

The Thirteen Towns.

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It is believed that Mr Bryan has turned out more perforated predictions than any other man in public life.

Remember that a larger number of premiums on exhibits will be offered at the Thirteen Towns Fair this year than ever before. Particular attention will be paid to farm exhibits of stock and produce.

J. Adam Bede, the wittyest speaker in Minnesota, will speak in three cities in Polk county the week after next. He is billed for Crookston, Sept. 19; Fosston, Sept. 20; East Forks, Sept. 21. He is worth coming a long distance to hear.

At the Democratic state convention held at St. Paul yesterday, the Populist candidates for election to the first places on the ticket, Lind and Owen, were endorsed, as was expected. The convention was practically a mere matter of form.

By the liberal use of the phonograph in his campaign work Mr. Bryan may be able to avoid audiences which might make annoying inquiries about the consent of the governed in North Carolina.

If there was no presidential campaign now we would probably witness the same unification of views over the action of the President of the United States in upholding the honor of the American flag and the dignity of the American nation in China that was witnessed when we went to war with Spain two years ago. It was simply because one party desires to play politics that it derides the party in power for doing what every right-thinking man knows should have been done, and what only the most partisan persons dare to criticize. A pretty good plan to follow is: In foreign affairs there should be unity; patriotism should be left to domestic policies. The party that opposes administration by an administration to uphold the dignity of Americans abroad and to make the flag of the nation respected wherever it waves, will not be successful. The President's Chinese policy has been so far above reproach that any hint of criticism will be sure to disgust patriotic citizens of the United States.

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Only the four local pages are sent out this week. The "patent insides," containing the state and foreign news, and the serial story, missed the train this morning for some unaccountable reason. It will be included in the next week's issue for the benefit of the story readers. Our subscribers are asked to pardon the unavoidable omission this week.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

A Prize for the Best Butter Cow.

In order to encourage the raising of good dairy cows in this locality, the Thirteen Towns Fair Association will offer \$25 in prizes for the cows giving milk that will produce the largest amount of cream during the first two days of the fair. The cows must be brought to the grounds on or before Thursday morning, and the two milkings of that day and Friday's two milkings of each competing cow will be tested and the one that produces the most cream in the four milkings will be awarded \$15.00, the next best \$7.00, and the third \$3.00. Get your best cows ready for this competition.

Eggen—Christenson.

The announcement of a quite, but none the less happy wedding, that occurred on Wednesday evening, Aug. 29th, was overlooked in our last issue. The groom, Ole Eggen, was a resident of Fosston for several years, but this summer has been located at Bagley. The bride, Mary Christenson, has resided near Bagley for some time past. The ceremony was conducted by Justice Houghtaling in his most imposing manner and the young couple returned to Bagley the following morning. They have the best wishes of THE THIRTEEN TOWNS and their many friends.

T. H. Bjorn was over from the west last Monday on business.

Keep in mind the dates of the Fair at Fosston, Sept. 27th to 29th.

Crookston is having another epidemic of diphtheria among the children.

U. S. Commissioner B. F. Brown, of Bagley, was in town last evening, returning this morning.

Attorney B. S. Bennett left for Duluth early this week, on legal business, returning this afternoon.

Mrs. B. S. Bennett went to Detroit, Minn., last Saturday, to be present at the marriage of her sister, Eva.

N. Zetterberg, Chas. Wood, C. L. Conger and Miss Mabel Halvorson were among those from McIntosh who visited Fosston last Sunday.

The Brainerd & Northern extension north of Bemidji has been commenced. It will go through that city west of the Townsite Company's lands, thereby not spoiling the beautiful lake front.

The citizens of Fosston appreciate the large party from Ada that came to our town last Sunday and regret that the weather prevented the game of baseball from being played that they came to see.

W. B. Sheffield, who accompanied the baseball team from Ada last Sunday, was one of the most disappointed "rooters" on the car. Shef. would sooner play baseball, from the benches, than eat, any day.

Louis Faust, of Bloomington, Ill., arrived here Monday, joining his fellow townsman, H. P. Luse, and together with J. S. McClelland, of Decatur, who joined them yesterday, they are harvesting prairie chickens by the cord.

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In referring to the game of baseball played here last Friday between Fosston and Cass Lake, the Times says that "The boys speak in glowing terms of the treatment accorded them by the Fosston management." Fosston always tries to treat its visitors right—if they are not too fresh.

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That Game That Was Not Played, and Why.

Norman County Herald: About the worst and meanest trick that was ever played upon a white man by his brother was probably that which the people of Fosston gave the Ada ball team when they went up there Sunday to play a return game of ball with that team. Ada had been hustling all week to get up enough to secure a special car and by Saturday they had secured more than a sufficient number. On Sunday morning there were between 40 and 50 at the depot who boarded the train for Fosston expecting to see the best game of ball ever put up in this section of the country at any rate they expected somewhere near decent treatment from the citizens of that town, who heretofore, as far as Ada is concerned, has always been hospitable. When the Ada team arrived there they were informed that the Fosston team would not play ball with them—they could not even be hired to play ball and none of the "ball players" even showed up. They further refused to pay the expenses up there. It was about as chummy a deal as ever heard of outside of an ice house. And this was after the Fosston team had their expenses paid down here, played a good clean game of ball; beat the Ada team and then were treated as gentlemen.

Fosston and its people are all right but should be moved out a few miles further into the woods. The above is only what might be expected, under the circumstances, from the Herald, or the article published in the Index yesterday, which was, however, not quite as woolly. In the first place, no representatives of these papers were here Sunday, and they only gained their information from hearsay, really knowing nothing of the facts.

Early Sunday morning one of the heaviest thunder storms of the season occurred here, flooding the ball ground and making it impossible for any team to play baseball on it. No player who valued the use of his limbs would attempt to run on the muddy, slippery grounds and the Fosston boys, unfortunately, do not have control over the elements or they would surely have prevented the downpour. Showers continued throughout the day, and even if a game had been commenced in the mud at the time scheduled, only two or three innings could have been waded through before another heavy shower would have stopped the game. As for the players not showing up, that statement is simply a falsehood, for they were around town with the Ada boys all day, many of them having their suits on ready to play if it was possible, although several refused to play on the wet slippery ground. This the Ada team evidently desired to take advantage of, because they were afraid to remain until the next day when the grounds would be in better condition and all of the players would turn out.

Our people even offered to pay the expenses of the Ada boys for staying over if they would remain and play the next day. But no, they thought that Fosston's full team might turn out then and they would not have the crotch on the game and were willing to risk a few broken legs and arms in securing the satisfaction of winning against a short team.

It was no worse for the Ada people to remain over one night than it was for the Fosston team to be away two nights when they went to Ada. Our visitors were offered their expenses if they would wait another day; they would not be out anything and if the grounds were not in shape then they could have had their money.

There was no intention on Fosston's part of giving Ada anything but a fair deal and such nonsense as the above will only react on the instigators of such an article. The dirty and underhand work was all done on their side.

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