

Devils Lake The Metropolis Of The Lake Region Of North Dakota

ONE OF THE MOST METROPOLITAN CITIES OF ITS SIZE IN THE WORLD

THE HOME OF THE THIRD LARGEST CHAUTAUQUA IN THE UNITED STATES

LOCATED ON THE SHORE OF THE GREAT INLAND SEA—ONE OF THE BEAUTY SPOTS OF THE WHOLE NORTHWEST.

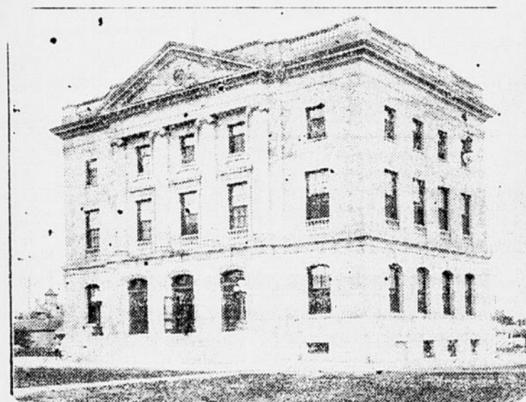
Devils Lake City, the seat of government of Ramsey County, North Dakota, is located so as to give it a position of importance in the commercial life of one of the greatest States in the Union. While it is only a little over thirty years old, it has grown to be a city of over 5,000 people, and today it has a reputation of being one of the most thrifty and best regulated cities in the Northwest.



Grand Opera House.

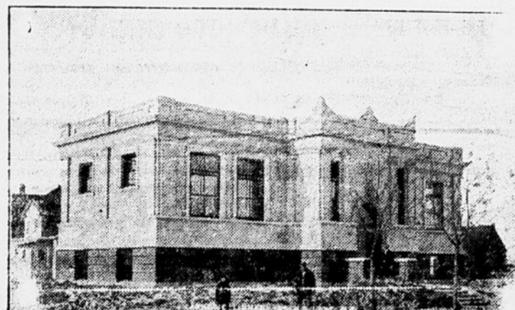
It is located on the shore of the great Inland Sea known as Devils Lake, and adjacent to the city we have the North Chautauqua grounds located, where each year one of the Leading Chautauquas of the United States is held. With its beautiful timbered park, and its hundreds of cottages, together with the largest Chautauqua Auditorium in the whole United States, it has become famous as a place of education and recreation.

The City of Devils Lake is located in the center of one of the richest farming communities in the Northwest, and while we do not boast of its being a manufacturing city, it has become a central trading point for the Lake Region and its mammoth stores and machinery houses, its fine hotels and other places of business makes a most important city for this section of the state.



U. S. Government Building Where Post Office Is Located.

Among the permanent organizations for the improving and up-building of the city and this section of the state we might mention the Commercial Club, the Mid-winter Fair Association and the Lake Region Poultry Association. These various bodies are active in pushing forward any and every movement which tends to better the conditions of our city and county, both commercially, morally and socially. The Commercial Club has been one of the active agencies thru which much good has been accomplished, and several business institutions have been brought to our city, besides improving the conditions of the farming community as well as the city.



Carnegie Library.



Kelly Avenue, North From 4th Street.

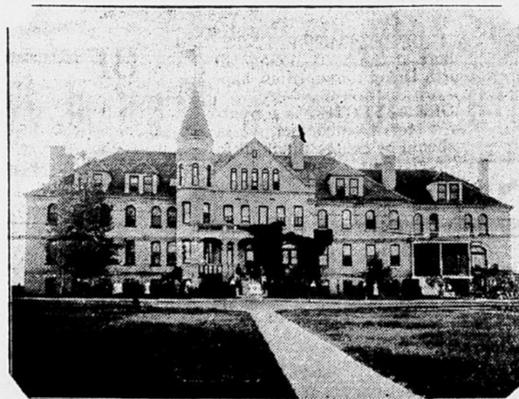
Each season the Mid-winter fair of the Lake Region is held in our city, and this institution has become one of the important yearly meetings of this section of the state. The meetings are held in our spacious Grand Opera house, of which the State can boast of none finer. Prominent speakers are secured and the farmers and business men from all over the Lake Region come here to study the important phases of farming and stock-raising. In connection with the fair the Lake Region Poultry Association hold their annual meeting, and the large number of exhibits of fancy poultry each year goes to show that much interest is taken in this organization.

Devils Lake has the finest hotel in the state, the Great Northern, which was built several years ago at an expense of nearly \$200,000, besides several first class hotels, including the Western, Colonial, Sevilla, and others. The hotel accommodations are such that the people coming to this city for business or pleasure can rest assured



First National Bank Building, Oldest And Largest Banking Establishment In Lake Region

that they will be well taken care of, and this fact makes this a mecca for traveling men and others. To enumerate the various large stores, which carry mammoth stocks of the best merchandise would take too much space, but suffice to say that no city the size of Devils Lake in the whole Northwest carry such a large and varied line as can be found here. We can boast of one of the largest department stores west of Minneapolis, besides many other large stores, where every line of business is represented. Our clothing stores, hardware stores, furniture houses, as well as our drug stores, and other places of business would do credit to a city



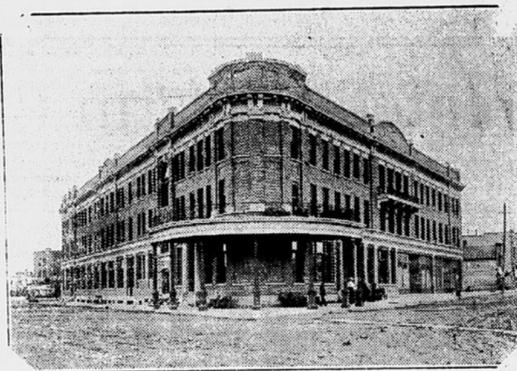
Deaf School

many times the size of Devils Lake. Among the places of amusement can be found three first-class moving picture theatres, the Grand, the Unique and the Gale.

As a financial center Devils Lake is recognized among the leading cities of the state. We have three large banking houses, the oldest of which is the First National Bank, besides the Ramsey County National, and the Devils Lake State Bank. They are all under able management, and these institutions have done their part in the upbuilding of the city and county.

A city is generally judged, more or less, by its schools, and this is one of the reasons why this city is looked to by the man who has a family to educate. Our city schools have been kept up to the very highest standard, and today the farmer who is looking for a place to move in order that his children may have proper educational facilities, generally heads toward Devils Lake, and today we have hundreds of outside families who have moved here for that purpose.

Devils Lake has never had an inflated boom, but since it was first laid out it has had a sure and steady growth, and even the most skeptical has no doubt but what it will double in size in the next ten years.

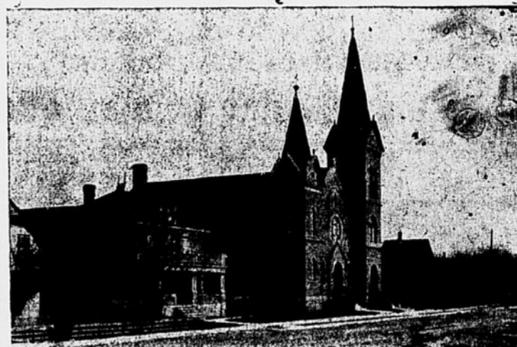


Great Northern Hotel Built At Cost Of \$175,000.

Besides our city schools we have located here the School for the Deaf, which is one of the leading State institutions. We also have the United State Weather Bureau, and a fine Government building which our postoffice occupies, and in which United States court is held once or twice each year.

This city is becoming quite a railroad center; we have two main lines of railroad, the Great Northern and the Soo, besides the Farmers Line and the Chautauqua railroad.

As a clean, healthful city, and a model home city, we believe that Devils Lake has no superior. During the year 1915 there are several substantial buildings being erected, among which is



Catholic Church

the Masonic temple, at a cost of about \$50,000, and the Elks home, which will cost about the same amount. The Presbyterian church which is about completed at a cost of about \$25,000, and the Methodist church at a cost of about \$15,000. These beautiful new buildings are all about to be completed before the first of the year, and will add much to the religious and fraternal improvements of the city.

NEUTRALS WORK TO END WAR AT CHRISTMAS TIME

DR. DAVID STARR JORDAN INFORMS PRESIDENT PEACE ADVOCATES PLAN CONFERENCE.

SAY NATIONS ARE READY TO CONSIDER PROPOSALS.

WILSON TOLD THAT UNITED STATES MAY BE ASKED TO JOIN IN SETTLEMENT.

Reports from Washington under date of Nov. 12, says: David Starr Jordan, chancellor of Leland Stanford university, and head of the International Peace congress, recently held in San Francisco, told President Wilson today that a quasi-official meeting of the neutral nations probably will be held some time before Christmas—

either at The Hague, Berne or Copenhagen, to attempt to bring about peace in Europe.

Dr. Jordan conveyed to the President a resolution from the peace congress urging him to co-operate with other neutrals in calling for such a conference.

Would Welcome Peace. In a statement laid before the President Dr. Jordan declared that, as a result of recent missions to the governments of the warring nations, it can be stated that, while the nations at war are not willing themselves to begin peace negotiations, "there is nevertheless abundant evidence that those charged with the administration of the foreign policies of these nations would welcome, or at least not oppose, affirmative action by a neutral agent to bring about a peace based on international justice."

Neutral Nations to Help. Dr. Jordan said that while no official information was available, peace advocates have learned from unofficial sources in Holland, Sweden, Switzerland, Denmark and Spain that those countries will be glad to take part in any movement to further the cause of peace.

Dr. Jordan was accompanied by Louis P. Lochner, secretary of the Chicago Peace society, who acted as secretary to Miss Jane Addams of Chicago when she visited Europe as a representative of the Woman's Peace congress.

Dr. Jordan took the position that it will be more natural for the European neutrals to invite the United States to participate in the peace conference than for the United States to issue the invitation. He said that an unofficial meeting of the peace advocates at Berne at which plans for bringing about peace will be discussed, will be attended by people from the United States.

ASK FOR SUGGESTIONS. The idea of the quasi-official peace conference, suggested to President Wilson on behalf of the International Peace congress by Dr. Jordan, is that it will constitute a voluntary court of continuous meditation, invite suggestions for settlement from each of the warring nations, and in any case, will submit simultaneously to all of them reasonable proposals as a basis for peace.

Dr. Jordan is Reticent. Dr. Jordan did not reveal what President Wilson said to him, but the President several times has taken the position that he will be glad to do anything of a practical nature to end the war. Dr. Jordan said the details of the plan proposed by the Peace congress can easily be changed to meet conditions. He refused to predict whether peace efforts will be successful in the near future.

Dr. Jordan told the President that peace advocates constantly in touch with the people in the warring countries, and that there are organizations actively at work in all parts of the civilized world would bring pressure to bear to end the war. Ultimately, he said, those efforts are certain to be successful.

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