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CHILDREN WILL BE IN CLEAN-UP MOVEMENT

PLEDGE COUPONS TO BE SIGNED WHICH ENTERS THEM IN THE CITY BEAUTIFUL WORK

Your Yard. Be it ever so Humble make it Attractive. Join the City Beautiful Contest. Costs You Nothing.

Pledge Cards have been given to the School Children to sign, with the knowledge and consent of the parents, the signing of which cards enters the children for the contest. Prizes in gold to be given the several winners.

Below is a coupon for the grownups to sign which enters them in the contest for honorary mention. We need your encouragement and help. Come join the City Beautiful army and help push the good work along. Sign and send in your coupon and then get your neighbor interested. Do it now.

Entry Coupon
CITY BEAUTIFUL CONTEST
I Will Help, Will You?
I am with you to help make Williston a Beautiful City.
Name.....
Address.....
Cut out this coupon and mail to
Mrs. C. Ellithorpe,
Entry Chairman,
Williston, N. D.

If you have a kodak or your neighbor has one get a picture of your yard before you start to work and afterwards. It will surprise yourself. Remember cleanliness of yard, front and back, and alley, gardens both flowers and vegetables or either, lawns, birdhouses. It depends on the degree of improvement you make.

ATTENDS MEETING AND WANTS TO KNOW

FARMER INTERESTED IN HISTORY OF LEADERS OF NON-PARTISAN LEAGUE

A meeting of the Non Partisan League was held in the court house in Williston last week. It was my privilege to attend that meeting and listen to the speeches. Owing a half section of land and operating it I naturally was vitally interested in the questions under discussion. In a state like ours with 75 per cent of the population actively engaged in tilling the soil it seems and is reasonable to demand that a fair majority of the legislative bodies of this state should come from the farm. The terminal elevator proposition has our indorsement but we don't agree with the speaker who said that the location of that terminal was a matter of little consequence. We think it matters much. Certainly the farmers of this country should dictate the price of the produce of their farm. Not how much will you give me for my potatoes, my hogs, my grain, etc., but I want so much. Think, if you can, of a doctor, an attorney or merchant asking a farmer how much they will give them for their services or wares. In the language of the street, "nothing doing." I think, however, we should be a little careful. The history of all movements resembles the swing of a pendulum. Often times men are carried away with their enthusiasm. Many of us have invested money in this League and the leaders have used our money. We are placing a lot of confidence in these leaders. I wonder how many of us have taken the pains to look these men up. They told us they were the chosen of God. If they are going to take the yoke off our neck and the burden from our back and lead us out of the land of bondage into a good land and sweet we better make sure that our confidence will not be displaced. For my part I should like to show something of the past life of the leaders of this league. What is their reputation for honesty and fair dealing. The president of the league told us that he was an ex-minister of the gospel. If he put his hand to the plow, why did he turn back? Why did he leave the Ministry of the Church? I think we have been carried away with our feelings. Let us come down to earth and be sure of the men in whom we would place the destinies of this state.—A FARMER.

League Meeting Held On Tuesday

The regular meeting of the Civic League was held at the home of Mrs. Vohs on Tuesday evening, with Mrs. Vohs and Mrs. Aen as hostesses. A splendid six o'clock dinner was served. The tables were beautifully decorated with pink carnations.

Twenty members and four invited guests were present.

The following program in charge of Mrs. White was rendered.

Roll Call.....Civic Betterment Vocal Solo.....Miss Gill Lesson Review.....Mrs. Conley Talk on Persia.....Mrs. White Persian Rugs.....Mrs. Timmerman Persian Manners and Customs.....Mrs. Windell Switzerland's Preparedness.....Mrs. Paul Leonhardy Duet.....Miss Palmer and Miss Gill

The most interesting feature of the evening was probably the Fashion demonstration. Four live models attired in fashions most approved gowns and hats posed while Miss Pence and Mrs. McKay gave interesting talks on the correctness and becomingness of clothes suited to different types of women.

A short business session followed after which the meeting adjourned to meet in two week at the home of Mrs. Conley.

HUNTING SEASON IS CUT RATHER SHORT

BIRDS WHICH ARE SHOT FOR SPORT ARE BIG BENEFIT TO STATE

Hannaford, N. D., April 6.—North Dakota hunters this year are forced to forego the shooting of large numbers of prairie chickens, snipe and other birds which have been prey in the past to the bag and gun of the expert nimrod, and take up the target practice or other form of divertisement dear to the heart of every "gunner."

Owing to the almost complete destruction of prairie chicken eggs by frost, the Manitoba government has decided to take steps to preserve these birds from extermination this year and is arranging with authorities of North Dakota for joint action in regard to plover, snipe, woodcock and sandpipers whose activities would secure the country an annual loss of \$80,000,000 from weeds and insects.

Last year a heavy frost after the prairie chicken eggs had been laid caused the freezing of the egg, with the possible exception of the few that were in sheltered places, and with a flood following the destruction was completed.

It is the plan of the North Dakota officials to shorten the period in which chickens may be hunted this year, in order that they may be saved from absolute extermination.

Plover, snipe, woodcock and sandpipers in the northwest also have been killed off to a large extent, and it is the purpose of the officials to take steps to protect these birds from further depredations for a time, in order that their number may be strengthened. Millions of dollars are saved annually by these birds through the destruction of insects and weed, and to have them in large numbers in any country is an asset to the locality.

Unless steps are taken at once to preserve the fishing resorts of the state, this pastime may also be wiped out of existence.

On account of the extremely severe winter, and the alternate thaws and freezing of the water and snow on the surface of the various lakes and rivers, fish in these streams are in danger of suffocation.

Air is excluded altogether from entering the water of the lake through the series of airtight chambers formed by the ice and snow on the surface.

In some instances, steps have been taken to keep the lakes open in order that the fish may be given air.

Birth of A Nation Here During July

Manager McGuiness of the Orpheum has closed a contract which will enable him to show the great motion picture play, "The Birth of a Nation" in this city. It will be shown for four days beginning with July 24th and in order to accommodate the people Mr. McGuiness has engaged the Armory where the picture will be shown.

MANY WASHOUTS ON SMALLER STREAMS

TRAINS DELAYED, TELEPHONE SERVICE CUT OFF—BRIDGES WASHED OUT BY FLOODS

As a result of the warmer weather there have been many washouts on the small creeks around the country. Monday night the small stream west of White Earth washed out a bridge and caused several hours delay in the trains. Tuesday night the floods again washed out the repaired work in the same location and the mail trains did not arrive in Williston until about noon Wednesday.

The small streams in this section of the country were endeavoring to be real rivers and riveled the Old Missouri itself causing trouble, while the little Muddy was the real thing in the way of a river. North of the city about a mile and from that point further north it was over its banks and flooded the bottoms. The red bridge north of the city was damaged considerably.

Sand Creek and the Stony were both on the rampage. The Stony gorged near Avoca and when it broke loose Monday night it came down covering the entire flats to a depth of over three feet and carrying with it parts of bridges, telephone poles, etc., together with large cakes of ice. As a result the flats around the Sharp home are covered with ice and the telephone company are short twenty or thirty poles and a telephone service east.

Sand Creek evidently was jealous and seemed to think that while it was not as hard a proposition as the Stony it had at least the Sand to try and as a result several bridges are out. The one just west of the city near the Hagan farm was damaged, one of the cement piers being washed under and around until it settled several feet.

WARREN HARDING IS THE NEW CHAIRMAN

LaFAYETTE B. GLEASON OF NEW YORK IS NAMED SECRETARY FOR CONVENTION

Chicago, April 7.—Senator Warren Harding, of Ohio, was selected as temporary chairman of the republican national convention by a unanimous vote of the sub-committee on arrangements of the republican national committee on the first ballot. Other convention officials are:

LaFayette B. Gleason, of New York—secretary.

William F. Stone, of Baltimore, sergeant-at-arms.

George L. Hart, of Roanoke, Virginia, official reporter.

The selection of Senator Harding for temporary chairman occupied but little time. The committeemen were all of one mind and there was no discussion before the vote was taken. Without exception, the committeemen declined to discuss presidential possibilities, taking the position that later they would have to pass contested delegations, and therefore they are in nature a quasi-judicial body, and that such discussion would be construed as prejudicial to possible candidates.

Chairman Hilles declared that the entire committee is confident of the success for the republican party next fall, and reiterated that the convention would be open minded and offer a free field for all presidential candidates.

"Our only hope," he said, "is to nominate the best man available and then elect him. There is confidence and enthusiasm everywhere in the party."

SCHOOLS AGAIN BUSY

Williston scholars were summoned to work again Monday morning by the ringing of the bell after a weeks silence and while a few murmured we are sure the greater number were glad to get back to work.

PUTTING IN CEMENT

The contractors commenced cement work on the basement of the Great Northern hotel addition the first of the week and expect to have the forms filled in a few days.

FITTING UP STORE

Mrs. Goldschlager is having the room formerly occupied by the Ten Cent Store re-decorated and will open up a store there in the near future. Ladies and Gents ready-to-wear goods will be carried.

ISSUES LETTERS TO FARMERS OF COUNTY

BETTER FARM AGENT HALL ISSUES TIMELY LETTER TO FARMERS REGARDING WORK

Williston, N. D., April 12, 1916.

Sir:— At the opening of the 1916 season, there are a few things I would like to call to your attention.

A great many acres of sweet clover are to be seeded in Williams county this season. This crop is still an experiment with us. We do not know exactly how it should be seeded or the rate to seed. Yellow flowered may be as good as white flowered. This remains to be determined by experience. Do not invest too much in the crop. Try different rates and methods of seeding. Five pounds per acre may be too light and ten pounds too heavy. We believe the correct rate to seed is probably eight to ten pounds. There are two things that we are sure of with sweet clover. One is that it must have a firm seed bed; the other that being a small seed it should not be seeded over one-half to one inch deep.

Kindly let me know if you are trying sweet clover so that we can have the benefit of your experience for the whole county. We can tell more about sweet clover after we have seen results in this county for two seasons.

If you have a piece of alfalfa seeded last year, 1915, rake the weeds off the first thing this spring and cross-drag it with a common drag. Do not disc it. Later in the season cultivate it between the rows. Do not plow up alfalfa even though it looks poor. It will surprise you in its growth, and as a rule come out good. Advise me early if you want help in seeding alfalfa. If you are seeding Grimm, be sure it is Grimm. I can help you sell seed from it if we are sure that it is Grimm.

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NAKED MAN WAS KILLED BY TRAIN

RUNNING DOWN MIDDLE OF TRACK CLAD IN HABILIMENTS OF EDEN ONLY

Glasgow, Mont., April 10.—Report was brought to this city yesterday by delayed No. 2 of the killing of a man a few miles west of Chinook yesterday morning.

As the train was running a little late between Yantic and Chinook and was making pretty good speed, the engineer saw a stark naked figure running down the middle of the track ahead of the train. An effort was made to stop the train, but they struck the man before this could be accomplished, and the body was thrown to one side of the track, where it was picked up by the train crew a few moments later.

On examination the body proved to be a stranger weighing about 200 pounds, and he was barefooted and did not have a stitch of clothes about him, nor could any wearing apparel be found along the track in the vicinity of where the man was first seen on the track.

Conductor "Hi" Coster ran to the bleeding figure as soon as the train was stopped but life was extinct and there was not the least clew as to the stranger's identity.

In picking the body up and putting it on the train to take it into Chinook, Conductor Coster got all covered with blood and it was necessary for Attorney George E. Hurd of Great Falls to come to his aid with some clean linen so that he could change his clothes and appear presentable for the balance of his run.

Up to the present time the identity of the man is yet unsolved and no plausible theory can be advanced as to how he happened to be out along the railroad track at that time of the morning without clothing. That he was demented is unquestioned and it is probable that he will be identified as a homesteader living out among the hills west of Chinook.

SELLS EAST BROADWAY FEED STORE

Frank E. Davis for several years proprietor of the East Broadway Feed Store on last Saturday disposed of the same to Ghentz & Hunter who will continue the business. During Mr. Davis' proprietorship he worked up a nice business by constant attention to business and fair treatment of patrons.

See Child Welfare Exhibit Saturday

Exhibit Saturday

The fact that many parents have not a great deal to spend for nursery equipment is no reason why a baby may not be provided with all the comforts necessary to his well being. If you are interested in seeing arrangements that other mothers have found practical in caring for small children, and apparatus to amuse them, be sure to see the Child Welfare Exhibit at I. O. O. F. hall Saturday afternoon, April 15. There will be a display of garments of the most approved type, and all the other various articles that meet the needs of an up-to-date baby. There will be an exhibit of home play that may solve for you the problem of keeping little folks amused with things worth while. It is hoped that the exhibit will prove of value to those who wish to better their home surroundings. Some interesting literature has been secured from various sources and will be distributed in connection.

STIGEN-HANSEN WEDDING

Peter Stigen and Anna Hansen, both of this city, were united in marriage at the home of Rev. Distad on Friday, April seventh. Mr. Stigen is employed by John Heffernan and the young couple will make their home in Williston.

CANADA HAS A BIG FORCE AT THE FRONT

SIXTY THOUSAND SOLDIERS FROM DOMINION FIGHTING IN FRANCE

Otta, April 6.—A memorandum summarizing the work of the department of militia in connection with the war during the past twelve months was presented to parliament by Sir Robert Borden as a preliminary to the request which will come in a day or so for the voting of \$250,000,000 to provide the sines of war for the coming financial year.

Perhaps the most interesting information given is that Canada had actually at the front on March 18 last, about 60,000 troops, or practically three complete divisions. Also, in England or in passage to England on that date there were 44,000 troops. In Canada, there were 134,000 troops.

Of the 14,000 troops in England, about half are at Shorncliffe as one training division under Brigadier General J. C. MacDougal; while another training division is at Bramshott under Brigadier General Lord Brooke.

It is intended as soon as the weather permits, to concentrate the men in training in Canada at seven camps for the summer, namely, at London, at Niagara, at Petawawa (with a detachment at Barriefield), at Valcartier (including the Quebec and the Maritime Provinces men), at Camp Hughes, Man., at Vernon, B. C., and at the Sarcee Reserve in Alberta, near Calgary.

The housing of the troops in Canada for the winter months cost a total of \$853,130, while for the housing of guards, prisoners of war, the establishing of convalescent homes, etc., the cost was \$147,135.

COMMISSIONERS HAVE BUSY SESSION

The Board of County Commissioners have had a very busy session this month and are still at work. The recent floods which damaged a number of bridges has given them some additional work this week but they expect to adjourn in a day or two to meet again toward the last of May.

CAFE CHANGES HANDS

A deal was closed last week where by Thomas Hogan became proprietor of the Silver Grill Cafe, he purchasing from George Buhler. The patrons are assured first class service as in the past as Mr. Hogan has proven himself to be among the best in the country in this line of business.

ODD FELLOWS HAVE GOOD TIME

Members of the Odd Fellows lodge had a fine time at their annual roll call meeting held in the hall last night. There was a very good attendance and everyone was out for a jolly evening. A lunch was served after the meeting. Those who were not present missed one of the most enjoyable meetings held in many moons.

BAND CONCERT SUNDAY

The Williston Concert Band will give one of their delightful sacred concerts in the Lyric theatre next Sunday afternoon.

ANNUAL MEETING OF N. W. EDUCATORS

ELEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING TO BE HELD APRIL 20-21 AT MINOT NORMAL SCHOOL

Officers
President, Anna M. Peterson, Williston, N. D.
First Vice Pres., W. F. Clarke, Minot, N. D.
Second Vice Pres., A. C. Berg, Tower, N. D.
Secretary, Blanche Dallagher, Minot, N. D.
Treasurer, L. M. Rockne, Mohall, N. D.

"Today's Visions Are Tomorrow's Foundations."

The Eleventh Annual meeting of the Northwestern Educators will be held in Minot April 20 and 21 and on account of this meeting there will be no teachers association meeting held in this county this spring. Owing to the large number of speakers on the program from this county and also to the fact that the president of the Association is from here, Williams county should send a good delegation to the meeting. Teachers attending are allowed full pay during their absence. The program follows:

PROGRAM
Thursday Afternoon—1:45 o'clock
General Meeting
Gymnasium

Invocation—Rev. P. W. Erickson, Minot
Music—Normal School Glee Club.
President's Address—Anna M. Peterson.

"The Rural Life"—Dr. Joseph Kennedy, University, N. D.

"Standardization of School Work as an Aid to Closer Articulation"—Supt. Bruce Francis, Minot.

Sectional Meetings—4:00 O'clock
Rural and Consolidated Section
Assembly Room

Chairman—A. C. Berg.
General Discussions:—
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SELLS CONTROL DEVICE TO OUR GOVERNMENT

YOUNG INVENTOR SELLS TORPEDO CONTROL SECRET TO UNCLE SAM FOR \$750,000

Washington, April 10.—For \$750,000 a young American inventor is about to surrender to Uncle Sam all the patents and the exclusive right to the use of a device by which a torpedo can be launched against a battleship of an enemy and so directed and controlled by radio dynamic forces either from shore or from aeroplane as to insure its striking its mark at a maximum distance of 28 miles.

John Hays Hammond, Jr., of Gloucester, Mass., the wizard son of John Hays Hammond, mining engineer, is the inventor and owner of 218 patents which will be turned over to the government.

Although only 28 years old, young Hammond has accomplished what many of the military scientists of other countries have tried to perfect and failed.

He alone possesses the secret, and if congress accepts his offer he will reveal it only to those designated by the government.

Committee Approve Purchase
Mr. Hammond has also stipulated that in addition to turning over all rights to his patents he will devote his time gratis to co-operating in installing the apparatus.

Discovery that the government is willing to pay young Hammond a fortune for his invention was made with the introduction in the house of the fortifications bill. The sum of \$750,000 was approved as a fair price, both by military officials and subcommittees.

There is the authoritative statement that Hammond refused to sell his invention for a fabulous sum to one of the European countries now at war, explaining to the old world bidder that no amount would tempt him to give them the preference over his native land.

Hammond Spent \$300,000

When it became known Mr. Hammond had expended \$300,000 in perfecting his device and had labored continuously on it for eight years, the sum he asked was considered reasonable.

Four years ago he discovered the principle for which all had been searching. For two years he experimented under the eyes of officers of

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