

ROYALTON

December 23.—The "Chalk Talk" given by Prof. Zwicky Thursday evening of the past week was not only highly instructive along the line of drawing, but was also very interesting. His work on the stage was done with colored crayons, but at the close of his lecture Mr. Zwicky sold a number of his small water colors.

Miss Grace Marshall of the domestic science department left Friday to spend the Christmas vacation at her home in Lawton, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Connor, Jr., of Terry, Mont., arrived the last of the week to spend Christmas with relatives in Royalton.

At the close of school on Friday the following program was given by the pupils of the high school:

- Scng, "Star Spangled Banner"..... Vocal Solo, "Heilige Nacht"..... Original Story..... Mildred Logan Vocal Solo, "Heilige Nacht"..... Reading, "Lest We Forget"..... Mr. Matheson Reading, "Lest We Forget"..... Alida Clark Reading, "Lest We Forget"..... Madge Ward Musical trio, flute, violin and piano "Schubert's Serenade"..... Mr. Doerschuk, James Carnes and Miss Miller.

Reading, "Christmas Customs in Foreign Lands"..... Sylvia Skinner Recitation..... Naomi Chapman Piano Duet..... Miss Miller and Miss Frankie Lambert.

Reading, "Letters to Santa Claus"..... Miss Hattie Carnes Vocal solo..... Miss Celia Hollenbeck Reading, "Sandpaper"..... Marion Wilson Song, "America"..... School

Following the program refreshments were served to all. Miss Lucile Miller left Friday for her home in Minneapolis to spend the Christmas vacation.

Miss Susie Garber of St. Paul is visiting at the home of her brother Joe Garber in Royalton.

Frank Street of the Seabury Divinity school at Fairbault arrived the last of the week to remain until early in January.

The Misses Sylvia and Lucile Skinner have gone to their home at Keleher to spend the holidays with their parents.

Lou Wakefield of Sauk Centre is here visiting relatives.

Mrs. J. P. Chance and son Jerome, accompanied by Miss Lida Batzer, arrived in Royalton Saturday morning from International Falls.

Mrs. Walter Parkins went to Minneapolis the last of the week to visit friends.

Miss Susan Batzer is home from Virginia, Minn., for the holidays.

Miss Hazel Lisle arrived from Warren Saturday to spend Christmas vacation with her parents.

Mrs. Wm. Drago, now of Sauk Rapids, is here visiting her daughter, Mrs. George Galley.

Mrs. C. Rosenmeier of Little Falls visited friends in Royalton the last of the week.

Isaac Wilson arrived from Hamlin U. Friday night for a two weeks' vacation.

Norris Carnes, Jr., is spending the holidays at the home of his parents in Royalton.

Virgil Dawley of Appleton, Wis., is here at the home of his parents for Christmas vacation.

Miss Treva Kellogg, who teaches in the Mount Morris school, is here at the home of her parents, for the holiday season.

There will be a midnight service in Grace church Christmas Eve, beginning at 11:45. Everyone is very cordially invited to be present.

BRICKYARDS

December 23.—Chester Stevens arrived Sunday from Florence, North Carolina, for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Stevens.

Mr. and Mrs. Axel Johnson returned Monday from a honeymoon trip to Minneapolis.

T. O'Connor returned from a visit with relatives at Blue Earth.

Miss Clara Larsen, who teaches at Pillager, arrived home Saturday to spend a two weeks' vacation.

Harry Birch, who has been employed at Puposky, returned home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Stevens and children of Little Falls spent Sunday at R. Chambers.

Miss Eva Frank of Cushing is staying at J. E. Stevens.

Waldemar Larsen was a Swan River visitor Saturday.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Wing of Waterloo, Iowa, Dec. 6. Mrs. Wing was formerly Miss Norma Seely of this place.

Lillian Strom and Bessie Birch visited Friday at the home of Miss Helen Immons in Cushing, and also attended the Christmas program given by Mae Birch, in her school at district 106.

Miss Mae Birch of Randall arrived home Saturday to spend her Christmas vacation.

Miss Annie Runquist returned to her home at Upsala Thursday.

Walter Lindquist of Little Falls visited Sunday at C. A. Lindquist's.

A number of our young people attended the Young People's meeting at E. Johnson's of Little Falls, Saturday evening.

Little Lovetta Stevens of Little Falls visited a few days at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. B. Chambers. Rev. Watson of Little Falls will hold

services here Sunday at 3 p. m. at the assembly hall. Everybody welcome.

Mrs. A. Olsen returned Tuesday from an extended visit with relatives at Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

The Brickyards school closed on Wednesday for a two weeks' vacation.

SOUTHWEST DARING

December 21.—Reinhold Johnson and James Aranhanson of Little Falls visited August Blomquist Sunday afternoon.

Albert Zimmerman of Randall was here last week, hauling lumber on his farm here. He expects to move onto the farm in the near future.

H. H. Cortner called on the Bloomington Park farmer Sunday. He told of his visit to Norway and stated that were it not for the war in Europe he would have remained there.

The real estate man is at work on his building. He works every day, snow or sunshine.

Well, we have some snow now. Not enough for good sleighing, however.

Heining Hedin went to Parkertown after wood one day last week. Wood is getting scarce in Darling.

A young relative of Andrew Hedin is working for him now days.

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Services will be held at the Swedish Lutheran church New Year's morning, beginning at 10:30. All are invited to attend.

All Darling hotels have closed for a two weeks' vacation.

Miss Hulda Thelander, who teaches in district 20, is home for the Christmas vacation.

Albin Hanson had a runaway on the steep hills near Sweet Home hotel the other days, when returning home from Randall.

The Sunday school in district 37, town of Pike Creek, will give a program Monday evening, December 28. All are invited to attend.

Mrs. August Anderson has returned home from the hospital, where she received medical treatment.

GREEN PRAIRIE

December 23.—Mrs. P. T. Powers, who has been visiting at her home here, returned to her home in Aurora, Iowa, last week. She was accompanied by her brother, Ben Eckerson, who will visit a few weeks.

Olof Larson made a business trip to Randall Monday.

Will Wittwer went to Valley City, N. D., Thursday to spend the holidays.

Axel and Joe Anderson are now living in their new house.

School in district No. 12 closes Thursday for one week's vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Eckerson and children left Saturday for Wisconsin for a visit with Mrs. Eckerson's parents.

Mrs. Minda Murfit and daughter Nonie and Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Murfit of Royalton were visitors at the Edden home Thursday and Friday of last week.

Miss Hilda Anderson came home on Sunday from Dakota to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Anderson.

John Eckerson is home now from the hospital and is getting along as well as can be expected. His friends hope to see him out soon.

Miss Olympia Laiture returned from Brainerd Monday, after a two weeks' visit with her sister, Mrs. Harry Bailey.

Miss Mamie Nauertz is home from Little Falls to spend the holiday vacation with her parents.

GILBERT

December 22.—The program that was held in district No. 50 Saturday night, was well attended.

Mr. Bement and son Robert, delivered a couple loads of hogs to Pierz on Thursday.

Chas. Hedlund was a business caller in Little Falls Thursday.

Erick Larson was a caller in Fort Ripley one day last week.

Miss Jennie Gustafson of Freedom visited Helen Bement Sunday.

S. Bement helped Mike Broiling butcher hogs Monday.

Miss Hattie Tuttle came home Saturday night from Royalton, where she has been employed for some time.

Miss Bernice Brown left Monday for her home in Empire.

Helen Bement and Jennie Gustafson visited Roger's home Sunday afternoon.

George Rogers and daughter Laura, were caller in Brainerd Tuesday.

Alfred Broiling came home Monday from Royalton for a few days' visit at his home.

Mike Broiling was in Brainerd Tuesday with a load of pork.

Sam. Tough was a caller at Broiling's, one day last week.

We are having some cold winter days now.

TWELVE

Harry Ecklund of Billings, Mont., left Wednesday for a visit at Chicago, after spending several days in this city as the guest of F. A. Nelson.

Gordon Wallace of Portland, Ore., is visiting with his parents here this week.

Dr. J. H. Newman returned Wednesday from a business trip to the twin cities.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Tanner and little son of Saskatoon, Can., are in the city for a visit with relatives.

Miss Naomi Hegberg, assistant county superintendent of schools, is spending Christmas at her home at St. Cloud.

George Tanner of Bemidji is visiting relatives in this city this week.

Roland Davidson of Winnipeg, who attends college at Culver, Ind., is visiting at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. A. Penner this week.

Henry Swanson, science teacher at the high school, is spending the holidays at his home in Olivia.

Anthony Pettl of Wahpeton, N. D., is visiting at the home of his father, Felix Pettl, this week.

WEST BELLEVUE

December 23.—Miss Rose MacDonall went to Royalton Friday.

Mrs. A. A. Moses and son of Sanborn, Iowa, arrived Tuesday to spend

a couple weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Brockway and other relatives.

Miss Anna Zimmerman called on Miss Stone Monday.

Schools in Dist. 5 will close this week for the holiday vacation.

W. C. Brockway and G. E. Brockway had the wood saw Saturday.

Mrs. H. E. Lambert went to Royalton Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Panley were Royalton shoppers Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Hayes went to Royalton Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eber Trask drove to Royalton Saturday.

Miss Stone visited Miss MacDougall Thursday.

J. M. Lambert, J. E. Lambert, Fred Schubert, H. E. Lambert, George Riedner and J. R. Stone transacted business in Royalton Friday.

SOUTH LITTLE FALLS TOWN

December 24.—The Pike Rapids Progressive association had an enjoyable meeting in the evening of Dec. 19. Some 80 people attended. A selected program consisting of songs, music and recitations was rendered. Mr. Gustafson of the high school force of Little Falls then introduced Mr. A. J. McGuire of the University Extension division, who made a very forcible speech on "Dairying and Soilbuilding."

The speaker also urged the farmers to keep more good dairy cows and avoid keeping "dual purpose cows. A bountiful lunch was then served by the ladies.

Mrs. Ida Berglund of Gilbert was visiting with Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Nelson.

Miss Ann Peter of Cloquet is home on her Christmas vacation.

Miss Sarah Landweier is home from Illinois for an extended visit with her parents here.

DARLING

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Many of our people were Christmas shoppers at Little Falls last Saturday.

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The Christmas festival will be held at the Swedish Lutheran church Christmas day at 7:30 p. m. Everybody welcome.

Mrs. Reynold Carlson had a narrow escape one day last week while driving to the store to do her weekly trading, when her horse became frightened from some cattle chasing each other in the Nelson pasture close to the church.

Carlson was thrown from the buggy and the rig upset and the horse kept up its lively gallop until it was captured by the Ole Johnson place. Mrs. Carlson was not seriously injured but badly shocked.

Thomas McCarty and William Boxell and Harold Cover drove to Little Falls Tuesday.

Miss Ethel McCarty, who is attending high school at Little Falls, returned home to spend the Christmas holidays.

George Wippler is busy these days brushing his farm.

Mr. Nelson made a bargain with a party at Randall, who was going to buy a 40-acre tract of land and last Saturday the deal was in closed at Little Falls, but the buyer failed to show up.

The Christmas program which was rendered by the pupils in district No. 35 Tuesday evening was a grand success.

Miss Ella O. Kjelshus, the teacher, was praised for her good work and the pupils she has had during the last couple of weeks of the year.

After the program Miss Kjelshus distributed pretty boxes with candy and nuts and gifts to each one of her pupils. The school room was prettily decorated for the occasion. The program was as follows:

Song—Walcott. Recitation—Harold Trosellus. Recitation—Homer Peterson. Recitation—Nine children.

Song—A Christmas Carol. Recitation—Edna Trosellus. Recitation—Clinton Nelson. Song—A Dream.

Recitation—Eight boys. Recitation—Dorothy McCarty. Song—Old Santa Claus Will Come. Tuesday Santa Claus Substitute.

Mr. Santa Claus.....Sigert Nelson Mrs. Santa Claus.....Bertha Peterson Aurora Santa Claus.....Edna Trosellus Santa Claus Jr.....Albert Peter Rev. Beecher.....Hugo Thelander Mrs. Beecher.....Sigrid Thelander Harvey.....Clifford McCarty Dotty.....Helen Trosellus Miss Pounrose.....Edna Trosellus Mr. Luoker.....Hilja Trosellus Brownie.....Herbert Peterson Fairy Flier.....Walter Nelson Between scene 1 and 2—Recitation—Bruno Peterson. Between scene 3 and 4—Song—Four children.

Song—Jingle Bells. Dialogue—A Scene on a Street Car—Nine Children.

SWANVILLE

December 23.—Christmas programs will be given in both the Lutheran and Congregational churches Christmas Eve.

Miss Clarice Knutson is visiting at the Dolven home.

Doyle left for her home in St. Cloud Saturday to spend her holiday vacation.

Miss Lillian Muske was a Little Falls visitor between trains Tuesday.

Mrs. Iver Phillips of Minneapolis and Mrs. Gustav Krueger and baby of Collins, visited with Mrs. Minnie Krueger from Thursday to Tuesday.

William Krueger left for Minneapolis Tuesday, where he will visit over the holidays.

The Wm. Siems family autoed to Long Prairie Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Maloney arrived Tuesday for a visit at the J. D. Stith home.

Miss Evelyn Young is spending her vacation at her home in Aitkin.

Mrs. Erdmann of Kimberley, is visiting at the home of Mrs. M. Krueger.

Mrs. J. J. McRae, Sr., was a Little Falls visitor Saturday.

Miss Thecla Pearson of Little Falls visited friends here over Sunday.

Miss Ava Alton left for her home at Alexandria Saturday to spend her vacation.

A large crowd attended the interesting program given by the public school last Friday.

Mrs. O. Hitzemann and son are home from a visit in St. Paul.

H. Lemble of Long Prairie is visiting his son Ed. Lemble out of town.

Aug. Virkus of Long Prairie transacted business here Tuesday.

Miss Mary Caine and Ole Hedin were married Tuesday and in the evening gave a dance in Hamm's hall to their many friends.

Clarence Stith has purchased the Tom Willett residence and will take possession soon.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Willett of Glenwood transacted business here several days last week.

Lena Zerner, Cora and Lillian Dolven and Phil Pennie, who are attending the Little Falls high school are home for the holidays.

EAST DARLING

December 22.—The Sunday school of the Swedish Lutheran church will give a program at the church at 7:30 sharp the evening. All are cordially invited to attend.

The services at the Swedish Lutheran church last Sunday were very well attended.

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT ABIDES

Wondrous indeed was the mission of the Christ Child! He gave himself to the world on the first Christmas day, and with him came every other good gift.

With him came bountiful tables and good cheer in lordly and homely homes and happy parents and merry children. Men's hearts thawed out, and long faces grew shorter, and sad eyes twinkled with glee, and evergreens sparkled with candles and bore marvelous fruit of loving gifts, simple or costly, in millions of homes.

The trees wither; the toys get broken; the groaning tables are lightened of their load. Dec. 25 is succeeded by the cold, dark days of mid-winter, but the spirit of Christmas abides. In a way every day is a Christmas day, for the Christ Spirit does not take its flight. Every day of the year ministering spirits go about their humble, homely tasks. Every day some one is catching the blessed contagion of Christmas and learning that it is more blessed to give than to receive.

Ah, yes, every day is a Christmas day to him who learns this secret of secrets! —Rev. P. S. Henson, D. D.

CHRISTMAS SEALS WIN.

Widespread Sales Prove Their Hold on Favor of the Public.

MORE than 44,000,000 Red Cross Christmas seals were sold last December, according to a report issued by the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis and the American Red Cross. In this way \$440,000 was netted for anti-tuberculosis work in various parts of the United States.

The sale in 1913 is a gain of 4,000,000 seals over 1912, or 10 per cent. It is hoped that this year the 50,000,000 mark will be reached. The seal design for 1914 has been selected, and orders for the printing of 100,000,000 seals have been placed.

New York state led the country last year with a sale of over 10,500,000 seals or one for each man, woman and child in the state. Of this number more than 6,825,000 were sold outside of New York city. Pennsylvania came next with a sale of 3,125,000. Ohio was third with 2,800,000. Wisconsin fourth with 2,700,000, and Illinois fifth with 2,500,000. Hawaii sold the most seals per capita, the total sale being somewhat over two for each inhabitant. Rhode Island came second with a sale of two per person.

Beginning with a sale of 13,500,000 in 1908, in six seasons the revenue which these little holiday seals have brought to the anti-tuberculosis campaign has more than tripled, an aggregate for the period of over \$1,800,000 or 180,000,000 seals.

Business Even at Christmas.

She was a sentimental young girl and had devoted much time and tender thought to the home decorations for Christmas. Her surprise may be imagined when she came downstairs one morning and found the decorations moved around. The mistletoe boughs that had been half hidden in secluded places had been substituted for the holly wreaths and were now hung in the front windows in plain view of passersby.

"Say, sister," explained her little brother, "you've had that mistletoe hanging up for nearly a week and you haven't had a single customer. You're not up to date. What you want to do is to advertise."—Judge.

Where Santa First Appeared.

It was in New York, or, rather, New Amsterdam, that Santa Claus made his first American appearance in something like the garb and manner now familiar to all of us. From the Netherlands the Knickerbockers brought with them the Christmas of love and sympathy in religion, of comradeship among neighbors and of festivity in the family.

CHRISTMAS MORNINGS NO TIME TO SLEEP



F. B. LOGAN MAY BE STATE FAIR SOCIETY DIRECTOR

The annual meeting of the Minnesota State Agricultural society will be held at Minneapolis January 12 to 15, 1915. Among the speakers on the program is F. B. Logan of Royalton, who will give a talk on "The County Exhibit at the State Fair; What It Is Worth to the State."

The business meeting will be held on Friday, January 15. A president, vice-president and two members of the board of directors will be elected at that time. Frank Logan of Royalton is slated for membership on this board.

HIGH QUINT TRIMS ELK RIVER

The local high school basketball five downed the Elk River high team at the local high school gymnasium Saturday afternoon by the overwhelming score of 52 to 4. The local boys had their opponents outclassed in every respect and shot baskets almost at will. Elk River secured but one field basket, the other points being made on fouls. Meyers made 11 baskets for the locals.

Philip Chance of Minneapolis is spending the holidays at the home of his parents, Dr. and Mrs. H. W. Chance of this city.

ORDER LIMITING TIME TO FILE CLAIMS, AND FOR HEARING THEREON

Estate of S. W. Compton

State of Minnesota, ss. County of Morrison.

In the matter of the estate of S. W. Compton, decedent:

Letters of administration this day having been granted to Ben Schwetters;

It is ORDERED, That the time within which all creditors of the above named decedent may present claims against his estate in this Court, be, and the same hereby is, limited to six months from and after the date hereof, and that no claim after the 26th day of June, 1915, at 10 o'clock a. m., in the Probate Court Rooms at the Court House at the City of Little Falls in said County, be, and the same hereby is, fixed and appointed as the time and place for hearing upon and the examination, adjustment and allowance of such claims as shall be presented within the time aforesaid.

Let notice hereof be published by the publication of this order in The Little Falls Herald, as provided by law.

Dated December 19, 1914. (Seal) E. F. SHAW, Judge of Probate.

State of Minnesota, ss. County of Morrison.

In District Court, Seventh Judicial District

Martin Lindwall, Plaintiff

vs. Hevrig Johnson, Frank Nelson, Sven P. Nilson, Ida Nilson, Charley Lijonberg, Otto Lagerberg, Mrs. Clara Ferris and Mrs. Clara Ferris and her husband, Defendants.

SUMMONS

The State of Minnesota to the above named defendants:

You, Hevrig Johnson, Frank Nelson, Sven P. Nilson, Ida Nilson, Charley Lijonberg, Otto Lagerberg, Mrs. Clara Ferris and Mrs. Clara Ferris and her husband, and all other persons unknown having or claiming any interest in the property described in the complaint herein, and each of you are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint of the plaintiff in the above entitled action, a copy of which is hereto annexed and herewith served upon you, and which complaint has also been filed in the office of the Clerk of the above named Court, and to serve a copy of your answer thereupon on the subscriber at his office in the Realty Block in the City of Little Falls, Morrison County, Minnesota, within twenty (20) days after the service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of such service. If you fail to answer the complaint within said time, the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

Dated this 30th day of November, 1914.

N. N. BERGHEIM, Plaintiff's Attorney, Little Falls, Minn.