

Opportunities In The City of Devils Lake-- What It Has and What It Needs Most-- Foundation Firm for a Bright Future

THE CITY OF DEVILS LAKE.

This land was first settled by General H. M. Creel, Colonel C. H. Uline, W. C. Farrington and G. S. Moore. In 1883 a town was laid out about two miles southeast of the present city and called "Devils Lake City." This place was chosen county seat when the railroad came, it ran nearly a mile north of this little burg and another town was laid out at the head of Creel's Bay. The county seat was then taken to the new town, the railroad company took a five-eighths interest in the townsite, when first surveyed in July 1883 it was called Creelsburg or Creel City but majority were in favor of the name Devils Lake which is derived from the Indian name of the Lake which is Minnewaukan, meaning spirit water.

The city of Devils Lake organized in 1884. The first lot sold in town was bought by T. T. Lee for \$750.00 on which to build a general store. The first train into Devils Lake was July 4, 1883. The first hotel was built where the First National bank now stands and was called "Lakeview House." The first religious services were held May 20, 1883, where the Devils Lake

Abstract Company now has its office. The first school was taught in the summer of 1883 by Mrs. Brainard. In the spring of 1884 the original townsite covered 1,137 acres and there has been several additions platted since. The city of Devils Lake is now a division point of the Great Northern railway, Farmers' Grain Shipping Company and Chautauqua Line, and soon the Soo. It is 412 miles northwest of St. Paul, 80 miles west of Grand Forks and is the county seat of Ramsey county. The population of this city is 3,158, and is picturesquely situated near the north shore of the lake bearing the same name. It is surrounded by one of the most fertile and promising farming and grain producing districts in the west. The city is handsomely laid out with broad streets and avenues and has many fine buildings, both public and private, and has excellent sewer and sidewalks. The United States Land Office is located here, and Devils Lake is the seat of one of the Sub-Districts of the United States Court. The State School for the Deaf is also located here. The city has engaged a healthy growth since the first building was erected in

1882. A bridge is built across the lake, connecting this city with the rich country beyond Fort Totten Indian Reservation which brings a large volume of business to merchants. The opening of the reservation to homesteaders threw open 300,000 acres of the richest land in the world, with over 500 living springs of clear sparkling water, and plenty of timber, and this country is now known as the Modern Garden of Eden and has caused Devils Lake to grow more than double in three years and with the Soo railway and other numerous projects in view, Devils Lake, within the next five years will experience a growth unparalleled in history. Devils Lake with the best of railway facilities is now the financial commercial receiving and distributing point of the northwest.

A short drive from the city brings you into the most beautiful Greenwood and famous Chautauqua summer resorts. On the shore of the lake, shaded by large branching trees, thousands of people enjoy the educational musical advantages and recreations and amusements of all kinds. Driving on a little farther you come to the state military grounds where the U. S. regulars and state militia have their encampment and where a large sum of money in a recent appropriation, has been made to beautify the parks and grounds. A little farther on is the state target range, where the state militia holds their annual rifle practice from which they have won national notoriety. Devils Lake also has an \$1,810.00 railway shops where 500 men are employed.

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Exclusive Shoe Store.
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An Armory.
The Sewer System Extended.
A Creamery.
A Flax Fibre Mill.
A Drinking Fountain.
A Street Car System.
A Candy Factory.
Exclusive Tobacco Store.
An Amusement Park.
More Business Blocks.
More Residences.
More Wholesale Houses.
A more complete system of Water Works.
Starch Factory to use surplus potatoes.

And all the harmony that can be ejected into an enterprising and progressive community.

With 718 births and 245 deaths during the month of May, according to the monthly report of the state board of health, it is evident that the population of North Dakota is continuing decidedly on the increase. Ramsey county failed to show a single death with seven births to its credit. Outside of Cass county, Grand Forks leads in deaths. Cass, however, had 54 births just twice as many as this county. Emmons county has easily the best record for the month, with 50 births and 8 deaths.

May was a remarkably healthy month all over the state for reason that there was not a death in the state from a contagious or other disease during the month. There were 34 cases of measles, 20 in Dunn county and 12 in Billings, and 22 cases of scarlet fever, 10 in Cass, 8 in Billings and 4 in Nelson. Only four cases of tuberculosis were reported. All in all, the report for May is one of the most satisfactory imaginable and shows that North Dakota is a decidedly healthy state to live in. The vital statistics report by counties follows:

Counties—	Births.	Deaths.
Adams	16	6
Barnes	32	16
Benson	17	17
Billings	5	1
Bottineau	14	2
Bowman	1	6
Burke	16	1
Burleigh	21	12
Cass	54	29
Cavalier	12	2
Dickey	5	8
Divide	9	1
Dunn	1	1
Eddy	1	1
Emmons	50	5
Foster	13	5
Grand Forks	27	25
Griggs	10	1
Hettinger	14	9
Kidder	4	5
LaMoure	24	6
Logan	23	6
McHenry	11	1
McIntosh	19	10
McKenzie	22	1

WHAT DEVILS LAKE HAS.

2 Hospitals	\$ 41,000.00
6 Churches	940,000.00
6 Elevators	36,000.00
2 Laundries	12,000.00
3 Livery Stables	15,000.00
4 Meat Markets	25,000.00
1 State School for Deaf	250,000.00
3 Tailor Establishments	20,000.00
1 Carnegie Library	15,000.00
7 Hotels	600,000.00
1 Pop Factory	10,000.00
5 Pool Rooms	13,500.00
1 Grain and Feed Mill	9,000.00
4 Lumber Yards	300,000.00
7 Big General Stores	150,000.00
1 Electric Light, W. W. Plant	138,000.00
5 All Night Restaurants	31,000.00
4 Exclusive Clothing Stores	75,000.00
1 Great Northern Depot	60,000.00
1 Biological Station	8,000.00
1 Weather Bureau	7,500.00
7 Wholesale Houses	380,000.00
3 Ice Cream Factories	18,000.00
1 Greenhouse	10,000.00
2 Cement Works	12,000.00
2 Tin Shops	16,000.00
1 Flour Mill	25,000.00
2 Shoe Repair Shops	8,000.00
3 Banks	150,000.00
1 Iron Works	12,000.00
1 Opera House	75,000.00
6 Drug Stores	160,000.00
3 Bakery Shops	32,000.00
5 Millinery Stores	18,000.00
2 Abstract Companies	20,000.00
2 Undertaking Estab.	8,000.00
City Schools	90,000.00
3 Barber Shops	16,000.00
2 Harness Stores	14,000.00
3 Jewelry Stores	36,000.00
3 Blacksmith Shops	11,000.00
3 Furniture Stores	60,000.00
3 Hardware Stores	50,000.00
5 Confectionery Stores	35,000.00
4 Implement Houses	47,000.00
5 Automobile Garages	192,000.00
1 Academy	70,000.00
1 Federal Building	130,000.00
1 Nursery	21,000.00
1 Spark Plug Co.	380,000.00
1 Tire Factory	3,000.00
3 Photograph Galleries	18,000.00
4 Plumbing Estab.	16,000.00
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McLean	16	2
Mercer	14	6
Morton	14	9
Mountrail	20	9
Nelson	15	2
Oliver	19	5
Pembina	10	4
Pierce	19	5
Ramsey	7	1
Ransom	8	4
Renville	15	2
Richland	12	7
Rolette	9	1
Sargent	9	5
Sheridan	5	3
Stark	10	6
Steele	14	2
Stutsman	31	7
Towner	2	2
Trail	7	2
Walsh	21	4
Ward	17	3
Wells	12	7
Williams	11	2
Total	718	245

DEVILS LAKE MAN TO INSTALL GAS PLANT IN THE CITY OF OPPORTUNITY.

WILLISTON STATE ELATED OVER PROSPECT OF THE NEW INDUSTRY.

NOTHING DEFINATE.
"I have made no decision regarding Williston," said Mr. Kerlin when consulted regarding the following article. "My interests are in Devils Lake and I am not likely to change. My trip to Williston some time ago was a purely personal one and had nothing to do with business."

Williston is to have a new gas plant in which Devils Lake capital is to be interested, according to the Williston State. Col. A. B. Kerlin of this city and other North Dakota parties have been looking over the field in Ben Whitehead's town and have practically decided, according to the report, that they will invest their money there. The Williston State tells the story as follows:

The gas plant's the thing. No more starting of early morning fires. No more kindling carrying. No more gasoline troubles. Just touch a match and the kettle boils. From Westlawn to East Lawn, from Coney Island to Pious Hill the blessing is sure to come, and the story is that it is coming now.

Most of the readers will recall when Col. Kerlin, the Devils Lake capitalist, and E. A. Wilson, the big man of affairs at Fargo, were here to look over what the City of Opportunity offers. They were amazed at what they saw. They had heard of Williston and didn't believe it. After they came and had been taken about the city under the guardianship of President Peyton of the Commercial club and John Mooney they said that the half had not been told. As Col. Kerlin shook hands and bade good bye to an old friend and companion in arms on the State he simply said: "I am coming back. I can't help it. There's a hen on. I'll tell you later." And he boarded the sleeper and waved his hand.

Last night the story came that Col. Kerlin had the worst attack of Willisontitis in North Dakota, not excepting Pames H. Grifflin, who spread the infection that is sweeping to every town and hamlet in North Dakota. The story also goes that there will be a great gas plant here and that gas will be made from lignite coal. Col. Kerlin is a man of such ability and such success that he can get millions from bond buyers where others can get thousands.

A gas plant would afford employment to many laborers. It would mean that thousands of dollars would be spent in Williston at once, and that the golden stream would keep on pouring. It would mean a great volume of money to come later. It would attract other men of wealth who would enter other fields. It would mean the dawn of a new era in Williston.

POTATO BUGS.

The potato bugs must be killed in case they are numerous. Sodium Arsenite is a good substance—prepare it as follows: Put one pound Sodium Arsenite in an iron kettle, add two gallons of water and two pounds common washing soda; boil two hours; replace the water as it boils away. For use, take two quarts of this prepares mixture to fifty gallons of water. If it is wanted stronger put in more of the mixture or take less water. Lead Arsenite is another good poison to use against biting insects. Mix at the rate of one pound to twenty gallons of water.

Paris Green is the standard remedy, but it costs a little more and does not stick so well.

LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES PAY \$900,000 IN CLAIMS TO PEOPLE OF THIS STATE.

During the year 1919 life insurance organizations of the United States and Canada distributed \$563,440,000 in death claims, matured endowments and dividends.	
Of this amount \$900,000 was paid to North Dakotans. The cities in the state receiving the highest amounts were:	
Fargo	\$166,000
Hope	68,500
Grand Forks	36,250
Monang	57,250
Minneapoukan	32,700
Valley City	32,700
Minot	24,250

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ON FRONT SEAT IN PUSHING DEVILS LAKE.

Prominent among the real estate and insurance men of our city The World mentions the name of A. M. Powell, who for over a quarter of a century has been incessant in his efforts to influence new settlers and home buyers into Ramsey county and Devils Lake, and the record shows very many sales of farm and city property to his credit.

HALF OF BERTHOLD LAND HELD UP BECAUSE IT CONTAINS LIGNITE—161,000 ACRES RESERVED.

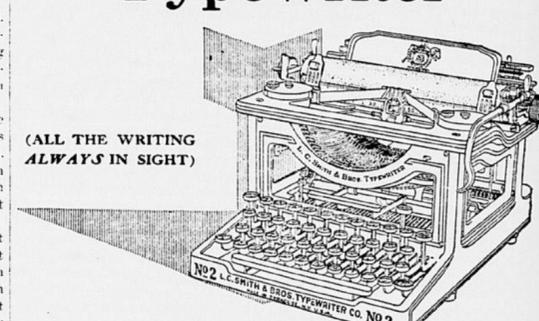
Washington, D. C., June 16.—Of the 300,000 or more acres of land in the Berthold Indian reservation affected by the proposed opening in August, 161,000 will be reserved from entry because of their coal-bearing nature. An order to this effect was issued today by the United States geological survey which made an examination of the land. Unless Congress can be induced to enact a law whereby the surface of these coal lands may be homesteaded, half of the reservation will continue in idleness from an agricultural standpoint.

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WHAT DEVILS LAKE NEEDS.

- A Park.
- A Paper Mill.
- A Broom Factory.
- A Gas Plant.
- A Cigar Factory.
- Another Laundry.