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PROPOSE PLAN FOR WAR MEMORIALS

A plan for the erection of memorials to citizens who have given their lives for their country in World War II is being studied by the Executive Committee of the North Dakota Conference of Social Welfare, headed by Judge G. Grimson of Rugby, president of the organization.

The plan endorsed by the Conference of Social Welfare which met recently at Jamestown calls for the encouragement of the various communities of the state to consider the erection and maintenance of proper facilities for character building recreation, and handicraft on the part of the youth during their leisure time as lasting memorials to their honored citizens who gave their lives in World War II. It was suggested at the Conference that such memorials would be particularly fitting as they would afford more opportunities for the youth of tomorrow to develop better traits of citizenship through wholesome and proper use of leisure hours. That can be done by providing playgrounds, handicraft shops, recreation centers, gymnasiums, swimming pools, etc., each of which might bear the name of one or more of the heroes who died.

The Executive Committee of the Conference is also studying two other resolutions passed at the Conference. One deals with the regulations and licensing of homes for the aged in the state, and the other with the need for a home for neglected dependent or pre-delinquent boys and girls. It was explained to the Conference that there are no existing facilities for the care of youth who cannot be properly taken care of or disciplined in their own homes, and yet should not be classed as delinquents or sent to the Training School.

The Executive Committee, whose members, in addition to Judge Grimson are: Dr. A. C. Burr of Jamestown, Miss Clarisse Clementson and Mrs. Earl Shaw of Fargo, A. M. Allen of Thompson, Rev. L. O. Gjerde of Rugby, Miss Louise Guenther of Bismarck and Mrs. O. H. Lundquist of Adams, will meet in Bismarck in December to take action on its findings.

OUR SUPREME COURT HOLDS

In *George Cota, Pltf. and Applt., vs. Lula McDermott, Respt.*

That chapter 286, S. L. 1941, providing, among other things, for the giving of notice of expiration of the period of redemption on property sold to the county for delinquent taxes, applies to all tax deed proceedings initiated subsequent to its effective date.

That where land is sold on nonpayment of taxes any right of redemption given is wholly statutory, accorded as a matter of legislative favor and grace. And the right to notice of expiration of the period of redemption stands on no different ground, so, in the absence of statutory requirement, no notice need be given.

That a delinquent taxpayer has no vested right in any existing mode of collecting taxes. There is no contract between him and the taxing authority that the latter will not vary the mode of collection.

That where land is sold on nonpayment of taxes, the resulting relationship as between the taxpayer and the taxing authority is not contractual.