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CREAMERY SHIPS IN DAIRY COWS

HIGH GRADE MILKERS FOR FARMERS WHO WISH TO INCREASE THEIR HERDS

Manager Erickson Anxious to Increase Creamery Output—Will Get More Cows If Wanted

Forty selected, high grade, milk cows reached Williston Monday to supplement local dairy herds. The two-car lot consists of 22 Holstein grades and 18 of short-horn strains.

Nothing but well graded animals showing distinctly the lines of the dairy type were selected. All are either fresh now or soon will be. The cows were purchased in the vicinity of Hutchinson, Minn.

To Build Up Creamery

The cows were taken to the fair grounds where many farmers have inspected them this week. Several lots were sold at once and Mr. Erickson stated yesterday noon that prospects were good for all to be disposed of by night.

The object of the creamery company in bringing in cows is to increase the patronage of the creamery, especially in the winter season when the milk output is greatly reduced. Feed is comparatively plentiful this year and some farmers are in position to take care of more stock than they have.

Call For Papers On Project Lands

The Officials of the Williston Land Office have received from the General Land Office the following letter together with other instructions in connection with the Williston Project lands.

October, 1916. Directing transmittal of final certificates.

Register and Receiver, Williston, North Dakota. Sirs: You will transmit to this office immediately by special letter, all final proofs and final certificates upon entries within reclamation projects in your district upon which proofs of the reclamation for agricultural purposes of at least one-half of the irrigable area have been submitted and approved by the Project Manager, and upon which you have issued final certificates, under the provisions of the act of August 9, 1916 (57 Stat., 265), and acts supplementary thereto and amendatory thereof.

You will transmit to this office by special letter, all final proofs and proofs of reclamation filed in your office and upon which you issue final certificates to and including November 10, 1916. You will advise all entrymen, whose proofs of reclamation are filed after November 10, 1916, that owing to the fact that another installment of water right charges on reclamation entries will become due on December 1, 1916, no final certificates can be issued until that installment of water right charges is paid and certificates of the Project Manager showing such payment is filed in your office. The reason for this is that final certificates issued after the date mentioned cannot be transmitted to this office, examined and the entries passed to patent, prior to December 1, 1916, on account of the short space of time intervening.

Hallowe'en Dance Monday Evening

The directors of the commercial club will hold a Hallowe'en dancing party at the Armory Monday evening, October 30, to which all are cordially welcome.

Hallowe'en costumes and masks will be in order and the hall will be made as mysterious and spooky as possible by seasonable devices.

The proceeds of the evening will be used to make up the balance necessary to meet the expenses of Williston Day. Tickets will be sold at one dollar.

CHIEF JUSTICE FISK HERE Chief Justice Charles J. Fisk is in the city today a guest of his brother Judge Frank E. Fisk. The Chief Justice was among the six supreme court's candidates receiving the highest totals at the June primaries and his name is therefore on the ballot for the consideration of the voters of the state at the approaching election.

Eulogy On the Cow, Man's Benefactor

"No other animal works for man both day and night. She has gone with man from Plymouth Rock to the setting sun. It was her sons that drew the prairie schooner for the sturdy pioneer, as inch by inch they fought to prove that 'Westward the Star of Empire Takes Its Way.' And the old cow grazed along behind and when the day's march was done she came and gave the milk to fill the mother's breast to feed the suckling babe that was perchance the future ruler of the country.

"Who says that we are to a great extent we do not owe to man's best friend, the cow? Treat her kindly, gently, for without her—words fall me to describe.

"Truly the cow is man's greatest benefactor. Hail, winds, drouths and floods may come, destroy our crops, and banish our hopes, but from what is left, the cow manufactures the most nourishing and life-sustaining goods. We love her for her docility, her beauty, and her usefulness. Her loyalty has never weakened, and should misfortune overtake us, as we become bowed down with the weight of years, we know that in the cow we have a friend that is never known to falter. She pays the debt. She saves the home. Little do we realize the debt we owe her."

COUNTY FAIR AID IMPORTANT ISSUE

PERMANENT, WELL SUPPORTED FAIR IS FARMERS' BEST ADVERTISEMENT

The directors of the Williams County Fair Association, through Secretary F. S. Morrill, are making an earnest campaign in support of county aid for the Williams county fair. As a part of this campaign letters, of which a copy is given below, have been sent to the farmers clubs of the county.

The letters cover the important points of the strong argument in favor of county aid for the county's fair. It is pointed out that a big, successful, well maintained and permanent county fair is a practical and valuable advertisement for the county as a whole and the individual farmers who take advantage of its opportunities.

The fair is, says the letter, a local or Williston institution only inasmuch as the people of other parts of the county make it such by compelling the Williston community to bear the burden of it.

Small Investment, Big Returns If the whole county aids in supporting the fair the whole county will take interest in it—the result will be a splendid, annual demonstration of our resources that will bring big returns. The fair is a county wide and thoroughly cooperative enterprise—a business investment as well as a season of entertainment.

Calculated in the most conservative way the cost in taxes of the county aid ask is less than 35 cents per quarter section and it is a land value raiser for which the nonresident owner must pay his full share.

The Letter November 7th will be election day and on that date you will be given an opportunity to vote for County Aid for your county fair, and it is sincerely hoped that you will not only vote favorably yourself but will get out and induce as many of your neighbors to so vote as you possibly can.

Burden Should Be Distributed We had a good fair this year, in fact a better fair than in any other county, either in western North Dakota or eastern Montana. But even this year's fair was not near good enough for this county. Our buildings are inadequate, our grounds are not properly kept up, and surely our premiums are not large enough. But money is required to perfect all those items and at the present time the only income the Association has is from the concessions sold and from gate receipts, and, with debts necessarily contracted in advance, the chance of a rainy day, which would cause a big deficiency, is too great, and the few men who have been shouldering the burden in the past do not believe it is fair to ask them to continue along the present lines and they do not believe that, if you give the matter your careful thought, you would consider it fair.

The fair is a COUNTY FAIR. It is your fair. It is maintained for the benefit of the entire county. The fact that it is held in Williston is due to Williston's being your county seat and you should be proud to have your fair held here. Don't let anyone try to tell you that it is a Williston fair. It is only a Williston fair inasmuch as you make it a Williston fair by not lending your support and by thus placing all the responsibility upon a few of the business men who have heretofore, in order to have a fair at all, felt it necessary to shoulder the entire responsibility.

Working Capital Necessary The fair offers unlimited opportunities to the farmers and the stockmen by providing them with a means of display and advertising their products and, if properly taken advantage of, will prove to you and the county a (Continued on page 12)

County School Forces To Invade Williston, Interesting Educational Sessions Tuesday and Wednesday—Pupils Industrial Exhibit

The Teachers' Institute, School Officers Association meeting and children's industrial contests will be held at the Congregational church in Williston Tuesday, Oct. 31 and Wednesday Nov. 1, 1916.

The industrial contests will be held Tuesday forenoon when the children will exhibit corn, canned vegetables and specimens of sewing. Professor Altmann, Physical Director of the State Normal school at Minot, will conduct games and athletics for the children.

President A. G. Crane of the State Normal school at Minot will be conductor of the Teachers' Institute, and N. C. McDonald, State Rural Inspector, will address officers and teachers. Subjects of vital importance to the schools of the county will be discussed.

Dr. E. P. Robertson of Wesley college will deliver an address on "Community Welfare" Wednesday afternoon. These speakers will be supplemented by local talent.

At a banquet for teachers and school directors Tuesday evening at 6:30 P. M. an interesting program will be rendered under the direction of the Commercial club of Williston.

This is the gathering of the educational forces of the county. Officers are urged to come and bring their teachers.

Anyone interested in education is cordially invited to attend these meetings. Anna M. Peterson, County Supt. of Schools.

(A complete program of the features of the two days will be found on another page.)

John Burke Here Saturday, Oct. 28

Former Governor John Burke, treasurer of the United States, and Democratic candidate for United States senator to succeed P. J. McCumber of this state is making a tour in support of President Wilson and his own candidacy.

Saturday, October 28, Mr. Burke will be in Williams county. Starting at Epping at 8:20 in the morning he will make eleven speeches during the day concluding with a meeting in the Williston Armory at 8:30 in the evening.

The other towns and hours as given in his advertised itinerary are: Forenoon—Wheelock, 9:00; Ray, 10:00; Tioga, 11:30. Afternoon—McGregor, 1:30; Wildrose, 2:15; Cottonwood Lake, 3:00; Zahl, 3:50; Grenora, 4:45; Bonetrail, 5:40.

John Burke's reputation as a campaigner is well established by his three campaigns for governor and it is expected a large audience will greet his appearance at the Armory. The local democratic committee is making complete preparation for the reception of their senatorial candidate.

Local Men Buy Wildrose Mill

The Wildrose flour mill is now the property of M. S. Williams and George Grogan of this city. The mill uses the "Midget Marvel" machinery, which is the same as that used in the Williston plant of the Whole Wheat Milling Company, and is a first class plant doing a thriving business. Mr. Williams as principal owner and manager of the Whole Wheat Milling Company's local plant has made a gratifying success of the whole wheat process and built up a strong demand for "Silver Sheaf" brand flour. Mr. Grogan is vice president of the Grogan-Robinson Lumber Co.

Mr. Williams and Mr. Grogan went to Wildrose Tuesday to complete the details of the purchase of the plant.

TWO DOLLAR WHEAT IN MINNEAPOLIS

Minneapolis, Oct. 23—Several cars of No. 1 Durum wheat sold at \$2.00 a bushel today. It was purchased for milling purposes. Wheat here and at Chicago is 5 cents higher today.

The bullish condition of the wheat market sent flour prices up again today. Big local millers quoted fancy patent 20 cents up, at \$9.55; first clears 30 cents up, at \$7.90; second clears 50 cents up, at \$5.00.

Hon. P. D. Norton In Williston Nov. 2

The third District's representative in the lower house of congress will address his local constituents on Thursday, November 2 at 8:00 p. m. The place of meeting has not been announced but is likely to be the court house.

Mr. Norton whose home is in Hettiger, Adams county, is serving his third term as congressman from the western district and has been a hard worker for his constituents. His reelection is among the certainties of the coming election. "Pat" is always an interesting speaker and will no doubt be accorded a large audience on his appearance November 2nd.

Chautauqua For 1917 In Prospect

A representative of the Ridpath Chautauqua bureau was in Williston today to confer with the lyceum course committee with reference to bringing a chautauqua to Williston next summer. The proposal is for a one week's program to be held during the middle or latter part of July.

Only part of the local committee could be brought together on short notice today but another meeting will be held tomorrow to which the committee will invite the commercial club directors and other representative men.

Mr. Hedges, the Ridpath representative, has some attractions to offer that made a good impression on the committee and Mr. Hutchinson, the chairman, believes that arrangements can be made that will bring a chautauqua program to Williston next season, and that in that event the grounds across the river can be utilized.

Telephone Cables Go Under Ground

The Dakota-Western has a force at work laying glazed tile to carry underground the cables leading from the central station. Some four and some six duct tile is being used. The company finds it impossible to purchase at present sufficient cable to carry out the complete underground plan that is intended.

The work being done now will extend about 1500 feet on Broadway, Main street and Fifth street to point from which aerial lines will serve the western and northern parts of the city.

Petticoats Only 10 Cents, All Colors

The post master at Minneapolis, who is a bachelor, is struggling with the demands of some 400,000 women who had dreams of getting a 1917 model silk petticoat for 10 cents, any size or color desired. A chain letter fake started by the "National Mail Order Exchange" a mythical concern whose financial captians fled before the harvest of dimes could be reaped, is responsible for the dumping of 25,000 to 35,000 undeliverable letters into the Minneapolis office daily. The blushing P. M. is beset with such requests as: "I hear this concern is a fake. Send me a petticoat or return my dime" and "I forgot to mention size and color. Please look them up and tell them I am a perfect 36 and wear pink."

Our own bachelor post master may yet get entangled in the silken tails of the swish and swirl of the mad demand for blues and greens and 25s and 27s, knee lengths, with a flounce, as a few of the chain letters have come to Williston people from chain gangers in other cities. Mrs. W. G. Owens received one which W. G. turned in to the local officials who passed it to an inspector for investigation who said it had already been very much investigated. Anyway, they may not wear 'em in 1917.

Next Tuesday, Oct. 31, is the last day for voters to register. The registration boards will be in session at the regular polling places.

LIBRARIANS ARE GUESTS OF CITY

BEGINNING TONIGHT SESSIONS CONTINUE TILL SATURDAY AT NOON

The eleventh annual meeting of the North Dakota Library association begins in Williston this evening and continues tomorrow and Saturday. With the exception of the informal meeting of the delegates that will be held this evening, all sessions are open to the public and will be held at the library auditorium.

Among the more important features of the program, which has already been published in full, will be the address of welcome at 9:30 Friday morning by E. R. Brownson, president of the local library board and the response by Alfred Steele of Jamestown, president of the state association; the luncheon given by the library board at 12:00; the book symposium at 2:30, led by Miss Cook of Valley City; a discussion of the library and the movies at 3:45 by Miss Hedrick of the state university library and the automobile ride given the delegates by the Williston Commercial club.

The session holding probably the most interest for the public will be held Friday evening at 8:15 when Miss Jennette Drake, of Sioux City, Iowa, will deliver an address on the Library in Social Service. Following this the women's clubs of Williston will hold a reception for the delegates.

The business of the association will occupy Saturday until noon when most of the delegates will leave on No. 2. Below is a list of the delegates expected to be in attendance.

R. A. Nestos, Margaret Greene, Martha Williams, Huldah Wensted, of Minot; Mrs. Maud Johnson, Alexander; Zenka Trinka, Dickinson; S. Blanche Hedrick and C. W. Sumner, University, Grand Forks; Alfred Steele and Alice Paddock, Jamestown; Lillian Merick, Wahpeton; Lillian Cook, Valley City; Mrs. M. C. Budlong, Bismarck; Dorothy Dodge, Devils Lake; Jeanette Drake, Sioux City, Iowa.

ONE IN HOSPITAL ONE BEHIND BARS

ARNEGARD MAN SHOT BY NEIGHBOR WHO BELIEVED HE HAD A GREIVANCE

Shooting Near Williston This A. M.— Seriously Wounded Victim Expected to Live

Sigurd Gellerstedt, a married man, age 33, is at Wittenberg hospital dangerously wounded by a shot from a .38 caliber revolver. Claus A. Lundquist, who did the shooting, is in the Williams county jail.

Both men reside in the vicinity of Arnegard. Gellerstedt is a mason and has been employed on the concrete work of a large barn being erected on the farm of T. A. Stenehjem a few miles north of the city. Lundquist left Arnegard yesterday and came to Williston on the local. This morning he hired a car to take him to the Stenehjem farm. Arriving there about 11:00 p. m. he held conversation with Gellerstedt and then shot him. After being wounded Gellerstedt grappled with his assailant and wrested the gun from him. Other workmen on the job took Lundquist in charge while Deputy Sheriff Rutledge came to arrest him.

Recovery Likely

The wounded man was hastened to the hospital where he received the attention of Dr. Jones and Dr. Strong. The bullet passed through the right arm near the shoulder, entered the right side, apparently passed through the lung, and after ploughing through the muscles of the back lodged against the spine. The bullet was removed by Dr. Strong in a considerably battered condition, indicating that it had encountered bone in its passage. Both physicians agree that the victim has a good chance of recovery and that the chief danger is from possible infection and the wound in the lung. Mrs. Gellerstedt arrived from Arnegard this afternoon.

Parties at Arnegard state that Lundquist made open threats against Gellerstedt just before starting for Williston. It is said that when he reached here last evening he was intoxicated and at the time of the shooting he was, according to witnesses, very much under the influence of drink. While being brought to the jail he declared that if he had retained possession of the revolver he would have shot himself. When seen in his cell this afternoon Lundquist was in a stupor from which he was aroused with difficulty and was unable to tell an intelligible story but spoke vaguely of sore grievances.

Trouble Over Land Deal

Lundquist is a married man about fifty years of age and wears a "peg" leg. It appears that he and his wife have separated or at least have had serious trouble. They had lived on a McKenzie county homestead for several years, formerly residing in Bottineau, where he worked at the mason's trade.

Gellerstedt recently purchased a piece land the title of which was in Mrs. Lundquist's name. When he made payment Gellerstedt turned the money over to Mrs. Lundquist which he was legally required to do. This seems to be the ground of Lundquist's grievance. Information was telephoned from Arnegard yesterday, of Lundquist's dangerous threats, to Stenehjem & Husebye's Williston store and the warning was sent out to Gellerstedt who made light of it and said he was not afraid.

Lundquist has retained John J. Murphy, with whom he was formerly acquainted at Bottineau, as his counsel. When at Bottineau the man now in jail is said to have been a prosperous and industrious mechanic and a citizen in good standing. No date was set today for a hearing.

Principal Events Of Coming Week

Friday, Oct. 27—Sessions of State Library Association—Address by Miss Drake and reception in the evening.

Saturday, Oct. 28—Forenoon, Closing sessions of Library Association. Afternoon, Football—Sidney and Williston High School teams. Evening, Political address by John Burke at Armory.

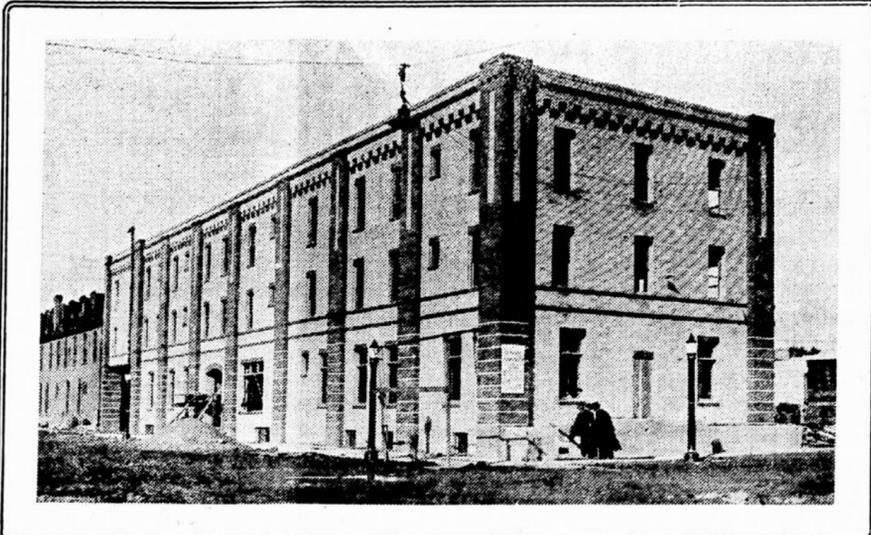
Monday, Oct. 30—Hallowe'en costume ball at Armory under management of Commercial club directors.

Tuesday, Oct. 31—First day of Williams county teachers' institute, school officers' meeting, pupils' industrial contests, at Congregational church. Evening, Banquet for teachers and officers.

Wednesday, Nov. 1—Second day of institute—addresses by Wm. G. Owens, N. C. MacDonald, Dr. Robertson (community welfare).

Thursday, Nov. 2—Political address by Hon. P. D. Norton, at the court house. Thursday and Friday—Tour of county by party of Fair supporters in interest of county aid. During the sessions of the North Dakota library association, Miss Martha Williams of Minot will be the guest of Mrs. M. B. Jackson. Miss Margaret Green of Minot will be the guest of Mrs. J. Arthur Cunningham and Mrs. M. C. Budlong of Bismarck will be entertained by Mrs. W. B. Overson.

ONE RESULT OF WILLISTON'S RAPID GROWTH



Forty thousand dollar addition to the Great Northern hotel. Fire-proof construction and completely modern. Fifty guest rooms on the third and fourth floors. Other floors arranged to complete an independent unit. Will be ready to occupy December first and will be appointed with six thousand dollars worth of elegant furniture.