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DEATH'S SUMMONS

Mrs. Jas. Mann Died Suddenly of Double Pneumonia Thursday Morning.

Wm. Kirk, an Elk Pioneer, Passes Away at an Advanced Age.

The people of this city were painfully shocked yesterday forenoon by the announcement that Mrs. Jas. Mann was dead. It was not known that she was indisposed and the announcement of her death came as a complete surprise. She had been suffering with an attack of gripe about a week, and on Wednesday Dr. Manson was called. He found her suffering with double pneumonia. On Thursday morning he called a consultation, attended by three other doctors, but the disease had made such progress that nothing could be done, and she died at 10:30 in the forenoon. Mrs. Mann, who had been married only a few weeks, was born and raised in Worthington and was a young woman of many excellent qualities. Her sudden death leaves the husband and other relatives grief stricken. They have the sympathy of all in their sore bereavement.

The funeral will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Presbyterian church.

Wm. Kirk, a pioneer resident of the town of Elk, died at his home six miles north of Worthington on Wednesday at his advanced age of 81 years, after an illness of several weeks. He leaves a widow and several grown up children. The funeral will be held from the residence on Friday and interment will be made at Reading. The deceased was born in England. He came to Nobles county about 20 years ago. He was a man of high character, was well known throughout the county and highly esteemed by all who knew him.

Christmas Tree at the Old M. E. Church.

The Christian church will give their Christmas program on Sunday evening at 7:30. There will be a small tree with presents of candy and nuts for the children. All are invited. Come early.

Christmas Tree.

The Young Peoples Society of the Swedish Lutheran church have arranged for a Christmas tree and program at that church on Tuesday evening Dec. 26, at 7 o'clock. Admission is free and all are welcome.

Prominent Landlord Dead.

B. W. Ashley for many years land lord of the Ashley House at Jackson, died very suddenly on Tuesday evening of apoplexy. He was well known throughout this part of the state and had numerous friends who will regret to learn of his demise.

Methodist Church.

Services next Sunday appropriate to the Christmas tide. Morning sermon by the pastor Rev. G. A. Cahoon, on the subject, "The Message Heard on Judean Hills". Evening subject "Following A Star." Good music will be furnished and a cordial invitation to worship is extended to all.

Christmas Cantata.

"The Real Santa Claus" will be at the Methodist church next Monday evening. He must be seen and heard to be appreciated. A most interesting cantata with above title has been carefully prepared. It has plenty of fun and lots of life and will interest and entertain both old and young. The members of the Sunday school have entered into it with a keen relish and are anticipating a jolly good time.

Sam McCall a former officer in the Salvation Army and J. G. Stewart, of Minneapolis, were here this week in the interest of O. K. Shooker, recently invented by Mr. Stewart.

CIVIL WAR IN RUSSIA.

Government Throws Down Gauntlet and the Proletariat Accepts Battle.

Army and Navy Claimed by Insurgents. Romanoff Throne In Jeopardy.

IS THE CZAR'S LAST FIGHT

Great Stretches of Country Laid Waste and Blood Flows Amid All the Horrors of War.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 20—The workman's council, under the very noses of the police, has succeeded in printing a hundred thousand copies of its paper, announcing that the government has declared a Civil war on the proletariat and saying that the challenge must be accepted. In its appeal to the people the council declares this is the government's last fight, that the throne of the Romanoffs is tottering and that another blow will cause it to fall. The council adds:

"While the government at St. Petersburg is falling, its own regiments are rising against it and at Riga a republic has already been proclaimed. A few regiments may still be faithful, but the army as a whole is on our side. The government wants to fight. It shall have it. The people are for us. If we are defeated it will not be our last battle. We can fight on. The government is risking everything, its army and its finances.

"Witte cannot play his hypocritical game any longer. The government has only made concessions to save itself from ruin. Now, seeing its fall is inevitable, it is making a last despairing effort to recover its power. We would have preferred delaying the decisive conflict until better prepared, but reaction makes retreat impossible. A revolutionary conflict cannot be avoided."

The paper also contains a direct appeal to the army, which is signed "The Pan Russian union of the army and the navy." This appeal inveighs against the tyranny of the government, which, it says, employs the army not against a foreign foe, but to shoot down its people. It summons the soldiers and sailors to remember their parents, their wives and their children, to take a share in the emancipation of the nation, to organize secretly, to take oath not to shoot down the people and to join in the general strike when it shall have been proclaimed.

In spite of the fury of the revolutionists, however, considerable confidence is expressed in government circles that the extreme elements in the present temper of the workmen will not dare to call a general strike, and that if they do the chances are that it will be a failure.

The southern part of Livonia and the greater part of Courland are completely in possession of the insurgents. The military are still much too feeble to cope with the situation.

The region between Riga and Wenden is a wilderness. The buildings on all the estates have been burned and plundered.

The heavens to the south or Dorpat tonight reflect the glare of fires. A number of German and their families are held prisoners by the insurgents.

The troops at Riga have joined in the revolt and that town is being shelled and is burning. Between St. Petersburg and Wirballen the flames, can be seen from several places.

CHICAGO HAS BANK CRASH

Three Financial Institutions Dominated by J. R. Walsh Suspend Operations.

Chicago, Dec. 20—Three of the largest financial institutions in the West, the Chicago National bank, the Home Savings bank and the Equitable Trust company, all of them controlled by John R. Walsh of this city, and in great measure owned by him, suspended operations today. Their affairs will be liquidated as rapidly as possible and they will go out of business.

Mr. Walsh, who was the president of the Chicago National bank and of the Equitable Trust company, and all the other officers of the Chicago National bank have resigned. National Bank Examiner C. H. Bosworth has succeeded Mr. Walsh at the head of the Chicago National bank.

Back of the new management stand the allied banks of Chicago, who have pledged their resources that every depositor shall be paid to the last cent.

The immediate cause of the collapse of the institutions controlled by Mr. Walsh is said to be the large amount of money which they have loaned to various private enterprises of his,—notably the Southern Indiana railway and the Bedford Quarries company of Indiana.

Married.

Mr. Theo. Mitchell Jr., and Miss Marjory Canning were married on Wednesday evening, Dec. 20., the Rev. Mr. W. H. Knowlton of St. James officiating. The ceremony took place at the rooms of the bride, over the Mitchell store on 2nd Ave., and was witnessed by a small company of relatives and friends.

School Notes.

On Monday morning, the high school listened to a very delightful address by Mr. R. W. Cranston, representative of the American Book Co. His talk was inspiring, as well as entertaining, and we hope it will not be his last visit to us.

The German 2 class are now reading a very interesting dialogue, known as "Einer musz Heiraten" or in plain English "One must Marry." Good attention is given.

On Tuesday morning, the classes were slightly interrupted by the sound of the fire gong. In their hurry several of the young men for get where to go, but it might be added that they got out of the building without burn, as the nearest door and down seemed to be a better means of escape than going away around and following their leader, as they should. But with few exceptions the drill was carried on perfectly, and the whole student body were out of the building in less than two minutes.

On Friday morning the Geology class listened to a very interesting lecture on glaciers by Miss Janney, illustrated with views projected by the sun light stereopticon in the chemical laboratory.

A sample of what we hear now days—"O Mary! Mary! (only that isn't her name) are you going skating tonight?"

"No, I can't; I have to get my lessons, I've let them go so long already". But she went.

The program of the literary society which was scheduled for Friday, Dec. 22, was given on Thursday, instead, to allow the students living out of town, a chance to return home on Friday afternoon.

The reporter and the whole school for that matter, will take a two weeks lay off, beginning with Friday, so don't be disappointed if you don't see any notes during that time, you'll know why. A merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all.

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M'CLEARY ON THE DEFENSE

Mankato Congressman Fears Criticism for Vote on Philippine Free Trade Bill.

Washington, Dec. 20—Congressman McCleary is out with a long statement, defending his vote for free trade with the Philippines. He admits that the bill, which he vote to report to the house, will precipitate a tariff discussion.

Mr. McCleary himself has prepared a bill on the maximum and minimum order, in which he proposes to raise the Dingley schedules on products from countries which discriminate against us. The increase would be 25 per cent. This will intensify the already strained relations between Germany and the United States.

Congressman Babcock of Wisconsin and McCleary had a hot argument on the Philippine bill. Babcock claims McCleary's position is not in accord with Western sentiment. McCleary will have to face some strong opposition in the near future.

Notice.

There will be a mass meeting held at the school house on the evening of Dec. 26, 05 at 8 p. m. for the purpose of discussing the advisability of bonding the district for a new building and heating plant. A full attendance of legal voters is desired.

G. W. Patterson, Pres.
A. T. Latta, Secy.

Miss M. J. Fahy has received for the holiday trade a fine line of statuary and fancy china which she is offering at marvelously low prices. You should see these goods before buying all your holiday gifts.

"WANTS" For Sale Rent, &c

Farm for Rent—Two and one half miles from Bigelow, Minn. Enquire of Ed Brown, Bigelow, Minn.

For Sale—Hunting outfit, consisting of gun, decoys, boat and boat cart. E. W. Lanham.

For Rent—A part of the Presbyterian parsonage. Steam heat, electric lights and all modern conveniences. Apply to Rev. E. W. Lanham.

For rent—New house, 10 rooms. Call on Flynn and Cashel.

For Sale—Light buggy pole, shafts and set of sleigh runners. Edwin C. Wilson.

Wanted—Farm lands, in exchange for town property. Will give somebody a good deal. Enquire of J. D. Matteson. tf.

For sale—Several thoroughbred light Brahma cockerels. Fine stock. Phone 199J4, box 107, Worthington.

Stray—One two year old Hereford steer came to my place, one and one half miles north of Worthington, about Oct. 24th. Owner can secure the same by proving property and paying costs. Gerald Sharp.

For Sale—700 good breeding ewes about 40 of them are registered Oxford, balance Shropshire breed. Prices form \$5 upward according to number and selection. P. D. Van Horses, rural free delivery Reading Minn. 12-15

For rent—Two good furnished and heated sleeping rooms, with closet. One block southeast of Omaha depot. Mrs. Stark.

House for rent. Enquire at Blume's laundry.

For sale—Ice boat, set up and in running order. Price \$10. Lear Bros.

For sale—High chair, baby cab baby's bathtub, child's bed, self generator gasoline stove and other pieces furniture. Will Stoutemyer.

For Sale—Nine room house, hot water heat and all modern conveniences. Mrs. E. Stanton. 12-15.