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Knock, and You Knock Alone.

DEVILS LAKE AGAIN HOST.

Today Devils Lake plays the part of host to two important conventions, the Federated Clubs of North Dakota and the Episcopal Clerics of the state.

Blessed with beautiful weather and graced with encouraging attendance, both conventions should prove to be decided successes.

The rapid growth of the Federated Clubs in this state has been remarkable. In a few years the organization has trebled in size, has enlarged its fields of activity and has shown the progressive spirit of the west in a marked manner. Their meetings are not marred by trivial discussions of aimless character, but by encouragement and solid advice makes the annual gathering one to be long remembered by the delegates in attendance.

Woman's field in North Dakota is unlimited. Educational institutions are still in their infancy and need strength given and encouragement. The class will make the Federation more active and of inestimable value.

The World heartily welcomes the ladies of the state to Devils Lake and commends its beauty, its activity and its every evidence of growth to their attention.

To the Clerics of the state we extend the hand of greeting. Among those who are already in attendance are men whose advice is looked to by people of all classes and though their meeting will be of interest mainly to the members of their church, the proceedings will be carefully watched by the public at large.

A MORAL COWARD.

Any man in public office may err, for to err is human. Every public official has made mistakes, it is but natural, and every man in whom has been reposed the public trust when mistakes are made can but expect to be admonished by his constituents, but the man who will consistently, unflinchingly and with malice as his motive make public officials the target of slurs and insults when he has not the information to back them up is but a Moral Coward.

Editor Bloom of the Journal has been noted for his willingness and anxiety to attack all who are not in favor of his blackmailing methods. For years he has used his virile pen in attempts to defame the characters of the men who have been honestly and conscientiously serving the taxpayers of the City of Devils Lake and Ramsey county, and in practically every case his evidence has been as unfounded as was that which formed the basis of his article of Wednesday night.

Always ready to listen with credence to any evil scandal, with a warped imagination and blackened mind, capable of comprehending any known evil, Bloom has been consistently knocking, though attack after attack has been shown to be groundless and in the main wholly false.

Yesterday was perhaps the first time that he has been compelled to publicly acknowledge that he has been feloniously attacked in every case without cause, but even the citizens with the shortest memories can recall many an instance where trivial incidents have been built up into mountains in the path of the officials, only to be punctured by the light of publicity.

Bloom is typically of a coward who is ever ready to attack law enforcing officials but is never ready to aid them with information or facts, posing as a reformer, yet with the lack of sensitivities that make laws to be feared rather than used as a means to gain a political end.

SOME MACHINE.

We don't know the brand that the editor of the Hancock Record is using now but here is his description of his new automobile:

"We have ordered our new auto and it is a dandy six-cylinder 1921 model with a lot of improvements. It has a pair of wings in place of the usual fenders which automatically spread out on approaching a mud puddle, allowing the machine to sail over it; has a spring attachment that winds up like a spring when running and by pulling on the string the car runs five miles after the gasoline is all gone. We have so far a little bother with this arrangement as the machine under the ditches and go through and fence in ulate is so that it will follow the road. It carries a platform on which to keep a horse so that in case of accident you can always pull the car home. By a simple device the exhaust is conducted to the tires so that they are always pumped up. An automatic nozzle shoots a dose of soothing syrup at any horse that shows signs of being afraid by driving the car. The simple press-ure in the car in case of accident of collision gracefully pulls the car and also quiet any ladies who may turn around and start the other way. An automatic arrangement also picks up any chickens that may be run over off head and feet, con-ducts the body to a cylinder where they are picked clean by a powerful current of air furnished by a fan driven by the exhaust and deposits the body in a trying pan over the engine, from whence, nicely browned, they are presented to the occupants of the car ready for lunch, all nicely carved. A very delicate sensitized magnetic plate which is so placed that a man's breath will be sure to strike it when he starts the car, automatically shuts off the gasoline and prevents starting when a man who has been drinking tries to crank the machine. We are working out a few more unimportant details, but these will be among the most noticeable improvements over the present near-classy cars.

SPRING WHEAT.

In connection with the movement of spring wheat The Minneapolis Tribune has the following editorial:

The first month of the new crop season shows a proportion to the size of the spring wheat harvest in the three Northwestern states, a liberal movement from first hands.

The local market received about 13,000,000 bushels. In 1910 and 1909 the same volume came forward from the farms but the harvest last year was 24,000,000 bushels and the previous one 20,000,000 bushels larger than the production this year.

The chief influence behind this relatively free movement has been laid to the reciprocity fear which recently overtook the market. Speculators did increase liberally just before the Canadian elections and sales to arrive from the country with twenty days delivery were heavily booked, suggesting that the farmers were anticipating a slump in the market. The sharp bulge in prices after the harvest was a pleasant surprise. It brought dollar a bushel to the interior shipping points, increasing the desire to sell but for more profitable reasons.

A stimulus, however, greater than the presumed effect of a liberal victory in Canada to which the free selling market has been given, is the prospect of grading of the crop. A thirty-day inspection of the wheat coming to the terminal markets only emphasizes the general lack of quality. Besides the light weight kernels resulting from black rust, wet weather throughout the country has had a heavy effect on the quality of the grain. The sharp increase in the price of wheat that escaped the ravages of the rust.

There is no advantage in holding poor wheat, such as there sometimes is in storing contract grades. It requires special facilities to keep in condition which are found only at the terminal markets. It is best to dispose of as soon as possible but country elevators must rush it to the primary markets as rapidly as transportation permits because it cannot be held in the pit.

In spite of the large receipts, however, prices are not likely to be so steady as they were last year. The demand for the crop is not as strong as it was last year. The demand for the crop is not as strong as it was last year.

PAYING THE FIDDLER.

The bill of Nelson county for expenses incurred in the trial of the drug store cases from this city has been received by the county officials and will undoubtedly be of interest to the taxpayers who will have to foot the bill.

It is itemized as follows:

July Jury\$629.00
Witnesses345.90
Miscellaneous311.65
Total\$1,286.45

This of course does not include the incident of the drug store cases while the cases were still in this county and the question of the jurisdiction of Judge Buttz was being argued at Williston.

There can be no better example of the squandering of the people's money for the furtherance of political ends than these drug store cases. Tried before an impartial jury with judges of their own selection and with the entire machinery of the state ranged on the side of the prosecution, not a single conviction was secured and in two disbursements, one case was admitted to the jury and the other was dismissed. The World wishes to point to another feature that shows the carelessness with which some of our state officials regard expenses that must be footed by the people. At the July term of court the disbursements were announced and that the cases would be called at a term to be held this month. The time approached and the officials of Nelson County sent out the call for jurors.

Then Attorney General Miller makes the announcement that the cases will be dismissed. A bill for \$135 has been rendered at the expense of calling this last jury, that has been notified that there would be no court. The Attorney General and his assistants must have known that the cases were not to be tried and could have, with ease, notified the officials in plenty of time, but the people foot the bill, so what's the difference?

The World is heartily in favor of the expenditure of money for proper law enforcement but when the taxes of the residents of any county must be lavishly expended for the prosecution of half-bred, groundless spite cases it is time someone should take the people of Ramsey County this year will have to pay a few hundred but many thousands dollars as the result of the impeachment trial and the drug store cases. Should a county official or the commissioners through error waste fifty dollars of the county money there would be a howl raised to the skies from the same aggregation that have been so energetically pushing the trials that have cost the taxpayers thousands of dollars with no results, except the partial gratification of political spite.

GOOD BUSINESS OUTLOOK.

Don't believe the croaker who persists in saying that the business outlook is bad. There is no basis for that view. Sure, the crop is a little better, but it is usually a borrower of money, instead a lender, should consider himself fortunate. That briefly describes the pleasant position that Uncle Sam is now in. Usually at this season this country is borrowing from Europe. This year exactly the reverse is the condition.

Speaking of this the other day the New York Herald said: "Ordinarily at this time money rates are at the highest of the year and we are borrowers abroad. Yesterday in Wall street call credit was begging at 1 3/4 per cent—low at any time in the twelve months time funds were unreasonably easy and bankers who in the last months have loaned at least \$75,000,000 to Europe and shipped several millions in gold within the week viewed with snug complacency the prospect of shipping many additional millions."

"Meanwhile our export trade shows substantial gains. Thus for the week ending Saturday last merchandise shipped from this port was valued at \$17,500,000, a gain of \$2,500,000 over the preceding week and \$4,000,000 over the corresponding week of 1910. This piling up of credit reserves abroad just as cotton, the great maker of exchange, begins moving in great volume, and an average grain crop flowing to the seaboard promises the greatest foreign credit balance in recent years, if not in the history of the country."

North Dakota is attracting a great deal of attention throughout the country because of the productiveness of its farm lands and the high per capita wealth of its people. A recent number of Colliers' Weekly contained an article on the distribution of wealth in North Dakota and set down the figures as \$1,931 for every man (woman and child in the state, which is the greatest per capita wealth of any state in the union. The article was written before the immense values of the 1911 crop were available, which would swell the figures very considerably. One of the good things about the wealth of this state is its equal distribution among the population. It is claimed there are no millionaires in North Dakota and we believe the claim is true, while the number of paupers is very inconsiderable. The large number of moderately wealthy men in the state is very large. All this piling up of surplus has been accomplished in less than thirty years. Why? And by what methods? "Andy" probably paid ten cents a line to have the "puff" appear in the South Dakota paper. What—New Rockford Transcript.

The people of Devils Lake are about to take some steps looking toward a municipal lighting system. We believe utilities in cities is the proper thing. If a corporation can run a lighting plant and after paying big interest on the investment cut up several thousand dollars in dividends each year, why cannot the people own and operate the plant themselves and save all these big dividends to the people. There is a possibility that Edmore may need a lighting system in the near future and the Edmore people would like to be up-to-date in the matter of a lighting system. We presume that we might put up with a "direct current" for a time if the rate was reasonable.—Edmore Herald-News.

The Minot business men are contemplating the organization of a Fortnightly Club whose purpose will be to meet for the purpose of discussing municipal and governmental problems. This organization should prove to be of great benefit to the men of that city. Problems which arise in the city and county have to be intelligently worked out without the squabbles and tangles that usually result through misunderstanding. The organization of a similar club in this city should be popular.

The editors of the Grove Messenger, the state pentecostal publication, do not have a very high opinion of what they say about people. It would be an awkward thing to have them arrested for libel and if you'd try to lick the editors you'd have to go behind the bars to do it. That is one way the editors of the messenger have the other members of the fraternity cheated. They again plan arrangements to be awake at night worrying over miracles in which they will perform miracles the next day, meeting the demands of howling creditors.—Minot Independent.

TOWN GOSSIPS.

The Calvin Times evidently appreciates that one of the great detriments to any town are the gossips who, without regard for consequences, spread their ill-will and delight in defamatory character. Editor Hynns says:

We notice in looking over the news columns of the Cando Democrat that "Gossip, or the Devils in the Tea Cups," was the subject chosen by the pastor of the Methodist church for Sunday evening, and while reading same the thought struck us "wonder if the pastor at Cando had read the Times, or if there was the same brand of gossiping lags there as we have here." However, the reverend gentleman has taken for his talk an excellent subject and we trust that he will give it that class of humanity in good shape. But then again, he will only be wasting his breath and time. You can't hurt an old gossip's feelings—or a young one's either for that matter—for you see there is no age limit, the only difference is that the older they get the worse they become. Now, dear reader, have you said anything about your friends or your neighbor? If you have try this on. It's big enough for all the town gossips in town.

There has been a few complaints that oftentimes farmers, in plowing in the fall, are very often careless in rolling stones and leaving huge chunks of sod in the road to the inconvenience of the public who have to travel by. While it is not contended that this is done purposely, and it is taken for granted that it is done thoughtlessly, the effect and annoyance to the travelers is quite the same. A little thought in regard to this would save many a bump on those driving by, as well as keep the roads in much better condition.—Harvey Herald.

The appointment of Sherman McClary as register of the land office will be welcome news to the younger men of Devils Lake and Ramsey county. Mr. McClary has lived in this county all his life and enjoys a splendid acquaintance among the business and professional men. The World extends its hearty congratulations.

Andrew Miller, the former state attorney of Winnebago county, Iowa, is receiving many compliments from the North Dakota Press agent his candidacy for governor of North Dakota. The only trouble Andy finds with them is that they are reverse-gear.—New Rockford Transcript.

The Minot Optic has but 950 names to publish the winners in the Fort Berthold reservation drawing. Hum. Let's see. That took place how many months ago?

The Bottineau Courant is making some grave charges against the chief of police of that city, so grave in fact, that unless they can be substantiated legal proceedings might be started.

"The man who owns no sheep need not become excited over the wool schedule," says a southern paper. To which the Fargo Forum wisely adds: "also the man who wears no underwear."

Another deliberate falsehood published in the Journal was nailed last night by Lieut. Governor Burdick's interview over the telephone. It is almost a question whether anything appearing in the Journal, except the market report, can be believed, and at times that has looked too good to be true.

Now that Valley City is having its fall, one may expect the Journal to start an indignation meeting to reciprocate for the favors rendered by Valley City during the Devils Lake siege.

Devils Lake is to be host to two conventions and contribute its share towards the success of the Indian Fair next week. The World gives an outline of all three occasions in this issue.

With Hanna a candidate for governor it looks as though the other fellows might be given a merry chase for their money.—Petersburg Record.

Editor Bloom insists on getting his B's and P's mixed when speaking about "Devils Lake's Big Paper."

BIT DON'T EXCEED THE LIMIT. Devils Lake has a lot of old bachelors and eligible widowers that should be captured.—Devils Lake Inter-Ocean.

The persons who try to tell other people how to run their business are usually those who have become discouraged with their own.

H. Macaeid, formerly employed on The World and later in charge of the Rugby Tribune, has taken the editor's chair at Stanley on the Promoter, succeeding J. C. Clark, who has left for the west. Mac is a bonny Scotchman who will make good where ever he may go.

Why would it not be a good idea to burn the weeds and grass along the country roads in the fall of each year? It has been stated that some of these rank growths are oftentimes responsible for much of the snow drifts in the winter, and now it is the time to remove these little items that start the snow to piling up.—Harvey Herald.

Editor Kirsch of the Warwick Sentinel has taken a decided stand against some of the medicine firms that want \$50 worth of advertising for a paltry \$5. If more of the fraternity would maintain their rates the outside firms would begin to realize that they were obliged to pay as high, if not higher, than the home merchant.

"Andy" Miller's man Friday up at Devils Lake, the handsome and versatile Col. Bloom, goes clear down into South Dakota to secure an endorsement of Andy and his methods. "Andy" probably paid ten cents a line to have the "puff" appear in the South Dakota paper. What—New Rockford Transcript.

The Lawton Republican has entered upon its third year in Ramsey County and The World extends its heartiest congratulations to Borther Scott. The Republican has had an uphill road but has always been in the clean paper that should be appreciated by the residents of the town in which it is published.

Many of the state papers are making extensive preparations for the fall and winter by increasing the size of their editio ns.

REV. E. O. M'CRACKEN TELLS OF THE SPLENDID SESSION HELD THIS YEAR.

Fargo, N. D., Oct. 11.—Rev. E. O. McCracken, secretary of the Free Methodist conference, returned yesterday from Courtenay, where he attended the annual conference of that church. He makes the following report:

"This was one of the most interesting sessions ever held by this church in its history in North Dakota. Rev. J. W. Whiteside of Westington Springs, S. D., presided by appointment of Bishop W. T. Hogue, who was prevented by sickness from attending the conference.

"One of the steps taken to advance the work of the church throughout the conference was the election of a conference missionary to give his entire time to the work of the church in the new fields in the western part of Montana. Rev. C. F. Klein, formerly of Deering, N. D., was chosen for this responsible position."

Rev. McCracken, who has had charge of the work of the local church here in the city was returned for his eighth consecutive year and this work of the Glad Tidings mission is to be pushed this year more than ever before as his entire time is given to this with the charity work that naturally comes in connection with his work. The following are the entire appointments for the year.

Fargo District—O. Moran, district elder.
Fargo Mission—J. E. McCracken, superintendent; Hazel Franklin, assistant.

Gardner—O. E. Edwards.
Larimore, Mayville and Park River—to be supplied.

Grand Prairie—L. S. Eberly.
Jamestown—H. G. Bachman.
Crary—W. J. Eberly.
Glenfield and Courtenay—S. Ballenger, Mrs. L. M. Ballenger, supply; T. A. Dughey, evangelist, district superintendent, North Dakota Children's Home Society.

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The real estate taxes will be increased by three per cent on November 1, after which time they will be advertised for three weeks and then sold at public auction in the county auditor's office on the second Tuesday in December.

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The Great Falls Tribune has the following to say regarding a transient who in the city some days ago and was ordered by the police to "keep moving":

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Moved and carried that the following bills be allowed and warrants ordered drawn in payment of same as follows:

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Chas. Nelson, Refund of drainage tax 11.20
Gus. Furstenau, transportation of county poor 2.95
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Atlas Lumber Co., coal furnished road work, Pleasant township 25.60
Rodenbach & Mundi, supplies for county poor 162.25
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N. D. Children's Home, Entrance fee of Clio Ber. Bernell \$90.00
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H. E. Jewell, repairing boiler at court house 1.00
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