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## PRIZE WINNERS IN FLOWER AND VEGETABLE CONTEST

First Show Comes to Successful End—  
Public Awards Meeting Early in  
September Announced.

The Flower and Vegetable Show came to a satisfactory conclusion Friday evening. The next event in the City Beautifying line will be the Public Awards meeting in early September, when the prize winners will be presented with the money they have won. Four of the prize winners, two of them members of the executive committee, will turn their prizes back to the treasury of the League to be used to further its work. The four are Mrs. C. B. Davis, Mrs. J. H. Weinreb, Mrs. Towner and Mrs. John Lewis.

At the Public Awards meeting the silver loving cup offered by Mr. Holbein and the prizes won in the rear yard contest will also be presented. Until the views of the prize winning properties are shown on the screen, no one, not even the winners themselves, will know to whom the prizes are to go.

The decision of the judges in the Flower and Vegetable show follows:

**Gardens as a Whole.**  
First prize, Fred Ernst; second prize, Maurice Kelson; third prize, Earl Holmes; honorable mention, Sunda Drungstrout, Margaret Dickinson, Leland Bonniwell, Muriel Ericson, Donald Francis, David Hovey, Goldie Irving, Rogna Tieberg, Malcolm McKeane, James Newlove, Lewis Payne, George Prehm, Gilbert Sayres, Kathleen Hutchinson, Edward Zillocher, Ophelia Thomson, Kenneth White, Mrs. J. H. Weinreb, Francis Kells, Raymond Zlevor.

**Vegetable Exhibits.**

Green String Beans—David Hovey, 1st; James Newlove, 2nd.  
Yellow String Beans—Mrs. A. Botz, 1st, Howard Zollner, 2nd.  
Beets—David Hovey, 1st, T. N. Wold, 2nd.

Cabbage—T. N. Wold, 1st; A. G. Crane, 2nd.  
Carrots—Rev. Hunter, 1st; Jas. Rasmussen, 2nd.

Cauliflower—Chas. Vincent, 1st; Mrs. Raymond Cornell, 2nd.  
Corn—David Hovey, 1st; Edith Sayres, 2nd.

Cucumbers—David Hovey, 1st; Mrs. J. H. Weinreb, 2nd.  
Kohl-rabi—Chas. Vincent, 1st; Fred Ernst, 2nd.

Potatoes—Rev. Hunter, 1st; Mrs. Lizzie Rasmussen, 2nd.  
Rutabagas—Elvin Hovey, 1st; Rev. Hunter, 2nd.

Turnips—Normal School, 1st; Mrs. A. Bell, 2nd.  
Ripe Tomatoes—Mrs. Wm. McHugh, 1st; no second.

Green Tomatoes—James Newlove, 1st; Mrs. Bert Plowman, 2nd.  
Radishes—Mrs. Wm. McHugh, 1st; Chas. Vincent, 2nd.

Lettuce—Mrs. Bert Plowman, 1st; no second.  
Best Collection—Mrs. C. B. Davis, 1st; Fred Ernst, 2nd; Mrs. Phil Myers, 3rd.

Special Prizes in Vegetables—Mrs. Walker, Elizabeth Carroll, Mrs. Ring, Mrs. Edna Wilson, Lewis Payne, Lave McKeane, Mrs. Sheridan.

**Flower Exhibits—Children Only.**  
Pansies—Rodger Davis, 1st; Chas. Vincent, 2nd.

Phlox—Oliver Cleven, 1st; Robert Anderson, 2nd.

Nasturtiums—Robert Anderson, 1st; Irving Peterson, 2nd.

Ornamental Sunflowers—Chas. Vincent, 1st; no second.  
Sweet Peas—Dorothy Carroll, 1st; Howard Zollner, 2nd.

Asters—James Newlove, 1st; Oliver Cleven, 2nd.  
Calliopsis—Floyd Crandall, 1st; no second.

Petunias—Chas. Vincent, 1st; no second.  
Annual Pinks—Robert Anderson, 1st; no second.

Zinnias—Bernice Hopkins, 1st; Wm. Vandersluis, 2nd.

Best Collection—James Newlove, 1st; Robert Anderson, 2nd; Irving Peterson, 3rd.

Special Prizes—Model School, 1st; Normal School, 2nd.  
Adults' Collection—Mrs. Towner, 1st; Mrs. Lewis, 2nd; Mrs. Myers, 3rd; Mrs. Hanson, 4th.

Adults' Single Varieties—Mr. DuVall, 1st; Mrs. Welch, 2nd; Mrs. Lambert, 3rd; Mrs. Sibbald, 4th.

**Resolutions.**  
Whereas, the City Beautifying League and the executive committee thereof desire to express their appreciation to those who have assisted in making successful the Flower and Vegetable Exhibition, be it therefore Resolved—

1. That we express to the members of the Elks Lodge our lasting gratitude for their kindness and courtesy in granting the League the use of their beautiful home for the exhibition, and our entire appreciation of their generosity in depriving themselves for so considerable a time of its enjoyment that the purposes of the League might be fulfilled. No more harmonious setting for the displays could have been desired, and the comforts, luxuries and privileges of the reception rooms added immeasurably to the pleasure of the visitors, and to the success of the undertaking.

2. That we tender to Mr. E. L.

Rowan our thanks for the many services he rendered us, before, during and after the exhibition, and for the countless courtesies and the kindly consideration he at all times accorded us. His skill and experience in arrangement was entirely responsible for the effectiveness of the display, and contributed largely to the success of the exhibit.

3. That we express our great appreciation of the consideration and encouragement, as well as the large amount of valuable space accorded us by the newspapers of the city. We realize that without this assistance the League could have accomplished very little.

4. That we express especial thanks to the Optic-Reporter for the editorial of August 19th which showed such entire comprehension of the aims of the League, and contained so much of valuable suggestion.

5. That we express our entire appreciation of the aid given the cause which the League would further by the musicians who added greatly to the evening's pleasure, by the ladies of the city and by the wholesale houses who furnished material for refreshments, by the ladies and young girls who served, by the splendid co-operation of the Minot Normal School, by the conscientious and efficient efforts of the judges and other assistants, by H. S. Johnson, local manager of the Rogers Lumber Co., who provided the necessary lumber, by all who contributed financial or other assistance, and finally by the exhibitors who furnished the basis of success, the display itself.

6. That these resolutions be published in the daily and weekly papers of Minot.

(Signed) Will O. Doolittle,  
Mrs. T. J. Vincent,  
Mrs. J. H. Weinreb,  
Mrs. C. B. Davis,  
Committee on Resolutions.

## MINOT MAN UNITED IN MARRIAGE TO MONTANA GIRL

John M. Miller, Prominent Real Estate Man Joined for Life to Miss Laura Smith of Glasgow, Mont.

John M. Miller of the Western Realty company of this city was united in marriage to Miss Laura Alice Smith, a charming Glasgow, Mont., young woman, at a pretty church wedding at Glasgow Tuesday evening at 6:30 o'clock in the presence of a hundred guests. The ceremony was performed by Rev. P. W. Erickson, pastor of the Presbyterian church of this city, assisted by Rev. Meredeth, pastor of the Methodist church of Glasgow. Hugh Miller, a brother of the groom, was one of the ushers. The groom's father from Iowa attended the wedding. The church was beautifully decorated with a great variety of flowers and streamers. A sister of the bride played the wedding march and the two ministers took their places in front of the altar. Then followed the groom and the best man, the two ushers, flower girls and the bride's sister, Miss Leona Smith, who was the maid of honor. The bride then entered, unattended. She wore a beautiful white wedding gown with bridal veil and carried a large bouquet of roses. The ring service was used.

After the wedding, the party proceeded to the home of the bride's parents where an elaborate dinner was served. The couple left that night for Glacier park where they spend ten days, after which they will return to Minot and make their home. They were the recipients of a great many valuable gifts. The bride and groom are both held in high esteem by their many friends.

**Minot After Federal Loan Bank**  
The directors of the Association of Commerce met last evening at the Association offices and discussed various matters of interest to the membership. Chief among these matters was the financing of the organization for the next year. The secretary has sent out letters to the entire membership asking for advice on this important subject, but thus far the response to the letter has not been what it should be. All members are urged to send in their ideas. A representative of the association will attend the meeting of the directors of the Federal Land Loan Bank to be held at Fargo Sept. 1, at which time Minot's claim as a suitable location for the bank will be presented.

**Will Extend Telephone Line**  
The South Prairie Farmers' Telephone line will be extended several miles at an early date to accommodate a number of farmers. Peter K. Peterson, Sever Larson and a number of other Drady farmers will have their homes connected. One car load of poles has arrived and another has been ordered.

**Convention of the \$100,000 Men**  
A. F. McLane and Kersey E. Gowin, two of the best life insurance men in the state, left for Chicago Friday afternoon where they are attending the convention of the insurance men who wrote \$100,000 or more business during the past year for the National Life. These representatives are enjoining the trip at the expense of the company and it will be most enjoyable.

## MINOT STREETS AND ALLEYS NEED ONE MORE CLEANING

The Wonder City Can Profit From the  
Experience of Other Cities—An  
Example Has Been Set.

Minot needs a cleaning again after the accumulation of the summer. The weeds are getting so tall in places that small children could become lost, and besides being unsightly, are the direct cause of hay fever. They should be cut at once.

The back alleys, and in fact some of the streets have become the repositories for garbage and old tin cans, and these should be cleaned up. At the turn at Valley street will be found not only tin cans, but mattresses and straw galore, not to say anything of ashes.

Minot needs a cleaning up like Grand Forks received last Saturday. The following from the Grand Forks Herald tells the way to do it:

"The last lap in the campaign to clean up the city of Grand Forks will be begun today by Health Officer Treacy, who has received orders from the Board of Health to cut all weeds which have not already been taken care of and to clean up everything that may assist in the spread of disease.

"The officer will begin his work this morning and is desirous of employing about 10 men to assist him in cleaning up. Anyone who desires work is urged to report to police headquarters at the city hall, bringing a scythe if he has one. There will be work for a large number, says the officer, who is desirous of getting the results in the shortest possible time.

"In his campaign Officer Treacy will spare no one and all places will be treated alike. If tall weeds are found on any property they will be promptly cut down, the place cleaned up and the work charged to the property owners. Back alleys will also be cleaned up and all rubbish piles that local residents have persisted in leaving in spite of the warnings of the department will be taken away and, as in the case of the weeds, the property owners will have to stand the charges.

The work of the department will be thorough, the officer says, and nothing will be left undone to make Grand Forks the cleanest city in the northwest."

Can we not have concerted action, either through the health department, the street and alley department, or the police department or through them all combined, to have the city cleaned up at this time. One cleanup a year is not enough, especially where there is so much building being done as in Minot this year. If property owners are devoid of the necessary pride to do this work themselves, have it done and charged against the property. There is always a way when there is a sincere desire.

**Little Girl Broke Arm**  
The three-year-old daughter of Fred Johnson, who lives west of Glenburn, fell from a buggy Tuesday evening and broke her arm at the elbow. The father and Dr. Lord brought the child to Minot Wednesday to secure the use of an X-ray in reducing the fracture.

**WHAT THE WOMEN CAN DO**  
C. W. Finwall, assistant of the N. D. Enforcement League, spoke before the W. C. T. U. of this city Tuesday on "What women can do for the enforcement of the law pertaining to the moral welfare of the state." He said in part:

First: Inform themselves as to what the laws referred to prohibits, that is, regarding the prohibition laws, the gambling laws, the bawdy house laws, the pool hall laws, the Sunday laws, regarding injunction proceedings, the removal of officers, etc., besides the difficulties of law enforcement.

This can partly be done by a few women providing for meetings for women, where women may be invited to listen to experts on social reform, experiences of police matrons, also lawyers and judges, ministers and priests, as well as statesmen and publishers.

Second: Let women protest tactfully against known violations. Let them do it continuously whenever occasions demand it and always consistently.

Third: Let women cultivate confidence of the men with whom they are associated, in regard to their moral ideals. This refers to husband, brothers, intended husbands or their sons, if they have any. Do not take too much for granted; find out for yourself how men think and act socially and politically. This ought to be done for two main reasons; (1) to be used judiciously during campaigns or prior to such, and (2) in order to correct, if possible, mad ideals and wrong political actions among men.

Fourth: Hold high a worthy standard—mold public opinion; (a) by securing the right kind of literature for the homes and for public reading rooms and cards warning against moral dangers and pointing out needed help in public places. (b) By asking priests and pastors to give lectures at stated intervals upon subjects of public interest relating to civic righteousness. Get church men way-up

and other shrewd men in society to commit themselves upon moral subjects publicly.

(c) See that some one is appointed to collect and distribute among newspapers news concerning Moral victories in the land or in the world.

(d) By warning the boys and girls and young men and young women concerning moral pit-falls, confidential talks between mothers and sons and daughters, older women with younger ones, older sisters with younger sisters. This may, in many cases, save a life and many lives.

Fifth: Stand by and for absolute enforcement of law, even if it hits your own husband or your own sons or your nearest neighbors and friends. Let women express appreciation of law enforcement to those officers who must do this difficult task. When such officers are doing their duties, women should go to them and express their appreciation of creating safer environments in their respective communities or at least write to them or have somebody else who can do it effectively express their approval to public officers privately and publicly.

In conclusion: Let me ask every woman to report from pure motives all known violations of the laws that pertain to the moral welfare of this or any other community. Don't be afraid to sign your name to complaints or information. Send such to the North Dakota Enforcement League, Bismarck, N. D. This league is your agency ready to do its duties without fear or favor. Send it your information in all confidence. Defend it against slander. Believe in its officers and send even your financial aid if you can do so that we may be able to buy needed ammunition on new implements of warfare against moral wrongs, and victory shall surely come to all who actively engage in this bloodless war and a happy consciousness that we have each done our part.

## MANY ATTEND AUTO LECTURE AT THE GRAND THEATRE

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Talk at Grand by Mr. Hower Friday  
Night Was Interesting to Car  
Enthusiasts.

Automobile owners who have been content to sit back in the comfortable upholstery of their cars as they roll along the highways unmindful of the many little things that were happening under the bonnet, saw those things happen as they watched the moving picture screen at the Grand theatre Friday night.

Mr. Hower, who is one of the best authorities in the United States on the Knight motor, explained in detail the operation of two distinct types of motors as their respective principles were portrayed on the screen. His description of the operation won the interest of spectators, who included engineers as well as laymen.

The positive action of the sleeve valves, which are opened and closed by connecting rods, was clearly shown by means of the moving pictures.

Positive valve action, the speaker explained, was the object of all motor car designers, who seek to eliminate the use of such uncertain factors as cams and springs, by means of which the valves of other types of motors are opened and closed.

It was explained also how the sleeve valve provides the ideal spherically-shaped combustion chamber, acknowledged by all engineers to be the type of combustion chamber that provides the most powerful motor.

Mr. Hower has spent a number of years in the study of the Knight motor and when the Willys-Overland company undertook the manufacture of a motor vehicle propelled by that style of engine, Mr. Hower joined the Willys staff.

He has since played an important part in the development of the motor, and has conducted educational campaigns in various parts of the country.

Following his talk Friday night Mr. Hower invited a discussion and for nearly an hour allowed himself to be the target for questions. Figures on gasoline and oil consumption, past performances of Knight motored cars, maximum speed and general efficiency were some of the matters discussed from the floor.

**Drady Girl Dies in Minot Hospital**

Cassa A. Hurley, the thirteen-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar A. Hurley, who reside on the John Underdahl farm near Drady, died at a local hospital Tuesday night. Funeral services were held from the Brethren church at Surrey this morning at 11 o'clock, interment being made in the Brethren cemetery at that place.

The deceased was a bright, lovable child and the heartbroken parents have the sincere sympathy of a host of friends.

**Rev MacMullen Preached**

Rev. Mr. MacMullen, who was pastor of the Baptist church in this city seven years ago, filled the pulpit at the church last Sunday, delivering one of his strong sermons that were so popular in Minot years ago. Many of his old-time friends, whose faces are not often seen in church, greeted the gentleman.

## ENGINEER M'GRATH MET INSTANT DEATH AT POPLAR, MONT.

Williston Railroad Man Fell From His  
Engine and Fell Into Milk River  
Near Poplar, Montana

Will McGrath, a well known Great Northern engineer, was instantly killed at the steel overhead bridge just west of Poplar, Mont., last Thursday afternoon. The accident happened in rather a peculiar manner. Mr. McGrath was running west on No. 401. The fireman and brakeman were on the steps leaning down looking for a hot box on the tender and it is presumed that the engineer also went to look out, when he lost his balance. He may have tripped over the fireman's shovel. At any rate, he was precipitated headlong from the engine, striking the bridge and falling into Milk river several feet below. Death must have been instantaneous. The body was soon recovered and it was found that his head was cut where it struck the bridge.

Mr. McGrath met with an accident in Minot in 1906 just as he was preparing to leave the round house. The ice was so high about the track that the main rod caught his foot when the hostler started out with the engine. Later it became necessary to amputate his foot and the fact that he was lame may have had something to do with the accident which caused his death.

Mr. McGrath lived at Williston where he was a member of the B. of L. E. He was 33 years of age and leaves a wife and two young children. Mr. McGrath was heavily insured, besides he has invested in farm lands and houses and lots at Williston and leaves his family in very comfortable circumstances. He was very popular with all who knew him.

**Plowing Under Rusted Wheat.**

Co. Supt. Berg of McHenry county wrote to H. L. Bolley of the state Agricultural College, an authority on wheat raising, regarding the advisability of plowing under wheat fields that are so badly rusted the grain will not be cut. Prof. Bolley's reply follows:

"Referring to your letter of August 9; in a semi-dry region I would not recommend plowing under a solid mass of the straw unless it was done very thoroughly and the ground thoroughly disced and packed to make it rot, and then I would not sow wheat on the same ground next year, but would plant it to corn, potatoes, flax or any other crop, because this straw is full of the scab or blight fungi as well as the rust. Rust would not attack it, but these other diseases which attack the root of the grain would. I do not favor burning of the straw, although I do not think it would do the damage that some people claim it does. I would prefer to feed it down with sheep or other stock and then disc the ground thoroughly and perhaps pack it some and sow to winter rye right away, leaving the roughage on the surface to collect snow. If it has not had flax on it in the last few years the land should be disced well as soon as possible, followed by a packer and then flax should be sowed early in May."

**Grew Winter Wheat**

H. A. Catherman from north of the city, experimented late last September by sowing a peck of wheat in stubble. The wheat was just coming out of the ground when the freeze-up came, but it appeared early in the spring and ripened along with the rye. Catherman says the seed was three years old and only a part of it grew, but he secured 60 pounds of fine plump wheat that was not touched by the rust. He is going to sow this earlier this fall and hopes to have it stooling well before the ground freezes.

**Auditor Issued 200 Hunting Licenses**

County Auditor Thompson has issued more than 200 hunting licenses from his office, besides he has sent licenses to practically every bank in the county where they are being issued. Licenses are being taken out earlier than usual this year and it is a good thing for the auditor's office is unusually busy and if everyone waits until the last minute, someone will be disappointed. The season for ducks and grouse opens on the morning of Sept. 7.

**PRAISE FOR BRITISH SOLDIER**

The following article was handed to the Independent by one of our subscribers, with the request to publish it:

In the London, (England) Daily Mail, Over-Seas Edition of July 22, 1916, a correspondent signing himself "One Wanderer Returned," has this to say:

"Splendid England! If I were not an Englishman I suppose that I could not say this, but being a Scotchman, born in Canada, I am free to express by unbounded admiration for the accomplishments of the English soldiers during the past three weeks of fighting at the front. The whole history of the British Empire has shown nothing finer than the calm, calculated and unbending heroism of these men, dockmen, shopmen, and clerks from Liverpool and Manchester, country laborers from Kent, farmers and townsmen from Derbyshire, peasants from Suff-

folk—they'll have to alter its old name of "Silly Suffolk"—and the like. Day after day the simple narratives of their doings in the Great Push are making all our hearts glow. Here are lads who go gladly to death if death is necessary to save England. Here are boys entering the very glory of young manhood who present themselves cheerfully, wilfully, eagerly, for their mother-country. Some joined the army at great monetary sacrifice. They go the more gladly for this.

I was talking a day or two ago with a father whose son, a doctor, having built up a practice bringing him close on 2,000 pounds a year, was now called upon to give it up to join the army. "I don't know what will become of his practice," said the father. I uttered some words of sympathy. "You don't imagine that my boy is sorry to go, do you?" he said sharply. "Why, he is rejoicing at the prospect like a school boy off for his holidays! What does his practice matter anyway when England has everything at stake?" There spoke the true Englishman. Scotland and England and the Dominions are often, and are rightly, praised for what they have done. But let us tell sometimes of England. I myself am certain that the records of a single regiment properly told, a regiment such as, for example, the "West Kents," "The boys who never lost a trench," would make an imperishable addition to the nation's record of golden deeds. Just as French is showing on the heights of the Meuse and in the valley of the Somme that the spirit of the brave knights and squires and bowmen who have fought so well and so long in past centuries is inherited, undimmed and undiminished in their sons, so England is showing that we need no longer go back to Agincourt or Naseby or Trafalgar for examples of what Englishmen can do. Living examples in abundance are among us today.

## WILLISTON MAN NOT AUTO THIEF, HELD 31 HOURS

R. F. Hawley Kept in Jail for 31 Hours  
at Davenport, Iowa—May Bring  
Suit for Damages

Tuesday's Minneapolis Tribune contained a story of the arrest of R. F. Hawley, a Williston, N. D., business man, whose arrest occurred at Davenport, Ia., the first of the week. Detectives have been working on a number of cases, endeavoring to round up the worst gang of auto thieves who have ever operated in the United States. Hawley was arrested as a suspect and after he had been kept in jail for 31 hours, without being allowed to see an attorney, his companion, who by the way, is a detective, managed to send word to his attorney, and both were let out. The men state that they were subjected to indignities and are talking of bringing a suit for damages against the Davenport authorities.

Hawley formerly resided in Minot, where he was engaged in the cigar manufacturing business. He passed through here last week enroute east with a string of race horses.

**Paper House Locates Salesman Here**

Wright, Barrett & Stilwell Co., wholesale paper dealers of St. Paul, have written the secretary of the Association of Commerce that they have decided to locate a man in Minot to look after this territory, with special reference to the city of Minot, where he will have his home. Mr. Leo Golisch has arrived in the city as their representative, and as soon as he secures living quarters will remove his family to this city. The letter from Wright, Barrett & Stilwell Co. reads in part as follows:

"For some time past our house has been watching the wonderful growth of Minot, and the ever-increasing population of the surrounding territory, and feel that it is time to make a division of our North Dakota territory so that we can have a man living in Minot in order that he may be able to keep in close touch with the trade there as well as being in a better position to work that northwest territory."

This is but another straw to show that Minot is gradually coming into its own. It will not be long before some large paper house will see fit to locate a branch house in this city.

**Earl Champlin Lost Little Boy**

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Champlin, who recently moved to Wolf Point, Mont., are mourning the death of their nine-months-old son, who was ill for several days with spinal meningitis. Mrs. Champlin and babe had arrived at Wolf Point only two days before the child's death occurred. Mr. Champlin was engaged in the grain business at Genoa for several years, locating at Wolf Point recently where he is interested in the Champlin Implement Co. Mr. and Mrs. Champlin have the sincere sympathy of their many friends.

**Auto Injures Boy**

Victor Matthews, a boy who lives with Mr. and Mrs. Judd Wood, was run down by an auto run by Clarence Francis Tuesday afternoon. Fortunately he was not injured badly. Mr. Wood swore out a warrant for the arrest of young Francis, but the case will probably be dropped.