

# Hope Wants County Seat

## The Long Looked For County Seat Fight Now On.

## City of Hope Has Many Advantages Over Other Towns.

## Boost For Hope

The fight for the removal of the county seat of Steele county from its present location, Sherbrooke, to some point on the railroad, is now on. The citizens of the village of Finley taking the initiative step; believing of course that they could land it. How Finley can boast of advantages over other towns in the county for the seat of government is up to the citizens of that place to show the tax-payers and voters. The village of Sharon is as justly entitled to the county seat as Finley—when taking into consideration its advantages as to importance, schools, churches, and public enterprises—with all due apologies to Finley.

But there are many, many reasons why the tax-payers and voters should look with favor on Hope for the county seat, among them we might enumerate:

We have a larger population than the other five towns in the county combined—according to last official census.

We have the only first-class State High School in the county, a diploma from which entitles the student to enter any of the higher institutions of learning in the state—which is by no means a small matter to be overlooked.

We are as nearly centrally located as any town of importance in the county.—see map.

We have one of the best grain

markets in the county.

Hope has two National Banks—combined deposits amounting to over \$500,000.00.

We have the best telephone connection in the county—the district head office of the North Dakota Independent Telephone Co. being located here.

We have three of the finest church buildings in the county.

Hope is the home of the fraternal and benevolent societies of the county—many of the lodges owning their own buildings.

We have the best equipped fire department in the county—the paraphernalia alone costing something like \$5,000.00.

Four Daily Free Delivery Routes run out from Hope.

We have over three miles of cement walks and well graded streets.

We are the only town in the county lighted by electricity, and as to equipment, it is one of the best in the state—barring none.

Our hotel accommodations are ahead of any other town in the county.

These are but a few of the many advantages Hope has over other towns of the county and is why the citizens of this place feel that Hope is justly entitled to the county seat.

Boost for Hope for the county seat first, last and all the time.

## Easter Services

Easter Sunday will be observed in the Methodist church as follows:

11 A. M.

Easter Sermon..... by Pastor  
Special Music

12 A. M.

A short Easter Program will be given by the Sunday School instead of the regular Sunday School exercises.

7:15 P. M.

Epworth League.... Subject, An  
[Easter Message  
Miss Effie Smith, Leader

8 P. M.

The Easter Contata... "The Risen King"..... by Schneckner will be given by the choir.

Please note the change of time—Evening service at 8 o'clock beginning with Easter Sunday.

All are cordially invited to any and all of the Easter services.

## School Fire Drill

Unbeknown to the teachers and pupils. Messrs. Ehred, Moores and Lathrop, members of the board of education, slipped down to the school house last Monday and turned in a fire alarm. It was just exactly 55 seconds from the time the fire gongs sounded and the building was vacated. Every move is made to count and the orderly manner in which the three hundred and some pupils fled out of the building is worth ones while to witness. Every child is in his or her place and it may be depended upon they will be there.

In most instances when a practice alarm is turned in some of the teachers are onto it but in this case all thought, of course, the building was on fire.

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