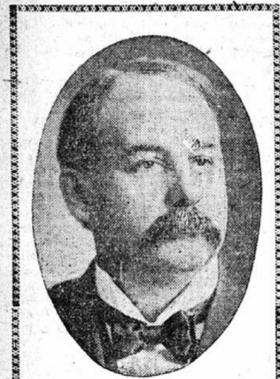


GARNERINGS OF NEWS FROM THE GREAT NORTHWEST

PARKER EDITOR IS ELECTED PRESIDENT

Charles F. Hackett Chosen by South Dakota Association for Its Leader.



C. F. HACKETT, PARKER, S. D., Who Was Elected President of the South Dakota Editorial Association.

Parker, S. D., March 17.—At the recent convention of the South Dakota Editorial Association, Charles F. Hackett, editor of the New Era of this city, was elected president. He is one of the most enterprising newspaper men of this state and the result of the election gives general satisfaction.

TWO TICKETS ARE IN FIELD AT GRAND FORKS

Mayor George Duis Leads Independent Forces and John Dinnie the Republicans in Municipal Campaign.

Grand Forks, N. D., March 17.—The municipal campaign is growing warmer as the date of election, April 2, draws nearer. In the first and third wards there will be no contest for aldermen, W. A. Joy, independent, having no opposition in the first, and R. A. Sprague, republican, having no opposition in the third. The two tickets are as follows: Mayor—George E. Duis, independent; John Dinnie, republican.

REFORM IN MICHIGAN

Dickinson County Towns Begin Movement to Nail Down Lid.

Norway, Mich., March 17.—Dickinson county seems to be passing thru a wave of reform. The lid at both Norway and Iron Mountain, the leading communities, has lately been put down a little more tightly, and the tendency to keep closer check on the saloons is extending to the outlying towns, some of which have never known conditions other than "wide open."



LEWIS M. BEMIS.

BULLETIN CONTAINS ADVICE TO FARMERS

Valuable Information to Be Sent Out by North Dakota Agricultural College.

Special to The Journal. Fargo, N. D., March 17.—A bulletin containing much valuable information for farmers, especially at this time of the year, has been prepared by the department of botany at the agricultural college and is now on the press. It is entitled "Rust Theories, Problems and Observations, and What to Do."

The following paragraphs indicate the manner in which the subjects are treated: Drain your fields so that all surplus water will quickly run into main ditches. Get together with your neighbors and open all main ditches which are now blocked, and open more new ones if necessary to insure the general drainage of entire districts.

Mr. Hackett came to this county in 1878 and has issued his paper regularly every week despite obstacles. Several editors are called on to encounter. The worst experience he had was during the blizzard and blockade of 1880-81, when Parker was shut out from the outside world for nearly three months.

WILL REVIVE INDUSTRY

Iowa Falls, Iowa, March 17.—A business transaction that means much to Iowa Falls has been closed by the State National bank, which sold the brick and tile plant west of the city to a Des Moines syndicate. The name of the company will be the Galvin Brick & Tile company. The plant will be improved at once by the installation of new machinery.

MINNESOTA COUPLE MARRIED 50 YEARS

Winona, Minn., March 17.—Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Draper, of Saratoga, this county, have just celebrated their golden wedding anniversary by a gathering in the church at that place at which nearly 200 of their friends were present. They were married at Cambria, Mich., and have lived at Saratoga for nearly forty years. At this celebration, they were presented with a purse of \$100 in gold.

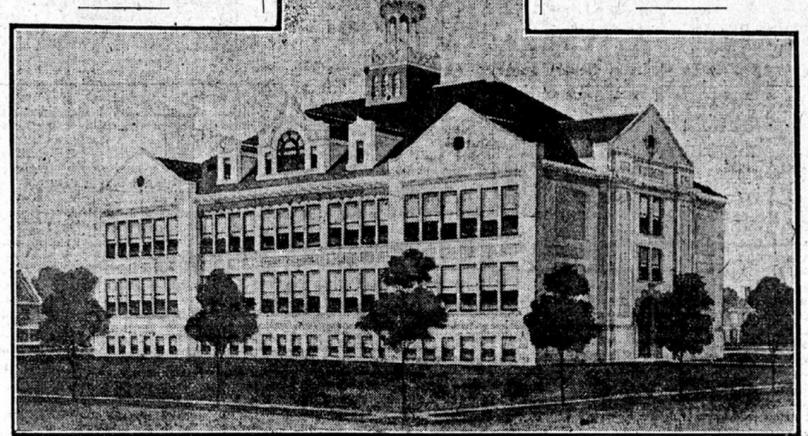
NEARLY MET HIS DEATH IN A CHICAGO HOTEL

Prominent Michigan Merchant Has a Narrow Escape from Being Asphyxiated in the Windy City.

Manistique, Mich., March 17.—M. P. Winkelman, a leading merchant of Manistique, has returned from a business trip to Chicago thankful to still be in the land of the living. He came within an ace of being asphyxiated to death in a prominent hotel. Entering his room at night he turned on two gas jets, but had only ignited one when the match went out, and, finding the illumination sufficient, he forgot to close the other valve. He awakened late in the morning very weak and greatly nauseated, and not until late in the afternoon did sufficient strength return to enable him to get out of bed, and to the window. This latter he had fortunately left open, and to this fact he alone attributes his escape from death.

NEW SCHOOLHOUSE WILL BE ERECTED AT MILBANK, S. D.

Enterprising South Dakota City Decides to Expend \$30,000 for a Modern and Up-to-Date Building to Meet the Increasing Demands for Better Educational Facilities and More Commodious Quarters for Pupils.



Millbank, S. D., March 17.—The new school building to be erected in this city will be a model of the latest school architecture. It will cost \$30,000 and will be constructed of light brick with dark stone trimmings. It will have two stories and a basement. In the basement there will be a gymnasium, toilet rooms, boiler and fuel rooms, besides several extra rooms that can be used for school purposes in case of necessity.

Structure Will Contain Best Equipment Available to Extend the Work Made Necessary by a Rapidly Growing Population, and Work Begins at Once to Have It Ready for Occupancy Before Opening of Fall Term.

There will also be a laboratory, teachers' room and library. The light and ventilation has been given special attention. Fire protection and escapes will be ample. The building will be 75x115 feet, and work will begin at once, so that it can be completed for the fall term.

Future Prospects Look Bright for Two Wisconsin Towns and Minnesota Village



FRANK MAGUIRE, Mayor of Hudson, Wis.



FRANK W. HARRIMAN, Mayor of Appleton, Wis.



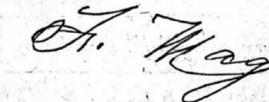
J. B. GALARNEAULT, President of Aitkin Village, Minn.

Two Mayors and a President Tell Journal Readers of Present Conditions and Improvement Plans--VIII.

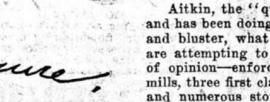
Office of the Mayor, Hudson, Wis., March 8. My opinion is that the prospects of Hudson were never more bright. I am positive that during the year 1906 there will be erected a new city hall at a cost of at least \$10,000; a market place will be opened, a site having already been purchased; from \$30,000 to \$50,000 will be expended for new residences; a new power plant on Willow river for lighting purposes will be constructed; about \$10,000 will be spent by the city council in macadamizing Second street, in building stone walks and in grading Fifth and Vine streets; Cray & Graves will start a bottling works this spring; The St. Croix Sash & Door factory, which has been closed for a few months, will be reopened, and another good factory is in sight.

Appleton merchants are among the most prosperous in Wisconsin. In the last two years there has been only one failure. Lawrence university has of course some tendency to keep business moving along more evenly throughout the year. The college distributes no less than \$200,000 annually and this helps the merchants very materially.

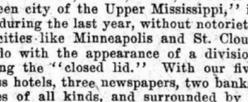
Everybody who has lived in Appleton long enough to become acquainted with the city, points with pride to its past and the future will undoubtedly bring great industrial and social prosperity.



Frank W. Harriman



Frank Maguire



J. B. Galarneault

Office of the Mayor, Appleton, Wis., March 7. The outlook for this city is about as bright as any in my recollection during my residence of forty-five years here. While some years ago this was almost exclusively a paper manufacturing center, other industries are gradually locating here and prospects for several new factories in the next twelve months are very encouraging. There have been three large industries come to this city the past year and in the last half dozen years, the greater portion of Appleton's manufacturing plants, aside from the paper mills, have come here.

Above all, we have a strong band of business men who are imbued with an abundance of enthusiasm and faith in our city and county. Among our citizens we can perhaps count more wealthy men than in any city of equal size in the state. Most of these men have resided here for twenty years or more, and having accumulated their snug fortunes here, and at the same time having implicit faith in our future, invest their money freely in our city and county.

Office of the President, Aitkin, Minn., March 8. Aitkin, the "queen city of the Upper Mississippi," is and has been during the last year, without notoriety and bluster, what cities like Minneapolis and St. Cloud are attempting to do with the appearance of a division of opinion—enforcing the "closed lid." With our five mills, three first class hotels, three newspapers, two banks, and numerous stores of all kinds, and surrounded by a country well stocked with all kinds and grades of timber, and a soil rich and strong in producing grains, grasses, and vegetables, Aitkin calmly looks for and expects a most prosperous year.

WOMAN BRAVES PERIL TO KEEP ENGAGEMENT

Party of Five Cross Thin Ice at Yankton, S. D.—One Is Nearly Drowned.

Special to The Journal. Yankton, S. D., March 17.—Four men and a woman have broken all records of daring by crossing the river on the thin ice. The crossing was made yesterday and one of the party was nearly drowned.

For three weeks the condition of the river at this point has made it impossible to cross with mail, and communication has been completely cut off on account of the thin ice which formed after the river broke up about three weeks ago. Tired of being without their mail for so long a period, E. C. Vose, Chris Holtzner and two young men by the name of Webber, with the latter's sister, who was due at Sioux City, started across the river yesterday. They were all provided with 12-foot poles. Carefully they proceeded and no place was found where the poles could not be sent thru the ice at one thrust and nowhere could the bottom be reached. It was with many misgivings that the party picked its way and many close calls were experienced. Finally this side was gained by all except one of the party, who broke thru the ice a few feet from shore. He went down but was promptly rescued.

HURON IS NOW READY FOR MISSIONARY CONVENTION

Five Bishops and Visitors from All Parts of the World Will Attend Gathering in South Dakota.

Huron, S. D., March 17.—Arrangements have been made by the local committee for the entertainment of at least 650 visitors during the great missionary convention to be held here March 28-30, under direction of the Methodist Episcopal church. Among those certain to be present are five bishops, many missionaries, missionary secretaries, preachers, presiding elders and laymen. They come from all parts of the world and the more distinguished of them will take part in the convention proceedings. A feature of the gathering will be the "educational exhibit," showing besides large collections of curios from all foreign fields, exhibits of real work done in the hundreds of fields in mission schools in foreign lands. The collection is the largest in the world, and will be of deep interest to all classes. Aside from this, an opportunity to see and hear many distinguished divines, will attract large numbers of visitors representing every Christian denomination in the country.

BEWARE OF TAINTED BUTTER, SAYS EXPERT

World's Champion Explains Why Minnesota Product Retains Its Good Reputation.



SAMUEL HAUGDAHL, ST. PETER, Minn., Champion Buttermaker of the World and Creamery Expert.

St. Peter, Minn., March 17.—If the hand separator comes into general use in this state, says Samuel Haugdahl, champion buttermaker of the world, Minnesota will lose the butter reputation it has been building up for the last fifteen years. The St. Peter man, who is considered one of the foremost creamery experts in the northwest, regards the hand separator as a real menace and believes the exploitation of but machine can work great injury to the dairy industry. "Quality," says Mr. Haugdahl, "is what makes the consumer willing to pay a high price. Butter having the same food value—the renovated product and poor butter—can be bought for half the price; it is the flavor that makes the difference. And the hand separator, beyond all controversy, injures quality. "One reason why hand separator butter cannot reach the standard of the whole-milk product is because separator patrons are unable to observe the rules of perfect cleanliness. At the creamery, the buttermaker can inspect the milk cans and have them kept in good condition, but there is no feasible plan for bringing in the separator. Under ordinary farm conditions, there is almost a total lack of facilities for properly sterilizing the machines, and it is no sinecure to keep them clean and wholesome. Very often a microscopic examination of a separator that seems to be thoroughly cleaned will reveal the fact that it is covered with bacteria and, naturally, the cream is contaminated in passing over so much tin surface.

Quick Work on Butter.

"Then, too, cooling is a much slower process in cream than in milk; there is no circulation in the former, and it has a tendency to ferment and retain stable and animal odors. Slow delivery of cream is an important consideration. It is not taken to the creamery as often as milk and is allowed to age too greatly, when every farmer knows that butter fat should be turned into butter as quickly as possible. The tub that won for me in Paris was taken from morning's milk churned in the afternoon. "A short time ago I made a test of forty-five samples of skimmed milk taken from hand separators. Only three tested as well as creamery samples; in several cases they contained 1 per cent, or one-fourth of the total amount of butter fat, and the average loss was .3 per cent. In a creamery like that of a New Sweden, which receives upwards of 2,000,000 pounds of milk a year, this one item would reduce the revenue more than \$1,500. In Iowa, more than in any other northwestern state, butter production has been reduced thru the introduction of the separators.

"Here in Nicollet county they have gained no foothold and that is why, out of nine entries in the butter-scoring contest at the national buttermakers' convention in Chicago, we were able to secure the remarkably high average of 94. And this reminds me that the buttermakers in the western part of the state, where the separators are more commonly used, want the Minnesota dairy and food commission to establish a lower class in the state butter-scoring contest. They realize the futility of competing with the whole-milk experts and want a department of their own. "Yes, I'm against the separator; I've always been opposed to tainted butter."

CITY APPRECIATES SERVICES.

Clark, S. D., March 17.—The board of education has just re-elected Superintendent George B. Otis, for another year at an increased salary, given in recognition of his faithful and efficient services in building up the schools.

IOWA SCHOOL BOYS SUCCEED AS PUBLISHERS

Spencer, Iowa, March 10.—Two small boys of Spencer have given their home town a distinction not possessed by many other towns, if indeed any, in the northwest. They are genuine, three-year-old boys and have made a success from all points of view of their venture. Two years ago William S. Bemis, Jr., then 12 years old, and his brother, Louis M., three years his junior, began the publication of the Alert, four pages, each 8 1/2 x 11 inches, with three columns to the page. With some help from their parents in the construction of their news items, for the Alert is purely local and calculated to interest persons of all ages, they have issued the paper every other week since without help.

The mystery of the types had a fascination for Willie, the elder, some time before he went into the printing business on his own account, and he was accustomed to drop into the offices around town and do a little "stunt" in typesetting. Someone gave him a job press and a cheap font of type and straightway the brothers began printing cards. But the toy was soon outgrown. Then someone told them of a chance to get a small handpress by the sale of Larkin's soap. Speedily the friends and acquaintances of the boys discovered that there was "something doing." The boys became soap merchants as a means to an end and soon had the new press and had begun the publication of their paper. In time this press had to be laid aside. They had accumulated a small bank account and by the sale of the old press and two small pigs, which a

worthy man of the place gave them, they were able to buy the job and paper press which has served their purposes to this time. "For two years, or until last January, the kitchen of the Bemis home was the office of the Alert. At the outset the boys had no rack for their cases of type and would place the latter on the floor or a small box when setting type. As might be supposed there were some busy times in the Bemis kitchen, especially when the rush was on press days and all hands made "pi." But early the present winter the boy editors began the agitation for a printing office where the maid and other folks "wouldn't be so much in the way."

Mr. Bemis, the father, is a successful lawyer; the son, by the way, of a former state treasurer of Iowa. He could give his boys all that they asked in reason, but his policy has been to have them do things for themselves and thus develop their initiative and self-reliance. Material from an old shed was placed at their disposal and they were told to go ahead and select it and build a detached office in the rear of the family residence. In time a comfortable office building, eight by sixteen feet, was erected, the boys doing all the work of razing the old building and erecting the new one except the hanging of a door, and building of a chimney and the plastering of the interior, which were properly worked for others. The editors of the Alert have been taught to do their own banking and to look after its own business affairs. They have 250 bona fide subscribers, some of them in foreign lands, at 25 cents a year. They carry the advertisements of the local merchants and do job printing of all sorts that is not too complicated. Their books show they

have made a profit of \$350 in the two years and a fraction they have been in business. They have in the neighborhood of twenty-five fonts of type and put a valuation of about \$250 on their outfit and office building, both of which are unencumbered. The firm of Bemis Bros. has reached another milestone—it has placed the order for a \$250 Gordon press and is going to have some of the latest faces of job type. Next year the young editors expect to issue their paper weekly and double their earnings without a corresponding increase of their expenses. They have in press a job from which even a mature mechanic might shrink. It is Bemis Bros. "Up-to-date Cook Book" which is to have seventy or eighty pages and sell at 25 cents each. Five hundred copies will be issued, the women of Spencer contributing the recipes.



WILLIAM S. BEMIS, JR.