

Topics of a Week

Mrs. Douglas will serve ice-cream and lunches July 5th.

O. G. Kvaas of Hovland, was in town the first of the week.

Tom Lande, of Tofto, was transacting business in town Monday.

Mrs. Ed. Toftey left Monday for a visit with relatives in Minneapolis.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Angus LeSage last Thursday afternoon.

The Norwegian Ladies Aid will meet with Mrs. Sandeno next Thursday afternoon.

The Swedish Ladies' Aid meet with Mrs. A. V. Johnson on Wednesday afternoon, July 7th.

John Winger returned Friday from a trip to Duluth. He was accompanied on his return by his father.

Julius Olson made a short business visit in Duluth last week. He was accompanied on his return by his son.

Mrs. Jas. G. Scott and Mrs. P. E. Alm returned last Sunday from a two weeks visit with relatives in Duluth.

Miss Schaefer, who taught the East Colvill school a few years ago, arrived last evening for a visit with friends here.

A card party was given by the Catholic Ladies at the Happy Hour hall last Thursday evening. A pleasant evening is reported.

A surprise party was given on Mrs. J. J. Hussey by a number of her lady friends last Tuesday afternoon, in honor of her birthday anniversary.

The State Fire Rangers have built a telephone line from the village to the look-out tower on the Steve Murphy hill. This will be a convenience in reporting forest fires.

L. G. Lundquist returned home Sunday from a month's business trip in different parts of this state and South Dakota. He brought with him an "Abatt" automobile, which he sold to John A. Blackwell.

Victor Johnson is working a large force of men on his new building on Jackson street. He assures us that he will have the theatre opened by the Fourth. The films arrived last night and the program is given on another page.

The Northern Fish Company's steamer, Frank D. Phelps, called here last Sunday evening and returned to Duluth Monday morning. They expect to make regular trips along this shore hereafter and pick up fish from the fishermen.

CREAM—The Murphy farm can furnish coffee cream at 25c and whipping cream at 35c a quart. Telephone your order.

There was a ball game here Sunday afternoon between Grand Marais boys and the sailors of the light-house tender Amaranth, which layed here over Sunday. The boys say they hated to do it, but they beat the visitors to the rate of 2 to 7.

The new boiler has been installed in the cooperage plant and it was given its first trial Tuesday. The plant is also being enlarged, giving room for more machinery and adding another drying house. They expect now to run the mill at full capacity.

District Court adjourned last Friday after a four days session. The court calendar for this year contained a fewer number of cases than for a number of years past, only one jury case being tried. The grand jury was in session for two days, returning several indictments, including two that were not made public.

Albert Westerlund, the son of Andrew Westerlund of Hovland, was taken to the state hospital for insane last Thursday evening, having become mentally deranged. He is 21 years of age and has always been a quiet and studious boy and it is thought that his mental powers have become overtaxed from religious studies. It is hoped that he will soon recover.

Judge H. A. Dancer and Court Reporter Farrington visited Greenwood Lake on a fishing trip last week, returning to Grand Marais Monday evening. They caught some fish and found the trip an interesting one. Mr. Farrington said he was glad he made the trip, because, he says, he knows now that there isn't a worse road in the world. The party realized that they were "roughing it", all right, and that's the meet of all out-door pleasure.

Arnquist-Ellingsen

Mr. Arno Arnquist and Miss Eline Ellingsen were married last Sunday afternoon at the home of the bride's parents at Hovland. The nuptial services were read by Rev. T. G. Sandeno. Miss Olga Christianson was the bridesmaid and Conrad Moen acted as best man. There were about thirty guests present. We join their many friends in wishing them a long and happy married life.

FOR SALE—at a very promising figure if sold soon, eighty acres of land on the Nester road two miles west of Grand Marais, if interested address Selmer O. Trihus, Bloomington Prairie, Minn.

If your artificial plate is broken mail it to me at Coffeyville, Kansas. I will be in my office in the cabin as usual in July and August. Dr. T. M. Robertson.

THE JOYOUS FOURTH

By William Gerard Chapman

Gee, don't I wish the Fourth wuz here!
It seems like I can't wait
Until the days jest catch up with
That blame' red-figger date.
I got a lot o' fire-works,
Oh, more'n you could think,
A bully cannon, too, of brass,
So shiny makes you blink.

The minute when I get awake,
'Bout four o'clock or so,
You bet I'll hustle in my clothes
An' grab my box an' go
A-kittin' out behin' the barn
An' light my punk -- an', say!
You won't hear nothing much but noise
The rest o' that whole day.

But, gosh! that ain't a circumstance
To what'll happen when
It gets right dark. You jest be there,
You'll see some doin's, then!
We'll break in St. the blacksmith's, shop
An' get his anvils out
An' shoot them all around the town;
Then there'll be noise, don't doubt!

Afore each house we'll set one down
An' pour the powder in,
An' set the other top of it --
Then jest you hear the d'nal
Some folks'll come a-runnin' out
An' raise an awful row,
But most'll laugh like fun an' shout
"Jest get along, boys, now."

Oh, gee, I wish the Fourth wuz here!
But Ma sez, "Mercy me!
Why you're so set on gettin' burns
An' blisters, I can't see."
But shucks! who cares for things like that?
A boy's Ma never learns
As how he has jest loads o' fun
A-gettin' of those burns.

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THE GLORIOUS FOURTH

To be Observed by a Full-fledged Celebration in Grand Marais.

The citizens' committee appointed several weeks ago for the purpose of arranging a celebration of the Fourth in Grand Marais, announces the following program to be carried out next Monday at this place:

Skiff race—1st prize \$3.00, 2nd prize \$2.00.

Canoe race—1st prize \$3.00, 2nd prize \$2.00.

100 yard dash, free for all—1st prize \$2.00, 2nd prize \$1.00.

100 yard dash, boys under 16—1st prize \$1.00, 2nd prize 50c.

100 yard dash for girls, free for all—1st prize \$1.00, 2nd prize 50c.

Sack race—1st prize \$1.00, 2nd prize 50c.

Wheelbarrow race—1st prize \$1.00, 2nd prize 50c.

Three legged race—1st prize 1.00, 2nd prize 50c.

Bun eating contest—1st prize \$1.00, 2nd prize 50c.

Potato race—1st prize \$1.00, 2nd prize 50c.

Ball game between Grand Marais and Reservation.

Dance in the evening.

The people of Hovland will also have a celebration, for which elaborate preparations have been made. Our Hovland correspondent gives some details in another column in this issue. A large number of Grand Marais citizens plan on joining in the Hovland celebration, which will be held on Saturday.

Hovland 3d and 4th.

Word has been received from the Minnesota Agricultural Extension Division that Mr. A. B. Hostetter, of Duluth, district agricultural supervisor of N. E. Minnesota, will be at Hovland Saturday and Sunday, July 3 and 4, and will deliver addresses on subjects of interest to Cook county settlers during both afternoons. It is also expected that Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Thompson of the Northeast Minnesota demonstration farm of Duluth, will accompany Mr. Hostetter and assist in the meetings. Other features of interest are being planned. The public is cordially invited to celebrate with us.

Fourth of July Committee.

Eleven Austrians

Caught at Hovland.

Aliens in Canada eating dandelions to keep soul and body together, according to Brown McDonald, immigration inspector at Duluth. He made this statement when speaking of the eleven Austrians who are in jail in Duluth awaiting government action to free them from the charge of crossing the border in violation of the Federal laws. "Some of these men have not had work in eight months or more. In fact, they have been idle for an indefinite period, and their condition has been pitiable. Aliens are eating dandelions and roots, and exist from hand to mouth as best they can. Alien women about to become mothers are haunted with the fear that their babies may starve, and the husbands are fearful lest their wives die for want of proper care and nourishment."

The eleven Austrians were arrested at Hovland, Minn., June 18, and are now better off in jail than they were roaming about without work or proper food. The majority of them would like to stay in the United States and become citizens. What action the authorities at Washington will take is not known.

The eleven Austrians say that it is next to impossible for an enemy to escape from Canada. The government has tried to provide for the needy to a certain extent, but has been unable to cope with the situation.

According to Mr. McDonald there are about 3,500 aliens stationed at Fort William and 800 at Port Arthur. The government allows 50 cents a week for adults and 40 cents a week for children. Fort William is allowing 70 cents to male citizens and 50 cents to children. In speaking of the condition and experiences of the men, Mr. McDonald said: "Some of the men walked across the border from Fort William, a distance of more than 100 miles, having had practically nothing to eat during the entire time."

"They walked along old lumber trails across the border, finding stale food supplies at some of the old lumber camps on the way over."

"Five of the men were lost in the woods for nine days, having nothing to eat but a few loaves of bread, brought from Canada. When they regained the road they were about famished, but could find nothing to eat but old stale corn meal. By using water, the only thing plentiful, they made bread. This was their food for the remainder of the journey."

"Others in the party were lucky enough to find some old turnips in a deserted house and these were eaten. None of the men had any clothing except what they wore. They slept at times in the rain and cold along the old lumber trails."

"When they were given real food in Hovland, they were unable to control themselves. One said he had not tasted meat for so long, he had forgotten its flavor."—Duluth Herald.

Fred Jackson Acquitted

At the term of district court held here last week, Fred Jackson, former county treasurer, was tried on one of a number of indictments found against him by the grand jury in connection with the alleged shortage in his accounts as county treasurer.

The particular indictment upon which this trial was had charged a misappropriation of county funds, the alleged facts upon which this charge was based being that out of county funds he paid a personal note of \$1,012.00.

Following a hard fought trial lasting two days, the jury, after several hours deliberation, returned a verdict of not guilty.

Mr. Jackson was represented by H. B. Fryberger of Duluth, and the State by Assistant Attorney General Weeks and County Attorney Murphy.

District Court will convene here again on Oct. 18, for the disposition of matters that may come before it at that time.

Why I am Proud of Minnesota— "Hogs"

Minnesota has so many hogs that if all of them were turned into weiners, sausage, ham, and bacon, there would be enough meat to feed an army of a million men in the European War a million pounds a day for nearly nine months. Given to either Allies or Germans it might turn the tide of war.

On January 1, 1915, there were 1,716,000 hogs in Minnesota, or 20 per cent more than on January 1, 1914. This was a bigger gain than that of any other state in the Hog Belt save Iowa and North Dakota.

In 1890 there were only 853,715 hogs in Minnesota. By 1900 the number had jumped to 1,440,806. In 1910, in marked contrast to actual decreases in many states, Minnesota had 1,520,000. The total value of hogs, Jan. 1, 1915, was \$21,450,000, or \$9.70 for each person in the state.

The growing interest in hogs in Minnesota has been due to the raising of more corn, an increased acreage of clover, alfalfa and other cheap forage crops, and the general agitation for more livestock.

Still we are not raising as many hogs as we should. The last census gave Minnesota 157,137 farms of 177 acres each. There are only a little more than ten hogs to each farm. Several times that number could be raised with profit.

To encourage the raising of hogs the State Agricultural College is conducting a state-wide pig club contest for boys.

The Minnesota State Fair is assisting by offering to pay the expense of sending the winning pig in each county to the Fair, Sept. 6 to 11, to be judged for the state championship.

A great effort is also being made to turn the Minnesota State Fair swine show, which promises to be one of the biggest in the country, into a great public market where farmers from the Northwest may meet the leading swine breeders and purchase good breeding animals at reasonable prices.

Minnesota will show all the states hearts and spades about the hog business before many years.

Grand Portage.

Mr. J. McKay was in town on Monday.

Dr. Hicks was called to the Portage on Thursday.

Mr. Charley Ebb has been on the sick list for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Louis are visiting relatives in Ft. William.

Max Gould, a Duluth traveling salesman, was in town on Saturday.

B. A. Rude returned to Grand Marais after several days of repair work at the agency.

Mrs. Jane Zimmerman and her little daughter are spending a few days with mother and sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Deshamp are the proud parents of a new son born Sunday morning the 27th.

Farmer Willihan was out inspecting the burning of the brush on state road No. 2 crossing the Reservation.

Joe Hunter and Jerome Nahgahnub finished the brushing out of a new road along the shore front to Godfrey Mt.-Ferrand's place.

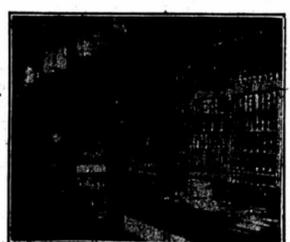
Our teacher, Miss Thompson, left the first of July to spend two months at the Panama Exposition in California. Miss Beem, the domestic science teacher accompanied her as far as Duluth, where she will spend a few weeks.

The commissioner of Indian affairs offered 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes to the pupils throughout the service for the best written essay on "Alcohol and its Abuse." Three of our pupils received the third prize, namely: John Flatt, Tony Clark and Mary Nahbahgadoway.

Arrival of Shells Announced. Paris.—In the Gazette de la Tranchee, published in the battle lines of the French army, is the request that "soldiers having exercised the profession of hotel managers, ushers or hall porters announce the arrival of German shells in the encampment."

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