The papers of Stutsman county are alive and up to date and are doing more for the building up of this part of the state than almost any other agency. They are constantly exploiting the advantages of their communities. The Jamestown Alert is the oldest paper in the county and was

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The First Herald Building

established by Marshal McClure in 1878, and has been continued ever since under various managements. Later the North Dakota Capital was established and is now conducted by Burgster & McElroy, two bright young newspaper men. They also publish a daily as does also the Alert. There is also one other paper in Jamestown. the Stutsman County Democrat, the only

democratic paper in the county. This is conducted by M. P. Morris and is principally a political organ. The villages of Medina, Cleveland and Kensal also have bright and newsy papers which are doing much for the advancement of their respective communities.

A review of the papers of Stutsman.county would not be complete without making mention of the Wimbledon News. Wimbledon is located just outside of Stutsman county but the News is our nearest

neighbor in the newspaper line and as a large number of their subscribers reside within this county the News might well be classed as one of us. William H. Stevens is the able and courteous editor of that journal. He it a Wolvereen by birth, being born at Phoenix, Michigan, on October 3rd, 1875. He came to North Dakota in the spring of 1880 and resided with his parents on a farm thirteen miles north of Wheatland in Cass county for a number of years and attended the country school. He first became master of the art preservative in the office of the Wheatland Eagle under

the tutorship of Wellington Irish, now private secretary to Congressman Gronna. He later attended

the Central High school in St. Paul and for a time was employed on the Fargo Morning Call and later managed the Buffalo Express for a vear. He came to Wimbledon in April of 1900 and leased the News and the following January purchased the paper. He had only been in Wimbledon one vear when he received his commission as post-



Mr. W. H. Stevens, Editor News

master of the village, the people there appreciating the excellent service that he did them in the time he had been with them. He has made a success of the News and has expended more than \$1,200 for improvements and the office is now one of the best equipped country offices in the state. The

News has been one of the official papers of Barnes county for the past four years and has taken anactive part in politics, advocating republican principles. Mr. Stevens has recently purchased a new office building.

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## Land Values are Bound to Advance

Land values in North Dakota are bound to advance. The land owned by the government and the railroad companies is practically all disposed of and when we think of the rapid rate at which the population is increasing we can see at once that these people must have land. There are now about 80,000,000 people in this country and the number will soon reach 100,000,000, but we will never have another acre more land.