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WINNERS IN CORN-POTATO SHOW ANNOUNCED; SPLENDID EXHIBITS

The Ward County Corn and Potato Show held in this city Friday and Saturday, attracted fair sized crowds, though the number of people attending would have been much larger but for the cold weather.

The show was held in the high school auditorium, which proved to be an ideal place for the exhibits as well as for the program.

Sweepstakes ribbon for corn at the Ward County Corn and Potato Show went to August Cordes of Douglas, and sweepstakes ribbon for potatoes to Walter Troxel of Berthold, according to check of the records which was completed today. Mr. Cordes had an exhibit of Yellow Dent Minnesota No. 13 corn and Mr. Troxel exhibited Green Mountain potatoes. There were five more exhibits of corn and 27 less of potatoes this year than last. The smaller potato exhibit is said to be due to the fact that winter came so early that many of the pits were frozen shut and the farmers could not get specimens without breaking the pits open. It is said that more than 35 entries of potatoes would have come from Berthold district alone, if it was not for this fact.

The quality of the corn on display this year is said to have been of a much better quality than last year.

The prizes for community booths went to Douglas and Ryder, first and second respectively. A prize of \$50 was given to Douglas and one of \$30 to Ryder.

A total of \$272 in premiums was given to exhibitors. The list of prize winners and their addresses follow:

Potatoes

Cobbler—H. Finke, Berthold; Wm. Clouse, Surrey; Ed. Kelley, Minot.

Ohio—Charles Booth, Sawyer; Louis Gissel, Kenmare; J. J. Brand, Logan.

Triumph—Agr. Dept. H. S. Velva; B. B. Mouck, Minot; Eva Matt, Kenmare.

Rural N. Y.—John Holbach, Minot; Carl Carlson, Des Lacs; J. H. Bradley, Velva.

Green Mt.—Walter Troxel, Foxholm; Charles Booth, Sawyer; Lawrence Troxel, Foxholm.

All Other Varieties—Harold Livingston, Kenmare; Ole Boe, Lone Tree; Henry Crodes, Douglas.

Any Yellow Dent—F. W. Weider, Velva; August Cordes, Douglas; A. C. Nedrud, Logan.

N. Y. Dent—John Meyers, Logan; Orrin Roberts, Douglas; Arnold Haldi, Glenburn.

Minnesota 13—August Cordes, Douglas; John Wallin, Burlington; Ole Dent, Minot.

White Dent—Charley Booth, Sawyer; J. H. Burkhardt, Berthold; N. D. Welty, Sawyer.

Yellow Flint—August Johnson, Douglas; John Valla, Foxholm; Nels Valla, Foxholm.

Sweet Corn—Charley Booth, Sawyer; John Holbach, Minot; A. C. Nedrud, Logan.

Pop Corn—A. G. Burgeson, Douglas; Carl Carlson, Des Lacs; Carl Carlson, Des Lacs.

Squaw Corn—H. Schimmelpfenning, Burlington; John Meyers, Logan.

Falconer Dent—Don Davy, Burlington; Charley Scribner, Burlington; Frank Pettys, Sawyer.

White Flint—August Cordes, Douglas; William Stammen, Carpio; J. J. Brand, Logan.

Saturday was Potato Day at the Corn and Potato Show, and it is regretted that every potato grower could not have heard the addresses. A. S. Spicher, county commissioner, was chairman for the day. He introduced Dr. L. H. Beeler, president of the Minot Normal, who gave a splendid address. The growing of good crops is important, but the speaker emphasized the importance also of making the farm homes more comfortable and the surroundings more beautiful. The young folks will stay on the farms if the homes are made attractive. They should not have to be ashamed to show their city friends their country homes. Keeping the roadsides attractive was touched upon. The man who hauls loads of tin cans out into the country and dumps them along the roadsides is a criminal and ought to be punished. He referred to the economical side of farm life. The well should be located close to the house. He showed by statistics that farm women draw most of the water for the house and showed just how many pounds of water they were compelled to lift and carry daily. Attention should be paid to the report of the public health nurse who visits the school to prevent the children from becoming ill and to cure them of physical defects, thus giving them an equal opportunity with other children to gain an education. The Normal school he said is doing an important work in training the teachers to go out into the country to train the children of the rural districts in an efficient manner. He was heartily applauded.

Einar Madson, of Burlington, who has done much for the potato growing industry in his district, gave an interesting address on "Our Aim in the Potato Industry." Mr. Madson spoke as only a man can who is heart and soul in his work. The Burlington community has already paid some attention to stock and corn but needed something that would bring quick returns, so started in growing potatoes on a good sized scale three years ago.

It is safe to announce that we are past the experimental stage," he said. "A mark must be set for the future. Each community must educate its potato growers as to quality."

This year there were not as many good potato exhibits as there would have been had not most of the potatoes been put away for the winter. Last year the show was held at about the time the crop was being harvested. We can produce as good potatoes as any place in the United States, he said. "I would rather grow potatoes on a large scale right here than any other place I know of," he declared. "Our potatoes are far superior in taste and we have a wonderful future. We should try to find some way to show the public we have a better variety than any other locality," he said. He suggests that four or five counties of Northwestern North Dakota organize an association. He predicts that next year 5,000,000 bushels of choice potatoes will be grown in Northwestern North Dakota and says that an association could set aside 2 cents a bushel for advertising. A hundred thousand dollars could thus be raised and the money could be expended in selected territory. This would enable us to sell our potatoes at a premium of 25 cents a bushel. We raise too many varieties. Keep away from the late stuff, he says. The Green Mountains are the best yielders but they usually do not mature well and are hard to market advantageously.

Prof. H. L. Bolley of the Agricultural College gave a valuable address on potato diseases, illustrating with potatoes picked out of the exhibits. He said the farmers could not do all the things they would like to do, until they can get their noses off the grindstone, and growing potatoes intelligently will help them to do this. Not enough potatoes are grown in the United States to feed the people, he said. He paid his respects to the buyer who sits back and sets the price for the farmers' potatoes and warned them to learn how to market their product. He told the farmers what is meant by certified seed. It is seed that is reasonably free from disease, so much so that experts put their O. K. on them. They must be up to a certain standard. North Dakota potatoes are in demand in the south for seed in the spring, because they are nice and solid, whereas the southern potatoes after going through the winter are soft and shriveled. In Minnesota the growers have about given up their low production.

In North Dakota the average yield for this variety is 75 bushels, as compared to 140 bushels for Early Ohio and 130 bushels for Green Mountains.

The Early Triumphs are a beautiful type and Mr. Bolley said he never saw finer ones than those exhibited at this show. Keep the land and seed clean. You have raised 250 bushels of Early Ohio per acre in Ward County, he said. The Green Mountains are too easily skinned by the digger or shovel to be very good up here, he said. You must ship in car lots and quite a few cars too, to convince buyers that the Ward County potatoes are all right.

Coffee and wafers were served free to the crowds at a booth over which charming young ladies presided.

The Ryder community exhibits which won second place were very attractive and the exhibits were numerous. There was a splendid assortment of pop corn, mangle beets, citrons, winter radishes, corn, potatoes, pumpkins, parsnips, rutabagas, beets, squashes, and many other vegetables in the Ryder booth.

Douglas won the first prize with a fine display of corn, flax, pumpkins, wheat, citrons, sunflowers, potatoes, onions, sweet clover, and a variety of other farm products. August Johnson's King potatoes were the largest to be seen in the show.

The speakers Friday afternoon were Governor R. A. Nestos, N. D. Gorman, assistant state leader of county agents, John Lee Coulter, president of the North Dakota Agricultural College, and L. R. Waldron, plant breeder. The farmers who were able to attend these sessions were well repaid for their trouble.

The Rainbow Girls with Harry "Ike" Evans

Musical comedy fans are in for a treat when Harry "Ike" Evans and his Rainbow Girls open at the Grand Theatre for an indefinite stock engagement, starting Monday November twenty eight. The company consists of twelve people, namely six very capable and funny farceurs and a sextet of bewitching chorus beauties.

The company will present a series of meritorious musical comedies running an hour and fifteen minutes, and do two performances each night, changing their program every Monday and Thursday with a bargain matinee every Saturday.

Every offering of the Rainbow Girls will be a miniature musical comedy or tableau version of the big New York successful musical plays, with special scenery and lyrics.

All the bills are personally directed by Harry "Ike" Evans and show his inimitable handiwork and his infinite graces on the audience requirements of the miniature musical comedy.

The opening bill, "Apartment Twenty Three," is a very funny farce comedy with ten different musical interruptions, a harmony trio, a wooden shoe dancing set, interpretive dancing, etc.

The cast includes Lillian Edbrooke, Donna Lee, Walter Harmon, Glen McCord, Harry "Ike" Evans and a chorus of six well matched and beautifully gowned girls.

R'member

THE KID YOU SUSPECTED OF TAKING YOUR WATERMELONS, WELL—



NOW LOOK AT HIM



N. D. UNIVERSITY PRESS CLUB SERVICE

Harold Shaft of Minot was appointed assistant feature editor on The Dakota staff. The Dakota is the University annual put out by the Junior class.

Orton Burbridge, a former Minot student has been made a captain in the R. O. T. C. Mr. Burbridge is a senior in the school of Law.

Marion Wilder and Ernest Hurd, of Grand Forks and Jalmer Muus of White Earth have been announced members of Phi Beta Kappa, honorary scholastic fraternity. The members of each graduating class having the highest four-year average are eligible for membership. Miss Valma Webster of Minot, who graduated two years ago from North Dakota University, won a Phi Beta Kappa key.

Miss Emily Martin of Minot will be initiated into Delta Gamma Sorority, this coming week. Miss Martin was made a pledge this fall.

Miss Maxine Stewart was initiated into the 'Anti-Stage Fright' club last Sunday. The organization is a musical one whose aim is perfection in public performances.

Thursday, November 24, is a University holiday. All classes will be suspended until Friday.

GIRL RESERVE NEWS

G. R. Corp number One Company A have been working on a world fellowship program, which they will give at one of the membership meetings this winter. They will have a sale the first part of the month.

Miss June Anderson and Miss Alice Anderson are the leaders for this club.

Miss Marion Campton, a member of the Nitcha Club, has the honor of winning the first G. R. ring. She has 260 honor points.

Most of the corps have plans for Xmas boxes for needy children. Last year they remembered children in the following places: Crittenton Home, Elbow Lake Indian School and the Orphans Home at Fargo.

The Friendship Club will have a regular meeting at the Y. W. rooms Thursday evening. There will be a short business meeting followed by a social evening.

The Young Business Girls Club will have a meeting Monday evening at 7:30 in the basement of St. Leo's Church. A special program has been planned.

Farm Hand Charged With Forgery

Julius Rue, a prominent Burlington farmer, was in Minot Saturday conferring with State's Attorney Herigstad, and swore out a warrant for the arrest of Albert West, a farm hand, on a charge of forgery. West worked for him several weeks and was given a check for \$23.00 for his services. He claimed to have lost the check in a pasture and Mr. Rue gave him another, failing to notify the bank. The man cashed both checks and is said to have forged a third for \$14.00 which he cashed. He did a fairly good job at imitating Mr. Rue's handwriting. West is 27 years of age and said his wife lives at Kathryn, N. D.

How J. F. Booth Practiced a "Fraud"

J. F. Booth of Sawyer, was in Minot Saturday. He is one of the farmers accused of practicing fraud in circulating recall petitions. He states that at the Frank Templeman farm, he found Miss Ida Templeman and Mrs. Al Templeman, who signed the petition. In publishing the list the name of "Mrs. A. L. Templeman" was erroneously given and this is all there is to the "fraud" story. Anyone who knows Mr. Booth knows him to be a man of the strictest integrity.

Salvation Army Services

Ensign and Mrs. Redgrove and daughter Vera, of Fargo, appeared at the Salvation Army barracks today for special Thanksgiving services, conducted in the morning while in the evening a program was given, and cake and coffee served.

The Corps Cadets, the Army young folks, will hold special services Sunday evening.

Eddie Hoffman, who has been head salesman at the Hamre Furniture store for several years, left for Minneapolis this week where he will be connected with one of the large furniture stores. After the first of the year, he expects to accept a place on the road as salesman. Mr. Hoffman is a very capable furniture man and will make good wherever he goes.

Capt. Brown, Charged With Permitting Gambling, On Trial

The case of the state vs W. S. Brown, Captain of the police, charged with permitting gambling in connection with a circus held in Minot last summer, is being tried in district court in Minot this week before Judge Burr of Rugby, who arrived Monday to hold a term of court.

The case is being prosecuted by Attorney Crum, from the Attorney General's office.

The case at this writing is being argued before the jury and may go to the jury this afternoon.

According to the evidence brought out, Brown was left alone in charge of the police department the day of the circus, the Chief, Larry Bryne, being out of the city. H. J. Hecht, special policeman, was looking after affairs at the circus. Brown made a trip to the grounds but said he could not remain long, but while at the grounds he did not see any gambling. The state claims that Brown knew gambling was being permitted on the grounds.

The case against Larry Bryne, charged with grand larceny, in connection with the retaining of a whiskey car by the police department, will come up at this term. Bryne claims to have had permission from the insurance company to retain and to use a whiskey which is still in his possession. It is believed generally that little will come of the action and Bryne's friends look for a speedy vindication.

No court was held today. Thanksgiving.

Hundred Dollar Land

Wm. Harbeck, a Velva farmer, who resides on the J. W. Miller farm, intended summer following 30 acres of land last summer, but Cook Robinson induced him to plant the field to corn. Mr. Miller permitted him the use of the 30 acres free for the purpose. He picked 1500 bushels of the finest kind of corn and will have more than enough to last him for feed during the coming season. He can sell every bushel he raised for 50 cents a bushel, whereas Illinois farmers have to content themselves with selling their corn for 18 cents. Our cheap North Dakota land thus produced \$25,000 worth of corn per acre. Who says our land isn't worth a hundred dollars an acre?

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New York—New and important light was thrown on the career of Colonel Theodore Roosevelt when the Roosevelt Memorial association announced the gift of a seven-page manuscript in Mr. Roosevelt's hand, written in 1884. The manuscript is the gift of Joseph A. Ferris of Terry, Montana, who was a storekeeper in Medora, N. D., where Roosevelt was a ranchman in the adjacent Bad Lands.

The manuscript is historically of the greatest importance. It contains the minutes of the first meeting of the Little Missouri River Stockman's association, and reveals that this meeting of what was in effect a vigilance committee and the first law-and-order body in western North Dakota, was called to order by Roosevelt and that its first action was to elect Roosevelt its chairman. The meeting was in Medora, December 19, 1884, and was attended by the dozen most influential ranchmen of the region.

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Fred W. Burdick Dies After Long Illness

Fred W. Burdick, aged 59 years, a brother of E. E. Burdick, of Douglas, passed away in St. Joseph's hospital Sunday, after a long illness from paralysis. He was brought to this city from Douglas several weeks ago in a helpless condition and suffered a second stroke Thursday.

Mr. Burdick was born at Alfred, Alleghany County, N. Y. and spent many years in the west. He was engaged in sheep raising in Idaho for years and later conducted a shoe shop at Kuna, Idaho. He is survived by his wife, a daughter who lives in Utah and a son, Alvin, who was in Minot at the time of his father's death. Two brothers, E. E. Burdick of Douglas and J. W. Burdick of Seattle, survive. A sister, Mrs. Haskins of Douglas died a month ago.

Mr. Burdick was a member of the Modern Woodmen of America, Mountain Home Idaho, lodge, his son and daughter being his beneficiaries. The remains were interred in Rose Hill cemetery, Tuesday. Short funeral services were held that afternoon from Van Fleet's undertaking parlors. Rev. Mr. Langberg, Seventh Day Adventist Minister officiating.

Longre Would Prove That Welling Stole the Auto

Chas. Welling, murderer of Sanders Nielsen, Kenmare policeman, who was taken to Bismarck recently, will probably soon be turned over to the Iowa authorities. It is reported that Jack Longre, in jail charged with stealing an auto at Kenmare, hopes that Welling may be retained in the state as a witness. It is believed that Longre expects to secure a statement from Welling that Welling stole the car although authorities say they have evidence that Longre drove it into Canada. Welling will be taken to the Iowa state prison from which he escaped, to complete a life sentence for murdering the son of Sheriff Maxwell at LeMars, Iowa.

Blue Lodge Election

Star of the West Lodge, A. F. and A. M. held their election of officers Thursday night which resulted as follows: James J. Smallwood, Worshipful Master; Axel Nelson, Senior Warden; Dr. Lang, Junior Warden; Henry Byrum, Treasurer; Martin Engeseth, Secretary.

Keystone 100 Per Cent American

Lyle Thompson and Bill O'Leary have opened their Keystone lunch room in connection with their billiard parlors in the Peter Ehr block on First St. S. W. and already are receiving very liberal patronage. Those who have visited the place say it is a great place to get a fine feed of home cooking. The Keystone is 100 per cent American and 100 per cent efficient.

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A. A. ROBINSON HEADS CURLERS; BONSPIEL JAN. 24-26 PLANNED

SANITY COURT WILL PASS ON "CROESUS"

"Overalls Millionaire" Who Stirred Milaca Excites North Dakota Farmers

L. H. Martin, also known as Harry Enright, the "millionaire" who Milaca into wild excitement early this month until it was rejected by a bank at Portland, Ore., was to be arraigned in a sanity court at Baldwin, N. D., late today after making a deal for the purchase of 300,000 acres of land near Bismarck.

The "Dixie Wallingford" first appeared in this section, asserting that he had sold valuable oil interests in Texas and announced he was prepared to invest extensively in land near Milaca. To back up his boast, he wrote a draft on a bank at Portland for \$500,000. He wrote one check for \$47,000, which he proposed would be cashed when the money arrived from Portland. It failed to arrive and the stranger disappeared.

According to a dispatch from Bismarck today, Harry Enright appeared there a few days ago, announcing he had sold interests in Georgia and proposed to invest in 300,000 acres of land near Baldwin upon which to place 8,000 cattle. A bank there, however, refused to honor a draft of \$125,000 on a Georgia bank. This was disconcerting to the farmers, who had agreed to sell at "reasonable terms."

One of them had already arranged to spend the winter in California. While the farmers and the bank were sending out wires to persons and banks named by Enright, all of which brought responses that Enright was unknown, Deputy Sheriff Robert Phelps said he identified Enright as the man who gave his name as Martin in Minnesota.

At the conclusion of the meeting A. A. Robinson, who has been the efficient president for years, was re-elected. Other officers re-elected are as follows: Mike Mulroy, Vice President; R. M. Graham, Secretary; Dr. Kernott, Treasurer.

The dues were reduced from \$20.00 to \$15.00 and it is believed that there will be 80 members this year. A number of new members were present and each one who attended the meeting signified his intention of curling this season. Six sheets of ice will be operated this year and it is probable that two more will be used if a sufficient number of curlers manifest interest in the greatest of winter sports.

Experts are at work at present preparing the ice and it is believed that a couple of sheets will be in readiness today. All restrictions in forming rinks were taken off this year, following a spirited discussion.

Curling will be more popular in Minot than ever this winter, if Tuesday night's meeting can be considered a criterion.

Secretary Graham read a financial report showing the association's property worth more than \$8,000.00 with a small indebtedness.

Curlers will be permitted to join the Association this year by paying the \$15.00 dues even though they do not own any stock.

It was decided to hold a big Bonspiel January 24, 25 and 26. Curlers from Grand Forks, Drayton, St. Thomas, Portal, Estevan, and a number of other Canadian cities will be invited and it is expected that the event will be the most important of its kind ever held here.

The following clipping taken from an exchange gives one person's version of a newspaper man. We very blushing submit same to our readers:

(Contributed)

He seldom is handsome or hatty, And has none of the charms of the dude; Is more often abstracted than chatty And sometimes unbearably rude. He courts us, then slights us and grieves us, As much as he possibly can; He kisses us, loves us and leaves us, This perfidious newspaper man. Our mothers won't have him come calling, His morals (they say) are appalling, His finances usually match. He's rollicking, reckless, uncaring, Living but for the hour, the day; He's dangerous, dubious, daring, Not fit for a husband, they say; But somehow we girls are forgiving, Perhaps he but needs us the more, Because he goes wrong in the living, And knows the old world to the core. So we pass by the dude and the schemer, Who lead in society's van; And cherish the thinker and dreamer, Enshrined in the Newspaper Man.

Behind the Dead Line

The editor of an American newspaper dropped in to a special afternoon session for the first time for many years. He listened to the sermon for a while and then rushed to his office. "What are you fellows doing?" he shouted. "How about the news from the seat of war?" "What news?" "Why, all this about the Egyptian army being drowned in the Red Sea. The minister up at the church knows all about it, and you haven't got a single word of it in our latest edition. Bustle round, you fellows, and get out an extra special sharp!"—London Times.

Ye Editor's Thanksgiving Gift

The editor received his usual Thanksgiving turkey from Mr. and Mrs. Lee Miller, who reside in the far west for the raising district north of Granville. For many years the Millers have provided us with our Thanksgiving turkey and we do not even envy President Harding with his 50-pound, five hundred dollar turkey, shipped from Mississippi for today's festivities.

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