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CONVENTION FOR CORN AND CLOVER

SECOND ANNUAL CORN AND CLOVER CONVENTION WILL BE HELD IN GRAND FORKS FEB. 7-9

The second annual Red River Valley Corn and Clover Convention to be held in Grand Forks, N. D., February 7th, 8th and 9th promises to be the most interesting and instructive farmers' meeting in the Northwest this winter. The program has been extended to cover three all day and two evening sessions. The list of speakers include some of the best known corn and clover men of the country and numbers Prof. P. G. Holden, of Ames, Iowa, who is probably the best known corn man in the country.

The corn and clover educational movement has been tackled in earnest by the North Dakota boosters who have organized this convention held in Grand Forks each winter. The organization of the annual corn and clover meeting came last year after a series of valuable meetings covering a larger field. The new movement has as its purpose the furnishing of a special corn, clover and feed crop education to the farmers of the Red River Valley and all others who wish to attend. The meetings are open to all at no cost to anybody, and able men who can talk practice as well as theory are secured as speakers. The list of speakers includes all the regular specialists of the North Dakota Farmers' Institute as well as a large number of special speakers.

This year it is planned to add an interesting feature in the shape of a mid-winter exhibition of grain, vegetables and feed crops. This feature will be something of an experiment this winter, but if successful a large exhibition is in mind for the 1912 convention.

Among the list of speakers for the corn and clover meeting for this year will be the following well known men:

Prof. B. G. Holden, of Iowa Agricultural College, Prof. Thos. Shaw, of the G. N. Ry. system, Prof. M. A. Brannon, of the University of N. D., Prof. A. B. Hess of Larimore, N. D., and others of equal note.

FIRE DAMAGED STATE OFFICE

Fire broke out in the Williston State office last night about nine-thirty. The alarm was sent in but owing to the heavy snow it took some time to get water turned onto the flames. Owing to this little delay the fire got considerable headway and the type and cases are a total loss. The machinery and other contents of the building were damaged to such an extent that it is a question as to whether the fire can even be rebuilt. The building was also badly damaged. We understand that Mr. Whitehead carried \$1500.00 insurance.

St. Peters Church

There will be a special childrens festival on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock when the Curate will examine the children in the Catechism and present them with their rewards. Several new scholars will be admitted at this service.

The Curate will deliver his fourth lecture at Vespers at 7:30 p. m. The subject will be "The Roman Catholic position explained."

Farm Loans, best rates see H. V. Smith. 31-1f

EXPORTS OF HIGH GRADE ARTICLES

HIGH GRADE MANUFACTURED ARTICLES IN GREAT DEMAND—MILLIONS OF DOLLARS WORTH EXPORTED

No greater tribute to the faithfulness and efficiency of the American workman and American manufacturer could be found in a condensed space than the records of the Bureau of Statistics, Department of Commerce and Labor, which show the exportations of what may properly be termed "high grade" manufacturers from the United States.

People in all parts of the world are purchasing every month and every day of the year the most complex products of the American workshop, such as typewriters, sewing machines, cash registers, scientific instruments, telegraph and telephone apparatus, musical instruments, automobiles, and other articles requiring superior skill in their manufacture. Articles of this class are transported to the most distant and out of the way places of the world—the islands of the ocean and the distant interiors of the great continents—with the calm confidence that they will not only render the service for which they were manufactured but continue that service for such length of time as to justify their transfer from the place of manufacture to distant communities not provided with experts and facilities for repairs. That this confidence in the products of the American workshop is justified by experience (Continued on page 6)

MOST SNOW FOR SEVERAL YEARS

HEAVY SNOW STORM TUESDAY NIGHT—MORE SNOW THAN FOR YEARS LOOKS GOOD FOR CROP

Tuesday night and Wednesday forenoon this section of the country was visited with one of the heaviest snow storms seen in years. This heavy fall, together with what was already on the ground gives us more snow than we have had since the winter of 1906-7. Old timers see in this heavy fall of snow the promise of a good crop for next fall. They claim that as they remember it we had good crops each year of heavy snow and people who were here in 1907 remember that we had a very good crop that season. We then have every reason to expect a good crop this coming summer.

Calico Ball

In response to a very original poetical invitation written on a piece of calico nearly all of Williston society assembled in Gates opera house last Thursday evening at the calico ball given by St. Peters Guild. The elaborate decorations which the Elks had used for their "doings" the previous evening were still in place and called forth many exclamations of admiration. The transformation of the hall, the good music and the fine crowd all combined to make the event one of the social successes of the season, a success financially as well, for the ladies cleared about \$25.

Home Talent Play

The ladies of St. Peters Guild are planning to give a home talent play some time the last of Feb. It will be under the direction of Mrs. R. D. Sutherland which is a guarantee of the excellency of the entertainment.

SENATOR CARTER MAY BE SECRETARY OF INTERIOR

RUMOR THAT BALLANGER AND DENNETT MAY RETIRE—CARTER FOR SECRETARY—GRONNA TAKES SEAT—SAN FRANCISCO WINS OUT IN EXPOSITION

Special to the Graphic:

Washington, D. C., Feb. 1.—There is a strong rumor here tonight to the effect that Ballinger and Dennett will retire on March 4th. This seems to be confirmed in the report that Senator Carter is slated for the position of Secretary of the Interior.

In the fight for the Panama Exposition in 1915 San Francisco won out in the house.

Judging from present indications the Canadian reciprocity bill will not pass the senate. So far there have been no arguments advanced to show where reciprocity would be of any benefit to North Dakota.

Senator Gronna takes his seat in the senate tomorrow. The appointment of Judge Engrud has been confirmed.

M'CUMBER GETS ON COMMITTEE

HIS SELECTION WILL MEAN INCREASED APPROPRIATION FOR THE NORTH DAKOTA INSTITUTIONS

Washington, Jan. 31.—Senator McCumber has been selected for a place on the senate conference committee on Indian appropriations. His presence on the committee, it is said, assures the adoption of several important amendments to the Indian appropriations bill affecting the Fort Totten and Wahpeton Indian schools.

The bill as it passed the house provides Fort Totten and Wahpeton with \$68,000 and \$20,000 respectively, but in the senate McCumber increased the terms \$24,000 in the first instance and \$46,000 in the second.

The new features provided for by the bill follow: Fort Totten, gymnasium, \$8,000; hospital, \$5,000; superintendent's residence, \$4,000; dairy barn, \$35,000; ventilation system improvements, \$5,000. The Wahpeton increases are: Incidentals, \$1,000; ornamental fence and shade trees, \$5,000; girls' and boys' dormitory, \$15,000; addition to the school \$10,000.

ALFALFA DINNER SERVED GUESTS

OPENING OF ALFALFA MILL CELEBRATED BY ALFALFA DINNER—ALFALFA FIRST LAST AND ALL THE TIME

Rifle, Col.—Alfalfa will appear in every dish served at a dinner to be given here in celebration of the opening of the alfalfa mill.

Biscuits will be made of alfalfa meal, the turkey will be stuffed with alfalfa, mashed alfalfa will take the place of potatoes and alfalfa leaves will be counterfeit spinach. Alfalfa salad will be served and for beverages there will be alfalfa tea and alfalfa cider.

At the end of the repast alfalfa toothpicks made of alfalfa straw will be distributed. Former Gov. Adams will talk on "Apples and Alfalfa."

Auction Sale

There will be an auction sale at the home of H. G. Miller, a mile and a half southwest of Marmon on Feb. 15th. Mr. Miller will sell his entire belongings including horses, cattle, farm machinery and household goods. W. W. Keltner will be the auctioneer. 32-2t.

BOUND OVER ON FORGERY CHARGE

TONY WINKLE, THE MAN CHARGED WITH PASSING CHECK ON WILLISTON STORE BOUND OVER

Tony Winkle, charged with being the man who forged another man's name to a check and had the same cashed in Rawitscher's store in this city sometime ago, was arrested in Iowa and brought back here to answer the charge. He waived preliminary examination in justice court Monday and was bound over to district court. Bonds were fixed at \$800 and as he was unable to furnish them he will be Sheriff Olson's "Tony boy" until the next term of court. We understand that the defendant claims he was intoxicated when he had the check cashed.

Assistant States Attorney Owens appeared for the state and Attorney A. F. Maloney for the defense.

List your farm and city property for sale with me. You know I sell it, past reputation shows it. Any one will tell you that I sell more real estate than any other man in this city.—H. V. Smith.

SCRAPPY RUSSIAN WAS BOUND OVER

CHAS. HERMAN HAD HIS HEARING SATURDAY WAS BOUND OVER—\$1000 BOND FURNISHED

Chas. Herman, the Russian who gave the deputy sheriffs such a warm reception when they arrested him a short time ago, had his preliminary hearing the latter part of last week. After a hearing covering two days the defendant was bound over to district court under a \$1000 bond, which was furnished Attorney Owens appeared for the state and A. J. Bessie for the defendant.

Morgan-Smith Wedding

Benjamin H. Morgan and Mrs. Nellie Smith, both of this city, were united in marriage yesterday at one o'clock. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Hollett at the M. E. parsonage. The attendants were Miss Irene Betts and Frank Hess. Mr. and Mrs. Morgan left on the afternoon train on an eastern trip after which they will make their home in this city.

Second mortgage farm loans see H. V. Smith. 31-1f

BOUND OVER TO DISTRICT COURT

FORMER STATE TREASURER BICKFORD AFTER TWO DAYS HEARING IS BOUND OVER—\$10,000 BONDS

Bismarck, N. D., Jan. 30.—Under \$10,000 bonds, G. L. Bickford, former state treasurer of North Dakota, charged with embezzlement, was held to the district court Saturday afternoon at the conclusion of his preliminary hearing before Judge K. E. Perry. The defendant's brother, A. G. Bickford, cashier of the First State bank of Bismarck, was also put under bonds to be held as a witness.

The trial in the justice court started Friday afternoon and lasted until late the next evening. The result was not unexpected, though at the time the recess was taken Friday night, it was felt that the state had not developed a strong case. The testimony brought out Saturday morning and afternoon, however, decidedly changed the situation and made it apparent that there would be no other ultimatum.

Among those subpoenaed as witnesses were Lieutenant Governor Burdick, Speaker Hanley, both of whom were excused for legislative duties, as it was later determined that the evidence which they would be required to give would be unnecessary. The main witness for the state was Mrs. Ellen Mitchell, who was chief clerk in the treasurer's office during Mr. Bickford's incumbency. W. D. Austin, who was deputy treasurer during the Bickford administration, was another important witness.

TAKES CHARGE OF COAL MINE

RAY POWELL RESUMES CHARGE OF COAL MINE LEASED TO WESTERGAARD & BLAIR—TOOK CHARGE 1ST

Ray Powell has taken charge of the coal mine which he leased last year to Westergaard & Blair. Mr. Powell took charge yesterday and will run the business under the name of the Williston Lignite Coal Co. He has secured office room in the Newell Electric shop on Main street where he will be pleased to receive orders. If you want him call phone 362. Mr. Powell managed the mine and coal business before leasing the mine to give his attention to his ranch in McKenzie county and is thus capable of making a success of the business, which he undoubtedly will.

Origin of Base Ball

A base ball crank has figured out the origin of the game thus: "The devil was the first coacher. He coached Eve, when she stole first and Adam when he stole second. When Ike met Rebecca at the well she was walking with the pitcher. Samson struck out a good many when he beat the Philistines. Cain made a base hit when he slew Abel. Abraham sacrificed. The prodigal son made a record home run. David was a good thrower and Moses shut out the Egyptians at the Red Sea. The game was called off when the flood came on account of wet grounds.

Annual Ball

The Brotherhood of American Yeomen will give their annual ball in the Odd Fellows hall on Thursday evening, February 9th. Music will be furnished by the Arsenault orchestra. Tickets \$1. Everyone is invited to attend.

U. S. PETROLEUM USED EVERYWHERE

AMERICAN PRODUCT USED ALL OVER THE WORLD—ONE BILLION GALLONS EXPORTED ANNUALLY

The United States lights the world. In one hundred countries, colonies and islands, scattered in every grand division and in every climatic section of the world American kerosene supplies light, while in more than eighty countries the products of our mineral oils are used in generating power or for lubrication of machinery there in operation. About 1000 million gallons of American kerosene pass out of the country annually, to be used chiefly in lighting homes and places of business, and the value of all classes of mineral oil sent out of the country approximates 100 million dollars a year.

The United States now produces two-thirds of the world's supply of petroleum, the quantity produced in the year just ended having been, according to a statement recently issued by the Geological Survey, over 200 million barrels of crude oil, or more than 8 billion gallons. Just what quantity of refined oil was produced from this more than 8 billion gallons of crude oil produced in 1910 cannot now be stated, but the Bureau of Statistics of the Department of Commerce and Labor shows exports of practically a billion gallons a year of the refined illuminating oil, and approximately 1½ billion gallons of oil of all classes, including in this term illuminating oil, lubricating oil, naphthas, and certain quantities in the crude or unrefined state.

What is the value of this more than 8 billion gallons of mineral oil produced in the United States last year? Probably 175 million dollars, though this is necessarily an estimate. What is the value of the finished article, the illuminating oil, the naphthas, the gasoline, the lubricating oil, the paraffin and other grades manufactured from this raw product? This can only be estimated, though the census of 1905 shows the value of (Continued on page 4)

HOLD SUCCESSFUL LEAGUE MEETING

The American Woman's League held a very enthusiastic meeting at the home of Mrs. J. W. Uhlman last Monday evening. Mrs. Grant Conley presided in the absence of the president. Several guests were present. As it was the last regular meeting before the closing of the Founder's Chapter, Feb. 1, 1911, the entire evening was given over to reports and discussion. The Chapter now has 116 full paid members, and a deed to the Chapter house lot, given by Mrs. Grace D. Hedderich, has been recorded and forwarded to University City, St. Louis, Mo. This completes the requirements made for a \$4,000 Chapter house which will be erected in Williston during the coming year. The ladies already taking correspondence courses offered by the University are gratified with the results. The Opportunity Chapter of Williston is to be congratulated in the progress it has made.

Marriage licenses were issued Monday to Benjamin H. Morgan and Mrs. Nellie Smith, and Geo. R. Bowen and Abbie Brothers, all of Williston.