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Pioneer Journal of March 4, 1904: VAULT FOR THE DEAD

A prominent citizen has suggested to the Pioneer Journal the advisability of advocating a receiving vault for the cemetery, in which dead bodies can be placed during the winter months, and buried as usual after the frost is out of the ground. He does not think one would cost such a great amount of money, and he suggests that one be built by popular subscription. He took the ground that if there was going to be a horse race here there would be no trouble in raising money for the purse, and he considered that the matter was of more importance, and he asked the Pioneer Journal to bring the matter to the attention of the public.

In this country during the winter months the ground is frozen to the depth of several feet, and graves cannot be dug without the greatest exertion and trouble. Other towns with modern ideas have receiving vaults, and he thinks Wadena should have one, and that it should be built this summer. The ladies who have the work at the cemetery in charge cannot do this without assistance, and he thinks it very likely that all would be glad to help.

Pioneer Journal of April 29, 1904

The fair held by the ladies of the cemetery Association Wednesday in the new Germania hall was very successful. All were served both at the dinner and supper hour, and a large number patronized them. Many handsome fancy articles were on sale, and the most of them were sold. Over \$155 were netted by the venture.

Pioneer Journal of May 19, 1905: WORK AT CEMETERY
LADIES AUXILIARY TO ASSOCIATION MAKES IMPROVEMENTS

A force of men are working at the Wadena cemetery this week under the direction of the Ladies Auxiliary of the cemetery association doing the clearing necessitated by the spring season and making other improvements.

The Ladies Auxiliary since its inception has been a very busy organization and through its efforts the cemetery has been transformed from an almost sightless thicket to a well kept and neat appearing place that is quite all that it should be. The present season much will be done and at its close the ladies will have concluded a vigorous campaign that has resulted in great things. The portions of the cemetery remaining to be sodded will be completed during the coming summer and this work is now progressing. The auxiliary proposes to publish a statement in a short time that will show how the funds they have been able to secure have been expended and W. R. Baumbach who has had charge of the improvements for the ladies says that the public generally will be surprised to learn how much has been accomplished and how economically the results have been attained.

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