

Valley City Times Record

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ALWAYS BARGAINS IN THE STORES.

Newspaper readers who see only the news columns are far from getting the whole news.

The advertisements are essentially a newspaper themselves. No news dispatch from Washington or London comes home so closely as the things affecting home life that are being done in our stores day by day.

Business has its events, its crises, its opportunities, like the bigger life played on the national stage. When a merchant, after a tussle with manufacturers and importers, gets a block of goods at a low price that has a high value, it is an event far more intimately connected with home life than most of the news that newspapers print.

When he finds that through his own error of judgment, or because of seasonal conditions beyond human control, he has overstocked, and must close out to turn his goods to cash, that too is a public event more important to the housewife than some far off earthquake or fire with all its tragedy.

Discriminating buyers know very well that there are always bargains in every store. There are many conditions that compel merchants at various times to offer goods at prices below their real worth. No human mind can estimate just what kind of goods the public will take to. The over stock on certain lines often consists of the most substantial goods which did not sell because not showy enough. Notes must be paid, and new stock must be put in, and the result is a profit for the wary trailer of bargains.

Years ago, the customer had to come around and dig special values out by her own persistence. Today the advertisement writer saves her all that bother, and she finds in her favorite newspaper a full directory of special values.

Wherefore newspaper readers who take the pains to go through the advertising columns, almost invariably find things meeting their needs, to be had at a lower price for some good reason.

MAKING BUSINESS OF ATHLETICS

One of the most marked characteristics of the American team of athletics now making such high marks at Stockholm is the tendency of the men from this county to take athletic work very seriously.

With the British, athletics is always a kind of side issue, a gentleman's diversion, which he takes up more or less incidentally to other pursuits.

The American is too whole hearted to consider even sport in this manner. What is worth doing at all is worth doing well. If he is going into athletics, he goes in to win, and no means of winning will pass untried.

On the whole it is a fine spirit. With some men it leads to the frittering away of energy in pursuits disconnected with the real ends of life. But with others it is a great training to learn to do some one particular thing better than anyone else, no matter if it is merely running 100 yards. The same spirit taken into business spells a grand success.

Barnes county has been remarkably fortunate in the weather enjoyed to date. Not in many years have conditions been so favorable, especially in view of the fact that many counties are suffering from heavy hail losses. In many places the stand is so heavy that it looks like lodged grain.

The third party idea does not seem to be making much progress. The progressives of Michigan and Minnesota have adopted resolutions in which they repudiate the third or Roosevelt party idea.

Senator La Follette's argument against the formation of a third party is interesting reading. Both La Follette and Roosevelt are good men, the chief difference being that one seems to know how to take defeat while the other does not.

The Emmons County Republican claims that in politics every knock is a boost.

The editor of the Courier-News enquires, "should a man who finds his trousers stolen from a Pullman and has to send the porter for another pair tip the porter?" That's a point of etiquette we can't decide but we feel confident Bro. Cushing found a solution to the problem.

The Ellendale Record announces that it will support the Republican state and county tickets as nominated at the June primaries.

The disposition on the part of the state press to support L. B. Hanna's candidacy regardless of faction augurs well for his overwhelming election in the fall.

Some places are getting too much rain, and some places are not getting enough, and now it remains to be determined whether the wicked Democrats or the dastardly Republicans are too blame for such doings.

With great joy the small boy watches the garden drying up, which means fewer potatoes for him to dig by and by.

With a general reduction of fifteen to twenty per cent in express rates, the public will have some release. This was ordered by the Interstate Commerce Commissioners and it came after one of the hardest and most thorough examinations ever made by the commissioners. Cheaper express will bring the villages and rural districts closer to the large cities and will make a still larger boost for the mail order business.

STAFFORD LOSES ENTIRE CROP.

Seymour Stafford, the genial proprietor of the "Little Midway News Stand" was one of the losers in the heavy hail storm which swept Bowman county July 11th. His loss is total and the strip covered by the storm which was 20 miles long and five miles wide is as black as when it was seeded. "Staff" insured the 7th and was wiped out the 11th. That's going some. He is trying to figure out now whether he was lucky or unlucky, as his crop was a fine stand. The hail was two inches deep on the ground after the storm.

PLAYS AT STATE FAIR.

Prof. Perfect will play with the Putnam band during the state fair next week at Fargo. This band is to be congratulated in securing the services of this talented musician. As a clarinet player Prof. Perfect ranks with the best in the country.

A. E. Lundy, of Leal, was transacting business here Thursday.

THE RETAILER AS A BUSINESS MAN: AN APPRECIATION.

The great mass of business is, of course, done by men whose business is either small or of moderate size. The middle-sized business men form an element of strength which is of literally incalculable value to the nation. Taken as a class, they are among our best citizens. They have not been seekers after enormous fortunes; they have been moderately and justly prosperous, by reason of dealing fairly with their customers, competitors, and employees. They are satisfied with a legitimate profit that will pay their expenses of living and lay by something for those who come after, and the additional amount necessary for the betterment and improvement of their plants.

The average business man of this type is, as a rule, a leading citizen of his community, foremost in everything that tells for its betterment, a man whom his neighbors look up to and respect; an integral part of his community, bone of its bone and flesh of its flesh.—Theodore Roosevelt.

The Small Town: William Allen White in a eulogy of the small town says:

"Great cities give much in aims, but little in justice. Only as we know each other well can we treat each other justly; and the city is a wilderness of careless strangers whose instincts of humanity are daily becoming more and more blunted to suffering, because in the nature of things suffering in cities must be impersonal. The American country town, the town of from one hundred to one hundred thousand people, preserves better than the crowded city and better than the lonely ranch and isolated farm life, the things that make America great.

"The preservation of the home trade to the home town carries with it the preservation of many of our American institutions."

If the communities of this country are essential to its prosperity; if the preservation of the small town is conceded to be essential to the conservation of then whatever menaces the small town menaces the civilization of this country.

We believe that a good live town, with live merchants making something more than a living, are as much of a necessity in the commercialism of our country as is the farmer or the manufacturer. For no one can deny that every acre of land has increased in value in proportion to its proximity to a good town or city, and depreciates in value just in proportion to its distance from a good town or city.

And yet, though the trend of all this argument is directed towards proving that the preservation of the small store, one fact must never be lost sight of: The small town does not exist for the sake of the stores which form its back bone. Neither does the country around it owe to the stores of the town a sacrificial tribute.

We retailers must justify our stores; the town our stores have created; the principle of buying across the counter. We can only do this by awakening to the nature of the responsibility which we have assumed, and by a realization of the nature of the problems with which we are confronted. Otherwise, we will reservedly vanish from the face of the earth."

TAFT.

Colliers: He thought that the interpreting of statutes was all there was of life or office. The spirit of the times went by him. He lacked energy; in repeated public addresses he used stronger words than Roosevelt ever did concerning certain abuses of the courts, but the beneficiaries of those wrongs never worried; but at a single speech from Roosevelt in private life they flew into panic. Taft "meant well feebly." The public did not feel strongly against him—he never inspired so robust an emotion as hate. People didn't think of him as having the will to do evil; rather they felt sorry for him as an easy-going man in a strenuous time, one to whom ease and sleep were more attractive than the strife that was necessary to keep his foothold. In the unhurried quiet of some inferior bench minutely comparing tweedledee and tweedledum, his flaws might never have come out, and he might have ended his years, not with any particular glory, of course, but certainly without opprobrium. The country blamed his environments more than the indolence which permitted those environments to be what they were; Dolliver's epigram crystallized the public conception of Taft: "A large amiably body, closely surrounded by persons who know exactly what they want." Some pretty grave faults in his character came out; for example, his participation in the forging of a public document to escape the embarrassing consequences of a false position; but the public thought of this as the petty subterfuge of a feeble man rather than the big wickedness of a malevolent one.

COUNTY BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Valley City, N. D., July 1st, 1912. Board of Equalization met in accordance with Section 1528 Revised Codes of 1905.

Present Commissioners Cox, Jaberg, Hanson and Kretschmer.

After taking the required oath of office the board organized by electing Commissioner Jaberg Chairman and C. W. Nelson, clerk.

The forenoon was spent comparing the several assessment rolls of the county.

On motion duly seconded and carried the board adjourned to meet at nine o'clock a. m., July 2nd, 1912.

Attest C. W. NELSON, Clerk.

Valley City, N. D., July 2nd, 1912. Board met pursuant to adjournment. All members present.

After comparing the several assessment rolls of the county that for the purpose of equalizing the value of lands in Barnes county; the following values be set and percentage of increases and decreases be made to equalize the valuation:

Table with columns for location, current value, percentage change, and equalized value. Locations include Raritan, Binghampton, Spring Vale, Oriska, Weimer, Minnie Lake, Ellsbury, Thordenskjold, Norma, Cuba, Noltmier, Grand Prairie, Baldwin, Oakhill, Marsh, Fourth Com., Getchell, Third Com., Sibley-trail, Spring Creek, Skandia, Green, Hobart, Stewart, Rogers, Dazey, Rosebud, Svea, Hemen, Potter, Anderson, Edna, Lake Town, Greenland, Mansfield, Eckelson, Brimer, Uxbridge, Pierce, Vil. of Rogers, Vil. of Nome, Vil. of Sanborn, Vil. of Dazey, Vil. of Litchville, Vil. of Wimbledon.

On motion duly seconded and carried board adjourned to meet at nine o'clock a. m. July 3rd, 1912.

Attest: C. W. NELSON, Clerk.

Valley City, N. D., July 3rd, 1912. Board met pursuant to adjournment. All members present.

On motion duly seconded and carried the following changes were made in the assessment of structures on farm lands:

Table with columns for location, current value, percentage change, and equalized value. Locations include Raritan, Binghampton, Spring Vale, Oriska, Weimer, Minnie Lake, Ellsbury, Thordenskjold, Norma, Cuba, Noltmier, Grand Prairie, Baldwin, Oakhill, Nelson, Marsh, Fourth Com., Getchell, Third Com., Sibley-trail, Spring Creek, Skandia, Green, Hobart, Stewart, Rogers, Dazey, Rosebud, Svea, Hemen, Potter, Anderson, Edna, Lake Town, Greenland, Mansfield, Eckelson, Brimer, Uxbridge, Pierce, Village of Rogers, Village of Nome, Village of Sanborn, Village of Dazey, Village of Litchville, Village of Wimbledon.

On motion duly seconded and carried board adjourned to meet at two o'clock p. m., July 3rd, 1912.

Attest: C. W. NELSON, Clerk.

Valley City, N. D., July 3rd, 1912. Board met pursuant to adjournment. All members present.

On motion duly seconded and carried the following changes were made in the assessment of Lots:

Table with columns for location, current value, percentage change, and equalized value. Locations include Leal, Litchville.

Afraid of Ghosts

Many people are afraid of ghosts. Few people are afraid of germs. Yet the ghost is a fancy and the germ is a fact. If the germ could be magnified to a size equal to its terrors it would appear more terrible than any fire-breathing dragon. Germs can't be avoided. They are in the air we breathe, the water we drink.

The germ can only prosper when the condition of the system gives it free scope to establish itself and develop. When there is a deficiency of vital force, languor, restlessness, a hollow cheek, a hollow eye, when the appetite is poor and the sleep is broken, it is time to guard against the germ. You can fortify the body against all germs by the use of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It increases the vital power, cleanses the system of clogging impurities, enriches the blood, puts the stomach and organs of digestion and nutrition in working condition, so that the germ finds no weak or tainted spot in which to breed. "Golden Medical Discovery" contains no alcohol, whisky or habit-forming drugs. All its ingredients printed on its outside wrapper. It is a secret nostrum but a medicine of known composition and with a record of 40 years of cures. Accept no substitute—there is nothing "just as good." Ask your neighbors.



On motion duly seconded and carried the following changes were made in the assessment of Structures on Lots:

Table with columns for location, current value, percentage change, and equalized value. Locations include Leal, Rogers, Litchville.

On motion duly seconded and carried the Structures of the Russell Miller Milling Company were reduced from \$45,000 to \$42,000 as recommended by City Assessor for reason of error.

On motion duly seconded and carried board adjourned to meet at ten o'clock a. m. July 5th, 1912.

Attest: C. W. NELSON, Clerk.

Valley City, N. D., July 5th, 1912. Board met pursuant to adjournment. Present Commissioner Jaberg, Mudgett, Hanson and Kretschmer.

After comparing the several assessment rolls, the following changes were made in the values of personal property:

Table with columns for location, current value, percentage change, and equalized value. Locations include Raritan, Oriska, Minnie Lake, Baldwin, Fourth Com., Third Com., Spring Creek, Skandia, Green, Hobart, Stewart, Rogers, Dazey, Rosebud, Svea, Hemen, Potter, Anderson, Edna, Lake Town, Greenland, Mansfield, Eckelson, Brimer, Uxbridge, Pierce, Village of Sanborn, Village of Litchville, City of Valley City.

On motion duly seconded and carried the following changes were made in the assessment of structures on farm lands:

Table with columns for location, current value, percentage change, and equalized value. Locations include Raritan, Oriska, Minnie Lake, Baldwin, Fourth Com., Third Com., Spring Creek, Skandia, Green, Hobart, Stewart, Rogers, Dazey, Rosebud, Svea, Hemen, Potter, Anderson, Edna, Lake Town, Greenland, Mansfield, Eckelson, Brimer, Uxbridge, Pierce, Vil. of Rogers, Vil. of Nome, Vil. of Sanborn, Vil. of Dazey, Vil. of Litchville, Vil. of Wimbledon.

On motion duly seconded and carried the board adjourned to meet at two o'clock p. m. July 5th, 1912.

Attest: C. W. NELSON, Clerk.

Valley City, N. D., July 5th, 1912. Board met pursuant to adjournment. All members present.

On motion duly seconded and carried the following changes were made in the assessment on Personal Property:

Table with columns for location, current value, percentage change, and equalized value. Locations include Raritan, Binghampton, Minnie Lake, Cuba, Noltmier, Grand Prairie, Nelson, Getchell, Third Com., Skandia, Green, Dazey, Rosebud, Svea, Hemen, Potter, Anderson, Edna, Lake Town, Greenland, Mansfield, Eckelson, Uxbridge, Village of Nome, Village of Litchville, City of Valley City.

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COWS

Table with columns for location, current value, percentage change, and equalized value. Locations include Raritan, Oriska, Minnie Lake, Grand Prairie, Getchell, Third Com., Svea, Lake Town, Village of Dazey.

OXEN

Table with columns for location, current value, percentage change, and equalized value. Locations include Oakhill, Raritan, Oriska, Minnie Lake, Grand Prairie, Baldwin, Fourth Com., Third Com., Spring Creek, Skandia, Hobart, Dazey, Anderson, Mansfield, Uxbridge, Pierce.

MULES 3 YEARS OLD AND OVER.

Table with columns for location, current value, percentage change, and equalized value. Locations include Raritan, Oriska, Minnie Lake, Grand Prairie, Dazey, Hemen, Edna, Greenland, Mansfield, Valley City.

SHEEP

Table with columns for location, current value, percentage change, and equalized value. Locations include Raritan, Oriska, Minnie Lake, Thordenskjold, Alta, Noltmier, Baldwin, Oakhill, Nelson, Marsh, Sibley-trail, Green, Dazey, Rosebud, Svea, Edna, Lake Town, Greenland, Pierce.

HOGS

Table with columns for location, current value, percentage change, and equalized value. Locations include Raritan, Minnie Lake, Thordenskjold, Third Com., Skandia, Lake Town, Eckelson, Village of Dazey, Minnie Lake, Ellsbury, Thordenskjold, Norma, Cuba, Alta, Grand Prairie, Baldwin, Oakhill, Nelson, Marsh, Getchell, Third Com., Sibley-trail, Spring Creek, Green, Hobart, Stewart, Rogers, Dazey, Rosebud, Svea, Hemen, Potter, Anderson, Lake Town, Greenland, Mansfield, Uxbridge, Pierce, Village of Dazey, Village of Rogers, Village of Litchville, Village of Wimbledon.

On motion duly seconded and carried board adjourned to meet at nine o'clock a. m. July 6th, 1912.

Attest: C. W. NELSON, Clerk.

Valley City, N. D., July 6th, 1912. Board met pursuant to adjournment. Present Commissioners Jaberg, Mudgett, Kretschmer and Hanson.

On motion duly seconded and carried the following changes were made in the assessment of personal property:

Table with columns for location, current value, percentage change, and equalized value. Locations include Raritan, Oriska, Minnie Lake, Baldwin, Fourth Com., Third Com., Spring Creek, Green, Hobart, Stewart, Rogers, Dazey, Rosebud, Svea, Hemen, Potter, Anderson, Lake Town, Greenland, Mansfield, Uxbridge, Pierce, Village of Dazey, Village of Rogers, Village of Litchville, Village of Wimbledon.

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Farmers' Mercantile Co. General Merchandise

Dry Goods Men's Furnishings Simon's Gloves Patterson Hats Warner's Corsets Hallmarck Shirts Selz and Gotzian Shoes

Fancy and Staple Groceries Bour's Royal Garden Teas and Coffee Marquette and A. C. Canned Goods

E. K. MYHRE, Mgr