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KEYS OF THE CITY HANDLED GOVERNORS

EXECUTIVES VISIT WILLISTON EXHIBIT- PRONOUNCED ONE OF BEST AT THE ST. PAUL SHOW

All indigenous and foreign grains and grasses grown on the soil surrounding Williston is shown at the St. Paul land show and the product of her land, bound about with Uncle Sams true red, white and blue, lights up the section in which the Williston exhibit is shown much better than many exhibits where the expenditure on decorations and products runs far up in the thousands.

The Williston exhibit is put in as from one farm and is the only one farm exhibit at the land show. A. M. Hawley arranged the exhibit and Mayor Jackson was in attendance last week and Ex-Mayor Bruegger and President Anderson of the Commercial Club are doing the honors this week. The exhibit takes up some 144 feet of floor space and is in an excellent location.

Among the distinguished visitors that have been entertained at the booth were the governors from the special that have just returned from their eastern trip and were visitors at the show. All registered at the booth and all promised to try and visit this city at some future time and as a token that the gates were always open to the City of Opportunity each carried away with them a key to the city.

Governor Harmon, who accompanied the Governors Special was an interested visitor, spending half an hour looking over the various exhibits and was reminded that if he wished and expected to be president he must get well acquainted with irrigation. The Ohio governor said of the wheat shown from Williston irrigated land was the finest he had ever seen.

The bushel of spring wheat exhibited has been entered in competition with all other wheat in the United States. This wheat went 64 lbs. to the bushel and went 36 bushels to the acre and in the opinion of a great many, who compared it with the wheat that took the premium at the New York show as the best wheat in the United States, the Williston showing was far superior. Also the bushel of Turkey Red winter wheat was entered in competition with all other winter wheat in the United States.

The Great Northern railway has offered six silver cups for the best exhibit offered by any company, commercial club or community and the Williston commercial club will make a try for one of these cups.

Some of the best advertising comes from the Twin City jobbers and bankers who frequently spend a half hour looking over the samples shown. The big potato pen wiper and a miniature Christmas tree are features that attract much attention. Also the new Williston booklet is attracting much favorable comment and is pronounced one of the most attractive booklets given out at the land show.

Eight varieties of fruits are shown in the exhibit, grains, grasses, a special display of alfalfa, timothy and red clover, potatoes and lignite briquettes all go to make up the exhibit. Among the visitors who registered was J. J. Hill of the Great Northern.

The B. and T. club entertain their husbands with a holiday party at the home of Mrs. Geo. Grogan next Wednesday evening.

THE SHERIFF GRINS

It is a Daughter and the Weight is Eight and a Half

Have you noted Ben Olson's grin? A sort of Sunny Jim-Taft-Teddy smile that you can easily note from a rear view of the Sheriff from the corrugations that ripples up and down the back of his neck every time he thinks about it. Borden has declared a dividend twice since the event occurred and everything in sight of the court house was in a blue haze Saturday evening and out of the vapor peered Ben's beaming face as he repeated over and over again "It's a girl; she weighs eight and a half."

BAND CONCERT HAS DEFICIT

RESULTS IN FINANCIAL LOSS TO OR- GANIZATION--WERE ONLY ABOUT SEVENTY-FIVE PRESENT

The concert given by the Williston Concert Band at the Gaten opera house last Thursday evening for a flat financial failure. The receipts at the door did not pay the expenses and the band went in the hole a few dollars.

Much of the services of the Williston band have been gratuitous and for much they have been ill paid. They have given freely of their time and talent to the benefit of this town and whenever the town desired to do signal honor to some visitor or gathering, a grand cry flew upwards to the stars for the band and the band responded to their own honor and to that of the city.

The Williston band is a good band. Visitors tell us it is far above the average band of a city of this size and are not handing the town anything when they say it. Not over a handful of months ago the city was electrified by a band that, take the best eighteen members of our home band, put them in uniform under their present director, and eighteen from the foreign band, the home band would back them off the map on any stage before a musical audience in the country.

No. The fellow you hear knocking the band on the side lines, if they do knock, would know a tuba from a cabbage rose and his musical education was acquired among the soft and gentle lowing of the kine. The boys are the goods and wake up to the fact. And further when Lincoln's birthday comes around and the masquerade dance of the band is advertised, don't stay at home. If you have any lingering sense of pride in the City of Opportunity, and faith in the future of the city, any good will towards this organization, any desire to see the band grow with the town, don't stay at home.

There is a lot in moral support. Dollars and cents don't altogether count by any means with the men of this organization. Appreciation goes a long ways and the home musicians should not be treated like some itinerent company of strolling mountebanks and half trained musicians that come and are greeted with open arms. Support the band—in it you are supporting your home.

Sanderson-Arthur

Married by Judge Butler at his office at the court house Tuesday, Mr. James J. Sanderson of Buford and Miss Jessie Arthrud of Perry, Iowa.

The Chi Sigma give a New Years dance Jan. 1.

WANDERER HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

TIES OF THE HEARTHSTONE OVER- COMES THE WANDERLUST IN ALBERT MANNING

Albert Manning was arrested Thursday for the theft of a pair of trousers from the Columbia hotel where he had applied for work a little time before and after a hearing that was extended over to Saturday was discharged in Justice Fields court and sent on his homeward way for the holidays.

Manning was but a lad, sixteen he said, and looked no older. The young man left home last spring with a carnival company and after a wandering life over several western states and into the Dominion, in the course of which he engaged into several occupations, drifted into this city on his way to Minneapolis where his home is. Filled with the home longing and with no money, Manning took the clothing with the idea of selling it to enable him to make his way eastward. Sheriff Olson arrested him at the depot where he admitted the theft and was afterwards taken before Field where the case was continued pending hearing from his parents in Minneapolis. Saturday \$15 arrived from them to pay the boys transportation to the Twin Cities and States Attorney Braatenien, Justice Field, Sheriff Olson and the onlookers all turned Ben Linsey and the lad was placed in the care of Captain LeVine, a purse made up to supply him with the wherewith to eat on his journey, and then he was escorted to the depot by the Salvation Army captain who saw him safely away for home and Christmas—and mother.

Marriage License

Jas. J. Sanderson, Buford, Miss Jessie Arthrud, Perry, Ia.
Axel Lindquist, Lindstad, N. D.
Miss Bertha Malland, Epping.

William Squires of Squires was in the city Tuesday.

BUILD LARGER NEXT SPRING

OPENING EXERCISES OF WITTENBERG HOSPITAL WELL ATTENDED LAST SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Appropriate exercises marked the opening of the Wittenberg hospital last Sunday and the program was carried out to the letter that gives to Williston a public hospital that is without creed as far as the reception of patients are concerned.

The meeting was presided over by G. B. Metzger and the dedication was opened by devotional exercises led by Rev. Bloom, followed by a solo by C. W. Jennison, after which Mayor Jackson made a short address. Mrs. F. P. Bergman followed with a solo and Dr. Jones made an address and the exercises were closed by a solo by Miss Lillian Moe and remarks and benediction by Rev. Hollett. After the exercises a luncheon was served.

The new hospital will comfortably accommodate twenty-four patients and three nurses will be in charge at present and until the demands on the hospital make a larger force necessary. In the basement is the kitchen and dining room and the first floor has the operating and reception room, one ward and one private room. It is the expectations of the hospital management to build larger in the spring.

W. D. KELL IS IN TROUBLE AGAIN

THE BENEFICIARY OF PARDON BOARD'S LENIENCY IN LIMELIGHT--AR- RESTED AT BISMARCK

Bismarck, N. D., Dec. 18.—Wilson D. Kell, one of the convicts who was pardoned from the penitentiary at the December meeting of the state board of pardons is again in the toils of the law after freedom lasting a little over a week. His trouble this time is somewhat similar to his first offense.

Wednesday of last week Mrs. Altak Bervan of Sentinel Butte came to Bismarck where she was to enter a local hospital for treatment but for some reason instead of going to the hospital she registered at the Soo hotel, where she met Kell and became enamored of him and they went to the Grand Pacific hotel and registered as man and wife. Saturday night the husband came to the city and not finding his wife at a hospital finally located her with Kell at the Grand Pacific. Bervan sought the assistance of the chief of police and had Kell arrested.

In searching the effects of Kell, Chief of Police McDonald found a number of newspaper clippings telling of the arrest and trial in Williams county and upon informing Mrs. Bervan that her friend was an ex-convict the woman became excited, asked for a knife and stated that she wanted to kill herself.

Upon the request of Bervan his wife was allowed to return to a hotel and he has kept close watch over her since that time so she could not have a chance to end her life. Kell, the pardoned convict who figures so conspicuously in the case, accepted conditions rather calmly yesterday morning and said he would relate his side of the story when he got into court. He has remained in Bismarck since his pardon against the wishes of the officers of the law but states that now he is ready to get away.

This morning he pleaded guilty to unlawful cohabitation and Judge Winchester will pass sentence Wednesday.

HOLD PUBLIC INSTALLATION

A. O. W. ARE VISITED BY GRAND MASTER WORKMAN CORMODY FRIDAY EVENING

Giving utterance to the aphorism that man does not live by bread alone the stocking of the A. O. W. leader was carried to the limit Friday evening and the faintest chance of running out of eatables was banished to some less favored locality than I. O. O. F. hall.

The meeting of the order on this occasion was in the nature of a public installation of officers by Grand Master Workman Cormody of Lisbon, N. D., who was in the city for the occasion. After the installation and the speech by Judge Cormody, a musical program was rendered in which Mrs. H. R. Evans as piano soloist, the U. H. Quartette and Mr. Pasonault as violin soloist figured in a number of delightful numbers.

About one hundred guests and members of the order sat down to the midnight lunch of oysters, roast beef, cold boiled ham, celery, pickles, doughnuts, cheese, bread and coffee fit for workman let alone mere kings, who were happily not present.

Mrs. R. D. Southerland leaves this week for a visit with her parents at Mohall.

MONTPLAISIR TO FARGO

This is Not a "Pi" on the Main Head but a True Bill

Joe T. Montplaisir left town for Fargo this week. Notwithstanding that every time we see Joe's name in type we think the line is "pi". Joe is not a bad sort of a fellow and a lot of friends that he has accumulated since his advent into Williston, regret to see him leave town.

Montplaisir goes in to the general offices of the Mutual Life with the credit of being the youngest agent on the list and a reputation of spreading the salve as evenly as many of the old heads that are in the company.

SAINT PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE SPECIAL SERVICE AT MIDNIGHT ON SUNDAY NEXT--A LARGE CHOIR--GOOD MUSIC

The great festival of the birth of Jesus Christ will be marked in a very special manner at St. Peter's church, for which the choir and decoration committee are making elaborate preparations.

The first and chief service will be held in the church on Christmas eve, and will commence at 11:45 p. m. The order of service is as follows:

- Festal Communion with Procession.
- Processional, "It came upon the midnight clear." Wainwrig Introit.
- Kyrie Eleison, Tours in E.
- The Creed.
- Gloria Tibi.
- The offertory, during which "The birthday of the King." Mr. Alfred Jennison.
- Hymn 225.
- The benediction by the Priest.
- A Festal Te Deum by Rathburn.
- Recessional, "Christmas awake" Willis.

Second Communion at 8 a. m., (plain).

Special Children Festival service at 11 a. m.

Processional "Hard the Herald Angels sing."

Childrens prayers.

Carol "We three kings." Containing five solos by the children.

Reading, "Gifts for the King," James A. Wilkinson.

Reading "Tell it out o'er Bethlehem," Lillie M. Munyer.

A Christmas hym, sung by the children.

Presentation of the prizes by the Priest.

Presentation of a baptismal font to the church on behalf of the altar guild, Evelyn M. Forster.

Reading, "A French carol," Arthur R. Bride.

Carol, "The Christ-child and the star," by the children.

Words by Bishop Mann, music by the Priest in charge.

The benediction by the Priest.

Recessional, "O little town of Bethlehem."

Divorce Granted

A decree of absolute divorce was granted Julia Day from Geo. Day by Judge Fisk in District court Tuesday. The parties are from Ray and Attorney Moelring appeared for Mrs. Day who alleged non-support and inhuman treatment in asking for separation. A property settlement was made out of court.

"ALL WEBSTER" IS PRODUCTION

CHRISTMAS CANTATA IS PRODUCED TWICE BY PUPILS OF THE WEST SIDE SCHOOL

Up in the belfry gladly gayly,
See the bells are swinging;
Over the hills and through the valleys,
How their chimes are ringing.

So swings the opening chorus of the pretty little Christmas cantata given by the teachers and pupils of the Webster school Tuesday afternoon and last night at the Library auditorium. The affair Tuesday afternoon was in the nature of a dress rehearsal and was given to an audience composed of the pupils of the Webster school and a few visitors. That the actor of the afternoon made a hit with their fellow students was evident from the vociferous applause that greeted the end of their thespian efforts and the mingled roar of small voices as their owners surged out of the Library gave abundant evidence that the audience enjoyed the afternoon.

The plot is a hair line on which to string a pretty little Christmas story with a garland of musical gems to accompany it. Santa Clause, the unselfish is surprised with a present in the shape of a Teddy Bear, refreshed with a cup of coffee, sung into slumberland by Sleep and watched over by fairies as he slumbers, resting himself from the heavy labors of present giving.

Mack Nelson took the part of Santa and made an excellent St. Nick, Adrean Ryan was Jack Frost and portrayed many of the snappy characteristics of that much slandered elf. William McChesney as the Raggedy Man and Lee Nelson as The Storm King while wishing different kind of weather dwelt in harmony on the stage and gave:

The Raggedy Man and the King of the Storm
Can never be happy together
For the Raggedy Man wants it sunny and warm
But the King likes the blizzardy weather

in a duet of merit. Wendell Philips as the child that has been told there was no Santa Claus and is found in tears to be delightfully surprised by finding the report a mistake on the advent of the good Saint himself, conducted himself in a No. 1 fashion as did Eva Mengel as Sleep was sung the resting Santa into slumberland. Brownies, Fairies, little and big, Slumber Babies and just ordinary children who were of the real world, all went to make up the cast and join in the chorus and solo songs.

The cantata was an "All Webster" production and the actors came from the rooms presided over by Misses King, Brown, Roeliff, Sherin, Todd, Grinby and Jewett with Miss Moe as musical director and Miss Newlander the Webster principal as grand marshal of the occasion. And with all the teachers on hand the affair went off without a ripple in both productions.

Eighth Grade Finals

The examination papers for eighth grade finals have been sent out by County Supt. Tatem. About fifty different teachers have been appointed to hold them in the different parts of the county.

Have a running stock of general merchandise located in southern Minnesota, which I will exchange for land or city property.—A. J. Stafne, Williston, N. D. 24-1f.