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SOLDIER BOYS TO LEAVE FOR FARGO

COMPANY E., OF NATIONAL GUARDS WILL STOP TWO DAYS AT FARGO ON THEIR WAY TO WISCONSIN

Arrangements have been made to entertain the North Dakota National Guard at Fargo at the State Fair for two days the last of this month and mobilize the regiment for its trip to Sparta, Wis., where it is to take part in the national maneuvers there from the first of August to the tenth.

The regiment will number about eight hundred men and will be reviewed by the governor and his staff at Fargo and a sham battle will also be pulled off in the evening. The Williston Company will leave here tomorrow and those going are as follows:

First Lieut. B. J. Schoregge in charge of Company, Second Lieut. G. C. Schlenker, First Sergt. H. R. Evans, Quarter-Master Walter Mitchell, Sergts. E. W. Jeffrey, Geo. W. Harvey, Geo. Johnson. Corporals, Ivan Metzger, Chas. E. Newell, Wm. Windish, Ovilva Dow, J. E. Nelson, Geo. Boyd. Musician, Fritzvold.

Privates, Fred Alpaugh, Arvid Alberg, H. C. Blankenship, A. L. Blankenship, W. H. Blankenship, J. C. Burnham, Earl Boley, C. S. Cabel, Roy Buchanan, Pat Calahan Frank Cashman, Harold Disney, Chas. Drury, Harland Grant, Lorry Hagen, Henry Helgerson, J. C. Jones, J. L. King, Emmett Mathews, Roy Mathews, F. L. Martin, C. C. Mackenroth, Chas. Murphy, McEnery, J. P. Miloy, J. C. Newell, Frank Nohava, Oleary, H. Palmer, Bert Pape, L. F. Perkins, Raymond Potts, J. J. Pavlick, Carl Rye, Jno. Siverson, W. O. Smith, Art Sorenson, G. D. Sunderhauf, Harry Woodley, J. B. Young, J. B. Younkin.

The train for Sparota will leave Fargo at 12 m., July 31, via the Northern Pacific. It will stop at Little Falls thirty minutes for supper and will arrive at St. Paul at 10:30 in the evening. It will leave St. Paul at once over the C. M. & St. P. railway, and will arrive at Sparta at 5 in the morning, Aug. 1.

The troops will be fully armed and equipped and will wear the olive drab uniform.

ONE FARMER MAKES GOOD A DRY YEAR

Some five or six miles northeast of Powers Lake lives a man who farms out of a book, says the Carpio News. His neighbors laughed at him at one time for his peculiar ideas. He not only farms out of a book, but he keeps books in which he records the results of his own farming. He keeps a written record of what he does and can tell you what sort of work he did year before last to accomplish a certain specified result.

His neighbors laughed at him—but they don't now.

This year Mr. Martin's crop stands out like a hill on the plain. It looks like a crop raised in a bumper crop year. The wheat is green and tall and the oats are dark and rich. The neighbors have some prospects of a crop. There has been a little more rain in that territory than in the eastern part of the country, but their crops are nothing compared with those of Ross Martin.

The system he uses is known as the Campbell system. It consists briefly, in plowing the land six to ten inches deep, then packing with

a sub-soil packer, then sowing wheat at the rate of one-third of a bushel to the acre—one-third, mine you—and then dragging the crop after every rain until the grain is a foot high or more. Every third year he summer cultivates the land. That is, one-third of his land is under summer cultivation all the time. He treats the land under summer cultivation as though he had a crop on it, and drags it after each rain, and if the weeds begin to show up he drags it if it don't rain. He says that the weeds take the moisture out of the ground. And they do.

Last year Mr. Martin's wheat went 34 bushels to the acre. How much did yours go?

He says that one quarter is all one man and four horses can farm under his plan of farming. But if the profit is double what it would be under ordinary farming, why not farm that way?

REPUBLICANS TO GET TOGETHER

CHAIRMEN OF BOTH FACTIONS CALL MEETING OF ALL CANDIDATES TO BE HELD IN FARGO

Fargo Forum—In the interest of a united republican party, the several candidates who were nominated at the primaries held in the state of North Dakota the last of June will hold a meeting in this city at the Waldorf hotel on Thursday, July 28. They will come here at the suggestion of E. C. Cooper, chairman of the progressive republican committee. It is believed that the meeting of the candidates who represent the republican party of the state of North Dakota will be of great benefit to the ticket in the state and that all will work for each and every condition until the day of the convention.

There appears to be a general desire for harmony in the ranks of both the regulars and the progressives, and that the meeting was called by the chairmen of the two factions is pleasing to all of the candidates.

Doesn't Like the Service

"Old Bill" Mumby of Buford says in the last issue of his paper the Tribune that the farmers under the Buford-Trenton irrigation project are not getting a square deal from the reclamation service and also states that Williston is receiving much better treatment. Mr. Mumby goes on to say that there are many drones in the reclamation bee hive that do not do much but draw their pay and the money really comes out of the farmers' pocket.

Jamestown Schools Win

The Jamestown city school have gained a national reputation and the superintendent, A. G. Crane is "it" in school circles just now for winning the first prize for having the best school garden in the entire United States as the competition was open to all and was contested for by two thousand two hundred schools. The garden has been worked since 1908 and has been increased in size up to 180 by 80 feet and the last year there were one hundred and sixteen pupils who worked as gardeners. Owing to the location flowers alone were planted and since the garden has won a national prize photographs of it have been taken and printed in many of the eastern journals and thus Jamestown and North Dakota have received much advertising.

WRITING ROCK IN NORTH WILLIAMS

HISTORIC OLD STONE WHICH HAS WRITING ON IT THAT INDIANS CAN NOT UNDERSTAND

Up in the north end of Williams county there is an old stone slab that evidently has a historic value and to show that the writing on it is really unusual it is a fact that none of the oldest Sioux or other tribes of Indians can understand the writing nor do they know anything of how the rock came there.

The rock is situated in township 161, range 101, on what is known as the old Soo trail about fifty-five miles north of this city, and is regarded as a strange piece of work belonging to another age than this and the writing if it could be unraveled by some scientific wise guy, would no doubt reveal something very interesting.

This old Soo trail is the way the Indians traveled between the Turtle and the Rock Mountains and is still used by them and in passing the rock they all acknowledge its writing is as mysterious to them as it is to the white man but believe they are on sacred and holy ground when near the curiosity.

The spot is a place for the present settlers to gather for picnics and it is said that many curious things have been found near by and underneath the rock in the way of arrow heads, war clubs and axes.

The Danes have settled this section of the county and are a prosperous set of people, their only complaint being that they are so far from market, it being from forty to sixty miles to a railroad.

Olaf Olson has the center of attraction here in the form of the country store and he has a good stock of goods. The base ball team also challenges anything in the county or in that part of Montana near them.—P. A. White.

Judges Nominated

Following are the judges who won out in the primary:
C. J. Fish, Grand Forks.
W. M. Anderson, Devils Lake.
E. T. Burke, Valley City.
E. B. Goss, Minot.
S. E. Ellsworth, Jamestown.
C. M. Cooley, Grand Forks.

ROOMS FOR THE EDITORS WANTED

The editors and their wives from all over the state will be in Williston Friday and Saturday, August 5th, and 6th., and Williston has promised to furnish all who come with lodging free of charge. We, the committee, therefore hereby call upon all patriotic Williston citizens to open their doors to the editors. All those who are willing to furnish rooms please let one of the committee know as soon as possible.

C. A. Mansfield,
R. Peyton,
John A. Corbett,
Committee.

Take Care of Binders

Before binders are put away after a season's work they should be gone over with the same care that a good engineer would bestow on his engine. All old grease and dirt should be removed with kerosene and waste. The binder should be carefully oiled and all bright parts greased to prevent rusting. After the season's work is over is also the proper time to repair and overhaul a binder for next year. At this time the operator knows or

should know, all the defects of the machine and what it needs in the line of extras, and repairs to refit it for the next season's work. If the machine is put away, on the other hand, without being given a second thought until needed again, the operator, if he still remains on the place, will have forgotten what the machine most needed. The result is that the binder is perhaps, given a hasty inspection, which in a majority of cases fails to reveal anything, and brought out into the field with numerous small defects that could have been repaired at a nominal expenditure of time and money. If the farmer is too busy to attend to repairs immediately after the season's work is completed he should at least find time to do the next best thing which is to make a thorough note of all defects of the machine with a view to remedying them when time is more plentiful.

DRY FARMING IS A BIG SUCCESS

CROPS IN THE WEST SHOW GOOD RESULTS WHERE DRY FARMING IS FOLLOWED—HOW TO DO IT

Prof. W. C. Palmer, of the state agricultural college, who has just returned from a trip through Montana and Washington with the Northern Pacific "Better farming train," states that they have had the driest summer since they started in farming, having had no rain since the middle of April, yet in spite of this the crops are looking fine in many sections where they are practicing dry farming methods. The teachings of the experts in Montana and Washington on the "Better farming" special train was to this effect:

Fall plow and plow deep, harrow early in the spring, grow a cultivated crop, follow this with a grain crop and where the rainfall is over fifteen inches this could be followed with a crop of clover. They claim that the growing of a crop of corn was as good as summer fallowing and were advocating this method of saving moisture. They also emphasized the need of killing weeds, as these are large users of moisture as well as plant food. Where the soil would drift easily they recommend using the disc in producing the soil mulch as it would leave the ground rougher than the harrow and would not blow so easily.

The soil in North Dakota is fully as rich and fully as retentive of moisture as in either of these states and the rainfall is sufficient to grow good crops, provided it is not allowed to escape either by running off when it comes down in a heavy rain or by evaporating from the soil's surface. Another thing that needs to be given special attention in our North Dakota farming is the getting rid of weeds, and there is no better way to do this than by growing corn or by summer fallowing. In growing corn, however, a valuable crop is secured, and it practically assures a good crop the next year, if it is clean cultivated. Another practice that some farmers have been trying is to keep harrowing their grain until it heads out, and they have done so with much success. This would seem to be a little rough on the grain, and it might be best to experiment on a small piece of dirt. Another important consideration is the keeping of organic matter in the soil, as it helps to hold the moisture in the soil and helps to make plant food available. One objection to the summer fallow is that it allows the organic matter in the soil to burn up and none is added.

WILLISTON LAND OFFICE HAS RUSH

OVER A HUNDRED PEOPLE WAITING TO FILE WHEN OFFICE OPENED MONDAY MORNING

Williston's streets were crowded all day Sunday with settlers from the Nesson-Hofflund valley waiting to file on the land recently restored to entry in that country. Some were even holding down places in the line at the land office as early as Saturday night as the land was to be opened for settlement Monday, July 25.

It will be remembered that the land was officially withdrawn a month ago, Saturday, June 25th, and then many new squatters went upon the land and made improvements, thinking that would be of some advantage when the time for filing came.

There is about forty thousand acres of this land but a great deal of it is not very good, and in fact a great deal of the land in this section of the state was filed upon and proven up before it was withdrawn for irrigation and then some more of the best was taken for irrigation, now this that is restored to entry is the leavings of several selections, yet some of it is fair land and from the anxiety shown to secure it some people think it is excellent.

The line of waiting ones at the land office Sunday presented somewhat of an interesting study and was composed of all ages and descriptions of humanity, from the happy go lucky young girl and boy to aged and anxious old folks, some of the latter of whom were heard to complain that they had lived upon the land for many years and now perhaps they would not get it. Three young ladies were among the first and stuck to their chairs all night Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night and until nine o'clock Monday morning, and were still as gay as larks on a spring morning.

The land office must have done a record business for the people were about all fixed up Monday when the office closed.

Many contests will of course result and many have already been filed.

SPARKS SHOW WAS VERY GOOD

Everyone was pleased with the John H. Sparks shows which exhibited here Saturday, July 23rd, and a large crowd was in attendance at the afternoon and evening entertainment.

The show was a small one, but was more than was expected by many, and every feature was good, and as advertised. They did not have a very large collection of wild animals but their series of trapeze performers were excellent and the length of the performance was extra long for the price charged.

The special stunt given at the concert after the regular performance with the lions was unusual and was the real thing.

The show Sunday here on account of having to have their horses inspected before going into Montana and thus they stayed long enough to demonstrate that they were a well behaved class of people.

Do you want a home with a clear deed? You pay like rent only you are paying for your own home.—National Home Co., Room 10 Rawson Bld. 4

Burke County Officers

Minot, N. D., July 25.—The board of county commissioners of Burke county at a meeting held yesterday filled a majority of the county offices by appointment and as soon as the appointees qualify the business of Burke county will be in the hands of its own organization.

Only two of the county officers had qualified up to last night, the auditor and county attorney.

The list of county officers so far as appointed is now as follows:

Auditor—Ralph Abbott.
County Atty—Fred Andrews.
Sheriff—J. D. Lucey.
Register of Deeds—Geo. Hanson.
County Judge—F. F. Carter, Sr.
Treasurer—C. P. Olson.

Supt. of schools—E. P. Hecht. The other vacancies will be filled by the board at a meeting next week.

BOWBELLS IS COUNTY SEAT

NEW COMMISSIONERS SO DECLARE AND FRED ANDREWS STATES ATTORNEY, L. R. ABBOTT AUDITOR

The new board of county commissioners of Burke county established Bowbells as the county seat of that county and the governor has also appointed Fred B. Andrews States Attorney and L. R. Abbott as Auditor for Burke county.

The commissioners also decided to have the former city school building repaired and remodeled for use as a temporary court house and offices for the new county officers.

Pleasant Surprise Party

Some of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Pope surprised them last Saturday evening at the residence of Thos. Heneghan and presented them with a large and handsome cut glass bowl as a remembrance, owing to their approaching departure. Refreshments were served and all present enjoyed the pleasures of the evening. Mr. and Mrs. Pope left yesterday for Broderick, Sask., Canada, where they will make their future home and engage in the hotel business. Mr. and Mrs. Pope have been residents of Williston for several years and leave behind them many true and sincere friends to wish them success in their new home and business.

Farmers Securing Libraries

The Graphic is glad to see that several of the farmers of the county are taking up with the idea of securing the free traveling libraries offered by the state to those who live on the farm that will form an organization with as many as six members who will be responsible for the books. All that is necessary is to elect a secretary and then write to Public Library Commission, Bismarck, N. D., and the books will be sent and the charges are nothing but the freight on the books which is only 25 or 50 cents. W. H. Pinney and others have formed an association near Wheelock.

Commissioners for Renville

Bismarck, N. D., July 20—Governor Burke appointed the following commissioners for the new county of Renville today.

I. D. Johnson, Tolley.
Ben Harvey, Sherwood.
Donald Gillespie, Glenburn.

It is said that the appointment of these men means that Mohall will get the temporary county seat.