

R. F. D. NO. 2

Dec. 9—George Lieble has bought a new corn sheller. Mrs. D. Wright of the brickyard received a telegram Saturday announcing the death of her sister, Mrs. F. Johnson of Centerville, Wis. Mrs. Wright left on the early morning train Monday. She has the sympathy of all her friends. Andrew Olson of Cudrum nearly cut one of his fingers off while butchering a hog last Friday. David Wright and son Earnest are cutting cordwood in Sec. 9, where Mr. Wright owns a forty-acre tract. Peter Peterson is sick. James Dunn is laid up with a bad cold.

Our carrier started out with his new rig Wednesday. It is not quite so expensive as some, but it is handy all the same. Everybody is requested to shovel the snowdrifts away from their mail boxes. The law requires that the box be placed so that the carrier can get to it without getting out of his wagon. Likewise must they do what they can to help clear the road so it is passable.

Christ Ellefson who hurt himself last week by falling under a load of manure, and the wheels going over both feet, is reported as getting along nicely. Miss Ellen Twist of Elmdale visited here a few days with the family of Christ Larson, before going to Brainerd where she is going to open up a dressmaking shop. Everybody who attended the dance at Christ Larson's Saturday night reported a jolly time.

Mrs. J. Peterson called on Mrs. J. Dunn Sunday. John Blechinger succeeded in killing two wolves Monday. He thinks the bounty pays him for the trouble so he will make a robe of the skins. We had a letter the other day from a friend at Montevideo, Minn., in which he states they got three new mail routes. This year they had to change carriers three times, the carriers all complained of high prices and small salary, so they could not make both ends meet.

FT. RIPLEY

Dec. 9—County Commissioner Tedford went to Little Falls and from there out into the county to inspect some road work.

Considerable snow fell last week, but we need a little more to have first class sleighing.

Little Falls visitors Tuesday were Joe Adams, Wesley Cook, Will Clark and Miss Clark.

Miss Ethel Kimball visited Mrs. Tedford last week.

Miss Taylor of Ft. Ripley spent Friday night with Miss Howland.

W. A. Clark returned from Minneapolis Saturday.

F. R. Cook made a business trip to Brainerd Saturday.

Miss Taylor and her father were guests at F. W. Cook's Sunday.

Bert Diddams purchased some cattle of W. A. Clark this week.

Miss Hattie Kimball spent Sunday with her aunt, Mrs. Tedford.

Mr. Tedford returned from Little Falls Saturday morning on the freight train which should have gone up Friday afternoon, but which did not reach Ripley until nearly five o'clock Saturday morning.

UPPER BELLE PRAIRIE

Dec. 6—The snow has come at last and we are thinking of jingling bells and sleighing.

Ed and George Gaboury helped David Gaboury to butcher five hogs and two beefs.

Wm. Beveridge, who is collecting for Mr. Eloh, was in these parts last week.

Miss Lucie Gaboury is visiting with her sister, Mrs. Noah Moran of Bellevue.

Mrs. George Gerstin and Mrs. George Gaboury attended church in Belle Prairie Sunday.

Miss Frances Bryll was calling on several of our people Monday selling baking powder, perfume, etc.

ACCIDENT TO THRESHING RIG.

While threshing up on Daggert Brook S. Crow had a streak of bad luck last week. The following is reported to us. In moving from one place to another the crew had the misfortune to get too close to an old well about four feet deep and partly covered. Four horses hauling the separator passed by safely but not so the engine. Foreman Crow, it is claimed, should have come back and notified Engineer Tuttle but failed to do so, and Tom and the engine went into the well breaking the boiler and some of the fires on the front end of the engine. Well, the boys had a few days layoff besides putting the company to some expense for repairs, about \$15. It is a wonder that no one got hurt, as the accident took place after dark.

FOR SALE.

On account of going away, 340-acre farm, 59 acres under cultivation, 80 acres in pasture, a good meadow, the balance easily cleared; a two story house 18 x 20; a good barn and granary, all new building; two wells; four work horses and harnesses, one colt; 13 head of cattle; four sheep, about fifty chickens, two good wagons, one sled, sealer, harrow, two plows, and all other farm implements. A nice location two miles southwest of Philbrook, seven miles from Staples, and 7 miles from Motley, within 40 rods of good school. Anybody wishing to purchase a farm now is your chance. We offer all this for \$4100.

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Laxative Bromo Quinine Cures a Cold in One Day, Grip in 2 Days. On every box.

PIKE CREEK

Dec. 9—Mr. and Mrs. J. Borosch were at the Falls Saturday. Our school has a new map and a new globe, something that we needed a long time.

J. Kavaletski and wife drove to Ledoux Sunday.

Misses Frances and Ansa Olik of Little Falls visited at the parental home Sunday.

Joe Smuda lost all of his hay and straw by fire Friday evening. Misfortune after misfortune seems to follow Mr. Smuda.

You will get rid of that haunted look after your Xmas purchases are made, cheer up; there's a happy New Year coming.

Christ Karnoski of Swan River was an early caller Monday.

Thanksgiving day one of our young men drove by, with his best girl, at a rate of speed which caused "the boy" to rush to the house and call his mother out to see the "racing and chasing on Cannobie Lea" for the aforesaid young man was playing the role of a modern "Lochivar."

Miss Anna Lang of Little Falls was the guest of Miss Anna Weber Saturday and Sunday.

J. Fink, M. and L. Ginter attend church in Ledoux Sunday.

I. Walkowiak is putting in a new floor in his house.

We can now even hear those distant wedding bells ringing, although advent has only begun.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Weber and Miss Lang went to Little Falls Sunday evening.

John Blechinger shot two wolves last Friday Good riddance.

Miss Polly Lipinski visited friends at the Falls Saturday.

Our barber looked rather lonesome last Saturday.

Arthur Weber is sick.

It seems as though we got the snow we were waiting for.

SWANVILLE

Dec. 9—A. Pretzel is seriously ill. Mr. Thompson now has charge of the harness shop, F. Olson going out of business.

Ed Seth has erected a residence on the west side.

Miss Anne Coffel and Mrs. Collison were Brainerd visitors Sunday.

Mrs. Tubbs has sold her farm in Cudrum to a party from the southern part of the state.

Chas. Banner of Long Prairie was in the village Tuesday.

The Odd Fellows held an election of officers Thursday evening.

Our schools will reopen Thursday after being closed one week on account of sickness.

Sam Fryer the nursery man was in the village Thursday.

Chas. Giantz was a Little Falls visitor Thursday.

The Odd Fellows here will give a grand ball in the opera house Xmas evening. "Blue" orchestra of Parker has been hired to furnish music.

An invitation is extended to all Manager Stroman of the Morrison county Telephone Co., is putting in a switch board here at Champlain drug store.

Our school has been closed two weeks on account of smallpox.

Reva Patriok and Chadwick of Eden Lake, Sweeney of Smith Lake, Driver of St. Cloud, Dingman of Ft. Ripley, Page of West Port, arrived in our village Thursday to attend the Church of God's conference which was to be held here, but on account of smallpox the conference was declared off.

GOOD TEAM WANTED.

Working horses. Must be young. Will pay good price if conditions are right, or trade in lumber and wood. Peter Nordlund, Box 23, Cushing.

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Feed pale girls on Scott's Emulsion.

We do not need to give all the reasons why Scott's Emulsion restores the strength and flesh and color of good health to those who suffer from sick blood.

The fact that it is the best preparation of Cod Liver Oil, rich in nutrition, full of healthy stimulation is a suggestion as to why it does what it does.

Scott's Emulsion presents Cod Liver Oil at its best, fullest in strength, least in taste.

Young women in their "teens" are permanently cured of the peculiar disease of the blood which shows itself in paleness, weakness and nervousness, by regular treatment with Scott's Emulsion.

It is a true blood food and is naturally adapted to the cure of the blood sickness from which so many young women suffer.

We will be glad to send a sample to any sufferer. Be sure that this picture in the form of a label is on the wrapper of every bottle of Emulsion you buy. SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, 409 Pearl St., New York.

MORRILL

Dec. 7—Bill Estey of Dilville was in our town for a load of lumber which he purchased of Stuhl.

Wm. Weir made a trip to Royalton last week to sell silverware and stock food.

Stuhl's saw mill is still at work but will be compelled to shut down before long on account of shortage of water.

Wm. Estey and C. Cheeley traded bucks hoping thereby to improve their flocks in a constitutional way.

Litka's threshing rig returned home and will finish up the threshing here before going in for the winter.

Geo. Allen started to Foley with a load of logs but had to unload as the snow was not plentiful enough for logging.

Rev. Barr and family are mourning the loss of a bright little daughter of twelve years, who died a few days ago with rheumatism of the heart.

They have the heartfelt sympathy of the entire community.

Billy Bean had the misfortune to lose the use of a leg a few days ago by getting it broken while loading saw logs. Dr. Seguin of Buckman set the leg.

A snow storm struck Morrill and kept striking for about forty-eight hours, in which time eight inches fell and yet there is not good sleighing.

Mr. Shaw, who one year ago was looking after the welfare of Theo. Lock's land, is here with four men from Arlington, who wish to invest in quite a large tract of land in the country suits. These men are old farmers and are looking for good country in which to raise stock, and they cannot but like Morrill.

George Edgington, who came here last fall to look at our country, is satisfied to purchase a home here and will buy of John Schmoike. Mrs. E. arrived in our town Saturday from South Dakota.

The Dunkard church people have exercised their custom of selecting one of their congregation for their minister and elected Mr. Ocker as preacher. Mr. Ocker is a plain every day worker and will not pass the hat every time he meets and labors with his congregation.

A. N. Walter who came here last spring with his family from Missouri has sold his land in that state and will settle in our town.

W. Himes of the Bank of Royalton was in our town on Monday doing business for the bank.

It is thought that Billy Bean's broken leg will again have to be set.

Doubtless Sullivan lake this time those three girls who rode twenty miles to a dance unescorted over as rough roads as there are around the lake, needed some one to hold them from tumbling out of the buggy. The is probably nothing wrong with the boys. Perhaps they had their hands full elsewhere that particular night.

BUCKMAN

Dec. 9.—Dr. Dnfort and wife have gone to Montreal, Canada, where he has been called to attend the burial of his father.

Frank Mischke one of our local threshers, came home Friday.

Wm. Sloniker is clerking for John Schmoike. Billy is becoming a Dutchman pretty fast.

Math Foster pulled his rig home Wednesday.

All of our young men are fishing but whether they get any or not, is not reported. Some are liable to put an end to them fishing without a license.

The Buckman band is getting lots of practice. They must expect something in its kind.

Journal-Press 4: Sebastian Willenberg, of Buckman, Morrison county, was brought to St. Raphael's hospital yesterday and a specialist removed a blind eye for the patient. About a year ago he lost the sight by being struck by a small stick in the eye and it was feared that sympathetic trouble would lead to the loss of the remaining eye. The patient is reported as resting comfortably today.

LASTRUP

Dec. 8—Fair will be held at Lastrup on the 26th and 27th of December. The church organ will be raffled off and some other articles. Lunch in the afternoon and a kind of games will be played. Everybody is welcomed.

H. C. Rieke is going to start a feed mill.

Mr. Vandenhovel lost a horse last week.

Jacob Herman who worked for Chas. Kraemer at Mille Lac Lake, was taken sick and had to be taken home.

Some farmers here haven't threshed yet.

T. A. Krause, the broom man of Clough, was in the city selling his products Tuesday.

Fred Schindler will start a saloon in Randall soon. Mr. Schindler is crippled through the loss of his right foot.

Robt. Blackwood, a well known Belleme farmer, had Arthur Merton arrested on the charge of threatening to do great bodily harm and destroy property.

Chas. Gravel's sawmill in the north-eastern part of the county started sawing this week. Mr. Gravel has a large contract with the Northern Pacific for oak timber and ties.

Cash paid for all kinds of raw furs and hides. I. Gottstein, California Wine House, Little Falls.

ANNUAL MEETING OF STOCK-HOLDERS.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the German American National Bank of Little Falls, Minn., will be held in the banking rooms of said Bank, at Little Falls, Minn., at the hour of 10 of the morning of Tuesday the 12th day of January, 1904, for the purpose of electing directors and transacting such other business as may properly come before them. John Wetzel, Cashier.

Dated Little Falls, Minn., Dec. 8 1903.

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FLENSBURG

Dec. 9—Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Gregorson visited friends in Parker Sunday.

Frank Hall and John Kiley returned to Little Falls Saturday after a few days visit among friends here.

I. Killian of Little Falls was a Flensburg visitor Monday.

Miss Daisy Millburn of Long Prairie visited Mrs. Gregorson the first of the week.

Louis Larson was in Upsala on business Tuesday.

Joe Super visited friends in Pike Creek Sunday.

Geo. Thaumzaski came down from Duluth Saturday.

Two of the Garacott company agents called on Martin Wojcikowski Tuesday.

B. W. Burdick called on our merchant Tuesday.

Bert Wotska transacted some business here last Thursday.

Rev. Zielonka went to North Prairie Wednesday to visit Father Gospodar.

A cousin of Charley Lyenjoberg arrived from Sweden Monday. He intends to make Flensburg his future home.

Little Falls passengers were: Miss Lizzie Kennedy, Mrs. A. V. McCarthy, Steve Adams and daughter, Frank Petrus, Rev. Zielonka, Bert Wotska and Paul Lemanczek.

School report of District 83 for the month ending Dec. 8.

No. of pupils enrolled 66

No. days taught 19

N. of holidays 1

Average daily attendance 41

Those perfect in attendance are: Paul and Rose Wotska, Ethel Johnson, Martin Super, Standy Super, Rose Super, Sadie and Polly Lemanczek, Mary and Gust Trebiatowski, and John Zilkowski.

Mrs. A. V. McCarthy, Teacher.

RANDALL

Dec 10.—The man who purchased the S. C. Cochran farm last fall has come here and taken possession. He brought two large cars of household furniture, farm machinery, horses and cattle, etc.

A Thrall sold five horses last week and purchased a fine team from F. G. Noggle of Royalton.

Fred Shindler has closed a deal for D. P. Calhoun's property and has an application for license to run a saloon, but is meeting with considerable opposition.

W. Fezler who has been working at Wadena came home Sunday intending to move his family to Wadena, but last reports says he is going to stay all spring. He occupies the building where Shindler intends to run his saloon and the more money in holding down the house till spring than there is in going out to work—see the point.

Everybody that comes to town and those that don't come to town ought to come to town and take a peep into the Tacket store. Supposing that you don't buy, it is the outest place in town.

Clint Chapman has purchased the stumpage from Mrs. W. H. Jones and will now hire wood carvers, to manufacture the forest into cordwood ties.

Reinhard and John, little sons of Adolph Stumpf, went to Brainerd Friday to visit their uncle, J. H. Koop.

Mrs. W. Bushey died at Detroit, Mich., recently. Mr. Bushey is well known here.

At the last meeting of the board of education the salary of the janitor of the Lincoln school was raised to \$30 per month and the Hawthorne janitor to \$35.

The Knights of the Maccoabees of Minnesota are considering the question of establishing a state great camp. The local Maccoabees are in favor of the proposition.

Some Little Falls people interested in real estate near Vineland will probably aid F. L. Daigle of that place in his plan to build a large dock in the lake there. It is to be of oak, and cost about \$400.

AUCTION NOTICE.

There will be an auction Dec. 15, 1903, at John Hoppe's place in Flensburg. Two horses, one wagon, 1 buggy, two cows, three plows, one harrow, 1 seeder, 1 reaper, one rake, one mower and other farm machinery, will be offered. Meals will be served.

John Hoppe.

Have your pictures taken at Nelson's and get a picture that you can be proud of.

Little Falls Market Report

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Items include Wheat, Oats, Corn, Barley, Rye, Hay, Shorts, Ground feed, Steers, Cows, Veal, Hogs, Pork, Sheep, Mutton, Chickens, Turkeys, Flour, Straight grade, Bakers, Potatoes, Beans, Peas, Dairy butter, Creamery, Eggs, Granulated sugar, Kerosene.

PIERZ

Dec. 10—Eddy Konen left Tuesday for Philbrook, Minn.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Bentfeld returned Saturday from a week's wedding tour through the western part of the state.

Theo. W. Billmeyer is building a new saw mill near the Lust mill.

Herman Billig of Wahpeton, N. D., was recently married to a daughter of George Leeb. He is at present visiting relatives here.

John Hopp will sell all his personal property at auction at his farm in Flensburg on Dec. 15th.

The supervisors of Pierz will meet at the village hall Dec. 15, at 10 o'clock a. m. to receive bids and let the contract to furnish the town about 12,000 feet of oak plank and bridge timbers.

F. M. Neuman has bought a barn from Herman Bentfeld and moved it onto the west side of the Bentfeld farm which Mr. Neuman owns.

John Emmel of St. Cloud was here Tuesday in the interest of the Golden Valley Land Co.

Carl Fleckenstein went to Minneapolis last week.

M. A. Ziegler formerly of Buh, now of West Superior, was here the past week.

A. Spantzell returned from Kent, Minn., Saturday.

Leo and Mike Eohl returned home from Oregon last week.

Geo. Smith bought Joe Bollig's half interest in his threshing rig for \$300.

The new bell for the Lastrup church arrived in Little Falls and will be taken there as soon as possible.

The C. O. F. court here held their annual meeting Sunday and elected the following officers:

Chief Ranger—Barney Gross

Vice Chief Ranger—Peter Virnig

Financial Sec.—Jacob Blake

Record. Sec.—Theo. Thielen

Treasurer—A. E. Macho

Inside Sentinel—Henry Hennen

Outside Sentinel—Adam Tembereul

Junior Marshal—J. P. Berg

Senior Marshal—John Kipley

Trustees—Frank Marshik, J. B. Hartmann, Theo. Stumpf.

Chaplain—Rev. J. G. Steigler

Medical examiner—Dr. E. H. Kerkhoff.

SOMETHING MORE ON THE INSURANCE QUESTION.

Editor Herald: I would, if you allow these lines to enter the columns of your most valuable paper, like to discuss and defend myself against an article written and signed by Theo. Thielen, an insurance agent of the Continental Insurance company, in which he makes several charges against me, the undersigned, in answer to a letter recently published in the Herald and Transcript in which I tried to show that the Pierz Farmers' Fire Insurance company paid 65 cents per bushel for wheat that had been destroyed by fire and not 60 cents as was reported by the reporter of the Transcript from Pierz. That statement again being answered in the Pierz news to the Transcript. I had thought such to be the end of it. But there appears in the Transcript of Nov. 4th an aftermath of the answer, charging me with shortage of memory, intentional misrepresentations, and employing misleading advertisements in the local papers.

The writer, Mr. Thielen, claims that my mind is short in not remembering the assistance and advice he rendered us when we organized the insurance company here, that then and there in my presence, he assisted and advised us.

I most emphatically say I employed him only in his capacity as a notary public by his acknowledgement of the articles of incorporation, and if he can point me out one of the respectable members of the company that helped me organize at the time by their signatures to the article of incorporation, who will truthfully say, that Thielen otherwise helped organize, assist or advise us in the undertaking and by-laws of the company, then and under such proof, I will try to correct my shortage of memory by apologizing to the man in whom I have done wrong.

Furthermore, the Continental agent makes notice of an argument I had with the Continental special agent, and of an adjustment of a certain A's loss. To that I answer—ask the opinion of the men that were present at the time as to who got the worst of it!

Further, the Continental agent accuses me of saying in the ad. of the Pierz Farmers Fire Insurance Co., that \$400 worth of insurance would cost only \$1.20 for five years. Let me say right here, who am I dealing with here that would correct my statement? Does the Continental agent think one sentence of the advertisement would explain the whole meaning of what I

had advertised? Please notice the same ad. in the issue of the paper this is published in. Does it not say that it would insure anyone in the respective towns named, by the mutual plan of insurance, what we would call in German language, Gegenseitige Plan der Versicherung.

The Continental agent says that God alone knows what it will cost for five years in a mutual company. Would we need a mutual or any other company if we could inquire of the Almighty as to the fires that might occur the next five years. Then he says that charges of the Continental Insurance company are \$10 for \$40 for five years, no more or no less. Let us see. The preliminary fire report of the department of insurance of this state, which reports on all insurance companies in the state of Minnesota, issued Feb. 2, 1903, shows the premium rate per \$100 of the Continental Insurance company to be 75 cents.

Now we come to the point of difference paid for wheat destroyed by fire. It was stated by the agent-reporter in the Pierz news of the Transcript at first that 61 cents was paid for the wheat that had been destroyed by fire. The Continental Insurance Co. only had one loss (if I am right the third party that suffered a loss the same day was not insured.) If their local agents insured members it must have been at Andrew Lucking of the town of Buh, to whom it is now claimed by the author of "More about Insurance," they paid 68 cents per bushel and not 61 cents. Do I miss the mark if I suspect he means to say 68 cents including the amount deducted for threshing, and marketing? If we may figure that in our adjustment, then my statement should have read 69 cents and not 65 cents, as we only deducted 4 cents per bushel for those purposes. The cash amount we paid was 65 cents per bushel of wheat destroyed by fire at Frank Grittner's farm in Pierz township.

In his sentence—"Is that not misleading, misrepresenting" did you stop and think that he insulted me (which I admit he did) and widens out a story that should stay between us and transactions that should not be put before the public? If I am right it would be but to inquire of the Continental Insurance headquarters for a further permit to disclose insurance matters so openly.

Let it not be forgotten that the mutual company is composed of men of Pierz and surrounding country, our neighbors, come together in the insurance matter not to make money, but to save it. Every dollar stays among us and does not go to swell the treasury of an Eastern company.

Hoping that I have not insulted the author of the article on "More About Insurance" and ended any and all misunderstandings in a friendly way, I remain, your servant,

Henry Wuellner,

Secretary Pierz Farmers Mutual Fire Ins. Co.

OAK RIDGE

Dec. 9—Miss Minnie Taylor spent Sunday with Miss Ellen Peterson.

Wm. Estey was home from Randall over Sunday.

Augusta Wentzel is attending school at Little Falls.