

Snippets from pages past: "Did you know?" February 11, 1909

In its early decades, the *Leader* adopted a clever format for dropping little bits of information, opinion and promotion in a column called "Did you know?" The one-line reports, comments and quips are windows into the goings on in and around town, as well as the era in which they were written.

The following items, from the "Did you know?" column of February 11, 1909 are particularly interesting as many of them make reference to the Opera House, which opened with its first public performances the previous week. We offer them here in honor of the 115th birthday of this renowned facility.

Did you know?

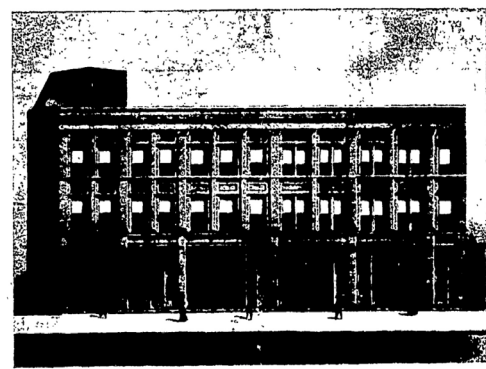
- That the opera house opening was a great success?
- That a great deal of credit is due to the management for the success?
- That the success was greatly augmented by the clever acting of the Lister - Chase Theater Company?
- That the farmers greatly appreciated the Opera House and the plays?
- That they attended the opening in large numbers?
- That most of them came back the second night?
- That many farmers expressed their appreciation of what Ellendale has done for them and providing such an excellent play house?
- That the weather has been awfully cold since Sunday?
- That the Chase-Lister Theater Company will play a return engagement here March 11?
- That they will present "Princess of Panama"?
- That the premiums on dishonesty are money and sorrow?

- That a wise man will never talk about the good old bachelor days?
- The new hotel and the Opera House are a good thing for Ellendale?
- That since the opening of both, Ellendale citizens seem to have taken on a new lease of life?
- That a good laugh makes better citizens of us all?
- That the new play house will drive away a lot of dull care?
- That a lot of men are honest because they have not been elected to the town board?
- That the real philosopher is the man who realizes without swearing that he is burning more coal this winter than last?
- About the only thing some men do after eating a hearty dinner is to sit in an easy chair and growl?
- The imprint of honesty and right living is almost always to be in a man's face?
- The man who learned to be a boy again is quite apt to forget what a task it was to wake up from a sound sleep on the sofa and go out to the kitchen and wash his feet before going to bed?
- That Ellendale needs a new City Hall?
- That Ellendale needs a hospital?
- That the wisdom of the commercial club and providing an electric plant for the Opera House was fully demonstrated Friday and Saturday evenings?
- That M. P. Axtell is still to journey in the Arkansas country?
- That the grocery dealers are offering some enticing

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- bargains?
- That Dean and Graham have an excellent and neatly furnished office in the Opera House block?
 - That Youker & Perry [lawyers] have moved into their new offices in the Sefton building?
 - That the next attraction at the Opera House is the Firemen's dance on Tuesday evening?
 - That is going to be a good attendance?
 - That you will miss a good time if you don't go?
 - That the famous Cason Orchestra of Aberdeen will furnish the music?

AREA EVENTS

- October 26 (Saturday): PUMC fall Bazaar , 10:30-1:30 (see a on page 4)
- October 27 (Sunday): Annual O.P.E.R.A. Soup Kitchen, 11:00 to 1:00 at the Opera House
- October 30 (Wednesday): Halloween Trunk or Treat on Main Street, 3:00 - 5:00
- October 31 (Thursday): Halloween
- November 11 (Monday): Public hearing at City Hall regarding changes to local zoning ordinances (see public notice on this page)
- November 11 (Monday): Veterans Day Supper at the Legion Events Center, 5:00-7:00

John Wheeler: Why does 40 degrees in fall feel chilly?

How is it that we get used to the cold?

Fargo, October 15 — Aside from rather subtle effects of temperature and pressure, water freezes and ice melts at 32 degrees Fahrenheit.

However, the way our bodies (and minds) react to chilly weather is not nearly so consistent. A cloudy afternoon in the 40s in October feels chilly, but the same conditions in March will have us rejoicing in the warmth. The difference is human physiology.

Thermoreceptors in our skin send messages to the brain and, after repeated exposure to cold, the brain will react by causing blood vessels in our extremities to constrict. Less blood flow means less cooling of the skin. In short, we get used to the cold. There is even research to suggest that people who spend a lot of time outside in the winter become more cold-tolerant than people who stay inside. However, it should be noted that cold weather tolerance does not make one impervious to hypothermia and frostbite. Water in the skin still freezes at 32 degrees.

John Wheeler: The comet is not really a 'once-in-a-lifetime' experience

Comet Tsuchinshan-ATLAS can be seen in the western sky each evening.

Fargo, October 18 — News media have done a good job recently of reporting on Comet Tsuchinshan-ATLAS in recent days, generating a lot of public interest in the process. One fact, though, has likely been misconstrued. The comet has been referred to as a "once-in-a-lifetime experience," which is factually true because this particular comet has a very long parabolic orbit that means it will not be visible from Earth for at least 80,000 years. Once in a lifetime at least. However, this is a reference to



this particular comet. Other comets will surely be visible in a lifetime. Bright comets appear in the sky for a few days or a few weeks once every few years or so. If you want to see this comet, look at the western horizon shortly after sunset. The comet will be visible a little higher and a little longer each evening, gradually growing fainter as it moves quickly away from the sun and Earth.

John Wheeler: Ice crystals and solid ice form differently.

Impurities aside, water is made of water and ice from ice.

Fargo, October 20 — Frost and snow are made of ice but form as intricate crystals, whereas ice that forms on a lake or a puddle is more of a hard blob of water. Impurities aside, water is made of water and ice from ice. The difference between crystalline ice and plain ice is in the formation.

Snow and frost are formed directly from water vapor in the air. As more and more water vapor adheres to the developing structure, the crystal begins to grow. This is different from sleet or ice pellets, which are formed when liquid raindrops freeze in the air; or from ice on a lake or puddle, which is just frozen water. Technically, solid ice also has a crystalline structure. Break a piece of ice and see how sharp the edges are. It is just that the crystalline structure is less rigidly organized.

John Wheeler is Chief Meteorologist for WDAY, a position he has had since May of 1985.

Public Notices

ALBERTHA TOWNSHIP

Alberta Township will be holding a meeting on October 30 at 2:00 PM at the home of the clerk. Ambulance service and any other business will be conducted.

Bette Wagner, Clerk
(October 17 & 24, 2024)

VALLEY TOWNSHIP

Valley Township will hold their fall meeting on Tuesday, October 29, 2024 at 8:30 PM at the home of the clerk/treasurer to conduct regular business and to buy gopher tails and pocket gopher tails.

Dale Radermacher
Valley Township Clerk/Treasurer
(October 17 & 24, 2024)

NOTICE OF HEARING BY THE CITY OF ELLENDALE

The City of Ellendale will hold a public hearing after two consecutive weekly publications of this Notice to discuss Zoning Amendments covering the City of Ellendale. The hearing shall be held the 11th day of November, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall located at 55, 3rd Ave South, Ellendale, ND 58436.

The property involved includes the entire area of the City of Ellendale zoned as R-2 as shown in Ellendale Ordinances Section 5.0603.1 and also shown in the map of Ellendale and its additions located at City Hall, which are all available for inspection during the City's regular business hours.

The nature, scope and purposes of the proposed changes are to change the zoning ordinances regarding areas zoned as R-2 to reduce the minimum square footage that currently reads as "The fully enclosed first floor area of the main structure, exclusive of open porches and garages, shall not be less than 1400 square feet. No residence shall exceed two stories in height when viewed from the street." The proposal is to have that portion of Section 5.0603.1 to instead read as "The fully enclosed first floor area of the main structure, exclusive of open porches and garages, shall not be less than 1,250 square feet."

The proposed zoning amendments in "track changes shown" version are available for public inspections during the City's regular business hours at the auditor's office at 55, 3rd Ave. South, Ellendale, ND 58436.

BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL
(October 24, & 31, 2024)

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Request for Snow Removal Bid: Ellendale Public School is advertising for snow removal for the upcoming snow season for the school grounds, and the west parking lot of the Catholic Church. If interested: submit sealed bid clearly marked "Snow Removal" on the outside of the envelope.

The bid should include the amount per hour, name, contact information, proof of insurance, and signature of the contractor submitting the bid. Submit bid to: Lana Norton, Business Manager, Ellendale School District, PO Box 400, Ellendale, ND by 3:00 PM, Thursday, October 31, 2024, to be opened November 1st. For questions, call the school at (701) 349-3232.

The school district reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

DODGE CARAVAN FOR BID

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