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CITIZENS HONOR GOV. J. M. DEVINE

BANQUET AT NORMAL SCHOOL IN HONOR OF PROMINENT CITIZEN, WHO LEFT TO TAKE CHARGE OF TRAINING SCHOOL AT MANDAN.

A hundred close friends and admirers of Ex-Governor Joseph M. Devine gathered at the Minot Normal school Monday evening to do him honor on the eve of his departure for Mandan, where he has taken charge of the state training school for boys and girls. It is not often that such an honor is paid to one of our citizens as was tendered Mr. Devine that evening and those who were present will have occasion to look back for many a year to one of the most pleasant evenings they have ever spent.

Promptly at seven o'clock, the guests were ushered into the beautiful dining room of the girls' dormitory, where covers had been laid for more than a hundred. Five were seated at each table and a seven course banquet under the supervision of E. L. Rowan, was served by the charming students of the Normal.

Following the banquet, A. M. Thompson presided at one of the most brilliant programs of toasts ever heard in this city. Mr. Thompson referred to the guest of honor as a man who had given long years of his life to the upbuilding of the state and especially to the Northwest.

F. B. Lambert, president of the Association of Commerce, appeared at his best. He said that it was most appropriate to gather at the Minot Normal school to do honor to Mr. Devine, for it is due more to him than anyone else that this institution was brot to Minot and to Northwestern North Dakota. He referred to Mr. Devine's long and successful career and predicted that in his present position, he will make an even greater mark than in the past.

Senator Albrecht of Anamoose, a true friend to the Minot Normal school, made a pleasant address.

R. A. Nestos was introduced as the former partner of the author of the constitutional amendment which permitted this school to be founded. Mr. Nestos was happy in his remarks.

Senator W. R. Bond responded with an excellent talk. One of the best toasts of the evening was given by Hon. Wm. G. Owens of Williston, former member of the house and present state's attorney from Williams county. Mr. Owens waxed eloquent. He referred to the state as a garden and to our citizens as plants. He said that when a field appeared particularly adapted for the development of a certain plant, it was taken up and placed therein. He believed that the field at Mandan was waiting for such a man as Governor Devine, who is destined to do the best work of his life training the delinquent young men and women.

The speech by President A. G. Crane was one of the most brilliant of the evening. The following is a summary of his response:

MR. TOASTMASTER: In endeavoring to select a suitable theme for this occasion, I have selected from the large number that might have been chosen, some thoughts upon the power of imagination. Our two graduating classes have just presented the school with two beautiful memorials. One of them is a large colored reproduction of "The Aurora," or "Dawn." The other gift is the ornamental lighting fixtures on the front entrance of the main building. Both of these gifts deal with light and vision. One represents the breaking of a new day upon the darkness of night. The other serves as a beacon and a guide marking the front entrance of this institution of learning. This institution itself is established for the purpose of spreading the light of intelligence and dissipating the darkness of ignorance.

The power of imagination, usually conceived as a childish play of fancy, is in reality something greater, more useful and more noble. The great inventors were men who were able, by the play of this marvelous faculty, to take known facts and transform them into the unknown. Thomas A. Edison, knowing the heating effects of electric current upon a piece of iron wire, knowing the possibilities of producing a vacuum, imagined an incandescent lamp and today we have these marvelous tungsten lamps, the only rival of the sun. By this same faculty, poets have heard songs that as yet have never been sung. Musicians have been entranced by beautiful melodies never yet heard by mortal ear. Painters have seen in prophetic visions beautiful paintings never beheld by mortal eye. By the exercise of this same faculty, architects and designers have seen whole cathedrals and even cities before one stone had been laid upon another. Statesmen, with the visions of seers, from close study of known conditions have foretold the history of institutions. The first settlers in North Dakota saw boundless prairies inhabited by savages and crossed only by the trails of buffalo. Through the power of vision, however, they saw these prairies inhabited by a prosperous, progressive people. They saw railroads, churches, schools, cities and productive fields.

We are here tonight to do honor to a man who has had preeminently this creative power of imagination. Through his close knowledge of educational

conditions, touched by the desire to help the boys and girls of this great Northwest, he foresaw the need of a state normal school in this region. He saw this before any school existed. He had a vision of development of this great region. With a similar keenness of vision he foresaw better farming, more productive acres, better homes, consolidated schools and a happy family settled upon every quarter section of this Northwestern Empire. He has been possessed with a keener vision than the rest and having stood in the vanguard has led us onward by reason of his vivid visions and his inspiring oratory. Like Columbus of old, his cry rang out, "still on, and on and on," and hardly a movement that meant for better living conditions, for a better city, for making life more worth while in this Northwest, but what has had the support of his pen and voice.

I am pleased at this time to report a resolution passed unanimously by his colleagues on the State Board of Normal School Trustees at a recent meeting:

"Whereas, the appointment by the state board of control of Hon. J. M. Devine, for nearly three years secretary of this board of trustees, to be superintendent of the state reform school at Mandan, has been announced, therefore,

"Be It Resolved, by this state board of Normal school trustees in session at Minot this 18th day of June, 1915, that we congratulate the state board of control upon this wise appointment and the people of North Dakota upon securing the administrative and educational services at this important institution by one of our citizens so well qualified for the work by training, experience, wide acquaintance with our state, as well as by disposition and philanthropic interests."

Holy Writ gives us an account of Joseph, the dreamer, who organized that marvelous campaign against the years of famine and served so well his brethren in time of need. The same book tells us that where there is no vision the people perish, and that in the day that brings the golden age, the old men shall dream dreams and the young men shall dream visions. I congratulate the boys and girls in the State Industrial School for securing as their foster father a man with

THE LAST OF THE OLD GUARD



Fifty years ago Colonel Alex Scarlett, then a non-com officer in the Quebec Highlanders, was selected with eleven others to attend the funeral of the "Great Lincoln" at Washington, to represent the Volunteers of Canada.

This company formed a portion of the First Western-Administrative Battalion of Volunteers that did duty all along the western frontier materially aiding the North in the suppression of bounty jumpers, crimps, "skidaddlers" and raiders, who were pests to the border towns by murder, pillage, looting and robbery and finding refuge in Canada after their depredations. For all their aid this regiment was publicly thanked by the American secretary of war.

Colonel Scarlett says: "We were given a place of honor in the funeral procession and received every courtesy at the hands of the northern officials."

In looking back over this half century of a life-time, I find I am the only man left of the twelve rank and file to answer the roll call today. All the others have answered their "last tattoo" and gone across the "Great Divide. Such is life."

W. H. FRANCIS RESIGNS

W. H. Francis, the Velva publisher, who has held the position of secretary of the North Dakota Press association has resigned. Mr. Francis has found that his own business requires all of his attention and cannot afford to give the work required as secretary the attention that it requires. He is a hard worker and has made an ideal secretary. The position will be filled by the executive committee at the Mandan meeting.

ROZEN TO ENGAGE IN BUSINESS

Edw. Rozen, for years a successful Hillsboro merchant, will soon engage in business in this city, full particulars to be given next week.

FOUR INJURED WHEN AUTO OVERTURNS

METZ CAR GOES INTO THE DITCH NEAR LOGAN SUNDAY—JACK OLSON UNCONSCIOUS UNTIL NEXT MORNING.

Four Minot young men, Calmor Balcerud, Frank Falvey, Jack Olson and B. Otterness, nearly met death on a grade a short distance this side of Logan, just after the heavy rain storm, Sunday, when the Metz car which Balcerud was driving, skidded and turned over completely twice, landing in a deep ditch. The car was badly smashed and Olson was rendered unconscious, remaining in that condition until the next morning. He was brought to this city and given medical attention and is as well as ever again. Other members of the party were bruised. Otterness had a narrow escape. His head was forced completely through the windshield. The young men were driving without chains, which accounts for the accident.

DRADY AND NORTH PRAIRIE TO CONTEST

CHAMPION COUNTRY TEAMS TO FIGHT FOR THE \$75 OFFERED BY MINOT MERCHANTS—ALL ABOUT THE BIG CELEBRATION JULY 5.

When you come to Minot Monday, July 5, and of course you are all coming, don't be alarmed if you are met out of town a half mile or so by one of the citizens, for he will not be there to hold you up, but to direct you just where you are to go when you arrive in the city. A committee has been appointed to take care of your horses and your autos.

Leave your pocketbooks at home that day if you want to, for you will not need to spend any money, unless you have a surplus of the filthy lucre. This is going to be Minot's show and you are to be given a free pass to it.

A glance at the program published on the front page of the second section will show you what is in store for you. The program is so arranged that there will be something going on all day long from the very time that the salute of the 21 guns is given at day break until the close of the grand display of fireworks at night.

If you like to dance, bring your best girl, or if it isn't convenient for her to come, pick up some other fellow's, and come, for the dance will be as free as the air we breathe. A fine large orchestra will play and the event will take place at the new pavilion at Riverside park.

Come on, you huskies from the prairie, and take part in the races, and the various other athletic events, for which good premiums are offered. The business men have raised over a thousand dollars and they don't want to force any of it on anybody.

The young lads will be interested in the penny throwing contest. An even thousand pennies will be strewn on the lawn and the boys who are quick will be able to pick up some spending money.

Did you ever try to climb a greased pole? A good sized purse will be tacked to the top of it and the lad who climbs the pole will get it.

The ball game between the champion teams from the south and north prairies will play. Drady and North Prairie are the teams selected to play for the \$75 prize. Besides two "kid" teams will play in the morning. The Minot and Harvey teams are to play during the afternoon.

The address of the day will be given by Attorney O'Connor of Grand Forks, one of the state's best orators.

Unusual interest is being taken in the daylight fireworks, something exceedingly novel and new. They will be worth seeing.

Indications are that the old town will be full of people. The beautiful Riverside park will be fairly alive with the crowds. Bring your dinner and free coffee will be served. Those who desire may secure their dinner at the grounds at the ordinary prices.

There will be a circus in town that day and a free parade in the forenoon. If you do not care to attend the circus, there will be plenty of other amusements which you can see for nothing. Mutt and Jeff will pull off some stunts during the day. The little German band will play. A male quartette will sing and we simply haven't time this week to tell you all the other interesting features that have been arranged.

Come and be entertained at the expense of Minot merchants.

Many Settle Along the Soo Line.

John J. Bates, immigration agent of the Soo, writes from Minneapolis that according to records, 281 immigrants have located along the Soo in North Dakota from July 1, 1914, to Jan. 1, 1915, and 238 from Jan. 1, 1915, to June 1, 1915, with a few points to hear from. Seventeen of these immigrants stopped at Minot. The immigration campaign launched by Major Murphy and Mr. Bates evidently is a big success.

MAN KILLED AT BERTHOLD

TRANSIENT RUN OVER BY TRAIN WHICH HE WAS ATTEMPTING TO BOARD.

Sten Kaezur, a transient, was killed at Berthold Sunday morning at 8 o'clock by being run over by a freight train, No. 401, on the Great Northern. He lived about fifteen minutes after the accident. There were no eyewitnesses to the accident, but the facts as brought out before the coroner's inquest were that he was trying to board the train and in some manner fell under it.

Coroner Doe of this city was notified and went to the scene of the accident, where he empaneled a jury consisting of W. E. Knick, Geo. Taylor and Joe Schunder, all of Berthold, who, after hearing the evidence, and viewing the remains, rendered a verdict that the deceased came to his death by falling under a freight train of the Great Northern railway.

NORMAL SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

BACCALAUREATE SERMON, CLASS NIGHT EXERCISES AND COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS MARK CLOSE OF SECOND YEAR FOR GROWING INSTITUTION.

The second annual commencement of the Minot Normal school opened at the gymnasium of the institution with the baccalaureate sermon and exercises Sunday evening. The large room was filled to the doors. The Minot ministers and congregations had been invited to participate and they responded generally.

President Crane of the institution presided in his usual graceful manner. The members of the faculty entered the room, led by President Crane, and the graduates and glee club entered two by two, taking their places on the rostrum, where the ministers, members of the Minot orchestra and the soloists were also placed.

The opening number was a selection by the Minot orchestra. Rev. Hal P.

bohic of the coming of the day. Its presentation was made by Miss Inez Bager, president of the Normal school alumni.

The other memorial was the ornamental lights in front of the building, presented by this year's class. It also is appropriate, in that it symbolizes the lighting of the pathway of the bodies of students yet to come. The gifts were accepted by President Crane in a pleasing manner.

The class will by Miss Luella Larson, the Class prophecy by the four wifches, Kathryn A. Madden, Mabel Srefveland, Elizabeth Hagen and Julia Breher, and the class play were all most amusing.



PRESIDENT A. G. CRANE.

The Commencement.

The commencement exercises proper Tuesday evening were simple, yet most impressive. The stage was decorated with a single jar of American Beauty roses.

The class entered two by two to the strains of the "Soldiers' March" from Faust, played flawlessly by Mrs. Simpson, musical instructor, and Miss Della Christenson. The young women were dressed in pure white, each carrying an American Beauty rose, the one young man of the class being seated in the center.

Rev. P. W. Erickson invoked the divine blessing and the glee club sang "When the Birds in the Morn." Miss Mabel Miller appeared at her best when she sang, "An Open Secret."

Dr. Walter D. Cole of Springfield, O., gave the address of the evening. It is not often that a Minot audience has an opportunity to listen to such a masterful address as Mr. Cole gave Tuesday evening.

One of the closing numbers was a solo, "Invocation," by Miss Florence Wilson, with a violin obligato by Prof. Rognlie. This was a most delightful

HOW MINOT LANDED THE CONVENTION

A. A. ROBINSON, DELEGATE, AND W. W. TYLER, SECRETARY, AS- SISTED BY TOM HUGHES OF FARGO BROUGHT HOME THE BACON.

The Minot men who went to Winona, Minn., and landed the big convention of United Commercial Travelers for this city for 1916, did a great stroke of business, for this is going to be the greatest convention of its kind ever held here. No less than 1,000 delegates, and more likely nearly 1,500 delegates will attend this convention.

Many other cities were bidding for the convention, but A. A. Robinson, the delegate from this city, and W. W. Tyler, the local secretary, brought home the bacon.

They were assisted mightily by Tom Hughes, the well known Fargo insurance man, who seconded the motion to give the convention to Minot. He said that the travelers would have the greatest time that any city had ever given them.

Winona treated the visitors fine. That city has a population of 22,000 and is a mighty live burg.

- W. N. Snow, secretary North Dakota Sunday School association: "You can state that never in the history of the North Dakota Sunday School association have the visitors met with such a warm reception as they did last week in Minot. We shall always have a warm spot in our hearts for your incomparable city. Your people left nothing undone to make our stay pleasant and it will be a great pleasure to again return to Minot some day."

FANNIE SKINNER JUNE BRIDE

DAUGHTER OF E. D. SKINNER, A WARD COUNTY PIONEER, WEDS DANIEL BURRELL, VELVA IM- PLEMENT DEALER.

Miss Fannie Skinner, daughter of E. D. Skinner of Sawyer, and Daniel Burrell of Velva, manager of the Swanson-Gilbertson Implement Co., at that place, were united in marriage at Towner Wednesday, June 16, by Judge Bagley. They are now spending their honeymoon in Minnesota and will soon return to Velva where the groom has prepared a cozy home.

The bride is a Ward county product and hundreds of friends are proud of the record she has made. She accompanied her parents to Ward county when but a year old and has since resided in this vicinity. She attended the Minot high school and later the Minot Business college, being a member of the first graduating class. She entered the employ of the Velva State bank a year later, 1903, and has since been employed in that institution, where her services have been most valuable. She is at present the grand secretary of the Rebekahs of North Dakota, an honor which was thrice thrust upon her. She is a young woman of charming manner and the man she selected for her husband is most worthy of her. He has been engaged in the implement business at Velva for years and has the esteem of all. The Independent is worthy of the many friends of the worthy couple in wishing them the best life affords.

STEPHEN JORDAHL WEDS MISS EDNA SANDQUIST

Stephen Jordahl, son of A. E. Jordahl, a prominent Vang township farmer, was married Saturday to Miss Edna Sandquist, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anton Sandquist of Rolling Green township. The groom is a steady young man and the bride one of the most charming young women of that district. The ceremony was performed in the morning by Rev. O. S. Varud and a reception was held in the afternoon, relatives and a number of the closest friends being present.

BURLINGTON MAN INJURED —SERIOUS RESULTS FEARED

Mr. Oscar Simonson, a farmer living two miles southwest of Burlington, met with a painful and possibly serious injury last week.

As he was skinning a cow that had died of blackleg the knife slipped and the blade was buried to the hilt in his left leg, just above the knee.

Considerable apprehension is felt over the injury because it is feared that infection may result.

The outcome is being awaited with much concern by the sufferer and his friends. As yet there is no evidence of infection and Mr. Simonson is able to be about on crutches.

DAVID COHN IS DEAD

A traveling man from Milwaukee who visited Minot the other day stated that David Cohn, formerly of the Cohn Clothing company of this city, died recently in Milwaukee. Mr. Cohn had not been well for a long time.

SENIOR CLASS, 1915



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| 1 Gladys Mumford | 13 Mabel I. Bowker | 25 Anna Moun |
| 2 Kathryn Madden | 14 Harold Meyer | 26 Bessie Buchman |
| 3 Esther Gordon | 15 Lottie Kiern | 27 Gladys Humphrey |
| 4 Ida Hamre | 16 Alice Swenson | 28 Luella C. Larson |
| 5 Lora Tucker | 17 Lydia Baney | 29 Emma Stevens |
| 6 Eliza Armstrong | 18 Cordelia R. Nelson | 30 Verna Hanson |
| 7 Lucy King | 19 Pearl A. Roell | 31 Ruth Morstad |
| 8 Maude V. Comer | 20 Evelyn Fox | 32 Aletta Watne |
| 9 Mabel R. Shefveland | 21 Julia Breher | 33 Mary Hall |
| 10 Hilda Hayden | 22 Marion Lyness | 34 Inga Knudson |
| 11 Lois Ring | 23 Fannie Stevens | 35 Eva Valker |
| 12 Elizabeth Hagen | 24 Mildred Jacobson | |

Fudge made the invocation. The Normal glee club, under the direction of Mrs. Simpson, musical instructor in the school and with C. D. Aaker as accompanist, sang delightfully, "The Shadows of the Evening Hour," Capt. Geo. J. Barry of the Salvation Army gave the Scripture reading. Mrs. H. Grimmer, one of Minot's most popular soloists, sang "The Door of Hope."

The evening's address was given by Dr. J. D. Walters of Fargo, one of the state's most eminent divines. The doctor's message was one of the strongest ever heard in this city.

Class Night.
The class night exercises Monday night furnished more than two hours' amusement for an immense crowd. The members of the class comprising twenty-four good-looking and exceptionally bright young women and one very brave young man, proved themselves the very best of entertainers.

Two memorials were presented. One was presented by the class of 1914, a most appropriate gift, a beautiful painting of Aurora, or the Dawn, symbolic of the coming of the day. Its presentation was made by Miss Inez Bager, president of the Normal school alumni.

TEUTSCH AND DEARMAN GET ZLEVOR CONTRACT

Eugene Teutsch and John Dearman who recently formed a partnership in the contracting business, have been awarded the contract to construct a two story block and full basement for Jerry Zlevor, on old Reishus street. The work on the building has already commenced. The building will be 25x110 and will cost \$18,000. It will be finished in oak, with parquet floors, mantles and fire place and will be one of the best constructed buildings in Minot.