OATS	