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## Farmers State Bank

CAPITAL \$10,000.00  
Almont, North Dakota

This bank has the organization and the connections to enable it to be of service to every one within its territory and on these grounds solicits your business, promising in return fair and courteous treatment and the best terms that are consistent with sound banking.

We make farm loans.  
Insurance in reliable companies. Five per cent interest paid on time deposits. Interest compounded semi-annually.

## Good Things!

IT has been our intention to each week publish a list of the many good things arriving at our store, but for one reason or another we have failed to do this. If we were to tell you about all the different articles that we carry for your wants it would more than fill this paper and you would say that we were trying to monopolize this whole territory. Merchandise and fancy eatables are arriving at our store so often that it would make our head swim to even try to remember them all.

## Groceries, Dry Goods, Hardware, Kitchen Utensils

are found in our big stores and we can please you all. When in need of anything in these lines just call in let us show you just what we have.

## A. Timmerman,

"The House of Quality"  
Almont and Sims, - No. Dakota.

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United States Commissioner

Office in Farmers State Bank Building.  
Almont, - - North Dakota.

## LOCAL RESUME

The Doings of Yourselves and Others Weekly.

Otto Feland was in from the farm Wednesday.

Mrs. Aug. Timmerman went down to Mandan last Saturday.

Remember the masquerade ball at the Almont hall on Feb. 14th.

Miss Christine Nelson was a Bismarck visitor on Saturday last.

Roy Cunningham went down to New Salem Tuesday on business matters.

Attorney Bralnard was down from Helron Tuesday looking after the legal business in this city.

Since purchasing his new team, Wm. Martin gets to town almost every day. That's what comes from possessing a good team.

The Kensington Club has promised a shower to the first young lady member about to be married. Now girls, get busy, remember this is Leap Year.

Fred Spath was in from the Custer Creek country Saturday and reports that they have not froze up out there, although they have been considerably quiet.

Mr. and Mrs. Morton James are the happy parents of a baby girl born to them on Thursday, Jan. 23th. Mother and child are doing well and Morton wears a contented smile.

Tuesday, in Almont, was an ideal summer day, although there was some snow on the ground, but the sun was exceedingly warm and one was able to go about with out either hat or coat. An early spring is predicted, which helps some.

The Farmers Club have decided to hold a masquerade ball on St. Valentine's Day, Feb. 14th. Suits are for rent at the Almont Pharmacy, and a good supper will be served at the Merchants Hotel. Good music has been secured for this occasion and everybody is assured of a good time. COME!

Aug. Timmerman returned Sunday from Mandan, and stated that Miss Mary was operated upon Saturday morning for appendicitis, which proved very successful. Dr. Staley was the physician in charge and Mr. Timmerman states that the genial doctor is one of the most proficient physicians in this part of the country and that he does his work well and is very considerate of the patient's welfare. Mrs. Timmerman stayed at Mandan with her daughter, until Wednesday, when she returned to the city.

### Troubles of the Pump Man.

Dere fren: I get the valve which I buy from you alright but why by Gods sake you doan see me no handle. wota the use of the valve wen she doan have no handle. I loose to me: my customer abberging. You doan treat me rite. Is my money not as good to you as the other fellas. I wait 10 days and my customer he holfer for water like hell by the vlive you no he is hot summer now and the win he not no blow the well the valve she not no handle so wat the hell I goan do. you doan see me the handle pretty quick I see rite but and I goan order some valve from Kratin compeney. g'odday your fren.

since I write these letter I fin the godam handle in the books excuse me.

Pay your subscription to the Arena.

Chas. Schauer was in with coal the first of the week.

Captain Hall was in from the farm on Thursday.

Take in the masquerade ball at Almont on Feb. 14th.

Andrew Anderson was in from the homestead Thursday.

R. E. Erb, the Heart River farmer, was in town Thursday.

J. C. Higgins was down Thursday from his farm near Curlew.

Morton James was a New Salem visitor on Thursday of last week.

Adolph Larson arrived on No. 7 Thursday for a short visit with friends in this city.

A letter from O. C. Billingson states that he will arrive home in about two weeks now as he is improving very rapidly.

Harry Crompton, who has been visiting his mother here for the past couple months, left Tuesday for Swift Current, Canada.

Pete Thorson, who has been working on the extra gang for the N. P., is visiting his brother near this city.

Most everyone seems busy this week putting up their summer's supply of ice, and from appearance this city will not suffer for the want of the 'frozen aqua' during the coming summer.

N. E. Becklund, cashier of the Farmers State Bank at this city left Wednesday for Minneapolis on a combined business and pleasure trip. We are almost certain that the genial Nels went down there to take a few lessons in the game of whist, although he does say otherwise.

Mrs. L. J. Stoessel received a message Wednesday stating that her mother, who resides at Walla Walla, Washington, was very low and not expected to live, and on Thursday she departed on No. 3 for the above city. Mrs. Stoessel has the sympathy of her many friends in this city.

The Kensington Club met with Mrs. Fred Holritz Wednesday of this week and the ladies report a very enjoyable session. Mrs. Brown was initiated into Club and after a ride on the Club's pet goat, she was pronounced a full-fledged member. The Club will meet with Mrs. Cain and Mrs. Anderson, at the Cain home, on Tuesday evening, Feb. 12th at 7:30 o'clock and the husbands of the members are invited to attend and bring their fancy work. Those who have no husband are requested to bring anybody's husband you can grab. Pussy wants a corner and drop the handkerchief, will be indulged in until the wee hours of the next morning, when all will prepare for the masquerade ball which takes place Wednesday evening. Rest assured of a pleasant time at both gatherings.

### Presbyterian Church Services

Sunday, Feb. 4th.  
Sunday School at 2:00 p. m.  
Prayer services at 2:40 p. m.  
Subj. - "The Future State of the Republic" - Feb. 10: 11.  
To all services a cordial invitation is extended.

ROBT. ALEXANDER, PASTOR.

## JEWELRY!

We are offering our line of Jewelry at reduced prices and you should take advantage of this opportunity to get a supply of the same. Everything anyone could desire in Jewelry.  
Hat Pins, Tie Pins, Collar and Cuff Buttons, Tie Clasps, Watch Chains, Watch Chains, Rings, Fountain Pens, Belt Pins, Vest Pins, Blouse Pins, Stick Pins, Necklaces, Bracelets, Watch Fobs, Sewing Sets, Manicure Sets, Fraternal Buttons, Pearl Handled Knives, Etc. Etc.

Hot Drinks Served at All Times Here

## Almont Pharmacy

Dr. W. T. Cain, Proprietor.  
Almont, - - No. Dakota.

## SHOES!

For some time past it has been our desire to close out all of our remaining

SHOES as it is our intention not to handle them after we once sell out our present stock. We have a complete stock now on hand and for the next two weeks we will slash prices in order to get them cleaned out.

Men's, Ladies', Boys, Girls and Babies' Shoes going at cost and far below cost.

We carry a complete line of the best Groceries and if you desire satisfaction this is the place to come. Just received some nice canned fruits at the most reasonable prices. Call and see!

## Fred Holritz Sr.,

THE PEOPLE'S STORE  
Almont, - - North Dakota.

## The Village Blacksmith

When in need of first-class blacksmith work, be sure and call on the "Old Reliable" blacksmith and get a good job for a change. All work guaranteed to be satisfactory and a square deal given to all. Blacksmiths give you this guarantee.  
T. J. Miller, ALMONT, N.D. PAK.

**Almont Arena**

R. L. LINDNER.  
ALMONT, NORTH DAKOTA.

**EPITOME OF EVENTS**

PARAGRAPHS THAT PERTAIN TO MANY SUBJECTS.

**ARE SHORT BUT INTERESTING**

Brief Mention of What is Transpiring in Various Sections of Our Own and Foreign Countries.

Washington.

The senate has passed the tariff bill apportioning to agricultural industry 1,200,000 acres of the Cheyenne Indian reservation in South Dakota...

Professors of fraudulent statements, who had obtained \$17,000,000 from the public, were not called to account...

The Interstate Commerce commission dismissed the complaint of the Fairmont (Neb.) Creamery company against the Burlington...

Andrew Carnegie is having trouble with the government \$25,750 in advance fees for his recent testimony before the Senate subcommittee...

The Col. Clark Ditch in Missouri has reached a bitter stage. Charges of fraud in Indiana, found only to be investigated at Minneapolis...

William J. Bryan was chosen second at a banquet given by the Wisconsin Club at Tampa, Fla.

Senator Gore of Oklahoma will advocate a federal appropriation of \$100,000,000 for the purchase of land to be given to the people...

**TO ABANDON 16 ARMY POSTS**

**END OF "EXTRAVAGANCE AND INEFFICIENCY" IS URGED IN REPORT TO CONGRESS.**

BY SECRETARY STIMSON. Stationed in North and South America Are Among Those Condemned—Fort "Beating" Might Be Retained.

Washington, Jan. 30.—Secretary of War Hilsmore, setting upon an exhaustive report from the general staff, has decided that no less than sixteen, and probably eighteen, existing army posts should at once be abandoned...

The posts condemned are: Apache, Ariz.; Boise barracks, Idaho; Brady, Mich.; Clark, Texas; George Wright, Washington; Jay, New York; Lincoln, North Dakota; John H. Hood, Ark.; McLean, N. C.; Mackay, Wyo.;

There is another formidable list of posts which, while not recommended for immediate abandonment, are designated to be located, with a view of securing economy of administration and supply, or a full measure of military effectiveness...

General Staff to Go. The general object is to diminish the present small army with distinct reference to its function in case of war...

Two of three of those groups would be on the line between Puget Sound and Los Angeles, extending the Pacific seaboard; at least two groups between the Great Lakes and the Ohio drainage...

Next comes a program of heavy elimination. It is declared that the annual maintenance of the army would be reduced about \$5,000,000.

General Benjamin Hayes will not be paid for leading a rebellion. The 25th anniversary of Frederick the Great was celebrated in Berlin...

San Francisco, Jan. 28.—J. J. Moore, wealthy chairman of San Francisco, was elected to the office of mayor...

**ASBURY F. LEVER.**



**GREAT EVENT FOR NEW YORK**

THE METROPOLIS AT LAST HAS PURE WATER.

Digging of Remarkable Water System Tunnel under the Hudson River is Completed.

New York, Jan. 31.—The forging of the greatest link in the great chain of its kind in the world's history was completed yesterday at noon today...

The successful completion of the underground tunnel marks the final definite assurance of the practicability of the colossal waterworks scheme...

Hope for Coalition. The Democrats expressed hope that the progressive Republicans would join with them in the same coalition...

Ski Club Elerts. Minnesota and Wisconsin Men Will Lead Association.

Chicago, Jan. 31.—Formal announcement was made here today of the result of the election of officers of the National Ski Association...

Chicago, Jan. 31.—A mob of 300 men stormed the jail where Albert Whittle, a negro socialist was confined...

Washington, Jan. 31.—There will be no appropriations for battleships or public buildings at this session of congress...

**DEMOCRATS TOWN JINGOS**



**HOUSE 'MAJORITY' DECIDE NOT TO VOTE APPROPRIATIONS**

A SAVING OF \$40,000,000

Party's Economy Plan is Carried Out at a Splitting Caucus. Bill Passed, \$10 to 109.

Washington, Jan. 31.—There will be no appropriations for battleships or public buildings at this session of congress...

The Democratic metal tariff revision to make reductions averaging 35 per cent passed the house by a vote of 310 to 159.

Representatives Davis and Lindbergh, Minnesota; Hays, Kansas; and Wood, Iowa; Helgeson, North Dakota; Jackson, Murdock, Omaha, Nebraska; Kent and Stephens, California; Kirtland, Kirtland, Nebraska; Lathers, Oregon; La Follette and Warburton, Washington; Leonard, Morse and Nelson, Wisconsin.

Insurgents Opposed. The insurgent Republicans who voted against the passage were: Representatives Anderson, Miller, Tolson and Stevenson, Minnesota; Cooper, Cook and Wilcox, Kentucky; Goad, Green, Kendall, Kennedy and Pickett, Iowa; Hayes, California.

Kansas Men Will. Resolutions Passed and \$5,000 Subscribed, at McAlester.

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**LEONIDAS P. LIVINGSTON**



**MEASURE CARRIED HEAD CAMP BY A 463 TO 307 VOTE.**

New Plan Increases Assessments of Members Under 64, 50 to 100 Per Cent.

Chicago, Jan. 28.—The head camp of the Modern Woodmen of America adopted the proposed readjustment plan, increasing the life insurance rates of the society...

Figures showing the condition of the society were prepared by headquarters and stated that its membership in 1914, under present plans, the lodge would be unable to pay \$200,000,000 of its liabilities...

The plan adopted, which will be in force after one year, will increase rates of members under 64 years old by from 50 to 100 per cent. Members over 64 may not be assessed more than 25 cent assessment for each \$1,000 and not more than 15 assessments and one special assessment for each \$1,000...

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Makes  
Good



You'll be delighted with the results of Calumet Baking Powder. No disappointments, no flat, heavy, soggy biscuits, cakes or pastry. Just the lightest, fluffiest, most naturally raised and most delicious food you ever ate.

**ENDED THE SPELLING LESSON**

Bobby's Education, Under Aunt's Tutorage, Afterward Proceeded Under Different Terms.

Mrs. Thompson, whose form nature has endowed with all-too-ample curves, was giving her little nephew a lesson in spelling the other day. He had spell be, he, and he, and now she was trying to get him to tell her what he spelled.

"Listen, Bobby," she said earnestly. "When you hear the sound I pronounce the sound of a long e, and opening them, the sound of a long e."

"What does that spell?" Bobby looked at her and shook his head.

"Again she tried, and this time, while pronouncing the sound, she vigorously tapped her own round cheek with her plump forefinger.

"Mum, ee. What letters am I saying and what do they spell?" she asked, still vigorously tapping her cheek.

"I don't know what the letters are," replied Bobby, watching the plump forefinger, "but I guess they spell Fat."

**'GRAND TO LIVE**

And the Last Laugh Is Always the Best

"His cousin got a bottle here today, and the idea that there could be anything better for a table beverage than coffee," writes an Ohio woman, "now I laugh to know them."

"Since childhood I drank coffee freely as did the other members of the family. The result was a puny, sickly girl; and as I grew into womanhood I did not gain in health, but was afflicted with heart trouble, a weak and disordered stomach, wrecked nerves and a general breaking down till last winter, at the age of 32, I seemed to be on the verge of consumption."

"My friends greeted me with 'How bad you look! What a terrible color!' and this was not very comforting."

"The doctors and patent medicines did me absolutely no good. I was thoroughly discouraged."

"Then I got a tin of coffee and commenced drinking it. At first I didn't like it, but after a few trials and following the directions exactly it was grand. It was refreshing and comforting. In a couple of weeks I noticed a great change."

"I became stronger, my brain grew clearer. I was not troubled with forgetfulness as in coffee times, my power of endurance was more than doubled."

"The heart trouble and indigestion disappeared and my nerves became steady and strong."

"I began to take an interest in things about me. Housework and home-making became a pleasure. My friends have marvelled at the change and when they enquire what brought it about I answer 'Coffee', and nothing else in the world. Name given by FOSTON CO., Battle Creek, Mich."

Read the Little Book, "The Road to Well-being," in plain. "There's a rescuer for every ailment. It's the coffee that appears from time to time. The one genuine, fresh and full of health-giving elements."

**GOOD JOKES**

**LITTLE SURPRISES.**

"Here's the rope of pearls you lost, madam; no, I don't want any reward. You didn't need to send for me, Mrs. Gullible. The boy's broken-out with the heat; that's all."

"Dr. Forsythe, the church board has decided to raise your salary \$400 and give you a three-month vacation next summer."

"I see your seat is directly behind a pillar, madam; I'll change with you. I've seen this play several times before."

"Throughs, old chap, you want that office, and I don't. I'm going to withdraw my name."

"I notice you've advertised for a cook, man; s'pose you try me for a week without any pay."

**The Scapgoat.**

"You say the boy's maternal grandfather was a highwayman?"

"And his paternal grandfather was charged with arson?"

"Yes."

"And his aunt is a shoplifter, and his uncle a counterfeiter?"

"Yes."

"Then to what do you ascribe his backwardness?"

"Why, to missing pictures of course."

**Bird Protectors.**

The hotel proprietor was greatly excited. "Here! Here!" he called to his prize chef. "What in the world is that?"

"That's the bird nest, sir," proudly replied the chef, "and it's one of the rarest delicacies to be obtained anywhere."

"Excellent!" snapped the hotel man. "But you must remember that this banquet is for members of the Audubon society."

**A Cold Proposition.**

"I understand young Tiburzon proposed to that beautiful Miss Tookins in the usual ardent terms."

"What was the result?"

"About the same result, I imagine, that a woman would get by tempting a lighted match on an iceberg."

**A HOT ONE.**

Katherine—I would rather be beautiful than rich.

Kidder—You've played in hard luck all around.

Ol So Helpful.

Now, if at first you don't succeed, four friends agree for you, and after that you're a failure.

—Catholic Standard and Times.

Not Fooled in the Least.

"My husband always asks me for advice before he takes an important step."

"It must be nice to know that he places so much reliance upon your judgment."

"Oh, he doesn't place any reliance on my judgment. He merely wants to have me to blame it on if things happen to go wrong."

**Worth Trying.**

"Don't you get tired of twisting and turning and restating the old anecdotes?"

"I do, indeed," admitted the humorist. "Sometimes I think it would be less trouble to think up some new anecdotes."

**Much Easter.**

"My wife decided to do some preserving today and I left her performing the duty of a darning swan."

"What might that be?"

"Stemming the current."

**Cumulative Proof.**

"I fear that I have not gathered sufficient evidence to convince the court of my client's loyalty."

"Perhaps the court will regard his employment of you as evidence."

**Simple Remedy.**

"I cannot think of any way to settle this feud."

"Why not try a way to the situation?"

**Paradoxical.**

"While sleeping out of doors for a while is no longer an expectation, it is not in itself a satisfaction."

**Corroboration.**

"Life in the tropical countries seems to be a rather sleepful affair."

"Yes, you often find three sections of how the earth yawns."

**FAVORITE FICTION.**

"Mr. Ichabod, a Friend of Miss Wanda to Know How Much He Cooks, Get on This Water."

"Why, the Hesperus, Mr. Ichabod, is the party in Company Assembly."

"I'm Telling You, Mr. Ichabod, for Your Own Good."

"I've no posts left, Mr. Forward of the Pittsburgh Row."

"Glad to Accommodate You, Old Chap; How Much Do You Want?"

"I Picked This Turkey Out for You Myself, Mr. Spigott."

"Austin, We Want You to Make Us a Good Long Visit This Time."

"Pull Jawsed."

**OH! THE CONSEQUENCES.**



Who the Houghton Be.

Pathe's Bernard Vaudeville was condemning a somewhat acrimonious religious argument.

"I'm tired of this kind," he said, "I mind me forcibly of a little girl."

"What are the beathen, Jenny?" her Sunday school teacher asked this little girl.

"The beathen," the child replied, "are people who don't quarrel over religion."

**Very Probable.**

No doubt the Lord takes a quill. And when the Franciscan expires.

No Place for it in the Theater.

"My son has written a play that has nothing to do with the matrimonial triangle, and which does not attempt to solve any theological problem."

"What does he intend to do with it?"

"I don't know yet, but I've advised him to try to get some Sunday school to give it during the Christmas season."

**An Order.**

Young Lady Art Student (entering a lan cent store)—Do you keep candle hair brushes?

Shopkeeper (exit)—This, bring up some brush and we ordered for do circus people. (To lady) And, madam, would you like a tooth brush?

Art Student (politely)—What for?

"For de candle!"—Littles.

**Getting a Lift.**

Patience—I see the girls now operate the elevators in Milwaukee, being duly licensed to do the work by the city inspector.

Patrice—As the English suffragette would say, "It's time the girls got a lift."



**HE FELT BAD.**

Sunday-school Teacher—Now, children, you must love and obey your parents. Just think how you'd feel if you had no father.

Little Wbo was tickled that morning—"I feel a darn sight better than I feel now."

**Peer Fellow.**

He goes into a restaurant with a corrupted brow. And the waiter doesn't like to bait. He's on a diet now.

**The Dead Post.**

"How is it I never hear you speak of your old college days?"

"Well, the college I went to didn't have a very good football team."

**Natural Prophecy.**

"I'm in the best way to make a play a bowing success."

"I suppose, to try it on the dog?"

**Present Man.**

"You say I haven't money to burn."

"Well, that's the trouble. You're burning it up so much as fire."

**AS YOU HEROISM.**



Brother—A man is never a hero to his wife.

Woods—No, but considering the chance I have had to take, without my finishing, I ought to be one to my daughter.

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**CREAM OF RYE**

For health and energy eat it for breakfast. Reduces cost of living. Free Silver Spoon in every package. Ask your grocer for a package.

Not Original.

Author—This story is the child of my brain.

Editor—Then it is an adopted child.

DR. J. M. RINDLAUB (Specialist), Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat, Fargo, N. D.

If a woman is a clever actress the chances are that her husband will find the circus more interesting.

**FILED UNDER IN CREDITS**

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If there is a skeleton in your closet, hide the door and lose the key.

**Make the Liver Do its Duty**

Nine times in ten when the liver is right the stomach and bowels are right.

**CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS** gently but surely compel a lazy liver to get into shape. They are the only pills that cure liver ailments. **Small Pills. Small Dose. Small Price.** Genuine must bear Signature.

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**A Poor Weak Woman**

As she is termed, will induce nervous and nervous system. **Shotwell Floral Co.**—Monuments, Tablets, Headstones, etc.

**Bull Durham**

all others—is Nature's own tobacco. It has all the natural flavor and mildness—all the sunshine and warmth of the wonderful Southern climate where it grows. No coloring, adulteration or dressing—nothing artificial at all—mars its goodness.

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**PUTNAM FADELESS DYES**

These dyes are the best in the world. They are made by the Putnam Dye Works, Lowell, Mass. They are the only dyes that will stand the test of time and weather. They are the only dyes that will not fade or run. They are the only dyes that will give you the best of the best.

