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## HANSEN FAMILY ON WAY TO INDIA

### Interesting Letter to Home Folks Tells of Experiences on Trip

Relatives of Henry Hansen, who, with his family, departed a few months ago for India to take up mission work, have received a very interesting letter from that far-away land which we feel will be of interest to our readers. It follows:

S. S. City of Lucknow, 13 days at sea, Nov. 3.

Dear Folks at Home:

It is now over three weeks since we left home and we have seen many things since then. I shall try to tell you a little in the best way I can. As you know the days that we spent traveling in the United States we had a very good time. We have a nice room on the ship—just room enough for three of us.

We have a sink to wash in and electric lights and fan; a wardrobe or closet and three berths. Our meals are served in courses in the finest style—five or six courses at a meal. We get more meat than is good for us, but of course, milk and cream, we do not get. We have a milk flour that goes pretty good when you get used to it. We get all the nuts we can eat for supper. All the waiters here are from India. So far we like them very much.

When we left New York the first evening we didn't think we would get sick but we soon found out different. Sabbath morning we were not feeling the best and things did not improve very much for the first week. Then we got into a three days' storm. It stormed so that the waves were like hills and often they came over the deck. In fact it was not safe to be on the deck very much. I saw several people ducked well during the storm. We all had a good attack of seasickness. The fish sure did not starve then. Well, we are all over it now and are sure eating to make up for lost time. The cooking is some different than we are used to but we can get used to it.

Last Thursday we saw the first land since leaving New York thirteen days ago. We had met a White Star liner a few days before. The first land we saw was Cape St. Vincent, Portugal. There we saw the light house and the fort. We were so close to land here that we could look back into the country and see the green fields and small cottages. Thursday night we passed Gibraltar and saw the huge rock, 1300 feet high, standing straight out of the water. We also saw the powerful search light which could light up the sea far out. It was a wonderful sight. On Friday we passed close to the coast of Spain and there we saw the mountains, some of them covered with eternal snow. We saw many small fishing boats and could see a village occasionally. On Sabbath we passed very close to the coast of northern Africa. We saw Algiers and many villages and towns. We could also see the trees on the hills and one high snow-covered peak, Mount Atlas. At noon, we could see smoke arise from different parts on the hill sides. There, upon close observation through a glass, we discovered a house in connection with it. So they evidently cook their food outside the house in that country. The houses did not appear to be any too large anyhow even if the

cooking was done outside. They evidently were farm homes but not like you are used to. Their barns were also small, that is the ones there were. We saw a few haystacks and one herd of cattle grazing on the hillsides.

In the evening it is very beautiful here in the Mediterranean sea. Such beautiful sunsets I never saw and the moon fairly charms you. It seems to me that it should be a real lover's delight. While sailing close to the African shore in the evening we could see light-houses all the time. The coast line is very rocky and every protruding point has a light house. We saw several great rocks standing right out of the water and some of them were of a great height, too. These also had light houses on them.

Of course, we can go out for a walk on the boat, but we can't get very far, just like being in prison. Sunday morning we passed by Milletus or the island where Paul's ship was stranded. I never got so much out of the 27th and 28th chapters of Acts before as when I read it now in this connection. All day Sunday and part of yesterday we were in the district where they traveled for two weeks and did not even eat. They must have had nearly as large a boat too. We have about 276 passengers on board and they had 216. Of course we may carry more freight, nevertheless in good weather we covered the same distance in less than two days. Tomorrow noon we hope to be in Post Said, Egypt, where we may stop for a few days. We expect to get to Bombay just about the time that you receive this letter. Our boat is a German built one taken by the English. It is 452 feet long and 52 feet wide, a twin-screw steamer with two engines of 2000 horsepower each, with a speed of from 12 to 14 knots per hour. On this trip we are carrying cargo valued at over one million dollars, about 150 automobiles included in this. Out of 125 passengers nearly all are missionaries and the greater number are going first class. I don't see that it is much better than second only that they may get a little better grub to eat, yet it is all made in the same kitchen by the same cook. We get plenty, but it is as one of the first class passengers said to me: "If they had only saved a little money when buying provisions and invested it in a good American cook, we would have gotten along better. I don't know that we will be able to mail any more letters until we get to Bombay."

Greetings from Henry, Sophie and Wilmer.

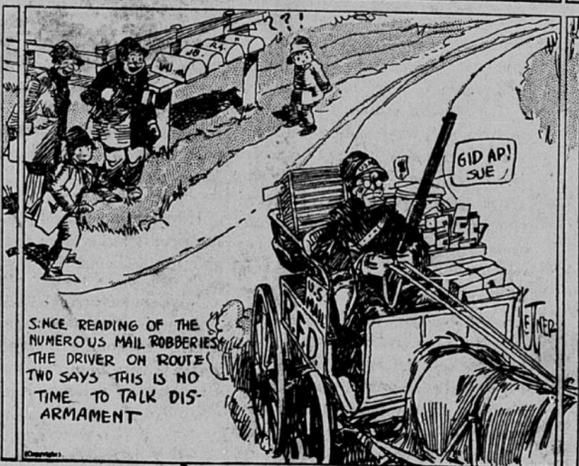
**Calf Weighs One Hundred Sixty Pounds at Birth**

What is believed to be a record for size and weight was made here Monday when a calf was born on the Lewis Hill farm south of Dexter which weighed 160 pounds. It measured 36 inches in height and 54 inches in length. The mother of the calf was a grade shorthorn cow, weighing approximately 1050 pounds while the sire was an Angus Grade yearling.

The calf was weighed and measured by Dr. Gubster and Hol Junkin of Earlham. The average calf weighs about 60 pounds and the largest calf ever seen by people here weighed 80 pounds. Both the calf and the mother died Monday night.—Dexter Sentinel.

M. M. Marion returned home Saturday from the Jones Hospital in Atlantic where he underwent an operation some four weeks ago.

## While Others Talk Disarmament



## CHRISTIAN CHURCH NOTES

The sermon topics at the Christian church next Sunday will be as follows: Morning, "Putting First Things First," Evening, "New Year's Resolutions." All members of the church are asked to join in a basket dinner in the basement of the church at the noon hour and remain for the Annual meeting in the afternoon.

The Ladies Aid will hold its annual business meeting at the home of Mrs. Rose Knox this afternoon. There will be a watch party in the basement of the church on Saturday evening given by the Senior division of the Endeavor Society.

The Christmas program given by the children on Saturday evening was of an exceptional high order and gave proof positive of faithful work on the part of the committee in charge. The entire church and community owes to them a vote of thanks.

The Sunday evening musical program was well attended by an appreciative audience. There was a good free will offering made for Russian Relief.

## Wireless Apparatus Installed in Griswold School

The high school at Griswold has purchased a wireless apparatus which has been duly installed, and the physics class is mastering the details of receiving messages.

The apparatus was purchased with the receipts of the Country Gentleman subscriptions taken by the high school last fall. The sending apparatus has not yet been installed but as soon as the additional funds can be secured this equipment will be added.

## Thursday Club Meets

The Thursday Club met Thursday, December 15th, at the home of Mrs. H. P. Hansen.

The meeting opened with current events and the following program was given: A paper, "The Camel of the Frozen North" by Mrs. Lissa Gault; a paper, "Products of Alaska," by Mrs. Carlson and a recitation, "The Mocking Bird" by Mrs. Claire McAninch were all enjoyed by the Club.

Following the business meeting, the hostess served a delicious lunch. Miss Altman, of South Dakota and Mrs. Boy Beers were guests of the day.

A fine eight-pound girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred C. Larsen in Atlantic at eight o'clock on Xmas night. The parents are well known in Exira, having resided here for several years. Mrs. Hansen's mother, Mrs. Ebbe J. Hansen, of Harlan is caring for the new arrival.

The little one has been named Marjella Matilda.

## DANISH LUTHERAN NOTES

EXIRA and HAMLIN

Our Christmas celebration is over. Every program we had proved a success. At both churches the Sunday schools and Y. P. societies gave good account of themselves. Thanks is hereby extended to all who, in any way, contributed to the festivities. May the true Christmas spirit of praise to God and love to men remain permanent with us throughout the year! A happy New Year would result, which we heartily wish you all!

Next Sunday which is New Years Day, we will have communion service at Exira at 11 a. m. and at Hamlin regular Danish service at 2:30 p. m.

The Exira Ladies' Aid will meet with Mrs. C. B. Petersen Thursday, 2 p. m., and the Young Peoples' Society will have their annual business meeting Thursday evening at the Chris C. Petersen home south of town.

The Exira congregation have their annual meeting Thursday at 1 o'clock at the church, and the Hamlin congregation will have their annual meeting next Wednesday at the town hall. The lady members will serve refreshments after the meeting. All members please be there!

## Goold Loses Out In Suit He Brought Against Posse

In the case of A. E. Goold who brought a damage suit for \$12,500 against the marshal and four others of Anita for injuries received at their hands last summer when mistaken for a bandit and shot while driving through Anita, the ruling of the court was in favor of the defendants. The verdict was signed by Mrs. Cora Snyder as foreman of the jury.

The case will be appealed to the supreme court.

## Oak Hill and St. John Danish Lutheran Church

Sunday, January 1, 1922. Morning service at 10:30 at the St. John church. In the afternoon at 2:00 o'clock in English at Oak-hill church.

Let us start the New Year right. You cannot repent too soon, because you do not know how soon it may be too late and if we put it off another day we have a day more to repent for and a day less to repent in.

Roberta Zeta Hill, six years of age, died in Adair ten days ago from a peculiar disease diagnosed by physicians as an abscess on the brain, or a form of meningitis, death resulting from an hemorrhage.

## Land Owners Must Abide by Game Laws

There is a popular opinion to the effect that the owner of land or his tenants do not have to pay any attention to the game laws; "that you can shoot anything on your own land" without reference to the law. This is partly right and partly wrong. The owners of land, their children or their tenants are not required to take out hunting licenses, as are other people, but they are not exempt from an observance of the other provisions of the game laws. They cannot hunt fowl or game out of season, even on their own land, and they cannot hunt fowl or animals on which there is no open season.

## Leg Broken When Struck by Broken Brake Shoe

Tim Carey, section hand on the Rock Island, met with a serious injury recently. While the crew were working on the track five miles east of Adair, they saw a through freight train approaching and side-tracked their hand car and stepped to one side. The train passed by when suddenly through the air a flying piece of brake shoe came hurtling toward them, striking one of the men on the knee and knocking him down. It then struck Mr. Carey just above one ankle, and cutting a deep gash, nearly severing an artery and breaking the leg. He was rushed to Adair where he is receiving medical treatment.

## Audubon Man Invents Straw-Stacking Device

A wonderful invention has just been perfected by W. C. Sheets, of Audubon, in the way of a straw-stacking device which will prove a Godsend to all farmers who raise small grain.

Instead of piling the straw up, a custom which has been adopted by many farmers in recent years, owing to the difficulty they encountered in trying to stack from the blower,—this new device makes it possible to stack the straw very neatly without waste, the farmer deriving much benefit thereby. A thousand farmers have seen and inspected the small model and declare it a marvel.

## Contata Well Rendered

The beautiful cantata entitled "The Light Eternal" which was rendered at the Community church last Sunday evening was pronounced by those present as a great success.

The solos sung by Mesdames Dr. Oldaker, Dr. Lantz, Miss Bertha Minerman and Messrs. Clyde Dimick, Rodman Henry, and the duets and trios sung by other members of the choir were exceptionally good.

The cantata furnished the audience a delightful entertainment which was very well received.

## Road Graders Go Through

A number of road graders went through town the latter part of the week with a train of three small houses on wheels drawn by a powerful caterpillar tractor. The men have been working on the Waubansie Trail in the southern part of the state. In their trip from Shenandoah here they covered a distance of thirty miles per day. They will camp north of Audubon the remainder of the winter.

The Ed Lewis family and Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Layland were entertained at the home of the ladies' parents, E. B. Perry and wife Sunday.

## DISASTROUS FIRE DESTROYS GARAGE

### Early Morning Blaze Destroys Adair Property Valued at \$150,000

Last Thursday morning Adair was visited by what is said to have been the most disastrous fire in its history. The fire started in the new brick White Way garage. An employe was trying to start a car when it backfired, igniting the gas tank causing an explosion.

The fire department checked the first blaze but the gasoline which had trickled upon the floor broke into flames. There was a series of explosions from the gas tanks of stored cars.

The acetylene gas welding outfit was catapulted through the walls like a cannonball and tools were hurled through the air by the explosions of the barrels of oil stored in the garage.

The firemen were helpless, for water sprayed on the burning oil only served to spread the flames. The two-story paint shop next door caught fire and burned to the ground.

Six automobiles were totally consumed, and fourteen cars which were taken from the burning building had their tops burned off and were otherwise seriously damaged.

The garage was owned by the Furst estate and the paint store building by Miss Bertha Richardson, sister of W. C. Richardson of the Adair News.

## Game Wardens After Hunters Without Licenses

Game wardens were in Griswold last week. Three men who had been shooting rabbits without licenses were fined, each paying twenty five dollars and costs.

A number of boys who had been shooting rabbits were rounded up and warned that they would also be required to pay fines if they continued the practice without licenses.

## Ill With Small Pox

The H. W. Rogers home, west of town, was placed under quarantine Tuesday for small pox, Mrs. Rogers being afflicted with the disease. These good people are having their share of sickness, Mr. Rogers having suffered a slight stroke of paralysis a few days since. He has been seriously ill but his condition is now improved. Later—Mr. Rogers is reported to be quite ill with the dreaded disease but Mrs. Rogers is getting along nicely.

## Kilworth-Tandow

A wedding of interest to this community took place Friday in Atlantic when Mr. Lorenzo Kilworth and Miss Sadie Tandow were joined in wedlock. The event came as a big surprise to relatives and friends.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kilworth, who reside on a farm near this city, while the bride is the daughter of the late Mr. Tandow of Lorah who was laid to rest some three weeks ago.

Edward Perry, of Hastings, Nebraska left yesterday for his home following a visit over Christmas at the parental E. B. Perry home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Perry, of Omaha are expected here Saturday for a visit over New Year's Day with his parents, E. B. Perry and wife.