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TRAIN SERVICE CHANGE

Not Known Exactly What Will be Done in the Matter

There have been a good many reports and rumors of various kinds as to proposed changes in the N. P. train schedule, and the last report was that on next Monday the Minnesota & International trains running from Northome to Brainerd would run to Little Falls instead of Brainerd, and perhaps to Morris. Nos. 5 and 6, running by Brainerd, were to run from Little Falls to Staples instead, giving points along the cut-off the day passenger service of which they are now deprived. Whether these changes are to be made is still a question, although it is likely that the M. & I. trains will run here, anyway, arriving between 12 and 1 o'clock in the afternoon, and leaving between 2 and 3:30.

According to the Brainerd Dispatch of Tuesday, changes are very unlikely. This is based on an interview with Asst. General Superintendent Kline, who said that no changes would be made affecting Brainerd. He said that a new time card had been considered, but had been abandoned. He is quoted as follows:

"The people of Brainerd have not now nor never had any reason to become exercised over any proposed changes in the train service. Even if the change had been made, as contemplated, the same service that the people of Brainerd now enjoy would be in force. It did not mean the taking off of Nos. 5 and 6. It simply meant that two or three cars would be detached from No. 5 at Little Falls and run west over the cut-off. Do you think the people of Brainerd would object to the Northern Pacific running two or three cars from Little Falls to Fargo? The same service so far as Brainerd is concerned would be in vogue if the schedule had gone into effect."

The Dispatch further says: "There have been some rumors as to how these trains would run, and there may have been some foundation for many of these. It was told that the Minnesota & International would run through to Morris, making Little Falls the most advantageous point to change crews, etc. This rumor seemed somewhat authenticated from the fact that the mail clerk on the M. & I. had been instructed that after next Sunday his run would be from Northome to Morris. There was another recent rumor that the M. & I. passenger would run only from Bemidji to Little Falls, but this seemed hardly possible as the facilities for hauling mail north of Bemidji would not be in accord with the contract with the government. The story ran that Nos. 5 and 6 would run over the 'cut off' and that people going from Brainerd to the Twin Cities would have to take the M. & I. and change cars at Little Falls, connecting with No. 6 at that point. The same would be true of the Duluth train which now turns at this point. This train was slated to run through to Staples and connect with No. 5 going west."

The Dispatch says that Mr. Kline says no such time card was in contemplation.

A few days will show what the changes are to be. It is certain that if nothing is done about helping out the people along the cut-off a strong protest should go in from Little Falls. The company has not on its line, in this state outside the Twin Cities such a revenue producer as this city, and its interests deserve consideration.

The St. Cloud Journal-Press in its notes on the Elks excursion to William, says: Genial Colonel S. E. Snow and his celebrated rube band of Little Falls was one of the leading attractions of the day. The colonel don't know a note from a bear track, but the harmony only counted yesterday on the fellowship score. As drum major the Little Falls hotel man is a pronounced success. Give the Elks more Colonel Snows. Count William vonDamarus of Little Falls sings some and his Dutch dialect and ancient stories make one weep.

The city council will meet Monday evening to wind up its work, and the new council meets Tuesday evening to organize and elect a city attorney, street commissioner, health officer, city hall janitor and fix number and salary of police and other city officers.

The Trustee Sale of the Decker Bros. stock will be continued until every Dollar's worth is sold.

DIED.

Mrs. Katharine Diedrich died at her rooms in the American House in this city at 1 o'clock Sunday morning, March 26th, after an illness of a few weeks, of peritonitis, the result of liver troubles and other complications. She was aged 47 years and 7 days. Mrs. Diedrich had not been well for some time, but her illness only assumed a serious condition a few days before her untimely death.

Mrs. Diedrich was Katherine Gross, born in 1858 at Fond du Lac, Wis. With her parents she moved in 1867 to Stearns county, this state, where in 1874, at St. Martin, she was married to Joseph Diedrich. Mr. Diedrich and family moved to Pierz in 1877, and in 1883 to Little Falls, where Mr. Diedrich ran the American House until his death in 1892. After her husband's death Mrs. Diedrich ran the hotel most of the time until about two years ago, when it was leased to the present landlord, W. F. Krause.

Mrs. Diedrich leaves two children—Mrs. P. J. Vassaly and Joseph, aged 14 years. Her aged father, John Gross, lives in Pierz, as also four brothers, Stephen, Theodore, Joseph and John. A sister, Mrs. M. J. Bookhorn, lives in Minneapolis.

The deceased was a member of the M. B. A., the Daughters of Poochontas and the Christian Mothers society of the German Catholic church. All these organizations were represented at the funeral, which took place Tuesday morning from the German Catholic church, Father Altendorf officiating, and interment was in Calvary cemetery, where the good wife and mother was laid to rest beside her husband. The funeral procession was a very long one, and there were many present from outside of the city. The deceased's brothers and sister were present.

Mrs. Diedrich was a woman of kindly disposition, a true and faithful Christian wife and mother, highly respected by all who knew her. The sympathy of all goes out to the children who have lost the mother who was as well their earnest friend and counselor.

John Dody, father of Joseph Dody of Little Falls, died at his home in Hastings Wednesday last week, aged 84 years. He leaves two daughter and four sons.

John W. Wolter, one of the leading business men of St. Cloud, and well known here, died at St. Raphael's hospital in St. Cloud Saturday morning. He had been operated on for hernia Thursday afternoon. Mr. Wolter leaves a wife and seven children.

The Clarissa Independent of March 25th has the following obituary notice of Cyril Spooner, formerly of this city:

Cyril R. Spooner of Portal, N. D., passed away at the home of his sister, Mrs. Wm. Rambo, on Saturday evening, March 18th, at 10:27 o'clock after an illness of several months, the cause of his death being tuberculosis.

The deceased was born at Wheatland, Rice county, on Sept 18, 1850 and at the time of death was 24 years and 6 months old. He came to Todd county with his parents when a small boy and remained with his parents on the farm south of town until he grew to manhood. He worked for a few years at Browerville and Little Falls. A little over two years ago he went to Portal, N. D., and engaged in the store business with his brother and was doing well when about a year ago he was taken ill and underwent an operation for pleurisy in a hospital at St. Paul. He apparently recovered, but three months ago was again taken sick and the doctors advised absolute rest and he came here where he died.

He leaves five brothers and three sisters to mourn for him. They are Joseph, Edmund and Mrs. Wm. Rambo of Clarissa; Ralph of Browerville; Mrs. Lillian Rollins of Staples; Oril, Adford and Miss Metina of Portal, N. D.

The funeral was held Monday morning at 10 o'clock from the Catholic church at Browerville, Rev. Tusek officiating.

Lorenzo D. Day, for many years a well known lumberman, died Friday night last week at his ranch near Riverside, Cal. Mr. Day began lumbering in Minnesota in 1854, and his firm's operations extended into Morrison county.

He was a member of the old firm of Leonard Day & Sons, for years one of the principal lumber firms in the northwest, and later was an active member of the J. W. Day lumber company. He was one of the three sons of the late Leonard Day, in his time the most prominent lumberman in the state, the other two being J. W. Day, who lost his life a

NEW INDUSTRY FOR L. F.

Good Prospects of Securing Horse Shoe Factory

Prospects are good that an important industry, the manufacture of an article in wide demand, with opportunities for business expansion above the ordinary, will be established in Little Falls before long.

The Giant Grip Horse Shoe Co. is a concern with general offices at Minneapolis and factory at Duluth. It manufactures the invention of a blacksmith named Swanstrom, a horse shoe which is declared by experts to be the best of its kind for the purposes for which it has been sold. The shoe is in steadily increasing demand. The Giant Grip is a shoe with easily removable calks, yet at the same time the calks are firm, do not pull out and are easily put in place. The Never Slip Co., manufacturers of the Never Slip shoe, where the calks are screwed in, have a capital of \$13,000,000 and a tremendous trade. Those who have tried both say the Giant Grip is the better of the two.

J. A. Nichols, who has used the shoes with success on the horses in his logging camps, was much interested in the article, and learning that the company was looking for another location, presented the claims of Little Falls, with the result that some time ago it was announced that the company would move its plant here providing the people here would take up \$30,000 in stock. Mr. Nichols did not think this feasible, and the amount was reduced to \$15,000. At Mr. Nichols' invitation, John F. Irwin of Minneapolis came to Little Falls and addressed a meeting at the Commercial club Friday morning.

Mr. Irwin is manager of the Irwin Lumber Co. of Minneapolis, and a heavy stockholder in the Giant Grip Co. He said the company controlled the American and Canadian patents for the horse shoe, and exhibits a large number of letters from users and sellers of the shoe confirming his statements as to its merits. With the opportunities for power and location Little Falls would be a good location for the factory, which needs more room than it had at Duluth. About twenty-five to thirty men would be employed here at the start, one of whom received \$5 a day, several \$3 and \$3.50 a day, and so on. Skilled mechanics were required. The company had so far only skimmed the surface of possible trade. Mr. Irwin went into the matter in detail and made a very favorable impression. He said that the factory would be removed here if \$15,000 of preferred stock be taken by the people here, on which 5 per cent dividend would be guaranteed. A factory of brick, 80 x 100, would be built, with warehouse 40 x 80, and office. A new machine for drop forging, weighing eight tons, was being completed in Connecticut, and they would like to ship it directly here. The inventor is foreman of the factory, but would prefer to go on the road.

The general sentiment expressed was favorable, and the matter was left to the public affairs committee for further investigation, with instructions to look up the prospects of subscriptions for the stock.

Another meeting was held at the Commercial club Monday evening. Mr. Nichols went over the ground again, and there were various remarks from others. The feeling was that it was necessary for Little Falls to get more industries or go backward. Offers of stock subscription were made to nearly \$10,000, which was very gratifying, and practically insured the moving of the factory, as several who are counted on for large subscriptions were not present or out of the city. The secretary of the committee was directed to write to Mr. Irwin that the stock would be subscribed.

A. P. Blanchard and E. P. Adams were appointed to examine the articles of incorporation of the company, and a committee was appointed to look into the mechanical and business questions connected, the club to pay expenses of the committee.

short time ago in a railroad wreck and W. H. H. Day. The Days came to Minneapolis from Washington county, Maine.

Lorenzo Day was probably the most active of the brothers and retained his vitality to the last. He was 70 years old. Some years ago he acquired a small ranch near Riverside, Cal., where he and Mrs. Day spent their winters.

The surviving members of the family, besides Mrs. Day, are Leonard A. Day, Mrs. R. A. Parke, and Mrs. C. C. Prindle of Minneapolis, and Mrs. W. E. Lucas of Urbana, O.

ED. McDONALD LEAVES LONG PRAIRIE.

Ed. McDonald, formerly of Little Falls, but for several years a resident of Long Prairie, has moved to North Dakota. The Long Prairie Democrat of March 24th says:

"Ed. McDonald will leave this afternoon for North Dakota, where he has a claim and will try farming for a while. He hauled his goods to Swanville this week and shipped them from that place over the N. P. yesterday. His son Harry went with the car. The rest of the family will remain here for some time yet. The claim that he goes on is the one that he drew last summer at the time of the opening of the Indian reservation near Devils Lake. On Monday evening about twenty Redmen of the local lodge dropped in on him at his home and gave him a surprise. The evening was spent in having a social good time. During the evening Mr. McDonald was presented with a gold watch chain and charm with the emblem of the order on it by the local lodge, of which he is a member. Mr. McDonald's many friends here will wish him the best of success in his new location.

Vincent Murphy, of Minneapolis, formerly employed at the St. Paul store, and now on the road for a Minneapolis firm, was in the city Tuesday.

If you want a suit of clothes or a pair of shoes get them while the Trustee Sale is going on at Decker Bros.

Warren Farrow, while splitting wood Tuesday evening, had the ax caught in the clothesline, and received several cuts on the head, luckily none of them serious.

Mrs. H. A. Conner, of Park Rapids, who was operated on at the hospital March 20th by Dr. Fortier, assisted by Dr. Trace, is rapidly recovering, and will soon be able to rejoin her family.

The Board of Public Works met Monday afternoon, to consider the levying of assessments in the districts affected by the paving and macadamizing orders. Preliminaries were discussed and the board adjourned to meet again last evening.

Norwood Times: Miss Raymond was asked to continue in the primary room at an advance but she has not yet decided to accept. The board offered her \$48 and she wants \$50. We do not believe she can afford to leave Norwood and go to any other town in the state, certainly not in this county, for the difference.

The following is taken from a Wisconsin paper:

Mannus Patton, a lineman employed by the Western Union in stringing new wires along the right-of-way of the Chicago & Northwestern road, slipped and fell to the ground. His right leg was fractured in four places. He is not married and his home is at Little Falls, Minn.

Colonel Walter T. Daggan, of the First U. S. Infantry, who has succeeded General Funston as commander of the department of the lakes, with headquarters at Chicago, will be remembered by old settlers as one of the officers stationed at Ft. Ripley just before the soldiers were removed from that post, about 1870.

G. V. Clark has begun the manufacture of hollow concrete building blocks in the Botton building on the West side, and will also do a general cement business. The concrete blocks are much used in the East, forming a durable and handsome building material. The various kinds of building stones are imitated, the surface being made by a special machine, and blocks of all sizes and shapes are made. The prospects are that Mr. Clark will develop a considerable industry.

MARRIED.

Nicholas Ehr and Miss Ethel Covert of Randall, were married at the German Catholic church Tuesday morning by Father Wipplich. Miss Teresa Jaehcke was bridesmaid and Wm. Sullivan best man. A fine wedding dinner was served at the Columbia hotel to the wedding party of relatives and friends.

Mr. Ehr is the popular N. P. agent at Randall, and has many friends in Little Falls. Mrs. Ehr has been teaching in the Randall school and has won many friends by her pleasant way and charming manner. The happy couple enter married life with a multitude of wishes for their future prosperity and happiness.

Frank Vanselow and Miss Paulina Stapel of Caldrum were married by Judge Shaw Friday morning.

SAWING HAS BEGUN

Pine Tree Saw Mill Now Manufacturing Lumber

The large saw mill of the Pine Tree Lumber Co. in this city began sawing yesterday morning. This is several days ahead of last year, sawing beginning in 1904 on April 19th. One season the mill started March 29th. Darnig the winter the plant has been overhauled and repairs made, though not on as extensive a scale as a year ago, when important improvements were made. A new foundation was put under the steam engine in the saw mill.

There are several changes in the working force of the big plant, as shown by the list following. The company will manufacture its own lath and shingle, which had been formerly done by J. A. Foss under contract. Martin Soldahl of Eau Claire, Wis., will have charge of this department. The picking out and piling of wood will also be done by the company instead of by contract, as had been done for the last two years.

The crews take turns at working day and night, shifting every four weeks, with the exception of the engineers, millwrights and repair men, who do not change.

The officers of the Pine Tree Lumber Co. and the list of the local office forces are as follows:

Peter Musser, president; M. G. Norton, vice president; R. D. Musser, secretary and treasurer; C. A. Weyerhaeuser, general manager; W. E. Penfield, head sales department. B. J. Hinkle—Supt. land and logging department. F. E. Lewis—head bookkeeper. H. Utsch—retail accountant. Aug. Christensen, assistant to Mr. Penfield. Neil Woodworth—orders. E. M. McIntyre—timekeeper. Mrs. Hink—stenographer.

Following is a list of the principal men on the mill force this season.

DAY RUN.

Assistant foreman and head millwright—T. O. Berg. Chief Engineer—T. Amo. Band sawyers—Wm. Beattie, Alton Bates. Gang sawyer—Al. Measure. Edgers—Verne Matteson, Robt. Dunn. Trimmer—Joe Cuppa. Gang filer—W. L. Dumphy. Band filer—M. C. Davis. Fireman—Alfred Larson.

NIGHT RUN.

Asst. Foreman—Alex Rowe. Engineer—W. M. Clark. Band sawyers—R. Gillette, Andrew Tholen. Gang sawyer—John Measure. Millwright—Frank Hop. Edgers—Wm. Matteson, Wm. E. Green. Trimmer—Peter Chouard.

PLANING MILL.

Foreman—D. H. Parsons. Asst. Foreman—A. O. Foss. Engineer—Eugene L. Warren. Electrician—Jas. Gordon. SHIPPING DEPARTMENT. Foreman—E. M. Johnson. City salesman—Z. N. Barnes.

Piling contractor—N. H. Elvig. Supt. of yards—Alva Ashcraft. Asst. foreman, yards—Neil Nelson. Sorting shed—Carl A. Anderson, day foreman; Anton Kreig, night foreman. Barn boss—R. McCullough. Repairs—Ed. Hughes, blacksmith; S. Guerin, wagon maker. Machinist—Al. Andrews.

The following from the Minneapolis Journal of Tuesday describes the sawmill situation there:

Six big Minneapolis sawmills will begin to convert pine logs into lumber in about a fortnight. The opening of the sawing season is fixed for about April 10, and within five days from that date probably all the mills will be running full blast. It is not expected that the Diamond and Plymouth mills will be started at all this year. The mills available for active service are the Smith, the Bovey-DeLaittre, the Northland, formerly the Backus-Brooks, the Shevlin-Carpenter, the Nelson and Carpenter-Lamb.

There are plenty of logs to start on and a large quantity, probably 20,000,000 feet, within easy reach. Indications are that the cut will be about as large as last year. Two mills that ran part of last year will be idle this year, but all the others are planning to cut more than ever and should conditions prove favorable the cut will be reached. Minneapolis

produced about three hundred and eighty-seven million feet of lumber in 1904.

The Mississippi & Rum River Boom company is already engaged in the preliminaries of the spring work and the spring drives. The ice went out Sunday from St. Cloud to Minneapolis, and is fast disappearing in the upper river. In about ten days the company will begin "hanging booms" and driving piles, and this marks the opening of the new season. In the meantime the mills are being put in trim.

The drives from Little Falls will be started this week and from St. Cloud within a week. In addition to the logs in the storage booms all along the river between this city and St. Cloud, there are a large number hung up on the banks, landed there by the high water.

The snow and the ice have disappeared so gradually that in the absence of heavy rains there has been no flood this season, yet the water is not low and the river is at a good driving stage."

J. A. Foss has settled in Boise City, Idaho.

Dr. Closson Lemmingwell, the dentist, has secured a patent on a dental matrix retainer.

The Modern Woodmen will not have to pay an assessment for April. The surplus on hand is \$1,781,758.93.

Miss Clara Baldwin of the state library commission is completing the work of cataloging the library books.

Mrs. Lee Leidenfrost, who was operated on March 25th by Dr. Fortier at the hospital, is doing nicely, and a speedy recovery is expected.

Wm. Smith is home from the Shoshone agency, Wyoming, for a visit with his family. He is an instructor in engineering and blacksmithing in the government school.

G. C. Raymond has given up the agency for the Singer sewing machine, and J. J. Gross, who has had considerable experience in that line, will probably take the agency.

Work has begun on the foundation for the cold storage building. The brick-work contract has been taken by E. J. Ring. The job is a big one, there being about 700,000 brick to lay.

Isabel Lyon, daughter F. W. Lyon, was taken to the hospital Wednesday morning. She is ill with appendicitis, and as soon as her condition warrants, will be operated on by Dr. Fortier.

Next Wednesday night will be regular M. W. A. meeting instead of Friday, in order to entertain the county delegates. There will be degree work, concluding with a program and refreshments. Visiting and local members are cordially invited to turn out en masse.

Mrs. J. Dion, of Detroit, Minn., formerly Miss Caroline Dugas, was operated on at the hospital Monday by Dr. Fortier, assisted by Drs. Trace and Hall, for a very serious stomach affection. Though it is expected she will recover nicely from the operation, the ultimate result is not very promising.

Fred S. Meyers, manager of the telephone exchange at St. Cloud, and formerly in charge of the exchange here, has been transferred to Sioux City, Ia., to take charge of the exchange there. The change is a promotion for Mr. Meyers, whose friends here will congratulate him on his advancement. The name of the new manager at St. Cloud has not yet been announced.

Now is time to purchase a fine Piano or Organ, buy the best and be satisfied. We have them.

Folsom's Music Store

The Retail Merchants association met Friday evening, and admitted five new members. It was decided to ask the city council to amend the peddlers' ordinance to apply to canvassers and agents who take orders for goods, with reference to representatives of firms who display goods in sample rooms. T. C. Gordon and J. A. Nichols addressed the association on the question of taking stock in the Giant Grip Horse Shoe Co., and spoke in general on the need of new enterprises in the city, and the encouragement necessary. Most of the members present expressed themselves favorably.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank all who kindly assisted during the sickness and last hours of our husband and father, the late Dr. Wm. McDaniel.

Mrs. Wm. McDaniel and Family.