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## MISS PETERSON HEADS EDUCATORS

### WAS ELECTED PRESIDENT OF N. W. TEACHERS ASSOCIATION LAST WEEK.

Miss Anna Peterson, county superintendent of this county was elected president of the Northwestern Teachers Association at Minot last week thus conferring upon Williams county the honor of heading this association for the second time. Mrs. Tatem was president a few years ago. Miss Peterson and Miss Palmer delivered addresses before the association and speak in the highest terms of the hospitality and good fellowship which was extended the visitors at all times. Miss Peterson spoke on "A Better Type of Consolidation and Miss Palmer on "The Use of the Victor in the Schools" at the same time demonstrating with a machine and records loaned by the McCoy Drug Company.

The Minot report of the election and meeting of officers of the Northwestern Teachers' association of North Dakota was held at the Minot Normal school this morning and resulted as follows:

President—County Superintendent Anna Peterson, of Williston.

First Vice President—Prof. William F. Clarke of the Minot Normal school.

Second Vice President—County Superintendent A. C. Berg of Towner.

Secretary—Miss Blanche Dalager, of Minot.

Treasurer—County Superintendent Roekne of Mohall.

An amendment to the constitution was passed at the business meeting providing for two new departments in the association—a Secondary Education department and a Rural Education department. The new first and second vice presidents of the association are the chairman of these departments.

### Total Enrollment.

The total enrollment of the Teachers' association has been swelled to 305 this year as against 186 for last year, according to announcement made today. Hundreds of other outsiders have attended the sessions, however, a continual stream of automobiles going to and from the Normal school.

The program was opened in the Rural Education section this morning at 9 o'clock with an address by Mrs. J. McNaughton Stevens of Towner, who spoke on "Opportunity." It was a very appropriate address and some excellent points were brought out. Mrs. Stevens again demonstrated herself to be a most remarkable woman. W. R. Duncan of Drake, spoke on "The 20th Century Teachers," and Miss Anna H. Peterson on "A Better Type of Consolidation." These addresses were both interesting and valuable.

### Elementary Education.

Prof. William F. Clarke spoke in the Elementary Education section in the "Preparation of Teachers," and W. R. Weber on "Departmental Work in the Grades." These talks were for the benefit of those studying to become teachers and were full of interest. A general discussion of the subjects was held when the speakers finished their talks.

At 10:30 o'clock this morning music by the 7th and 8th grades of the Model School was rendered in the gymnasium, following which Superintendent S. Henry Wolfe, of the Minot schools, gave a fine address on "The Progress of the N. W. E. A."

## WHOLESALE HOUSE WANTS POTATOES

### GREAT FALLS FIRM WRITES ASKING FOR POTATOES—SEVERAL CARS WANTED

The following letter may be of interest to potato growers throughout the country. This company wants several car loads of potatoes but we understand that we are short here. W. S. Arthur has been endeavoring to secure enough potatoes for a car shipment but is having a hard time getting the required amount. This is but another evidence of that fact that our farmers should, first of all get together on seed and plant only one or two kinds, and second, that we should have a potato warehouse here. We believe if the seed question was taken up first that the warehouse would follow as a natural result. Large buyers don't want a carload of potatoes of all grades and colors. The letter follows and anyone having potatoes for sale could drop a line to Mr. Arthur of the above address to see if he is endeavoring to secure a car load for this company:

Great Falls, Mont., April 30, 1915. The Williston Graphic, Williston, North Dakota.

Gentlemen:

If possible, will you kindly put us in touch with the names of producers in your territory who have potatoes for sale? We are in the market for several car-loads of good potatoes and you can confer a favor upon us as well as the parties who have these commodities for sale by placing us in touch with them.

Thanking you in advance for the favor, we are

Yours very truly,  
Rowell Brothers  
Per Robt. L. Rowell.

## HIGH SCHOOL PLAY FRIDAY

### HIGH SCHOOL TO GIVE CANTATA TOMORROW NIGHT IN ORPHEUM THEATRE

While it is quite probable that the Orpheum will be tested to the limit to care for the attendance at the high school musical play "The Eventful Day," we are assured that every effort is being made to make as much additional space as possible. In fact posters announce that the walls of the Orpheum are losing their coverings to make a slight increase of accommodation.

This cantata has been prepared by Charles M. Gabriel one of the foremost musicians of the country, and there is no question about the merit of his productions. The high school young people have been drilling faithfully and enthusiastically under the direction of Miss Cooper and Miss Gill who declare they have never known a better group to work with.

Williston home-folks who know the high school students will not be surprised at the real talent that is shown by various of the players. The music of the evening, in solos, sextets, duets, and choruses makes excellent opportunity for the display of artistic ability.

The cantata is not presented as a classical production. Created directly for production by young people, it is full and brimming over with the spirit of youth—carefree, jolly, wholehearted, rollicking.

"When we were young" was there a better offering than a country picnic! "The Eventful Day" is a revival of the old country picnic. A long train of memories will come to you as you watch the young people in their enjoyment.

We really believe you cannot afford to remain away.

## IN INTERESTS OF SUNDAY SCHOOL

### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THIS COUNTY HELD MEETING MONDAY EVENING

The executive committee of the Williston County Sunday School Association met on Monday evening of this week to arrange a program for the county convention to be held in the library hall in this city on the 27th and 28th of this month. A good program full of inspiring subjects is being planned. Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Snow of Fargo, state secretary and elementary superintendent, will attend the convention. Sunday school workers throughout the county will assist and delegates are from every Sunday school in the county. There various Sunday schools should make it a point to be represented because of the inspiration and information they will be able to carry back with them.

Pastors and Sunday school teachers are urged to see that delegates are elected from their particular schools on next Sunday and that word of such election is forwarded to the secretary, Miss Bertha R. Palmer, Williston, N. D.

The program for the convention will be published next week.

Navohoe Hats only \$1.50 at Weill's. 38-tf.

## WONDERFUL GROWTH OF N. D.

### ARTICLE IN LESLIE'S WEEKLY BY FORMER GOVERNOR BOOSTS THIS STATE

The following article by former governor John Burke, appeared in a recent issue of Leslie's Weekly, and the concrete facts will prove a big boost for the state:

The variety and yield of the crops in this State for the year 1912, and in fact for the last decade, prove that North Dakota is one of the greatest agricultural countries in all the world. Crops are here raised without irrigation or dry farming methods. We have 45,000,000 acres of rich agricultural lands, only 15,000,000 acres of which are under cultivation.

During the last year, with only one-third of our agricultural lands under cultivation, we raised 134,917,614 bushels of wheat, 39,771,011 bushels of oats, 41,642,548 bushels of barley, 535,908 bushels of rye, and 3,794,864 bushels of potatoes. We also raised 2,459,363 bushels of corn, and 283,816 acres of corn cut for fodder. In cattle we had 547,291 head, 146,427 head of sheep, 202,913 hogs. In dairy butter we produced, exclusive of that made in creameries 10,040,210 pounds.

The greatest comparative growth has taken place during the past eight years. Of the twenty-three years of the life of this State the records of the State Bank Examiner disclose the following: Two hundred State banks reorganized June 9, 1904, with total deposits of \$9,816,532.20; and on September 4, 1912, the records show 590 banks reporting with deposits aggregating \$41,056,639.48. Thus it will be seen that in the interval of eight years immediately preceding September 4, 1913, the number of State banks has increased 200 per cent., while the deposits in State banks have increased more than 300 per cent. The comparative figures relating to National

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## AMERICAN BOAT WAS TORPEDOED

### GERMAN SUBMARINE TORPEDOES AMERICAN STEAMER—THREE LIEVS LOST.

London, May 3.—The American oil tank steamer Gulfight, which sailed from Port Arthur, Texas, April 10, for Rouen, France, was torpedoed at noon on Saturday, off the Scilly Islands, according to a dispatch received last night by the Central News agency.

The captain of the Gulfight, according to the same advice, died of heart failure as a result of shock. Two seamen jumped overboard and were drowned. The other members of the crew were taken off by a patrol boat and landed. The vessel was towed into Crewsund and beached.

The Gulfight was a steel vessel of 3,202 tons net and was built at Camden, N. J., in 1914. She was owned by the Gulf Refining company. The vessel was 383 feet long, 51 feet beam, and 30 feet deep. She was equipped with wireless apparatus.

### Serious Outlook.

Washington, May 3.—President Wilson will reserve judgment on the torpedoing of the American Gulfight, with the loss of Captain Gunther, in addition to two Americans, a wireless operator and a seaman, until full details are received. No official word regarding the incident has come to the White House.

An the face of the news dispatches, the officials admit the attack on the ship a serious matter.

### Three Americans Met Death in Attack.

New York, May 3.—Two Americans, in addition to Captain Gunther, lost their lives when the American steamer Gulfight was torpedoed off the Scilly islands, Charles C. Short of Chicago, a wireless operator, and Eugene Chapaneta of Port Arthur, Texas, seaman, being victims, according to a cablegram received here today by the Gulf Refining company, the vessel's owners. The message, a brief one, was signed by the first officer, Ralph Smith. It is said Captain Gunther, whose home is at Bayonne, N. J., died of heart disease, and that Short and Chapaneta were lost. These were the two men, it is believed, who were reported yesterday to have jumped from the vessel after she was struck, and who were lost because of the fog prevailed.

Including her officers, the Gulfight had 38 men, most of them hailing from Gulf of Mexico ports.

The ship's cargo, according to James Kennedy, marine superintendent of the company is valued at \$1,000,000.

Kennedy said he was waiting further advice, giving full particulars of the attack on the Gulfight, before communicating with the state department.

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## BOYS AND GIRLS HELP CLEANUP

Here's the way the boys and girls of Kewanee, Ill., helped to clean up their town. The American City tells about it. This is what they promised:

I want to help make our town a better place to live in, and to this end I promise to comply with the following rules to the best of my ability:

1. I will help clean up yards, streets and alleys.
2. I will plant flower seeds, bulbs, vines and shrubbery.
3. I will help make garden and keep the lawn in good condition.
4. I promise not to deface fences or buildings, neither will I scatter paper or rubbish in public places.
5. I will not spit upon the floor of any building or on the sidewalk.
6. I will try to influence others to help keep our town clean.
7. I will always protect birds and animals, and all property belonging to others.
8. I promise to be a true, loyal citizen.

I may not be able to do all these things, but will do as much as I can to help our town and community.

Since this is Clean-up week let's all help.

## POSTOFFICE MOVED FRIDAY

### TRANSFERRED TO NEW BUILDING FRIDAY NIGHT--ALL NIGHT SERVICE DISCONTINUED

The transfer of the post office from the old location to the new government building was made Friday night after eight o'clock and Saturday morning many a citizen had a back up from the old post office door and head for the new building, force of habit causing them to go to the same old stand.

For several years past the people of Williston have had an all night service. That is the lobby of the post office has always been open and in fact the front door never knew what it was to be locked. Since moving into the new building a new order has gone into effect and the doors are locked at ten o'clock. We don't believe that this will be satisfactory to the people and that they will ask for the all night service. We understand that an all night service is given other places and why not here.

## GREAT NORTHERN VS. HIGH SCHOOL

### FIRST GAME BETWEEN LOCAL TEAMS FRIDAY NIGHT—G. N. BOYS WIN

Begin to submit the following report of the Great Northern Western High School Ball Game of last Friday April 30th.

The G. N. Boys appeared on the field at Bruegger's Park promptly at 6:15 P. M., making their identity known by posting their big sign, "G. N. BASE BALL TEAM OF WILLISTON, same day First" near home plate. The high school boys and G. N. tribe had an extended practice until 7:00 as they hoped the wind would abate before starting the game.

Manager Mork flipped the coin and took the field using the battery, Innis and Mork. No chance of battery by the G. N. Team whereas the High School boys used three distinct batteries to give each practice.

Although most of the G. N. Boys are heavy hitters they failed to pole many safe hits off the High school Slab men. The H. S. boys got only a couple of hits off of Innis and scored 4 times in the third on errors. Innis shut them out in the other innings.

These teams are expected to be in the City League and promise to be in fact enough to give the rest of the League a good race for supremacy. Both teams show good form considering the seasons youth and the amount of practice they've had.

The score at the end of the fifth inning when Umpire Smut had to call the game on account of darkness was 8 to 4 in favor of the G. N. team.

G. N. Team Lineup High School (Harris)

Geo. Mork...Catcher... (W. Shikany) (F. O'Laughlin) (R. Jaynes) (L. Irving) (C. Kvindlog)

Ben Innis...Pitcher..... (L. Irving) (C. Kvindlog)

John Hogan...1st b... Jens Dahl Christensen...2nd b... Henie Vohs John Ames...3rd b... John Packard P. Irving...S.S... Carl Hogan Earl Ragon...RF... Bruce McDonald (A. Emerson)

K. Irving...C.F... A. Guggedahl Viron Collins...LP... D. Greengard Thanking you I am,  
Yours very truly,  
A. FAN.

## DIED

Margaret Henrietta Wamben, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Wamben of Stady, passed away at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Borsheim, 514 5th Ave. W., Sunday, May 2nd, being five months and seven days old. Death caused by whooping cough. Funeral services were conducted from the home of Mr. and Mrs. Borsheim Monday, May 3rd, Rev. Harris officiating. Interment in the local cemetery.

## CHILDREN MUST GO TO SCHOOL

### STATES ATTORNEY LOOKING UP RECORDS AND AFTER PEOPLE KEEPING CHILDREN OUT

States Attorney Owens announces that children throughout the county under fifteen years of age must be sent to school and that parents keeping them out for various kinds of work will find themselves up against a fine. Attorney Owens has been busy for the past few days looking up the records and finds that a great many children ranging in age from ten to fourteen are being kept out of school to assist in farm work and in one instance the record read, working out, which would indicate that this boy had been hired out to some neighbor. The state law as regards school attendance is quite plain and people throughout the county will save themselves considerable trouble by seeing that their children are not among the number kept out for other purposes than sickness. Sickness, the states attorney informs us, is the only excuse that will go with him and it must be where the child is sick, not as one record shows, where the eleven year old girl was kept out to nurse a sick neighbor. This was a very kind act in a way but when you consider that the child kept out is missing something that may never be regained it is a mistake. The children need and must have this education and every year it is becoming harder for the uneducated to succeed in this world.

### PANGER GRANTED DIVORCE

A. J. Panger was granted a divorce in the case wherein he asked for a divorce on the charge of adultery. Mrs. Panger is to receive ten dollars a month for two years. If she marries before the end of the two years the payments cease.

## FACE BLOWN OFF WITH SHOT GUN

### ARTHUR CLAY OF MARMON ACCIDENTLY SHOT THIS MORNING—MAY LIVE

Arthur Clay of Marmon, met with a terrible accident this morning when he had his face almost blown off with a shot gun. Clay had been out to the barn, had harnessed his team and afterward drove the cattle up from the pasture. He was in the barn when the accident happened and was found by his wife almost immediately. Their daughter remained with Clay while Mrs. Clay went to a neighbors for help. George Addyman was called and came over with his car. He found Clay outside the barn where he had been helped by his daughter. A feather bed was placed in the car and Clay, with the assistance of Addyman and others was able to walk to the auto. He was brought in about ten o'clock and taken to the hospital. The doctor worked over him for two hours and a half. Both jaws, with the exception of about an inch of each at the back were gone. The lower lip was missing and half of the upper one. The right side of the nose was blown off and the tongue was split clear to the back. The doctor said it was the worst looking sight he has ever seen against any side at least one of the nurses fainted while assisting in the work. He says Clay has a chance for recovery.

## TAKEN INTO FELLOWSHIP

### INSTITUTION SHOWING STEADY AND SUBSTANTIAL GROWTH SINCE LAST NOVEMBER

On Sunday evening, May 3rd, twenty adult members were received into fellowship and full connection of the Methodist Episcopal church, making fifty-one additions since November 1914. There were twenty-six to have been taken in, six of who were unable to be present. This institution has been enjoying a very steady and substantial growth since the beginning of the conference year. The bible school to date has a membership of three hundred and forty-nine, including the cradle roll, with an attendance reaching the two hundred and fifty mark.

The ladies Aid Society has added thirty to its membership during the same period. Every other department of the church is in correspondingly good condition. The financial obligations have all been met and the prospects of growth of the institution bid fair to rank among the best of the demonstrations in the state.

This is a part of the report of the institution that Rev. Styles H. Harris will take with him this week to the Residential Council which meets in Grand Forks May 5, 6 and 7, presided over by Bishop Luceok, and at which the leaders of each department of the church over the nation will gather. The purpose is to solicit the interest and aid of the church general in the church local, so that the members of the Williston church and constituency may receive such aid that will encourage them to go ahead this summer in the erection of their new \$20,000.00 edifice.

## GERMAN WARNING STIRS WASHINGTON

### STATE DEPARTMENT STUDYING ADVERTISEMENT TO SHUN BRITISH WARSHIPS

Washington, May 3.—The usual Saturday trip of Count Von Bernstorff to New York rendered it impossible to get directly from him any explanation of some curious features of the paid advertisement used by the German embassy to warn Americans against taking passage on British steamers. At the imperial German embassy it was hinted that the notice was just to put Americans on their guard and possibly to ease the conscience of the German government in case anything should happen to one of them on a British vessel.

Asked why it seemed necessary to advertise this fact when a statement issued at the embassy in Washington or left with the state department would have answered the same purpose, nothing could be learned except that the ambassador had chosen this method as the most likely to accomplish his purpose. Secretary Bryan stated diplomatically that the department could not discuss a newspaper advertisement. But this was only diplomacy. The department is deeply cognizant of this particular advertisement in several phases.

First, was it a violation of our neutrality to use the press to the possible injury of a belligerent or its subjects?

Second, was it a deliberate attempt to affront the United States by acquitting it of highly important action through the medium of commercial by a foreign government on our soil advertising matter?

Third, was Count Von Bernstorff ordered to do this in this particular manner, as he appears to have been when he issued his recent memorandum concerning the manufacture of arms and munitions for belligerents in this country?

In short, the government would be glad to know whether the government at Berlin is seeking to "smoke out" this country by unprecedented actions or whether it is simply blundering in its manner of doing what it thinks it has a right to do.

Assist Government to Decision. The clever Dr. Dernberg's next utterance will be of value in assisting the government to a decision.

If Bernstorff is deliberately sacrificing his standing here in order to perform a patriotic service to his country it will be easier to understand his most recent moves than to assume that one of his experience in diplomacy does not realize the irritating character of this advertisement.

Not to Give Some Standing. In any case the administration is determined to give Bernstorff no such standing as the celebrated citizen Genet obtained earlier in the history of the republic. President Wilson is not the man to forgive a slur upon his administration, as local patriots have discovered to their cost, but he also knows how to wait his time to strike a blow in his own or his government's defense. The one thing that is feared most is that representations from a foreign quarter may tend to force his hand in the matter.

## TEACHERS EXAMINATIONS

The Teachers examinations to be held in this city and announced for the 12th and 13th of this month will be held on the 13th and 14th, Thursday and Friday.

## WILL INITIATE ABOUT EIGHTY

### COUNCIL OF KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TO BE INSTITUTED SUNDAY

A Council of the Knights of Columbus is to be instituted here Sunday and there are over eighty members in the class. A special train will arrive from Minot and the work will be put on in the Odd Fellows hall commencing about two o'clock in the afternoon. A special team is being imported to put on the work of the various degrees.

In the evening a banquet will be served in the armory and music will be furnished by the Onstad Orchestra. Thomas Murphy of this city will preside as toast master and among the out of town speakers will be Rt. Rev. Bishop Wehrle of Bismarck; F. J. Traynor of Devils Lake; G. F. Thacker, of Grand Forks, J. A. Roell of Minot and Francis Murphy of Bismarck.

The officers of the new Council are: W. J. Kelly, Grand Knight; Thomas B. Hogan, Deputy Grand Knight; Thomas B. Murphy, Chancellor; B. C. Roach Recording Secretary; N. B. Ludowise, Financial Secretary; M. S. Donovan, Treasurer; A. H. Vettel, Advocate; John Hogan, Jr., Warden; Eli Kassis, Inner Guard; Dan Bell, Outside Guard; Trustees, John Kassis, John McKenna and Joe Donahue.

## READING CIRCLE WORK

Parties interested in the Reading Circle work of the State department will be interested in the fact that examinations will be held May 15th following the regular teachers examinations. Parties unable to attend should notify the Superintendent of Schools and arrange for a time and place for special examination.

## REFUSE LICENSES TO 73 SALOONS

### FIRST TIME IN THE HISTORY OF CITY DID THE COUNCIL TURN THEM DOWN.

Danville, Ill., May 1.—Danville was voted dry by the city council in a special meeting today. For the first time in the history of the city the council refused to renew 73 saloon licenses expiring last night.

## BROKE STATE RECORD.

Charles A. Bradley of the Williston High school broke the state High school record at the meet in Minot last week, winning the hundred yard dash in ten seconds flat. Bradley also won the two hundred and twenty yard dash giving Williston two firsts.

Owing to the fact that there was a heavy wind blowing in favor of the runners there may be some question as to giving Bradley the state record but it would take a pretty good breeze to overcome the difference between his and the former record.