

A Happy New Year to You All

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FORT YATES LOSES TO McLAUGHLIN

The Fort Yates basket ball team lost to a mixed McLaughlin team Saturday night at McLaughlin by a score of 26 to 14. The local boys are not satisfied with the treatment accorded them at McLaughlin. A guarantee of \$25 which had been promised them was not paid, it is claimed, and the home team is still wondering if the referee thought he was refereeing a football game.

Cannon Ball Items

The ferry boat "Opal" is frozen up in the Missouri below the depot. Supt. E. D. Mossman was up on business at the sub station on Friday.

Bernard Mulhern is back from the Bismarck hospital, and we are all glad to see him.

Thos. P. Ashley returned from the Capitol where he had spent a couple weeks.

Charlie Black Bear was up here from Fort Yates visiting friends and relatives.

E. Bull Bear and Amos Good Crow were in town buying Xmas goods at the Cannon Ball Merc. Co.

Big Lake Congregational church held their Xmas program Sunday evening. The program was good and was attended by many settlers from across the river.

The Cannon Ball Congregational Church and the Catholic Church held their Xmas program the same evening. The Episcopal Church held its tree Monday evening.

Xmas program of the Big Lake Congregational Church: Song by choir, leader Kate Tibbits; Prayer, Rev. Tibbits; Song, Sweeter Than Days Gone By; Short sermon by Rev. Tibbits; Song by school children, leader Mrs. E. E. Scott.

Recitation, Santa Claus, Agnes Two Shield

Recitation, Santa Claus is Coming, Peter Warrior

Recitation, Sing a Song of Xmas, Chas. F. Bear Jr.

Recitation, Mrs. Santa Claus, Ruby B. Bear

Recitation, My Favorite Tree, Jack King

Recitation, How He Does It, Nancy Two Shield

Song, Xmas Lullaby, school children

Recitation, If You're Good, Harvey Henderson

Song by Choir, As With Gladness Men of Old

Xmas offering

Trombone duet, Joe Huff and Dan Beirwagon.

Secret of Administration. The culminating point of administration is to know well how much power, great or small, we ought to use in all circumstances.—Montesquieu.

Neglectful. Pussy, with eyes closed, was purring on the mat when Archie exclaimed: "Oh, ma, kitty's gone to sleep and forgot to stop her motor!"—Boston Transcript.

Swastika Items

Ennis Ackerman and family left Wednesday night for Mapleton, Minn., to spend Christmas and New Years with Ennis' parents.

Jack Cramer left Wednesday for points in Minnesota and Iowa to spend the winter. Jack says he'll be back with the meadow larkes.

Steve Roman, teacher of the Cedar Valley school, left Friday night for his home at Winona, Minn. to spend the holidays.

Fred Butts is working again for O. J. Brennecke.

Iva Perkins of Petrel, N. D., is spending her vacation at Swastika with her cousin Mrs. Ella Smith.

A. P. Darby is assisting Dr. Ben nett at McLaughlin at present.

Christmas Celebration Set New Record for "Dryness"

A record for "dryness" has just been made by the Indians of this reservation that could scarcely be equaled in these "home-brew" days. There were between thirty and forty separate Indian Christmas celebrations this week on the reservation, and, Supt. Mossman declares, not one case of drunkenness has been reported from any of these celebrations.

MIGHTY PREFER OTHER PLACE

"Do you suppose jazz musicians will go to heaven?" "Maybe so," replied Mr. Grumpton. "According to the modern idea, nearly everybody is going to heaven, but I won't present my credentials to St. Peter until I find out whether or not they'll have to check their horns at the gate."

Hard Labor.

"Well," said the shoe drummer, "what's going on in Chiggersville today?" "Heard about Zeke Dawle?" asked Squire Witherbee.

"No. Has he gone to work?" "Yes. Quite a number of our citizens were on hand to see him accept a position. In fact, the courtroom was crowded."

Poor Chance for Him.

He—What would your father do if I told him I wanted to marry you? She—He'd refer the matter to me. He (hopefully)—And what would you do?

She—I'd refer the matter to Mr. Smart, who proposed to me and was accepted while you were trying to make up your mind.



INEXPERIENCED

"What kind of coal do you wish, mum?" "Dear me, I am so inexperienced in these things. Are there various kinds?" "Oh yes. We have egg coal, chestnut—"

"I think I'll take egg coal. We have eggs oftener than we have chestnuts."

Swat!

The skaters sing on airy wing As they linger hungrily by. But oft their song, like that of the swan, Is the last before they die.

Canada's Splendid Water Power. Canada is said to possess nearly half the water power of the world.

Wonderful Weather Aids Christmas Joy and Happiness

Five Christmas Entertainments and Trees Held by Churches and Schools

Christmas at Fort Yates this year was indeed a joyful occasion, fully in keeping with the true spirit of the happy season. In addition to the usual special religious services, revealing the real, essential, holy meaning of Christmas, five separate celebrations and entertainments were held.

The wonderfully mild weather contributed in no small degree toward the perfect Christmas tide. This is one of the warmest holiday seasons old timers can remember in

years. Many visitors from across the river and other neighboring localities attended the celebrations here.

The public school gave their entertainment Friday night and the agency boarding school Sunday evening. A large and appreciative audience attended these two splendid programs.

The St. Mary's and St. Joseph's societies, the Congregationals and Episcopalians held their trees the evening of the 24th.

Program Given Sunday Evening by the Agency Boarding School

Song	"Jolly Old Saint Nicholas"	Primary
Song	"Come Let Us Be Joyful"	24 pupils
Song	"Christmas Lullaby"	First B and Second A classes
Recitation	"Save A Little Christmas"	Sam Crowghost
Dialogue	"Two Sides"	Michael Treetop and Jerome Martin
Recitation	"A Lady Santa Claus"	Charles Gwynne
Christmas Acrostic		14 pupils
Piano Trio	Julian LeCompte, Regina LeCompte, Jenne Eagle	
Song and tableau	"Silent Night"	
Piano and violin	Julian LeCompte and Chas. Middle	
Christmas Song		First B and Second A classes
Solo	"My Little Star"	Josephine Spottedhorse
Recitation	"The Second Table"	Antoine Howard
Song	"Beautiful Thoughts for Christmas"	5 girls

Air is Thin on Mars. The atmospheric pressure on Mars is about one-quarter as great as on the earth.

Worth Pondering Over. Some people complain because of poor health, but many more have poor health because they complain.—Exchange.

Microbe's Happy Hunting Ground. According to estimate the human body contains a microbe population equal to a thousand million times the whole human population of the earth.

All the Symptoms. When a man begins to tell a woman all about his past love affairs, it is a very good sign that he is about to have "just one more."

Differences in Lives. Life estimated by discontent may be a desert; life measured by gratitude may be a garden.—Anon.

Can Buy Joy Rides. Money can't do everything, but there's a tendency in human nature to be pretty well satisfied with the things it can do.

Confidence Must Be Natural. Confidence is a thing not to be produced by compulsion. Men cannot be forced into trust.—Daniel Webster.

Fifty Thousand Winks a Day. A nervous person may wink as often, perhaps, as 50,000 times during the 16 waking hours of the day.

Lachrymal. From a story—"Her throat was full of tears." From her eye teeth, probably, comments T. M. C.—Boston Transcript.

Boat Driven by Water. A life boat invented in Holland is driven by water drawn into one opening and expelled from two others by a steam pump, steering being done by controlling the outlets.

In That Sense, Anyway. "Failure is sometimes the beginning of success," says a philosopher. At any rate, seeing one's finish is apt to give one a start.

Evening Things Up. Things are about equal in this world. In a brass band it's harder to play the piccolo than the bass drum, but it's harder to carry the drum.

For Husbands Only. Easiest way to get over a message to friend wife is to pretend you are talking in your sleep!—Brooklyn Eagle.

When a Sheep is a Goat. Up there the sheep and goats will be divided, but down here the sheep are usually the goats.—Eugene, Ore., Daily Guard.

Joy for Auntie. Jimmy came running into his aunt's home, which was just across the street from his own, and said, "Oh! auntie, mother wants to know, will you please borrow me while she goes shopping?"

A Post With Good Sense. If such a man as Cornelle lived in my time I would make him my prime minister. It is not his poetry I admire so much, but his good sense, his knowledge of the human heart and, in a word, his profound policy.—Napoleon.

Paris First to Teach Blind. The first public school for the blind was established in Paris in 1784.

Chronicles of the West OLD-TIME INDIAN DIES THURSDAY

The program at the Pretty Rock hall was well attended. After the program the community tree was lighted. Santa Claus was there with a big sack of candy for everyone.

Mr. and Mrs. Hans Thompson visited in Lemmon Wednesday

Mr. Dakken, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Davis and John Davis made a trip to Coffin Butte mines Saturday.

Ira Herbert and family moved to Bismarck last week. Mr. Herbert will work in a garage. Their friends are sorry to have them leave but wish them success in their new home.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Trager and daughter visited at his parents home Sunday.

Will Assist in Instituting Five-Year Program

Fred B. Campbell, Supt. of the Blackfeet agency, is expected here in a few days for a short visit while on his way to Washington. While here Supt. Campbell will assist Supt. Mossman in instituting the five-year program recommended by Commissioner Burke.

THE THREE SAILORS

A couple of sailors got into a discussion over the kind of animal a heifer was. One sailor claimed that the heifer belonged to the hog family, the other that it was a variety of sheep.

Finally they called in Boatwain Bill. "Bill, wot's a heifer—is it a hog or is it a sheep?" they said.

Boatswain Bill bit off a large chew reflectively. Then he said: "To tell you the truth, mates, I dunno much about poultry."

The Cashier. A young woman went to call on a lady who had entertained her. The latter's five-year-old daughter, who was playing on the lawn, said: "Mama isn't at home."

"I am very sorry," replied the young woman, "for I have come to pay my party call."

"Oh, I'll take the money," said the child promptly.

Not She. "The prima donna says she will climb to the top of yon snowy peak and sit there while the world rolls by."

"Believe me," replied the sardonic guest at a fashionable summer resort, "she won't if the photographers refuse to follow her."



WHAT THEY REALLY MEAN. Patient: Wow! I thought you said you extracted without pain. Dentist: Well, it don't hurt me a bit.

Passing the Responsibility. The cost of living must improve. Yet with determined frown Each waits for some one else to move To put the prices down.

Always. The best angle from which to approach any problem is the try-angle.

Charging Thunder, one of the few remaining Indians who was with Sitting Bull at the Little Big Horn, passed away last Thursday evening at the agency hospital, age 76, and was buried here the following day. Charging Thunder was an old time Indian of considerable reputation. He was liked and respected by all who knew him.

Local Happenings

Melda Fisher is spending the holidays with her relatives at McLaughlin.

J. M. Carignan Sr. visited in Linton yesterday, going over with Oscar Baumann.

Supt. E. D. Mossman leaves tomorrow to accompany a number of Indian children to Toledo, Iowa, where they will enter the Sac and Fox sanitarium.

Where It Went. Jack Spratt could eat no fat; his wife could eat no lean. You see they spent their money for the Jitney's gasoline.—Fresno, Cal., Republican.

Ancient Doors.

Greek and Roman doors always opened outward, and when a man was passing out of a house he knocked on the door so as not to open it in the face of a passer-by.

New Steel Wheels. Forged in one piece, a steel wheel has been invented for automobiles, including rims, spokes, hubs and brake drums.

Listen and Obey. We need only obey. There is guidance for each of us, and by lowly listening we shall hear the right word.—R. W. Emerson.

Something in That. It is not good for man to be alone, but it is much less expensive.—Exchange.

Novelist Peddles Own Books. A young novelist stood on a prominent street corner in London recently peddling her own books. She sold 30 copies in an hour.

Daily Thought. Love, vows, promises, confidences, gratitude—how queerly they read after awhile.—Thackeray.

First Queen 2017 B. C. The first woman with sovereign authority was Semiramis, queen of Assyria, 2017 B. C.

Thirteen Days in Ancient Week. Thirteen days comprised the week of the ancient Mexicans.

Daily Thought. Art is long, life short; judgment difficult; opportunity transient.—Goethe.

The Principal Inducement. "What sends men into the far corners of the world?" asks one of the magazines. Our guess is that it is the hope of seeing their names in the newspaper headlines.

To-Morrow Night, the 29th, the Big Commercial Club Dance