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The First National Bank and the Bank of Harvey have consolidated.

Western North Dakota ranchers report there is little demand and a large supply of range horses.

The Plaza Pioneer published an allegory of a dead town, the residents of which patronized neither the local stores nor the local newspaper.

Dickinson lawyers break all precedents, according to the Recorder-Post, by going out in the harvest fields and actually working.

"Here's that returned soldier boasting about how he was gassed in the trenches, and it never hurt him." for ten years."

A grain elevator at Harvey, which has been closed for more than a year, was destroyed by fire. As usual the "origin of the fire is unknown."

Arrangements may be made in North Dakota by which married women who were formerly teachers may resume educational work.

Residents of Western North Dakota assert if the August precipitation had fallen in June, that section would also have produced a bumper crop for the Allies.

Acting under order of the state council of defense a Stanton farmer cut the wires of a crossing to make a shorter crossing to a hay field which belonged to him. The owner of the fence objected and now he has a law suit on his hands.

Leonard Lorntson, 18 months old, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Lorntson of Lisbon, was strangled to death by becoming entangled in a swing. Mrs. Lorntson found the baby, still alive, death coming before a physician could arrive.

Irene Leimbacher, one of Fargo's most beloved girls, gave her life last week in trying to save the life of a comrade. Miss Leimbacher was near Westpoint, Kentucky, where she was in the canteen service.

J. Mitchell, a hardware dealer of Newark, was instantly killed when the automobile in which he was riding with E. G. Peterson, a banker of Newark, turned over on a high grade near Hecla, S. D. Peterson was not injured.

North Dakota men who gave up their lives in France were Cook Martin A. Jacobson, Litchville; Private Gordon M. Lindgren, Cooperstown; Private Andrew Olson, Hastings; and Private Phillip M. Paulson, Beach.

Elmer, the 14-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Madsen, was accidentally drowned two miles east of Mohall. He and another boy were bathing and went down in about seven feet of water. Life was extinct when help arrived.

Miss LaRocque, a nurse of the Kenmare hospital, was severely bruised up when an auto in which she and other nurses were enjoying an evening spin blew out a front tire, swerved to the rocky roadside and collided with a wire fence so as to be overturned.

Sergeant Clyde A. Neer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Neer of Alexander, was crushed to death under the wheels of a troop train on which he had just returned from New York to Camp Pike, Ark. Sergeant Neer was in the first draft last fall.

Mrs. William McDonald of Fort Clark is in the Mandan hospital suffering from a fractured skull as a result of a blow which she received on the head when the wind blew down a cellar door just as she started up the cellar stairs from the basement of er home!

Drawing into her lungs flames of fire communicated to her clothing by the flare-up of a fire in the kitchen stove which she was attempting to hasten with kerosene, Mrs. Nellie Nelson, 36, wife of Oscar Nelson of Hillsboro, ran into the bedroom where Mr. Nelson was sleeping and fell across his bed, dead.

While driving the binder home after completing the season's grain cutting, Miss Vera Petrich of Enderlin had one of her fingers badly crushed in the gears of the machine. The young lady has operated a binder on her father's farm throughout the past harvest season.

Lieutenant John A. Forseth of Grand Forks fell 2,000 feet while flying in France and is recovering in a French hospital. He writes his parents that he was leading three other Americans toward the German lines when his machine was struck by shrapnel. It fell. He was bruised and internally injured but said his recovery was assured. Before the war Forseth made exhibition flights.

Within a few weeks Mott will have a federal labor bureau. At present there are eight federal labor bureaus in the state and twelve more are to be established as soon as possible, namely at Wahpeton, Williston, Valley City, Dickinson, Beacs, Oakes, Hettinger, Schafer, Crosby, Rugby, Mandan and Mott.

With the death in action in France of Samuel Kartenson of Gardar, N. D., member of company C, First North Dakota infantry, the Kartenson family is wiped out. Just a few months ago his brother, Barnard, died at Camp Dodge of pneumonia. Their parents died several years ago.

A Grand Forks county wheat raiser has had all his fields raked after the shocks were removed and gleaned grain amounting to about a bushel to the acre. One man with a team gathered in $50 worth of wheat in a day's work. The $50 possibly cut no great figure in this case. The main idea was that this is a bad time to allow good wheat to go to waste. It is the principal ingredient you see in the preparation of "hard tack" for the haversacks of the soldier boys.

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