

SESQUICENTENNIAL HIGHLIGHTS



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Police officers are rounding up a group of boys who have been raiding the melon patches of Sandy Morse and John South. They will be in court Monday.

The American Gas Association predicts that within five years the better class of American homes will be cooled in summer. Negotiations are now underway to arrange for the manufacture on a large scale of gas operated summer air conditioning equipment. Fifteen years ago if anyone suggested that gas would be used for cooling and refrigerating, he would have been regarded as mentally deficient.

With all its flowers, plants and gold fish, the Clerk of

Courts office in the courthouse is one of the bright spots in Vermillion. Another bright spot is the light green flower boxes filled with red geraniums in the lower hall.

For the third consecutive year the Vermillionaire, local high school paper, was judged the best high school having 200 or more enrollment. This gives them permanent possession of the Argus-Leader trophy.

You may now purchase whole or half chickens at Vermillion Mercantile. This is a novel method of retailing poultry. The new merchandising feature will enable the small family as well as the large family to purchase their favorite cuts at no greater cost.

Who remembers the good old days when you had to wait three weeks for delivery after buying a new automobile?

It costs \$2,187.75 to give a boy or girl 15 years of schooling in Los Angeles and equip a student for matriculation in a college or university, according to the County Superintendent of Schools.

Two hundred feet of new fire hose arrived last week

for the fire department and will be tried out shortly, according to L. H. Pierce, fire chief.

The lutfisk supper at Dalesburg Lutheran Church drew a crowd of 250 people, notwithstanding the bad weather. The Dalesburg ladies are justly famous for the dinners they serve.

According to Postmaster Charles Sundling permission to keep the post office lobby open on Sundays from 8:00 AM to 6:15 PM has been granted.

Forty or fifty students staged a riot on the street Friday evening, after being denied permission by the theatre management to rush the show. Anticipating the raid the police were on hand and the students were ordered to disperse or to be the consequences in the form of tear gas bombs. One such bomb failed to disperse the crowd so the fire department was called out and streams of water were used to break up the crowd. A fireman was injured when some students began to throw eggs, vegetables, stones and other missiles. President James and Dean Julian were called and

they were successful in convincing the students to return home. The student senate met and framed a written apology addressed to the city council. An offer was made to pay all damages to the theatre building and the doctor bill for the injured fireman.

I. J. Golz, who has the contract to feed the prisoners in the county jail, which at this time, are mostly federal prisoners, has become imbued with the holiday spirit and will treat the incarcerated men to a chicken-pie dinner on Thanksgiving.

Through cooperation with the city street department men out of work and needing relief work will be able to get work through Rev. Hubbard on the city projects. The men will be paid 25 cents per hour and the vouchers in payment will be assigned to a merchant for groceries, clothing, and fuel.

The city council moved to advertise for bids on an electric siren from two to five horse power. The present siren is a steam one with opening the new power plant, the steam can no longer be used. "The Farmer's Headquarters" closed its doors Monday.

The soft drink parlor was located under the Waldorf Hotel. Mrs. O. W. Chaussee has retained control since her husband's death in 1929, but had a manager run it for her. The place had a colorful history. In connection with the soft drink parlor, Mr. Chaussee conducted a farm employment bureau and was highly successful in placing farm hands.

The delinquent tax list is more than three times longer than last year. Property owners whose real estate has been sold for taxes have 2 years in which to redeem it, and can do so by paying the back taxes, interest at 10%, the advertising fee and a 50 cent certificate fee to the county. The 12% interest in the past has been a strong inducement for such investments. Even at the reduced rate of 10% it is a better investment than most enterprises these days.

Yale University is said to be threatened with a deficit. It may be necessary to cut down the number of cheerleaders and coaches.

Remember the good old days when the neighborhood grocer would give you a good

five cent cigar when you paid your bill on Saturday night?

The fortieth anniversary of founding of the Vermillion Fire Department will be observed in January of 1932.

The County Treasurer will quit selling cigarette stamps on January 1, 1932. The reason is that the state gets all the revenue and makes no provisions for costs connected with the sale and distribution to the county. Other counties are doing the same.

The Court House force will have their Christmas tree located in the front window of the landing between the first and second floors. They will have a small gathering around the tree on Friday at which time each one will contribute a small toy to be turned over to the Legion for distribution in the Christmas relief program. Donations from the officers made it possible to buy the tree and decorations. Mrs. Copeland, deputy County Superintendent collected the money and Miss Alice Cope picked out the tree. George Chaussee, janitor, put it up and everyone had a hand in trimming it.

End 1931

Dakota Days Parade a success for denim drive

Cotton Incorporated, a program designed and operated to improve the demand and profitability of cotton, selected the University of South Dakota as one of the sites for its COTTON FROM BLUE TO GREEN® denim drive. Organizing the drive is USD's student-run advertising and public relations agency, U.Envision.

USD is one of only eight universities in the United States chosen to help lead the effort in collecting denim for reusable purposes. Incorporating the COTTON FROM BLUE TO GREEN® denim drive with Dakota Days, USD's homecoming week, U.Envision collected denim during the Dakota Days parade in Vermillion. As a parade participant, U.Envision members collected denim from parade goers along the parade route.

The group was able to collect many pieces of denim from Vermillion residents and USD students through the parade. The collected denim will be converted into UltraTouch natural cotton fiber insulation and donated to help communities in need. According to Cotton Incorporated, the 2006 COTTON FROM BLUE TO GREEN®



U. Envision member Cally Larsen helps to collect denim during the Dakota Days parade.

denim drive collected 14,566 pieces of denim. The cotton insulation made from the collected denim was used by Habitat for Humanity to help rebuild homes for families affected by Hurricane Katrina. The denim drive will continue through Oct. 30.

Those who are interested in donating denim can find drop boxes located in the Muenster University Center, the North Complex Residence Halls, Al Neuharth Media Center Room, Hy-Vee of Vermillion, and Hy-Vee of Yankton, Vermillion High School, and Viborg High School. For additional information about the COTTON FROM BLUE TO GREEN® denim drive please contact Megan Collins by e-mail at Megan.Sievers@usd.edu, or visit CottonFromBlueToGreen.org.

U.Envision is a student-run advertising and public relations agency at USD. The group works with many local clients and specializes in promotions, design, and event planning. Cotton Incorporated, funded by U.S. growers of upland cotton and importers of cotton and cotton textile products, is the research and marketing company representing upland cotton. The program is designed and operated to improve the demand for and profitability of cotton.

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Nesselhuf running for Secretary of State

SIOUX FALLS (AP) — State Sen. Ben Nesselhuf of Vermillion has filed paperwork to seek the Democratic nomination for secretary of state next year.

The office is now held by Republican Chris Nelson, who is prevented by term limits from seeking re-election.

Nesselhuf is the first Democrat officially in the race. He

filed a statement of organization for his campaign on Oct. 9.

Republican candidates for secretary of state are Jason Gant, a state senator from Sioux Falls, and Teresa Bray, a deputy secretary of state.

Delegates to the Republican and Democratic state conventions will pick their party's candidate for the November 2010 election.

PUBLIC NOTICE:

Beginning November 1, 2009, and continuing through April 15, 2010, the odd/even parking regulations will be in effect on all north and south streets between Plum and Dakota and on east and west streets between Main and Clark.

On odd days of the month, no parking is allowed on north and south streets between 12 a.m. and 6 a.m. On even days of the month, no parking is allowed on east and west streets between 12 a.m. and 6 a.m.

For more information, please call 677-7078.

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