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NEWS-ETTES OF GRAND MARAIS AND VICINITY

Jottings Heard About Town of Things of General Interest to Local Readers

Miss Mabel Dalbec left for a visit in Duluth on the Monday night boat.

Mr. Chas. Seglem left for a business trip to Duluth on Monday night.

George H. Mayhew spent a couple of days at home the last of the week.

Mr. Frank Noble, of Duluth, arrived in the village on Wednesday night.

H. G. Mooney, of Twohy-Eiman Co. of Superior, arrived on the Sunday boat.

Miss Agnes Wahlstrom returned from a visit in Duluth on Sunday night.

George Brisson left for Duluth on Thursday night, returning on the Sunday boat.

The Norwegian Ladies Aid will meet with Mrs. Andrew Larson tomorrow afternoon.

L. H. Lien and Wm. Tunmore left for the northern part of the county on Saturday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. McDonald, of Duluth, arrived on the Sunday boat for a short stay in the village.

F. R. Paine returned to the village on Sunday night, having enjoyed a few days hunting prairie chickens.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kirkwood, Jr., left for Duluth on Monday night for a visit with friends and relatives.

J. W. Schoen transacted business in Duluth and Superior on Friday and Saturday, returning home on the Sunday boat.

Miss May Carter left for Duluth the first of last week, where she will resume her studies at the Duluth Normal School.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kirkwood and Mrs. Anna Daniels spent Sunday and Monday at Chicago bay, as the guests of W. J. Corcoran.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Zimmerman, Jr., motored to Duluth yesterday morning. They were accompanied by Misses Pearl Berg and Esther Juberg and Mr. Sidney Woods.

Mr. Hartley Holte left for Blackberry, Itasca county, on last Thursday night. He has accepted the position of principal of a consolidated school at that place for the coming year.

A contract has been let by the Grand Marais State Bank to Olson Brothers to excavate the basement for the new bank building on West Wisconsin Street. Work will commence immediately.

Mrs. Jack Hoeffler and son Perry left for Minneapolis on Monday night. Perry will attend the Blake School for Boys at Minneapolis the coming winter and Mrs. Hoeffler will join her husband at Quincy, Ill., where they reside.

Work on Olson Brothers farm west of the village is progressing and now about sixty-five acres have been cleared and the brush piled ready for burning. The residence is nearly completed and presents a very attractive appearance. It is a stuccoed, two-story, seven room dwelling, plastered and finished in hardwood. The land will be planted to oats next year and will prove a valuable addition to the Olson Brothers livery business as well as the progress of the county.

NEW BANK STARTED FOR COOK COUNTY

Grand Marais State Bank to Commence Business in About Three Weeks.

The Grand Marais State Bank has been granted a charter by Superintendent of Banks, A. H. Turrettin, the charter commencing on August 28th, 1916, and extending for a period of thirty years. The incorporators are: P. E. Alm, J. A. Kirkwood, Jr., Wm. Clinch, J. G. Scott, L. H. Lien and A. M. Anderson, all of Grand Marais. The new institution will have a capital and surplus of \$18,000.

Work on quarters for the bank has already been started, the location being on Wisconsin Street, on the west side. The building will be one story with full concrete basement. The vault will be re-inforced concrete, 10x12 interior, with two tisco steel vault doors, with separate compartment and entrance for customers for safety deposit department. An iron grill will separate the safety deposit vault from the storage vault of the bank. Aburglar proof manganese steel safe has been purchased and will be installed in the vault. A heating plant will be installed in the basement and the building is to be modern in every respect. The front of the building will be of white glazed brick.

The bank will open for business in about three weeks, quarters having been secured which will be occupied until the new bank building is completed, which will be about the 10th of October.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl E. Kling left for Duluth last Thursday evening, where they will visit a few days before leaving for New York to take passage to Sweden.

Ben Robertson returned to the village on Monday night, having motored to the Twin Cities and return. He was accompanied by T. I. Carter. They have an interesting account of the trip to tell, the road from Duluth to Minneapolis being very poor compared to the North Shore road.

The Modern Samaritans held a meeting at the village hall last night. L. G. Lundquist was elected Financial Scribe and John C. Murphy was chosen Scribe. It was decided to hold regular meetings from now on. After the session the members enjoyed a social time and lunch as the guests of Frank A. Noble of Duluth, who was here in the interest of the organization.

Complaint has been made to this office that some boys have been in the habit of pilfering gardens in several parts of the village. On Monday night two boys were caught in the act of pilfering apples in a prominent citizens' garden. The boys were recognized and to reveal their identity would cause a shock to their parents at least. No arrests will result this time, but any further pilfering will not be let pass by.

\$5.00 REWARD OFFERED

For information leading to the recovery of a bicycle which was taken from the residence of Jas. G. Scott a short time ago. Anyone who can give any information regarding this will please notify Mrs. Scott.

SECOND ANNUAL FAIR TO BE HELD LAST OF SEPT.

Cook County Agricultural Society Complete Plans for County Exhibit.

The board of managers of the Cook County Fair Association met at the Court House on Monday afternoon for the purpose of outlining and dividing the work of supervising at the coming fair. The organization is as follows:

Department A, Livestock, J. Pederson superintendent; Department B, Poultry, Clyde F. Roberts and A. V. Johnson superintendents; Department C, Dairy, Herman Helmeron superintendent; Department D, Forage Crops, Chris Murphy superintendent; Department E, Grains, John Nelson superintendent; Department F, Vegetables and Fruit, A. L. Ellquist and F. R. Paine superintendents; Department G, Culinary, Mrs. A. Berglund and Mrs. J. Nelson superintendents; Department H, Needlework, Mrs. Ed Toftey and Mrs. C. J. Johnson superintendents; Department I, Indian work, Mrs. Fred Brammer superintendent; Department K, Fisheries, Carl F. Nelson superintendent.

The executive officers of the association are as follows: President, Chris Murphy; Vice President, Jorgen Pederson; Secretary, Wm. Clinch; Treasurer, Mrs. Axel Berglund.

A special business men's premium list has been offered by the business men of the village, the donor of the premium to take the exhibit winning the premium, as follows:

Class 1—Butter in three pound jars—1st prize \$5.50, given by Peoples Drygoods and Clothing Co.; 2nd prize, \$5.00, given by George Robertson; 3rd prize, \$3.00, given by Peoples Supply Co.

Class 2—Pair of dressed spring chickens—1st prize, \$5.00, given by P. E. Alm; 2nd prize \$2.00, given by Matt Johnson; 3rd prize, \$1.50, given by Cook County State Bank.

Class 3—Heaviest dozen of eggs—1st prize, \$3.00, given by Ed Toftey & Co.; 2nd prize, \$1.25, given by J. W. Schoen; 3rd prize, \$1.00, given by Peoples Supply Co.

Class 4—Bushel of potatoes, any variety—1st prize, \$3.00, given by Ed Toftey & Co.; 2nd prize, \$2.00, given by J. W. Schoen; 3rd prize, \$2.00, given by Fred Jackson.

Class 5—Pair of home made socks any color—1st prize, \$2.00, given by Sam Bally; 2nd prize, \$2.00, given by P. E. Alm; 3rd prize, \$2.00, given by F. R. Paine.

Class 6—Pair of home made mitts—1st prize, \$5.00, given by Cook County State Bank; 2nd prize, \$4.00, given by F. R. Paine; 3rd prize, \$1.50, given by Erick Brammer.

Class 7—Three-pound fruit cake—1st prize, \$3.00, given by S. C. Murphy; 2nd prize, \$2.75, given by F. R. Paine; 3rd prize, \$2.50, given by Woods & Seglem.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

The following subjects are offered: Modern History, Physiography, Manual Training by Mr. Beebe. Algebra, Caesar, English by Mrs. Victor Skoog. German, Physics, Domestic Art and Science by Miss Schaller.

Enrollment—19.

Miss Thelma Titus is doing some post-graduate work in the library and in Latin.

Miss Leda Lince has entered the Manual Training class.

Mr. Elmer Gilbertson, of Maple Hill, registered Monday.

Miss Frances Hedstrom will enter the Junior class as soon as she returns from Rochester.

Eighth Grade enrollment—14, 7 boys and 7 girls. Seventh Grade 8, 4 boys and 4 girls. Sixth Grade 11, 5 boys and 6 girls. Sixth Grade 11, Grades 18, 7 boys and 11 girls. Third Grade 12, 4 boys and 8 girls. Second Grade 15, 10 boys and 5 girls. Primary 26, 11 boys and 15 girls.

Dr. Robertson expects to close his dental office in the cabin soon, for the winter.

"Damon and Pythias", one of the most talked of and most wonderful photoplays of the decade has been secured by Manager Johnson for the Princess Theatre and will be shown two days during the Cook County Fair, which will be held on Sept. 28, 29, and 30. This is the triumph play of the many productions of the Universal Company, and comes with the recommendation of educators, clergy and laymen.

THE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

A Larger Administrative Unit in Rural Education and School Management.

The sparse settlement during the early stages of development of several of the counties lying in the north-eastern portion of the state has created a serious problem as to the education of the many small, widely isolated groups of children. Small enrollments naturally result in much higher per capita costs. This and the fact that in some instances the taxable area is insufficient to support the numerous small schools necessary, has both rendered the contiguous better situated school districts unwilling to incorporate such territory and has for the like reason precluded the formation of the new territory into a district of itself.

As an attempt to solve the problem, the Legislature some years ago passed a bill creating the county board of education, to have charge of all territory in the county not included in any organized district. The board consists of three members, the chairman of the county board of commissioners, the county treasurer and the county superintendent of schools. The law makes it the duty of the board to provide school facilities for every child of school age in the territory under its jurisdiction. Provision is made also for the dissolution of any organized district desiring to transfer control to the county board of education.

The county of St. Louis affords an excellent example of the operation of the law and of public appreciation of efficient organization and management. The territory administered by the board of education of that county has, owing to the dissolution of organized districts, increased greatly in area. And this increase has, in turn, enabled the providing of better supervised and economical administration than was attainable in the small district units.

That the larger administrative unit results in the foregoing advantages is to be expected when the following facts are considered: The total enrollments of all the schools makes possible the employment of special supervisors of industrial and other subjects; the providing of district nurses and medical inspection; and, through the purchase of supplies in large quantities, results in the securing of much lower first costs, better control over quality, and lower freight charges.

Other advantages follow in the matter of the selection of teachers, in the location, style, and erection of new school buildings, and in many other directions. And all these advantages are obtained at a less cost per pupil than it seems possible to obtain them under the ordinary school district organization. It is the recognition of these facts that has led to the steady increase of the unorganized district through the dissolution of previously organized districts. The dissolution of districts is entirely voluntary and no influence whatever, other than the very evident advantages of the system, is used to extend the jurisdiction of the county board of education.

WM. CLINCH,
County Supt.

COOK COUNTY SHARES FIRST HONORS ON POTATOES

According to reports received here Cook county and Beltrami county were tie on points for highest score on potatoes displayed at the State Fair. Lack of more varieties prevented Cook county from getting a higher score, as Beltrami county had several not shown in Cook county's exhibit.

BRIDGE OVER CASCADE NEARING COMPLETION

The form for the arch in the Cascade bridge has been completed and the pouring of concrete commenced on Monday morning. Two crews will be at work on this, the work being continued day and night so there will be no break in the pouring of the concrete. Engineer Hughes will have charge of one crew while Foreman Wahlstrom will supervise the other. It is expected that the bridge will be opened for traffic in about five weeks.

SOCIAL INSURANCE FOR INJURED WORKMEN

By Richard Jones

Social insurance for injured workmen, sickness, old age and unemployment will come because economic development challenges society to look more closely into the well-being of its members. And the more closely society inquires into the necessity for such measures, the more apparent it will be that the administration of social insurance fund is a function that the state must perform.

We look after the mentally incompetent. Why should we not also provide for the physically disabled? If it is the duty of the state to provide for one, why not both cases? Germany, England, Switzerland and other European countries have made rapid strides along these lines. Switzerland has a system of compulsory fire insurance, covering improvements and even household furniture. A specific tax is levied and collected as all other property taxes are collected. This tax goes into a specific fund and losses are paid out of this fund by the state.

In Minnesota we are interested in the question of state insurance to cover cases of industrial accidents. The present workmen's compensation law is admittedly defective. It has not eliminated waste. To a large extent it has done away with the personal injury attorney, but what formerly went to the ambulance chaser now goes to the private insurance company, and in expenses incident to the private insurance business.

It may be urged that the insurance companies are not making much money in Minnesota, but the fact remains, that the injured worker, the man chiefly concerned, receives no more compensation on the average under the present system than under the liability law which was in operation prior to 1913.

There is a big leak somewhere. There is waste that would not obtain if the state were in the business.

We propose to do away with the private insurance agency. The state should collect a specific tax from the employers of Minnesota, according to the hazard in each industry, and from this fund pay the claims of the men who are injured and the dependents of those who are killed in the development of the industries of the state.

Experience with such a law—and this scheme is in operation in some of the states—will show that the injured men will receive a higher compensation at a lower cost to the employer than under the present rake-shift system.

MAPLE HILL NOTES

Mrs. Hanna Trydahl and son Edward, of Duluth, have been visiting with Mr. and Mrs. And. Everson for the past three weeks. They returned to Duluth last Thursday evening.

Miss Adeline Berglund left for St. Peter, Minn., on last Thursday evening where she will attend Gustavus Adolphus College.

Mrs. John Rusky, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elling Olson, left for her home in Duluth last Thursday evening. She was accompanied by Mrs. Elling Olson, who will visit in Duluth.

The Ladies' Aid Society will meet with Mrs. Peter Backlund next Wednesday afternoon.

County Supt. Wm. Clinch motored to Tofte last Thursday evening, returning on Friday morning.

A very pleasant surprise was given to Mr. and Mrs. And. Everson on last Monday evening at their home to celebrate the birthday of their son Chris. Covers were laid for thirty-four. Everyone reports a jolly time.

The Young Peoples Literary Society will meet at the church on Monday evening.

The M. H. C. C. will meet at the town hall on Saturday evening.

LUTSEN NEWS

W. A. Abbet, of Duluth, was a visitor at Lutsen last week.

Mrs. Hoeffler and son called at Lutsen last Saturday.

The Misses Margaret and Marion McCloed, who have been visiting at this place the last two weeks returned on the America Saturday evening for their home in St. Paul, where they will take up school work in McAllister College, the coming year. Mr. and Mrs. McCloed and daughter Jean, who have been here for some time, will leave later.

C. A. Nelson, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nelson took in the State Fair last week, "C. A." returned last Thursday, jubilant over the fact that Cook county potatoes landed the first prize at the fair. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nelson will visit at Rhinelander, Wis., on their way home.

Mr. and Mrs. McMartin, of Minneapolis, arrived Wednesday by auto, leaving Sunday morning for Grand Marais and Isle Royale. While here Mr. Martin paid a visit to the Lutsen school, for which the teacher and pupils are truly thankful. Mr. Martin being connected with the State University is much interested in educational work.

NOTICE!

Hereafter the post office will close at 6:30 P. M. except Saturdays, when it will be open until 8:00 o'clock. This will take effect Monday, Sept. 18th.

RUTH G. SODERBERG, P. M.

Have you tried it?



Five Dollars in Gold Given Away

For the purpose of encouraging the advisability of saving when young, we have decided to give FIVE DOLLARS IN GOLD to any boy or girl under the age of sixteen years, who deposits with this bank in its Savings Department the greatest amount of cash actually earned, from the 1st day of September 1916, up to and including the fifteenth day of the same month.

Call at the bank for further particulars.

COOK COUNTY STATE BANK