

## Matinee at The Opera House

Elaborate Picture Program to Be Given on New Year's in Afternoon and Evening—'The Price for Folly' Subject on the Screen.

The management of the opera house, in response to numerous requests, have decided to give a matinee and evening entertainment to their patrons. The show will include an excellent feature picture, "The Price for Folly." The afternoon show will start promptly at 3:30.

"The Price for Folly" is considered one of the greatest productions ever filmed, and the story is very appropriate to the occasion of New Year's.

M. Jean de Signi, scion of a noble house, becomes infatuated with Mme. Jardeau and lavishes gifts upon her until his fortune is swept away.

The news of the loss of his fortune becomes public, and Mme. Jardeau, angered because of having had her name brought into the scandal, cast aside Jean for Henri Langdon, a wealthy clubman. The Duke de Sengi, being cognizant of his son's indiscretions, has not let his wife know of her son's indiscretions. The father's mind becomes temporarily deranged; and in his frenzy he kills his wife.

The son returns and finds his mother dead and his father on the verge of death. Jean is seen with the dagger which was used when his mother was slain and he is accused of the murder. The duke later regains consciousness and confesses.

Jean is afterwards mortally wounded in a duel which was in behalf of Madame Jardeau. The story then takes a peculiar turn, entirely different than is supposed.

## BOARD PLANS TO IMPROVE FORT SITES

Mandan Pioneer: The commissioners that were appointed by Governor L. B. Hanna to have charge of the two historic cities of Fort Rice and Old Fort Lincoln and the Indian village, the board consisting of R. R. McKaig, chairman, W. C. Badger and M. C. Caddell, met last evening and formulated a few plans to improve the two fort sites.

The commissioners have decided to improve the Fort Rice site quite extensively and will build a building there in which to preserve the relics. A custodian will be appointed later to take care of the grounds, and some little improvement will also be made at Fort Lincoln.

It will be remembered that the last legislature appropriated \$300 for the purpose of making improvements at these places. The commissioners are also going to take up the matter of establishing a loop road with the county commissioners of Burleigh and Morton counties. The roads on both proved and the ferries of Mandan and Fort Rice would be used.

If the plans of the commissioners are realized the Old Fort Lincoln road will have an added attraction for travel.

Nine hundred automobiles were sold by Williston dealers during the past year.

## WATCH NIGHT AT NEW PARSONAGE

Young and old, everybody will be welcomed to a night of sociability and fun at the Congregational church and the new parsonage. The young people will hold forth for one of their jolly parties in the church basement, and every young person in Beach and the community surrounding is cordially invited to come in for his full share. Games and light refreshments will be the order of the evening under the direction of the social committee of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor. See the old year out and the new year in!

There will be a short religious service in the church, beginning at 11:15 and closing in the early new year. All will be strictly informal, and old and young, from far and near, are urgently invited to attend.

## PROMPT DELIVERY OF LOCAL MAIL

The local postoffice officials established a record during the past week in the handling of the large amount of mail that came during the holidays.

The service tendered the public was even more prompt than was anticipated and all who had gifts sent them received them at the appointed time. In order to facilitate delivery of packages, Postmaster Baer opened the local office on Christmas eve immediately after the conclusion of the exercises in the opera house and at the Methodist church.

## Mrs. Hanna May Go to Europe

Bismarck, N. D., Dec. 29.—There is much concern here regarding the condition of Governor Hanna. His private secretary, L. Ziegler, has sent two cables to the governor and also two to the American consul at Copenhagen with no reply.

Mrs. Hanna has received no word and is much worried. Asked today if she would go to his side, she said: "If the case is typhoid, I am in hopes to receive some word from Mr. Hanna as to his wishes before he becomes too ill. I shall not decide for a day or two. Mr. Hanna was threatened with typhoid several years ago, but it was broken up."

Secretary Ziegler said today that unless he heard from Copenhagen this afternoon he would wire Washington to inquire.

## AWARDED \$1,000 FOR INJURIES

Jamestown, N. D., Dec. 25.—J. W. Carr, an attorney of Jamestown, who was pounded up by Peter Neva at an auction sale last October, obtained a verdict for damages in the district court for \$1,500. The verdict is against Peter Neva, his brother John and a third man, all of whom were charged with conspiracy to beat up and pound the attorney. The attorney was representing a client in a foreclosure of a mortgage on the Andrew Neva farm near Courtenay.

The comptroller of the currency has granted a request of the Dunn County State bank at Kildeer to be converted into a First National bank.



## Community Tree Decided Success

The Beach opera house was crowded to its utmost capacity and people were standing in the lobby, unable to enter to witness the delightful program directed by Mrs. Essene and the beautiful tree, with its green branches bending under a burden of Christmas toys for the children of Beach and the community.

It is to be hoped that this first community Christmas tree will not be the last, but that for years to come the whole community will join in a fitting celebration of this greatest of all children's festivals. Abundant funds were donated by the merchants and people of Beach to pay all expenses, and that with the greatest readiness. C. B. Johnson, who had general supervision of the affair, deserves great consideration for the splendid success of our first community Christmas festival.

The little ones on the program were at their best, dressed in their prettiest, performing interest in the concern.

After the program and the departure of poor little old travel-worn Santa, the gifts were distributed, then a bag of sweets and an apple was given to every child in the house. It will be interesting to know that over 400 bags were distributed. A large number were sent by friends to children who were unable to be present.

## Business Change

During the past week a deal has been closed between J. O. Feld of the firm of Field & Farris and A. N. Englund, whereby A. N. Englund becomes owner of Field's half interest in the concern.

Something over a year ago Field & Farris formed a co-partnership and opened up a garage in a new building erected for that purpose, and they have since enjoyed a very satisfactory business. Mr. Englund recently proved up on a homestead south of town and bought the interest of Mr. Field.—Sentinel Butte Republican.

Dr. C. J. McCurren of Devils Lake, secretary of the state board of embalmers announces that arrangements are now completed for the embalmers school at the university, opening January 24 for a three weeks' course. Following the course the applicants for license will be required to take the examination, a year of practical training being prerequisite to a certificate. This is in accordance with the effort to raise the standard in North Dakota to correspond to that of other states. A communication received from the Minnesota secretary announces that the neighboring state will after this law is in effect honor the North Dakota license, providing North Dakota reciprocates.

## TOM THURMAN PASSES AWAY

Tom Thurman, formerly a teacher in the Kastien school, south of town, passed away at the Stough hospital in this city on Tuesday evening, just 30 hours after an operation had been performed for peritonitis, brought about through congestion of the small intestine. Mr. Thurman was operated on about three weeks ago for appendicitis and was recovering very nicely when peritonitis set in. At the time of the second operation very little hope was entertained for his recovery, but it was his only chance, as the intestine had been affected so long that the case grew alarming the moment peritonitis set in.

The remains were taken to Wibaux on Wednesday. The funeral services were held in that city on Thursday morning.

## Unusual Talent For Next Year

The Extension Division of the University of North Dakota has announced a considerable list of exceptional talent for its lyceum courses for next year. Among the prominent lecturers who will visit the state under the auspices of the State University are: J. Frank Henley, Ex-Governor of Indiana, Dr. Edwin A. Steiner of Grinnell College, Irving Baskeller, the author of Eben Olson, Allen D. Albert, President of the National Association of Rotary Clubs and former editor of the Minneapolis Tribune; Bert L. Newkirk, popular science lecturer, President Henry Lawrence Southwick of Emerson College of Oratory, Montaville Flowers, well known as reader and lecturer, Sarah Milder, well known as interpreter of the Sign of the Cross, and a number of others prominent in their particular fields of activity.

Among the musical companies which will be offered by the Extension Division are: The Chicago Operatic Company, The International Operatic Company, The Chicago Musical Club, The Howard Quintette, The Chicago Male Quartet, and the Wellington Orchestra Club consisting of ten pieces and a vocal soloist. The musical attractions which are being offered this year are of an exceptionally high as well as an entertaining order. It is expected that next year's offerings along these lines will be the best ever presented by the Extension Division.

## Villa Will Go on Stage

General Villa has crossed the border and is now in the United States. He has sent word to his soldiers to take care of themselves as well as possible. Villa will now pose for moving pictures and will go on the stage. He ought to clean up a million dollars during the next year or two.

## The Mayor and Alderman Clash

At a special meeting of the city council Wednesday evening Mayor Brinton and Alderman Lovell clashed over the selecting of names for prospective jurors. The meeting was called for the purpose of furnishing prospective jurors from Beach to fill the jury list from which district court jurors are selected.

The mayor proposed to read the required number of names from the last poll list as they appeared thereon, striking out firemen and such other persons as are exempt from jury duty. Alderman Lovell opposed this suggestion and wanted to pass upon the mental fitness of each man selected. The mayor insisted that every voter and resident should take his turn as a prospective juror, while Mr. Lovell insisted that men of a certain "class" should not be selected. Whereupon the mayor asked the alderman to explain just when it was that a man had to belong to a certain "class" in order to serve as a juror, and suggested that if the alderman wished to hand-pick the jury, he had better retire from the meeting and select the class of men he wanted and then submit them to the council. The mayor insisted on reading from the poll list and asked for a roll call on all objections. The first clash came over Mr. Laughlin whom Mr. Lovell insisted was not the right class of man for a juror, and that he had the right to pass upon his fitness, etc. Others objected to as unfit for jury duty by Mr. Lovell were J. R. Waters, E. Harvey, Messrs. Woodward, Al Schroeder, Fred Bublitz, and others. Each time the mayor called for a vote and each time Mr. Lovell went on record that certain citizens were not fit for jury duty and was supported by Alderman Jepson. Mr. Kastien, however, took the position that all qualified citizens were entitled to be selected and voted with Alderman Linger, while the mayor took the same ground and decided the tie vote, there being only four aldermen present.

The next day the jury for the January term of court was selected and the following is the list:

- R. A. Sprague, Beach.
- Charles Britton, Beach.
- James McGrath, Beach.
- P. W. Blue, Sentinel Butte.
- A. O. Whitney, Beach.
- Harry Moran, Westerheim.
- Jay W. Brown, Sentinel Butte.
- John Schroeder, Beach.
- Geo. Schweigert, Burkey.
- Wilbur Reed, Westerheim.
- J. B. Randells, Sentinel Butte.
- J. W. Purcell, Sentinel Butte.
- Henry Sanders, Beach.
- C. H. Moulton, Beach.
- L. W. Miles, Sentinel Butte.
- W. V. Tisor, Sentinel Butte.
- J. W. Berg, Beach.
- Robt. P. Berg, Burkey.
- Chas. Gilbert, Sentinel Butte.

## State Historical Society

- Henry Franzen, Sentinel Butte.
- F. E. Near, Beach.
- C. J. Eide, Beach.
- Wm. Schultz, Beach.
- Hjalmar Olson, Sentinel Butte.
- A. F. Doblaz, Beach.
- Oscar G. Johnson.
- Joe Fischer, Burkey.
- Archie Stecker, Westerheim.
- E. L. Manaugh, Mikkelsen.
- F. W. Werner, Beach.
- A. F. Irons, Alpha.
- W. D. Bunden, Alpha.
- Albert Erdman, Sentinel Butte.
- M. E. Thomson, Beach.
- E. H. Mason, Sentinel Butte.

## COURT TERM CLOSURES AFTER LONG SESSION

Bismarck, N. D., Dec. 25.—District court was brought to a close in this city yesterday after a large number of cases had been tried. Sentences were imposed by Judge W. J. Dussle in the S. C. Snadgrass, Tullis, Durvark and Jensen cases.

The jury returned a verdict of guilty in the case of Nels Jensen, who was tried on a charge of burglary. Jensen, it is alleged, entered the home of J. W. Johnson near Moffit and is said to have taken two gold watches, other jewelry and a supply of canned goods. The case was tried separately from Earl Secord who was charged jointly in the Jensen case. Secord was tried Thursday the jury's verdict at 10 a. m. Jurors not acting in the Secord case have been disgraced from duty.

## Grain Growers Convention

The Tri-State Grain Growers' Convention will hold its 17th annual convention in Fargo, January 18th to 21st. Many of the leading farm authorities of the state and nation will make addresses at this big meeting.

The four days poultry show which was held last week in the Dickinson armory was a big success.

Following the advice of physicians Henry Ford head of the peace party which visited in Europe left for the United States.

Western railroads have decided to advance freight rates. The advance will become effective on January 31.

In a new ruling by the British government hospital stores will in the future be considered contraband of war.

A \$120,000 land deal was recently made at Portland, in this state. It was a cash deal and the purchase was made by a woman. The land has valuable buildings on it and sold for about \$75 per acre. The lady buying owns land to the value of over a million dollars and is considered the wealthiest land owner in the state.

J. W. Page had a gasoline lighting system installed in his residence at Burkey during the past week—and Jess says the house is now "all lit up like a church." These lights are a great convenience; however, and Mr. and Mrs. Page are well pleased with them.—Sentinel Butte Republican.

## Famous Yale Athlete Dead

Thomas L. Shevlin, Millionaire Lumberman and Noted Football Coach, Dies of Pneumonia in Minneapolis.

Minneapolis, Dec. 29.—Thomas L. Shevlin, millionaire lumberman and Yale football coach, died at his home here of pneumonia. Shevlin contracted a cold while training the Yale football squad last fall. As the close of the football season he went to California to rest and recuperate but the cold continued, finally developing into pneumonia.

Last Wednesday Shevlin returned to Minneapolis, and the following day was sent to bed by physicians. Yesterday Dr. B. W. Sippy of Chicago was wired for.

He made a record trip from Chicago to Minneapolis aboard a special train on the Burlington railroad arriving just before midnight having made the 420-mile run in less than nine hours, or three hours faster than the usual schedule.

But Shevlin was sinking rapidly, and the fight for his life was without avail.

Shevlin was interested in many lumber companies. He carried insurance policies totalling about \$2,000,000. He is survived by a wife and two children.

## VALLEY CITY'S NEW GYMNASIUM

Valley City, N. D., Dec. 28.—One of the new institutions of Valley City which is receiving its share of attention from the younger generation is the Brotherhood Athletic association. Many fathers and mothers have expressed themselves as much pleased that at last there is a place where the boys may have healthful amusement along with desirable companions, and indications are that many will take advantage of the opportunity to have their boys enjoy the gymnasium and recreation rooms. Then too the girls and women are to have certain days every week when they have full use of the association rooms and enjoy themselves to their hearts' content.

It is planned to start a class of business men now that the holiday rush is over. They will have the floor almost every evening after 8:30, and it is expected that many will jump at the chance to take the stiffness from their joints and add 10 years to their lives.

There has been some delay in marking out the floor for the various games, due to the fact that the gymnasium floor is to be refinished. However, that small matter will be adjusted in a few days.

It is planned to organize a basketball league with a regular schedule of games. It is hoped to do the same with indoor baseball, which as an amusement is not so well known, but is really a good game.

Fargo will entertain the North Dakota Implement Dealers' association when that body gathers for its annual convention on January 25-26-27. According to plans and arrangements that are now under way for this meeting, Fargo will do more than entertain the convention, it will show the visitors one of the biggest times of their lives.