

CRUSHED TO DEATH

Michael Conley of St. Paul, Engineer on Winnipeg Limited, Killed Near Monticello Sunday.

Stuck to His Post as Engine Plunged Down Embankment and Was Mangled Beneath It.

For the second time within a few months the Winnipeg Limited of the Great Northern road left the track near Monticello on Sunday night and, as on the occasion of the first wreck, one man was killed and the mail burned. Michael H. Conley of St. Paul, the engineer of the train, was the man killed. The fireman was injured, as were also two mail clerks and four passengers. The engine rolled down a six-foot embankment, but the engineer, instead of jumping, stuck to his post at the throttle and was crushed to death. The mail and baggage cars, smoker and day coach also left the track—the mail car taking fire and consuming its contents before an opportunity was afforded to remove them. Just what caused the derailment is not clear. A defective rail may have been responsible.

Forty Lose Lives in Wreck.

Forty persons were killed and many injured in a railroad wreck at Green Mountain, Iowa, early Sunday morning. Passenger trains Nos. 19 and 21, on the Rock Island road, bound for Minneapolis and St. Paul, were detained at Cedar Rapids because of the washing away of a bridge, and the two trains were consolidated into a double-header, which left over the North-Western tracks to Marshalltown and thence started for Waterloo, over the Chicago Great Western tracks. The train while running at a high rate of speed left the track eight miles from Marshalltown. Both engines were wrecked and three coaches filled with people were piled upon them and the entire mass caught fire. One chair car, one sleeper and one baggage car were destroyed.

Death of Fred Crothers.

From the Liberal News, published at Liberal, Seward county, Kansas, we learn of the death of Fred Crothers at that place on the 11th inst. Deceased was a former resident of Blue Hill, Sherburne county. The News has this to say of him:

"Ferdinand Francis Crothers was born December 8, 1865. He was the eldest of eight children born to Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Crothers. He was a native of Wisconsin. It was in Minnesota, though, that he spent his boyhood days and received his education. At an early age he was called to take charge of his father's work on the farm. The father, sergeant of the 1st Kansas battery, suffered injuries during the war such as to render him unable to look after the farm and Ferdinand took his place. When the other children became old enough to work the farm, Fred left the old homestead and engaged in farming for himself in North Dakota. March 22, 1894, he was married to Miss Sarah J. Lyons. His wife and son, John R., survive him. October, 1897, the Crothers came to Seward county and located northeast of town, engaged in farming and stock raising. He was also associated with his brother, Eber, in the well drilling business. In the succeeding years, when the immigration crowded, the handling of cattle became unprofitable, the farm was sold and he moved to Liberal, bought the G. H. Merchant livery barn and business. Later when the greater settlement came and the demand was made for more livery facilities Fred bought two automobiles, sold his horses and barn and kept busy in the car livery business up to the time of his recent sickness."

Prominent Duluth Man Dead.

Ward Ames, senior member of the firm of the Ames-Brooks company, the largest firm of grain exporters in the world, died on Monday at his home in Duluth from typhoid fever. Mr. Ames was one of the most prominent citizens of Duluth, being active in church and philanthropic work. He organized the firm of Ames-Brooks of Duluth and Winnipeg, and was also a member of the Ames-Brooks-Barnes company of New York. He was one of the pioneer members of the Duluth Board of Trade. He is survived by his wife and two children, Mrs. Rufus H. Draper and Ward Ames, jr.

Burned to Death.

Alex Kellas, aged 19, was burned to death at 3 a. m. Sunday, in a fire which destroyed the polishing shop of Jacob Lillquist at St. Cloud. He had gone to the place at 11 o'clock at night with Geo. Crevier, Mike Zieger,

Peter Scherlt and Peter Crevier. They had a keg of beer and became intoxicated and fell asleep. Peter Crevier was badly burned. Kellas had a suit of clothes in the building and after he had got out rushed back to get it. The others ran home and did not know he had burned to death. Kellas' body was burned beyond recognition. He had become entangled in a wire net with which a window was covered, evidently having tried to get out that way. His companions were placed under arrest pending a coroner's inquest. They were separated, but all four told the same story. Lillquist's plant and machinery and stock, worth \$17,000, and insured for \$5,000 were destroyed. He employed thirty-five men and says he will rebuild. How the fire started is not known.

An Open Letter to the Commissioners of Mille Lac County.

At the Mille township election meeting on the 8th inst., and outside of the regular business of the meeting, some one raised the question of "What is the present financial condition of Mille Lac county?" But no one present could give any information on that point, and it was stated that no reports of such condition appeared in any of our county papers, not even in the Union. So the matter concluded with a unanimous vote requesting and authorizing this letter to be printed in the Princeton Union; that this letter shall state that the people would like to know whether the county is paying off some of its indebtedness, or whether it is becoming more heavily indebted, and what is its present indebtedness. Also they would like to know if the people are entitled to such a report, and if so they request that such report be made and given the same publicity as other official county reports.

R. Hamer, On behalf of Citizens of Mille Township.

The people are entitled to such a report, and the law expressly provides that the statement shall be published and also posted at the court house door and in two other public places in the county. Here is the law on the subject—section 433 revised laws of Minnesota:

"Annually on the first Tuesday in January such board (board of county commissioners) shall make a full and accurate statement of the receipts and expenditures of the preceding year, which shall contain a full and correct description of each item, from whom and on what account received, to whom paid, and on what account expended, together with an accurate statement of the finances of the county at the end of the fiscal year, including all debts and liabilities, and the assets to discharge the same, and within thirty days thereafter shall cause the same to be posted at the court house door, and at two other public places in the county, and published for three successive weeks in some newspaper therein."

We understand the financial statement is in course of preparation and will be acted upon by the commissioners at their next meeting.

It is the county auditor who really prepares the report, but during the first two months of the year he is crowded with work, hence the delay. The people, however, are entitled to know the exact financial condition of the county, each and every year, and the financial statement should be gotten out on time even if the commissioners are obliged to furnish extra assistance to the auditor to enable him to prepare the statement and attend to the other numerous and necessary duties of his office.

Fire at Princeton Hotel.

Yesterday morning shortly before 6 o'clock, fire was discovered in an upstairs room of the Princeton hotel by Henry Erickson, one of the boarders. An alarm was turned in and C. A. Grow, the proprietor, together with several others, lost no time in an attempt to extinguish the fire and kept it in subjection until the firemen arrived. A hole was then cut in the roof and a stream turned into the room, which quickly put out the fire. Considerable damage was done to the room and its contents by both fire and water. The fire also extended down the side of the house, charring the walls badly. Mr. Grow estimates the extent of the damage at three or four hundred dollars. It is covered by insurance in one of the agencies represented by J. J. Skahen.

Bargains in Second-Hand Sewing Machines.

1 White, in good condition..... \$15.00
1 White, high top..... 5.00
1 Arlington, drop head..... 12.00
1 New Crown, drop head..... 5.00
Terms, cash or time payments.
Call early as they will go quickly.
Ewings' Music Store.

A CHORAL SERVICE

The Cantata, "From Cross to Crown," Will Be Presented at Methodist Church Sunday Morning.

Entertainment by Sunday School Children, Assisted by Choir, Will Be Given in Evening.

Next Sunday morning, at the Methodist church, a cantata entitled "From Cross to Crown" will be presented by the chorus choir under the direction of Mrs. C. A. Caley. The choir consists of over thirty members and they have all been well trained in their parts. Rev. Goodell will preach the Easter sermon. In the evening the Sunday school children will give an entertainment consisting of songs, recitations, etc. They will be assisted by the church choir. The program follows:

PART FIRST.
Crucifixion.
Processional..... Chorus
Prelude..... Instrumental
Prayer..... Rev. Goodell
He Was Despised..... Recitative and Chorus
Miss Woodcock, Soloist
Stars in Their Golden Splendor..... Chorus
Miss Switzer, Soloist
O, Could I Speak the Matchless Worth..... Soprano Solo and Chorus
Mrs. Caley, Soloist
Sermon..... Rev. Goodell
PART SECOND.
The Resurrection.
He Has Arisen..... Solo and Chorus
Mrs. Roadstrom, Soloist
He Arose..... Duet
Miss Neumann, Mr. Claude Briggs
O Swing the Gates Wide Open..... Basses and Chorus
Rejoice, The Lord Is Risen..... Tenor Solo and Chorus
Mr. Kopp, Soloist
Mrs. Roadstrom, Miss Neumann, Mr. Kopp, Mr. Radeke, quartet; Mrs. Ewing, accompanist; Miss Smith, violinist; Herbert Anderson, violinist; Mrs. Caley, director.

The Sunday school children will be assisted in their program by the following: Quartet—Mrs. Caley, Mrs. Briggs, Mr. Davis, Mr. Radeke.
Duet—Mrs. Roadstrom, Arthur Roos.
Vocal Soloist—Mrs. Claire Caley.
Violinists—Miss Smith, Mr. Anderson.

A Chilly Swim.

DeWitt Brady of California and Leslie Mallette of this village engaged in a dare-devil contest on Tuesday which made the chills run up their backs and then run down again. One of the boys bet the other a dollar that he could not swim the Rum river and he took him up. They were at a point below town where the water is deep and the current swift. Brady pulled off his clothes and accomplished the feat in short order. He gathered in his dollar and offered to bet Mallette that he could not swim across. The boy was game, however. He divested himself of his clothes and plunged in, easily reaching the other side, and so won his dollar back. Before they finished their afternoon's aquatic sports each had crossed the river six times and neither were out of pocket a cent. It was mighty strenuous exercise for this time of the year, when the water is icy, but the boys seemed to enjoy it.

Death of Rev. C. M. Heard.

Rev. C. M. Heard died at his home in Minneapolis last Sunday; the funeral was held Tuesday and the remains were interred in Lakewood cemetery. Deceased was born in 1840 and came to Minnesota in 1872. He visited Princeton several times while his son, Rev. J. W. Heard, was pastor of the M. E. church here. Rev. C. M. Heard was licensed to preach in 1859 and labored faithfully in his Master's vineyard for 40 years, and he practiced what he preached. His wife and two sons—Rev. J. W. Heard of Olivia and Paul C. Heard of Minneapolis—survive him.

Mrs. C. A. Gilman Dead.

Mrs. Charles A. Gilman, one of St. Cloud's most beloved residents, died at her home in that city on Saturday morning. She was 72 years of age and three years ago celebrated her golden wedding. She is survived by her husband and six children. Charles A. Gilman, her husband, was for several terms a member of the house of representatives and was for three terms speaker of that body. He was also twice elected lieutenant governor and held the office of state librarian under Nelson and Clough.

Milaca's Mayor Gives Good Advice.

In a letter published in the Times, Mr. George T. Short, recently elected president of the village council of Milaca, requests the people of that village to co-operate with him in seeing that the laws are enforced and that good order is maintained. "Let us all unite," he adds, "in a campaign for permanent improvements and make the year 1910 the most prosperous one the village of Milaca has ever known." The good advice offered by Mr. Short should be heeded and Milaca will be the gainer thereby.

AN EASTER PROGRAM

Regular Sunday Morning Service at Congregational Church to Include Special Music.

In the Evening a Musical Program Will Be Presented Under Direction of Mrs. H. C. Cooney.

At the Congregational church on the morning of Easter Sunday, March 27, the customary services will be held with a program by the Christian Endeavor society and special musical numbers. The evening service will be largely choral, for which an excellent program has been prepared by Mrs. H. C. Cooney, director of music. Below is printed the evening program in detail:

EVENING PROGRAM.
Organ Prelude—Schneider
Close of Day..... D'Orao
Nocturne..... Larade
Prelude in F.....
Song..... Mrs. Benj. Soule
Double Quartet and Congregation
Angels Said..... T. E. Solley
Double Quartet
Scripture Reading..... Rev. Fisher
Violin Solo..... Donald Marshall
Selected
Prayer..... Rev. Fisher
Vocal Solo, My King..... Alvey
Mrs. H. C. Cooney
Offertory, Vesper Chimes..... Sochting
Mrs. Benj. Soule
Song..... Double Quartet and Congregation
Sermon..... Rev. Fisher
Song of Life..... W. L. Case
Double Quartet
Benediction..... Rev. Fisher
Postlude..... Beethoven
Mrs. Benj. Soule
Director of music, Mrs. H. C. Cooney; organist, Mrs. Benj. Soule.

At St. Edward's Catholic church the usual low mass will be observed on Easter Sunday at 8:30 a. m. and high mass at 10:30. Special music will be rendered at the last named service.

The customary Easter services will be held at the Swedish Lutheran, German Lutheran and German Methodist churches with sermons by the pastors and appropriate choral numbers.

He Scored.

"Flattery," said William Faverham, at a rehearsal in New York, "has great weight with women. This fact was brought home to me in my boyhood. Before entering Chigwell Grammar school I attended a kind of kindergarten. My teacher there was a very pretty young lady.

"'Willie,' my teacher said to me one morning, 'why was Solomon the wisest man in the world?'

"'Because, ma'am,' said I, 'he had so many wives to advise him.'

"'Well,' said my teacher, with a pleasant smile, 'that is not the precise answer given in the book, but you may go up ahead.'

Potts Hotel Burns.

The Potts hotel at Wabkon, one of the largest and best hotels in the Mille Lac lake region, was burned to the ground on Friday afternoon. A defective chimney was responsible for the fire. The hotel was a two and a half story frame structure built about seven years ago and was valued at \$7,000. T. E. Potts, the owner, carried an insurance of \$4,000 on the building.

Going Out of Business.

R. D. Byers is offering his entire stock of shoes, rubbers, dress goods, laces, embroideries, outings and flannels at a large reduction. He has many good things that it will pay you to investigate.

AT NORTHWESTERN HOSPITAL.

Otto Balfanz of Princeton township was operated upon Saturday morning by Dr. Cooney for acute appendicitis. He is progressing nicely toward recovery.

John Olson of Glendora, who was recently operated upon for appendicitis, returned home today.

Dr. Cooney yesterday removed an enlarged nerve from the amputation scar on Robt. H. King's leg.

Gus Finstrom of Wyandott is at the hospital suffering from an attack of pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Smith of Zimmerman, who had been at the hospital a few days for medical treatment, returned home yesterday.

Henry Pappenhausen, who was brought here from a Grand Rapids hospital in a critical condition, is making rapid recovery.

This morning Dr. Cooney made an exploratory incision in the abdomen of J. H. Angstrom of Baldwin to determine whether surgical aid could be rendered the patient in an ailment which the doctor had diagnosed as cancer. Mr. Angstrom was found to be suffering from inoperable cancer of the stomach and liver. Dr. Parsons of Elk River assisted Dr. Cooney.

Where They Get Done.

"Among the gambling stories that the late Pat Sheedy used to tell in his art shop," said a New York reporter, "was one about a jackpot.

"A beautiful young bride, the story ran, entered a corner grocery one morning and said:

"'Have you got any jackpots, Mr. Sands?'

"'No ma'am,' Sands answered, and hid a smile behind his hand. 'I've got teapots and coffepots, but jackpots I don't carry in stock.

"'Oh, dear!' said the bride. A frown wrinkled her smooth and beautiful brow. 'I'm sorry! You see, Mr. Sands, my husband's mother used to cook for him, and nearly every night he talks in his sleep about a jackpot. So I thought I'd get one, for, since he mentions it so often, he must be used to it. Could you tell me, Mr. Sands, what they cook in jackpots?'

"'Greens, ma'am,' was the quick answer."

Ben Hass vs. Young Lundeen.

Ben Hass will wrestle Young Lundeen of Chicago at Zimmerman next Saturday evening, March 26. The one securing two falls out of three will be declared the winner and the gate receipts will be divided in the proportion of 75 and 25 per cent. A side bet of \$25 will be posted by the principals. Lovers of matwork should not miss the contest.

Melker Ax and wife, John Ax and Mrs. John Olson left on Tuesday for St. Paul to attend the funeral of Alfred Larson. Mr. Larson at one time lived in Wyandott. He was 58 years of age and leaves a wife and five children.

Mrs. C. H. Rines returned on Friday from a visit in Minneapolis and will probably remain here for the summer. She was accompanied by her granddaughter, Miss Mary Newbert, who is a guest of Miss Mildred Rutherford. Miss Newbert will remain until Monday.

A very pretty entertainment consisting of vocal and instrumental music and recitations was given by the Wide-Awake club in the Methodist church on Friday evening. Every number on the program was well rendered and received merited applause from an appreciative audience.

Joseph J. Beer, with his family, live stock, farm machinery and household effects, arrived here on Saturday from Le Sueur county to enter into possession of the farm which he purchased from Peter Brochman in Greenbush. Mr. Beer is a practical farmer and will be welcomed by the community.

Millard Howard went forth with an artificial light and a long spear on Saturday night to slaughter pickerel at Elk lake. He rowed around for five or six hours and then came home again. Not a pickerel did he see in all this time and of course he refrained from harpooning the numerous black bass which disported in the lake!

W. P. Chase has resigned as manager of the Caley Lumber company, the resignation to take effect on April 1, and Ben Soule has been engaged to succeed him. Mr. Soule started to break into harness yesterday. Mr. Chase, who is one of the most expert lumber men in the northwest, has been with the Caley company for many years.

A baseball club was organized on Tuesday evening with Frank Goulding, manager; Clarence Hill, president; Fred Holm, treasurer, and Leslie Mallette, secretary. The boys say they are determined to make this the strongest team that Princeton ever had—a team that will make last year's bunch look insignificant. They intend to put in considerable time in practice.

Fred Hass wrestled John Albrecht at Mora on Friday night for the middleweight championship of Minnesota, but on account of being in poor condition he lost the match. He, however, won the first fall, the time being one minute. Albrecht obtained the next two falls in 39 and 18 minutes respectively. A large number of people attended the contest from towns along the line.

A mortgage registry tax of \$341 was paid into the Mille Lac county treasury this week—the largest individual tax received here since the law went into effect. It covered a mortgage of \$68,177.84 on 17,000 acres of land in township 42, range 26, and townships 42 and 43, range 27, and was placed on record by the D. S. B. Johnston Land company. The land will probably be used for colonization purposes.

A HALE OLD VETERAN

Joseph Young of Milaca Celebrated the Ninetieth Anniversary of His Birth on March 19th.

Comrades, Relatives and Friends Assembled to Make the Heart of the Aged Hero Glad.

Joseph Young of Milaca, probably the oldest veteran of the civil war in Mille Lac county, celebrated his ninetieth birthday anniversary last Saturday. Forty of his friends assembled at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Grant McClure and from there marched to the residence of Mrs. H. Harper, a daughter of Mr. Young, with whom he resides. Two old soldiers, S. Bobo and J. Pool, headed the procession and carried an easy chair—a present for Mr. Young. The chair was decorated with flags and bunting. Mrs. B. J. Parsons and Mrs. Harper comprised the reception committee, while Mrs. E. I. Davis made the birthday cake, which was decorated with red, white and blue candies made into the figures 1820-1910. A small American flag waved from the top. Mr. Young's two grandsons, Cassius and Charles Harper, of Minneapolis were among those present, as were also Mrs. M. K. Rudd, Mrs. R. Vaaler, Mrs. Henry Mallette and Mr. and Mrs. Cook. The old veteran was delighted and did his utmost to entertain his friends. A fine supper was served and the event was a truly happy one.

Desirable Immigrants.

A hundred people from Holland, constituting one of the most interesting parties of immigrants ever brought into the Northwest, landed from a train at New York Mills, a station in Otter Tail county about twenty miles west of Wadena, on Tuesday night. The plan of Bishop James McGolrick of Duluth for settling up Becker county is said to have induced the Dutch people to come to Minnesota, although they are to be put upon land that is being colonized by the Johnston land interests of St. Paul, in Otter Tail county. There is no more desirable settlers to be found than the sturdy people from Holland, and it would be well could Mille Lac county induce a few hundred of that nationality to settle in its midst.

Expert Advises Use of River Water.

Rudolph Hering, water expert for the city of Minneapolis, urges that Mississippi river water, purified by rapid mechanical filtration, be used in preference to water from Mille Lac lake. The water in Mille Lac lake he says, would be insufficient for the needs of the city, would be too costly and would be of no better quality than that of the river after the latter had been treated. The initial cost of putting in river water would be \$522,500 and its annual maintenance would amount to \$163,350, while the cost of installing Mille Lac water would be \$6,832,149 and its annual maintenance \$432,120.

Probably Twenty Billion Feet.

• Ten years ago a representative of an eastern newspaper came out to Minnesota and made an estimate of the amount of standing timber then remaining in the state, placing it at seven billion feet. Since then Minnesota has cut more than twenty billion feet, and recent estimates place the amount of timber remaining at twenty billion feet. These latter estimates are undoubtedly more nearly correct, but the question is, "When we have cut that twenty billion feet now remaining, how much will we then have left?"—Mississippi Valley Lumberman

Educational Association Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Northern Minnesota Educational association will take place at the state Normal school, St. Cloud, April 7, 8 and 9. The general sessions of the meeting will be on Thursday evening, Friday afternoon and evening and Saturday forenoon. Round tables of the county superintendents, rural school and high and graded school sections will be held Friday forenoon. Leading educators will address the meeting.

Sunday School Convention.

The annual convention of the Minnesota Sunday School association will be held in Minneapolis from April 12 to 14. Five specialists in Sunday school work will address the gathering. Among them are Marion Lawrence, Dr. F. B. Meyer and W. A. Brown. Pastors, Sunday school superintendents, teachers and workers in all religious denominations should not fail to attend. Everything will be done to insure the comfort of the delegates.