



### Topics of a Week

John A. Blackwell left Tuesday morning for a business visit in Duluth.

Mrs. A. J. Scott, Sr., Mrs. J. G. Scott, Mrs. P. E. Alm and Mrs. Anna Daniels are visiting in Duluth.

The Norwegian Ladies Aid will meet with Mrs. Sam Rally next Thursday afternoon. Everybody is welcome.

C. A. A. Nelson and Miss Ida Nelson, of Lutsen, came down on Thursday for a day's visit at the county seat.

N. B. Arnold attended a referee sale at the court house last Saturday morning, returning to Duluth overland that day.

Dan McDonald returned home last evening from Chippewa Falls, Wis., where he was called on account of the death of his uncle.

There will be a food sale Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. L. H. Lien. Bread, rolls, cake, pies, salads, etc. will be for sale, for benefit of the new church.

Lake county fathers are also taking an inventory just now of work done for good roads in that county during the past season. As in Cook, this item constitutes a very valuable part of their assets.

Victor Johnson gave a moving picture entertainment at Hovland last Friday night. Our Hovland correspondent's account of the event indicates that there was a very appreciative, if not a very large, audience.

The remainder of Miss Hanson's hats that are on sale at Mrs. Hussey's will go at one-fourth off until next Monday evening, when they will be sent back. So come early if you want a nice hat at a small price.

Following the death of a valuable horse last week, other horses in Olson Brothers' stable became suddenly sick. Dr. Burnham, a Superior veterinary surgeon, was called here to attend the ailing animals, one of which was in a very serious condition. They are improving, and no further trouble is anticipated. The trouble was caused, the Doctor says, by over-feeding and insufficient exercise.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Yawkey, of New York, and N. J. Schultze, of Virginia, Minnesota, arrived last night and will leave at once for Greenwood Lake to stay during the hunting season. John B. Arnold arrived Sunday night and went to Greenwood Monday, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kling, who have been engaged as keepers of the Greenwood camps. Mrs. Kling is a sister of Mrs. Fred Winger of this village.

### Hunting Licenses.

For the convenience of those who may find it inconvenient to come to the county seat for the purpose, the county auditor has arranged to have applications for hunting licenses made in different parts of the county before the persons named as follows: At Schroeder, by George Smith; at Tofte, by H. O. Engelson; at Lutsen, by Gust T. Nelson; at Hovland, by N. J. Bray. The parties named are supplied with necessary application blanks. Upon application made before them licenses will be mailed to applicants by the Auditor.

Don't forget the Farmers Club meeting at Colvill Saturday evening Nov. 6th.

A basket social will be given at the town hall at Good Harbor Hill Saturday, Nov. 6th. Everybody welcome. Ladies bring your basket.

Axel Berglund, F. B. Hicks and C. J. Johnson went to Cramer last Thursday and looked over the Duluth and Northern right-of-way in that section in their official capacity as appraisers in condemnation proceedings.

Halloween celebrators cut their usual capers on Saturday and Sunday evenings. They wasted a lot of soap on the business windows of the town, which harmless fun was spoiled by some filthy mind in the writing done. Particular attention was given to outhouses, which were promiscuously overturned; the fun of the thing, being, we presume, in watching the owners next day working to right them up again. On the whole it wasn't so bad that it couldn't have been worse. And now, if those who carried away the sign of this office would be kind enough to return the same, or even give us a clue as to its whereabouts, we'd be perfectly willing to call the chapter closed.

Indian Agent Archiquette, of Grand Portage, was in town Saturday making annual payment to the Indians residing at this place. The payment this year was \$18.75 per capita, which in case of large families, made up an important item. All the stores of the village did a hustling business for a few days on account of this payment, indicating that as a general rule it goes to good purposes. Besides these store expenditures a good deal of this money goes to the payment of homes purchased by the Indians in this village. On his official visit here last week agent Archiquette, accompanied by Mrs. Archiquette, they were the guests of Dr. and Mrs. F. B. Hicks during their stay in the village.

### LAKE GIVES UP DEAD.

#### Badly Decomposed Body Found on Lake Shore.

Coroner Johnson was notified Tuesday afternoon by a fisherman at Black Point of the finding of the dead body of a man on the lake shore at that place. Accompanied by Sheriff Lien, the Coroner immediately went to Black Point to give the matter his official attention. After viewing the body and making an examination they moved it to a safe distance from the shore and left it there for the night. The corpse is that of a very big man. It was in a badly decomposed condition, having apparently been in the water a long time before being washed ashore. The face and head are in a badly battered condition and the skin is so blackened that identification may be difficult. The only article found on the corpse by which identification may be aided is an open face silver watch, to which was attached a leather string, used as a chain. The dead man was dressed in shirt and trousers, without coat or vest. Sheriff Lien and John Samskar went up yesterday with the latter's gasoline boat and brought the body to Grand Marais.

The body was last night positively identified by members of the crew of the steamer America as that of the watchman, "Big Ben," who, several weeks ago, disappeared from the boat after leaving Tofte on the down trip. He had been employed on the America for over four years. Being of a very quiet and agreeable disposition, he was on good terms with everybody. The night of his disappearance he was last seen by the cabin boy on the hurricane deck at about 11 o'clock. They passed a few remarks; but excepting that he complained of feeling unwell, nothing unusual was noticed in his conduct. His presence on the upper deck was common because his state room was on that deck, and he was then off watch. Death may have easily been due to an accident, which theory is preferred by friends of the deceased, because, he was not, they say, such a person as could reasonably be suspected of suicidal tendencies.

The coroner and county attorney visited the America last night and talked with all the members of the crew. All the information obtainable precluding any suspicion of foul play an inquest was deemed unnecessary. Burial took place today in Maple Hill cemetery. A cousin, Reinert Reinertson, who, by the way, is the person who discovered the corpse, is here today to attend the funeral. There are no other relatives in this country. The mother, still living, resides in Norway.

Fred R. Paine returned last Thursday from his annual duck hunt, with a full game bag.

The county commissioners made a tour of inspection of road work east to the Reservation last Monday.

A Halloween party was given at the village hall on Saturday evening, which was one of the bright social events of the season.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Simmons left Monday night for their regular winter tour of the South. They will probably not return before spring.

Dan McDonald has now opened his taxidermist shop in the Ladd building and is equipped to do all kinds of tanning and taxidermist work.

The program at the Princess theater this evening and Saturday is as follows: "Snow Drift," two parts; "Pearl of the Sea" one reel; "One Best Bet" one reel.

There was an error last week in the premium list for 1st prize for crocheted collar. Mrs. Olof Larson was awarded first prize instead of Mrs. O. L. Johnson.

### BIG GAME LICENSES.

#### The Open Season and the Amended Game Law.

The hunting season for big game opens next Wednesday, the 10th, and will close on the last day of November. Judging by the number of inquiries being received from outside, there will be an unusual rush of hunters into this section this season. As the hunting season approaches and the rights and privileges of hunters becomes more and more the leading question of the day, the amended game law receives a good share of not very favorable criticism. Local hunters would "just like to see the color of the man's hair" who is responsible for this amendment.

Under the law formerly any hunter who had paid a license fee was privileged to kill one moose and one deer. Under an amendment of the game law by the 1915 legislature only non-residents of the state retain this privilege, while residents are permitted to kill only one moose or one deer—one male antlered moose, of course. The law is so unreasonable that people generally have been strongly disinclined to accept the above interpretation of it. The same is apparently so in other parts. To settle the controversy, the county auditor of Lake county asked the attorney general for an opinion and he received the following reply:

"The question is whether a licensed resident hunter is permitted to take one moose and one deer or whether he can take only one moose or one deer. You are advised that a licensed resident hunter can only take one moose or one deer. Attention is called to the fact that a non-resident hunter may take one male antlered moose and one deer. The legislature has evidently made this distinction between resident and non-resident licenses and its declaration in that regard is conclusive. See Chapter 4973 G. S. 1913 and Chapter 287 G. L. 1915."

Section 287 of the 1915 Laws, referred to in the attorney general's opinion and which is the amendment referred to, reads in part as follows:

"Any resident who has paid said fee and procured such license to hunt game animals, may, during the open season hunt, take and kill one male antlered moose or one deer."

Section 4793 of the Statutes of 1913, the old law, which is also referred to by the attorney general, reads in part as follows:

"Any non-resident who has paid said fee and procured such license to hunt game animals, may, during the open season kill in the manner authorized by this Chapter, one male antlered moose and one deer."

It is a peculiar amendment, to say the least. A resident is limited to one animal, while a non-resident, who is not permitted to take his game out of the state, is allowed one of each. It is difficult to grasp the reasoning upon which such a law is based. But it's the law, and the unreasonableness of it makes it none the less binding. We would like to know, just the same, if this bungle wasn't due to a slip of the pen. It is hard to believe that any legislator would be guilty of such intentional discrimination in favor of non-residents.

### REWARD FOR BIG FAMILIES.

French Scientist Academy Sees Cause For Alarm in Decrease of Births.

Paris.—The problem of repopulation of France is receiving the attention of the Academy of Moral and Political Sciences. Figures were read at a meeting of the academy showing that the number of births annually in the country in the last twenty years, fell from 800,000 to 750,000.

It is estimated if a proportionate decrease should continue for another twenty years the future military classes would be 30,000 less than the classes of 1914, 1915 and 1916.

The question was considered so vital it was suggested that important advantages should be accorded fathers of families having numerous children, and that the idea be generalized that the normal family comprises three children.

It was suggested that the heads of such families be allowed to share in a proposed recompense.

### East End News.

Michael Connolly returned Sunday from a trip to Duluth.

The Ladies' Aid Society met at the hotel on Monday afternoon.

Mons Hanson made a business trip to the county seat on Friday.

P. M. Linnell had the misfortune to lose a valuable horse recently.

John Jackson drove in from Colvill after a load of feed on Tuesday.

P. M. Linnell and W. S. Taylor were business callers at the Bay on Saturday.

A Halloween party was held at the North school on Friday night, and an enjoyable time is reported.

Dave Mullen came down from the Pigeon camps with the tote-team on Monday for a call at the Bay.

The Town Board inspected the town roads on Friday and planned on some improvements to be made in the future.

John Nelson, Jr., came down Friday morning to assist Mr. Johnson in his work in connection with the picture show.

Henry Westerlund has secured two wolves recently, and Mons Hanson another one out near the Brule, making his fifth.

Arthur and Carl Ongstad returned from Duluth on Friday's Crescent, and have resumed their fishing operation at Howard's bay.

A. L. Ellquist made a trip to the Reservation on Saturday to inspect the proposed site for the contemplated new school building.

Anton Johnson of Howard's bay was taken very sick on Sunday and Dr. Hicks had to be called. He is now considerably improved.

A masked Halloween party was given at the home of L. H. Smith on the Reservation on Saturday evening and a jolly time resulted.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Bartlett drove in from the Reservation on Monday, combining business with pleasure. The Hoyt brothers accompanied them.

Engel Eide, of Tofte, came down from Grand Marais on Monday with Mr. Godin to assist him with his phone work in this neighborhood the first of the week.

John Nelson of Maple Hill spent Friday in town visiting old-time acquaintances, and accompanied the "movies" on their return to Grand Marais Friday night.

Manager Godin spent Thursday and Friday hereabouts last week extending the telephone service in the vicinity of the Bay, and several new phones will be installed in the near future.

A surprise party was given on Monday evening to Miss Julia Eliassen in honor of her birthday anniversary, at the home of her father, Mr. N. L. Eliassen. A pleasant evening is reported.

Hans Bjorken of Colvill came in on Monday to lay in a winter supply of food-stuff.

John Eliassen and Paul Jacobson are the latest to have phones installed in their homes. A phone is becoming a public necessity in these busy, strenuous days.

Engineer Hughes, accompanied by the county board, inspected the state road to the east on Monday, Commissioner Ellquist taking the party out in his auto.

S. J. and Asa Hoyt left for Duluth Monday morning, and will file on Reservation homesteads on their way to Terril, Iowa, after their families. They expect to return in the near future.

Harry Hummitch came in from the Devil Fish Lake region on Saturday, bringing two wolf skins with him, to be forwarded to the county auditor. He returned next day with a supply of provisions.

Mr. and Mrs. Rube Smith drove in from Birchwood on Sunday. They were accompanied by Mr. Smith's mother, Mrs. J. B. Smith, who left on the America for a visit with her daughter at Bemidji, Minn.

Victor Johnson came down from Grand Marais with L. A. Godin on Thursday and arranged to give a moving picture exhibition at the town hall the following evening, bringing down the outfit the next morning. The notice being short the attendance was not large, but those present were given a treat by Messrs. Johnson and Nelson, and greatly enjoyed the realistic representation of "Lieutenant Ross and the sealed orders" in three acts, presented. The thrilling experiences of Lient. Rose in his efforts to regain possession of the "sealed orders" that had been abstracted from his pocket by the enemy's spy, held the attention of the audience throughout and all unite in pronouncing it a unique success. The pictorial exhibition closed with a comedy, "Double crossed," which displayed many amusing incidents in connection with the main character, who became a thief for "love's sake." It is the first display exhibition of its kind given in Hovland, and it is to be hoped that our people will be given numerous opportunities to see the "movies" here the coming winter. The hotel phonograph was used to advantage in filling in the time between acts and plays.

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