

ATTENTION, GIRLS: BEMIDJI HAS MANY ELIGIBLE BACHELORS

Leap Year Staff Correspondent Shows Over 50; Big Slaughter is Expected in 1916.

CUPID'S "DUM-DUMS" FAIL TO TOUCH CITY'S LEADERS

All Sorts and Descriptions; Old Men; Men Who Have Never Worked and Never Will Have To.

A report from our special Leap Year staff correspondent shows that there are more than fifty eligible bachelors in Bemidji. What a "slaughter" there will be.

Homes for All. Think of it, girls. A half hundred unattached male human beings and not one of them who couldn't maintain a home nice enough for anyone.

Fifty unwed spenders, who give all their time to their business, their clubs and their fellowmen. The selfish things.

Suits All Tastes. For the Bemidji girls who would take advantage of the season's privileges the list of famous Bemidji bachelors includes "something to suit every taste," as they say at the stores. Many of the best known men in the country, we might even say, state without stretching it very much, are running around this city "heart-whole and fancy-free."

Some County Officials. Some of the leading county officials are still untouched by Cupid's "dum-dums." With them are a number of other popular men in various walks of life. A banker or two are still loose and a large number of business and professional men might be had for the asking. Then there are doctors and lawyers, dentists and merchants and bakers, "old men" about town, men who never worked and never will have to. Oh, girls, there is surely something in the list to suit you.

Girls Have Right. If you are a skeptic we submit a list, not complete, we admit, for that would be nearly impossible, but some of the well known and favorite sons. Remember this is Leap Year and you've got a right to do it. Bachelors, if you're not included, please don't feel slighted, because, well, you know how it is. The list: T. S. Ervin, alderman and wholesaler, considered a good catch. Scott Stewart, proprietor of Stewart's grocery; always jolly. Charles Moon, register of deeds; a serious person. Dr. E. W. Johnson, one of Bemidji's leading physicians; they all like him, girls. Andrew Johnson, sheriff of Beltrami county; a good one to tie to. Harry H. Mayer, Mayer's Dairy Lunch; ought to be a good provider. Eugene B. Berman, insurance and real estate; a citizen of the United States. Popular with both sexes. Paul Howe, banker. Just slipped by the age limit. Frank Koors, wholesale confectioner and baker. We understand it will take quick action to save this man. Charles Cominsky, Schneider Bros. Clothing company. Glad to see you in the list, Charles. "Bob" Fier, banker. Late bulletin says that he has been captured. "Jack" Herbert, lumberman. Girls, you can never tell. Glenn Harding, Grand theater manager. Some "mover." Better get him right off the reel. Gust Brown, Bemidji Candy Kitchen. Has a splendid disposition. Henry Cominsky, Schneider Bros. Ready-to-Wear store. A very entertaining man. Dr. J. W. Diedrich. The famous U. of M. quarterback. Prof. Julius Bestul, high school professor. It will take a brunette to get this "bud." James L. George, county auditor. Cupid, he's not infallible. Ernest Bourgeois, civil engineer. Don't overlook this one, girls. Herbert Doran, plumber. Not too serious to be considered. Alex Doran, City Meat Market. Delivered to any part of the city. William Laliberty, druggist. Easily made happy and contented. George Shepherd, druggist. His virtues are many, his faults few. Louis Blooston, clothing merchant. Clubman. You all know "Louie." Whitney Brown, bookkeeper. A youth who just slips by the age limit. Oscar Haakon Erickson, druggist. Only has engagements three nights a week. Van Coppennal, lawyer. We stand sponsor for this one. Glenn Peck, railroad man. Has played some basketball. Albert Kleven, real estate broker.

Owns a Ford. Raymond "Scoop" Hannah. Quality, not quantity. Ralph Lyman, merchant and hotel man. A singer could get this one. Edward Odgaard of Gill Bros. 'ing store. Should get a good because he's deserving of one. K. Given, retired hardware me. Last, but by no means least.

ORGANIZE NEW TOWN IN COUNTY

Birch Island to Be Located in Township 155, Range 32; Commissioners Continue Sessions.

At a meeting of the board of county commissioners today the Town of Birch Island in township 155, range 32, was organized.

The board heard the petition for the formation of a school district in the Town of Northern. A hearing was set for Jan. 29.

C. F. Schroeder, manager of the Beltrami county exhibit at the state fair, submitted his report which was accepted.

The funds of the towns of Battle and Woodrow, which was formerly a section of Battle, was divided.

Reports of the county attorney and public examiner were received and accepted. Final estimates for the construction of judicial ditch No. 11 were approved.

OPSAHL APPOINTS POTATO COMMITTEE

J. J. Opsahl, newly re-elected president of the Minnesota Potato Growers' association, today appointed D. E. Willard of the Northern Pacific and E. A. Habustadt of the Soo as a committee to work in conjunction with the national committee to stand in Chicago next month, to standardize and urge federal inspection of potatoes.

\$300,000 IN PAPER MONEY IS DESTROYED

Cincinnati, O., Jan. 7.—The police reported today that \$300,000 in paper money was destroyed today during the fire of the Adams Express Co. Crossed wires are believed to have been the cause of the fire.

FIRST LADY TO MAKE INITIAL BOW TONIGHT

Washington, Jan. 7.—Official Washington tonight is to greet the new mistress of the White House for the first time in her social capacity as first lady of the land. President and Mrs. Wilson will entertain the delegates to the Pan-American congress and their wives at a huge reception in the executive mansion. It will be the formal opening of the social season at the White House.

NETHAWAY APPOINTED NEW DISTRICT JUDGE

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 7.—Governor J. A. A. Burnquist has appointed J. C. Nethaway, assistant attorney general, to the judgeship of the nineteenth judicial district to succeed the late Judge P. H. Stolberg. Judge Nethaway, before being appointed assistant attorney general, was county attorney of Washington county.

Julius Achenbach who has been confined to the St. Anthony's hospital in this city is fully recovered. He left last evening to resume his duties as scaler in the Crookston Lumber company's logging camps at Kelliher.

Misses Dorothy and Monica Utley of Cass Lake are visiting with their friends, Misses Margaret and Amlie Peterson, of Bemidji. They will return to Cass Lake tomorrow.

CITY OF BEMIDJI TO HAVE PAY-UP WEEK FEB. 21-26

Movement to Induce People to Pay Their Debts Has Been Inaugurated by Merchants.

BANKS TO LOAN MONEY TO BALANCE ACCOUNTS

Event is Timely; Few People Who Do Not Own; Few People Who Could Not Pay.

Bemidji is to have a Pay-Up Week during the week of Feb. 21 to 26.

This was decided at a meeting of the Bemidji Merchants' association at the Commercial club rooms late yesterday afternoon. All business men, professional men and individuals will be invited to participate in this campaign.

The Northern National bank, the First National bank and the Security State bank will unite in an agreement to make "Pay-Up Week" loans. Money will be loaned to any reliable person so that all past debts can be cleaned up. Where endorsers are believed necessary, the merchant, it is believed, will endorse the note.

President E. A. Barker of the association appointed W. L. Brooks, H. C. Baer and R. L. Schumaker to act as a committee to prepare the banks' side of the Pay-Up Week campaign.

It is believed Bemidji is the first city in the country where the banks have taken an active interest in this manner.

The following committee was appointed to plan the campaign for the merchants: E. H. Denu, F. A. Wilson and C. W. Jewett. It is planned to secure stickers, labels, pennants, handbills, posters, etc., to call attention to the week.

Pay-Up Week is a timely event in this city as there are few people who do not owe debts to someone. It is believed that there are but few who would not pay up if they could.

Here is how the nation-wide Pay-Up Week started:

Lewis W. Moore, editor of the Border Telephone of Hume, Bates county, Mo., has the habit of regularly doing unusual things of a progressive nature. As a result of his persistent, untiring advocacy, practically every building in Hume is painted white, and traveling men from everywhere have christened it the White City and retold its glories throughout the country.

The result of his Pay-Up Week campaign was so highly satisfactory to all of the people in Hume that it became speedily noised about, and Editor Moore received so many inquiries from metropolitan newspapers, manufacturers, wholesalers, jobbers and retailers throughout the United States that he assumed the responsibility of proclaiming a national Pay-Up Week.

Editor Moore states that the business men of Hume were agreeably surprised over the almost complete settlement of all accounts due them, and these citizens were more pleased over the ease with which the feat was accomplished and the great satisfaction resulting from being able to know and say that all of their debts were paid.

Miss Jennie Gratton entertained a small number of her friends at a theater party Wednesday evening. After going to the Grand theater, light refreshments were served at the Gratton residence, 1114 Beltrami avenue.

Mrs. Alden Remfrey and daughter, Madalene, left Tuesday night for New Ulm, Minn., where they will make their home. Mr. Remfrey recently accepted a position in one of the theaters there and resigned his leadership of the Cass Lake band.

Eleven lady friends surprised Mrs. W. H. Elletson yesterday afternoon at her home on Beltrami avenue, it being her birthday.

A glance at the want column may help you sell it.

NYMORE PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES

Tagley & Wold Head List; Payment Now Due; Penalty March 1.

Tagley & Wold have the largest personal property assessment in Nymore. They are assessed \$176.61. A. O. Akre is next on the list, being assessed \$146.43.

Personal property taxes are now due and unless paid by March 1 a ten per cent penalty will be added. A complete list of the personal property taxes in Nymore is as follows:

Table listing property owners and their assessed values: Akre, A. O. \$146.43; Akre, Ed 38.75; Alton & Edd Bros. 9.89; Burk, J. M. 7.25; Buck, Chas. 1.19; Bliss, E. H. 29.00; Brink, Andrew 4.21; Bouldire, John 5.14; Beighley, M. 1.19; Castle, H. .13; Christianson, Wm. 21.88; Chapman, Stafford 16.38; Daugherty, John 11.99; Duluth Brewing Co. 17.79; Hols, Ben .39; Horman, John 3.65; Johnson, Gust .65; Jarvis, Emery 6.99; Johnson, Hans .26; Krog, A. .13; Kehli, R. W. .92; Kenfield & Brooks 33.09; Lane, E. A. 11.99; Larson, Mathew 2.37; Minneapolis Brew. Co. 6.59; Moeskan, A. & Tagley 15.16; Mitchell, Edmond .79; Martin, J. H. .65; Ohngren, H. 1.98; Patterson, R. G. .92; Paulson, K. 3.94; Ridgeway, W. S. 3.30; Stebe, John 3.03; Suppy, Joe 1.32; Stakis, William 1.71; Smith, J. T. 2.90; Saxton, Mrs. Geo. 6.72; Schmidt, H. F. 19.37; Tagley & Wold 176.61; Venne, Julius 3.82; Wold, Peter 1.19; Wold, A. 7.51

EDITORS TO MEET AT SAUK CENTER

Sauk Center, Minn., Jan. 7.—The Northern Minnesota Editorial association will hold its annual business meeting at Sauk Center Jan. 21 and 22. An excellent program has been prepared.

SUE FOR \$100,000; CHARGE SLANDER

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 7.—The Farmers' Terminal Packing Co., incorporated as a co-operative company to operate a plant and a market for livestock in St. Paul, instituted a suit today for \$100,000 damages for alleged malicious slander and conspiracy to ruin their business. The suit was brought in the circuit court of the United States for the district of Minnesota against R. A. Wilkinson, C. R. Whitaker, Thomas R. Raleigh, F. A. Telgen, J. R. Kirck, Joseph F. Monkman and George Lidern. James Manahan and Kay Todd, St. Paul attorneys, represent the plaintiffs.

J. W. Naugle, representing the Naugle Pole & Tie company in this district, left yesterday on a business trip to Thief River Falls, Warroad, International Falls and various other points to the north and west of Bemidji.

Word has been received in this city of the death of N. B. Wheeler at his home in Winona. Mr. Wheeler is the father of Miss Mable Wheeler who taught the sixth grade of the Bemidji public schools three years ago, and who during her work in this city made many friends.

Pioneer want ads are read.

LARSON AT KELLIHER INVESTIGATES LIQUOR LICENSE GRANTING

Chief of Federal Agents to Form Plan of Action Against Saloon Men.

CONFERENCE AT STATE CAPITOL NEXT MONDAY

Two Fled Guilty of Conducting "Blind Pigs"; Each Fined Fifty Dollars.

Henry A. Larson, special agent of the Indian department in charge of the law enforcement in the Indian "lid" territory, today went to Kelliher where he will investigate the granting of a saloon license there by the village council. After his investigation he will form a plan of action against the Kelliher saloon men.

Will Prosecute. Chief Larson conferred with Governor J. A. A. Burnquist and Attorney General Lyndon A. Smith at the state capitol yesterday in regard to co-operation between state officials and the federal service. In regard to the Kelliher license granting it is believed that the state and federal government can prosecute.

Governor Silent. Chief Larson will return to St. Paul Monday where he will have another conference with the state officials.

Attorney General Smith today to a Pioneer correspondent would only state that he, the governor and Indian agents would attend the conference Monday. It will be decided at that time what action will be taken. Both Mr. Smith and Governor Burnquist were reticent to talk.

Judge Still Sick. Two Kelliher men yesterday pleaded guilty before Judge A. M. Crowell at his home, on charge of conducting unlicensed drinking places. They were Andrew Stoerman and Charles Walters. Each was fined \$50.

The case of L. J. Kramer was dismissed with the arrest of Mr. Walters as Mr. Walters was conducting the place and not Mr. Kramer. The other cases will be taken up in several weeks.

Judge Crowell is still ill at his home and will be unable to discharge his duties in the municipal court chambers for several days.

LAST DAY FOR PETITIONS FOR PRESIDENT IN INDIANA

Indianapolis, Jan. 7.—This is the last day on which candidates for governor, U. S. senator, president, and vice-president can file petitions asking that their names be placed on the ballot for the primary March 7. Few eleventh hour petitions are expected. Charles Fairbanks, it is expected, will be petitioned as the favorite son for president. President Wilson and Vice-President Marshall, it is believed, will be unopposed.

SENATE CONFIRMS P. M. RITCHIE APPOINTMENT

Washington, Jan. 7.—(Special to the Pioneer)—The senate has confirmed the appointment of A. P. Ritchie as postmaster of Bemidji, Minn.

The Vidace club for children under the age of 14 will meet tonight at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Stewart, 1003 Dewey avenue. As this is the first meeting the matter of organization will take up the greater share of the time. The club's motto is to be "Always Exact."

Mrs. Elizabeth Slater of Minneapolis, department president of the ladies of the G. A. R. is expected to arrive in the city this evening. A joint installation of the veterans and the ladies of the organization will be held tomorrow afternoon at the Odd Fellows hall.

TODAY'S NORTHWEST ODDITY * Winnipeg, Jan. 7.—Two * thousand New Year's revelers * who are alleged to have drunk * liquor in hotels contrary to * the laws made and provided, * were today planning alibis of * staying home and rocking * baby. Officials promised pro- * secutions.

WILL NOT SEND ARMIES TO SUEZ

Germany Reported to Let Turks Carry on Battle in Vicinity of Canal.

Berlin, Jan. 7.—Germany will send no more armies to the Suez canal. It is generally believed that the Turks munitioned from Berlin will invade Egypt. The Turks have a million men in the field, all of which are well equipped. German officers who lived in Egypt will be given command of the expedition.

BRITISH SUBMARINE SUNK; CREW RESCUED

London, Jan. 7.—The official statement this afternoon states that a British submarine has been sunk off the Dutch island of Texel. The Dutch cruiser Noord Brabant rescued the crew.

VIENNA HAS NO REPORT ON PERSIA

Washington, Jan. 7.—Vienna replied to Ambassador Penfield today that it had no report on the sinking of the liner Persia.

PAY LARGE SUM NOT TO MAKE PEACE

Berlin, Jan. 7.—Newspapers assert that the Allies paid Italy \$400,000,000 to agree not to make separate peace.

AFFIDAVITS SAY PERSIA UNWARNED BY SUBMARINE

Washington, Jan. 7.—An official dispatch from Alexandria today says that Consul Garrels has affidavits from Charles Grant, an American, and twenty others that the Persia was sunk by a submarine which was unseen. The liner was not warned.

NORTHWESTERN TO CUT TELEPHONE RENTALS

It was believed today that the petition presented by the Bemidji Merchants' association for a decrease in telephone rentals would be accepted and granted by the Northwestern Telephone Co. The petition asked for a discount of 50 cents for residence and office rentals and 25 cents on party lines when bills are paid before the 15th of the month.

KANSAS WHEAT UNDER BLANKET OF SNOW

Kansas City, Kan., Jan. 7.—Kansas wheat is today tucked under a blanket of two and one-half inches of snow.

OFFICIAL INQUIRY IN DARDANELLES FAILURE

London, Jan. 7.—Newspapers assert that the whole Dardanelles failure and Hamilton's report will be submitted to official inquiry.

Mrs. H. N. McKee entertained twelve friends at a progressive five hundred party at her home on Minnesota avenue yesterday afternoon. After the playing was over dainty refreshments were served.

The socialist organization of this city has completed preparations for a free dance to be given in the city hall next Saturday night. A lunch will be served after the dance.

STEAL MILLION DOLLARS WORTH REVENUE STAMPS IN ST. PAUL

Robbers Enter Internal Revenue Department and Make Big Haul Some Time During Night.

\$5,000 IN CURRENCY IS TAKEN ALSO

Janitor of Federal Building Discovers Theft; Stamps Weighed 300 Pounds.

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 7.—Robbers entered the internal revenue department office in the old Federal building in the heart of the St. Paul business district some time during the past night and stole \$1,000,000 worth of internal revenue documentary stamps and \$5,000 in currency.

The stamps weighed about 300 pounds. About \$1,500 worth of stamps were left untouched, the robbers apparently being unable to move them.

How the robbers entered the office is not known. It is believed that they had an automobile and carried away the stamps.

A janitor discovered the theft when the offices were opened this morning.

Internal revenue officials today declared that the stamps taken are negotiable. Robbers recently secured several thousand dollars worth of stamps from the Peoria, Ill., office and disposed of them successfully.

MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY TO MEET

The Bemidji Mutual Insurance company will hold its annual meeting tomorrow at the court house. Three directors for the ensuing year will be elected. The directors will select the officers. Annual reports of the secretary and treasurer will be submitted.

INDIANS LEAVE FOR WASHINGTON TO PLEAD CASE

Ballclub, Minn., Jan. 7.—A delegation consisting of Sam Lyons, Sr., Dave Bemway and Charles Wakefield, representing the Chippewa Indians of this district, left for Washington yesterday to appear before Cato Sells, commissioner of Indian affairs, and a committee of congress, in the interest of pending Chippewa claims.

Special efforts will be made to obtain favorable action on claims of Indians at the Leech Lake reservation, involving a fund of \$750,000, which, the Chippewas assert, they are entitled to as an outright payment.

ENTIRE CHINESE PROVINCE REVOLTS

Pekin, Jan. 7.—Practically the entire province of Yunnan is revolting, it was officially announced today. Communication has been interrupted. Rebel forces numbering 50,000 are in charge of the province. The government forces are marching upon Yunnan. A clash is expected.

SUES STRIKERS FOR NOT WORKING

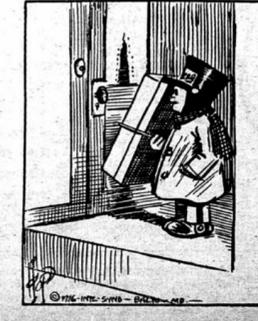
Wikesbarre, Pa., Jan. 7.—After weeks of wrangling over wages and working conditions with its 330 motormen and conductors, during which local transportation has been paralyzed and riot and bloodshed have become common, the Wikesbarre Railway Co. has sued the strikers individually and collectively for \$200,000 damages for "violation of their contract and unlawful picketing."

THIRTY INJURED; CAR TURNS TURTLE

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 7.—Thirty passengers were injured when a trolley car carrying a theater crowd late last evening returning home, turned turtle at Wilmette. The car took fire and the passengers were trapped.

Misses Marriet Frizzell and Sibly Bener who have been the guests for the past several days of Mr. and Mrs. Gilman Crone at their country home returned to Bemidji today. Miss Frizzell will remain in the city as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Vandervort until Monday when she will return to Riverside where she is teaching school this year.

SCOOP THE CUB REPORTER



This Leap Year Business Is Getting Too Serious



By "HOP"

