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Our Country! In Her intercourse with foreign nations may She always be right. But our country, right or wrong.—Stephen Decatur.



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MONSTER PATRIOTIC FOURTH
BY WILLISTON MERCHANTSWILLISTON MERCHANTS GOING
AHEAD WITH BEST CELEBRATION
POSSIBLE

BASEBALL — AUTO RACES

BEST DISPLAY OF FIREWORKS
WEST OF TWIN CITIES—PATRIOTIC
SET PIECES FEATURE

Meetings have been held this week in the interest of the Fourth of July celebration for Williston and arrangements are well under way today for the biggest celebration the city has had in years.

At a meeting of business men of the city Monday it was decided that an all day program, featured by many Loyalty Day numbers during the course of the day, should be completed at night with a display of fireworks that will surpass anything in this line that has ever been done west of the Twin Cities. The fireworks display is to consist largely of Patriotic set pieces which will be especially appropriate now that the country is at war.

Details of the program have not yet been worked out but here are the main features promised:

Baseball tournament of teams in this vicinity with a feature game by the Williston team and the All Nation team which will be here for three days. It is hoped to have teams from 10 towns in the vicinity here for this feature.

Auto races at the Fair grounds will include three big races both the Third and Fourth. The main feature will be a ten mile race with a \$300 purse for the winner and half that for second money. There will be other races each day with suitable purses and a large number of stock cars from the territory will be entered. The track will be put in the best possible shape within a few days.

Details of the up-town program of the morning and afternoon are now in process of being worked out and there is every indication that there will be something doing every minute. There are a number of strong patriotic features planned and these will be a big feature of the occasion.

Come—Get here somehow—Williston—This fourth of July.

WAR BRIDES BY
SENIOR CLASS

One of the big success in the motion picture world is being presented by the Williston High School Seniors at the Orpheum theatre Friday and Saturday. "War Brides" has been a hit and a feature and is praised wherever presented.

Devotees of all that is finest in the art of the theatre recognize in Nazimova one of the most distinguished actresses of the day. It was a distinct surprise to the old, established motion picture producing firms to learn, a few weeks ago, that she had signed a contract to appear in photo dramas for Herbert Brenon and Selznick-Pictures. Many offers have been made to Nazimova, but she had rejected them all, and the secret of her final capitulation to the newest of the producing concerns was that she was presenting at a private view of Mr. Brenon's latest masterpiece, "A Daughter of the Gods," and was so impressed with its imaginative qualities that she no longer hesitated to embark in the new art.

Ever since Nazimova came to the English speaking stage her career has been an unbroken record of successes. Ibsen's plays were formerly regarded as a drug on the market, and yet in one after another of those history-making classics, she scored tremendously. In "A Doll's House," "Hedda Gabler" and "Little Eyolf," she won the highest laurels. She turned to comedy and in "The Countess Coquette" she was equally successful. She is the only player who has been able to introduce successfully to the American stage a full length drama by the great Arthur Schnitzler, and in "The Fairy Tale" she scored again.

Departing from this European repertoire, she starred in "Bella Donna," playing to crowded houses in all the cities in the United States. Turning to vaudeville, she reached the zenith of her popularity in the only war play, based upon the present struggle, which is conceded to be of permanent value. In "War Brides" she is no longer the patrician, but a humble village girl who revolts against militarism, and with the same subtlety as in her "Hedda" and "Bella Donna" brings new meaning to the portrait of the oppressed women of a great empire.

OPPORTUNES
WINNERS IN
FIRST GAMEGRENOIRA BOYS SHOW PLAY IN
SPOTS BUT WERE NOT STRONG
ENOUGH FOR LOCALS

BROWNING IN FINE TRIM

LOCALS' PLAY AT SIDNEY LATER
PART OF THIS WEEK AND
SIGNIFY HERE NEXT

Williston baseball fans opened the 1917 season as well as the fine new ball park Sunday afternoon when about 1000 turned out to see Marshall and his Opportunes trim Grenora by a score of 11 to 4.

The game was fast in spots although the wind kept a thin mist of sand flying over the new field and this made fine play impossible about half the time. With a couple of good rains this feature will be eliminated and the field will be one of the finest in the state.

Browning, who worked in several games last year was on the mound for the Opportunes at the start. The Grenora bunch gathered just 4 hits off his delivery in five innings and nine of them pushed the atmosphere in the same length of time. Browning looked good all the way. Fisher tried out the next four paragraphs and he held the visitors to one hit the Grenora lads seemed to like him better because he did not use so much steam. Anderson who worked for Grenora seemed to be off color all afternoon and the fans hope to see him in action some warm day this summer when he is right.

Williston fans are certain that Manager Marshall has a bunch of good material to draw from this year and there are a few fellows on the way that will round out the ball team here and make a real class. Stovern, a new catcher showed well and hit a couple of good ones when they were needed the most. Immings worked in old time style and Shorty Harper was there as usual. Following is the score in detail:

	W	A	B	R	M	P	O	A	E
Williston	11	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reed, 3b	6	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Marshall, 1b	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Willard, 2b	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Harper, ss	3	1	2	2	2	0	0	0	0
Wilkinson, cf	5	1	3	1	1	0	0	0	0
Stovern, rf & c	5	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Immings, c	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Donlin, lf	5	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Fisher, p	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Browning, p & rf	4	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

	W	A	B	R	M	P	O	A	E
Grenora	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eckman, ss	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Legge, cf	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
H. Tappan, 3b	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
B. Tappan, 1b	4	1	2	7	0	0	0	0	0
Broadland, c	3	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0
Slatton, 2b	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Larson, lf	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Red, rf	4	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0
Anderson, p	3	1	2	1	1	0	0	0	0

	W	A	B	R	M	P	O	A	E
Williston	2	3	0	1	2	0	0	0	0
Grenora	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

SUMMARY
Two base hits—Reed, Wilkinson, Anderson. Home run—Stovern. Earned runs—Williston 4, Grenora 3. Double play—Browning to Marshall and Red to B. Tappan. Passed ball—Broadland 2. Wild pitch—Fisher. Bases on balls—Browning 2 in five innings. Fisher 1 in four innings. Anderson 3. Struck out—By Browning 9 in five innings. Fisher 4 in four innings. Anderson 3. Stolen bases—Harper, Anderson. Umpire—Rutledge. Time 1:50. Attendance 600.

The local boys go to Sidney for two games this week end and Sidney comes here the following weekend. The boys should be in shape to put up some classy ball by that time and work which will be done on the grounds between now and then will put it in good shape. Alexander is also billed for here next Wednesday so the team will have plenty of work next week. Minot will be here the last part of the month for two games.

CO. E. NOT CALLED

Grand Forks, May 15.—Additional North Dakota troops will not be mobilized at once, although a call is probable within the next 30 days.

In a long distance telephone interview yesterday afternoon, Adjutant General T. A. Tharaldson at Bismarck denied that the entire regiment of the North Dakota National Guard had been ordered mustered into federal service.

Officers of Company E stated that the muster order received by state guard officers merely means that the local company will be part of training camp in the south. It is expected that the camp will be opened up sometime in September and that the boys will train all winter. This plan of course may be altered at any time of emergency appears.

CITY COMMISSION OFFERS
TO BUY U.S. WAR BONDSOFFICIALS WOULD UTILIZE
SINKING FUND TO AID GOVERNMENT
IN LIBERTY BONDS

OTHER CITIES MAY FOLLOW

W. S. DAVIDSON REPORTS FINANCIAL
INTERESTS UNITED BEHIND
EFFORT FOR LOAN

Williston's City Commission, thru W. S. Davidson, made a suggestion at the district meeting at Minot yesterday which may result in many cities of the state taking a block of the "Liberty Bonds" which are being offered by the government to raise immediate funds for war.

Mr. Davidson suggested that if the committee in charge of the work in North Dakota deemed it wise, the city of Williston stood ready to take a block of the bonds, the funds to come from the sinking fund of the commission. This would not hinder any department and would be putting the sinking fund to the best possible use. The suggestion made by Mr. Davidson was well received and other cities are already taking up the matter to see what can be done.

\$300,000 Pledged

Subscriptions pledged or already actually made for Liberty bonds aggregate nearly \$300,000 in North Dakota, according to members of the executive committee in charge of the state campaign in Minot yesterday to confer with chairmen of the county organizations that are to be placed under way in the northwestern section of the state.

About 40 bankers and business men of this district were present when Chairman L. B. Hanna called the conference to order in the Minot Commercial club rooms.

Under instructions given the northwest chairmen, they will return to their respective counties and organize committees with the county as the unit—such county committees to include bankers, business men, postmasters, etc., and they will make a determined campaign to sell bonds.

Each county's apportionment of the sum this state is expected to contribute toward the whole bond issue is being given to the chairmen.

Hanna in Charge

Former Gov. L. B. Hanna who is in actual charge of the work in the state made a splendid address yesterday and Tracy R. Bangs of Grand Forks brought out the point that the country which did not want war a few weeks ago has surprised the world by the manner in which it has taken hold of the "business of war."

The selling of the bonds in this section of the country is one of the ways in which the Northwest has added volume to this surprise package.

The banks of the district are taking at once all the required bonds to hold up the quota. A campaign will be started to get the bonds to the people and denominations as low as \$50 will be issued so that everyone may "do his bit" in this manner.

Mr. Davidson represented Williams county at the meeting yesterday and he reports that every bank in the district is doing everything possible to take its share of the loan and helping to get it to the people.

ENTERTAINMENT

Entertainment given under the auspices of the Ladies Aid of the English Lutheran church at Library Hall Monday, May 21, at 8 P. M.

Baritone Horn Solo "Chrystal Beach"

Boos

Mr. C. F. Anderson

Reading "Kansas".....Clarke

"My Ships".....Wilcox

Mildred Ekblad

Piano Solo "Old Black Joe (with variations)".....Lewis

Dorothy Kvindlog

Reading "Soul of the Violin".....Merrill

Mildred Ekblad

Violin Solo "Evening Star".....Wagner

Mr. R. J. Gray

Vocal Duet "Soft Fell the Dew on a Summer Night".....Glover

Mrs. Miller, Mrs. McMaster

Reading "Life Lesson".....Riley

"An Old Sweetheart of Mine".....Riley

Mildred Ekblad

Violin Solo "Alb. Wiener Tanzweisen".....Kreisl

Mr. R. J. Gray

Coffee and cake included in the admission price of 35c.

Elliott Wadsworth.

Williston, N. D.

Washington, D. C. 8P May 10

Mrs. Marie C. McIntosh, Secy: Williston Red cross chapter:

The President has today appointed a Red cross war council consisting of Henry P. Davidson of J. P. Morgan and Company, Chairman, Chas. D. Horton, G. M. P. Murphy, Cornelius, N. Bliss Jr. Edward N. Hurley with William H. Taft Chairman, Elliott Wadsworth Vice Chairman of the executive Committee ex-officio members. The President today issued the following statement: "10 May 1917. I have today created within the Red cross a war council to which will be entrusted the duty of responding to the extraordinary demands which the Present war will make upon the services of the Red-cross both in the field and in civilian relief the best way in which to impart the greatest efficiency and energy to the relief work which this war will entail will be to concentrate it in the hands of a single experienced organization which has been recognized by law and by international convention as the public instrumentality for such purposes. Indeed such a concentration of administrative action in this matter seems to me absolutely necessary and I hereby earnestly call upon all those who can contribute either great sums or small to the alleviation of the suffering and distress which must inevitably arise out of this fight for humanity and democracy to the Red cross. It will be one of the first and most necessary tasks of the new war council of the Red cross to raise great sums of money for the support of the work to be done and done upon a great scale. I hope that the response to their efforts will be a demonstration of the generosity of America and the power of genuine practical sympathy among our people that will command the admiration of the whole world." In view of the above it is necessary to modify the plan outlined in circular a 29 for the use of the war council the national finance committee appointed by President Wilson headed by Cleveland Dodge and Seward Prosser of New York will raise great Red Cross war fund through our chapters. Not a moment must be lost in preparing ourselves to meet pressing call from Europe and the emergencies which are soon to confront us here every chapter should at once mobilize and re-inforce its finance committee for this work which is of the utmost importance and urge any call immediately a meeting of your executive committee to make far reaching plans for finance campaign as we look to you confidently for large results please telegraph the names of members of your finance committee to Seward Prosser American Redcross Washington, D. C., you will be promptly and fully advised by Mr. Prosser regarding his plans and methods the war council is organizing today the increasing need among our allies for supplies that can be furnished quickly only by purchase as reported by Herbert Hoover and the inevitable development of home need as we approach mobilization of vast numbers of American troops make it clear that limit the unprecedented situation the war council must ask that each chapter retain from the proceeds of the Redcross war fund campaign an amount for local needs not in excess of 25 per cent of the total raised by it. Many of our chapters appreciating the situation will turn over the total amount so raised to the redcross war fund the war council whenever possible with advantage will authorize expenditures for specified supplies by the chapters in their own communities and particularly for the purchase of materials to be made by the chapters into these needed articles the funds as raised are to be deposited by each chapter in its local bank in a special account to be known as the Redcross war fund to be remitted to National headquarters as required later the war council will take full account of the needs by Chapters for local civilian relief which will become greater as our own troops are mobilized. Please at once call together your executive committee and telegraph me assurances of their cooperation in president Wilson's farsighted plans for our Redcross give this message full publicity.

Elliott Wadsworth.

RAY AND WILDROSE ENTERTAIN
CLUB WOMEN OF THIS DISTRICTWILLISTON
BOY TAKES
THE HONORJAMES M. SHIKANY AWARDED
FIRST PRIZE IN NORTHWEST
DECLAMATION MEET

TO ENTER STATE CONTEST

SENIOR CLASS TO SEND
WILLISTON SPEAKER TO REPRESENT
SCHOOLS OF CITY

James M. Shikany, representing the Williston High School at the Northwestern North Dakota Declamation contest, carried away first honors of the evening in the boy's division with a masterful presentation of Victor Hugo's "The Guillotine."

The contest was held at the Minot State Normal school Saturday night and there was lively competition in both the girls' and boys' division of the contest. Following is a report of the contest from the Minot Daily News:

"Miss Irma Hendrick of Minot took first place in the girls' declamation contest of the Northwestern district which was held at the Minot Normal school last night. James M. Shikany of Williston took first place in the boys' contest. Harold Shaft of Minot won second place in the boys' contest and Miss Dorothy Whitson of Berthold took second place in the girls' contest.

"There were four contestants in each of the divisions and the work of the young people was such that those who failed to win the prizes gave the winners some decidedly cold shivers before the decision of the judges was made. It was a crowd of young people who had put the best that was in them into the preparation of their work and while there were some failures so far as places were concerned, there was not a number on the program that was not worthy of the highest commendation.

"Mr. Shikany, who captured first place in the contest of the young men, was fortunate in his selection of a composition that suited him in every particular. His number was Victor Hugo's great masterpiece, "The Guillotine," and his voice and presence and personality fitted into the author's conception of the great trial which he was depicting and these added to the powerful thoughts gave him an opportunity for the display of the talents which he evidently possesses to a high degree, and to bring into play all the grasp of thought and tragedy which marks the work. His gestures were free and vigorous, his voice strong and his presence commanding."

As a result of the win at Minot the senior class is making an effort to have Mr. Shikany represent Williston at the state contest at Grand Forks late in May. Plans are now being worked out and it is believed that the Williston boy can bring honor to the schools here by an appearance at the state contest.

ELKS PREPARE
FOR FLAG DAYGOOD PROGRAM BEING ARRANGED
WITH ENTERTAINMENT
AND PATRIOTIC ADDRESS

The Williston Lodge of Elks is planning a big celebration here for June 14 when the National Flag Day is observed. If there ever was a time when Flag Day means something it is this year and the lodge is going to do its part to make the occasion worth while. Following is a program which has been arranged so far with a few details to be decided on:

Elks Flag Day Observance

10 A. M.—Morning Salute—Company E.

2:00 P. M.—Parade—ending at Armory.

Military Salute of Flag—Company E.

2:30 to 5:30 all stores and business places closed.

2:30 P. M.—Exercises at Armory. Address by one of the leading speakers of the State.

4:00 P. M.—Base-ball game—Receipts to Red Cross and Co. E.

5:30—All stores open—time to do shopping.

8:30 P. M.—Dance at Armory—Receipts to Red Cross and Co. E.

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Mrs. Marie C. McIntosh, Secy: Williston Red cross chapter:

EXCELLENT MEETINGS HELD
CORDED FROM MANY TOWNS
AND BIG ATTENDANCE RE-

MRS. CARNEY PRESIDES

REV. J. H. BATTEN OF THIS CITY
GAVE ADDRESS ON MODERN
WOMEN AND PLACE

(By Mrs. Kara Dickinson in Minot Daily News)

The Third District of the North Dakota Federation of Women's Clubs convened in Ray, May 10, the first meeting being held in the evening. The opera house had been decorated for the occasion with bunting and flags—everywhere the national colors were in evidence, Ray being in gala attire. The band gave a concert on the street outside the opera house. The building itself was crowded to its capacity for the first meeting.

Mrs. E. C. Carney of Williston, vice president of the Third District, presided. The audience sang "America." Rev. Mr. Miller offered prayer after which George Moelling welcomed the visiting delegations for the city of Ray, saying that although Ray was not as large as some places, believing in quality of citizenship rather than quantity, yet there was no time limit to their hospitality, the guests being privileged to stay just as long as they wished. Just as long as Ray had a crust of bread or a potato left they would share it.

Mrs. H. H. Olson, president of the Ray Study Club, welcomed the guests for the club with an original poem, cleverly written and delivered with the right spirit of hospitality.

Wildrose is entertaining with Ray, and Mrs. J. A. Peterson of the Wildrose Study Club spoke in behalf of her club. Mrs. T. N. Yoemans of Minot, past vice president of the Third District, graciously responded to these addresses, assuring Ray and Wildrose of the clubs' appreciation of their hospitality and predicting a splendid meeting together for council and work, so important at this stage of our country's history.

Mrs. H. G. Vick, of Cavalier, president of the State Federation, was given an ovation when she arose to greet the audience. She outlined briefly the history of the General and State Federations and explained the work of the council that met in New Orleans in April. The United States is divided into eight districts for patriotic aid work.

Mrs. Frank White of Valley City, is at the head of the Mountain Division, which includes North Dakota among its ten states.

Miss Minnie Jean Nelson, of Valley City, director for North Dakota, Mrs. Frank White and Mrs. Vick met at Fargo last month. To avoid duplication of work they called in consultation Mrs. Elizabeth Preston Anderson of the W. C. T. U., and Mrs. Grace Clendenning of Wimbledon, president of the North Dakota Suffrage Association, and together they have worked out a plan for women's work. The work comes under three heads—registration, food conservation and Red Cross Aid. Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. Clendenning form the North Dakota Women's Patriotic Emergency Committee.

The general plan is to have three women appointed in each locality to work along the three lines above mentioned, each to be responsible for one line of work only.

Dr. James Hoffman Batten, of Williston, gave an address on "Woman's Place in Modern Civilization." He described the so called perfect woman as the one who enters into the world spirit of service and sacrifice. He contrasted the ancient bond woman, man's chattel, with the woman of today. A few women stand out prominently in past history. With the coming of Christ came the emancipation of childhood and womanhood. Christianity is today the only religion that recognizes the world spirit of woman. The religion of India and that of other countries with their narrow, de-basing ideas of the status of woman, was contrasted with the uplifting, ennobling ideals of Christianity. In the last fifty years educational restrictions have been removed, every barrier down. Religious restrictions have been lifted also. If the literal injunction of Paul "Let your woman keep silence in your churches," was considered applicable to the twentieth century women, the churches would be empty. Paul would scarcely be considered an infallible guide in the question of women's rights today. The commercial and professional emancipation of women has rapidly followed that of the education and religious, and now man must look to his laurels in the political world, for as little Rhode Island the

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