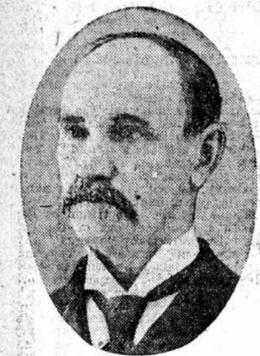


GARNERINGS OF NEWS FROM THE GREAT NORTHWEST

FARGO WATER SUPPLY IS STILL TROUBLING

Dream of a Pipe Line to Some Pure Minnesota Lake Still Lingers.



J. A. JOHNSON, Mayor of Fargo for Tenth Time, and Leader in Public Movements.

Special to The Journal. Fargo, N. D., Dec. 22.—Fargo is to do some more experimenting for a water supply. The situation has become so serious that a water commission was appointed before reaching Fargo, but in reported in favor of trying to sink artesian wells near the present waterworks from which water can be pumped into the city mains instead of from the Red river.

Many families are compelled to have three kinds of water for their homes. The supply from the river is rarely used either for cooking or drinking, except by persons too poor to get anything else. The water is degenerated into such a small stream that any rain, with the water running from the rich black loam fields into the river, soon makes it assume a chocolate appearance. The further east that Wahpeton, fifty-four miles up the stream, dumps its sewage into the river, does not have a tendency to make people believe the water is in any way improved. In the summer the water is supposed to purify itself before reaching Fargo, but in the winter, with the ice two to three feet thick, there is not a great depth left in the stream, and it becomes little more than a sewer.

Two Other Kinds. The supply from the artesian wells west of the city is delivered by tank wagons, the sanitary condition of many of which is under suspicion. The water is left in receptacles at the homes of the consumers and is not kept as neatly or as fresh as it might be. It is used for culinary purposes by all and for drinking by many. The water contains a large percentage of solids and is regarded as especially harmful to the kidneys.

After paying for city water and buying artesian, those who can afford it, purchase spring water from Minnesota and elsewhere. If a sufficient supply can be found near the waterworks for Fargo's requirements, citizens may still be able to purchase spring water. The test by no means certain of success, for geologists seem to doubt the continuance of the present artesian supply. Perhaps it is not a true artesian water, but mere seepage from the top of the earth.

Moorhead, Too, in Like Boat. The popular idea to get a water supply to pipe it from some lake in Minnesota, thirty-five to fifty miles east of this city. Such a plan is not within Fargo's present financial powers, and it is unlikely a private company would undertake it, unless Fargo sacrificed its present system of water supply. It has been put in by the municipality at much cost. It would probably also require a similar arrangement with the city of Moorhead, which also owns its waterworks system, and is struggling with the same problems which confront this city.

FRUIT GROWERS ARE URGED TO ORGANIZE

Advantages of a Mutual System of Marketing to Be Presented to Montanans.

Special to The Journal. Bozeman, Mont., Dec. 22.—Professor R. W. Fisher, in charge of the horticultural work of the agricultural college and experiment station here, is starting a campaign to organize a fruit-growers' association in the Bitter Root valley, the chief fruit region of the state, in order to aid the growers in marketing their fruit to better advantage. The plan, which is used in many of the older fruit regions of the northwest, is to secure advance estimates of the crop and submit the figures for bids in the principal fruit markets of the world, with the guarantee of the association as to quality.

According to Professor Fisher's survey of the orchards of the Bitter Root valley, there are 300,000 trees in bearing, and as soon as they come to full productiveness they should give an annual yield of 1,500,000 boxes. Professor Fisher will be in Hamilton on Jan. 2, in Victor on Jan. 3, in Stevensville on Jan. 4, and in Missoula on Jan. 5, and will hold an afternoon meeting in each place. He has reason from his correspondence to expect that a strong association will be formed. The junior class of the Agricultural college is preparing to publish the first annual ever issued in the college and is busy gathering the copy and illustrations. The editorial staff is composed of A. A. Peterson of Aberdeen, Miss Phoebe Morgan and Wilbur Robinson of Bozeman, and Irvin Mountjoy of Twin Bridges. The college Y. M. C. A. has been growing rapidly and now has nearly seventy-five members.

NEW \$60,000 SCHOOL. Special to The Journal. Lake Linden, Mich., Dec. 22.—The Adams school board has decided to erect a high school at Painesdale next year. It will cost \$50,000 or \$60,000 and be located near the Sarah Margaret Paine Memorial building. A committee will visit the various high schools of the county to secure ideas on construction.

BANANA BELT OF THE WEST TURNS OUT MORE FIVE-GENERATION GROUPS



BAGLEY'S PRIZE FAMILY CIRCLE.

THAT the ozone of the prairie and pine is conducive to longevity is being constantly demonstrated. Four-generation families are becoming numerous, and five-generations are not the great rarity they used to be. In another decade they may attract but little more than passing interest. It is not often that four women and a girl babe link five generations in a family, but such is the case of the group from Bagley's farm, shown on the left. The great-grandmother, Mary A. Berkey, was born at Collinsville, Ill., Aug. 4, 1832, and celebrated her 74th birthday in Bagley last August. She is a widow and lives with two unmarried sons, keeping house for them and doing her own work. Mrs. Carrie H. Greer, her daughter, formerly lived at New London, Minn., but recently moved to Bagley. Next in line is Mrs. Edith A. Wright, oldest daughter of Mrs. Greer. The eldest daughter of Mrs. Wright is Cora Wright Wilson, sitting on the right of the picture. The baby girl, Kanda G. Wilson, was a year old at the time the picture was taken.

On the right is a four-generation group now living under one roof in Brookings, S. D. Like the one on the left, this group is composed of females, who are Mrs. J. R. Post, aged 68 years when the picture was made; Mrs. N. Eichberg, aged 41; Mrs. Luez Crook, aged 18; and Beryl Crook, aged 3 months. The members of the family party below assembled in Mankato last week to attend the wedding of Miss Mary H. Roe to William H. Oates. The five generations are relatives of the bride. Those comprising the group are the great-grandparents, Edward and Amanda Miller of Madelia, aged 84 and 88 years respectively; the great-grandmother, Mrs. Jane Hudson of Mankato, aged 60; the grandmother, Mrs. George L. Jones of Pine River, Minn., aged 38; the mother, Mrs. B. C. Robindeau of Pine River, aged 20; and the babe, Eldora Robindeau, aged 2 months.



FOUR GENERATIONS LIVING UNDER SAME ROOF.

WORK IN THE WOODS IS FAST PICKING UP

Strain Is Off the Labor Market and Snow Is Plentiful and Weather Cold.

Special to The Journal. Calumet, Mich., Dec. 22.—Logging work in northern Michigan is going forward rapidly. Snow is plentiful and the weather is cold. Camps are still short of men, but the labor situation is not so strained as it was earlier in the season. The Nester estate has several camps near Baraga and L'Anse, which were started last July. The logs are being hauled to the millpond at Baraga by team. It is expected that the company's cut at its various camps and by contract will be 25,000,000 feet. Charles Hebard & Son, of Pequaming, are operating large camps in Baraga county. Some of the camps are near L'Anse and Pequaming. Several jobs are also getting out timber for the company.

The Northern Lumber company's logging operations at Birch, Marquette county, are going forward with a very large force of men engaged. A railroad is being used to transport the logs to the mill from the camps, five miles distant, a locomotive and thirty cars being in use. A steam loader and skidder, which cost \$6,000, is used. The cut of logs this season will exceed 15,000,000 feet.

The Chicago Lumbering company, of Manistique, is preparing to start camps in the vicinity of Wetmore, Schoolcraft county. John A. Brawley, of Gould city, will assume charge of the William Mueller company's logging operations at Blaney, Schoolcraft county. A. J. Augustine, a timber jobber of Saults, Marquette county, has purchased a tract of timber in the Junction basin from Louis Corbett. He will start logging at once. Robert Grestner has his logging camp at Randville, Dickinson county, running with seventy men. He estimates his output for the winter at 10,000 cedar posts, 8,000 cedar ties, 30,000 cedar posts, 400,000 feet of cedar and hemlock logs and 600 carloads of pulpwood. R. F. Gibbs & Son, of Portage, Iron county, have closed a deal for six millies of timber land near McGovern's mill and have already located a camp. Logging camps are running full blast in the district between Negaunee and Escanaba. There are as many men employed there now as at any time last winter and the cut will be as large, if not larger, as in 1905-06.

GOPHER BOY SUCCEEDS

Lester Pond of Wilder, Minn., Wins High Honors at Columbia University.

Special to The Journal. Wilder, Minn., Dec. 22.—Lester Munroe Pond, son of William H. Pond, president of Breck school of this place, is pursuing a course in art and architecture in Columbia university, New York city, and writes his father as follows: "The reward for my work thus far came today when the jury awarded me a 'mention' on my first competitive drawing. I am the second man who has ever received a mention on his first design. My design becomes the property of the university and will be exhibited in different cities this winter. This gives me four of the six points required for the year."



FIVE GENERATIONS OF ONE FAMILY ATTEND A MANKATO WEDDING.

N. P. TO BAR SALOONS FROM ITS NEW TOWN

Dilworth, or East Moorhead, Is Fast Building on Sane and Solid Lines.

Special to The Journal. Moorhead, Minn., Dec. 22.—The new forty-five room hotel which the Northern Pacific Railroad company has erected at Dilworth, or East Moorhead, the new division headquarters just east of Moorhead, is being built on sane and solid lines. The railroad company is selling lots to employees only, not more than two lots to a man, and also limiting the sale of business lots. The agreements provide that no liquor can be sold on the lots. Work on the big shops, roundhouse and reservoir is progressing as fast as the weather permits.

The biggest drainage ditch in the county has just been established by the county board, with an estimated cost of \$50,000. The ditch traverses the north part of the county for twenty-one miles, crossing the towns of Georgetown, Widing, Felton and Hagen, and is known as Ditch No. 14. Twenty-eight mills is the total rate for all taxes due for 1906, according to a statement just issued by County Auditor Eid for the city of Moorhead. This includes state, county, general school, city and city school taxes, amounting to \$33,249.44 on a valuation of \$1,187,480.

GOLD FROM RIVER BED

Special to The Journal. Prince Albert, Sask., Dec. 22.—When it was learned gold existed in the bed of the Saskatchewan river here in immense quantities Dr. D. Roughledge at once organized a company to build a dredge to secure it. This dredge was kept at work thru the summer and a few days ago the results of the washings were shipped. "The operations were so satisfactory that work has been commenced on four other dredges, which will be completed by the time the ice goes out in the spring."

JUST WROTE HIS NAME IN

Who Won an Election Tho His Name Was Not Printed on the Ticket.



Archie Whaley, who won an election tho his name was not printed on the ticket. The contest case of John M. Bayer vs. Archie Whaley for the office of sheriff of Clay county, Minnesota, will be taken up by Judge M. D. Taylor of St. Cloud on Dec. 27. Both men were candidates for the nomination, J. M. Bayer winning out. At the election Whaley's friends wrote his name in on the ticket in sufficient numbers to give him victory. The hood protestant brings up several questions, one being the right of a defeated candidate at the primaries to engage actively in the general election as a candidate.

EASY TO SEE ITS FINISH

Bennett Not Disposed to Shout for Upper Peninsula Statehood. St. Ignace, Mich., Dec. 22.—Representative-elect James T. Bennett, father of the upper peninsula separate statehood proposition, announces that should serious objection be raised thereto by the lower Michigan solons he will drop the project. Hence it is likely that the scheme will not even be broached at Lansing.

LAKE SUPERIOR MEN SCORE HEAVILY AGAIN

Clean Up Several Neat Fortunes on the Bulge in Two Copper Stocks.

Special to The Journal. Calumet, Mich., Dec. 22.—Lake Superior men have again made several fortunes in mining stocks, this time in Greene Consolidated. It is estimated that fully 200,000 shares were purchased by men on the Minnesota and Michigan iron ranges previous to the consummation of the deal whereby the Greene was merged into the Cananea Central and passed into the control of Thomas F. Cole, formerly of Calumet. The stock purchased by Lake Superior interests appreciated nearly \$2,000,000 after the deal was announced. Lake Superior men are also heavy holders of Cananea Central. This stock went on the market at \$5 a share and advanced to \$40. The profits of the Lake Superior holders amount to upward of \$10,000,000.

TOWER MAN LOSES BOAT

Steamer Intended for Vermillion Lake Is Hard Aground.

Special to The Journal. Hancock, Mich., Dec. 22.—The purchase of the tug Adventurer by Nels J. Benson of Tower, Minn., who proposed to use it on Vermillion lake, proved a poor investment. In company with the small steamer Mary Bell, sold to Edward Osterberg also of Tower, the Adventurer started for the head of Lake Superior in tow of the tug Tramp. The sea proved too rough, however, and the boats headed back for Ontonagon, but near that port the Adventurer broke adrift and went upon the beach. She is full of water and sand and efforts to release her have failed. Nothing more will be done until spring, when the machinery will be taken out and the boat probably abandoned. The Mary Bell will remain at Ontonagon for the winter.

GOVERNING SYSTEM AT FAULT, SAY TEACHERS

Want Normal School Regents Picked from Towns Not Having Normals.

Special to The Journal. Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 22.—The Wisconsin State Teachers' association at its next annual convention here during the Christmas holidays will ask for a change in the government of the normal school system, the principal effect of which will be to have five instead of ten regents, most of whom must necessarily be residents of normal school towns. The reason extended for this request, in the main, is that a system of such nature has grown up as to make possible the removal of the regents, President Pray of the Stevens Point normal school.

There is no certain provision in the present laws that the regents must be appointed from the normal school towns, but that custom has grown up into such a precedent that it cannot be overcome until now the policy of "senatorial courtesy" obtains to such a degree that each school is governed almost absolutely by its local agent. Of the ten members of the present board of regents, seven are appointed from the seven cities where the normal schools are located and three from the state at large. In dividing the work of the board, each local regent is, thru courtesy, granted the supervision of his home school and it would be in violation of this rule of courtesy which prevails at the board meetings for any member to make close inquiry into any part of the management of the school belonging to another regent. The retirement of President Pray of the Stevens Point normal school at the request of the regent living at that city is an example of the results of this custom, it is said, and would indicate that the interests of the schools are not looked after by the entire board.

DAUGHTER HIS ACUSER

Man Who Spent \$1,000 on Wedding Trip Is Charged With Bigamy.

Special to The Journal. Kingsley, Iowa, Dec. 22.—Samuel Warren, charged by his own daughter with bigamy, maintains he is innocent and the case has been continued to allow Warren to produce proof. He recently married Mrs. A. J. Baulk, a wealthy widow, and went on a wedding trip, in which he spent nearly \$1,000. Upon his return his daughter hailed him into court for bigamy. Warren says thirty years ago he married Mattie Lee of Magoketa, but secured a divorce. A few years later he married Carrie Brennan of Shenandoah, but they separated sixteen years ago. He has lived here three years.

TWO CHURCHES IN HUB CITY UNITE

Presbyterians and Baptists Merge—Latter's Pastor in Charge of Flock.



REV. C. F. BRONSON, Accepted as Pastor by Amalgamated Congregation at Aberdeen, S. D.

Special to The Journal. Aberdeen, S. D., Dec. 21.—Unity in Christianity is the feeling prevailing in certain church circles in this city, and a practical demonstration was given last night when the congregations of the Presbyterian and Baptist churches decided to join forces. The arrangement is to be in effect for six months, beginning Jan. 1, and if it gives satisfaction, it will be made permanent.

This is the first time in the church history of the northwest that congregations of two distinct denominations have amalgamated. Several towns in Wisconsin are considering similar unions. Since the death of Dr. J. W. Campbell a few weeks ago, the Presbyterian church here has been without a pastor. Services have been held every Sunday, however, pastors of other churches filling the pulpit by invitation. In all these services, there has been a marked display of unity and it only needed somebody to take the lead to bring the matter to a climax. G. M. L. Erwin, an elder of the Presbyterian church, took the initiative after hearing Rev. C. F. Bronson speak at one of the services.

Mr. Bronson is pastor of the Baptist church and is popular. Mr. Erwin asked his opinion about making an attempt to join the congregations under one leadership and the minister agreed it would be a good thing. Meetings were held by the trustees of both churches, and last night the matter was submitted to the congregations. The plan was properly submitted and when put to a vote, both congregations decided unanimously in favor of joining forces. The Baptist congregation, led by its pastor, then went to the Presbyterian church to hold a unity service, and the visitors were welcomed by the latter congregation singing "Onward, Christian Soldiers." A rousing service was held and a unanimous call was extended to Rev. C. F. Bronson to take charge of the new and increased congregation. The first service under the new arrangement will be held Jan. 6, and the Presbyterian church has been designated as the usual place of meeting.

GRIP OF SNOW ON THE KENMARE LINE

Soo Company's Rotaries Are Kept Busy on an East and West Branch.

Special to The Journal. Thief River Falls, Minn., Dec. 22.—The snow blockade on the Thief River Falls-Kenmare branch of the Soo system has been the most persistent and complete of any in the west this winter. The Thief River yards are blockaded with North Dakota bound freight. No blame is attached to the road for its inability to run trains. Rather, its efforts are to be commended for, despite the fact that it is an impossibility under the present state of the officials aim to keep traffic going as much as possible. Farmers who live near a stalled passenger train are reaping a harvest from the hungry passengers. Exorbitant prices are asked for food, but in most cases a little bluffing is all that is necessary to drive the price down to a reasonable figure.

Everywhere possible is being done to allay the suffering, and in many instances the Soo officials have paid the expenses themselves. Large snowfalls of both the Jull and rotary patterns are being used to open the line. All of the trains have been stalled between Adams and Overly and between Grano and Tolley, at the west end. Fuel conditions are discouraging. Nearly all the stations are out of coal, and in some places the agents have taken down the company coal stoves and have substituted wood stoves and are using wood. Citizens are also suffering and several hundred carloads of coal will be required to meet the demand.

RESIGNS POLITICS TO RETURN TO HIS STORE

Special to The Journal. Stuart, Iowa, Dec. 22.—Lieutenant Governor John Herriott is one of the busiest men in Iowa. He has partly regained his health and is working behind the counter in the drug and novelty store run by himself and son, and says he is enjoying the biggest Christmas business he has ever had, and that he had to work until midnight every night. "I don't care for politics now," said the lieutenant governor. "Neither am I worried over the fact that I was not invited to attend the dedication of the Vicksburg monument. The governor has written me that it was an oversight, and that he had expected to have me as a guest, but had left it to other members of the party to invite me. I hope that the state will pass a decent farm bill," said Mr. Herriott. "And in the name of reform and efficiency let the legislature give us a primary law and honest primary elections."

"FIRST LADIES" OF FOUR COMMONWEALTHS IN THE NORTHWEST

MRS. BURKE, Wife of Governor-Elect Burke of North Dakota.

MRS. DAVIDSON, Wife of the Chief Executive of the Badger State.

SOCIAL WHIRL TO START SOON IN THE NORTHWEST CAPITALS

Society in the state capitals of the northwest is looking forward to a brilliant season this winter. New governors and new "first ladies" have been chosen in North and South Dakota and the inaugural ball and banquet will be the crowning feature of social life in those capitals. Already committees are making preparations. Governor and Mrs. Crawford of South Dakota are not moving their Laces and Females to Pierre, but have engaged rooms at the famous Locke hotel, since its location the rendezvous of society's favorites and the scene of countless brilliant parties and balls. An animated social season is also certain in North Dakota. Receptions and balls will follow in rapid succession. The Des Moines season, always full of gaiety, will be at its best this winter.

MRS. JOHNSON, Wife of the Popular Governor of Minnesota.

MRS. CUMMINS, Wife of Iowa's Governor, Who Is About to Enter on His Third Full Term.