

School Notes.

The Teacher's Training school, held at Minot for Ward and McHenry counties, closed last Friday after three weeks of very successful work. Two hundred and sixty-three teachers enrolled, of which sixty remained during the entire session and took the completion examination at the close.

In addition to the regular class work several entertaining and instructive lectures were delivered by local speakers, as well as state lecturers.

Herbert Blair, who recently returned from a tour of Europe, delivered a very interesting lecture on geography and nature study and explained the methods of presenting these subjects in Germany and other parts of the world.

"The Latent Power of Man," as enlarged upon by Professor A. J. Ladd, was well received and appreciated by the teachers.

Supt. W. L. Stockwell addressed the Summer School in his usual concise and convincing manner.

Among the other speakers were Rev. McMullan, Joseph Devine, Rev. Flint, Rev. Powell and Miss Linum, a missionary recently returned from China.

As a fitting close to three weeks of mental activity, a reception was given the teachers by the County Superintendents of the two counties represented in the summer school.

A pleasant evening was spent in becoming better acquainted and in the enjoyment of a musical and literary program.

Ross school district is advertising for bids for a four room school house.

At their last meeting, the county commissioners granted four petitions for the organization of general school districts. Three of these were organized from Norman school district, the third one organized in the county.

District 88 has recently completed three new school houses.

Glenburn special district and general district No. 124 are adopting a list of free text books.

Part of section 36, 161-85 has been appraised at \$10.00 an acre. Until very recently this land would not sell at any price.

The new Soo in that part of the county has caused land values to increase very rapidly.

The Carpio school board has employed J. F. Hetrick as principal for the ensuing year.

O. O. Adams, the versatile school supply man, who had his preliminary hearing and was bound over to the district court under \$1000 bonds, has taken a change of venue to Ramsey county. He and his attorneys evidently intend to tire out the prosecution if possible but, for the general good of the school districts and the county, the directors who have been hoodwinked will follow Mr. Adams until he is forced to seek other fields of operation.

The next teachers' examination will be held on the 24th and 25th of this month at Minot and Bowbells.

Of one hundred and twenty-six applicants at the last examination, one hundred received certificates.

Palermo school district is discussing the proposition of consolidation. It is probable that Palermo will have a central school in the near future.

The law requires that all annual reports from clerks and treasurer's shall be filed in the office of the county superintendent prior to the first of August of each year.

Several teachers have been having entertainments to raise money for the purchase of school libraries. About fifteen libraries of supplementary and reference books have been placed in the schools in this way.

Districts 103 and 110 are bonding to build new school houses.

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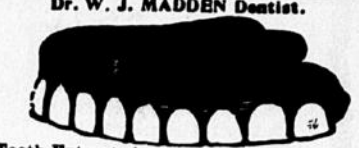
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Among other things of interest it shows that the assessed valuation of the county for 1904, was \$5,767,046. For 1905 this was increased to \$7,749,747, and it is expected that the total assessed valuation for the current year when it has passed thru the hands of the state board of equalization, will exceed \$10,000,000.

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