

SUICIDE RECORD OF VIENNA

During Last Year 567 Persons Took Their Own Lives in the Capital of Austria.

Austria's capital continues to maintain its unenviable notoriety for the number of suicides. The figures just published for last year are the highest ever recorded. Altogether no fewer than 567 persons took their own lives in Vienna, 405 men and 162 women. In addition to these there were 891 attempted suicides, of which 499 were by men and 392 by women. The total number of suicides and attempts averages almost exactly four a day for the year.

April and November showed the largest number of suicides, 59 and 58 respectively. September had the least, 38. The majority of the victims either found or sought death by hanging; next came shooting, drowning, poison and throwing themselves out of windows. The oldest victim was a man of ninety, and the youngest a boy of twelve. Both threw themselves out of windows.

Love troubles were the motive for most of the suicides, and after these came family differences, mental disorders, sickness, poverty and general weariness of life. In one-fourth of the cases the motive was unknown.

A New Get Rich Scheme

Leeds people are the promoters of a movement to establish a cat ranch near that city, and the following is a part of the circular sent out to prospective "stockholders."

"The object of this company is to operate a large cat ranch in or near Leeds, N. D., where land can be purchased very cheap for this purpose.

To start with we will collect say about one hundred thousand (100,000) cats. Each cat will average twelve (12) kittens a year. The skin will run from ten cents (10c) each for the white ones, to seventy-five (75) for the pure black. This will give us twelve million skins a year (12,000,000) to sell at an average of 30 cents apiece, making our revenue about ten thousand dollars (10,000) a day gross.

A man can skin 50 cats a day for \$2.00. It will take 100 men to operate the ranch and therefore, the net profit will thus be nine thousand eight hundred dollars (\$9,800) per day.

We will feed the cats on rats and will start a rat ranch next door. Rats multiply four times as fast as cats. If we start one million rats (1,000,000) we will have, therefore, four rats per day for each cat, which is plenty.

Now then, we will feed the rats on the carcasses of the cats, from which the skins have been taken, giving each rat a fourth of a cat.

It will thus be seen that the business will be self supporting and automatic all the way thru. The cats will eat the rats and the rats will eat the cats and we get the skins."

Jim Lake

Mrs. Elizabeth Hunter and Mr. John Kirgan were married at the M. E. parsonage of Kensal Feb. 17 by Rev. Hynes. Mrs. Hunter is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Brady of this place and counts her friends by her acquaintances. Best wishes and congratulations follow the young people to their new home at Woodworth, N. D.

The C. D. Wood family were entertained at the Frank Schlect home last Thursday evening.

Miss Agnes Schlect of Kensal spent several days at the home of her brother Frank last week returning to her school duties at Kensal on Sunday.

Mr. John Buddish was a guest at the Aug. Poppilinski home on Sunday.

C. D. Wood was a business caller at Kensal on Monday.

Mr. Fred Councilman of Hanaford spent some days with his parents last week.

H. A. Hammerstead made a business trip to Pingree last Wednesday.

Mrs. Semke took her little daughter to Jamestown last week to consult the doctors there in regard to the little ones health. It is feared the child has cancer of the nose, from which the little one has suffered with for over a year.

Mrs. Henry Thoman is reported better. Miss Nellie Gunther is caring for her at present.

Miss Minnie Krubeck is visiting friends at Lucca, N. D.

Bank Report

Report of the condition of the Stutsman County Bank at Courtenay, in the State of North Dakota, at the close of business, Feb. 20th, 1912.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$107,891 29
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	1,247 96
Warrants, stocks, tax certificates, claims, etc.	8,575 79
Banking house furniture and fixtures	6,250 00
Other real estate	1,480 26
Due from other banks	\$30,356 69
Checks and other cash items	120 35
Cash	3,725 26
Total	\$ 159,546 61
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$ 25,000 00
Surplus fund	7,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	3,203 53
Individual deposits subject to check	56,592 91
Demand certificates of deposit	50 00
Time certificates of deposit	61,599 96
Cashier's checks outstanding	4,100 45
Due to other banks	98 18
Total	\$ 159,546 61

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA,
COUNTY OF STUTSMAN.

I, H. S. Strandness, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

H. S. STRANDNESS, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of Feb., 1912.

W. P. Clark,
Notary Public, Stutsman County, N. D.

(Seal) My commission expires Jan. 9, 1917.

Correct - Attest:

Loran Nichols,
S. M. Posey,
Directors.

Bank Report

No 6210.
Report of the condition of The First National Bank, at Courtenay in the State of North Dakota, at the close of business, Feb. 20th, 1912.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts	\$ 60,824 61
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	359 17
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	6,500 00
Bonds, securities, etc.	2,115 96
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	5,815 00
Other Real Estate Owned	16,486 12
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	384 06
Due from State and Private Banks and Bankers, Trust Companies and Savings Banks	10 85
Due from Approved Reserve Agents	3,420 78
Checks and other cash items	61 65
Notes of other National Banks	420 00
Fractional Paper Currency, Nickels and cents	108 00
Specie	\$ 2,467 55
Legal-tender notes	1,080 00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	325 00
Total	\$100,900 75
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	25,000 00
Surplus fund	5,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	1,313 91
National Bank notes outstanding	6,500 00
Individual deposits subject to check	21,418 75
Demand certificates of deposit	3,203 53
Time certificates of deposit	38,425 44
Certified checks	
Total	\$100,900 75

State of North Dakota, county of Stutsman.

I, Paul Edw. Skjerseth, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Paul Edw. Skjerseth, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of Feb., 1912.

W. P. Clark,
Notary Public, Stutsman county, N. D.

(Seal) My commission expires Jan. 9, 1917.

Correct - Attest:

C. F. Ross,
Allen S. Miller,
G. S. Newberry,
Directors.

Notice of Leasing of school and State Lands

The school and state lands in Stutsman County, North Dakota, not already leased, will be offered for rent at a public leasing to be held at the court house in the city of Jamestown in said county on Tuesday the 2nd day of April 1912 commencing at ten o'clock A. M. The terms of leasing will be as follows:

All lands will be offered for a term of five years beginning with the season of 1912, and only for grazing and hay purposes, at the minimum annual rental of fifteen dollars for each quarter section.

All lands will be struck off to the highest bidder, who will be required to pay at the time of leasing the rent for the season of 1912, also an additional fee of \$3.00 for issuing lease, which fee will be charged for each quarter section or fraction thereof included in such lease.

Subsequent year's rent will become due January 1st of each year, and in default of payment within thirty days thereafter, lease will be cancelled without notice to lessee.

Any cultivated tracts will be offered at a minimum annual rental of five per cent of the appraised value thereof.

A list of the lands to be offered for lease will be on file with the treasurer of said county for public for at least two weeks before the date of leasing.

Coal rights are reserved to the state in all leases and the Board of University and School Lands Reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

All leases are subject to cancellation in case of sale.

The only way to secure the use of any school or state land is by leasing on above terms.

Dated at Bismarek, North Dakota, this 24th day of February 1912.

Alex. MacDonald,
Commissioner