

BIRTH OF THE SAVIOR

Anniversary Will Be Observed With Special Services in the Various Churches of Princeton.

Sunday School Children Will Give Entertainments and Christmas Trees Will Be Provided.

Congregational.
The regular Christmas services will be held next Sunday and in the morning special music will be rendered under the direction of Mrs. H. C. Cooney.

The program hereunder will be presented on Sunday evening by pupils of the Whittier school. The children have been prepared for the exercises by the teachers of this school and a very pleasing entertainment is anticipated. Following the exercises Santa Claus will distribute the presents from the Christmas tree.

The Great Beyond..... Orchestra
Glory in the Highest..... School and Orchestra
Recitation..... Wilbur Coates
Recitation..... Herbert Malkson, Helen Darragh
Song..... Twelve Children
Recitation..... Bennie Nichols
Recitation..... Mona McMillan, Harold Veal
Recitation..... Kenneth Howard
Song..... Mildred Kenney, Myron Malkson
Recitation..... Walter Davis
Recitation..... Myron Malkson
Song and Recitation..... Ten Children
Recitation..... Morris Davis
Recitation..... Barbara Rockstad
Recitation..... Mildred Kenney
Shine On O Star, Song..... School and Orchestra
Recitation..... Carl Swanson
Song..... Twelve Children
Recitation..... Stanley Mathews
Trio..... Gertrude Pearson, Jennie Umbeck, hooker and Lulu Eeklund.
Recitation..... Lawrence Swanson
Borcas..... Orchestra
Recitation..... Mary Veal
Recitation..... Ruth Looney
Song..... Twelve Children
Story of the Christ Child..... Twelve Girls
Distribution of Gifts..... Santa Claus
Selection..... Orchestra

Methodist.
Christmas services will be held on Sunday morning, when the pastor, Rev. Service, will take for his subject of discourse, "The Wonder of the World." There will also be an evening service with the following special program:

PROGRAM.
Prelude..... Mrs. Ewing and Miss Woodcock
Hymn..... Congregation
Anthem..... "There Were Shepherds"..... Choir
Scripture Reading..... Pastor
Piano Solo..... Miss Woodcock
Selection..... Male Quartet
Offertory..... Mrs. Ewing
Anthem..... "Hark the Herald Angels Sing"..... Choir
Sermon..... "I Have Put On My Coat, How Shall I Put It On"..... Rev. Service
Vocal Solo..... "Christ Is Born"..... Mrs. Caley

Christmas exercises will be held on Monday evening, December 25, commencing at 7:30 o'clock, and the program arranged for this occasion consists of the cantata, "A Visit to Santa Claus." Santa Claus will be the central figure, as the name of the cantata implies. At the close of the musical program Santa Claus will distribute the many gifts that will be suspended from the trees. The music on Sunday and Monday will be under the direction of Mrs. C. A. Caley.

Catholic.
At St. Edward's Catholic church there will be three masses on Christmas morning, at 7:30, 8:30 and 10:30 o'clock. A special program, with appropriate music, has been arranged for high mass. Rev. Father Kitowski of Foley will conduct the services and Rev. Father Levings will officiate at Foley upon this day.

German Lutheran.
The customary Christmas services will be conducted by Rev. Eugene Ahl at 10:30 o'clock on Monday morning and on Sunday evening a Christmas tree will be provided and an entertainment given by the Sunday school children. Services will also be held on Tuesday morning, December 26—Second Christmas day.

German Lutheran—Town of Princeton.
Rev. Otto Strauch will hold services at 10:30 in the morning of Christmas day and on the evening of December 24 there will be a Christmas tree and program by the Sunday school children. On Tuesday morning services will be held at 10:30 o'clock.

German Methodist.
Services will be held at 10:30 o'clock on Christmas morning and Rev. Wolf will preach the sermon. A Christmas eve festival, with entertainment by the Sunday school children consisting of songs, recitations, etc., will be given on Sunday night. There will also be a Christmas tree.

Swedish Lutheran.
Services will be conducted by Rev. Lundquist in Saron church, Greenbush, at 6 o'clock on Christmas morning, and a Sunday school festival will be held at 7:30 in the evening, with a Christmas tree. On the evening of December 26 a Sunday school festival, with an appropriate

program, will be given in Emanuel church, Princeton, at 7:30 o'clock, and there will also be a Christmas tree.

For the Upbuilding of the County.
The Union is in receipt of several letters from W. R. McKenzie, secretary of the Northern Minnesota Development association, relative to advertising the resources of Mille Lacs county and setting forth its advantages for home-seekers. The publisher of the Union, at considerable expense to himself, has attended several meetings of the association and endeavored to represent Mille Lacs county to the best of his ability. But one can not do it all. The burden must be shared by others.

It does seem as if the real estate dealers in Princeton, Milaca, Onamia and Wahkon should take an interest in these matters. They are vitally interested. We would like to hear from them, and all others who are interested in the upbuilding of Mille Lacs county. The northern end of the county should be especially interested.

The following letter is one of several received from Mr. McKenzie and is self-explanatory:

"We have just made a lease for a store building at 39 South Third street, Minneapolis, and are ready to receive exhibits of grasses, grains and vegetables from your county.

"We propose to distribute advertising matter for your county to whatever extent you wish to send it. We would also like you to send us a map of your county made up in such a way so that it would serve as a soil survey map. We presume you could have this arranged without much trouble. We want about a quart of threshed grains, of each kind, as we intend to put these up in attractive uniform sized bottles. It is also our intention to keep on file the current copies of the newspapers of your county and in every way encourage the people of your county to make our exhibit room their headquarters while in the city.

"The funds for carrying on the work were proportioned among the counties at the St. Cloud meeting as follows: For each delegate to which a county is entitled \$25. In the case of your county the amount would be \$75, of which, however, \$20 has already been received from the following: First National Bank of Princeton, \$10, and the First National Bank of Milaca, \$10. I trust that you can collect the balance of this amount and mail it to Mr. A. G. Wedge, jr., treasurer, Bemidji, before the first of the year. This fund is to be distributed under the direction of the immigration committee and audited monthly and a quarterly statement sent all contributors showing the receipts and expenditures."

Unlawful Disposal of Liquor.
Harry Wheeler, 19 years of age, and Floyd Erickson, 17, were brought before Justice Norton last Thursday and charged with unlawfully disposing of one pint of liquor to Lynn Whittemore, whose name was on the saloons' black list. Wheeler waived examination and was bound over to the grand jury in bonds of \$300, while Erickson pleaded guilty. Erickson, accompanied by Sheriff Shockley, County Attorney Ross and Clerk of Court King, was taken to St. Cloud on Friday, where Judge Taylor sentenced him to 20 days in jail and to pay a fine of \$50, or, in default of paying such fine, to serve 35 days.

It appears from the evidence that Whittemore gave Erickson money to obtain the whiskey, that Erickson turned the money over to Wheeler, who procured the liquor, passed it to Erickson, and that the latter delivered it to Whittemore.

Farmers' Institute at Princeton.
Through the efforts of Mr. Ira G. Stanley, secretary of the commercial club, a farmers' institute will be held in Princeton on Friday and Saturday, January 26 and 27. The institute will probably be held in the court house hall. Whenever an institute is held the business men of the town are supposed to provide the hall and see that the meeting is well advertised—the Union will attend to the advertising without cost to any one save its publisher. These farmers' institutes are productive of much good to the farmers. It is to be hoped that a lively interest will be manifested and that the hall will be crowded both days of the meeting.

AT NORTHWESTERN HOSPITAL.
The following operations were performed by Dr. Cooney during the week: Milton Wiley, Princeton, appendicitis; Helen Peterson, Bogus Brook, appendicitis; Raymond Howard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Millard Howard, strangulated hernia.

WEDDED IN DENMARK

Gabriel A. O'Reilly United in Marriage to a Daughter of United States Minister M. F. Egan.

Calvin Olson Takes Unto Himself a Wife in the Person of Miss Mildred Olson of Orrock.

The following cablegram from Copenhagen, Denmark, was published in the Catholic Citizen of Milwaukee: "Miss Carmel Egan, daughter of Maurice Francis Egan, the United States minister, was married at Copenhagen, December 2, at the Catholic church of St. Ansgar to Gabriel Ambrose O'Reilly of the department of industries at Manila. The bride wore an ivory satin gown with a corsage of lace. There were about fifty guests present, including the diplomatic corps and persons prominent socially. The young couple received some 200 congratulatory messages, among them being messages from Pope Pius X, Cardinals Farley and Falconio, President Taft, Theodore Roosevelt and Archbishop Ireland. After the marriage ceremony there was a reception at the American legation. The couple will spend their honeymoon in Paris and sail from Genoa on December 28 for Manila."

This marriage is of local interest for the reason that the bridegroom, Mr. O'Reilly, is a brother of Mrs. J. J. Skahen and Mrs. T. J. Kaliber of Princeton and is known by a number of people in this village.

Gabriel A. O'Reilly enlisted in the Thirtieth Minnesota volunteers at the outbreak of the Spanish American war and was sent to the Philippines, where he saw much active service. At the expiration of his term he returned to the United States and, upon reaching San Francisco was offered a position in the educational department of the islands. He was shortly thereafter promoted to the office of superintendent of schools for the district of Manila and later appointed a member of the Philippine commission and sent to the United States and Europe for the purpose of establishing markets for the products of the islands. Mr. O'Reilly, it will be remembered, was in Princeton last July. From here he went to Washington and New York and then to Europe.

The Union extends its congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. O'Reilly and wishes them a life of happiness.

Olson-Olson.
Calvin Olson, block man at Götter's meat market, was married on Thursday, December 14, at Elk River, to Miss Mildred Olson, daughter of Anton Olson of Orrock. The young couple spent a few days as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hazen Cravens in Minneapolis and reached Princeton on Monday evening. Here they will make their home. The Union extends its best wishes.

A Visitor's Opinion of Princeton.
J. W. Hooper of Libby, Montana, arrived here on Saturday to visit old-time friends and left on Tuesday for Anoka to pass Christmas with relatives. Mr. Hooper left Princeton 35 years ago for the west and has done well there. "Princeton," he says, "is the liveliest and best business town of its size I have ever seen, and I am glad of it, but it has one great drawback—its hotel facilities. It needs a big modern hotel in order to line up with its other features of progress. Now, I have made observations of the volume of business in Anoka, and in comparing it with that of Princeton I should estimate that your village does at least three times the amount done there. I am certainly in love with my old place of abode—Princeton."

Indian Conspiracy Cases Dismissed.
Judge Morris directed a verdict of not guilty in the cases for conspiracy against Gus H. Beaulieu, Benjamin L. Fairbanks, Robert G. Beaulieu and John Leechy, which were tried in the United States court at Fergus Falls. The four men were accused of having induced full-blood Indians to represent themselves as mixed-breeds so they could secure Indian lands.

As the case developed it became more and more apparent that the government was making little headway. The witnesses, all of whom had made affidavits to the effect that they were mixed-bloods when obtaining title to the lands, had no hesitancy in going on the stand and swearing they were full-bloods now. Very few of them asserted the defendants induced them to make the original affidavits.

Judge Morris, in directing a verdict for the defendants, declared there was no evidence to sustain the charge

that they had conspired to defraud. At the same time he declared that he had a strong opinion as to the wisdom of the Clapp act and the manner in which it had been administered, and that the evidence tended to confirm his opinion.

Address to School Children by J. J. Skahen.
It has been customary for some time to invite citizens of the village, occasionally, to come to the high school building for the purpose of talking to the pupils.

On Monday of this week Mr. Skahen, secretary of the school board, gave a very interesting and instructive talk on the subject of slavery in the United States. He selected this subject because he thought that it had a practical value and because it is taught oftentimes in a fragmentary manner in public schools, each portion of the subject as it occurs in chronological order in the text.

He treated the institution of slavery from its inception in the United States, 1619, until it was finally exterminated by the adoption of the thirteenth, fourteenth and fifteenth amendments to the constitution. He gave a bird's-eye view of the entire subject and linked the various events around the following dates which he used as a kind of a skeleton: 1619, introduction of slavery into the United States; 1787, ordinance of 1787; 1793, invention of the cotton gin; 1820, Missouri compromise; 1845, annexation of Texas; 1850, omnibus bill; 1852, Uncle Tom's Cabin; 1857, Dred Scott decision; 1861-65, civil war; 1865-1870, thirteenth, fourteenth and fifteenth amendments to the constitution.

Around these dates he wove the story of the small beginnings of slavery, of its gradual growth during the earlier history of our country, then of its rapid development later on, until it became the all-absorbing topic of the day and the one to which all other questions of a political nature subordinated themselves. He showed how it ran like a thread through all those years until it divided the people of these United States into two great sections, the North and the South; how it split up great political parties; how compromise after compromise was made until finally compromise could be resorted to no longer. At length it culminated in one of the bloodiest wars known in the history of the world.

He then dwelt briefly on the period just following the civil war, describing the significance of the three amendments bearing on the negro, and of the new political problems that arose as a result of the thirteenth, fourteenth and fifteenth amendments.

Mr. Skahen spoke without notes and for almost an hour held the close attention of the high school and eighth grade pupils. As Mr. Skahen is a former school superintendent he has the faculty of speaking to young people in language such as they can understand.

Don't Forget Your Horse at Christmas.

For holiday presents for horses go to William Neely's harness shop. He has everything to please you: Single and double harness, bells, robes and whips. But the faithful horse has, of course, no use for a whip—he detests it—and consequently does not expect his friend, Santa Claus, to bring him one. Buy your horse something that he can comfortably work in and something to keep him warm, and he will show his gratitude when you tell him it is a present you bought from William Neely's harness shop for his especial benefit. Neely keeps the best of everything for horses and the prices are right. Call and examine the big stock before buying elsewhere.

William Neely, Princeton's Reliable Harness Man.

Chisel Penetrates Nose.

While Joe Whitcomb was working on his new grist mill last week a chisel one and a quarter inches wide, which reposed on a feed spout about 10 feet above his head, fell from its position and struck him on the bridge of the nose. It cut through the bone and cartilage of the organ and made a nasty gash. Joe says that if it had been his two and a quarter inch chisel which came in contact with his proboscis it would have been a case of good bye nose.

Hinckley Fire Hero Dead.

"Jim" Root, who, as engineer of a passenger train on the old St. Paul & Duluth short line, saved the lives of more than 300 persons when Hinckley and other towns in northern Minnesota were destroyed by fire in the early part of September, 1894, died last week in an obscure New York rooming house. He was 64 years of age. The remains were taken to Stillwater, Minn., for burial.

FRATERNAL ORDERS

Kedron Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, Elects and Installs Officers for the Year 1912.

Princeton Tent, K. O. T. M., Elects Officers for the Coming Year at Its Regular Meeting.

Kedron chapter of the order of Eastern Star elected and installed its officers for the year 1912 on Monday evening at Masonic hall. The installation ceremonies were conducted by Mary C. Taylor of Minneapolis, past worthy grand matron and present grand secretary for the state of Minnesota. Those elected and installed were as follows:

Mrs. Georgia Keith, worthy matron; Ira G. Stanley, worthy patron; Christina Rines, associate matron; Frances Cooney, secretary; Eva Jack, treasurer; Mary Huse, conductress; Eva Keith, associate conductress; Isabella Carleton, chaplain; Grace Stanley, marshal; Annie Ewing, organist; Anna Sadley, Ada; Anginette Bigelow, Ruth; Mattie Mallette, Esther; Watie Petterson, Martha; Flora Neely, Electa; Emma Cordner, warder; C. A. Jack, sentinel.

At the conclusion of the ceremonies a bounteous dinner was served and the members enjoyed themselves in a social way until long after the clock had struck twelve.

Maccabees Elect Officers.

Princeton tent, No. 17, K. O. T. M., elected officers for the ensuing year on Thursday evening, December 14: Commander, W. G. Fredricks; lieutenant commander, Solomon Long; record keeper, N. M. Nelson; chaplain, George E. Chute; sergeant, Oswald King; first master of guards, W. D. Steadman; second master of guards, Elmer E. Whitney; master at arms, H. L. Zimmerman; sentinel, V. U. Hatcher; picket, H. L. Anderson; trustee for three years, W. G. Fredricks.

Mrs. Henry Lenz Dead.

Mrs. Henry Lenz died at her home in Sargeant, Minn., on December 14, at the age of 44 years, and the funeral was held from the German Lutheran church at that place last Sunday. She is survived by her husband, 11 children, one grandchild, four brothers and three sisters.

Mrs. Lenz was a sister of Mrs. Gus Manke of the town of Princeton, and, with her husband and children, lived on a farm in Baldwin, Sherburne county, until four years ago, when the family moved to Sargeant. Mr. and Mrs. Manke were in attendance at the funeral.

Mrs. Lenz will be remembered by many in this part of the country, where she was held in high esteem by all who knew her. Her old friends here will sincerely sympathize with the father and children in their great loss.

Annual Creamery Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Princeton Co-operative creamery will be held in Brands' opera house on January 30, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of hearing reports and acting upon the same, considering changes in the by-laws, electing officers for the ensuing year and transacting such other business as may come before the meeting. Every shareholder is requested to be present as several important matters, including that of paying dividends to those shareholders who fail to patronize the creamery, will be brought up for consideration.

Judge Nye Grants Decree.

As was confidently expected from the testimony introduced at the trial, Judge Nye has ordered judgment for the plaintiff in the divorce case of Nora Nichols vs. William J. Nichols. The decree is for absolute divorce and gives the custody of the son to the mother nine months in each year and to the father three months until he attains the age of 18 years. During the period which the father has charge of the boy he is required to provide for him a suitable home and to pay for his support. The judge may at any time modify the order regarding the custody of the child as he deems fit.

Railroad Catastrophe at Odessa.

Ten persons were killed and many injured near Odessa, Minn., at 5 o'clock on Monday morning, when a fast silk train on the Milwaukee road crashed into the Columbian, one of the fastest passenger trains on the east. Both trains were running easy.

The engine of the silk train plunged half way through the sleeping car of

the Columbian and all the hapless occupants of the car at the rear end were either killed outright or seriously injured. The other end of this car was also partially telescoped by the heavier construction of the dining car, which was just ahead. No one, however, in the dining car or the cars farther forward were seriously injured.

Carelessness on the part of three men is held responsible by officials of the Milwaukee road for the wreck. The railroad officials declare that reports they have received indicate that if any one of three employes had done his duty the tragedy would have been averted. The men they hold responsible are not the operators of the trains—they are the signal operators at Junction switch and Odessa and the flagman on the Columbian, the coast train which was struck from behind by the silk train. All of these men, say the officials, on reports so far received, are guilty of negligence.

To Our Correspondents.
To the corps of wide-awake correspondents, who have so faithfully chronicled the local happenings in their respective localities during the year now fast drawing to a close, the publisher of the Union returns his most sincere thanks.

With the earnest co-operation of our correspondents we hope to make the Union even brighter and better next year than ever before, and to increase its circulation and popularity. We aim to make the Union a welcome visitor in every home in Mille Lacs and the adjacent towns in the adjoining counties.

Injured in Collision.

Mr. and Mrs. William Marsh returned last Thursday via Viola, Wis., where they attended the funeral of John Hull, Mrs. Marsh's brother, who died from a complication of heart trouble, asthma and pneumonia. He was 61 years of age. Mr. and Mrs. Marsh were in a railroad collision on their way to Wisconsin on December 4. It happened just after the train left Minneapolis and Mrs. Marsh received painful injuries to her left shoulder by being pitched forward in the car. She is still suffering from the shock.

Fire Insurance Company Meets.

The officers and directors of the Glendorado Farmers' Mutual Insurance company met in the court house hall on Friday afternoon for the purpose of auditing and paying bills. There were present O. H. Uglem, president; Louis Rocheford, vice president; Chas. D. Kaliber, treasurer; J. A. Erstad, secretary; H. J. Wicklund, Peter Jensen, J. M. Carlson, P. H. Stay and S. L. Ness, directors. The annual meeting and election of officers will be held at Milaca on January 16, 1912.

Glad to Get Home.

James McKenzie arrived home from Fergus Falls last Thursday evening. He had a 32 days' session at the term of the federal district court in that city. James was one of the jurors on the Beaulieu conspiracy case and he and his associates on the jury were immensely pleased when Judge Morris dismissed the case after the government's evidence was all in. The judge held that the government had failed to prove the charges, hence he granted defendants' motion to dismiss.

A Desirable Settler.

John Larson of Duluth last week purchased a partially improved 80-acre farm in the town of Baldwin, Sherburne county, from McMillan & Stanley. Mr. Larson, who is a progressive young man, will shortly make improvements to the farm and place blooded stock thereon, and intends to eventually erect a dwelling house and make his home there.

Will Build New Dwelling House.

Chas. Hiller of St. Francis was among the visitors at the Union office on Friday. Mr. Hiller is well satisfied with the yield of the various crops which he harvested and with the prices which he is receiving for the same. He is hauling material with which to build a commodious new dwelling house on his well-cultivated farm next spring.

Knows Value of Union Advertising.

A. S. Mark says that people are beginning to see the advantages of doing their Christmas shopping early—at any rate, he has done a larger holiday business than in any previous year. "I have a fine display of holiday goods, of course," said Mr. Mark, "and my ad in the Union informed the public of that fact."

Scan the Advertisements.

Scan the advertisements on every page of the Union. The Union is all printed at home and every page is interesting, and every page is read.