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The Shriners-Masonic picnic at Red Willow lake last Sunday was easily the most enjoyable event ever held at that popular resort.

With made-to-order weather, the day's program, with the exception of the McHenry-Binford ball game, was pulled off without a hitch, and so successful was the affair that it was decided to make the event an annual one.

The part played by the El Zagal chanters and the Aneta band was most thoroughly enjoyed. The chanters are a bunch of jolly, good fellows, and that, coupled with their splendid voices, make their part in the program highly entertaining. Their numbers on Sunday were a rare treat. The Aneta band is an excellent organization, and all dressed up in their natty uniforms they make a fine appearance. Director Forberg and his boys are a credit to Aneta, and their music is of the highest class and perfectly executed. Without them, Sunday's program would have fallen far short. The Shriners and Masons are deeply grateful to the Chanters and the Aneta band for the big part they contributed.

G. B. Edmondson, of Cooperstown, presided and after a brief introductory address, explaining the nature of the occasion, he introduced Frank B. Leech, of Fargo, who gave a short talk on the growth of the Scottish Rite. Following Mr. Leech, Potentate T. I. Lewis spoke on the work of the Shrine, explaining in detail the hospital plan inaugurated two years ago by the Imperial Council of the Shrine. This plan calls for several hospitals to be erected throughout the United States for the treatment of crippled children, it matters not who they are. That is, the child whose father is not a Mason, is not excluded. A hospital to serve the Northwest is being erected midway between Minneapolis and St. Paul. This work is being carried on through an assessment of \$2.00 per year on all Shrine members.

Prof. A. G. Arvold, of Fargo, followed Mr. Lewis and delivered an address on "Educational Instruction in North Dakota." The value of his remarks were very instructive. An education was his theme, and his Chanters and the Aneta band rendered several more numbers, after which several games of indoor baseball occupied the balance of the day. While the indoor ball games were in progress, the Aneta band gave another concert on the pavilion.

That Sunday's event may become an annual reunion for the Masons and Shriners and their friends, an organization was perfected with Mr. Elde of Finley, as president and Mr. Edmondson, of Cooperstown, secretary, with all Masters of Blue lodges in this community as an advisory board. It was decided to hold future reunions on a week day during the month of June and to make that day a holiday for all. Business places will be requested to close.