

OFFICIAL BILL PASSES

State Senate Acts Favorably on the Peterson County Option Bill Last Thursday.

Measure Must Pass the House and Secure Governor's Signature Ere it is a Law.

A most drastic telephone bill was introduced in the senate last Thursday morning. It requires rival telephone lines to connect with each other's lines on request of any patron; it limits the charge for such connections to 1 cent for three minutes; it limits telephone earnings to 5 per cent; it prohibits charges for talk between adjoining cities; it prohibits a greater charge for business phones than for residence phones, and it requires telephone directories to be issued at least every other month and to contain no advertisements.

A bill to abolish the highway commission and place the distribution of state road money under a board composed of the state treasurer, auditor and secretary of state, has been introduced in the senate.

Senator Benson's amendment re-submitting the proposal to lengthen the terms of judges of probate from two to four years was advanced to the calendar last Thursday.

Last Thursday Senator O'Neill and Representatives Scott and Holmes introduced in both branches of the legislature a bill creating a state teachers' insurance and retirement fund. Teachers are to be assessed \$5 to \$25 a year, depending on their length of service; and the state is to furnish a tax of one-tenth of a mill. Retirement at the end of twenty years' service is provided for with annuities ranging from \$350 for twenty years to \$500 for twenty-five years' service.

Senator W. A. Campbell's bill providing that primary elections be held on Mondays instead of Tuesdays passed the senate last Thursday.

A bill appropriating \$20,000 for the hog cholera serum plant at state college of agriculture has been introduced in the senate.

The house committee on roads and bridges reported out without recommendation the bill repealing the Elwell road law Thursday afternoon. This is construed as a recommendation that the repeal measure should pass.

The senate last Thursday afternoon passed the "official" county option bill by a vote of 36 to 31, after four hours of debate. This is the first time in the history of the state that a county option bill has passed the senate. As a result of the vote of three of St. Louis county's senators in favor of county option there has been some talk of a tonnage tax bill being introduced again at this session, but it is doubtful if much headway could be made with such a measure, as there does not appear to be much sentiment in favor of tonnage tax. The vote in the house on the county option bill is expected to be extremely close.

Representative Searls has introduced a bill providing for a fourth hospital for the insane to be located in northern Minnesota. The bill has the approval of the of the state board of control.

The house last Friday passed a bill authorizing state banks to join the Federal reserve system.

The bill creating a board to supervise the issuance of state bank charters, with power to see that no community has more banks than it needs and can support well, has been recommended to pass by the house committee on banks and banking. The board would consist of the state auditor and the state treasurer.

The house committee on elections has recommended for passage the bill to avert the election of thirty-four clerks of district court in 1916. Two years ago the legislature put county officers, with the exception of probate judges, on a four-year basis. The clerks were already on that basis, but only fifty-two of the eighty-six were elected at that time, the other thirty-four clerks having been elected two years before. This bill will give the clerks two more years to serve if passed.

The board of control's budget for the charitable, penal and correctional institutions, introduced Friday calls for an appropriation of \$6,384,648.34. This amount is \$836,648.34 in excess of the sum granted by the last legislature and is \$239,351.66 less than the amount asked the legislature on that occasion.

The house had its first Saturday

POPULAR YOUNG PEOPLE TAKE MATRIMONIAL VOWS



MR. ROBERT H. KING



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A very pretty wedding was solemnized in the Catholic parsonage at St. Clair last Thursday, when Mr. Robert H. King of Princeton was united in marriage to Miss Margaret A. King of Eagle Lake. The ceremony was performed at ten o'clock by Rev. Father O'Connor in the presence of only near relatives. Miss Alice King of Eagle Lake, a sister of the bride, acted as bridesmaid, while the groom was attended by Boyd T. Englerth of Owatonna.

The bride was attired in a handsome tailored traveling costume of dark blue broadcloth with a hat to match, her maid also wearing a tailored suit and hat.

The bridal party repaired to the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James A. King, after the ceremony, where a sumptuous wedding dinner was served to the invited guests, and the choicest of congratulations were extended to the newly married couple.

Mr. and Mrs. King left the same day, by way of the twin cities, for California, where they will visit the Panama-Pacific exposition, and will also spend some time at Los Angeles.

The bride and groom are both esteemed and popular young people, and have numerous friends who wish them a married life of uninterrupted happiness. The groom is one of Princeton's best known and most popular young business men. He is clerk of the district court for Mille

Lacs county, and is also engaged in the real estate business. His character and reputation are of the best. The bride is an accomplished and charming young lady, and is no stranger to our people, as she at one time taught school here. She is a graduate of the Janesville high school, and of the Mankato normal, and is possessed of those qualities that win true friendship and esteem. Mr. and Mrs. King will be at home to their friends in Princeton after May 1.

session last week, but save for another debate over the bill to put state bank reserve requirements on the same basis as those of national banks, the session was unusually quiet and little was done.

Representative Frye introduced a bill to increase the aid to county fairs from \$500 to \$1,000.

Representative Thompson of Mahanomen proposes to reduce the penalty on delinquent real estate taxes from 10 to 5 per cent.

The house Monday morning passed under suspension of rules the Garlach joint resolution providing for the participation by Minnesota in the joint action of western states to investigate and resist the proposed increase in freight and passenger rates in western classification territory.

Both houses adopted a joint resolution providing for a committee of three senators and four representatives to attend the funeral of the late Supreme Court Justice Philip E. Brown at Luverne Tuesday afternoon, and providing that both houses shall suspend sessions during the hour of the funeral.

The house on Monday passed the Frye bill providing that no money can be spent by counties on county agricultural agents except when authorized by a vote of the people. This bill if it becomes a law would probably mean that in most counties this work would cease.

A bill to authorize the use of public schools for public meetings and providing for the organization of the voters in each precinct for the discussion of public questions was introduced in the house Monday.

Senators Van Hoven, Callahan, G. M. Peterson and Healy introduced a bill Monday in the senate to authorize ten-round boxing contests under a state athletic commission and requiring the use of gloves ranging from five ounces for lightweights to eight ounces for heavyweights.

Senator Potter has introduced a bill requiring inspection and certification of cows coming from outside the state before they can be transported or driven between points in the state.

It is expected that a resolution will soon be introduced in the legislature calling upon C. P. Craig, chairman of the efficiency and economy commission to supply the house with a statement that would show in detail the expense of conducting the state government under the scheme proposed by the commission. The state auditor will also be asked to prepare a similar table. While there has been considerable talk of the efficiency that would follow the adoption of the plan proposed by the commission, and also mention made of the economy that would result, nothing definite has been vouchsafed on the subject. Some of the legislators are therefore a trifle

skeptical of the merits of the plan, and desire to know wherein conditions would be improved. In short they do not intend to revolutionize the method of conducting the state government until they are certain that the state would be the beneficiary under the change.

The house in committee of the whole recommended for passage Tuesday the bill to change the date of the primary election from the second Tuesday in June to the second Monday in September.

Charles A. Gilman, the veteran legislator from St. Cloud, was the recipient of a beautiful bouquet of roses last Tuesday. It was the eighty-second anniversary of his birth. Mr. Gilman is the oldest member of the legislature, and the honor was worthily bestowed.

Representative Beudixen has introduced a measure providing for the publication of personal property tax lists in each county.

Senator Rookne has introduced a bill arranging a schedule of salaries for sheriffs ranging from \$1,000 to \$2,500, and also a schedule of fees for special service of sheriffs.

The bill by Senator John H. Baldwin providing for working state prisoners on state roads, has been unanimously recommended for passage by the senate committee on public highways. Senator R. C. Dunn of Princeton is chairman of this committee. The use of prison labor on roads is working out very successfully in several states, both for the state and for the men themselves. The committee also decided to report out without recommendation the Vermilya bill repealing the Elwell road law.

The house committee on temperance has decided to have a public hearing on the Peterson county option bill before acting on same, and action on the bill by the house will not come until next week.

The house yesterday by a vote of 93 to 25 passed the bill introduced by Representative Borgen of Duluth, changing the date of the primary election from the second Tuesday in June to the second Monday in September.

By a vote of 30 to 18 the senate yesterday in a committee of the whole recommended for passage D. P. O'Neill's bill authorizing an amendment to the state constitution providing for the investment of school funds in loans on improved Minnesota farm lands.

A number of appropriation bills were introduced in the senate yesterday, and Senator R. S. Jones introduced a "single tax" bill. Senator Blomgren of Isanti county introduced a measure to appropriate \$3,500 for care of Civil war veterans and their wives at Anoka cottages. Senator Sageng proposes to amend the liquor laws so that licenses shall be granted only in incorporated villages and

cities. The house committee on elections yesterday recommended for passage the bill extending the term of members of the house from two to four years.

Mrs. Augusta F. Radeke.

Mrs. Augusta F. Radeke passed away at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Jones, in this village last Sunday evening, at the advanced age of 75 years, 10 months and 30 days.

Funeral services are being conducted at the German Methodist church in Princeton town this afternoon, by Rev. E. B. Service of Princeton.

Deceased, whose maiden name was Augusta Schilling, was born in Kaakstaedt, Germany, March 8, 1839. She was united in marriage to Carl F. Radeke, November 13, 1866. Mr. and Mrs. Radeke arrived in this country October 25, 1869, and settled on a homestead in Wyannett the following spring. Mr. Radeke answered the final summons about 19 years ago. About eight years ago Mrs. Radeke moved into this village from the old homestead, and here she had since made her home. Seven children survive her, viz: Gustaf Radeke, Moscow, Idaho; Mrs. P. O. Anderson, Princeton; Ernest Radeke, Wyannett; Mrs. Wm. Best, Clayton, Wash.; Otto M. Radeke, Princeton; Mrs. Otto E. Johnson, Odebolt, Iowa, and Mrs. Lee Jones of this village.

Mrs. Radeke was a woman who was loved and esteemed by all who enjoyed her acquaintance, and numerous friends will carry kindly recollections of her in the years to come.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Jones take this means to extend their sincere and heartfelt thanks to all who assisted them during the last illness of Mrs. Jones' mother.

Mrs. William Dimmick.

Mrs. William Dimmick passed away at her home in Elk River last Thursday, Feb. 4, at the age of 72 years. Funeral services were held in that village last Friday.

Mrs. Dimmick, whose maiden name was Anna Rines, was well known by the older residents of Princeton, as she resided in this village several years. She was born in Wisconsin, but came to this vicinity with her parents, when a girl. She was united in marriage here to William Dimmick on Feb. 8, 1865, so if she had lived up to last Monday would have rounded out 50 years of wedded life. Mr. and Mrs. Dimmick resided here several years after their marriage, going to Elk River about 29 years ago. Besides her husband, she is survived by a son, Bert; two daughters, Mrs. Stimpson of Elk River, and Mrs. Blanche Frye of Dickinson, N. D.; three sisters, Mrs. J. W. Goulding of Princeton, Mrs. Nellie Jones of Canada and

LOCALS WIN AGAIN

Flora Team Bows to Supremacy of the Princeton High School Basket Ball Exponents.

Game Is Played at Flora and Both Teams Play an Extremely Aggressive Game.

The Princeton high school basket ball team took another step forward in its march to the championship of the Tenth district last Friday evening when it defeated the Mora aggregation by a count of 14 to 10. The contest was staged at Mora, and the play was fast and furious throughout.

Play started after a preliminary contest between the girl teams of the two schools, but we have been able to ascertain but very little about the first game. We understand, however, that Miss Steinbach negotiated a basket for Princeton, and that the Mora girls had an unhappy faculty of throwing the ball through the net with a regularity that was truly disconcerting to the Princeton team. We ceased our investigations then and there, but have no doubt that if a return game is scheduled the tables will be reversed.

The Princeton boy team started its contest with a dash, and secured a field basket before play had proceeded a minute. Both teams were very evenly matched, however, and the first half ended with honors even—the score being 6 to 6.

In the second half the Princeton quint forged ahead, and clearly demonstrated its superiority. In this half Mora secured but one field basket and 2 free throws, while the local quint was securing a total of 4 field baskets.

While Princeton won, the Mora team showed up rather strong and those present pronounced the contest to be a real thriller.

NOTES.

The next contest in the championship series will be staged at Sandstone, on Friday evening, Feb. 19. Sandstone has also won two contests, and this game bids fair to be a battle royal.

The locals go to Elk River tomorrow evening, and will endeavor to walk off with the laurels.

Coach Morton has developed a truly formidable high school basket ball machine for Princeton, and is entitled to considerable credit.

In the contest Friday evening Peterson and Frank Umbecker each negotiated 3 field baskets, while Newton secured the other one. Schmidt and Berg also showed up strong, and played clever defensive games.

R. M. Cooley refereed the game, and proved to be entirely satisfactory to both sides. He is thoroughly familiar with basket ball rules.

The Mora team had the advantage over Princeton in weight, but this was more than offset by the speed and knowledge of the game displayed by the Princeton players.

Local enthusiasts of the great indoor game will undoubtedly be pleased to learn that Company G's speedy basketball team will be seen in action at the armory tomorrow evening. Manager Hoflander has scheduled another game with the powerful Temple quint of Minneapolis, and the contest promises to be a thriller with the accent on the thrill. This is the team that came so very near taking the measure of the locals a few weeks ago, and the game tomorrow evening will undoubtedly be one of the most exciting contests staged on the local floor this season.

February the Month to Prepare Seed.

February is the month when all seed to be sown next spring should be made ready, says W. L. Oswald, in charge of the seed laboratory, university farm, St. Paul. How should this be done? First, all seed should be thoroughly cleaned and graded so that only the best and strongest seeds are saved for sowing. Second, after the seed is thoroughly cleaned and graded it should be tested for germination. Third the seed should also be examined as to purity so as to find out whether there are any seeds of noxious weeds present, such as quack grass, Canada thistle, or sow thistle. The Minnesota Seed Laboratory will gladly test all samples of seed for purity and germination. These tests are made free of charge. In sending samples be sure that they are representative samples of the lot which you wish to have tested, and address same to Seed Laboratory, University Farm, St. Paul Minnesota.

Mrs. Margaret Head of California, and one brother, Stover Rines of Princeton. The son lives near St. Paul.

Mrs. Dimmick was a lady esteemed by all who knew her, and she leaves a host of friends in this vicinity who will ever cherish her memory.

Iver Wahl.

Mr. Iver Wahl, passed away at the home of his brother, Andrew, in Blue Hill, last Saturday, Feb. 6, at the age of 58 years after an illness of but one week. Pneumonia was the cause of death. Deceased was born in Norway and had been a resident of this country several years. He is survived by two brothers and four sisters, and leaves numerous friends to mourn his death.

Funeral services were held at the residence of Andrew Wahl last Tuesday at 1 p. m., and were largely attended. Rev. M. Peterson of Princeton conducted the services, and spoke in both the Swedish and English languages. Interment was in the Blue Hill cemetery.

Band Concert and Dance.

The concert and dance to be given at the armory this evening by the Citizen's band promises to be one of the most enjoyable events of the season. A splendid musical program has been arranged for the occasion and all music lovers in this vicinity should be in attendance. After the concert an old fashioned dance will be given, and numerous will undoubtedly trip the light fantastic.

The Citizen's band is a musical organization of which Princeton can well feel proud, and the band boys are deserving of a good attendance this evening at the concert and dance. Following is the concert program:

PROGRAM.
Part 1.
March..... Palace of Peace..... Vandersloot
Overture..... Arcadia..... King
Selection..... Poet and Peasant..... VonSuppe
Band.
Violin Solo..... (a) Gipsy Dance..... Ernst
(b) O Belle Nuit..... Offenbach
Miss Hjoerdis Schoen.
Vocal Solo..... The Morning Wind..... Ranscombe
A Winter Lullaby..... DeKoven
A Spray of Rose..... Bowles
Miss Marguerita Byers.
Violin Solo..... Souvenir..... Drdia
Master Chester Cooney.
Violin Duet..... Sextet From Lucia..... Donizetti
Miss Irene Umbecker.
Master Chester Cooney.

Part 2.
March..... Selected
Idyl..... Mill in the Forest..... Ellenberg
Selection..... Traviata..... Verdi
Band.
Violin Solo..... Sounds From Home..... Greenwald
Miss Irene Umbecker.
Violin Duet..... Alpine Violets..... Ambrosio
Miss Irene Umbecker.
Master Chester Cooney.
Selection..... School Orchestra

Unclaimed Letters.

List of letters remaining unclaimed at the postoffice at Princeton, Minn. on February 8, 1915: Sam Johnson, Miss Anna Sjoden, Rev. C. Martin Olson.
Please call for advertised letters.
M. M. Briggs, Acting P. M.