

## CHONNARD HEARS NEWS

### Weakened Under Strain During Meeting of Pardon Board

Wm. Chonnard, convicted of the murder of his wife at Cass Lake and sentenced to hang for the crime, in his cell at the Cass county jail yesterday morning heard the news of the denial of the board of pardons of the petition for the commutation of the death sentence of life, says the Bemidji Pioneer. He was overcome and those who saw him when he received the news are best able to judge of the hope which he placed in the effort of his friend and relatives to stay the edict of the law.

Ever since the first of the week since the board meet Chonnard has been nervous. He has anxiously awaited the board's decision on his case and has frequently expressed the belief that it would be commuted. Friends who have written him and his relatives who have visited him at the jail held out the hope of commutation and when he was informed that the names of Congressmen Buckman and Stearnson, eight of the jurors and three thousand of his friends and acquaintances in the district were attached to the petition he was in better spirits than at any time since his confinement. He expected the news Monday night and was nervous and slept little in anticipation. Early Tuesday morning he expected a telegram that would apprise him of his fate and when he learned that the hearing had been delayed he was visibly disappointed. Yesterday came his desired information. It was broken to him by the jailer. He heard it like a man dazed by some awful blow, hid his face from the attendants and gave vent to his grief and hopelessness in bitter weeping.

Governor Van Sant will fix the date of the execution on July 27. The time is entirely optional with the governor. He may fix it at any time, but the prevailing custom is to fix it some time within ninety days. It will probably occur in October or early in November.

The execution will be the first in Cass county and to Sheriff Hardy will fall the unpleasant duty of conducting it. The jail at Walker is too small to admit of its being conducted inside as required by law, where it is possible, and the gallows will be outside the jail in the court house yard. The execution must be made before sunrise on the day fixed by the governor. The usual hour is 1:30 o'clock. There is no precedent that fixes it, but the final details of the execution are always arranged as soon as possible after midnight and usually bring it about that time.

Chonnard's conduct from this time on is variously estimated. Sheriff Hardy believes he will recover himself and go to the gallows like a man, but many who are acquainted with him say that he is mentally and physically incapable of the effort that this will require. Chonnard was born and reared a Catholic and he receives frequent visits from and is developing a fast friendship with the priest at Walker.

A class in the study of the English language has been formed in the Swedish M. E. church and meets every Monday and Friday evening each week. All Scandinavians who wish to take up this study, are welcome to attend.

Deputy Grand Master Peter Olson of the A. O. U. W., is in the city in the interest of the order.

### A GREAT SCHEME

Why not make your dollars out of rubber? That's a great scheme. Then they'll stretch. It's a pretty hard matter to make a five-dollar bill stretch over a ten-dollar purchase, even we can't do that for you—but yet, until rubber dollars are made, we'll come nearer to it than any store you know of. We'll stretch a dollar and fifty cents so that it will cover an all wool knee pant suit worth a dollar more. We'll stretch five dollars and fifty cents of your common silver money so it'll cover a splendid all wool fancy Cheviot or Cassimere suit to fit a young man up to nineteen years old, worth eight dollars (the suit not the young man). We stretch \$7.75 over a fancy Cassimere suit that ought to cost ten dollars—and it would, if this store was t here want to stretch your money? Bring it here. You'll think it's rubber. Barney Martin, the clothier and shoe man.

ROOMS for rent.

Stephen C. Foss.

A. C. Montague opened his new pool and billiard hall in the Close block this week.

Miss Connie Fraser has returned from Vineland, where she has been teaching school. Her work satisfied both pupils and parents.

Ralph E. Towle came in Monday night from Mille Lacs lake for a few days. A party of friend from Iowa are on an outing there.

R. N. Nichols was taken to the Fergus Falls hospital Sunday. Mr. Nichols has broken down through overwork. His many friends sincerely hope for a speedy recovery.

Harrison & Peterson have about thirty men at work on the Morrill ditch, and will put on more. They are paying \$1.75 per day and the men pay 50 cents per day for board.

Carl Bolander has sold the residences in course of erection on Seventh street near First avenue, the six-room residence to Eugene Schingler, and the four-room to Bert Muncy.

W. H. Hall has filed for the democratic nomination for register of deeds, and Carl Bolander for the republican. Sheriff Tanner and Frank Heroux have filed for the democratic nomination for sheriff. Auditor Butler and Commissioner Tedford have filed for renomination.

The Ladies Aid of the Norwegian Lutheran church will give an ice cream social Saturday evening on Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Jacobson's lawn on 1st Ave. north by the river. Ice cream and cake will be served. Price 10 cents. The ladies hope to serve a large crowd.

Long Prairie Leader: Wm. E. Lee went to Little Falls yesterday on real estate business. The old Lee homestead at Swan River which has been in the Lee family for over forty years appears now to have a defective title because of carelessness in keeping the records in the early days and he is investigating the matter.

J. H. Brecht, a well known farmer of Platte town, had his left eye injured in a peculiar way early Tuesday morning. He got up to quiet some dogs and took his shotgun with him. He struck at a dog with the loaded gun, hitting the animal with the stock. The gun was discharged, and the heavy charge of seven buckshot passed so close to Brecht's eyes as to make him blind for a while. The left eye is injured badly by the concussion, but will be all right. It was a narrow escape from death.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hobson, of Genesee, Idaho, who have been visiting here, left for home today. Mr. Hobson was formerly a resident of Little Falls, but left here seventeen years ago. He is now a prosperous merchant at Genesee. Wm. Brown, formerly of this city, is in business at Spokane. Geo. Stone is in the newspaper business in Washington. J. W. Close has a sheep ranch about 25 miles from Genesee, in which his brother-in-law, C. N. Lafond, is interested. They are doing well. Mr. Follett, who used to live here, is in business at New Whatcombe. Mr. Hobson and family left Genesee about the first of May and after visiting the World's Fair at St. Louis visited with Mrs. Hobson's relatives in Illinois.

### DIED.

The infant son, aged six months, of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Kaiser of Swan River, died Friday of brain fever. The funeral took place Sunday from St. Stanislaus church, Swan River, and the remains were buried in the Swan River cemetery.

William Gordon, a pioneer of northern Stearns county, died Friday last at his home in Brookway. He settled in Minnesota in the early fifties.

Victoria Zabrinaki, aged 5 years, died at the orphanage Monday of brain fever. The child's father lives in North Dakota, and he has three other children in the orphanage. The funeral took place Tuesday afternoon.

Christian, aged 4 years and 5 months, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. Wehliert of the West side, died Saturday afternoon of heart failure following an attack of diphtheria. The funeral was held from the residence Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

SWEDISH M. E. CHURCH. Cor. Wood St. and 1st Ave. S. E. Services next Sunday, Sunday school at 12 o'clock. Evening services at 8 p. m.

Fritz E. Edwards, Pastor.

Join the procession, and get a pair of shoes and a hat at the Herald Printing Company.

## FAVOR STREET FAIR

### Citizens Prefer Fair to Street Carnival Proposition

At the general meeting of citizens at the Commercial club Monday a proposition was presented by the Cash Carnival Co. through their representative, Mr. Moore. The proposition was to give a street carnival four days, beginning Aug. 17th, several free shows and several paid shows, to be given, the company to receive a bonus of \$500 and the guarantors of the bonus to receive ten per cent of the receipts of the paid shows.

The sentiment was practically unanimous against the proposition, but a strong sentiment developed in favor of holding a street fair toward the end of September or first of October. It was felt that a street fair, where good prizes for stock and produce would be given, and free entertainment provided, would be far better than anything else.

The chairman, Mayor Vesely, was authorized to appoint a general committee on the street fair.

The question of a county exhibit at state fair was brought up, and the sense of the meeting was favorable. The matter will be taken up later.

The street fair committee has been appointed as follows: B. Burton, Geo. W. Emdor, W. H. Ryan, Harry Hamm, Warren Gibson.

Elias Brown is at Crow Wing lake on his annual vacation.

Harrison & Mecusker, the library contractors, began the work of excavation Tuesday.

The Pan-American circus gave two performances here Wednesday. The entertainment could have been better.

Crop prospects so far were never better in this county, even corn making great progress. Indications are at the present for the best harvest since 1895.

There will be a midsummer entertainment at the church on the West side, by the Sunday school of the Swedish Lutheran church, tomorrow evening, July 23rd, at 8 o'clock. Ice cream will be served. Tickets 10c.

Mrs. Helen Van Buskirk, widow of the late H. G. Van Buskirk, was committed to the Fergus Falls asylum this week. She is 80 years of age, and has been acting queerly for some time, also admitting that she had thought of suicide.

Jas. Gravel has gone to Canada for a visit. Misses Cora and Eva Marotte have returned to Crookston.

Mrs. L. Wolbert of Michigan and Mrs. Garvin of Minneapolis, sister and daughter of Mrs. Alex. Rowe, are visiting the Rowe family.

Mrs. John Chennard and son are visiting at Lake Minnetonka.

The families of, W. H. Hall, Wm. Raymond, C. L. Decker, and Misses Holmes, Farnum and Lambert, far camping at Grey Eagle.

Mrs. J. Richard and daughter Mary have gone to Canada for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Wetzel have returned from North Dakota.

Mrs. C. D. Auyer and daughter, Miss Anne, returned from Birch lake Wednesday.

A. J. Schmitz and family are visiting at Stewart.

Felix Wachlarowicz visited in Minneapolis.

Erza Hamlin was in Minneapolis Tuesday.

## SIGNAL MAIL BOXES

The Best Rural Mail Box on the market, with automatic signal flag, Yale lock and name plate cut in celluloid, can be secured in connection with THE HERALD at a lower price than any other serviceable box on the market.

It is the Best, Cheapest, Handsomest, Largest and Handiest.

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Herald Printing Company

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. John Wilcock, July 15th, a son.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Lukas Schrieber, July 15th, a daughter.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Robbins, July 16th, a daughter.

Marquette Court C. O. F., will visit the Pierz court Sunday, Aug. 7th.

The case against Dr. Corrigan of Swanville was continued to Friday, July 29th.

Chairman Heywood and Clerk Cook of Richardson town were in the city Wednesday.

Father Lamothe was at St. Mathias Monday to officiate at the funeral of Mrs. Fleishacker.

Almond Lucia is home from Breckenridge to recuperate. He recently was hurt by a fall.

Frank Stern of Mt. Morris left the hospital for home Friday. He lost a leg through blood poisoning.

Bob Tedford has filed for commissioner. Bob's talents would have better scope in the legislature.

The Northern Pacific passenger office has issued an order prohibiting special trains from being run on Sunday.

Wm. Sturgeon has returned from Carrington, N. D., where he has been playing short stop on the Carrington team.

His many friends will regret to hear that Jos. L. Meyer is seriously ill with appendicitis and other complications.

John Alenius and family left this week for their old home near Gothenburg, Sweden, which they left two years ago.

Mrs. Seymour of Trinidad, Colo., and Miss Laura Walling of Minneapolis are guests of their brother Chas. Walling.

The Odd Fellows installed officers Monday evening. Jas. O'Brien is Noble Grand, Chris Van Buskirk Vice Grand and N. N. Bergheim secretary.

Mrs. Foldinaki, a well known resident of Swan River, had a warrant issued for his son on charge of assault, but afterwards decided not to prosecute.

Edward Lescault of Gravelville was operated on for appendicitis at the hospital Monday by Dr. Fortier, assisted by Dr. Trace. The patient is doing well.

The McGregor livery stable at Sauk Centre has been sold, and William and Robert, who were in charge, have gone to Toga, N. D. They visited relatives here Sunday.

Roy Sumner, who was arrested some weeks ago for burglary, will probably be examined on charge of insanity. He has been in an asylum in Iowa.

### WEST RIPLEY

July 9.—Mrs. Amos Clark and Will Clark drove to Little Falls Saturday. Miss Elsie Malburn of Little Falls came up Saturday for a visit with relatives and friends.

Ray Cook has been doing his part toward supplying the Brainerd market with new potatoes during the past week.

Will Clark is helping Joe Adams put up hay.

Mr. and Mrs. John Doucette were in Little Falls Tuesday.

Mrs. Wesley Cook and daughter and Misses Leah and Elsie Malburn were guests at Mrs. F. R. Cook's Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Johnson and sons were in Little Falls Tuesday.

Monday's storm was the most severe experienced in this locality this season, but so far as is known no damage was done.

Wesley Cook drove to Little Falls Monday and brought up twice for himself and Frank Cook and Amos Clark. He was accompanied by Messrs. Clark, Cook and Tedford.

W. A. Clark drove to Gilbert Tuesday.

W. W. Cook went to Little Falls Wednesday after lumber for his father.

You can be as comfortable as a man with millions, if you will wear clothing sold by Victor Clothing Co.

Services at the Norwegian Lutheran church Sunday evening at 7:45.

C. M. Hallanger, Pastor.

Money to loan on farms.

## LIBRARY CONTRACT LET

### Harrison & Mecusker are the Successful Bidders.

Harrison & Mecusker on Friday afternoon were awarded by the library board the contract to erect the new library building, at \$8,110. The bids on the building were as follows: Harrison & Mecusker, Little Falls, \$8,110; F. A. Hancock, Morris, 8,190; B. Belanger, Little Falls, 9,144; Lewis Triplett, Little Falls, 9,145; Engstrom & Anderson, 9,414.

The bids on plumbing were as follows: W. H. Ryan, Little Falls, \$300; George Schroeder, Little Falls, 350; G. A. Kelly, Minneapolis, 395; Archambeau & Co., Minneapolis, 460.

The plumbing contract was awarded to W. H. Ryan.

The bids on heating plant were as follows: George Schroeder, Little Falls, \$685; W. H. Ryan, Little Falls, 750; G. A. Kelly, Minneapolis, 825; Archambeau & Co., Minneapolis, 896; W. F. Porter & Co. Minneapolis, 980.

The heating contract was awarded to Geo. Schroeder.

The board at first decided to have a single roof, stained moss green, instead of slate, but on Monday practically decided for slate.

It was decided to use Little Falls light granite for door and window caps and cut stone work. The stone will come from the Gravelville quarries.

The sum of \$75 for chairs, will be deducted, the board to purchase chairs, Harrison & Mecusker to secure sample chairs.

Architect F. D. Orff was present. The people of Little Falls will be pleased to know that all the contracts were secured by the local men, also that Morrison county granite will be used in the building.

### ROYALTON POSTOFFICE ROBBED

#### BURGLARS BLOW OPEN A SAFE AND MAKE A HAUL.

About \$800 in stamps and \$295 was taken from the Royalton postoffice safe early yesterday morning. The burglars secured tools from a railroad tool car. The safe was drilled through from the top and black powder used.

Several heard the explosion, about 1:30 o'clock. Mrs. Newman of the Commercial hotel heard it and saw two men on the street near the postoffice building. Part of the glass front was wrecked, and glass in the fixtures broken. E. A. Bowers first discovered what had happened and notified the postmaster.

Stephen Borasch found some stamp books on the road near the village, which were identified by the postmaster.

It is very likely that the men concerned in the Little Falls explosion did the job at Royalton.

An attempt was made Sunday night to blow open the safe in the Staples postoffice. A hole was drilled below the combination and a fuse attached, but before the robber or robbers had a chance to accomplish their purpose they were evidently frightened away.

The gang is probably the same which is operating along the line.

### DIVORCED.

Judge Searls has granted Eliza A. Robinson divorce from Levi Robinson. The parties were married Feb. 26, 1883, and have three children. Robinson is 53 years of age and Mrs. Robinson 47. The defendant did not contest the case.

### JOS. L. MEYER IN DANGEROUS CONDITION.

Latest reports are that Jos. L. Meyer is in a very dangerous condition. Dr. Rockford of Minneapolis arrived yesterday and pronounced the patient's condition critical. The news will be received with great sorrow throughout the county.

Miss Eva Turner is ill with appendicitis.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Otto Bobbe of Fond du Lac, Wis., July 10th, twins, boy and girl.

A lodge of the United Brotherhood of Railway Employees will be organized tomorrow evening at Maurin's hall.

Anton Eshahik, who robbed the Molebay postoffice, was sentenced at Duluth to \$10 fine and one year in the State reformatory.

## PIERZ

July 21.—Ike Premisberger has purchased the Advance threshing rig from the Christenson boys for \$300. Miss Mary Beetsch of St. Paul is here visiting her sister, Mrs. F. X. Virnig.

Felix, the 6-year-old boy of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Boyer, fell into a disk on a disk harrow Monday and out a bad gash in his leg.

Joe Hohelsel was re-elected director in school district No. 98. Seven months school was voted and \$300 raised. In district No. 19 Arnold Nagel was elected treasurer. Nine months school was voted and \$139 raised.

Mrs. Joseph Marshik died Saturday after an illness of two years, aged 66 years. She leaves her husband, four grown up children and several relatives to mourn her loss. The funeral took place at Buckman Monday.

Wm. and Math Meyers received their new threshing rig in Little Falls Friday and brought it to the village here the same day. The rig consists of a 22 horse power engine and a 36 x 62 separator with feeder and wind stacker, Minneapolis make.

Math Tschida of Buh died suddenly Monday aged about 75 years. The funeral took place at Lastrup Wednesday.

John Philippi, Jos. Gruber and Frank Otremba left for Boonsteels, S. D. Sunday, where they intend to file for a homestead on the Rosebud reservation.

Girtz & Hohelsel left for Royalton Monday to get their new threshing rig. The rig is a J. I. Case consisting of 20 horse engine and 36 x 56 separator with feeder and swinging stacker attached.

The following were elected members of the board of education in this village Saturday evening: Rev. J. G. Stiegler and Frank Marshik for four years and Frank Feucht and Theo. Thielen for two years and Jos. Hartman and Christ Berg for one year.

Herman Froehlich was elected director in school district No. 92. Term of school voted was 6 months. District 56 elected P. J. Gan clerk and 9 months school. Henry Vandenberg was elected director in Dist. No. 97 and 7 months was voted. In District No. 78 J. P. Langer was elected clerk and in the Agram school Anton Rauch was re-elected director.

Anton Vosen of Cross Plains, Wis., arrived here Wednesday evening and will visit here a short time.

F. A. Boyer went to Little Falls on business Monday and returned Wednesday evening.

Albert Marshik of Cass Lake was here Monday and attended the funeral of his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. John Meyer returned from Cass Lake last week.

The new board of education will qualify and step into their offices on Aug. 1st. They certainly need a good light, especially if all members are present.

Mrs. J. C. Boehm of St. Cloud was visiting here over Sunday.

Joe Roberts and Mr. Montag of Little Falls have commenced work in the Agram quarry again. About a half dozen of men will commence work the next week.

### West Darling

West July 18—Twenty-two attended school elections. Frank Rendahl was re-elected treasurer for one year, A. G. Nelson director for 3 years and 5 months school voted, commencing 1st Monday in October. Some wanted 7 months.

Children found fooling around the school house in District 35 will get into trouble. Somebody has been breaking windows and taking books.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus. Norquist, Mrs. Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. John Lindquist and others of Little Falls attended services Sunday.

The picnic was not held on account of rain.

The farmers that haul hay on Sunday should look in the almanac again. Frank Anderson of East Darling is busy haying here on the farm he rented.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Lindquist of Little Falls visited at August Blomquist's Sunday.

Aaron Engstrom is helping Ole Lied in the haying-meadow.

Bechtel 23 will have to explain why so many letters came from Paxton, Ill., or get fired by the Golden Valley lady.

Rockdale objects to some school matters yet stacked hay instead of going to school meeting. He ought to pay high taxes.

Mr. and Mrs. Norquist will give a social tomorrow evening at their home 704 First street north for the benefit of the building fund.