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BIG CORN SHOW A REALITY; BEST EVER SHOWN IN COUNTY

Merchants Taking An Active Part In Making the Show Worth While---Exhibit of Merchants Big Feature.

(From Tuesday's Daily)

The work in live stock will be illustrated by some of the best herds in the country. The following men have very kindly agreed to have part of their herds here to be used for judging purposes: Sam Fletcher, Matson, Shorthorn; Chilberg, Valley City, Shorthorn; Johnson Stock and Farming Co., Marlon, Holstein; Andrew Schilling, Valley City, Aberdeen Angus; C. E. Batcheler, Fingal, Durec Jersey hogs; A. A. Booth, Valley City, Yorkshire and Poland China hogs.

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Moving Pictures for Boys--Rex Theater.
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Each evening during the Show and Short Course there will be something of interest. Lectures, shows and basket ball will furnish plenty of chance to spend a pleasant evening. Children coming alone who wish to stay over night may go directly to the information booth in the Armory, which will be maintained by the Commercial club and they will be directed to where they may secure accommodations at moderate rates. Everyone in Valley City will have their latch strings out for their friends and a real good time is promised everyone. The Commercial club "speaking as a man," wants to see every farmer in the county in Valley City during the Corn Show. Wednesday the Commercial club will serve their regular midday lunch, buffet style and all the men in the county who are in town on that day will be made very welcome to eat with them. Prof. Mayland has furnished the following which will be of interest at this time:

Short Course for Teachers

The instruction in agriculture will be practical in every respect. The work will deal with live stock and crop rotation. A comparative study will be made of the more important breeds of live stock as the Shorthorn, Aberdeen Angus, Holstein and the Jersey, also of the Berkshire, Yorkshire and Poland China swine. Good typical animals of the above breeds have been obtained for use in judging so as to familiarize the students with the characteristics of each breed and establish a correct idea of the significance of type and conformation in animals. After the pupils have been given the practice work in judging of the various breeds of cattle and swine a competitive judging contest will be conducted for the boys. Those doing the best will receive the prizes offered under the special prizes as designated in the premium list.

The instructional work in crop rotation will have for its object the study of different classes of crops, their relation to one another in the rotation, the value of rotations and the types that are most highly adapted to our conditions. Much emphasis and time will be given to the study of corn.

The teaching will be done by men who are specialists in live stock and farm crops. They are T. E. Clarke, F. W. White and L. D. Center of the Better Farming Association. T. E. Clarke and F. W. White have had extensive experience in the teaching of live stock subjects and in the judging of live stock at county, state and international fairs.

Mr. Center has for years been connected with the Agricultural college of Illinois and is recognized as a leading authority on soils and farm crops, and what is more he is a teacher of boys. Mr. Center was the originator of the annual Farm Boys' Encampment at the Illinois State Fair, a feature which has become very popular as well as successful in directing the attention of farm boys to the science of agriculture.

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VALLEY CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT TO GO TO NOME

The Nome Fire department will have their annual party and grand ball, Dec. 6, next Friday night, and have invited the Valley City Fire boys to be with them and help celebrate.

A fine program has been arranged, including speeches by Ex-Chief Craswell and Captain Frank Henry of this department, to conclude with a grand ball.

Nome has an excellent volunteer fire department and the organization is composed of Nome's finest.

Chief Hesch of the Valley City department has called a special meeting to be held tonight to talk over the transportation, as a large number of the members expect to go.

A Wise Guy.

Hewitt--Gruet is a wise guy. Jewett--How so? Hewitt--He got married on the 29th of February, so that in the years to come he won't be bothered very often by having his wife remind him of the anniversary of something he would like to forget.--New York Press.

Tried Hard To Act A Real Stage Play

RUSTIC SWAINS DID BEST THEY COULD TO BE TRAGICAL, BUT WERE ONLY FUNNY.

An amusing incident recently occurred when a group of well known rural swains made a ludicrous effort to act a play. What they didn't know about the stage and acting would fill a small library, but that fact didn't lessen their self assurance. With characteristic stupidity, they picked out the hardest kind of a play to give, a tragedy. It was to be acted in the house of a gentleman of some importance, who was highly amused at the idea of these rustics trying to be play-actors. One scene had to represent two gardens with a wall between, on a moonlight night. Instead of having a representation of a wall, however, these ridiculous nummers had one of their number act the part of a wall. They covered him over with plaster and lime and marked off on his coat the rough outlines of two or three pieces of stone. In the play two lovers were supposed to talk to each other through a chink in this wall, and this chink was represented by Mr. Wall's holding up his fingers in the form of a circle. Through this chink the lovers finally tried to kiss each other, and the effect was very touching. As for the moonlight, when they found out by the calendar that the moon did not shine on the night the play was given, they had one of their number hold up a lantern to represent the "Queen of the night." The whole show was given on this scale and proved so preposterous that the audience, instead of weeping over the lamentable tragedy of "Pyramus and Thisbe," almost laughed themselves sick.

The success of the occasion was so great that it is all to be done over again at the Normal auditorium, Monday evening, Dec. 16, by the new Dramatic club. Prof. Clarence Henry, who has had much experience in amateur theatricals, is to be the leader of the "rude mechanicals" who try so solemnly to give their absurd tragedy. Tickets at thirty-five and fifty cents. Reserved seats on sale at the Dakota drug company.

Work Has Started on Brick and Tile Plant

FOUNDATION FOR BIG STRUCTURE WILL BE COMPLETED WITHIN A FEW DAYS.

Contractor Lavery started work Monday morning on the main building of the Valley City Brick and Tile company, and has about fifteen men on the job. The ditch for the foundation is progressing rapidly and will be ready within a couple of days. Teams are hauling the gravel for the foundation and work will start on that at once. The material is all on the ground so that the foundation can be rushed to completion. The cold weather will not bother as several tons of straw have been hauled and will be used to cover the concrete work as fast as it is in place. In addition to the main building there are four others that will be completed as soon as possible and the office building will be built at a later date, when the company can make their own material.

SHIPOWNERS' OPPOSE BILL

Washington, Dec. 5.--Complete authority over the men in their employ is the demand of the Lake Carriers' association, representing the majority of shipowners on the Great Lakes, before the commerce committee of the senate in opposition to the seamen's bill.

"We are convinced the committee will recommend our bill," said Andrew Fursueth, president of the Seamen's union. "The committee seems absolutely fair."

The chief points thus far decided in the seamen's favor in this bill is their right to quit their jobs while in port. This puts an end to punishment for desertion.

Sergeant Kelly, a celebrity of the Irish bar, had a remarkable habit of drawing conclusions directly at variance with his premises and was consequently nicknamed "Counselor Therefore." In court on one occasion he thus addressed the jury: "The case is so clear, gentlemen, that you cannot possibly misunderstand it, and I should pay your understandings a very poor compliment if I dwell upon it for another minute. Therefore I shall at once proceed to explain it to you as minutely as possible."

BIG GIFT FOR BIG SISTERS

Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, Sr., Promises \$500,000 Endowment.

New York, Dec. 5.--Announcement of a gift of \$500,000 for the endowment of the Big Sisters to put that organization on a permanent basis is expected to be made at the annual meeting. Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, Sr., who founded the movement, will announce her intention of giving the big gift to the organization, it was stated, and at the same time tell of the plans for the home for girls to be established of which she had given \$150,000.

The work of the organization is similar to that of the Big Brothers. The committee inquires into the cases of girls brought before the children's court who are not positively vicious. For these the Big Sisters provide a home and a guardian, who keeps an eye on their welfare.

Murderer of Infant Sentenced to Life Term

COUPLE WHO MURDERED INFANT IN FARGO CAUGHT AND ADMITTED GUILTY.

Richard A. Scheutte, aged 22 years, was sentenced to life imprisonment in the state penitentiary at Bismarck by Judge Pollock this morning for the crime of strangling his three-week-old baby in the Great Northern hotel on the evening of Nov. 4, last.

Mrs. Scheutte did not appear in the court this morning and according to the sweeping confession of her husband made on the stand after pleading guilty to the crime, she had no actual part in the strangling of the infant.

The young fellow, who is a fair-haired German lad, unaccustomed to some of the commonest terms in the English language, told a most harrowing story of the tragedy. He said he had known his wife for a number of years and had been attentive to her for many months prior to their marriage last summer. An intimacy developed between the two young people before their marriage.

They came to North Dakota from their home in Owen, Wis., last summer in search of work and were married on July 31. Their child was born at Pillsbury on Oct. 14, last. About three weeks later Scheutte received an offer to return to Wisconsin. Neither wanted to return home on account of the child, and face the disgrace among their friends and relatives.

Scheutte said when they arrived in Fargo his wife wanted to rest so they took a room at the Great Northern hotel between trains. There in the hotel, the fellow said the idea of trying to get rid of the child by violence came to him. While in Pillsbury he said he had made a number of unsuccessful efforts to give the little one away and that once a kindly disposed woman was on the point of taking it, but later changed her mind.

His wife left the room while he strangled the baby. First he tried to smother it by holding his hands tightly across its mouth and nostrils. When that method failed he tied his handkerchief around the infant's throat, drawing it tighter and tighter until it was quite dead.

The young wife then returned to the room and said she did not want to gaze upon the little body, so it was thrust behind the dresser.

Scheutte said she wept considerably. Then they ate their lunch and donned their wraps, as it was time to take the train.

The court appointed Aubrey Lawrence as counsel for the young man. At the conclusion of the hearing, Mr. Lawrence pleaded for the mercy of the court. Perhaps there has been no more touching and logical appeal for leniency than the effort of the distinguished Fargo lawyer in the district court this morning in his endeavor to save the young man from a death penalty.

The case of Mrs. Scheutte will probably be brought up in the next day or two. A. W. Cupler has been appointed as her counsel.

Two Wimbledon Fire Victims Die

MRS. OWENS AND LITTLE CLIFF-FORD MCBAIN DIE FROM BURNS.

Special to the Times-Record.
Wimbledon, N. D., Dec. 4.--Two of the victims of yesterday's terrible fire succumbed to their injuries. Mrs. Owens was a woman of about 65 years. Her burns were of such a nature that there was no hope of her recovery from the first, but she regained consciousness so that she spoke to her five sons and daughters, who were at her bedside. She died at 11 p. m. Little Clifford McBain was not at first thought to be fatally burned, but it developed later that he had inhaled the flames, as he was a mass of flames when he came out of the building, and ran into the street. He suffered terribly and passed away at 1 o'clock p. m. Wimbledon is appalled at the terrible tragedy, but are thankful that the suffering of the victims of the fire was not prolonged. The sympathy of the community is with the bereaved relatives who are so suddenly bereft of those dear ones.

The cause of the fire will never be known, but the boy who was burned said that Mrs. Owens was carrying a can of oil and dropped it on the floor and immediately there was an awful fire. The supposition is that the can contained gasoline, and that when it was spilled on the floor it ignited from the stove and caused the explosion that caused the loss of the two lives. The house was not burned and the contents of the building was not badly damaged.

Congress Now Ready To Work

L. B. HANNA AND OTHER GOVERNOR-ELECTS WERE CHEERED BY REPRESENTATIVES.

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