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## NORTH DAKOTA HOGS SELL AT A PREMIUM

The feature of this week's hog trade was the sale of a fancy load of Luroc Jerseys, bred and raised by the Ward Farms Company, Hope, N. D. These were April pigs and ran on alfalfa until the 20th of August when they were turned into a twenty acre field of corn to hog off. They had access to both corn and alfalfa until Oct 1st, and then were put in close feeding quarters and fed corn and ground barley for a few weeks and finished off with ground barley.

Their average weight was 255 lbs. and their average age 245 days which shows very well for the methods and efforts of the growers as the general assumption is that with the best of care the average hog will gain a pound for every day.

This load brought a fancy premium on the South St. Paul market Monday.

A. T. Ward is the proprietor of the Ward Farms Company. He has demonstrated that pork can be produced to as good advantage in North Dakota as in the heart of the Corn Belt.—South St. Paul Daily Reporter.

These hogs sold at \$8.25. Mr. Ward adds that the only mistake in the article is that J. C. Dorrance did the demonstrating instead of himself.—Ed.

## LUND CHURCH

English services next Sunday at 2:00 o'clock at Lund Church.

English services next Sunday evening at Laverne at 7:30 o'clock. No Sunday School next Sunday. JOHN HAALAND

## LUTHERAN CHURCH H. L. Wiese, Pastor

December 31: Divine worship in the German language.

January 1, 1923: Divine worship in the English language at 10:30 a. m.

End the old year and begin the new year right by worshipping your God.

## METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH Rev. W. W. Smith, Pastor

This Christmas has been well spent in program and good cheer; all of which ought to inspire us to nobler living.

We shall be specially favored next Sunday morning by music given by the Christianson Orchestra. Shall we not give them a good hearing. Subject of sermon, "Pressing toward the Prize."

Evening subject, "The Lost Christ" This is very important subject and we hope you will make every effort to come and listen to it.

## CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

May we suggest that it might be a very fine and fitting way to finish up the year 1922 by attending the services of the Church next Sunday morning and evening. It might serve to prepare us to live better and do better during the year 1923.

We invite you to attend the morning hour of worship. The pastor expects to speak upon the theme "Doing the Impossible." The choir will render several selections.

The Sunday school session will follow the morning worship. We believe you will enjoy the hour in Sabbath school and we shall be delighted to have you with us.

The evening hour will be one of special interest. The Christianson family have consented to play for us at that service. It is something quite unusual to find a father and his six children constituting an orchestra, and we are exceedingly fortunate in having such a talented family in our community. The orchestra will furnish the greater part of the program of the evening. The following are the names of the respective members of the orchestra, and the instrument upon which each will play.

Lief Christianson First Violin  
George Christianson Second Violin  
Sverre Christianson Viola  
Rolf Christianson Cello  
Gunder Christianson Cornet  
Sigrid Christianson Piano  
W. O. Christianson Bass Viol

The orchestra will render a varied program, including solos, duets etc. upon the various instruments.

The choir will render one or two vocal selections and the pastor will give a brief talk.

Don't miss this musical treat. It may be some time before such an opportunity presents itself again.

GEO. R. HULL, Pastor

The Community Christmas tree was held at the opera house Saturday evening. A splendid program had been arranged and was greatly enjoyed by the large crowd present.

The hall was artistically decorated and two splendid Christmas trees lighted with colored lights and trimmed appropriately added greatly to the stage setting. At the close of the program, boxes of candy and nuts were passed out to the children.

## John B. Useless, Esq.



## May 1923 bring to you Health, Happiness and Prosperity

## HOPE HIGH BREAKS EVEN WITH FINLEY

In a rough but exciting game, the local girls team went down to defeat before the Finley High School girls team to a count of 8 to 0. Only three quarters were played due to the fact that only sufficient time was left for the boys to play and catch the train. The remaining quarter if played would have undoubtedly raised the Hope score above the zero mark, inability of our girls to hit the basket when points counted and the rough game was responsible for their defeat. Three personal fouls were called against the Hope girls and one against Finley.

The local boys avenged the girls defeat and took the Finley boys into camp with a score of 24 to 14. This game as well, although spectacular at times, was marred with considerable roughness and ragged playing. The locals showed flashes of their real form only at times due to the small floor. Nine personal fouls were called against the local team, no technicals. Two personal fouls were against the Finley team, five technicals. (Technical do not allow free throws) Enuf said.

Capt. McCullough, Lunding, Smith Fuller, and Bjorklund started the game. Wood substituted for Fuller in the first half. Smith went out of the game in the second half on personal fouls, Bjorklund taking center and Fuller taking Bjorklund's place.

Field baskets: Hope—McCullough 2, Lunding 2, Smith 2, and Bjorklund 4. Finley—Thorne 1, and Skeri 2.

## TWO FAST GAMES OF BASKET BALL HERE JAN. 2nd. AND 5th

Tower City comes here with a hard fighting team to meet the Hope High squad on Jan 2nd. To date they have played four games making a total score of 100 points against their opponents 25. If this is sufficient

evidence of their playing ability, the first game on our home floor this season ought to be a fast one. This is the first time in years that Tower City has played us here so let us show them the Hope spirit by a full house and solid support for the local team.

Sharon comes here on Jan. 5th. They need no introduction. The games were evened up last year, the local squad losing to Sharon at Sharon by one point and winning by a good margin on our own floor. This year we are out to avenge the defeat that we received from them and to take both games. Hope has not lost a game to outside High School teams on the home floor for many years. Help us keep up this reputation. Both of these games will be played in the evening. The games are called at 8 P. M. Admission 25 and 35c.

The local squad has been putting in most of their time since the Fargo game on fundamentals and other defects which came to light during that game. Signal practice and polishing off on fundamentals will begin after the Christmas vacation and then the squad will be ready for the heavy schedule ahead of them. Monday night is an open night to all who care to watch the boys practice. If you are a Hope High Booster, get out on every Monday night and show the boys that you are behind them.

## IMPOSSIBLE

"I can't eat this soup."  
Waiter brings another kind of soup.  
Diner—I can't eat this soup.  
Waiter angrily but silently another kind.  
Diner—I can't eat this soup.  
Waiter, furious, calls the proprietor.  
Proprietor—Why can't you eat this soup?  
Diner (quietly)—Because I have no spoon.—Hotel Register.

## COMMUNITY CLUB

Friday Evening, January 5th

The members of the American Legion and the Auxiliary, who recently put on the play "Safety First" in such a satisfactory way, have consented to repeat the play as the main part of the program for the Community Club meeting. Due to bad weather many from the country did not see the play when presented the first time and they will now have an opportunity to see one of the best home talent plays given in Hope.

The loud speaker and other radio equipment purchased by the American Legion is now here and is being put in place. While those in charge do not guarantee to pick anything out of the air on Friday night, they hope that the equipment will be in working order and that at least a part of some program may be located with it.

Following the program there will be time out for lunch. Do not overlook this important feature of the evening. Bring lunch with you. Experts have been engaged to prepare the coffee.

After the lunch the balance of the evening will be devoted to dancing. A charge of fifty cents will be made to all those dancing who are not members of the Community Club.

The proprietor of the livery barn has assured the committee that he will provide space in a barn for all teams.

Below will be found the official notice of the annual meeting that will be held on the above date.

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Hope Community Club will be held in the Hope Opera House on Jan. 5, 1923 at 8 o'clock P. M. Fifteen Directors to be elected as follows: One member each from the Townships of Broadlawn, Edendale, Sherbrooke, Hugo, Colgate, Carpenter, Melrose, Riverside and Willow Lake, and six members from the City of Hope. Members to be elected for a term of one year, or until the next annual meeting.

Hope Community Club  
H. C. ERSTAD, Secy.

## COUNTY SCHOOL NOTES

Christmas programs were given in the Pickert School and in the Golden Lake Center School last Thursday, December 21st.

Beaver Creek School No. 3 had the walls and ceilings painted during Institute week. A social was given by the school children December 2nd which netted \$25.85.

Broadlawn School No. 5—Vernon Plaine, teacher—gave an entertainment which netted \$27.90 for which some good victrola records and other equipment will be purchased.

The following schools have sent in remittances recently for the Junior Red Cross News: Colgate School Two rooms—H. H. Zimmermann, principal, Enger No. 4—Joseph Slaprud, teacher, Broadlawn No. 5—Vernon Plaine, teacher, Enger No. 1—Ida Brend, teacher, New Bergen No. 4—Vivian Wyborny, teacher, New Bergen No. 1—Atha Rockney, teacher, New Bergen No. 3—Alma Braaten, teacher.

With the closing of the schools for the Christmas holidays the local teachers left for their various homes. Miss Jeraldine Mc Nicol went to Grand Forks, Miss Emma Groves to Lakota, Miss Larson to Marion, Miss Elliott is visiting in Valley City and Miss Nordstrom to Starbuck, Minn.

## PROSPECTS FOR AGRICULTURE IN 1923

New Year's statement and resume of agriculture conditions and prospects from Secretary of Agriculture Wallace

Twelve months ago most of the six million farmers of the United States were starting on the long hard climb out of the valley of economic depression. They have not yet attained the heights which are bathed in the grateful sunshine of prosperity. Some, indeed, have fallen by the way. Others are still in the valley. Nevertheless, as we stop a bit and look backward we can see that very considerable ground has been gained by the great majority, and we can enter the New Year with renewed hope and with that courage which comes from the realization that we are really making progress.

A year ago, when speaking of the prospects for farming 1922, I said that while there was no reason to expect boom times for the farmer in the near future, there was promise of better times, both for the farmer and for those whose business is largely dependent upon him. The year has brought fulfillment of that promise. Speaking generally, times are better, much better, than a year ago, both for agriculture and for industry.

Crops have been good, on the whole. Prices of the major crops are mostly considerably higher. While there has been a corresponding advance in the price of the things the farmer must buy, the total sum which farmers will receive for the crops of this year is greater by a billion and a half dollars or more than that which they received for the crops of last year. This will certainly mean better times on the farm, and farm folks will be able to ease up a little on the grinding economy they were forced to practice the preceding year.

The labor cost of producing the crops of 1922 was still further reduced. There were some substantial reductions in freight rates. Much helpful legislation has been enacted and more will be this winter. Interest rates are lower and the credit strain has been eased. This has made it possible for many farmers who were rather heavily involved to refund their obligations and get themselves in condition to win through.

There are still some dark spots. In some sections weather conditions were unfavorable and crops were short, and farmers in these sections are having a very hard time of it. Freight rates are still too high, especially for those who must pay for a long haul to market.

Taxes are high, but this is largely due to the increase in local taxes, over which farmers themselves must exercise control.

There has been gratifying growth in farmers' cooperative marketing associations, and more of them are being organized on a sound business basis.

Aside from the help which has been given by legislation and by administration activities, strong economic forces are at work to restore a more normal relation between agriculture and other industries.

The peril in the agricultural depression is more keenly realized by other groups than ever before, and on every hand a sincere desire is being evidenced to do what can be done safely to help the farmer better his condition.

Everything considered, we have good reason to expect still better things for agriculture in the year 1923.

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