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Go to "The Devil" to-night.

Miss Caviler is visiting friends in Winnipeg.

States Attorney McMurchie was in the city Monday, over night, on legal business.

Rev. Dr. Johnston will hold services in Grace Episcopal church next Sunday at the usual hours.

There was a card party held in the City hall Wednesday evening under the auspices of the Altar Society.

There will be a meeting of the Workmen lodge next Tuesday evening and all members are requested to be present.

Editorially last week we spoke of the presidential primary election as occurring in April, when we meant to say March.

Don't forget the Watkins lecture in the City hall Monday evening. The High School Glee Club will give two selections as part of the program.

John Booker is expected home Sunday from Fargo where he has been working for Nash Bros' fruit company. He comes home to take charge of the books in his father's store.

A son of Joe Tennant, of Gretna, formerly of Emerson, was killed in one of the battles in Belgium recently, and the flags were at half mast in Gretna when the news was received.

The management of the Farmers and Merchants Bank of St. Vincent held their annual meeting last Wednesday T. B. Holmes of Grand Forks, represented Mr. Birkholtz.

Miss Vida Clow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eph. Clow, of Humboldt was married to Herbert R. Knowlton on the 15th inst, at the Methodist church at St. Vincent, by the Rev. G. W. Powell.

Judge Kneeshaw returned from Wahpeton the first of the week where he held a ten days term of court for Judge Allen who was unable to attend to business on account of the serious illness of his wife.

The annual winter meeting of the North Dakota editorial association opens at Grand Forks this morning and will be in session for two days. An elaborate program has been arranged and the boys will have a good time.

Good program at the movies tonight.

Mary Pickford, "Queen of the Movies" at City Hall to-night.

Dr. Beardley spent most of the last week inspecting the state herds at public institutions, such as the Feeble Minded Institute at Grafton and the Blind Asylum at Bathgate, and one or two private herds in Walsh county.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Ward and Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Reed, of McArthur are back from an extended visit to Avoca, Iowa. The Wards arrived Saturday via Chicago and Mr. and Mrs. Reed visited friends in South Dakota on their way back and arrived home Wednesday.

In another column appears an advertisement of the Stephenson Fish Company, Winnipeg soliciting business through columns of the Pioneer Express. This company is reliable and there is no question but that they will do what they advertise.

The Annapimenoa Camp Fire Girls were entertained last Tuesday by Miss Anna Mitchell. After the ceremonial meeting, Miss Anna served a delicious lunch in the dining room. Everyone reports a good time. The next meeting will be held with Miss Ethel Ottem on the afternoon of February eighth.

A letter from Joe Wilson, formerly of Carlisle and Partford but now of Wina Hills, Saskatchewan, orders the Pioneer Express sent to him, and wants to be remembered to old friends. He says they are all well and had a good year, and that his sister Mary who was married since they went west has a baby girl.

The many friends of Mrs. Russell Aylen will regret to learn that she suffered a slight stroke of paralysis Monday evening. At the present writing her condition has somewhat improved. Her son and daughter, Dr. Aylen of Drayton and Mrs. G. W. Fairbairn of Winnipeg, were summoned and are at her bedside.

District Manager Fairbanks of the Northwestern Telephone Company was in the city the first of week on matters relating to the new directory which will be issued for this circuit in a short time. If you have any intention of putting in a phone the next year, now is the time to do it in order to be listed in the printed directory. Notify the "central."

There will be a game of basket ball in the city hall tomorrow afternoon between the Bathgate and Pembina high schools. The two teams are evenly matched according to reports and the game promises to be interesting. Turn out and help cheer the boys to victory and help them to defray the expenses of the visiting team.

The increased use of the bicycle the last few years has stimulated the industry all over the country. At the annual meeting of the manufacturers association February 29th was set aside as "Bicycle Day," for owners of bicycles to show themselves on the streets with their wheels. Here in North Dakota we are afraid the day will not be observed very much—skies are liable to be more appropriate. It is expected that a million bicycles will be sold next year.

J. S. Cameron, lawyer at New Rockford, was in the city Saturday in the interest of the capital removal petition. Mr. Cameron is a son of Peter Cameron of Tyner, this county and his acquaintance will help him in getting signatures. He has a good story to tell and compiled literature showing why the capital should be removed was distributed freely. We understand that the promoters' plans are to get some local party to circulate the petitions at so much per

Chris O'Connor who left here accompanied by his wife, to spend the holidays with relatives in St. Paul is at St. Joseph's Hospital having had an operation for appendicitis. Mr. O'Connor was on his way to Chicago when he was taken with an attack of appendicitis and he was hurried back to St. Paul where an operation was deemed necessary. Late reports are that he is getting along well and out of danger, which will be good news to his many friends in Pembina.

At the regular meeting of the Masons Friday evening it was voted to move the lodge rooms from the present quarters to the upper stories of Mr. Heneman's store. The move is made on account of there being no fire in the store building below and the floors are always cold. The upper story of the Heneman building is being arranged under supervision of a committee from the lodge and in another month the change will be made.

The ladies of St. Vincent are arranging a "Fair Banquet" to be given on the evening of February 25th. It is a new innovation of the fair organization, we understand and it promises to be a swell affair. Invitations will be extended to farmers from the surrounding country to be present, and several will be on the program for short addresses. The banquet will be held in Reid hall. Gatherings of this kind result in good to any community and St. Vincent fair and the town will be benefited.

Emerson held a rousing patriotic meeting Wednesday evening, addressed by Col. Lightfoot, recently back from the Belgium frontier, and Lieutenant McDonald. The weather was disagreeable but every seat in the hall was taken. At the close \$750 was subscribed to the patriotic fund, and Emerson expects to raise this to \$2,500 in a short time. The Province of Manitoba has set out to raise \$1,200,000 to this fund. Mayor Casselman presided and several local speakers added to the enthusiasm to the meeting.

Big Photo-Play Features.

Manager LaFond announces that he has secured six big and expensive Photo-Plays to be shown at City Hall every two weeks, beginning to night. These plays are as follows:—

- "A Good Little Devil" with Mary Pickford, five acts.
- "The Count of Monte Christo" with James O'Neill, five acts.
- "The Squaw Man" with Dustin Farnham, six acts.
- "Brewster's Millions" with Edw. Ables, five acts.
- "Tess of the Storm Country" with Mary Pickford, five acts.
- "The Man on the Box" with Mack Figan, five acts.

These plays are the best on the market and the actors all famous players. In seeing these plays you see the very best there are. Plan on seeing each and everyone of these remarkable pictures.

Committed Suicide.

James Greenwood of Concrete, committed suicide last Sunday by shooting himself with a shot gun from which he died midnight. For some time Mr. Greenwood had been showing signs of laboring under mental difficulties and a few days before he committed the rash act he went to Concrete and told someone that the best thing he could do would be to do away with himself. The folks at home realized that things were not right and kept watch over him as best they could. Sunday noon he went to the barn where he had his gun concealed and through some contrivance fired both barrels of a shot gun in his abdomen. The charges took a right angled effect and tore away the ligaments and left the bowels exposed but not penetrated. Two doctors were called but he died at midnight suffering intense agonies.

Mr. Greenwood was a resident of Pembina for many years and operated a livery barn. He was a man hale and well met with no enemies but liked by all. He had a large family of grown up children, most of them away from home. The oldest son who has been working in Minot received a message from him a few days before to come home as he wanted to see him, and the boy arrived at Grafton Sunday night, but too late.

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Letter from the Firing Line.

Through the courtesy of Mrs. Baeken we publish below extracts from a personal letter from her son Reggi, who has been fighting in the trenches in Belgium with the 37th Canadian contingent for about a year. It will be interesting to most of our readers:

—Belgium, Dec. 28th, 1915.

My Dear Mother:—
Well, we have had our Christmas, and such a Christmas. We had foot ball, games and sports of all kinds, and to end up with, a big banquet in an old school house which held us all. We had a real good time considering we were so far away from home and friends. Our dinner was fine and consisted of roast turkey, plum pudding, apples and cherries, lots of smoke and tobacco.

After dinner we had a band concert, for we still have the band on the stage, and everything was very pleasant. Our colonel gave us a speech and there were several other numbers which were very good.

It seems strange to make merry within such a short distance of the firing line. I was wondering if the Germans were having as good a time as we were having.

On Christmas morning the band woke us up playing a Christmas carol. Seems strange don't it? Playing Christmas carols so close to where the big guns are playing the dickins with both sides. Just imagine everyone wishing everybody else a "Merry Christmas." It seems ridiculous but we were all merry nevertheless, although there was a certain hollowness about it all.

The officers were all very kind and personally supervised the dinner and saw that everyone was plentifully served. We also had plenty of presents. Some from the different societies in Winnipeg, consisting of shirts, socks, mufflers, etc. Both parcels from the girls, one from our aunt in England and one from Uncle John in Ottawa were received in due time.

I hope soon to have a few days leave which I shall spend in England, but would not mind if it could be spent in Pembina. We went to church. The band furnished the music. They played "Hark the Herald Angles Sing" and "O Come all ye Faithful" and "God Save the King." The text was "Peace on Earth Good Will Towards Men." A strange text under the circumstances. Peace out here! As one of the boys said, "Peace on earth and good will towards men, try to kill to the very end." Now mother, what do you think of a soldier's Christmas—not so bad was it?

I am writing this in a nice dry little dugout in the side of a hill, down far enough to be screened from view but not immune from artillery fire. Just at supper time a shell burst about thirty feet from our dugout. I really have enjoyed the last few days. The weather is fine and sunshiny. The grass is green here all winter but leaves and other vegetation die as at home. Some days it is so quiet on our firing lines one imagine there is no war, then again the shells begin to come and go over your head so you don't know what is going to happen next. It is interesting to watch machines human skill has invented for destruction, and one gets some awful shocks sometime, but we get accustomed to them and don't mind them.

I presume you are having lots of snow around Pembina and a sight of a snow-bank would be relief to the eye and I hope to see one next year.

Your loving son,
REGGI.

Teachers Examination.

State examinations for first and second grade teachers' certificates, will be held at the court house, at Cavalier, Thursday and Friday, February 10th and 11th, 1916. The tests will begin at 8:30 each morning.

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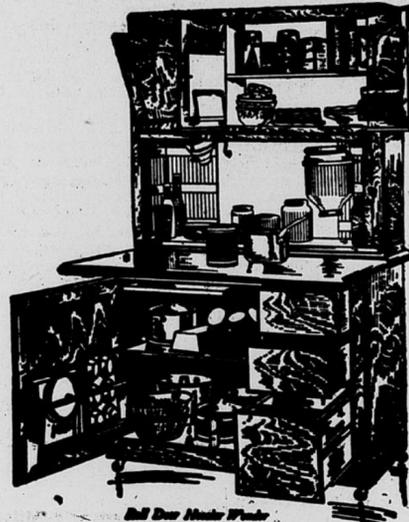
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