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FIRST STOCK SALE SHOWS SWINE TO PREDOMINATE

Cattle But Few, Horses Still Scarcer, and Sheep a Minus Quantity

Livestock Interests Impressed With Necessity of Having Facilities For Annual Sales.

The first sale by the Codington County Livestock Breeders' association may be said to have been a success, from one standpoint—that of having a sale.

But since it was the first sale of the kind, it was not unexpected that the prices would range very high. However, even though it was the first event of the kind, it was noticeable that some of the animals offered—good, pedigreed, fine looking animals—went for less than they would have brought on the butcher's block.

Need of a "Home."

While the McLaughlin barn is one of the largest in the northern part of the state, the first sale, small affair that it was, showed that if such annual events are to be the success that the livestock interests of the county ought to expect and must have, some permanent "home" must be provided—a place where animals may not only be offered for sale, and sold, but where opportunities are afforded for displaying stock generally to advantage.

Some Fine Hogs.

By far the greater portion of the swine offered were the Durocs, ranging from a few months of age to two years. Some of the best blooded stock of this breed that can be found in the state or elsewhere was put up, but the bidding was not at all brisk. The bidders picked them up at small figures in comparison with what such animals usually command where the demand is normal in livestock regions.

T. N. Babcock had some Berkshire there that were beauties for their breed. He also had a Poland China of fine proportions. But the bidding in each case was light.

Cattle Few.

There were but a few head of cattle offered. Mr. Kreeger had a Hereford cow, four years old, that went at a rather low figure, while George Kahl put up a fine-bred Shorthorn with calf that went for \$145 for the two.

"You are doing missionary work," said the auctioneer to Mr. Kahl. "Remember this is but the beginning of these sales."

"Yes, I know it," replied Kahl. "I would not want to sell that calf alone for less than \$100 if I had it in my barn."

There were several young bulls sold, one of the Hereford breed and some of the Shorthorn. The prices ranged from \$40 to \$110.

Horses Scarce.

Colonel Stover had a fine 16-year-old Percheron that he had used for several years—a fine appearing, active, high-spirited animal—that got but little bidding on. It went up to \$75 only.

A jack that the owner said he had paid \$1100 for was not sold at all, no bid above the reserve of \$300 having been offered.

But It Was a Beginning.

But, as the stockmen said, it was a beginning. There is ample room in Codington county for some of the finest stock that ever came down the pike, to use a little slang. And the stock growers of the county are more and more getting into the high-class stock breeding, casting their scrubs aside as fast as they can work them off and getting the higher strains into their pastures.

POLITICIAN TO STAY HOME NIGHTS AND PRAY FOR HEAVEN

Washington, Nov. 10.—A promise to his wife to stay at home more at night and to prepare for the next world was the only pledge made by M. H. Hunsberry, defeated progressive candidate for congress for the first Kentucky district. Mr. Hunsberry filed his report here today, showing he neither received nor spent a cent.

"The only promise I made any living human being during the whole of my campaign," the affidavit reads, "was to my wife, whom I did promise that I would be with her at least as much, or more after the election than I had prior thereto, and I did give her a little friendly advice, which was this: That we both pray earnestly to get to heaven, as there was absolutely no danger of us having to go to Washington."

Looks Deceiving.

"This parrot can speak three languages,"

Wow!

"My husband loved me at first sight."

A DAY OF SPORTS AT STATE COLLEGE AT BROOKINGS

South Dakota Lads Defeat North Dakotans on the Dizzy Gridiron

Should "Hobo Day" Be Obliterated and a More Suitable Term Invented for Occasion.

Whether the term "Hobo Day" as applied to a college celebration is one wisely chosen may be open to question.

For some years past it has been the custom of the state agricultural college to attach this appellation to the "doings" of the college on a given day each year.

The students, in large numbers, array themselves in "suitable" garments in keeping with the character of the hobo, and the public mind with the garb and deportment of the so-called "hobo," and, emulating the supposed example of the weary Willies of the highways, they "solicit" edibles from the people of Brookings and observe all the forms of the hobo tourists in preparing their meals and in consuming them.

King Hobo Crowned.

Upon this occasion—November 14, 1914—the "Hobo King" was crowned with befitting ceremony, and the hobo band furnished the stimulating music for the Indian dance that followed the coronation.

It was all very interesting, to say the least, and the "hobo" students and the "Indian maidens," arrayed in all their finery, departed themselves as gentlemen and gentlewomen, both on the streets and on the campus where the ceremonies took place.

A More Suitable Name

But, as suggested in the beginning, whether some other term more appropriate for college students and more dignified college professors, more edifying in the public mind than "Hobo day," could not be utilized, or "invented," is a question which might possibly be well considered by the student body and the faculty.

But the day's program was interesting throughout, as a representative of the Saturday News is able personally to testify. The street parade in the forenoon attracted a large assemblage of people—in fact, it was a gala day for Brookings people and the college.

Banquet to Press Club.

At noon, the domestic economy class of the Brookings high school—and Brookings has a public school system second to none in the state, it is believed, having the full twelve-year course, and not depending upon the state college for the finishing touches—served a banquet to the press club and its invited guests, who were the newspaper representatives present from surrounding towns.

The banquet was served in courses—a four-course dinner—the total cost of which was twenty cents a plate. It was exceptionally well prepared, was well served, and was assuredly a credit to the domestic science department of the high school. The serving was likewise by the high school students.

The Football Game.

But, of course, the great event of the day was the football game between the University of North Dakota and the college team, in which the Brookings aggregation showed a superiority that was obvious from the start. The score was 13 to 3 in favor of the Brookings eleven.

One of the star players in the Brookings team was a Watertown boy—Cleveland Abbott, son of E. B. Abbott. Cleveland won the admiration of the people of Watertown while he was attending the high school here. He has likewise won the good opinions of the people of Brookings and of his college associates. In one more year he will graduate.

Cleveland Abbott.

Cleveland is now 23 years of age and is working his way through college, paying all his expenses and keeping well at the head of his class.

Incidentally we may say that Cleveland is handicapped—won't be if he were living farther south—on account of his color, but he has shown that sterling character is a lad's greatest asset and that true manliness is a virtue that receives recognition by all worth while people.

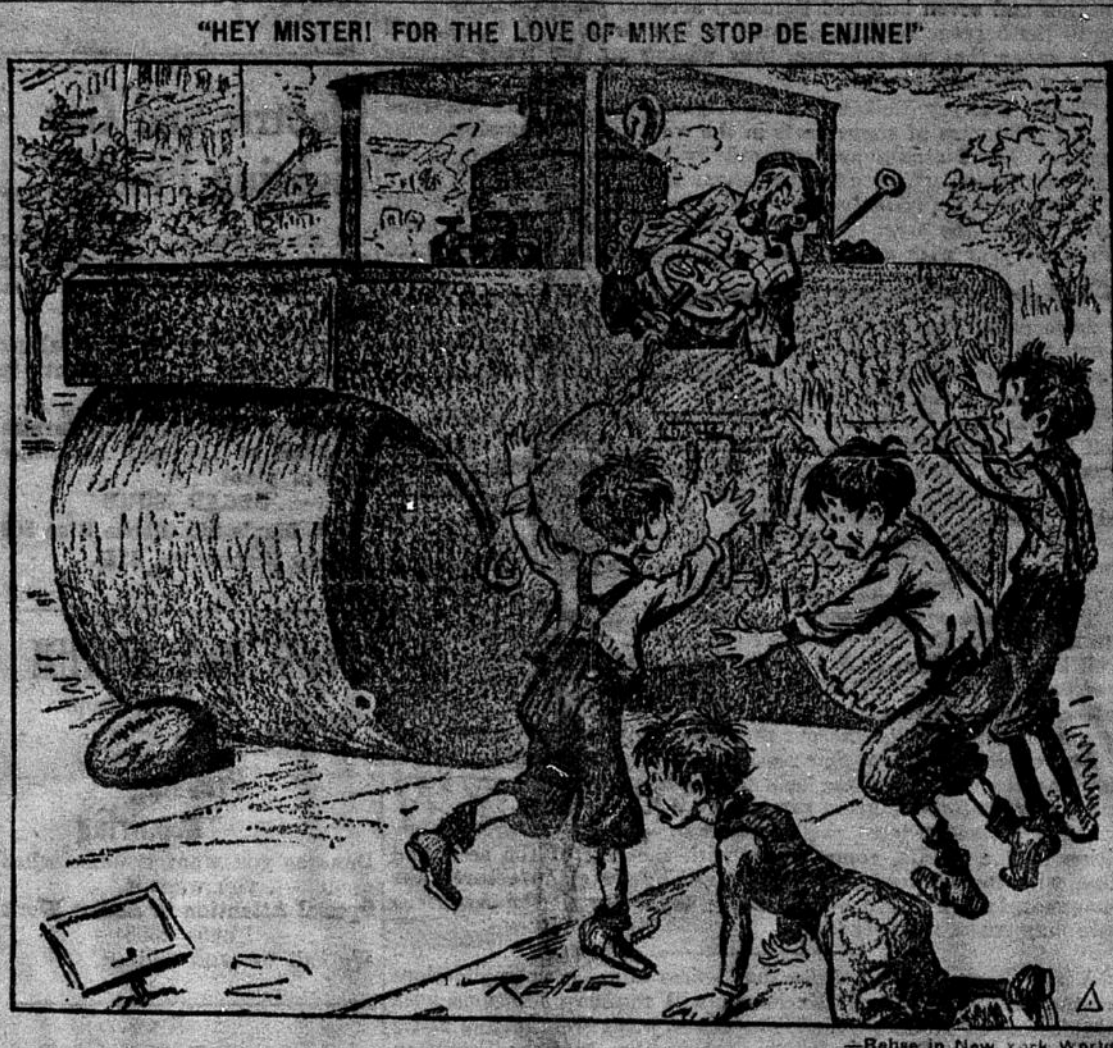
The attendance from Watertown was very light. Probably no residents were spectators of the day's events.

In Reserve.

I can whip my weight in wildcats, but I'll not beat the drums, Nor join the fray until that day, When a wildcat army comes.

W.

Mother: "What do you think you will make out of my daughter's talent?"



—Reprise in New York World

Family Day Sunday Watertown Churches

Thanksgiving is our great national family day. The ministers of the city believe that there is no better day in all the year for family day in the churches than the Sunday preceding Thanksgiving. The day will be observed accordingly in all the city churches. A record of family attendance will be kept at each church and the grand total will be announced next week. The plan that will be followed is as follows: All the members of the family in the city must be in attendance at the same church at the morning service. There must be at least two members of the family in the city and at church in order to count as a family. Where different churches are represented in the same family, the ministers urge that they all unite on one church and attend there together next Sunday morning. This plan extends to all the families living in the surrounding country in reach of Watertown. We certainly will be pleased to see a large number of families come in from the country.

Watertown Flour For Suffering Belgians

The Northwestern Millers' association is making efforts to send a shipment of flour to Europe for the benefit of the non-combatant people of Belgium. The W. H. Stokes Milling company of this city has offered to donate one hundred sacks of its regular export flour, and will send forward a carload of the same grade provided the people of the city and vicinity will contribute to a fund sufficient to fill a car in which case the entire carload will be shipped as the offering of Watertown and Codington county and immediately surrounding country. Already the donations approximate 500 sacks, each contributor donating such number as he sees fit. By far the large proportion is confined to one sack each, the cost of which is \$1.10, the general run being from one to five. In this way the contributions will represent a wide range of individual gifts. The Commercial club, at its noonday luncheon Monday, heartily endorsed the project.

The Knights Columbus Install New Officers

P. O. Minnaugh, at a recent meeting, was installed as Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus in this city. The other officers chosen are the following: Deputy, Ed. Lemm; Chaplain, Rev. W. S. O'Meara; Chancellor, T. H. Grellis; Warden, Alfred Spicer; Recording Secretary, Alfred Steichen; Financial Secretary, C. M. Kranz; Treasurer, Theo. Laum; Trustees, Wm. Scholtz and Hubert Krier. The following entertainment committee was designated: Charles Gagnon, Mark Truhy, Albert Spicer, Henry Kranz, Henry Zerlas, Albert Brandt, Fred Scholtz and John Mahowald.

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FLORENCE.

Herman Gerhard transacted business at Watertown Tuesday. The Ladies Auxiliary will give a chicken pie supper Thursday. Mr. D. White spent Saturday at Brookings. Gus Bok, of Watertown, was visiting at the home of his daughter, Mrs. D. H. Soper, the first of the week. Alice Smith spent Saturday and Sunday at Aberdeen visiting friends. Little Dahl went to Madison, Minn., Monday, where she will attend school this winter. Mrs. A. H. Ristvedt, who has been visiting her daughters at Clarkfield and Northfield, Minn., returned home Sunday. Mabel and Alfred Soreng were at Watertown Tuesday. Chas. Four autoed to Watertown Tuesday. Mrs. Maud Morrison and Frank Welch visited relatives at Watertown the first of the week. Mrs. Chas. Jones was at Watertown Wednesday, having dental work done.

M. Carlisle, Mr. Timmerman and Chas. Four were at Wallace Tuesday evening on business. Hazel Halse, who had an operation at Minneapolis a short time ago, returned home the first of the week. Dr. Mullen was at Watertown Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Burnstad and Gladys, of Watertown, were visiting relatives here the first of the week. Born, Nov. 11, to Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Heinz, a girl.

Mrs. Dracey and two children, of Elrod, are visiting at the Chas. and M. M. Jones homes this week. Paul Meyer, who has been visiting relatives here, left Saturday for Montevideo, Minn., where he has accepted a position in a barber shop.

Henry Wierbeck, of Watertown, has moved his grading outfit here and is going to grade the road across the lake south of Florence.

J. J. Brooks substituted for M. N. bet on the rural route Monday and Tuesday.

George Vanderveer is spending the week at Watertown. Olive and Beatrice Vanderveer are visiting relatives at LeBeau this week.

Lloyd Smith was at Verdon Monday. Dr. Hill, of Watertown, spent Wednesday here on business. Chas. Four and A. C. Burnstad were at Wallace Wednesday.

Mrs. Paul Lemke is visiting relatives at Watertown this week. Mr. and Mrs. Nommenson were at Watertown Sunday visiting relatives. Margaret McClung is at the P. Lemke home this week.

C. Schilbred, of Duluth, Minn., is visiting at the A. Holman home. Mrs. Herman Stee visited relatives at Watertown Thursday.

RICHLAND.

Dr. Dickinson made a professional call at the B. G. Lewis home Monday. Mrs. Vick, mother of Gilbert Vick, is here visiting at the home of her son for a few days. Her home is in Minnesota.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lewis and son, Lyle, were all day visitors at the B. G. Lewis home Friday. Mrs. Alice Lemon and Master Bertie and Mrs. F. B. Rowley and Kenneth were called at the same home Friday.

Former Banker Charged With Double Dealing

Bancroft Bank President Is Missing—Said to Be Heavily Involved

The Family Presumably Headed for Texas, But Mr. Syverson's Whereabouts Unknown.

E. A. Syverson, formerly one of the bankers in this city, but whose interests in banking in this city were entirely closed out nearly a year ago, is wanted by the authorities.

It is alleged that Syverson and his son had a finger in wrecking a bank at Bancroft, which they managed. The bank, at all events, was closed by the state banking department.

The amount of money they are said to have gotten away with varies with the time of telling and the identity of the teller. It runs all the way from \$10,000 up to \$75,000.

Stoeckel a Loser.

One of the local features in connection with Mr. Syverson's departure and the failure of his financial enterprises of late, lies in the fact that one of his most intimate personal friends is a heavy loser on account of his faith in Mr. Syverson's integrity. Mr. L. W. Stoeckel is said to have advanced Mr. Syverson large sums, and that even within the very recent past he has loaned him \$1500.

"I have known Syverson," said Mr. Stoeckel to a newspaper reporter, "for more than twenty years, and I had faith in the man's integrity. I am at a loss to understand his course. If what we hear about his recent transactions has any especial foundation."

In some quarters Mr. Syverson was regarded as a "plunger" to some extent, and it is alleged that his recent real estate investments have not turned out as he expected. While he was still in the banking business it is claimed that in some cases he loaned money on town property far in excess of the value of the security.

Ernest at Des Moines.

About the time the Bancroft bank met, Mrs. Syverson left the city, presumably for southern Texas, where it was supposed the family intended to reside. At Des Moines, Iowa, according to a late report, Ernest, the son associated with his father in the Bancroft bank, was apprehended by the authorities and will be held pending further investigation. Mr. Syverson's whereabouts, however, is still unknown to the authorities.

Other Banks Not Affected.

So far as known, no other bank in the state is affected to an appreciable extent.

So far as Watertown is concerned, Mr. Syverson is not even a stockholder in any Watertown banking institution, having disposed of his entire holdings here with the change that took place nearly a year ago.

SNOW AND SLEET ASSAILS FIGHTING FORCES IN EAST

Arctic Assailant No Respect-er of Armies or of Racial Environments

World Would Revolt, Says Herbert Cerey, If It Knew the Whole Story of Wars Tragedy.

The armies of the east have something other than each other to contend with. Down from the north came snow and sleet, with freezing temperature.

The armies were ruthlessly assailed without regard to their identity, nor with respect for their commanders, nor for the racial associations, German and French, Austrians and Russians, English and Belgians, were alike attacked.

Temporarily at least, there has been a lull in the fighting, so far as the movement of the troops is concerned. The artillery duel continues with unabated fury, but the infantry, hemmed in by mud and water and snow and sleet and cold, has been forced to slacken its tremendous pace.

Epidemics Feared.

From the Germans and the allies come reports concerning the apprehension with regard to possible epidemics resulting from the unfavorable conditions.

The histories of wars teach that within a few months after war has been actively carried on disease invades the fighting forces and carries away its thousands—more than are slain by hand.

Then, too, as winter approaches, fighting is much more difficult, and the suffering incident thereto is much more intense. In localities where the weather becomes severe, active operations during the winter period are almost impossible.

Russian March Stopped.

London, Nov. 18.—On the two main battle fronts, the Russian and the eastern frontier of Germany, the new efforts are being made today to bring about a decided turn in the progress of the war. In Belgium the Germans have begun another fearful onslaught in a region which is becoming more and more restricted. The allies have succeeded in flooding a further area, so that heavy infantry fighting is almost impossible from the seacoast nearly to Ypres.

was to be different from the one here. The next will be the Hockley Glee club, December 5. A male quartet. This will be the music, concert and entertainment of a good male quartet.

Yes, I think the flies are all swatted in this vicinity now.

Frank Lebert autoed to the city Friday, accompanied by Theodore Buellet.

Teddy, the painter, has left this neck of the woods for a few days.

A large congregation was present at the mission festival Sunday at the German Lutheran church. Rev. J. R. Bauman returned Monday to his home at Red Wing, Minn.

Alice Loesch has returned to the city to take up her school duties.

The many friends of Mrs. John Lebert will be glad to learn that she is well again. Owing to the cold weather John Lebert could not frank his auto Sunday morning. The result was that John Sundayed at home.

Miss Alvina Locher, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Abraham and family, accompanied by a niece, Miss Ida Abraham from Hazel, dined with Aug. Klatt and family Sunday. Herman had a little hard luck with his auto, twisting off one of the rear axles trying to start it.

Because Miss Margaret Loesch contracted a bad cold there was no school in district No. 33 last Monday.

I reckon A. W. P. will say that lesson in corn picking is all right. A certain Mr. Boyd once said: "Yes, there is a knack in picking corn. If you make one miss move you are lost for all day."

George Ennis left Monday for his home in Beards, Ill. George said he was going south for the winter to stay with "bob white."

Every fourth Sunday there will be English service at the German Lutheran church. Any one wishing a song book for same will please notify Rev. Mr. Albright at Grover.

Peter Scherer and family dined with Albert Scherer Sunday.

A needle social will be held in the schoolhouse in district No. 33 immediately after the club meeting November 24. Easy lady will bring a necktie and a well filled basket of lunch. The basket need not be decorated. The ties, with the owner's name attached will be concealed in an envelope and sold, when the proceeds must find his partner. The proceeds will be used for decorating the inside of the schoolroom.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Thiede and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. Puhman and family took dinner with the Meskies family Sunday.