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## RUNAWAY GIRLS SEEK REFUGE IN BEMIDJI

Threats of Reform School Drive Three Turtle Children From Home.

WALK EIGHT MILES THROUGH SNOW; SPEND NIGHT OUTDOORS

Police Caring for Youngsters Pending an Investigation of Their Case.

Threatened with being sent to the state reform school, Lillie Forkey, aged 15, Sadie Stone, aged 13, and Elnora Stone, aged 8, left their homes at Turtle River yesterday forenoon, walked to Farley, thence to Lavina, and after vainly searching for a house in which to sleep, spent the night on a woodpile, being chilled and nearly frozen and suffering terribly until the M. & I. train brought them to this city this morning.

Chief of Police Bailey received a message from Turtle River this morning, requesting him to hold three girls, should they put in an appearance at Bemidji. He took them as they got off the M. & I. train, and after they had recovered from the effects of their suffering with the cold, ascertained their story, and reasons for leaving Turtle River.

The oldest girl, Lillie Forkey, is the daughter of Wallace Forkey, a carpenter who lives at Turtle, and the two younger girls are the children of Joseph Stone, a well-known character who has formerly lived in Bemidji.

The girls stated that they had been threatened at Turtle River with being sent to the reform school and also with being expelled from the public school; for what reason they claimed they did not know. Rather than take the chance of being sent to the state school, they decided to leave the town and come to Bemidji.

The children said they were going to Sunday school and that was the last seen of them until this morning. They walked to Farley, on the M. & I. railroad

## HEAR COLE AND CLAPP TONIGHT.

A. L. Cole, the next governor of Minnesota, and Senator Moses E. Clapp are in the city. They arrived on the 3:52 train from the east and were "shown the sights" by Chairman Olson and other members of the republican county committee.

Shortly after the train deposited the distinguished visitors at the depot, they were escorted to the high school, where brief addresses were made to the students; and the balance of the afternoon was spent in looking over the city and resting up for the evening's speechmaking.

The rally at the opera house, which is called to order at 8 o'clock, promises to be a most enthusiastic one. Within the last few days the interest in Mr. Cole and his candidacy has spread, until today Bemidji is a fairly loyal republican city.

Ample accommodations have been made to care for the crowd, the hall will be warm and a pleasing program has been arranged.

## BEMIDJI HIGH LOSES TO "RAPIDS" IN STIFF GAME

Local Football Players Are Beat, 12 to 0—Our Boys Did Not Expect to Win.

The Bemidji high school football team met with defeat at Grand Rapids last Saturday afternoon, when the eleven played a game with the "highs" or the "Rapids." Score, Grand Rapids 12, Bemidji 0.

The result was not a disappointment to the local players, but rather an incentive to renewed efforts, as they expected to be beaten in a more decisive manner.

The Grand Rapids team contains a large number of veteran players, who have all been thoroughly coached in the new rules, which are rather complicated, and which the Bemidji eleven has not as yet mastered, and the "Rapids" players outweighed their opponents by at least ten pounds to the man.

The Bemidji team lined up as follows: Lyoan c, Gould lg, Homdrom rg, Richardson (captain) lt, Dangerfield rt, Price le, Kruse re, Brannon quarter, Getchell rb, Collins lb, Peterson fullback; substitutes, Dwyer and Myers.

Kimball Southworth of Bemidji and Mr. Doran of Grand Rapids alternated as referee and umpire, and Professor Ritchie acted as timekeeper for Bemidji.

The contest was straight football, bucking the line for the most part, and very few trick plays were attempted. Considering the disparity in weight, the Bemidji line held well. A few moments after the game had been called, Collins secured the ball and made a spectacular run of thirty-five yards, being tackled and thrown when but a few yards from the "Rapids" goal line. Outside this one play, the Bemidji players were never dangerous, although they put up a plucky fight;

Park Rapids and Cass Lake "highs" battled for supremacy at Park Rapids Saturday afternoon, and the "Lakers" were worsted, by a score of 25 to 0. The Park Rapids team is considered one of the strongest elevens in this part of the state, although they were decisively beaten by St. Cloud, recently. Park Rapids and Grand Rapids will play next Saturday and the contest should be a battle royal.

## BEMIDJI WOULD SHOW THE VISITORS A FINE EXHIBIT

Effort Being Made to Secure Convincing Array of Products for Legislative Party.

The special train containing about thirty twin city jobbers and commercial men, members of the legislature and influential men from the twin cities and the southern part of the state, will arrive in Big Falls tomorrow morning, at about 6 o'clock, coming direct from St. Paul.

After the party has partaken of breakfast at the "Falls" it will proceed leisurely southward, visiting the towns along the line of the M. & I. as far as Bemidji, giving the distinguished visitors an opportunity to inspect exhibits of agricultural products, samples of soil and other things that will greatly interest them in the wonderful resources of northern Minnesota, the undeveloped portion of which is rich in possibilities.

The intention of the originators of the trip is to give these influential parties the opportunity of ascertaining for themselves the truth of the reports that have been wafted to the twin cities as to the adaptability of Beltrami

## HENRY BUENTHER DROWNS; A LAKE VERMILLION VICTIM

Local Taxidermist Perishes in Treacherous Waters of St. Louis County Lake—Frank Johnson, Companion in Capsized Boat, Telegraphs News.

Henry Buenther, the local taxidermist, was drowned in Lake Vermillion last Friday, supposedly while trying, with a companion named Frank Johnson, to cross that treacherous body of water in a boat.

A telegram received Saturday from Johnson announces the death. At first there was a slight mix-up as to the name, and it was not known for sure that the dead man was the Bemidji taxidermist, until late Saturday afternoon.

Saturday, the following telegram was received from Tower, Minn., directed to "Agent Great Northern;" and signed "Frank Johnson:"

"Henry Buenther drowned yesterday. Tell Mrs. Buenther and advise quick what to do."

The message was turned over to Chief of Police Bailey, who made diligent search for someone by the name of "Bounty," but could ascertain of no one by that name. It was surmised that the name had been distorted while being transmitted from Tower and that the man who had perished at Tower was Henry Buenther, the local taxidermist.

Inquiry elicited the fact that on Saturday, the 13th inst., Mr. Buenther had told his wife that he intended to make a trip to his claim, on the north shore of upper Red Lake, and that he would leave that day for the claim, going by the way of Thief River Falls.

A message was sent back to Tower inquiring if the name "Bounty" was the same that was filed in the original copy. Late Saturday evening, a reply came from Frank Johnson, to the effect that it was Henry Buenther who was drowned, and that he (Johnson) was in the boat with Buenther when it sank, Johnson escaping and Buenther going to the bottom; and asking that someone be sent to assist in recovering the body, which had not been found.

In the absence of any definite information as to how the accident occurred by which the boat was sunk and Buenther lost his life, it is surmised that Johnson and Buenther were on Vermillion lake, which is a mile north of the city of Tower, and

and Itasca counties for agricultural pursuits. The trip taken last month was so much of a revelation to those who visited here that they have regaled their friends down there with wonderful tales of this country, and another trip was arranged that more might see the "land of promise."

The special train is expected to arrive in Bemidji at about 6 o'clock tomorrow evening, and after supper is served at the Markham hotel, a reception will be given in the Crookston Lumber company's club rooms in the Masonic block, where there will be on exhibition a few of the many products that have been raised near Bemidji by farmers.

Every business man in the city is requested to appoint himself a committee of one to assist in welcoming the visitors at the M. & I. depot tomorrow evening, at 6 o'clock.

Lava. Lava may be blown into opaque bottles of gossamer lightness, and the harder sort makes a beautiful green glass of half the weight and double the strength of ordinary glass. But it is not always the same. Every volcano pours out its own special brand of molten mixture, disagreeable to walk on, but sometimes yielding precious products, as pumice stone. Lava, like all things, decomposes under the touch of time, as the fertile plains of Sicily testify.

## FIRE BOYS PLAN TO TAKE UP BASKETBALL

Are to Organize a Team and Secure Games With Outside Teams.

OPERA HOUSE WILL BE USED BY PLAYERS FOR PRACTICE

Several Members of Department Have Had Considerable Experience at the Game.

The Bemidji fire department will put a basketball team into the field this winter, and from present indications the material that is available for the team insures a very strong aggregation and one that can cope with any similar organization in this part of the state.

At a recent meeting the following officers were elected: Harry Geil, manager; Arthur Gould, secretary; Scott Stewart, treasurer.

There are several members of the department who have had considerable experience in playing basketball, and there are, altogether, twelve candidates from whom to select the team that will represent this city.

The fire department is the lessee of the opera house room in the city hall, and the windows have been screened and the room will be used by the players as a place in which to practice. Whenever the hall is not being used for show purposes, the candidates will be tried out, and an exhibition game will be played in the near future, the two teams to be selected from among the players trying for places on the team.

It is the intention of the management of the team to arrange games with outside players.

Kaelble Hurt in Collision. Edward Kaelble arrived in the city last night for the purpose of consulting a local physician relative to injuries which he received in a railroad wreck recently.

Mr. Kaelble was returning to Hibbing from a visit to Bemidji. When the train had reached a point about a mile from Hibbing the engine ran into a freight train which was coming out from the sidetrack with a full head of steam on. The head-on collision threw Mr. Kaelble across the arm of the seat in which he was sitting, wrenching his back and injuring his kidneys. Several others in the car were slightly injured. No one on the train was killed, both fireman and engineer jumping.

The accident occurred on the 13th inst., and "Shorty" now has more reason than ever to fear the uncanniness of "13."

Dead and Down Timber Money to Be Paid Reds in a Few Days.

FRONT.

Albert Brewer was a Bemidji visitor Saturday. William Bradley has returned from Canada. Mr. Bradley went there with the intention of locating, but comes back well satisfied that Beltrami county is a better place. We are glad to welcome him back.

John and James McAffrey have returned from Dakota. John has been out there during the threshing season. James returns from a year's trip in the Dakota's.

A pretty wedding took place at the home of Carl Eikstedt's last Wednesday when their son was married to Minnie Radi, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Radi. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Ulbright, of Cass Lake and was witnessed by a number of relatives and friends of the contracting parties. The young couple were the recipients of a number of valuable wedding presents.

Mistaken. Jones-Smith says that it is the hills that make the echo. Brown—So they do. Jones—And here I've lived all these years thinking it was the hollow. —New York Times.

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