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DEVILS LAKE, NORTH DAKOTA, JULY 30, 1909.

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RAMSEY HAS GOOD SHOWING

REPORT OF COUNTY AUDITOR TO STATE STATISTICIAN SHOWS BIG INCREASE THIS YEAR.

The report of County Auditor Rice to the state statistician for the year 1909 has been completed and makes very interesting reading. It shows a considerable increase in the acreage of grain sown this year over 1908.

Some of the interesting items in the report follow:

Total number of farms in county, 1,348.
Total number of acres under cultivation, 400,783.
Total number of acres in farms, cultivated and not cultivated, 554,816.

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS FOR 1908.

Wheat—acres sown 203,608; acres harvested 197,578; bushels harvested 1,946,995.

Oats—acres sown 40,921; acres harvested 40,403; bushels harvested 691,020.

Barley—acres sown 40,478; acres harvested 39,793; bushels harvested 494,066.

Barley—acres sown 18,998; acres harvested 18,243; bushels harvested 116,815.

Rye—acres sown 437; acres harvested 437; bushels harvested 4,397.

Speltz—acres sown 1,338; acres harvested 1,175; bushels harvested 17,902.

Corn—acres planted 754; bushels husked 329; acres cut for fodder 741.

Potatoes—acres planted 740; bushels harvested 14,878.

Roots of all kind—acres plants 17; bushels harvested 2,152.

Millet and Hungarian—acres sown 1,619; tons cut 932.

Brome grass—acres sown 808; tons cut 216.

Other tame hay—acres sown 346; tons cut 275.

Tons of prairie hay cut 45,239.

ACREAGE LOST BY HAIL, 1908.

No. acres total loss 285

No. acres three-fourths loss 200

No. acres one-half loss 538

No. acres one-fourth loss 940

ACREAGE FOR 1909.

Wheat, acres 243,938

Speltz, acres 1,312

Brome Grass, acres 572

Other tame grasses 1,655

Rye, acres 1,368

Oats, acres 48,398

Barley, acres 48,321

Flax, acres 14,026

Hay (Mil. and Hun.) 1,613

Corn, acres 1,546

Potatoes, acres 1,086

Roots of all kinds 326

Total acreage of crop, including tame grass 359,661

Garden, value of products sold in 1908, \$5,689.

Poultry, value of poultry and eggs sold in 1908, \$17,936.

DAIRY PRODUCTS, 1908.

No. pounds butter made in families, 234,996.

No. pounds cheese made in families, 300.

No. pounds of cream sold to creameries in 1908, 30,040.

Value of milk sold to cheese factories and creameries or made into butter and cheese by such factories in 1908, \$4,455.

Total value of milk sold during year 1908, other than to cheese factories and creameries, \$9,277.

No. cows used for dairying in 1909, 3,347.

No. of sheep sheared in 1908 1029

Total number pounds of wool clipped for the year 1908 7134

No. fruit trees bearing in the county 1908 57

No. fruit trees not bearing 1908 1962

No. acres berries of all kinds 1908 18

Total value of fruit raised in county and marketed in 1908 15

No. acres artificial forests of all kinds in county, 1 year old and over, 1909 1105

Live Stock, 1909.

Horses—Total No. 11827

Mules—Total No. 189

Cattle—Total No. 8944

Sheep—Total No. 1602

Hogs—Total No. 3320

What is the value of all animals fattened and killed for home use, during 1908, \$52,377.

What is the value of all cattle, hogs and sheep sold for market during 1908, \$59,516.

What is the value of all horses sold to markets during 1908, \$49,115.

What is the value of all kinds of stock brought into the county during 1908, \$2,267.

Vital Statistics.

No. males living on or employed on farms during 1908, 3,529.

No. of females living on or employed on farms during 1908, 2,638.

Total number of births during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1909, 118.

Total number of deaths during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1909, 39.

Farm Labor Statistics for 1908.

No. male employees, 1,080; average wages paid per month \$31.50.

No. female employees, 175; average wages paid per month, \$17.00.

Total wages paid during the year, \$306,138.00.

This includes thresh bills and day labor.

CONTRACTS AWARDED

FOR GRADING AND SEWERS IN THE CITY OF DEVILS LAKE.

At an adjourned meeting of the city council held Friday evening bids were opened for the grading of a number of the streets in the west part of the city and also for considerable sewer construction. In all the contracts let will amount to about \$28,000.

Tom Young, of this city, was the only bidder for the grading and was awarded the contract at 40c a cubic yard for the dirt moved. This work will include all the streets from 8th to 14th west of Minnewaukan avenue, as well as a number of the avenues in this territory. This is a move in the right direction as the streets in that part of the city are sadly in need of attention.

The contract for sewer construction was awarded to S. W. Scharth, of Fargo. Sewers are to be laid on Second street, First street, Railroad avenue, Hill Ave., and Sixth street.

NEW CITY DIRECTORY COMPLETED

IS BEING DELIVERED TO THE SUBSCRIBERS THIS WEEK.

The Devils Lake Directory Co. are delivering to their subscribers, the new city directory of Devils Lake. This is the first directory the city has had, and is a very creditable one. It contains 150 pages printed on best quality 100 pound book paper and substantially bound in vellum and leather. The entire work is the product of the Inter-Ocean with the exception of the binding which was done by the McGill-Warner Co., of St. Paul.

The book throughout shows painstaking and careful work on the part of the publishers, Messrs. Howe & Mills, who have made the work very complete in every detail. It contains a complete alphabetically arranged list of business firms and private citizens, preceded by twelve pages of miscellaneous information, including the city and county government, fire department, public institutions, churches, and secret and benevolent societies and clubs. Also a two page map of the city showing the location of the various streets.

Following the alphabetical list of names of the citizens and business firms, is an alphabetically arranged street directory, taking up the streets commencing with the first number and going to the last and giving the name of resident of building at each number, thus giving a double directory of each place. Following this is a classified Business Directory, containing a complete list of all the various business avocations in the city and the names of the persons interested in them.

The canvassers find that there is in Devils Lake 2,359 persons over the age of eighteen years, and using the multiple of 2 1/2 which is the standard used in such cases Devils Lake has a population of 5897.

The directory is exceptionally free from mistakes, which is evidence of the careful work of the compilers.

Taken in all the Devils Lake City Directory is a credit to the city and to the publishers, and will be of much assistance and benefit to our citizens and visitors to the city.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

For the Week of July 28

Chautauqua association to the state university, part of lot 3, sec. 18-153-64. Consideration \$100.

Moses Ball and wife to Reinhold Steinke, ne 1-4 34 and w 1-2 nw 1-4 35 and w 1-2 sw 1-4 26-155-66. \$14,000.00.

U. S. to Alfred Nordland se 1-4 se 1-4 11 and w 1-2 sw 1-4 and sw 1-4 14 12-157-61.

Albert M. Powell and wife to John Welk, lots 11 and 12, blk 161, Devils Lake. \$100.00.

Wm. R. Woods to O. W. Ohnstad, se 1-4 se 1-4 11 and w 1-2 sw 14 and sw 1-4 nw 1-4 12-157-61. \$3,800.

Isabella A. Chamberlin and husband to Ellen J. Chamberlin nw 1-4 23-154-63, lots 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14, blk 11 Ruger's 2d ad. to Devils Lake. \$100

U. S. to Carrie Gering se 1-4 sw 1-4 and lot 7 6-158-63.

W. H. Belford, sheriff, to Ole Serungard, lot 19, blk 7, Cleveland & Kennedy's ad to Devils Lake. \$2,237.18.

M. H. Brennan, trustee, to A. V. Hatg, lots 7 and 8, blk 2, Home Investment Co. ad to Devils Lake. \$500.

Henry A. Aslackson and wife to John A. Honey, lots 5 and 6, blk 17, Stolts 1st ad to Edmore. \$1,200.

John J. Breen and wife to Lakota Telephone Co. Right-of-way through n 1-2 sw 1-4 20-154-61. \$1.00.

Peder P. Bottolfsen and wife to Edward B. Hartman, nw 1-4 19-157-62. \$3,500.

Mary Medelman and husband to Byron Alden Fahl and wife, lots 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17, blk 4, Ruger's ad to Devils Lake. \$4,000.00.

Ten Brock Whipple and Howard Whipple to William Meert, s 1-2 ne 1-4, n 1-2 se 1-4 1-153-65. \$1.00.

Elsie M. Powell and husband to William D. Jones, lot 22, blk 160, Devils Lake. \$300.

Alexander M. Dickinson and wife to Fred Anderson, se 1-4 22-158-63. \$1.00.

Lutheran Services

There will be German services at the Norwegian Lutheran church in this city next Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock conducted by Rev. A. Kollmorgen.

On the following Sunday there will be a mission festival at Branding's grove at Sweetwater station. In the forenoon the address will be in the German language and the English language in the afternoon. Everybody invited to attend.

Railroader Registers A Kick

NOT SATISFIED WITH THE TREATMENT GIVEN THEM BY THE CITY OF DEVILS LAKE.

We are in receipt of a communication from across the track, which has considerable merit. Devils Lake is growing so fast that it is probable that the city dads may neglect portions of it unless their attention is drawn to that neglect. As this communication may have a tendency in that direction we gladly publish it as we will always do under similar circumstances. The communication follows:

Editor Inter-Ocean.

Dear Sir:

Devils Lake seemed to be (very) glad to get the shops here and bragged what a wonderfully good thing it was for the city. Well! And how do they think we are suited? The shops being ACROSS THE TRACK is not our fault, tho we can't very well avoid living over here. We pay city tax and are justly entitled to decent treatment. Every street west of Minnewaukan avenue is a mud hole and should be filled or bridged. Not a foot of sidewalk and every property owner willing to do his share. 340 school children compelled to wade through the mud and snow some even to the Ward school. No mail delivery

over here though two on the East side. No church and not even a Sunday school. No fire protection and when an alarm is sent in, it takes anywhere from thirty minutes to an hour for the fire department to get out here to get STUCK in the mud. Give us decent treatment. We are entitled to it.

—A Railroader.

A REAL SNAKE STORY

AUGUST PIPER SEES STRANGE, LARGE SNAKE ON HIS FARM IN BENSON COUNTY.

We are in receipt of a communication from August Piper, of Penn. relative to a large snake seen on his place recently. It seems that this reptile is considerably out of the ordinary in this locality. The letter follows:

Editor Inter-Ocean, Dear Sir:—

On July 19, as I was haying on my new farm, the King farm in Benson county, I seen a snake such as I never saw before in my life. It was white with yellow spots along its back. I could not tell the length of it because I could not see the whole snake, as it got into the high grass. I seen about four feet of the tall part but could not see the head. It measured about six inches through the body and the end of the tail was about two inches thick at the end and as square as if it had been cut off.

I don't think the snake seen me or it might have killed me, as I did not have a thing in my hands. The next day I took the gun and went looking for it but could not find it. I also seen a young black snake this spring on the same farm.

Truly yours,
August Piper, Penn, N. D.

Presbyterian Church

Services Sabbath, August 1st, as follows:

Morning worship at 11 o'clock. Subject, "The Obedience of Faith."

Sabbath school at 12 o'clock.

Evening worship at 8 o'clock. Subject, "A Snowy Day."

To these services the public is cordially invited and a genuine welcome

is assured all attending. Seats are free.

W. MEITZNER IS DEAD

DIED SATURDAY; FUNERAL OCCURRED IN THIS CITY MONDAY.

William Meitzner passed away at his home in Newbre township last Saturday at the advanced age of 81 years.

Mr. Meitzner was one of the pioneers of this territory coming here in 1884.

Deceased is survived by three children, Miss Matilda, Herman and Carl. Funeral services were held from the Lutheran church in this city Monday, conducted by Rev. Kolmorgan.

Murray-Wickum Nuptials

At the Congregational church at Crary on Wednesday, July 28th, at 3 o'clock, the vows were pledged which united in the holy bonds of wedlock two of the popular young people from the vicinity of Crary; Robert V. Murray and Miss Clara Wickum. Promptly at the hour appointed the strains of the wedding march sounded forth, and the bridal party appeared, led by Rev. Arthur G. Bailey, D. D., of Devils Lake. The altar reached the solemn words were pronounced which united the two happy young people for life; the beautiful ring ceremony of the Presbyterian church was used. Throughout the ceremony the soft strains of music added very much to the charm and the beauty of the ceremony.

After the vows had been taken the company repaired to the country home of the bride's mother Mrs. Alen F. Wickum, where a bountiful wedding dinner was very daintily served to about 50 guests.

The decorations of the church were of potted and cut flowers and in the home of bouquets and festoons of daintily colored strips of crepe paper twisted.

Many pretty and valuable presents were received by the young people who have lived for the larger portion of their lives on farms near the village of Crary. They will go to house-keeping at once on the farm of the groom about 3 miles northwest of the town. May long life and prosperity attend them.

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