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## EXAMPLE OF REAL BOOSTING

### LITTLE NORTH DAKOTA GIRL HAS THE RIGHT SPIRIT. LIT- TLE ELLA SPICER AND HER PET FOX BOOSTING NORTH DAKOTA.

People of mature age in North Dakota can take a lesson from a little 12-year-old girl who lives at Fessenden, North Dakota. Her name is Ella Maria Spicer. She recently wrote a letter to President C. C. Moore of the Panama Pacific International exposition at San Francisco, and Mr. Moore very kindly referred the letter to Secretary Holbein of the North Dakota Commission at the North Dakota building at the exposition. In this letter Miss Spicer shows conclusively that she has the real boosting spirit. The letter follows:

Fessenden, N. D., May 7, 1915.  
C. C. Moore,  
President of the Exposition,  
San Francisco, Cal.,

Dear Sir:

I want to help boost for North Dakota, and especially for Wells county, because I often read in the papers what eastern people say about North Dakota. So many think that North Dakota is a wild state, so I just want to show them that they are mistaken. Enclosed you will find two photographs of myself and my pet fox, Keynerd. By the picture you will see that even the foxes are tame. My name is Ella Maria Spicer. I am 12 years old. I expect to visit the fair with my parents sometime this summer and would be pleased to see these two pictures on exhibit in the North Dakota building. Thanking you in advance and wishing you all success to the Exposition, I remain,

Respectfully,

(Signed) Ella Maria Spicer.  
It is needless to say that the pictures of Miss Spicer and her pet fox already adorn the walls of the North Dakota building, and a placard has been printed, calling special attention to them. If all the people of North Dakota had half the love for the state that his girl has the population would double in one year's time. The lesson is plain. Let us profit by it.

## ITALY AT WAR WITH GERMANY AND AUSTRIA

### AEROPLANE ATTACK MADE ON VENICE BY AUSTRIANS—GER- MANY MAKES DECLARATION OF WAR.

London, May 24.—With the news that the first blow had been struck by an aeroplane attack on Venice, in the war between Italy and Austria-Hungary, came reports of numerous clashes between border patrols where both Italy and Austria have large armies along the frontier.

It is assumed that a big campaign will open in this mountainous region. Italy also is said to have assembled an army on the southeastern coast of the country across the Adriatic from Albania.

Official announcement has been made at Petrograd that the Austro-German forces after sweeping across the western half of Galicia, have been checked. They are now said to have assumed the defensive, their efforts to compel a general retreat of the Russians from the San river having failed.

Constantinople advices say the French and British have increased their land forces at the Dardanelles to 90,000 men. Originally 60,000 disembarked.

The Turkish government announced the loss of an old gunboat sunk by a submarine.

The military situation in France and Belgium remains unchanged. Reports from Holland and France say the Germans intend to fall back on their second line for the purpose of shortening their front and releasing troops for service against Italy.

After being virtually in a state of war for several days, Italy, beginning today, ratifies this condition by declaration of hostilities directed at Austro-Hungary, with all the formalities.

Furthermore, Germany is reported to have indicated her support of Austro-Hungary by a formal declaration of war against Italy. A general mobilization of the Italian army and navy is said to have been completed and a state of war declared throughout the northern provinces of Italy.

On the Austrian side of the line, martial law has been declared in the Trentino and the age limit for military service has been raised to 50 years. Stringent measures are being taken to control the Italian population of the dual monarchy.

Demonstrations enthusiastically approving the war are reported from all parts. The Italians in Vienna held a big demonstration for the Austrian government.

### TURKS REPULSE ALLIES.

Constantinople, May 24.—An official announcement issued here says that

the attack by French and British forces yesterday on the Turkish positions near Seddul Bahr on the southern end of the Gallipoli peninsula has been repulsed. It is stated that the allies left 200 dead on the field.

Berlin, May 24.—The Overseas News Agency issued the following: "According to a Bucharest dispatch, the Russian armored man of war Wintelimon has been sunk with 1,400 in the Black sea."

### Dr. Moeller Returns to Minot.

Dr. Thor Moeller, who was recently released from the penitentiary, where he was serving a ten year sentence, arrived in Minot today. The doctor was convicted of manslaughter, following the death of Miss Gina Lien, a Union music teacher, who died in Minot. The doctor's sentence was cut down recently. He has a host of friends in Minot who will welcome him back. Many do not believe that he was actually guilty of the crime, as evidence was secured after his conviction, which showed that the operation had been performed before the young woman ever arrived in Minot. He was called and did what he could to relieve her condition.

### Des Lacs Woman Died in Minot.

Mrs. Nellie C. Forney of Des Lacs, aged 21 years, died in this city Sunday from scarletina. The remains were interred at Des Lacs Tuesday, the funeral service being preached by Rev. McCallister of the Methodist church.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Van Fleet are attending the state undertakers' convention at Grand Forks this week. Miss Kate Wilkinson, chief clerk at the land office, submitted to a serious operation for gall stones and appendicitis at the hospital this week. She is improving.

## BOYS OF '61 PRAISE THE MAGIC CITY

Minot has had the privilege this week of entertaining the Department of the Civil War veterans, the Grand Army of the Republic, with its auxiliary, the ladies of the Women's Relief Corps, have been our honored guests, whom we have felt proud to welcome. Their presence on our streets is a benediction, and they have enjoyed our city, its welcome, its hospitality, its beautiful views, and its many signs of health and prosperity.

Commander Hay of Wahpeton, with his able Adjutant, Comrade S. J. Hill, opened the encampment in the pleasant quarters of the K. P. Hall. There were over 70 veterans present, and Commander-in-Chief Palmer of Iowa was there to cheer.

The W. R. C. ladies met in the handsome hall of the Elks, under the leadership of Mrs. Mary E. Lane, of Wahpeton, and Mrs. Sarah Fulton of Rochester, New York, national president of the W. R. C. came to greet them. There were over a hundred ladies present, Fargo, Grand Forks, Lisbon, Larimore, Devils Lake, Wahpeton, Oakes, Jamestown, Valley City, Town-er and Velva all being represented.

The work was exemplified by the Minot Corps admirably.

The Camp Fire in the Elk's Home was a pleasure to all, and it was crowned by the hospitality of the Elks.

The G. A. R. and W. R. C. held joint installation of officers, Dr. Hill of Fargo installing the Comrades, and Mrs. Walker, of Minot, installed the ladies.

The new Commander is Comrade Smith of Leonard, and Mrs. Reid of Grand Forks is the new Department president.

Minot is honored with three officers, Comrade Jasper Baker, Senior Vice Commander; Mrs. Mattie Truax is Senior Vice President and Mrs. Jane M. Maxham member of the Executive Board.

All leave Minot happily pleased with the encampment, and Minot's delightful hospitality.

The following old soldiers attended the gathering:

- D. J. Palmer, Co. C, 8th Iowa, Washington, Ia.
- E. A. Stevens, Co. F, 12th U. S., Town-er, N. D.
- Samuel, 136 Pa., Velva, N. D.
- D. F. Sigfried, 46 Pa., Fargo.
- S. J. Hill, 141 N. Y., Fargo.
- Alex Hay, 94 N. Y., Wahpeton.
- Stella Stimmler, U. S. Cavalry, Ohio, Fargo.
- L. S. Kinney, 52 Ill., Foxholm, N. D.
- L. Smith, 11 Pa., Leonard, N. D.
- Albert Roberts, 20th Minn., Devils Lake.
- D. G. Duell, 72 Ill., Devils Lake.
- Robert Ker, 4 Cav., O., Sanborn, N. D.
- James Baker, 153 Ohio, Minot.
- Jos. Sheara, 38 Wis., Fessenden.
- Thos. Sheara, 38 Wis., Fessenden.
- Aaron A. Taylor, 197 Ia., Boise, Ida.
- J. E. Palmer, 4 Del., Minnewaukan.
- Burton Huribert, 4 Wis., Minnewaukan.
- Peter Haley, 132 N. Y., New Rockford.
- E. N. Josselen, 2 Wis., Wahpeton.
- C. J. Schmitt, 51 Wis., Jamestown.
- M. Sharison, 40 Mo., Velva.
- S. M. Camp, 13 N. Y., Fargo.
- L. Delamater, 83 Pa., Lakota.
- E. Clemmings, 83 Pa., Lakota.
- C. A. Patten, 83 Ill., Granville.
- James S. King, 11 Minn., Hillsboro.
- A. Knudson, 20 Wis., Grand Forks.
- John Knite, 30 Mich., Devils Lake.
- W. D. Safford, 87 Wis., Devils Lake.
- Seth C. Newcomb, 1st N. Y., Norwich.
- J. H. Seright, Navy.
- James McCormick, 156 Ill., Churchs Ferry.
- A. Palmer, 76 Ill.
- A. J. Pierce, 19 Mich., Grand Forks.
- C. F. Stevens, 8 N. Y., Rogers, N. D.
- Elmer Mulmer, 9 Iowa.
- G. W. Kurtz, Lisbon, N. D.
- U. Benner, 37 Ohio, Minot.
- Bernhart Elzenhoefer, 26 Kansas, Minot.
- W. G. Broyles, 14 Ill., Burlington.
- Ell Spencer, 189 N. Y., Blaisdell.
- E. J. Brown, 93 N. Y., Kenmare.
- J. W. Miller, 12 Pa., Kenmare, N. D.
- B. F. Bigelow, 9 Minn., Jamestown.
- J. S. Welsar, 9 Minn., Valley City.
- D. F. Ellsworth, 149 Pa., New Rockford.
- J. M. Patch, 2 Wis., New Rockford.
- Cap Culver, 142 Pa., New Rockford.
- Otto Wellan, 1st Uhans, 5th German, Potsdam, Prussia.
- F. C. Walther, 27 Wis., Berthold.

## BRUTE ATTACKS ELEVEN-YEAR OLD GIRL

### PETER HARDY IS ARRESTED ON THE CHARGE OF MAKING VI- CIOUS ATTACK ON THE LITTLE DAUGHTER OF MRS. RINK.

Peter Hardy, aged 50 years, a common laborer, was arrested Tuesday night charged with attempted rape on the eleven-year-old daughter of Mrs. Rink of this city. He waived examination at a hearing held yesterday before Judge Lynch and was held to district court.

Hardy occupied a green shack opposite the Salvation Army barracks. A brother of the little girl reported to his mother that Hardy had coaxed the girl into the building and claim that Hardy had removed his clothing and proceeded to disrobe the girl.

Hardy was arrested by Chief of Police Dougherty just as he was preparing to leave the city. He offered the chief \$50 if he would not make the arrest. Hardy admitted his guilt before the chief and assistant state's attorney.

### Reservation Picnic at Parshall.

The general arrangements committee of the Fort Berthold Reservation Farmers' Club met yesterday and perfected arrangements for the reservation picnic to be held at Parshall, the reservation's leading town, on Thursday, June 24th. An speakers it is expected to have President Worst of the Fargo Agricultural College, and George Loftus, the Equity sales manager. Three fast ball teams will clash in forenoon and afternoon ball games, there will be athletic sports, that include Indian racing and bronch, a big bowery for dancing, and a home vaudeville troupe will furnish some original stunts. The reservation picnic has become an annual event looked forward to by this section of the state, and efforts will be made to have this the biggest time in the reservation's history.

### WILL ARREST SUNDAY BASEBALL PLAYERS.

A warrant was issued today upon an information filed by State's Attorney Nestos for the members of the Minot and Berthold baseball teams who played in the city Sunday. The complaint was signed by A. F. Bacon. A test case will be made to determine whether ball playing constitutes a public sport, prohibited by our statutes on Sunday. Warrants will be served on the following: Glenn Moon, H. L. Gallant, Ted Schumaker, M. L. Verzas, J. Dougherty, Newell Olson, Frank Gorman, C. C. Spillane, Henry Pink, J. Galin, H. Emanuel, Ludtke, Griffey, Kennard, Parish, Thomson, Fisher and Washburn.

## JACOBSON & FUGELSO IMPROVE STORE

Hardware dealers have added much room and are increasing stock and lines.

Jacobson & Fugelso have completed extensive improvements at their popular hardware store, located in the Opera house block, which required several months.

The room has been extended 25 feet giving considerable additional room which will permit the firm to carry a much larger stock and more lines.

The new front is most attractive, giving the store some very beautiful display windows. One of them is enclosed with mirrors, giving an unusually pretty effect.

The public is cordially invited to inspect the store.

## CHARLES PALDA TO NAVAL ACADEMY

### SON OF JUDGE AND MRS. PALDA PASSES EXAMINATIONS AND EXPECTS TO SPEND EIGHT YEARS AT ANNAPOLIS.

The many friends of Charles Palda, son of Judge and Mrs. L. J. Palda, are glad to learn that the young man passed the examination which will admit him to an eight-year course at the naval academy at Annapolis. He still will have to be subjected to the physical examination, but it is quite certain that he will have no trouble in passing it.

Judge and Mrs. Palda left Wednesday for Ann Arbor to attend the 25th anniversary of Mr. Palda's graduating class. They will accompany Charles to Annapolis before returning to Minot.

## JOSEPH BAGER KILLED IN MONTANA

The sad news was received in Minot last Thursday that Joseph, the 23-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Bager of this city, had met a horrible death at Gage, Mont. He was struck by a train and his body ground to pieces.

The remains were held until two brothers arrived from Chicago, when they were brot to Minot, where they were interred Monday afternoon. The remains were interred in Rose Hill cemetery, Episcopal services being held.

Mr. Bager had been employed at Havre, Mont., during the winter, where one of his brothers resides. The tragedy has brought a shade of gloom over his parents, four brothers and two sisters, and hundreds of friends in Minot. The relatives have the sincere sympathy of all.

### Conductor Freed of Murder Charge.

C. W. Sylvester, a Northern Pacific conductor, charged with murdering his wife at his home near Dickinson, Feb. 5, was found not guilty, the jury being out 35 minutes. A son was the best witness for the defendant. The wife had made a statement, accusing her husband, before she died. He claimed the shooting was accidental.

Kenneth Clark, a little boy living near Lodgepole, not far from Hettinger, was dragged to death by a horse. He had gone to the field to get the horse, which had its harness on. Mounting the horse, the animal bucked and threw the lad off, but he caught in the harness.

## TWO CHILDREN NEARLY DROWNED

### FOUR YEAR OLD TOTS OF HER- MAN TROUTMILLER AND GUST CHRISTIANSON SAVED BY MR. DAVIS, G. N. FIREMAN.

The four-year-old son of Herman Troutmiller and the four-year-old daughter of Gust Christianson nearly met death in the Mouse river at the West park Sunday when they fell from the boat, landing in twelve feet of water. A party had gone to the park, to spend the day and the children wandered to the river. The children were heard screaming. Mrs. J. J. Davis was about to jump in after the children, when she saw Mr. Davis, a G. N. fireman, rushing to the scene. He plunged into the water, grabbed the boy and tossed him onto the bank, then made for the girl, who was sinking for the third time. He grabbed the child by the hair. She was already three feet below the surface and it was by mere accident that he came in contact with her. The girl was unconscious and it was some time before she regained her senses.

### Some Fast Games Announced.

The fast Ray team will visit this city Sunday to meet the local team that afternoon at Dorman's park. On Monday afternoon and evening, two games will be played in this city, the first game between the local nine and Ray and the evening game between Minot and the All American Bloomer Girls. The Bloomers played Minot a year ago, proving to be one of the best games of the season, Minot winning 1 to 0.

### Minot Wins Two Mighty Fast Games.

A large crowd attended the opening ball game of the season Friday afternoon and saw Minot defeat the very fast Harvey team by a score of 2 to 1. Many of the stores closed that afternoon. The game Sunday between Minot and Berthold was won by the local team, 3 to 1, the game lasting ten innings. Minot did not have a score until the ninth inning and it looked as tho the visitors were going to win. The game was won by Dougherty, who sent the batters outside the fence, bringing in a score and making a home run. The Berthold players are a mighty fast aggregation and their home town ought to be proud of them. The Minot boys are doing all that we could ask of them and will give us a mighty fine class of ball this season. Sunday's game was witnessed by fully 1500.

### Hog Cholera in Ward County.

A post mortem of a young pig showed evidence of hog cholera. This was verified by the veterinary department of the Fargo Agricultural College. The hog was immediately treated with hog cholera serum. Symptoms of hog cholera: Loss of appetite. Drink water freely. Lag behind rest of herd. Staggering gait. Inactivity in movements, especially in hind legs. Diarrhoea may or may not be present. Eyes frequently inflamed, sometimes discharging sticky mucus. Vomiting sometimes occurs—not always. Loses flesh rapidly, stands with head down, back arched and hind legs crossed. Temperature shows high fever. A postmortem examination may be necessary. PRECAUTION: Watch your hogs carefully and at the first indication of a sick pig or hog, showing any of the symptoms of hog cholera, notify W. J. Peck, County Agricultural Agent, or your veterinarian. Remember that the hog cholera serum treatment is not a cure, but a safe and sure preventive—therefore the well hogs or pigs should be treated in time. Ordinarily it is not advisable to treat sick hogs.

### Many Attend Mrs. Tangedahl's Funeral.

The funeral of Mrs. Sygn Tangedahl was held Friday afternoon from the Lutheran church in this city. A very large crowd of old time friends attending. The remains were interred in the Lutheran cemetery in this city. The following children attended the funeral: Martin, Terry, Mont., Mrs. Dorothy Wingham, Helena, Mont.; Louis, Battiford, Sask.; Casper, Parshall, N. D., and Mrs. Lena Albert of this city. Three sons, Olaf, Albert and Mikkel were unable to attend the obsequies.

### Christian Church Services.

Sunday School at Labor Hall 10:30 a. m. Preaching at 11:45 by Mr. Robert Noland, of Granville. Mr. Noland is a Christian business man and a speaker of ability and the public is asked to hear him. Mr. Sapp will be in the southwestern part of the state where he will speak three times.

### Polk County, Minn., Voted Dry.

Polk county, Minnesota, was voted dry in Monday's election, by a vote of 4435 to 3344. This means that a liquor business aggregating a million dollars a year will be a thing of the past. The wets had a majority of 430 in East Grand Forks and 362 in Crookston. The only two cities in the county where saloons existed.

### BRATSBERG WILL BUILD

Axel Bratsberg, the well known insurance man, will start the construction of a \$4,000 residence in Parkland addition. Chris Sandland, the contractor, will do the work and will start operations in a few days.

### Sad Death of Twin Brothers.

The funeral of little William Nixon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Nixon, was held, Rev. P. W. Erickson performing the sad rites. The floral tributes were numerous and very beautiful. A twin brother died but a few days before. Both children were ill from pneumonia and whooping cough.

## GERMANY HAS NOT YET REPLIED.

Germany has not yet made reply to President Wilson's note, concerning the Lusitania affair, but it is certain the answer will be received shortly. The fact that Italy has entered the war against Germany is no doubt responsible for the delay.

### THE GRANT CARS ARRIVE

Emerson & Todd this week received their first carload of the Grant cars of which the public has heard so much. Mr. Emerson is riding around in a six-cylinder demonstrating car which is attracting a good deal of attention. The only trouble they will have will be in getting enough cars to supply the demand.

### Colonel and Mrs. Scarlett Invited

Colonel and Mrs. Alex Scarlett have been invited by Governor and Mrs. Hanna to accompany them on their journey to California where the governor will participate in the exercises on North Dakota Day, June 21. Col. Scarlett is a member of the governor's staff.

### Fine Fishing at Strawberry Lake.

Among those from this city who spent Sunday at Strawberry Lake were: S. J. Dougherty, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Engelstad, Martin Englestad, L. D. McGahan and family, Einar Muus and family, J. B. Schwartz and the Galerud brothers. Twenty-seven automobiles and 14 motorcycles were counted at the lake and the fishermen report the perch much larger than last year. C. R. Engelstad and party caught 33 fish in two hours.

## MINOT WILL MAKE THE EAGLE SCREAM

Plan to celebrate the Fourth in Minot. Announcement is made that this city will hold the greatest Fourth of July celebration in her history.

Plans are being made to hold a big picnic at Riverside park and thousands of our country friends and those living in surrounding towns will undoubtedly attend.

A committee on arrangements has been appointed and complete particulars will be given next week.

### Superintendent of Minot Schools Tended a Valuable Gift by Members of the 1915 Faculty.

The faculty of the Minot schools presented S. Henry Wolfe, for fifteen years superintendent of the Minot schools, with a valuable Knights Templar charm Wednesday. The charm is a beauty and Mr. Wolfe found it exceedingly hard to express his appreciation when the gift was tendered him. The charm is studded with eight diamonds and nine garnets, while on the reverse side is the Keystone of the Royal Arch. Inscribed on the charm is the name of the owner and the words, "From the Faculty of 1915." Accompanying the gift was the following note:

"To Superintendent Wolfe: As a token of our respect and the friendship we have enjoyed during the many years in the Minot Public Schools, accepting this little gift with the best wishes for many, many years to come. "The Faculty of 1915."

The following members of the faculty were the donors: Ruby E. Phelps, Katherine E. Donovan, Lois C. Van Slyke, Alta Cass, Clara E. Ross, Mina A. Dell, Frank H. Waters, Margaret Eldred, Ella T. Johnson, W. W. Mitchell, Elsie Pelletier, Katherine Waters, Gertrude Chamberlain, Harriett Cavatt, Mina Langvick, Blanche Dallager, Birdie B. Auten, Mildred Humphrey, Judith N. Barrows, Florence E. Peterson, Jennie L. Thompson, Agnes M. Bakke, Alma Johanssen, Marie Solten, Mrs. Anna E. Hanson, Agnes Faust, Undrea Uleberg, Edith Stadium, Mabel English, Clarence B. Pfund, Eva M. White, Inga Olson, Helene Eppling, Mabel Constantine, Agnes Fosmark, Edith Lund, Ada V. Young, Catherine McCusker, Gertrude C. Bergan, Hattie M. Gaines, Olivia Sprester, Inez M. Bager, Anna V. White.

### CHRISTIAN CHURCH ORGANIZED AT WILLISTON

On Sunday evening, the 16th, at the court house, Rev. F. B. Sapp of Minot organized a church at Williston.

Mr. Sapp has done some work there for several years and the time seemed to be ripe to organize. The following were elected officers in the new church: Fred H. Smith, R. C. Ike, F. E. Davis, Gerald Miles, Mrs. Martha P. Taten, Mrs. Fred H. Smith, Mrs. A. S. Kather, Mrs. F. E. Davis, V. R. Asberry, treasurer, and R. C. Ike, clerk.

Rev. Sapp will speak there again on Sunday evening, June 6th, when the first communion service will be celebrated.

There are many members in the vicinity of Williston and this young church has a promising outlook. A Bible School will be started at once.

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