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TODAY'S NEWS OF THE NORTHWEST

MINNESOTA

IRON ORE FROM CROW WING FIELD

ORIGINAL CONCERN IN THE REGION HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING.

Million Tons of Low-Grade Ore Said by President Adams to Have Been Shown Up—Result of Explorations of Pickands & Mather and Other Prospectors.

Special to The Journal.

Brainerd, Minn., April 17.—The Orelands company of Duluth was the original concern doing iron ore exploration in the Deerwood region, east of here and along the main line of the Northern Pacific road, and it has just held a special meeting at Duluth at which a report of the year's work was read by the president, Cuyler Adams.

This report stated that since the annual meeting in 1904 additional exploration was made on the company's lands on section 16, township 46, range 28, Crow Wing county, and at least 1,000,000 tons of low-grade ores can, in the opinion of the president, be said to be shown up there. This ore averages about 48 per cent iron, with some assays running up to 55 and 58.

On the Marriot property, to the southwest of section 16, a body of ore at least 100 feet wide has been shown up. This ore is very hard and is difficult drilling. Indeed it was impracticable to drill it with the Davis calyx drill that the company had been able to use elsewhere. So far as shown up, this ore body assayed about 50 per cent. Adjoining the Marriot lies the Rasch, which has not been drilled, but persons who have worked on the other side of the Rasch have shown a body of ore that is said to average about 57 per cent. The president concludes that "unquestionably the ore extends under the Rasch."

In another locality on the company's lands explorations have shown a body of ore at "least 125 feet wide and at least 100 feet deep," holes at that depth being bottomed in ore. This contains, as far as shown, about 1,000,000 tons, a large part of which would average in combined units of iron and manganese from 57 to 58 per cent, with about .1 to .3 phosphate, and with the manganese averaging over a large part of the property as high as 13 per cent. On private properties in the southwestern part of this new range explorations have shown ores at some points.

In the case of Pickands, Mather & Co. there have been showings of ore running up to 50 per cent for a depth of 125 feet, of which sixty feet was about 55 per cent, and in another hole where the drill has just cut ore the indications are still better. Explorations by another private interest have not yet made any very favorable showings. The statement concludes that "this is all that can be reported up to the present time on the lands of the company, which cover about 950 acres."

It was decided to offer for sale to the highest bidder among the stockholders a certain amount of its shares in order to pay off some outstanding indebtedness and to continue exploration of favorably located lands. Mr. Adams was continued as president.

The so-called Deerwood range was discovered by Mr. Adams, and he has been very enthusiastic over it for some years. Indications by the dip needle, carried on by him, indicated that an ore-bearing formation, or at least a magnetic attraction, exists, running thru Crow Wing county with a strike of northeast and southwest for about eighteen miles. This commences in section 13, township 46, range 27, about two miles east from the village of Deerwood and a mile south of the Northern Pacific railway, and continues parallel to that road to a point in section 31, township 45, range 29, about a mile southeast of this place. Near the east end of this course the work mentioned above has been carried forward the past two years.

In section 36, township 46, range 28, ore has been cut and the formation exposed, and still further to the southwest there are other workings that indicate the continuity of the formation. In sections 4, 8, 9 and 18, township 45, range 28, there are strong indications and some ore has been shown at various places. The characteristics of the region are a low-grade ore, non-bessemer, but it may exist in some considerable quantity.

It seems that the new range, if such it may be called, is more nearly like the Gogebic than to any other in the lake region. It has a dip somewhat similar, the steeper, and pitches to the north. That it is not correlated to the Mesaba there seems no doubt. Some examinations of the district have been made on behalf of the government, and a report covering the results of this work will be published.

PETIT JURORS DRAWN

List for May Term of United States Court at Fergus Falls.

FERGUS FALLS, MINN.—The following is the list of petit jurors for the term of United States court, convening here May 2:

Leo Goodkind, St. Paul; C. R. Billings, Detroit; A. D. Crane, Garden City, Blue Earth county; J. Rowley, Rochester; Fred Tiedt, Argyle, Marshall county; C. C. McDonough, Kelloggg, Wabasha county; George C. Allenson, Wheaton, Traverse county; Frank P. Nicoll, Minneapolis; A. E. Wilder, Grand Rapids, Itasca county; B. A. Polson, Faribault; A. H. Freeman, St. Peter; A. Gilmour, Bemidji, Beltrami county; John R. Price, Pulda, Murray county; Russell H. Eddy, St. Paul; John Dickmeyer, Fairfax, Reville county; James R. Jones, Adrian, Nobles county; Dan Gund, Grand Rapids, Itasca county; Frank Glasgow, Worthington, Nobles county; Ed Whitney, also Worthington, Nobles county; Charles T. McCarthy, Washington, Le Sueur county; Charles Butler, Cutler, Aitkin county; Samuel M. Doren, Hubbard, Hubbard county; Harry L. Whitmore, Wabasha, Wabasha county; E. M. Moore, Minneapolis; Elmer Cummings, Preston, Fillmore county; John W. Dale, Dawson, Lac qui Parle county; Ed Clark, Austin, Mower county; Wm. J. Hoffman, Dent, Otter Tail county; F. A. Fuller, Park Rapids, Hubbard county; Robert S. Shaw, Princeton, Mille Lacs county; Charles S. Weaver, West Duluth; S. W. Shearer, Jackson, Jackson county; D. L. Kinney, Rochester; August King, Blue Earth; Justin M. Harris, Stewartville, Olmsted county; John Deday, Jr., Kellogg, Wabasha county; John G. Peterson, New London, Kandiyohi county; Patrick Miller, St. Paul; Leon La Bonte, St. Paul; Marcus Williams, Janesville, Waseca county; John Dyson, Becker, Sherburne county; Benjamin F. Howerd, Duluth; J. S. Parks, Pleasant Mound, Blue Earth county; John Dolph, Grand Rapids, Itasca county; David S. Forgy, Duluth; C. E. Bannon, Iona, Murray county; Emory C. Stowe, Fairmont, Martin county; Eugene N. Thompson, Garden City, Blue Earth county; A. J. Factor, Montgomery, Le Sueur county; Henry Wonders, Staples, Todd county; James Campion, Rochester; E. J. Murphy, Felton, Clay county; D. H. Duckering, Greenleaf, Meeker county.

The county commissioners have arranged to pay the entire issue of county jail bonds, amounting to $31,000. These were issued in 1885 and have been drawing 6 per cent interest. They fall due May 1.

LATE LUMBER DEALS

Manistee Firm Buys Cut of McAlpine Company.

DULUTH, MINN.—There have been some important sales of lumber here the past few days and there is a tendency to pick up about all there is on hand. The largest of these recent sales was all the No. 3 and better of the McAlpine Lumber company, the cut of the winter and spring and what is to be cut yet, amounting about 4,500,000 feet. The price for this lot was $18 a thousand, which is nearly $2 off the going market, but the price is considered a fair one, as the stock runs very strong to No. 3, and not much uppers. The buyer was a Manistee firm. The McAlpine Lumber company has sold its 4s out of the same logs and will ship them in the spring. A 5,000,000-foot sale has been made by the Bailey Lumber company on grades which are similar to those of Alger, Smith & Co. Some smaller sales have been closed but they have been piecing out lots for the most part.

The mill of the Tower Lumber company has resumed for the year and is operating a day crew for the present. It will turn out about 50,000,000 feet this year and will not run nights until the ice is out of Lake Vermilion.

The Northern Lumber company is at work with a large force improving its dam at the foot of Esquagama lake, north of this city.

Reports are that the Duluth, Virginia & Rainy Lake road is to be extended this year to the north from its persent terminus at Ashawa, past Pelican lake and towards the national boundary at International Falls, where it will connect with the Canadian Northern. This has been the expectation for some time, and there have recently been such changes in the ownership of the road and its associated companies that it is possible the extensions will be made.

OUTING FOR EDITORS

Excursion Proposed for June or July to Boundary Points.

INTERNATIONAL FALLS, MINN.—A plan is on foot to arrange an excursion of Minnesota editors and representative citizens to International Falls in June or July. It is the intention to have the party, which will number about seventy-five, start from Minneapolis for Winnipeg, spending a day there, then going to Warroad for a day and at that point taking the steel hull steamer Keenora for a trip up the Rainy river to this place. A fishing trip on Rainy lake will be arranged and the party will return home by way of Port Arthur, thence by boat to Duluth and on to Minneapolis.

It has been decided to reorganize the old fire department and the following officers have been elected: Chief, George W. Clark; first assistant, W. C. Kahle; captain, M. Burton; secretary and treasurer, Frank Keyes. Each member is to receive $1 for the first hour and 50 cents for every subsequent hour while on duty, and are subject to fines for being absent without satisfactory excuse.

HARTLEY CHOSEN PRESIDENT

Northern Minnesota Teachers Elect New Officers.

ST. CLOUD, MINN.—The Northern Minnesota Educational association, in session at the state normal school on Saturday, elected the following officers: President, T. B. Hartley, Brainerd; vice president, W. J. Marquis, Two Harbors; secretary and treasurer, I. T. Johnsrud, St. Cloud; executive committee, F. W. Dobbyn, Willmar, and J. A. Burger, Staples.

Mrs. Fritz Beumer of St. Augusta died yesterday, aged 58. She is survived by a husband and nine children.

Twenty-one young men of St. Cloud joined the United States navy during the week's stay of the recruiting officers in this city.

RIVER TRAGEDY

Decomposed Corpse Taken from Mississippi Near Little Falls.

LITTLE FALLS, MINN.—The body of a man was found floating in the Mississippi river at Blanchard's rapids, about ten miles below Little Falls. There were no means of identification, the features being decomposed and battered beyond recognition by logs. The man was 5 feet 9 inches in height, heavy set, smooth shaven and apparently weighed about 175 pounds. His hands were small and did not appear to be those of a working man. No postmortem could be held and the story of his death will probably never be known.

DRIVES HELD UP

Finns Said to Have Fired Upon Drivers North of Floodwood.

FLOODWOOD, MINN.—Much excitement exists along Floodwood river, about ten miles north of this village, by an armed resistance against a log drive which is being made by a crew for the Coolidge-Schussler company. Several Finns residing along the river put in booms to stop the logs and are guarding them with rifles. Mike Anderson and Eric Perkkio are said to have fired on the drivers. The sheriff has been notified of the disturbances.

BIRD ISLAND, MINN.—The board of education has elected the following teachers: Superintendent, G. H. Sanberg; principal, Miss Josephine Thomas of Shakopee; assistant, Miss Grace Jenks of Minneapolis; grammar grade, Miss Elva Allen of New York; intermediate, Miss Susie Huff of Minneapolis; second primary, Miss Winfred Steinman of Heron Lake; primary, Miss Kittie Van Etten of Stewart. There will be four in the graduating class.

BELLINGHAM, MINN.—While driving from this place to Madison, Rev. E. Cullom Grimshaw, D.D., pastor of the Congregational church of Winthrop, escaped what might have been a fatal accident. The bolt holding the buggy pole dropped out, letting it strike the horses. They broke into a run and threw the driver to the ground. Mr. Grimshaw was carried into a plowed field, being thrown from the carriage and sustaining several injuries.

PERHAM, MINN.—The school board has elected the following teachers: Professor F. A. Schuetz, superintendent (re-elected); Miss Murphy of Blooming Prairie, principal; Miss Hanson of Anoka, high school; Miss Webster of St. Cloud, Miss Poppler of Altona, Miss Peterson of Starbuck, Miss Landblom and Miss Lee of Fargo, grade teachers.

PELICAN RAPIDS, MINN.—At a largely attended banquet of the Commercial club committees were appointed to establish a park in the center of the city, and attend to the planting of shade trees and boulevarding some of the residence streets.

STILLWATER, MINN.—Thomas F. Daly, a farmer of the town of Newport, has brought an action for $20,000 for alleged personal injuries against the North American Telegraph company and the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railway.

WISCONSIN

LITTLE BOY KILLED

Andrew Nelson Crushed by Wheels of a Heavy Wagon.

SUPERIOR, WIS.—Andrew Nelson, aged 5, died yesterday from injuries received by falling under the wheels of a brewery wagon.

The infant daughter and 6-year-old son of Oscar Lomoe, who were slashed with a razor by their mother while momentarily deranged, are rapidly recovering from their wounds and will soon be as well as usual.

The suit of the National Exchange bank of New York against the city of Superior will be called in federal court at Madison tomorrow. The suit involves about $15,000 in improvement bonds and the questions at issue are similar to those in the Jewell bond case tried some time ago at Madison, appealed to the court of appeals at Chicago and now taken to the supreme court of the United States on a petition for a writ of certiorari after the complainant had lost in both hearings.

The city refuses to pay the bonds, which were issued in the early nineties, on the ground that the assessments on which they were issued were turned over to the county as delinquent for collection and if any payments have been made on them to the city there is no record to show them.

It is probable that the Gund Brewing company will erect a commodious brick building for its local offices and storehouse this spring.

DIED IN A CELL

Insane Man of Green Bay Had Two Revolvers and Threatened Officials.

GREEN BAY, WIS.—Charles Veche of Seymour, 30 years old, died in his cell at the police station whither he had been taken two hours before. He had been sent to a local hospital, and while there became violently insane, threatening all who came near. He sat in his room in the hospital armed with two revolvers. Aversion for secret societies, particularly the Elks and Masons, about which he had written pamphlets and distributed them at church doors, caused his insanity, and his death was due to heart failure brought on by over-exertion when resisting capture.

Joseph Degulski was arrested on a charge of felony. He owed a meat bill of $165, and in order to avoid payment transferred his property to his wife, who in turn transferred it to someone else.

Mrs. John D. Linker, aged 44, was found dead in the sitting-room of her home by her husband last night. Her death is attributed to heart failure.

OPERATION WAS FATAL

James L. Doar, Once Prominent Athlete, Succumbs Under Knife.

CUMBERLAND, WIS.—The remains of James L. Doar, who died from the effects of an operation for appendicitis at Fargo, arrived here for interment today. He was one of the best-known and most popular athletes in the northwest. For several seasons he played on the football and baseball teams of Notre Dame university, and pitched for Fargo in the Northern league one season. He recently embarked in business at Fargo and was president of the Fargo Electrical company. He was a son of City Marshal Doar of this city.

In the debating contest here Saturday night Cumberland high school defeated New Richmond. The question was: "Resolved, that labor unions have been more of a benefit than an injury in the United States." The decision was two for the negative and one for the affirmative.

COLONEL LUSK RELIEVED

River Officer Given Leave of Absence to Recuperate His Health.

LA CROSSE, WIS.—According to orders received from the war department, Colonel James L. Lusk has been relieved from the charge of river work between St. Louis and St. Paul on account of sickness, giving him a leave of absence for recovery. The order assigns Colonel C. S. Richie, an officer of the engineering corps, who for two years has been stationed at Chicago in charge of the construction of the Hennepin canal, to the vacancy.

A new fair circuit has been formed, and includes the La Crosse Interstate Fair association and the associations at Chippewa Falls, Augusta, Neillsville and Black River Falls.

FIRE LOSS AT MERRILL

Drying Warehouse of the Wright Lumber Company Destroyed.

MERRILL, WIS.—The dry warehouse of the H. W. Wright Lumber company caught fire yesterday morning about 1 o'clock and burned. Loss about $10,000.

A heavy wind was blowing and for a time it looked as if the lumber yard of the Wright company and the sawmill and sash, door and blind factory of the A. H. Strange company were doomed, but the firemen after much hard work were able to confine the fire to the lumber warehouse.

MENOMONIE, WIS.—Joseph Rice, a poor farmer, has discovered that he is a brother of the late William Rice, the New York millionaire, who was murdered, and that he is the rightful heir to at least $4,000,000.

SIOUX CITY, IOWA.—The jurors in the murder case of Frank Kennedy, alias "Jacko" Wilson, failed to agree. It is reported they stood ten to two for conviction. Wilson was charged with shooting Joe O'Brien, alias Charles Lafey, on Jan. 22.

WEBSTER CITY, IOWA.—After an unsuccessful attempt to murder his wife, Richard Fisher of Carroll hanged himself in the jail with his suspenders. He was cut down while yet alive and will probably live.

IOWA

GIRL'S MURDER TRACED TO FEUD

HEALY FERRETS OUT MOTIVE FOR MA-SHA-CHE'S DEATH.

Soldier, Her Divorced Husband, Is Believed by Some to Be Innocent—Crime Charged to the Ancient Feud of the Sac and Fox Tribes Over the Chieftainship.

Special to The Journal.

Des Moines, Iowa, April 17.—The stolid silence which has prevailed among the Tama Indians gave way today to excited discussion of the murder of the beautiful princess, Ma-Sha-Che, as a result of the arrest of George Soldier, her former husband and devoted admirer.

Deputy United States Marshal Healy has been enabled to develop a chain of evidence that seems to point conclusively to the commission of the murder for the purpose of preventing the girl from becoming the mother of an heir to the chieftainship as the descendant of Pushtonoqua, who might displace the present dynasty.

An old feud between the Sac and Fox tribes, who jointly occupy the reservation, as to which is entitled to the chieftainship, is back of a series of crimes that have occurred in the past year, and have each time gone unavenged, despite the utmost endeavors of the government authorities.

The Indians were absolutely non-communicative, saying they preferred to settle their differences in their own way. John Sepo, an active partizan, related to the prisoner, George Soldier, was murdered six months ago, presumably by a rival in love. Since then two pretty squaws have been slain.

Ma-Sha-Che disappeared two months ago, having last been seen with her divorced husband, George Soldier. The discovery of her dead body was followed by Soldier's arrest and the consequent discovery that he was probably innocent and that the cold-blooded crime was committed for the mere purpose of exterminating a rival dynasty.

EMBARRASSING FOR HUBBARD

Sheldon's Choice for Postmaster Opposed Congressman's Nomination.

SHELDON, IOWA.—A four-sided postmaster contest is on here and presents some embarrassing questions to Congressman E. H. Hubbard. The candidates are: C. E. Stewart, present incumbent; County Attorney Joe Morton, George Wellman and E. P. Messer, a hardware merchant.

Stewart has a petition signed by 700 of the 800 patrons of his office, asking his re-appointment. However, Stewart opposed Hubbard in the republican district convention last year, while Morton supported him. Politically speaking, Hubbard is under obligations to appoint Morton, but citizens of Sheldon are demanding Stewart. May 15 is the date set for the recommendation by Mr. Hubbard.

SUITS FOR INDEMNITY

Thurston Will Bring Them for Yaqui Massacre of Americans.

SIOUX CITY, IOWA.—John M. Thurston, former United States senator from Nebraska, has been retained to press claims for indemnity on account of the massacre of several Americans by Yaqui Indians in Sonora, Mexico, Jan. 19. One of the men killed was Merrill A. Call of Sioux City, son of A. F. Call, an attorney here. Mr. Thurston will also investigate conditions surrounding Americans and $40,000,000 of American money invested in that province.

It will be claimed in support of demands for indemnity that the Mexican government should have provided protection for the Americans. This was refused when requested before the party left Hermosillo for the trip across the province.

At the instigation of the Sioux City Improvement association, the city council will be asked to pass an anti-spitting ordinance.

ALDEN, IOWA.—The superintendent of the Alden schools next year will be Macy Campbell, who will be graduated from the State Normal school at Cedar Falls this year.

HAMPTON, IOWA.—Charles H. Halmodge of West Union, a well known editor and a veteran of the civil war, will deliver the Memorial Day address here.

ARMOUR, S. D.—The Floete Land company has been incorporated with a capital stock of $100,000. C. E. Floete, who is at its head, was formerly owner of the Armour State bank.

NORTHWEST NECROLOGIC

STILLWATER, MINN.—Axel T. Lindholm died yesterday afternoon, aged 72. Pulmonary weakness was the immediate cause of death.

Mr. Lindholm was born in Stockholm, Sweden, and came to the United States fifty years ago. He was deputy surveyor of logs when John Lind was governor, and was twice candidate for secretary of state and later occupied the position of assistant postmaster at Stillwater.

Associated with Colonel Hans Mattson, ex-secretary of state, Mr. Lindholm conducted a banking and insurance business in St. Paul, withdrawing three years ago. He was at different times a resident of Mankato and Red Wing.

He is survived by his wife and three daughters. The funeral will take place at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

LE SUEUR, MINN.—George, eldest son of Editor Grimes of the News, died of cerebro spinal meningitis.

WASHINGTON, IOWA.—Judge H. R. Dewey, a prominent lawyer, is dead. He was past grand master of the Iowa Masonic grand lodge.

ANNANDALE, MINN.—John C. O'Laughlin, one of the old settlers of French Lake and widely connected in Wright county, died of pneumonia last night.

LEAD, S. D.—Thomas T. Jones, a well-known resident of Lead, is dead at Cotter, Iowa. He left a few days ago on the advice of his physician to obtain a change of climate in the hope of getting relief from the disease known as miners' consumption. Shortly after reaching Cotter, the home of his sister, he became worse. He leaves a wife and five children.

IOWA FALLS, IOWA.—News of the death of L. D. Tracy at his home near Jesup is received with deep regret in this city, which was formerly his home. He was once editor of the Iowa Falls Sentinel and prominent in the business, church and social affairs of the city. He was 76.

MINNESOTA

OFFICIALS MAKE SWEEPING DENIAL

NO SEMBLANCE OF GRAFT IN BELTRAMI, THEY SAY.

County Attorney Loud and Commissioners Sibley and Wright Dispute the Charges of the Public Examiner and Welcome a Full Investigation.

Special to The Journal.

Bemidji, Minn., April 17.—County officials of Beltrami will vigorously resist the charges of gross frauds made against them by Public Examiner P. M. Kerst. Now that Governor Johnson has appointed a commission to investigate these charges, they have broken silence in no half-hearted way. H. J. Loud, county attorney, says:

"Noticing that charges have been filed with the governor against myself and other county officers, I desire to say that in regard to the Gannon matter I had nothing to do with granting or refusing him a liquor license, as it was not within my jurisdiction. As to refusing to prosecute J. B. Montague upon the complaint of Gannon, I am prepared to meet that charge and assert that I was fully justified in refusing the warrant. I was never removed from the prosecution of a case against a lumber company and reinstated, and a settlement made. On the contrary, the case referred to was tried before Judge Spooner, taking parts of five days, and as it developed that the logs in question were in transit to the place of manufacture, the court held, and rightly, that they were not subject to taxation here.

"In regard to holding back, or being a party to holding back, any money due the county for liquor licenses, the charge is wholly and maliciously false, and can be proved to be false. This matter was fully investigated by the grand jury last September, and its report is on file. In regard to the Kelliher and Baudette road, I knew nothing about the matter, and refused to approve Mr. Jinkinson's bill for that reason. I did approve two or three labor claims, upon the certificate of Mr. Jinkinson that the men had worked the time stated, at the price charged, after learning upon inquiry from the commissioners that Jinkinson was the foreman in charge of the work and the proper party to certify to the bills of the laborers. This I will assume responsibility for, and do not fear the outcome.

No Grafting.

"I have never knowingly approved an illegal bill for any amount whatever, and have never been a party to any graft, and know of none on the part of any officer accused, during my term of office. In regard to the printing contract of last year, it is true that the bid of the Pioneer was higher in some particulars than the others, but the circulation offered was at least three times as great as that offered by any other bidder.

"In regard to not prosecuting criminal cases, I have in some instances refused warrants where the motive of the prosecution was to extort money from the accused, and I was fully convinced that the application was made not in good faith to punish a crime, but to get revenge or extort money.

"I have also allowed some criminal cases to be dismissed after an arrest, where the facts developed that no crime was intended, or where the complaining witness requested that the matter be dropped, or where it was the first offense on the part of a young person under the influence of liquor, and the wrong had been made right and the complainant refused to prosecute. If it is an offense to use my discretion in good faith about these matters, I must plead guilty to that much. If all warrants were issued that are asked for, there would not be jail room in the county to hold the accused, nor enough money in its treasury to pay even the witnesses' fees, and there would be no more convictions than at present, nor would any good purpose be served, as complaints made from malice and other improper motives against innocent parties are a matter of daily occurrence.

"I do not fear a fair investigation into any official act of mine, and if that kind of an investigation is contemplated I shall welcome it."

Sibley's Statement.

County Commissioner F. O. Sibley says:

"There is not a word of truth in any assertion made in the report of the public examiner to the governor. I am perfectly willing to have my acts as a member of the board investigated to the fullest extent, and feel confident that the charges will be proved false.

"In regard to my trip to Tennessee, I will state that I was advised by the deputy public examiner, the board of county commissioners and the county treasurer to take the trip in order to settle up a shortage of about $1,500 in the accounts of O. J. Shinn, the former county treasurer. I was successful in doing this, and did not charge any more for my services and expenses on the trip than the amount to which I was rightly entitled. I had no mining interests in Tennessee, and never owned or was interested in a dollar's worth of property outside the state of Minnesota.

"As to the county printing contract, which was let to the Pioneer, the county board decided that the difference in circulation of the newspapers bidding for the work warranted the letting of the contract to the Pioneer at full legal rates. This year the Beltrami County News was awarded the contract at full legal rates before any other bid had been opened, altho several other bids were presented. At that time Mr. Danaher had control of the board.

"The charges made against me regarding the work on the Baudette road are also false. I was instructed by the county board to send J. J. Jinkinson and a crew of men out to take charge of the work, and all the bills allowed for the work have been reasonable. As to the claim that there had been no work done on the road, I wish to state that there is a good road for eighteen or twenty miles."

Me, Too, Says Wright.

County Commissioner Wes Wright says: "I welcome a complete and exhaustive examination of my record during my residence in northern Minnesota since 1886, and particularly my record as a member of the board of commissioners of Beltrami county. The records of the board are at the courthouse and can be examined by all who desire, and if it is found that I have been a party to any graft or wrongdoing while a member of the board I am willing to take the consequences and will be right in Bemidji where I can be easily found. All I ask for is a fair and impartial investigation. I deny every assertion made in the report of the public examiner, and can prove them all false."

HASTINGS, MINN.—J. W. Anderson's bridge crew has been transferred to Chamberlain, S. D., to put in a new bridge over the Missouri river for an extension of the Milwaukee road.—The government inspectors, John Monaghan and M. F. Chalk of Duluth, inspected the steamers Mars and Pathfinder.

HOUGHTON, MICH.—The steamer Northern Wave crashed into and wrecked the draw of the Portage lake bridge. As a result four railroads and interurban street car lines are cut and the northern part of the copper district, with a population of 60,000 is an island.

CALUMET, MICH.—Harold Swanson accidentally shot and killed his playmate, John Johnson, aged 14. The boys were playing with a 22-rifle and did not know it was loaded.

BESSEMER, MICH.—The proposition to issue $30,000 in bonds for the erection of a new high school building was voted down at a special meeting of taxpayers.

RENVILLE, MINN.—The bankers of the seventh congressional district will hold their annual meeting at Renville on the 27th.

NORTHWEST WEDDINGS

ELK RIVER, MINN.—A romantic marriage took place here, when Harry S. Coates, a St. Cloud business man, and Miss Sara Belle Keyes of East St. Cloud were united.

The couple came here in an automobile and were accompanied by Arthur J. Coates, brother of the bridegroom, and Miss Bertha Stevenson of St. Cloud. A license was secured and soon the wedding service was read by Rev. Alex E. Cutler at Union church parsonage. Then the auto trip was resumed to Minneapolis.

ELK POINT, S. D.—Sherman G. Thornton, a merchant, and Miss Belle Everett were married by Rev. J. M. Tupp of the Baptist church. They are visiting relatives at Flandreau and will also go to Wisconsin, returning here in about ten days.

HASTINGS, MINN.—Mr. and Mrs. John Dick announce the engagement of their daughter, Mabel Frances, to Harry E. Speakes of Superior. The wedding will take place in June.

ESTHERVILLE, IOWA.—The Lough opera-house, which has not had the sanction of safety from the city council and has been gradually falling into disuse, has been leased to James S. Cox for three years and will be remodeled and put in first-class shape.

Last Mountain Valley Is Mecca of Settlers

Special Correspondence.

Winnipeg, Man., April 13.—The movement of landseekers from the United States to the famous Last Mountain valley district promises to be greater this year than any previous year in the history of that very fertile country. The great attraction is the winter wheat, the fame of last year's splendid crop from the Last Mountain valley having spread to every part of the country south of the international border line. The land is selling at $9 and $10 an acre, and the choice sections (if it may be said that there is any choice) are being taken up with the proverbial "hot-cake" rapidity.

William Pearson, the big Last Mountain valley land operator, whose general offices are at 383 Main street, this city, expressed himself today as being genuinely surprised at the unusual size of the immigration movement promised this year towards the Last Mountain country.

"I think I can account for the favor with which our land propositions in the Last Mountain valley have met in the United States," said Mr. Pearson. "It may be explained partly by the fact that crop reports published all over the United States last fall paid a good deal of attention to our lands. It may be partly accounted for, also, by the fact that hundreds of settlers, who bought their farms of me, wrote letters to their old neighbors back in the states praising warmly the new country into which they had come. Some of these letters have been shown me recently by the farmers who received them when they were up here to make arrangements with me for buying farms this spring.

"Here are some instances: Harry Barnes, who located in the Last Mountain valley, began with nothing. He now has 800 acres of land, fifty head of horses, a steam thresher, a stone house that cost $2,000, and a stone barn worth $1,000. He has 5,000 bushels of grain on hand and no debts. He estimates that he is worth $200,000. William Schwandt had nothing except a family of seven young children. He now has a half section of land, fifty-three head of high-class cattle and twenty horses. He has started two sons on farms of their own and is now purchasing more land.

"T. A. Martin came here from Park River, North Dakota, last spring. He bought a half section and homesteaded for himself and his son in township 24, range 22. He writes that he is highly delighted with the country. During the dry spell in June one thing that impressed him very strongly was the rich, healthy condition maintained by the wheat in spite of the lack of rain for a while. This he explained by pointing to the fact that there is a continuous underground drainage from the mountain to the lake which, even during the dry season, provides moisture for the crops and an unfailing supply in a well of soft water which he has on the farm.

"I may say that all these settlers have always been only too well pleased to answer any letters of inquiry they receive regarding the district in which they live and to give any information in their power. Letters to them should be addressed, at present, to the Strassburg postoffice, Assiniboia."

Mr. Pearson has sold all but about 500,000 acres of the land which he took over in the Last Mountain valley country. While the prices range from $9 to $10 an acre, he is willing to sell his land in blocks of 5,000 acres at even smaller prices, and this has been done frequently of late. He stipulates only that he shall have the joint handling of the land again with the owner. This last proposition, which he published rather generally last fall, has met with much favor in the United States, small colonies of farmers being the chief ones to take advantage of it.

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