

## WIPER ELEVATOR IN BOWBELLS BURNS TO GROUND

**Huge Grain House is Totally Destroyed with 22,500 Bushels of Grain at 10:30 Last Thursday Evening**

At about 10:30 o'clock last Thursday evening the large A. C. Wiper grain elevator burned to the ground with 15,000 bushels of wheat, 4000 bushels of oats, 2500 bushels of rye, and 1000 bushels of flax. The grain was fully covered by insurance, and Mr. Wiper was paid for every bushel by the insurance companies at the market price on the day following the fire. The elevator building was valued by the insurance company at \$25,500 and was insured for \$6,000, and there will be a heavy loss to Mr. Wiper on this property. About 10,000 bushels of this grain belonged to farmers who had it stored there, and the balance belonged to Mr. Wiper. He was keeping it for seed for his farms, and also intended to sell some of it for seed purposes.

The cause of the fire will probably never be known, though it is generally believed that it started from a hot box in the pit. A fire had started in the pit from a hot box on two different occasions several years ago, and the chaff and dust there smoldered for several days before it was discovered and put out, and it is believed that this fire might have started the same way. The machinery in the elevator was run on the day before the fire for the purpose of cleaning grain for seedling purposes, and the engine was shut down before six o'clock in the evening. When first seen the fire had broken out in several places near the top, while the interior was a mass of flames. At the fire department was on the job

in a very short time, it was impossible to do anything toward putting the conflagration out, and the boys put in their work keeping other nearby buildings from igniting. The wind was from the north and several times during the evening the depot platform caught fire from the intense heat, but in every instance it was put out before any damage was done.

The big piles of grain are now being loaded onto cars for shipment to the cities where they will be disposed of to the best advantage by the insurance companies. Some of the grain is badly burned, while much of it does not seem to be damaged in any way except being smoked.

As practically all of Mr. Wiper's seed grain was stored in this elevator, and seeding started generally this week, it sort of put him up against it to procure such seed as he needed immediately, but he purchased about 1000 bushels of a good grade of Marcus wheat at an elevator at Coteau the fore part of the week, and Joe Waldeen is now hauling same from Coteau to the several Wiper farms with a truck. Mr. Wiper also ordered a carload of Canadian seed oats immediately, and this should be here by the latter part of this week, so he believes he will be able to put in all the land he originally planned on.

Mr. Wiper tells us that he will build a new grain elevator immediately, or as soon as the debris is moved out of the way. The new structure will not be as large as the old one, but will be more modern in every way.

## NEW COUNTY AGENT STARTS WORK HERE

A. Eastgate, the new county agent for Burke county, arrived here on Monday of this week from his home at Bottineau, and is now located in the building at the rear of the First State Bank, the same place where County Agent Edwards was formerly located. He is a married man, but will not move his family to Bowbells until the end of the present school term, so his children are able to finish their term in the Bottineau schools.

This will be Mr. Eastgate's first experience as a county agent though he is a graduate of the North Dakota Agricultural College, and spent most of his life in the study of farm topics. He is a very pleasant fellow to meet, and we predict that he will get along lovely in Burke county.

Farmers from all parts of the county are invited to drop into Mr. Eastgate's office whenever in town to get acquainted, and write or phone him at any time about anything pertaining to their farm that they want advice on. To start with he is looking after poisoning of roppers in such places where his assistance is needed, and is also making arrangements for a fight on the hoppers so as to be ready in case these pests show up in any large numbers in any part of the county.

## PEANUT EDITORS ARE STILL AT IT

Now Editor Hoyt of the Portal International objects to being called names, and like the old fossil editor at Powers Lake, hints that it is not much use arguing with a person that resorts to calling names. All of which shows that he is about as consistent as a common jackass. Who started calling names in Burke county in newspaper controversies? Who was the first one to use the terms of "skunk" and "hound"? These terms were never mentioned in any way by any of the newspapers of the county until such living vagabonds like Editor Gee and Editor Hoyt found that they couldn't find anything truthful to say about the farmers' organization, and then turned loose on the editor of The Tribune for supporting the farmers in their effort to better their conditions. It was perfectly legitimate to call The Tribune editor, the farmers of the county and everyone else connected with the Non-Partisan League, hounds, dogs, skunks, etc., but of course peanut and fossil editors are exempt from being called these names, and how the skunk and hound they are given.

## CANNOT DESIGNATE COUNTY DEPOSITORIES

Bismarck, N. D., April 21.—Public treasurers are having troubles of their own these days, especially those that do not or will not follow the new public depository law. Many such treasurers are risking both personal prosecution and the loss of public funds.

These troubles of treasurers are largely due to the operation of the initiated law effecting public funds and to certain rulings of former Attorney General Langer, which make it imperative on the part of the state bonding department—backed by the attorney general's department—to protect its funds in particular and public funds in general.

**Treasurer is Own Boss**  
To begin with, public treasurers who do not agree politically with local boards have had trouble with them as to designating depositories. From Slope, Rolette, Burke, and other counties present or incoming county treasurers have sent word that they would deposit all funds in the Bank of North Dakota, whether the opposing majority of county commissioners like it or not. In Rolette county the majority of the county commissioners went so far as to sue the county treasurer in district court in order to prevent him from depositing county funds in the Bank of North Dakota. However, District Judge A. G. Burr found in favor of the treasurer, J. O. Stadheim, when he decided that:

"The court is of the opinion that the county commissioners have no power at present to designate depositories nor to compel the treasurer to follow their suggestion. It is his duty to safeguard the public funds."

**Warning Issued**  
Incoming county and other treasurers are being warned by the state bonding department not to receipt the same as cash from outgoing treasurers, certificates of deposit in state or national banks, for the reason that such banks may either be unable to pay such certificates when presented or may fail before they are paid. Treasurers are further warned that they are subject to prosecution and to cancellation of their bonds if they keep deposits or make deposits in state or national banks where such funds are not fully covered by bonds as provided by the new depository law, enacted by the recent session of the legislature.

**\$70,000 in Closed Banks**  
What makes the state bonding department especially insistent in this matter, is the effect of a ruling that was made in 1919 by former Attorney General Langer's office, in which the then state treasurer, O. Olson, was advised that he was not obliged to deposit funds of the state bonding department in the Bank of North Dakota but could deposit these funds where he pleased. Thereupon the state treasurer deposited these funds in various banks in the western part of the state with the result that \$70,000 of state bonding funds are "frozen" in these banks.

There appears to be no doubt that Langer's office had no legal right to make such ruling, as the bonding fund law specifically provides that funds shall be deposited in an "approved state depository," and there was then only one such depository—the Bank of North Dakota. (State Treasurer Steen, by the way, now deposits all such funds in the Bank of North Dakota.)

In short the state bonding department cannot stand any sudden large drain on its funds, hence it and the attorney general's department are insistent that public treasurers watch their step in tracking the new depository laws.

The season for fishing for suckers in Des Lacs Lake opened last week when most of the ice left the lake which permitted the setting of nets. About 30 fish to each net seems to be the average catch each night, though in some cases much larger catches are reported.

## EVANGELISTIC SERVICES CLOSE HERE SUNDAY

The special evangelistic meetings held under the direction of Dr. F. W. Wells in the High School Gymnasium of Bowbells came to a fitting close Sunday night. A large audience of about four hundred gave splendid tribute to the work of this man of God. Brother Wells preached every night for three weeks (with only a single exception).

In a re-consecration service held early in the meeting about sixty responded. During the continuation about 40 signed cards accepting Jesus Christ as their personal savior.

On some of the afternoons, in the M. E. church, special meetings were held to study scriptural healing. Dr. Wells gave bible readings and Christians followed him, in their bibles. Quite a number testified to help received in the study, and others who came for definite anointing with oil and prayer testified to their healing. After one of these meetings the evangelist with Rev. Gunter and Rev. Christ went to the home of Bernice Willard, age twenty-five, who was known to have been sick for fourteen years and had sought help from many sources, doctors, chiropractors, osteopaths without permanent help. This young woman gave positive evidence of her Christian faith and of her belief that God not only could but would heal her for His glory. (She had been now sixteen weeks in bed.) After communion service and prayer by elders in the church Dr. Wells anointed with oil in the name of the Lord and Brother Gunter taking her by the hand asked her in the name of Jesus Christ to rise up and walk which she found strength to do and has been doing ever since. She gives God all the glory. Here, with is given a testimony from Rev. H. A. Twell, a former Bowbells pastor. He visited the meetings and also this home and writes as follows:

"I am more than pleased to bear witness to the cure of Miss Bernice Willard of Bowbells of more than a week ago. I have been acquainted with this young lady for three years. She has been in bed for months not able to sit up in bed or to move herself in bed. According to doctors who have examined her, her lungs were almost entirely gone, the red corpuscles had disappeared from her blood. This was tested a few days before her cure by an accidental wound in one finger. No blood came, just a light colored substance. A wound a few hours after cure bled freely. She can feel her lungs expand and contract now as she breathes. Her lower limbs from her knees down were black—no circulation. Not so now, they are regaining natural color—she walks anywhere, up or down stairs, to church sings and plays the piano. I asked her two weeks ago now if she thought she could be healed by faith and her reply was 'I know I'm going to be healed.' Her faith is most wonderful and complete. Every day she has added strength and she is full of joy and praise and good works. On Saturday, the 9th of April, she was anointed by Dr. Wells, the evangelist, pastor Gunter took her by the hand and said arise and walk in His name. She did so immediately while she had not taken a step before for months. See her. Miss Willard is her best testimony. Most cordially H. A. Twell."

This is surely a modern miracle and a testimony that God can and will heal the body, as he did in the days of Jesus on the earth, when He finds "The Faith" and read look up in your bible and read James the fifth chapter.

Last Sunday there were people present at the meetings from Kimball, Edson, Crosby, Westminster, Northgate, Flaxton, Lignite and at other meetings from Donnybrook, Velva and Burlington. The Gospel still has its drawing power and souls are still saved in the same old way.

## ARRANGEMENTS MADE FOR THIRTEEN MILE RELAY RACE

A special meeting of the county athletic Board of Control was held in Flaxton last Saturday, and among other matters of business a cross country relay race was arranged for to be run off Saturday, April 30.

The race is to be between the two towns of Bowbells and Flaxton, and the distance covered will be thirteen miles. Five schools have entered—Bowbells, Flaxton, Lignite, Columbus and Portal. Thirteen men will constitute each team, each runner covering a distance of one mile. The course will follow the green trail, which runs six miles north on the first section line west of Bowbells, and then six miles west into Flaxton. Thirteen judges will be stationed along the route, one at every mile interval and two marshals will watch the course during the time the race is in progress. In order to show fairness to the smaller schools, the rules provide that seven of the team be selected from high school and the other six from the grades.

Seven of each team will be distributed from Bowbells and six from Flaxton. Judges and runners will meet at the court house at 1:15 for instructions, and at 1:30 the distribution will be started. The race will start from in front of the post office at Bowbells exactly at 2:30, the men going down by the Bowbells implement building and following the track to the section line west of town, where the second men will take up the trail. A message will be carried from the mayor of Bowbells to the mayor of Flaxton. Prizes will be awarded as follows:

First, Twenty dollar gold piece; second, ten dollar gold piece, third, five dollar gold piece. The judges from Bowbells who will take care of the first seven miles of the race will be Lawrence Larson, Frank Woods, F. E. Heckel, Staale Hendrickson, C. A. Perry, Raymond Wiper and Emil Nehring. Supt. Harry E. Polk and H. W. Pearson are to be marshals of the course.

A great deal of interest is already taken in the race, and upwards of twenty boys are training daily in an effort to make the team. There promises to be considerable competition in the selection of the thirteen men, which will be made next Monday by an official tryout. All men desiring to enter will be started over the Woods half mile track and the first thirteen men to finish will make up the Bowbells team. The tryout will be at 4:30.

The public will be permitted to follow up the runners on the course, but not to pass them. If they desire to get to Flaxton for the finish, they will be requested to go around the regular course. It is expected that a big crowd will be at the Siesbert Hotel in Flaxton when the final mile is run. The prizes will be presented by the mayor of that city, and an address of welcome given by Bertie Nelson. Everyone will be welcome to come out and see the team picked next Monday afternoon which will compete in the big relay race the following Saturday. An announcement of the placing of the runners over the course, telling just what the race will run, will be made next week.

## PUBLIC TREASURERS' DEPOSITORY BONDS

Bismarck, N. D., April 21.—All depository bonds of public treasurers must be approved by Attorney General William Lemke's office as to form, according to a decision of Mr. Lemke's office. Treasurers who have personally taken up the matter with the attorney general's office have been informed of the ruling.

Some treasurers who have withdrawn money from the Bank of North Dakota have not submitted bonds to the attorney general's office, apparently applying different interpretation to the new depository law. The section of the law applying to bonds says that "said bond shall be in conformity to a form prescribed by the attorney general and the amount and sufficiency by the board or governing body of such corporations."

A form was prepared by the attorney general and sent to treasurers.

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(From Staff Correspondent)  
The basket social which was to be held in School No. 3 of Battlevie township last Saturday was held on Friday instead as there was to be a dance in Battlevie on Saturday evening. The crowd wasn't large on account of changing the date and everybody being so busy. Mrs. Olaf Pladsen has been substituting for her husband at hauling the school bus since springs work set in. Mrs. Esson spent Wednesday with Mrs. Martin Sathre. Several from this vicinity attended the dance at Battlevie on Saturday evening. A good crowd attended.

Rev. Buckenburgh gave instructions to the children, who are to be confirmed, at the school house on Wednesday.

Arthur Dahlin and Carl Beckstrom are helping P. M. Olson for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hanson, Mr. and Mrs. D. Davidson, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Carlson and R. G. Powell were Sunday guests at P. M. Olsons.

Miss Anna Wick is driver for the west bus since Selmer Gullikson has quit for spring work. We understand that the Gust Larson family from south of White Earth have moved back on their farm near here. They have had the misfortune to be partly burned out at their home near White Earth. We all welcome them into our midst again.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Carlson called on the John Aune family on Tuesday evening.

Mrs. James Maraskie and baby who have been spending some time at the Gust Lund home, are now nicely located on the R. G. Powell farm, which Mr. Maraskie has rented for the coming year.

Cor. V  
For Sale—Rooming house opposite 800 depot. Furniture for sale and building for rent. Address Box 100, Bowbells, N. D. 45-4tp

## PRECIPITATION WAS VERY SMALL HERE

The last nine months in Burke county has been the driest period experienced in Burke county during the past 12 years or more, and if we are to come up to anywhere near our average of rainfall this season then moisture will have to fall thick and fast during the next few months. During the time Attorney Phelps of the Burke Abstract Co. kept the moisture record for the U. S. Department of Agriculture here we never had as dry a spell as we have had during the past nine months. The record of Mr. Phelps shows the following moisture received each month by inches:

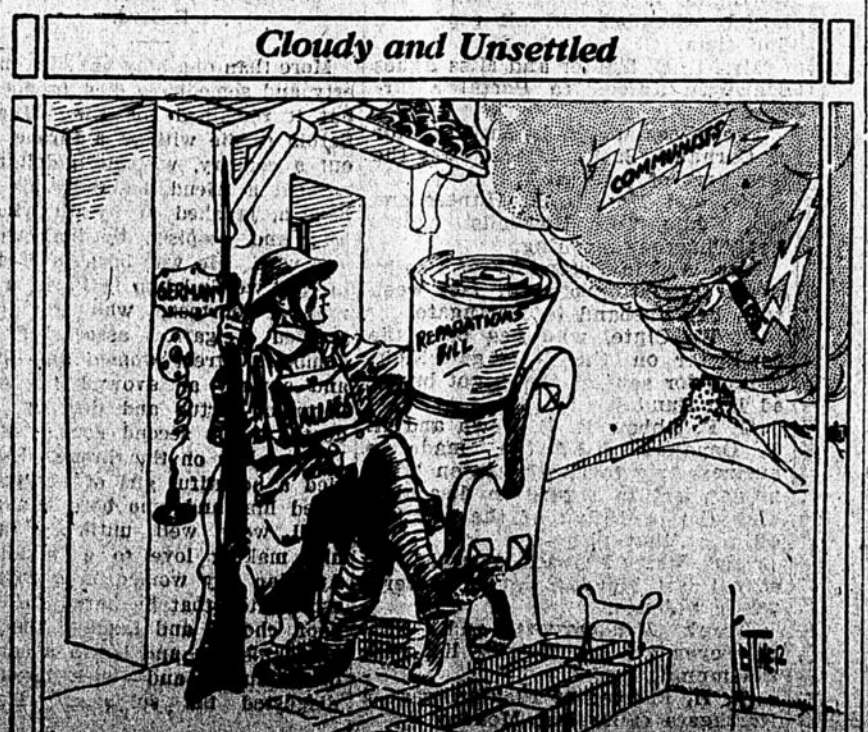
July, 1920	1.68
August	1.52
September	2.40
October	.52
November	none
December	.32
January, 1921	.12
February	.35
March	.47
	6.38

## WHIZZING BULLETS STOP RUM RUNNERS

Sherwood, N. D., April 21.—Three bullets whizzing around the car failed to stop two alleged whiskey runners in a two mile chase by state and federal officers. But when the fourth missed the driver by an inch their nerve failed. As a result Paul Cysewski and Warner Brooks of Jamestown are in the Mohall jail today and their Hudson Six and sixteen cases of Old Scotch confiscated by prohibition agents. The arrest was made early today by a force under F. L. Watkins near the border seven miles from here. The runners sighted the officers and "stepped on the gas." As the officers pursued they fired four times. Three shots hit the side of the car and the fourth struck the tires, glanced off the brake and missed the driver by an inch. He then stopped the car and the two surrendered.

The men, who awaiting arrival of an attorney from Jamestown, carried a revolver, it is said, which makes the charge felony.

B. A. Stefanowicz, Notary Public, office in The Tribune building.



## BODY OF MISSING MAN IS FOUND

Marmarth, N. D., April 21.—With the finding of the body of Fred Prinz of Marmarth, former Milwaukee employee, in a deep pool near the Milwaukee railroad track near Mazda, the mystery surrounding the disappearance of the man, missing for two weeks, has been cleared up. The right foot was found to have been partially severed at the ankle. Prinz, when last seen alive, left Marmarth with two companions, catching a ride on a freight train with the intention of going to Rhame. The three climbed to the top of a freight car, but two, becoming cold, decided to make their way to the caboose, leaving Prinz behind after he declined to accompany them.

After a lapse of two weeks a brakeman saw the outlines of a body in a pool beside the track. Investigation resulted in finding the body. It is believed that Prinz attempted to climb down the car and jump off, and that his foot became caught under the wheels. Examination showed he must have rolled down the embankment into the pool and then drowned, probably too weak from his injury to save himself.

He was single. A brother resides at Marmarth. The body was shipped to the old home at Louisville, Ky.

**METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
Preaching services at 10:30 and 8:00.  
Sunday School at 11:45 A. M.  
When this church can be of service to you command us.

W. W. QUINCY, Pastor