

HANCOCK

MEMORIAL SERVICE AT THE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Will Be Held in the Morning in Memory of Members of the Church Who Have Passed Away During Year About to Close.

A memorial service in honor of those members of the Hancock Congregational church who have passed away during the twelve months just closing, will be held tomorrow morning at which time an appropriate sermon will be preached by the pastor, Rev. J. S. Gould. His subject will be "The Church Triumphant," based upon the well known hymn "Ten Thousand Times Ten Thousand," by Alfred. The choir will render the anthem "Son of My Soul," by Solter.

The list of members of the church who have died during 1909 is as follows:

- James S. Stringer, died May 11.
- August L. Lindvall, October 9.
- Joseph Snell, January 11.
- W. DeWitt Emery, April 2.
- Isora Straw, May 3.
- Helen Blue, Jan. 23.

Others not members but for whom the pastor has conducted services were John M. Simmer and Chris. Simmer.

The Christmas exercises for the Bible school will occupy the entire evening hour and will be of a very elaborate and interesting nature, consisting of an extensive program of songs and recitations in which the pupils and the church choir will participate. The title of the program is "Prince Emanuel," the various numbers comprising which were printed in full in The News of Tuesday last.

Midnight Masses Tonight.

Midnight mass will be celebrated in the St. Patrick's and St. Joseph's churches this evening and on Christmas day there will be children's mass at 9 and high mass at 10.30, with suitable appropriate Christmas music. Collections for the orphanage at Assinins will be taken at all the masses.

At the St. Joseph's church there will be midnight mass tonight and also Christmas masses tomorrow morning at 9 and 10.00. The church is now nearly completed, with the exception of a little of the painting of the interior which will be finished next week by J. C. Donahue. The additional pews for the church affording seating capacity for about two hundred more worshippers, are not yet ready and folding chairs will be substituted until they are finished and in place.

German Lutheran Church.

Services will be held Christmas morning and on Sunday morning at the German Lutheran church, and at all the services there will be special music by the choir. The Sunday school will hold its program of Christmas exercises this evening, and the exercises will be in English. The parochial school connected with the church held its closing exercises last evening, in German.

Swedish Lutheran Church.

At the Hancock Swedish church there will be Christmas services Saturday morning and at 7:30 there will be a program of exercises for the children. Sunday morning service will be held at 10:30, and will be conducted by C. H. Rask of the Augustana seminary at Rock Island, Ill., who will also hold services at Dollar Bay at 7:30 o'clock Sunday evening.

Pewabic M. E. Church.

The programs for the Christmas entertainments and services at the Pewabic M. E. church have been given out by Rev. M. H. Eldred, the pastor. The Sunday school juniors will have their exercises Saturday evening in the church at 7:30 and another for the older pupils will be held Sunday evening at 6:30, the regular hour for holding evening service.

MAY HAVE BEEN DROWNED.

Possibility that Olson May Have Been Lost in Mishap on Great Lakes.

There is a possibility that Olson, whose family is reported to be suffering from lack of clothing, and whose case was reported this week to Mayor James, may not have abandoned his wife and children, but may have been drowned. Mrs. Olson states that her husband shipped about three or four months ago on board one of the vessels in Portage Lake at that time, since which time he has never been heard from. Previous to his departure he had been most considerate and kind to his family so that it is hardly credible that he would have deserted them intentionally. At the time of the loss of the steamer Cowles last summer, the day after it cleared from Hancock, it was wrecked near Whitefish point, with the loss of fourteen men, among the names of the drowned sailors was mentioned a man, name unknown, who was shipped at Hancock. Inquiry among the employment agencies failed to find any man from here who had shipped on the Cowles by the name of Olson. There were no subsequent wrecks in which anyone from this city, so far as known, were among the victims.

Another case of destitution, in West Hancock, has also been reported and will be looked into. The family consists of a woman who is a cripple and several children, who are absolutely destitute, and with no means of support.

The funeral of the three-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Uren, who died yesterday morning, will be held this afternoon from the Uren home in West Hancock, with services conducted by Rev. W. E. Marvin of the Hancock M. E. church. Interment will be in Lakeside cemetery.

HANDSOME CALENDARS.

Many handsome and artistic calendars for the year 1910 are being distributed by local business firms. Among those who are distributing particularly attractive calendars to their patrons are George H. Nichols, Andrew Hram, the Superior and First National banks, the Superior Piano company, the Club buffet, W. M. Shlaes, and Bridgeman and Russell. The calendar given by the last named firm is one of the handsomest ever gotten out by any local firm and represents a marine scene on the coast of Cornwall at sunset and is well worth framing.

LETTER CARRIER'S BURDENS.

Mail Distributors Laden Like Pack Horses With Christmas Packages.

This is the season of the year when no one envies the mail carriers, those gray uniformed servants of Uncle Sam upon whom devolves the burden of distribution of the hundreds of gifts sent broadcast through the mails. The packs of the letter carriers are piled high with boxes, and bundles and letters and packages of all sorts and sizes, making a load big enough to make two good sized burdons each as heavy as the usual daily amount received ordinarily during normal times. But the letter carriers are not complaining and are making their rounds as rapidly as circumstances will permit and as promptly as the belated trains will allow. During the next two days the bulk of the mail matter received here will be still greater increased and it may be necessary to give each of the carriers an assistant. It has been the practice of some of the carriers on Christmas day or the day after to use a sled on which the surplus packages are piled.

Postmaster Rogers has announced that the postoffice will be open for the distribution of mail on Christmas day from 10 to 11 o'clock tomorrow morning and from 1 to 2 in the afternoon. The extra morning hours are added in order to accommodate patrons desiring to get Christmas mail out of the office in the morning. The afternoon hours are the regular holiday hours and the same will be observed on Sunday.

JOINT CELEBRATION PROPOSED.

Project of Portage Lake and Calumet Uniting to Honor Robert Burns.

A meeting will be called soon by Alex. Stevenson, chairman of the Portage Lake Scotchmen who have been active in promoting the observance of the anniversary of the birthday of Robert Burns, to discuss the matter of holding a banquet as usual on January 25. It is the intention if possible to arrange this year for a county celebration in which the Scotchmen of Calumet and other parts of the county will unite with those of Hancock and Houghton in honoring the great poet's birthday, and making the occasion one of greater magnitude and importance than held here in the past. At the last banquet held a year ago at the Scott Hotel, there were a number of well known Calumet gentlemen of Scotch descent among the speakers, but it is the idea at present to interest all the Scotchmen of the county in the banquet and assure a gathering that will be the biggest that has yet assembled on a similar occasion.

MORE STUDENTS RETURN.

Several more students arrived yesterday from various schools to spend the holidays at their homes here. Miss Estelle Hanchette has returned from Milwaukee where she has been attending the Downer Institute; Dean Goodsole has arrived from the University of Michigan, and the Misses Mary, Rose and Anna Harrington of Quincy are home from the Marquette Normal; Miss Joanna Kennedy is also back from the Marquette Normal; Miss Heath Vail has returned from Poughkeepsie where she has been attending Yassar College and is spending the holidays at her home at the Quincy.

HOLD HOCKEY MEETING.

Former Officers Held Over for the Coming Season.

The annual meeting of the Hancock Hockey association was held last evening at the Scott hotel and a report was received from Secretary M. R. Carrigan, showing the results of last season to have been very satisfactory. A committee was appointed to audit the report, and this was the principal business disposed of at the meeting. The officers of last season will hold over for the coming year and are as follows: President, John C. Condon; secretary-treasurer, M. R. Carrigan; manager, Jay Lanctot.

MUSICAL PLAY PRESENTED.

The final presentation of the musical play, "Robin Hood," given by the Ripley school pupils at the school house last evening was attended by an even larger audience than that of the previous evening. The Hancock high school orchestra furnished the music for the first evening and the Houghton high school orchestra played the music last evening. The proceeds of the entertainments will be applied to the purchase of pictures for decorating the walls of the school rooms at Ripley. The pictures will be mainly reproductions of famous works of art, and will be hung shortly after the reopening of school after New Year's.

David Stark has returned from the Armour institute in Chicago, to spend the holidays at his home in Hancock. A son was born recently to Mr. and Mrs. Henry B. Barrow at the Maternity hospital, and a daughter arrived last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Erick Erickson of Summit street.

ALL READY FOR CHRISTMAS.

Final Rush of Holiday Shoppers is Very Large Today.

There is a big rush of holiday shoppers today, making their final purchases before the arrival of Christmas day. Tonight a larger rush is anticipated and the stores will be kept open until a late hour. Many residents are leaving for other places to spend the holidays, but most of the people of the city will observe the day at their own homes, with the usual Christmas dinners and the giving and receiving of gifts.

The church services will be of an interesting and unusually elaborate nature, and the various charitable societies and committees connected with the churches will see that no one is overlooked, if possible to avoid it, in the distribution of good things that have been provided for the poor. The Congregational Sunday school committee has distributed a great many Christmas dinners, including fowl besides, fruit, and other things that go to make up a Christmas feast. The Methodist people have also donated baskets of food, and other articles for the needy, which are being distributed today among families whose inability to provide Christmas cheer has been reported to the pastor, Rev. W. E. Marvin, and regarding whom inquiry has been made. Other churches and societies have also interested themselves in the work and the distribution of contributions that have been made will this year be unusually large, reflecting the prosperity that has been enjoyed generally during the year by the people of Hancock. The stores of the city will be closed all day, with the exception of the drug stores, where the usual holiday hours will be observed, closing at 1 o'clock and remaining closed until 7 in the evening.

HANCOCK BREVITIES.

The members of the Swastika club of Houghton, of which there are several residing in Hancock, enjoyed a turkey supper and social session last evening at their rooms in the Hartman block in Houghton.

Dr. R. H. Banks leaves tomorrow afternoon for his home at Escanaba to spend the holidays.

The overflowing of the water cistern on Reservation street last night caused a large stream of water to rush down the roadway in front of the Scott hotel, ploughing a gully of some size through the snow. It was stopped by lowering the pressure of the pumps at the station in West Hancock.

Carl Peltto, the eleven year old son of August Peltto, is reported to be somewhat improved after a long illness, with inflammatory rheumatism. Patrick Coughlin, agent of the Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea company in this city, has had to add another man on account of the increase in business and has engaged Michael Sullivan to assist him.

Francis Derwin of the Keweenaw Central railroad offices has gone to Duluth for a visit with relatives. An underground telephone is being placed in the Boston Junior mine, connecting the office exchange with the workings as far as the twenty-third level. The work is being done by the Barrett Electrical company, which firm also has the contract for wiring the steamer White City, which is to run between here and the Entry next season.

Miss Florence Downer, formerly teacher at the Ripley school, and who has been taking a course in domestic science at Menominee since September, is spending the holidays with friends in Hancock.

The funeral of the three-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Sampson, whose death occurred yesterday, was held this afternoon. Services were conducted by Rev. W. E. Marvin, who also officiated at the funeral of the child of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Uren, the two caskets uniting and proceeding to the Lakeside cemetery together.

Miss Skoglund of the Hancock schools left today for her home at Kenton to spend the holidays.

The Arcadian school closed yesterday afternoon with a program of recitations, dialogues and songs and a Christmas tree from which gifts were distributed to the pupils.

Norman D. Starrett left today for Marquette where he will attend the concert to be given this evening by the glee club of Oberlin College.

John Harris, one of those injured in the wreck of the Elk's special street car near Osceola on December 7, was able to be out yesterday for the first time since the accident. One of his legs is still pretty stiff at the knee, and he limps considerably, but is able to get about without the use of a cane. Alex. Stevenson has been out for over a week, but still has to use a cane to assist locomotion.

S. R. Claffin, principal of the E. L. Wright school, left yesterday afternoon to spend Christmas at his home at Williamston, Mich.

Dr. and Mrs. E. C. Hay and daughter Jean, will spend Christmas with relatives in Calumet.

Miss Louise Stafford of Marquette is visiting with Miss Mary Dougher over the holidays.

Thomas Ingram has nearly recovered from the injuries sustained by a recent fall and was able to leave his room yesterday for the first time.

Dwight Woodbridge, the well known mining engineer now visiting the copper country, inspected the Hancock Consolidated properties this week and is reported as well pleased with the showing.

News Want Ads. bring results.

HAVE YOU the Liquor Disease or the Drug or Tobacco Habits? If so, go to the TAYLOR, INSTITUTE, Iron River Wisconsin, and get permanently cured.

Next Queen of Belgium and Her Children



In the center, Princess Albert, wife of the heir to the throne of Belgium. At the left, Prince Leopold, at right Prince Charles.

Brussels, Dec. 22.—Princess Albert of Belgium, in the advent of the death of King Leopold, will become queen of Belgium. She is an enthusiastic little reformer and has been the means of inducing her husband, Prince Albert, the heir to the throne, to make an open declaration favoring a complete revolution in the management of the affairs in Congo. The story of robbery and oppression on the part of King Leopold is the one great blot on the cachuchon of the dying monarch.

Types of Girl Strikers and Their Benefactors



MRS. O. H. P. BELMONT. In her fight for woman's suffrage. She is preaching the doctrine of women's rights as she exhorts them to persevere. She has mortgaged her home to continued the fight to the very end.

DIGGING NEAR JERUSALEM

An English syndicate making excavations. Under the supervision of two Turkish M. P.'s an English syndicate is excavating at the Pool of Siloam, near Jerusalem. The syndicate consists of Capt. Montagu B. Parker, Grenadier Guards, brother and heir-presumptive of Lord Morley; Clarence Wilson, Mr. Duff, a relative of the Duke of Fife; Cyril Ward, Messrs. Wash, Foley and others. Some mystery attends the aim of the excavators. The popular belief is that they are searching for the crowns and treasures of David and Solomon and other kings of Judah, which some think are buried in this region. But others believe that their main object is to provide Jerusalem with the drinking water it sorely needs, of which there will be plenty and to spare should they tap the source of the spring. The scene of the excavations is the spring known as St. Mary's Well, from a legend of the Fourteenth century that the Virgin once washed the swaddling clothes of her son there. It is probably identical with the pool Gilboa, where David took Zadock the priest to anoint Solomon (I Kings, I, 33). Numerous attempts were made to render its water available for the use of the inhabitants. Probably one of the earliest is the channel connecting it with the Pool of Siloam, at the mouth of which was found one of the earliest Hebrew inscriptions we possess, now at Constantinople, which describes how the work of excavation was begun at both ends, and how, by miscalculation, the two parties missed the true point of junction.

THANK YOU

WE TAKE THIS OCCASION TO THANK YOU ONE AND ALL FOR THE VERY LIBERAL PATRONAGE YOU HAVE GIVEN US DURING THE PAST YEAR, AND IT IS OUR EARNEST HOPE THAT ALL THE PEOPLE OF THE COPPER COUNTRY HAVE A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A PROSPEROUS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR.

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The syndicate is working on its own account, and is not connected with either the Palestine Exploration fund or with the American or German archaeological institutes in Jerusalem. Large sums of money have already been expended in obtaining a permit, in purchasing land, and in carrying on the work. Over sixty men are daily employed, and more than \$4,500 is spent weekly in salaries and wages.

TORCH LAKE NEWS

EAGLES LOSE TO ST. JOHNS.

In the game of indoor baseball between the Lake Eagles and the St. Johns played last night at the theater hall, the latter won by the score of 19 to 11. The game was an interesting one, and the players did good work. The battery for the victors was Baril and Dufresne, while the Eagles' battery was Keast and Roth.

ST. ANN'S ACADEMY CLOSED.

The closing program at St. Ann's was held Thursday afternoon, when a very interesting program was rendered by the pupils. They presented their pastor, Rev. Fr. Raymond, with a beautiful silver tea set, which is greatly appreciated by him, and will always be prized, coming as it did from the children of his parish.

HERE ON SUNDAY NIGHT.

Flora DeVoss Stock Company to Play Return Engagement Here. The members of the Flora DeVoss stock company played to a fair sized audience at Lake Linden Wednesday evening, and by special request the same troupe will return for another night Sunday evening. The company is a good one and deserves liberal patronage.

HOLY ROSARY SERVICES.

Midnight Mass to be Held Xmas Eve—Special Music Arranged. Midnight mass will be held in the Catholic churches of this district Christmas eve, and in all of them special music has been prepared for the occasion. The services are always attended by large congregations, among them being a large number of the Protestant faith who always attend this special mass every year. In Holy Rosary church a very interesting service has been arranged and the choir will render special selections. The program follows: Music in F, by M. Leesch. Quartet, "Silver Night," by F. F. Gillette. Messrs. Peter Pedlant, R. E. Gillette, C. Wells and E. Guilbault. Laetentur Coeli, "Christ is Born," by Decio Monti. Vocal solo, "Oh, Faithful Shepherd," Mrs. Joseph Boudreau. Organist, Mrs. R. E. Gillette. The above service will commence at 12 midnight, local, or mill time being observed for the service.

GREETINGS

The glad season of the year is again with us, bringing in the sheaves of prosperity, good cheer and united ties of friendships.

We thank you most cordially for the part you have had in our material welfare, and extend to you and yours our warmest wishes for a MERRY CHRISTMAS and PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

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