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HOSPITAL PLAN CALLS FOR FUND OVER \$100,000

DR. R. O. BEARD TELLS COMMITTEES \$40,000 FAR TOO LITTLE TO BEGIN PROJECT

TERRITORY CALLS FOR IT GREAT INTEREST DISPLAYED AT MEETING—COMMITTEES TO MEET

"It can't be did." With this homely phrase as an emphatic statement, Dr. R. O. Beard of Minneapolis who was here yesterday to plan for the Wittenberg Community hospital made it plain to a number of enthusiasts who had gathered to hear the plans that Williston still has a large job ahead in getting the new hospital completed and ready for service.

Dr. Beard was in session here all day Wednesday with the medical men, the hospital board and members of the Commercial Club and others interested. After canvass of the prospective work the hospital here will be called on for, the community it will serve and other features of a more technical nature, Dr. Beard told the directors in no many words that it would be foolish—in fact it would be wrong—to start the construction of a hospital for this territory with a \$40,000 fund.

Economy Demands Large Outlay
Dr. Beard made it plain that he was trying to give the Williston board the benefit of mistakes that had been made in other parts of the country in hospital construction. He advised a three story structure about 150 by 80 feet built in T shape so that additions may be made in all directions as necessity demands. He plans a hospital that will have 72 beds at the start and a complete equipment. The floors will be arranged so that medical, obstetrical and surgical cases will be separated. This plan having been worked out as the one that gets best results.

In addition the hospital as planned will be able to take care of contagious disease, and Dr. Beard says that this is not only a matter of protection for the city but for the hospital itself.

To Serve Community
Dr. Beard sees the Wittenberg hospital in the larger sense—holding that Williston as the largest town in its territory and an important point commercially, should strain itself to have a public hospital here that will offer the highest class of service to the people for a hundred miles around who need hospital care. The estimate made includes, of course, a fine surgical department and also service buildings which will make the comfort of the patients all they could get in any hospital in the land. Dr. Beard advises that the Wittenberg association install machine laundries and all the modern paraphernalia to get real service and he is emphatic in that no part of the service, not even the kitchen, may be housed in the main building.

Just a Question of How
Hospital boosters received a body blow yesterday when this information came to them and more so when after having heard Dr. Beard's plan they saw that he was right in every particular. The hospital outlined is not too large for this city and territory. It is now down to the question of how to get the money. It was with an almost superhuman effort that \$40,000 was raised last fall. However, the board is not discouraged. Dr. Beard has given some valuable tips on the raising of money for a hospital and it is expected that

in a few days plans will be on foot to go over the ground again and to have the Wittenberg Community hospital among the buildings for which ground will be broken in the early part of the summer.

"You certainly need a hospital" said Dr. Beard. "And it is only a question of whether you wait until necessity forces a makeshift arrangement or whether you act now when you have time to plan and get results." Dr. Beard says that the hospital that Williston should erect will cost about \$110,000 and that this will mean that at least \$30,000 more will have to be raised before work could be started.

CAN'T UNDERSTAND FRAZIER'S RENSON

EQUITY HEA DILLS IS VETOED BY GOVERNOR

Bismarck, N. D., March 12.—Governor Frazier's veto of S. B. No. 84, providing for the creation of a terminal water commission and for the construction of an elevator if the commission deemed the plan expedient, the subject of an interview by President M. J. Johnson, of the North Dakota Society of Equity, in which he shows that there is great difference of opinion in the league.

Mr. Johnson, a member of the state railroad commission, elected on the Nonpartisan league ballot, doesn't accept Governor Frazier's explanation of the veto, insisting that the people of the state have clearly stated, from time to time, that they want a terminal, owned by the state.

Thunderbolt, Johnson
"The news came as a thunderbolt to me," said Pres. M. P. Johnson, who with Sec. M. V. Boddy of the state union of the Equity, was interviewed briefly last evening on the veto of S. B. No. 84.

"I couldn't believe until I saw the governor's message actually in print that the report could be true. At no time did we receive any intimation of the governor's intention, nor were we consulted as to our views in the matter. The Equity had worked seven years for this bill. It carried out to a large extent the Equity's ideas of what the bill should contain, and had the governor signed it, as we fully expected him to do, it would have been a great aid to the Equity movement.

Williston Company Makes Good Showing

Inspection of the Williston National Guard Company, E of North Dakota was made here last Thursday night and the company found to be in fine shape.

Officers of the company were complimented on the showing attendance and condition of the men and equipment and if other companies over the state are kept in the same condition Adjutant General Tharidson will be in command of a small army of which he can well be proud.

The armory was used for the inspection which was open to the public and again the excellent facilities provided by the building brought themselves to the front. Williston can well be proud of its armory and its Company E.

J. A. Cooper of this city was in Minot Friday on business.

HOW RUTLEDGE GRABBED TITLE

"BOB" WAS DARK HORSE UNTIL NOON OF LAST DAY OF TOURNAMENT

Honor Brings Loving Cup To Williston—Correspondence Tourney For This Year

Grand Forks Herald—R. R. Rutledge of Williston, won the North Dakota checker championship title in the third annual tournament of the state association which was brot to a close Wednesday afternoon. A. Bjerkness of Park River, champion for the past two years and possessor of the first cup offered by the association, was a close second with a total of 48 points, just two below that of the winner.

Bjerkness was picked to win the Grand Forks tourney events until this noon, when Rutledge continued to threaten his standing and in the final play the Williston man took the lead.

Elect Officers
At a business meeting held immediately after the close of play, L. H. Nichols of Dickinson was re-elected president of the association, C. J. Hurd of Grand Forks, was elected vice president, and A. P. Jones of Hankinson, was re-named secretary and treasurer.

A resolution was adopted at the meeting to thank the Grand Forks Commercial club, Mayor James A. Dinnie and the Grand Forks Herald for the co-operation extended in assisting in making the event a success.

Novelty Method of Conducting
A novel method of conducting a checker tournament by correspondence was described at the meeting, and A. Bjerkness and R. R. Rutledge were elected captains of teams. The members of the association have been divided equally between the two teams and play will begin within the next few weeks. Each player will play four games with every other member of the association and the result of each contest will be forwarded to the captains. At the end of the year the scores will be compiled and the winning aggregation announced.

Cup Awarded
As recognition of his ability to play checkers, R. R. Rutledge, the winner of the tournament yesterday, was presented with a beautiful silver loving cup, a gift of the association. The trophy must be won for two consecutive years to become the permanent property of a contestant.

Minot Gets Next Meeting
Minot was selected as the meeting place for the checker artists and the next tournament will be held in that city in February, 1918. The standing of the players who participated in the Grand Forks event is as follows:

Player	City	Points
R. R. Rutledge	Williston	50
A. Bjerkness	Park River	48
L. H. Nichols	Dickinson	42
John Meyer	Pingree	40
Sen. Henry McLean	Hannah	37
J. B. Matteson	Inkster	36
Geo. A. Bell	Cavalier	35
G. U. Stone	Rugby	34
D. A. Rutledge	Williston	31
A. P. Jones	Hankinson	30
A. Hamilton	Fordville	27
C. J. Hurd	Grand Forks	28
Walter Sundahl	Niagara	15
P. N. McIntyre	Williston	15
Ross Dodge	Inkster	14
G. M. Fitzgerald	Grand Forks	8

Williston Auto Man In Shakeup

L. N. Stice of this city, had an experience at Raymond, Montana, last week that he will not care to repeat soon. In fact marks and scars on his face and head will not be healed in time to start the stunt in the same shape as he did last week.

He was on a trip visiting agents of the Stice-Hansen Motor Company of this city and at Raymond started across country for Plentywood. The trip was made in a bob-sled and seven Commercial men made up the load. A short distance out of Raymond, the box flew off the sleds and the entire seven, along with the driver were piled in a drift. Mr. Stice was unfortunate in landing directly in the path of a 200-pound traveling man and his sample case and as a result his head and face were badly cut up. Another man had his shoulder broken. Stice and the other injured man were taken back to Raymond and after a day in the hotel there Mr. Stice was able to come home. It will be several days before he is able to take up his road work again.

Overland Films Will Show Here

The films of the Overland Dealers convention, which the dealers of the Williston Overland Co., recently attended in a special train, at Toledo, will be shown in Williston according to word received by O. E. Krohn, local representative. The films cover practically every phase of the big gathering besides showing much of the operations at the big plant of the Willy-Overland Co. These will be given in addition to the regular show at the Orpheum and it is expected that the house will be packed. Nearly everybody interested in autos will want to see these films and they will be of special interest in this territory as all agents were there. Orpheum March 21st.

INDIANA TORNADO KILLS 29--200 HURT

NEWCASTLE GETS BRUNT OF STORM AND HAS MILLION PROPERTY LOSS

Last Five Minutes The Twister Crushed Everything In Sight—Fire Follows In Wake

Newcastle, Ind., March 12.—Twenty-three are known to have been killed, several are missing, more than a hundred persons were injured, some fatally, and property damage to the extent of \$1,000,000 by a tornado which struck Newcastle shortly after 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

The storm swept over the city in a southeasterly direction, demolishing practically everything in a path two blocks wide and more than ten blocks long. For several hours the city was entirely cut off from communication.

Confusion and disorder followed in the path of the storm. Those who escaped injury and death, ran wildly about the streets, women and children crying and wringing their hands, and men shouting and cursing. The men finally settled down and began the work of rescue, digging in the ruins of their homes for missing members of their families.

Most of Dead in Homes
Most of the dead were found in the wreckage of their homes, only two or three bodies being found in the streets.

Several fires broke out in the wreckage on the south side, but the heavy rain which followed the tornado kept them from spreading.

Although the skies had been threatening during the early afternoon, there was little warning of the approaching tornado. A huge funnel shaped cloud suddenly appeared in the west, hanging low and sweeping toward the city. Groups of persons on the streets began seeking shelter, men and women running wildly through the streets.

The tornado lasted about five minutes and was followed by a hard rain which also stopped in a few minutes.

Reports from other cities were in the path of the storm brings brings the death list above 30 and it is estimated that 200 persons are hurt, many of whom it is feared will die.

SAYS NORTH DAKOTA BEST GRAIN STATE

IOWA MAN MOVES HERE THIS WEEK AND TELLS OF \$10 RENTAL IN HAWKEYE STATE

Eugene Thornston of New Providence, Iowa, closed a deal yesterday with Usher L. Burdick for a quarter section of land near the Burdick ranch and this evening he is installed on his new farm and settled to become one of the good farmers of Williams county.

Mr. Thornston came prepared to deal. Two brothers came here some time ago and bought the Hamilton 600 acre ranch. Their success has been such that when land values in Iowa brought the rental to \$10 cash and take your own chances, Mr. Thornston just put his stock and furniture on a car and started for North Dakota. He was here only a short time until the deal was closed.

Mr. Thornston is going into the farming business here well equipped and with a knowledge of the game and there is every reason to believe that there will be others from the same neighborhood in Iowa, joining the Thornton brothers in North Dakota before long.

S. S. Convention Here June 2 And 3

Williston will entertain the delegates to the county Sunday school convention this year, word having been received from State Secretary James C. Garrison that this city has been given the county meeting and the dates set for June 2 and 3.

The meeting will be especially appropriate for this city this year and the date set will bring it immediately following the county social survey which will be completed a few days before. It will be very interesting work for the delegates to check up this survey in which most of them will have a part.

Miss Bertha Palmer has this week mailed over 4000 letters to the homes of the county regarding the survey and has also requested special aid from the commercial clubs and farmers clubs of the county. It is expected that these organizations will readily aid the movement when they find out the purpose of it and the manner in which it is to be conducted.

The program for the county convention promises to be especially interesting this year and several state speakers are promised for the Williston meeting.

CASCADEN SUFFERS SEVERE INJURIES

A. W. Cascaden, local representative of the Marshall Oil Co. had a close call from death in a runaway Monday evening. The team hitched to the oil tank took fright and in the mad run the big tank from the oil wagon was thrown from the trucks giving Mr. Cascaden an ugly fall. He was badly cut about the face and head and ten stitches were required to close the wound. In addition he suffered a sprained wrist. While he has been up and around all the time he had a close call and it will be some time before he is completely over his injury.

NEARLY HALF MILLION FOR STATE'S SCHOOLS

TREASURER STEEN MAILED OUT CHECKS FOR \$495,505, BEING FIRST APPOINTMENT

Bismarck, N. M., March 15.—State Treasurer Steen, has mailed out the public school apportionment for the first quarter of 1917. The total amount is \$495,505, as compared with \$347,247 for the first quarter of 1916, and \$351,853 for the same quarter in 1915.

This year's apportionment is based on an enrollment of 193,557 children of school age. In 1916 there were 186,692 school children, and in 1915, 177,704. The interest and income furnishes \$491,634 of this quarter's apportionment, and \$3,871 comes from fines, taxes and other sources.

County Superintendent Anna Peterson has given out figures showing that Williams county will have a fund of \$116,403.32 as its apportionment from state funds according to figures compiled this week. The county fund will be \$3683.07 and this will give a per capita revenue of \$3.37 which will be the largest of the year and one of the largest ever received.

Patriotism In Peace Times, Too

Taking as his subject "National Uplifting," Rev. Styles Harriss at the patriotic meeting at the Armory Sunday night brought out some points, which in direct contrast to war talk of the present time, were none the less timely and subject for thought.

Rev. Harriss said that the principal danger of the Nation was in getting away from God, and he brot out that it made no difference whether this straying was on account of worldly pleasures, partisan affiliations or from still other causes, and showing the principles of Christianity demanded support whether a man was a Senator or a farmer.

"Bryan and LaFollette have had opportunities to show their heart sincerity for the Nation's welfare but why have they not launched the nationwide campaign that will bring prohibition? There's a reason and it is that the forces that make Milwaukee famous now would make LaFollette in Wisconsin infamous then."

WEDDING AT SKATING RINK

John Hiarta and Miss Katherine Pierce were married last evening at the skating rink in the presence of a number of friends. Rev. Styles Harriss officiated. The groom is well known here having come here a number of years ago from his native country—Japan. He is proprietor of a Williston restaurant and has a large circle of acquaintances here who will wish the couple the best in the land.

George Buhler of Miles City was here the latter part of the week visiting friends. Mr. Buhler is doing well in garage work in Miles City.

WANT OVER 2000 ACRES IN COUNTRY

NEW AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION TO PUSH POTATO CULTIVATION

MEET AGAIN SATURDAY

WAREHOUSE AND SPECIAL SERVICE ARE LOOKER FORWARD TO FOR CITY

One of the most important organizations formed in this city or some time was affected Saturday when a number of the successful potato growers of this vicinity formed the Williston Potato Growers organization.

The association formed Saturday is not to be a county affair—in fact the organizers want every potato grower in this vicinity who can use Williston as a marketing place to join them and to cooperate in making the potato one of the important crops of this section.

The first officers elected for the association are: President—O. J. Roed, Vice President—Eugene Howard, Secretary—M. S. Phillips, Treasurer—D. I. Todd.

The membership fee was fixed at \$1. This charge is merely nominal and it is expected that when the association gets started the members that benefit will be glad to invest in any expense which it is deemed advisable to put into better potatoes.

A second meeting will be held at the court house a week from Saturday and it is hoped to have at least fifty interested growers present at that time.

One of the hopes of the new agricultural body is to have 2000 acres of potatoes in the Williston territory this coming season. Trials last year convinced farmers that the potato will pay big returns in this section and that its cultivation will materially aid in the diversified farming program which is being put forward as the best thing for the state.

EIGHTH GRADE FINAL EXAMINATIONS

According to the new state regulations pupils' final examinations will be held the last Thursday and Friday in March, May and the County Superintendent must appoint certain schools as centers where the pupils from that vicinity may take the examination. The next examination will be given March 29th and 30th and the county superintendent has appointed deputy examiners at the following schools:

Buford, Trenton, Court House in Williston, Spring Brook, Epping, Temple, Tioga, Ray, McGregor, Lindahl Consolidated, Wheelock, Brooklyn Center, Hofflund Consolidated, Wildrose, Grenora, Stony Cree Consolidated, Stewart Consolidated, Twin Lake Consolidated, Bonetrail, Cottonwood Lake, Hamlet.

Frank Brown of Williston was in Minot Tuesday on business.

Gronna Called Political Misfit--Minister Also Raps Some Others

Citing Abraham Lincoln as one of the greatest American statesmen, and a president who ruled the nation with the help of the Almighty, Rev. James Hoffman Batten, at the Congregational church Sunday evening, took occasion to pay his respects to the United States senators who recently filibustered the bill for protection of our ships, and also brought out some other conditions of the present day government.

Rev. Batten took as his theme "Some North Dakota Political Misfits." He did not mince words in reference to the two North Dakota legislators in Congress who failed to support the president in the recent fight for free American commerce—mentioning Helgesen in the house and Gronna in the senate.

"Today North Dakota sits in sackcloth and ashes," said Rev. Batten, "shamed and misrepresented by the men whom she trusted and honored. Nothing is surer than that these men do not properly represent our state. The vote of Senator Gronna does not represent his Scandinavian constituency, because there is no more patriotic citizen to be found than the one in whose veins flows the blood of Norway, Denmark or Sweden." Gronna A Man "Friday" Mr. Batten said that North Dakota

was not ashamed because Senator Gronna failed to vote as its citizenship desired but rather that its senator should join with a handful of men who were able to thwart the will of a large majority of that body. He said that the people of this state do not ask that its representative make of himself a cowardly trimmer but that they do insist that he does not take advantage unfairly to make his will rule over the large majority. LaFollette as the leader and Gronna as the man "Friday" were roundly denounced.

"Unamerican, un-democratic, arbitrary, anarchistic, injurious, humiliating, and inexcusable as Senator Gronna's action was, shall we demand his resignation?" asked Rev. Batten in conclusion. "Not while Gov. Frazier advertises to the world that the resolutions framed in the house secret caucus under Socialist domination, represents the attitude of North Dakota in the event of war. Suppose he should appoint Gronna's successor, Townley or Bowen, or Totten or Kulstead?"

"Ye Gods and little fishes. The list of political misfits in North Dakota under present conditions is unlimited. Better sit tight and endure present evils rather than to 'fly to those we know not of.'"

Gotham Shivers In Anticipation Of German Invasion, Says Arthur

NEW YORK CITY IS WAR MAD That was the statement of Forrest Arthur, dry goods manager for Bruegger's who returned last Thursday night from a three weeks trip in the east where he took in the short course of the Economy Training School, specializing in merchandising subjects.

"It has ceased to be funny with Githamites," said Mr. Arthur in speaking of the war scare. "New Yorkers know that it would be far from impossible for a foreign power to drop a bomb into the city from a Zeppelin or to throw one of the big shells into the heart of the metropolis from a warship. Of course every man and woman thinks that anything that happens will happen to them and the result is that New York is actually crazy, looking for war with every extra that the newsies cry."

"Even in the business sections of the city where it would seem that reason would prevail the war atmosphere is prevalent to the exclusion of almost all else. So many concerns have made so much money out of the war that the city is money crazy and prices are shooting higher with every turnover. It certainly was a relief to get back to Williston where people are thinking of garden plots

and Easter bonnets instead of war." Mr. Arthur expected to attend the inauguration ceremonies but the high tension of the east prevented him. Railroad officials in New York city advised all applicants for Washington tickets that there probably would be no public ceremony and for that reason thousands who planned to go to the capital stayed at home. Only 24 hours before the time for inauguration the word was current in New York that there would be no show at Washington.

While in New York city Mr. Arthur had opportunity to observe the danger of the city in case of foreign war and he himself felt that it would be no trick for a first class power to make life uncomfortable for the inhabitants of Henry Hudson's one-time village on the Hudson. Of course all precautions possible are being taken by the state and the federal government to prevent any surprise and there is an atmosphere of preparedness in Eastern sections that surmounts every other issue.

Mr. Arthur met many of the big merchandising men of the country in connection with his work while there and he is already at work in Bruegger's getting the spring things ready and putting the "gladness" duds on his department.