

TODAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS OF THE NORTHWEST

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ACTIVE MOVEMENT NOTICED THE PAST WEEK.

Box Staff Is Well Sold Ahead. Which Indicates Good General Conditions. —\$6.50 for No. 4's, Which Were Not Considered Worth Anything a Few Years Ago—Paper Mill Situation at Grand Rapids.

Duluth, Minn., Feb. 2.—Lumber in this market has been fairly active the past week. The Montgomery Door and Box company of Cleveland, has bought 10,000,000 feet of No. 3 and No. 4 for boxes, at \$12 for 2's and \$8.50 for 4's. The latter were not considered worth anything a few years ago.

Box lumber to be cut in this district in the early part of the coming season and thru the winter is about all sold, except for the product of a few mills, and lumbermen regard the market as in better shape than it has been for some time. There is a sharp demand for box lumber, which now takes a larger portion of the lumber sawn here than ever in the past, and lumbermen are anxious to get it out as soon as possible.

The Rogers-Rucker Lumber company of Superior, has leased a small mill of the Tamarack Lumber company at Tamarack, on the Northern Pacific road, east of Alitka, having been crowded with orders to such an extent that it was unable to take care of them. This mill will saw about 35,000 feet daily, and there is work for it in sight till next summer.

The government has been burning off water from the Itasca Paper company at Grand Rapids, and the company has been forced to ship its logs to Brainerd for processing at that place. It is undecided as to what can be done, and there is a strong probability that if the government persists in its attitude the mill will be compelled to move to another location, this would entail a great expense.

"MOONSHINE" WHISKY Unlawful Distillery Found and Its Alleged Owner Arrested.

CROOKSTON, MINN.—United States Deputy Marshal has unearthed an illicit distillery near Heron, in Itasca county, and arrived here yesterday afternoon. The distillery was found by a party of men who did not appear to have known anything of the place, and it is not known that any "moonshine" whisky was disposed of in the vicinity.

The plant found by the authorities is a very simple but efficient one, and the distiller is capable of making fairly good whisky. Laminar will neither deny nor admit that he is the distiller.

A committee of farmers of Polk county, headed by Elias Steenson as president, will meet in Minneapolis to attend the state convention of the Farmers' Exchange. Polk county has one of the most active branches of the organization in the state. While there, the members will look in the project of organizing a branch in the county, to be conducted as a cooperative enterprise.

MACHINERY BUSINESS SOLD Mortensen & Co. of Fergus Falls Sell to John A. Boer.

FERGUS FALLS, Minn.—An important business deal was consummated here today. N. J. Mortensen & Co. selling their machinery business to John A. Boer, formerly of Ellsworth, Minn. Boer will take possession at once.

Scandinavian of the state officers have instituted a movement to raise funds for the relief of the sufferers at Alesund, Norway. A. G. Anderson is at the head of the committee and the funds will be telegraphed by the Scandinavian bank, John A. Boer, formerly of Ellsworth, Minn. Boer will take possession at once.

SELLS ONE OF HIS PAPERS Editor Cobb Transfers the Grand Rapids Magnet to James Stuart.

CASS LAKE, MINN.—The Grand Rapids Magnet has been sold to James Stuart, a prominent newspaper man of Duluth. Henry Cobb will continue to publish the Park Rapids Magnet, but relinquishes possession of the Magnet to Mr. Stuart.

Former Wilcox and County Attorney De Lury came from Walker last night and held an inquest over the remains of Debra Houston, Dr. Sibley, who dressed the woman's wounds, was examined, and several others, including George Hopkins, who say the shots fired, the jury returned a verdict that she came to her death from bullets from a revolver fired by Wm. Chouard.

Chouard will have a preliminary hearing here.

HONOR MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 1904 OF CARLETON COLLEGE AT NORTHFIELD



MISS MARY REYNOLDS, Sibley, Iowa, Third Honor. C. JOSEPH BLOOM, Wesley, Iowa, Fifth Honor. CHARLES W. GREENING, Grand Meadow, Minn., Fourth Honor. CHARLES J. NELSON, Swedeburg, Neb., Salutatorian. MISS ALICE DODDS, Mankato, Valedictorian.

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TRICOUNTY ORGANIZATION Farmers in an Association to Control Price of Products.

ST. CLOUD, MINN.—The farmers of Stearns, Benton and Sherburne counties have perfected organization of the Farmers' Exchange. Representative Chris Block of Stearns county is president and former Representative N. K. Hunt of Stearns county secretary. The object of the organization is to control the price of farm products. An effort will be made to organize each township. Delegates to the trustees' convention to be held in St. Paul Feb. 3 were elected.

C. & N. W. EXPENDITURES \$92,000 Set Aside for Improvements on the Minnesota Division.

WINONA, MINN.—Orders have been received here for the permanent improvement to be made by the Chicago & North-Western road on the Minnesota and Dakota divisions. For the current division \$92,000 has been set aside and for the later \$29,000. The work to be done comprises numerous and varied bridges. The appropriations are considerably in excess of last year.

MONTEVIDEO, MINN.—Miss Helen Fisher, aged 18, died here today.

GRACEVILLE, MINN.—The controller of the currency has approved the application for title of the First National bank of Clinton. The applicants are Mrs. J. H. Erickson, J. H. Erickson, C. W. Wheeler, August Eckberg and H. E. Erickson. The latter being the owner of the Bank of Murdock.

MANKATO, MINN.—Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. McKelvey, residents of this county, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. McKelvey is trying to prove his claims to part of an estate said to be worth \$100,000. His fortune consists of real estate in New York city, and has been left to him in this country.

RED WING, MINN.—Frank Ferrin, the 15-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Ferrin, was badly injured while skating. One of his arms was broken and internal injuries were received, the result of which cannot be forecast at present.

SPRING GROVE, MINN.—Mrs. P. Tustley, wife of Mr. Tustley, died this morning.

RUSHFORD, MINN.—Dr. H. S. Vernon, the leading physician of this city, died this morning.

DULUTH, MINN.—The municipal election is taking place today. Mayor Ring, republican candidate, is being opposed by Alderman M. B. Cullum, democrat.

FARIBAULT, MINN.—H. L. Luther, for many years a professor at Shattuck school, was stricken with paralysis and has not regained consciousness.

NORTHWEST WEDDINGS

HASTINGS, MINN.—Matthew W. Turnbull of Minneapolis and Miss Nellie G. Sherry of Ravenna were married by Rev. P. R. Cunningham, pastor of the Church of the Guardian Angels. An informal reception was held at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Hugh Sherry, near Gordon of Canada, and Miss Carrie E. Poole of Eureka were married at Farmington by Rev. James Rodgers.

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Helena, Mont., Feb. 2.—Thomas S. Keerl, who was convicted of the murder of Thomas Crystal in this city last fall, has been granted a new trial by the supreme court. The trial was one of the most stubbornly contested in the history of the county, and Keerl was found guilty of murder in the second degree and sentenced to life imprisonment. From the judgment and an order denying his motion for a new trial he appealed. The supreme court finds a defect in the information charging Keerl with the murder, and also an error in the instruction of the presiding judge to the jury on the question of insanity, which was the plea of the defense.

Keerl ranks as a civil engineer through the northwest and was prominently connected, both in Maryland and Montana, in having married the daughter of a prominent and wealthy resident of this city and moved in the highest society circles. Keerl has a quarrel with Crystal, and returning to the saloon, shot him down.

A MURDER IN BUTTE

Rukal, an Austrian Miner, Stabbed with a Siletto.

BUTTE, MONT.—The police received a hurried call from the Cash saloon, and demoted hall and upon arriving there found Joe Rukal, an Austrian miner, with a siletto wound in the back of his head, and a man who had been involved in a quarrel.

Several witnesses to the fight were arrested, but all refused to state who did the stabbing. Rukal will die.

MISSOULA, MONT.—Louis H. Mott, who murdered his wife, was sentenced to life imprisonment.

BERTHA, MONT.—Charles Bottenmiller filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States court placing his assets at \$30 and his liabilities at \$675.11.

SAULT STE. MARIE, MICH.—The city council last night refused to pay the bill of the United States government for \$98,600.34 for damages at the burning of the Ford-Bridgman tracks, a year ago. The action will result in a big fight in the courts.

IRON MOUNTAIN, MICH.—Agents representing mine operators in Colorado, where an extensive strike is in progress, have been in northern Michigan for some days, endeavoring to secure men for work underground in the western state.

Forty-two Below Zero.

H. E. Spurrer, a coal and lumber dealer of the far northern town of Bladen, N. D., has written that they had a taste of 42 below zero, but he just whistled at the thermometer. He tells in a letter the facts, as follows: "This has been a good day to test the heating qualities of the hot water heating plant (which I bought in Minneapolis of the Andrews Heating Co.) This morning at sunrise (Jan. 24) the thermometer stood at 42 degrees below zero. It is now (at 2 o'clock p. m.) 29 degrees below and in the house it is 80 above."

From all over the country, wherever the Andrews Heating Company's Home Heating Plants are installed, people are sending letters of this kind. About 50 of these heating plants are in Minneapolis alone. Call at the Globe Building or write for facts, if interested.

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Belle Fourche, S. D., Feb. 2.—John E. Johnson, a farmer, had an unpleasant experience with a madman. W. L. Wood, who had wandered in the cold and storm while in a demented condition, called at Johnson's house with his feet badly frozen. Mr. Johnson began thawing his feet and was suddenly attacked by Wood. The latter threw him to the floor and was choking him when Johnson's cries brought his 12-year-old son into the room.

The son broke the stock of a rifle over Wood's head and Mrs. Johnson ran to the assistance of her husband and son. Wood was rapidly getting the advantage of all three when a grown daughter with a loaded shotgun threatened to blow Wood to eternity. He then submitted while Johnson and the son bound him securely and admit the latter's entry into the house. Wood is in the Butte county jail awaiting the action of the county board of insanity. He talks freely of his condition and admits that he has been for three years confined in the Nebraska asylum at Norfolk. Mr. Johnson was severely injured.

RECEIVER FOR TRENT'S BANK

Elmer Hoover Appointed—Many Threats of Prosecutions.

EGAN, S. D.—Elmer Hoover, a resident of Trent, S. D., has been appointed receiver of the Farmers and Merchants' bank of that place, which closed its doors shortly after the closing of the Trent State bank. It is said on good authority that there are no notes remaining in the bank which to realize and a serious question confronts the receiver. It is expected that some interest in the development of the bank will be shown by the courts and that he will have the best of the case. G. L. Struble, was cashier of the Egan State bank.

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The Fargo land office has been affirmed by the commissioner in two cases carried up on appeal. In the case of Anna Engstrom vs. William Engstrom the latter's entry was cancelled for failure to comply with the homestead laws. The land was in Dickey county. Frederick Kiser also won his contest against D. Jordan of Barnes county on similar grounds.

LISBON, N. D.—Cramer Brothers will run an automobile instead of a bus in connection with the hotel at Lisbon. The bus was run by the grandchild of D. H. Buttz of Butteville. It was stated that Rev. Edgar Day, who performed the ceremony, had married the parents of the bride and also the bride's grandfather.

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