

# Busy, Bustling, Prosperous Binford

A Town of Business Activity and  
Beautiful Homes—Centre of  
Rich Farming Lands.

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men guiding the destiny of the school they will continue to build with their best wisdom and liberality, and the historian of the future will look well after the records.

There is not a man in our town, however indifferent to the claims of Christianity, who would want to rear his family here if there were no churches or church influence, for he at once recognizes them as the morals of the community. Binford has two churches, United Lutheran, with Rev. T. E. Sweger of Coopers-town as pastor, and the Lutheran Free church, with Rev. H. M. Halting in charge. The German Lutherans have two churches in this vicinity with Rev. W. H. Gierke as pastor.

Binford has its share of fraternal organization, chief of which is the order of Odd Fellows. This is an order of world-wide popularity and an influence radiates therefrom that is extremely helpful. As their right hand bower stand the conquering Rebekahs with their all redeeming qualities. The other orders are the Yoemen and the Woodmen.

The town supports a splendid musical organization consisting of 25 members. This organization has played high grade difficult music and have at various times filled important engagements and have given excellent satisfaction. They are an organization that any town might be proud of having produced, and they speak volumes for the energy of the town which the band represents.

The Binford Fire department is an efficient volunteer organization of 16 members. The officers are: Chief, J. D. Reid; assistant chief, J. J. Herlick; secretary and treasurer, John Norman.

Binford always maintains a first class baseball team with funds raised by private subscription among the business men.

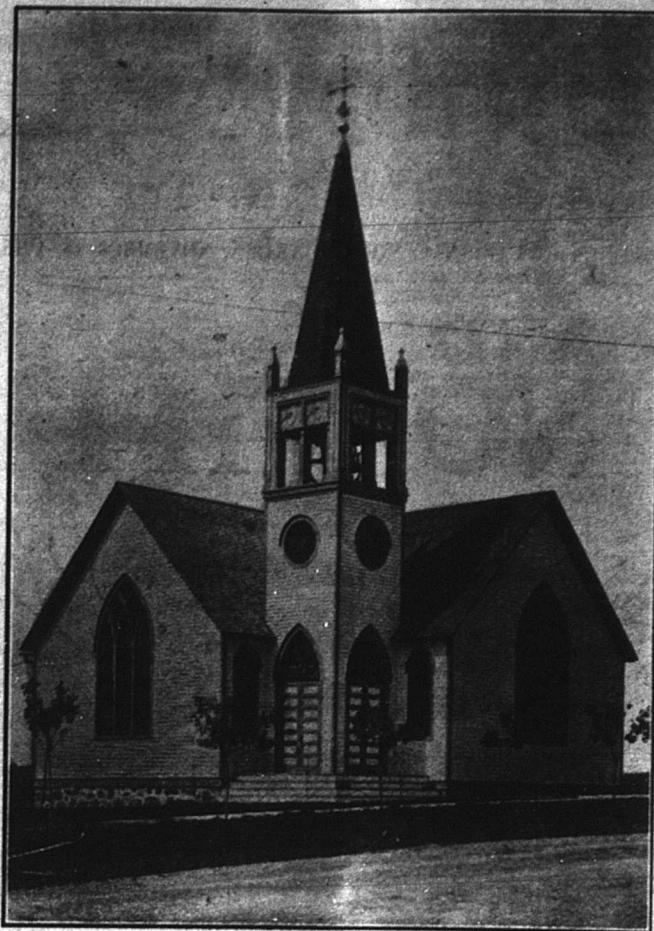
A live Commercial club, with a membership of 50, is one of our leading organizations. The officers are: Otto Pritz, president; Stephen Rorvig, vice president; O. G. Arneson, secretary and P. P. Idsvoog, treasurer.

Annual grain shipments from this point approximate 500,000 bushels.

Binford is famous for its fine water. Soft water is to be found from fifteen to thirty feet, which is free from alkali and is pleasing to the taste. According to a test made by Professor Ladd no better water can be found in the state.

This is our town—the ideal city of this county.

There are numerous lakes scattered over the county, many of them



UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH

surrounded by natural timber. The prettiest of these is Red Willow, six miles north of Binford. It is a beautiful spot and offers to the husbandman and city dweller ideal surroundings for pleasure parties and picnics.

Binford, with all its claim to distinction, is not ahead of the farming community, and is surrounded by an agricultural country that is unequalled for productiveness. Our farmers are an industrious, intelligent and altogether progressive and prosperous class. They have modern homes fine barns and outbuildings and new silos.

How naturally it is and with what gratification, that the people of Bin-

ford face the future, and say: "It is well for us." Favored of fortune and smiled upon of Mother Earth, they are eager for what destiny has so plainly in store for them. Not wanting it all, for there is enough of the feast and to spare, Binford extends a heartfelt invitation to alert, hopeful and ambitious men and women everywhere: "Come be with us, and of us."

### Our Own Little Town.

If you meet a man who is down in the mouth, who thinks that his town is all wrong; just take him aside and give him a ride and hand him this quaint little song: "There are fancier towns than our own little town, there are towns that are bigger than this; and the people who live in the tinier towns all the city excitement will miss. There are things you can see in the wealthier town that you can't in a town that is small; and yet up and down there is no other town like our own little town after all. It may be that the street through the heart of the town isn't long, isn't wide, isn't straight, but the neighbors you know in our little town with a welcome your coming will wait. In the glittering streets of the glittering town with its palace and pavement and thrall in the midst of the throng you'll frequently long for our own little town after all. If you live and work and trade in our town in spite of the fact that it's small, you'll find that the town—our own little town—is the best kind of a town after all."

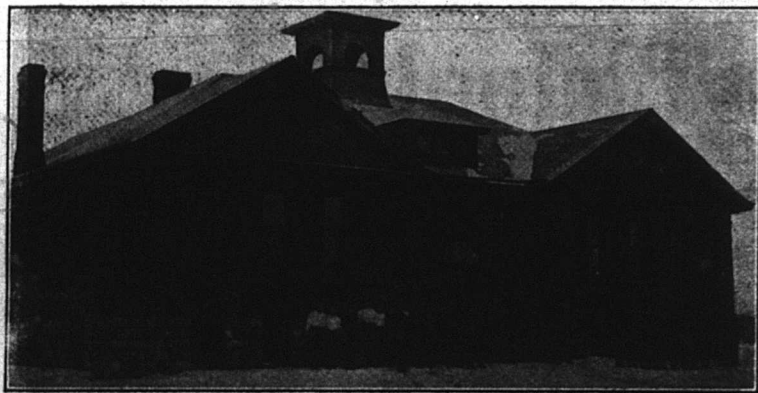
## The Exhibits of Corn Are

Surprising Display of  
North Dakota Ex-  
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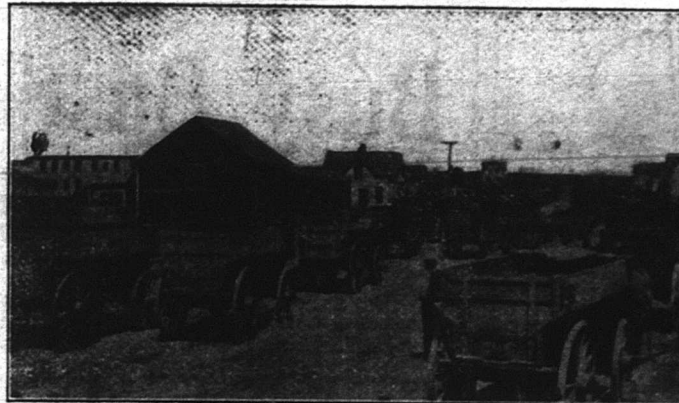
North Dakota is just beginning to realize the magnitude of its corn crop, more than five million bushels, according to R. F. Commissioner of agriculture crop of 1910, with practically the same acreage.

The exhibits of corn at the St. Paul exposition were a marked improvement over last year and of better quality, however, are not as ripe. There is plenty of corn, nevertheless, picked in the northernmost county in the state.

Word has been received from the Dry Farming Exposition at Denver, Colo., saying that the International Farming Congress and exposition at Denver, No. has won a notable victory in seed production. W. E. Manning, Dunn County, has won first prize with his Grimm alfalfa seed in the great alfalfa growing contest. The judges stated that the Dakota seed was of the best coming to their attention, practically perfect in purity and freedom from insect weed seed.



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NOON HOUR SCENE IN BINFORD