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## HIGH SCHOOL PLAY TONIGHT

### DRAMATIC CLUB TO PUT ON 'THE ARRIVAL OF KITTY' AT AUDITORIUM

"The Arrival of Kitty," a farce in three acts, will be put on at the high school auditorium tonight by members of the high school dramatic club. The curtain will rise at 8:15. The cast has been practicing diligently under the direction of Miss Adelaide Whiting and Miss Dorothy Snavely and they promise to give the public a good show. The high school orchestra and glee club will furnish music for the play and between acts. Following is the cast:

- William Winkler...Bernard Malerich
- Aunt Jane, his sister...Doris Larson
- Jane, his niece...Myrtle Lee
- Bobbie Baxter, in love with Jane...Charles Davis
- Benjamin Moore, an eccentric professor...Harry Leonard
- Ting, a bell boy...George Merrick
- Sam, a colored porter...Harold Dickinson
- Kitty, an actress...Janet Tanner
- Suzette, aunt Jane's maid...Lucile Tourtilot
- Scene—The office of the Halcyon House, in the Catskill Mountains.

## SYLVESTER VICE-PRESIDENT OF STATE ICE CREAM ASSOCIATION

Charles Sylvester of this city was on Wednesday elected vice-president of the Minnesota State Association of Ice Cream Manufacturers, at the annual meeting held at the St. Paul hotel. The association was organized a year ago and this was the second annual convention. It was formed for the purpose of regulating the ice cream trade and to bring about a more uniform quality. The association also favors the licensing of ice cream manufacturers, whereby some factories, which are most unsanitary, would be eliminated or forced to improve their conditions.

Hereafter the ice cream manufacturers will endeavor to increase the sale of their product more than ever. Its use as a food, not as a luxury, will be advocated by them.

## SCHOOLS TO BE INSPECTED NEXT WEEK

Beginning next Monday four state inspectors of graded and high schools will inspect the schools in this county and in Stearns, Benton, Mille Lacs, Aitkin and Todd counties.

On Friday of next week the inspectors will hold an informal conference at the high school here, together with all the school heads in this district, including county and city superintendents and principals of graded schools. Superintendent Dobbyn is making arrangements for the meeting and is sending out invitations to the school heads to attend. The meeting will begin at 3 p. m. Friday.

## NIGHT SCHOOL

As yet only fifteen persons have indicated their willingness to enroll at the night school should one be started here, and unless at least double that number are willing to enroll, the school will be abandoned this winter. Mr. Berghem recently sent out letters to those who attended the school last year and to others, asking them if they wanted to resume studies this year again. It is to be hoped that enough enroll, as much is to be gained from those schools.

## \$13,000 MORE FOR LITTLE FALLS POSTOFFICE

The sum of \$10,497,404.00 has been asked for by the treasury department for the completion of public buildings throughout the United States. This is an increase of approximately \$3,000,000 over last year.

Out of the above amount \$25,000 is for the Bemidji postoffice and \$13,000 for the completion of the Little Falls postoffice.

## TWO YOUNG BOYS DISAPPEAR

Two local boys, both less than fifteen years of age, one the son of Mrs. Lewis Larson and the other the son of Mrs. Cyrus, have disappeared from home and no one knows anything of their whereabouts. It is said that they were seen at the station here late Monday night and it is believed that they are in some town west of here, and that they will return soon, as they were penniless.

## MILITIAMEN MAY BE BACK BEFORE CHRISTMAS

The Little Falls boys who are with the regiment at the border expect to be home by Christmas, according to letters written to their parents here. They say that one of the officers in addressing the men there recently said that they expected to be back at Ft. Snelling two days before Christmas.

## VISITING NURSE IS HERE

Miss Peterson, the visiting nurse, came here the first of the week to do community nurse work under the auspices of the Civic League. She will remain until Christmas.

This week Miss Peterson is examining the children in the schools and assisting in stamping out the smallpox epidemic.

John Berendt had an operation for appendicitis at the Hall hospital last Wednesday.

The Gliding club was entertained at Hicks hall Tuesday evening by Messrs. and Mesdames E. E. Hall, F. G. Dahms, H. B. Smoots and G. W. Massey.

## MOTLEY BLINDPIGGER FINED

### J. W. STEFFENS ASSESSED \$200 FOR UNLAWFUL SALE OF LIQUOR

J. W. Steffens of Motley was found guilty by a jury in municipal court Tuesday of selling liquor without a license in that village. Judge Lyon fined him \$50 and costs, totaling \$200, which he paid. This case was the first one to be tried by a jury since the municipal court was established in this city. It was demanded by the defendant. About ten witnesses were introduced by the plaintiff but the defense did not offer any testimony. The complaint was made by V. Lockwood, president of the village of Motley. Motley is a dry village by local option. Mr. Steffens was found guilty of selling liquor in a butcher shop there.

## GIVES LECTURE ON BLINDNESS

Gordon L. Berry, field secretary for the National Committee for the Prevention of Blindness gave an interesting and instructive lecture on the subject "Saving Sight—Saving Citizens" at the high school auditorium Tuesday evening, before an audience of over 200 people. His lecture was illustrated by stereopticon views. Mr. Berry has a schedule of 30 such lectures in this state, under the auspices of the state board of health. The meeting here was arranged by the Civic League. Admission was free, the expenses being paid for by the league. In his lecture Mr. Berry stated that in this country there are one hundred thousand blind persons, of which number about 50,000 are needlessly blind. In most of these cases blindness was caused by neglect of the children's eyes at birth or through industrial accidents. Mr. Berry stated that a large percentage of the blind people in Minnesota come from the St. Cloud district, being mostly men who work in the granite quarries.

## CAN'T GET BOOKS IF THERE'S DISEASE AT HOME

The library board, at a special meeting Monday evening, decided to loan no books to people in whose homes contagious disease exists and that books that are in such homes will not be accepted before they have been thoroughly fumigated. The board also decided to have the library fumigated on the following Tuesday.

Mrs. J. W. Riely entertained the ladies' Wilson-Hughes club at her home Wednesday afternoon. A dainty lunch was served.

W. H. Muncy has purchased a new one-ton truck for use in his cray business. He traded the old truck in on the deal. The new truck is somewhat larger and better constructed.

Mrs. A. M. Baker was pleasantly surprised at her home on First street southeast Wednesday evening, by a number of friends, the occasion being her birthday anniversary. She received a number of gifts as remembrances of the occasion. Dainty refreshments were served at the close of a very pleasant evening.

Harris Gourd has written the baseball boys here asking whether they will have a team next year and whether they want him on it. He says he has a chance to go out west but will stay if he can get a position here this winter and a place on the team here next summer. The local boys may get together on some proposition so as to keep him here, if possible.

## DIED

Edward F. Warren, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Warren of this city, passed away Wednesday night at the state hospital at Fergus Falls, after a long illness. He was 36 years of age. Deceased was born in Saginaw, Mich., Dec. 28, 1880. He came here with his parents in 1893. His father was superintendent of the Pine Tree Mfg. company's plant here for a number of years, until a few years ago, when ill health compelled him to retire.

Edward F. Warren was a graduate of the local high school and of the state university, getting the degree of pharmacist in the university. He was employed as pharmacist at the M. V. Wetzel drug store here for some time and later was employed at Duluth, Minneapolis and Mahanomen. For the past year he had not followed his profession on account of ill health. He was a member of the Elks and Foodmen lodges of this city.

Deceased is survived by his parents and by two brothers and one sister. The brothers are Ernest of St. Marys, Id., and Eugene of Long Beach, Calif. The sister is Mrs. G. W. Massey, Jr., of Great Falls, Mont.

The remains were brought here yesterday and the funeral will be held at the Congregational church at 2:30 this afternoon, Rev. Gregory officiating.

George Leeb, Sr., died Thanksgiving day, November 30, at 10 o'clock p. m., from cancer of the stomach, after a year's illness, at the home of his son, Peter Leeb, in Granite. He was 70 years of age.

Deceased was born in northern Hungary, April 13, 1846. He served in the Austro-Hungary army three years. He came to Granite and settled on a homestead in what was then known as Rich Prairie, in 1882. He ceased farming a few years ago, but continued to live on the place with his son. Surviving the deceased are three children, George and Peter of Granite and Mrs. Mary Block of Pierz.

The funeral was held from St. John's church, Lastrup, Monday morning at 10 o'clock. Rev. Fr. Klein, officiating. It was one of the largest funerals ever held in Lastrup, deceased being very well and favorably known there and in the vicinity. Interment was in the church cemetery.

## DOINGS OF COUNTY BOARD

### ASK FEDERAL ROAD AID—WISH TO REPLACE ROYALTON BRIDGE

The county board met in regular monthly session Tuesday with all members present. Bond and oath of Samuel Trebby, coroner, was presented to the board and approved.

Itemized statement of V. Stewart and A. H. Larson, who had charge of the county exhibit at state fair showing a total receipt of \$411.25 and expenditures of \$257.01, showing a balance of \$154.24, \$50.00 of said balance was turned into the county treasury. County road in Buh, Granite and Pulaaski, was established as a county road.

The following resolution was then passed: "We, the County Board of Morrison county have examined bridge No. 1825 over the Mississippi river on state road No. 1, located between Sec. 8, Twp. 127, Rge. 29, and Sec. 32, Twp. 33, Rge. 32, known as the Royalton bridge, and find the same in very dangerous condition and as it serves to carry a very large volume of traffic it is not possible to close it, so a new bridge must be built at once at an estimated expense of \$35,000.00. As the entire bridge is in Morrison county, the expense cannot be divided between two counties as is generally the case with such large bridges. Furthermore, very insistent demands are being made for extensive road work on a north and south route through Morrison county, and

Whereas, The funds available are entirely inadequate to care for these two projects,

Therefore, We hereby petition the Minnesota Highway Commission to lay out a federal aid highway along the following route: From Royalton to Little Falls over state roads 1 and 2, thence to the county line at Lincoln, over state road No. 4.

We also request that \$50,000.00 be set aside for work on this route and we hereby agree to expend not less than an equal amount from the county road and bridge fund together with funds raised by subscription or otherwise, and to construct and maintain the road in accordance with requirements of the State Highway commission and secretary of agriculture.

This will enable us to finance the construction of the Royalton bridge with the assistance of our state aid appropriation.

Bills allowed:

State Road No. 1	
Clarence Lepez, work	\$ 15.98
Wm. Miller, work	86.00
Dan Stricker, work	6.75
Tom Trutwin, repairs on bridges	68.40
Barney Miller, Jr., work	23.16
A. J. Nelson, work	250.50
Thoen Bros., work	9.45
John Smieja, work	6.75
Rass Fleck, work	40.73
Wm. Kleisch, work	34.30
B. A. Stein, supplies	4.30
P. L. Poster, concrete culvert	775.00
P. L. Poster, 1/2 cost bridge No. 2363	631.00
A. B. Peterson, balance contract bridge No. 2285	725.00
G. W. Waller, Cont. bridge No. 1779 and culvert	912.00
Town of Elm Dale, 1/2 cost of bridge	82.76
Town of Elm Dale, Amt. paid for roadway	175.00

State Road No. 2

M. Doucette, work	7.88
Meyers Bros., work	3.20
Willie Peterson, ruralman	42.50

State Road No. 3

Jos. LaFond, work	10.46
Ernest Paquin, work	16.87
Willie Paquin, work	16.87
Standard Oil Co., gas, tractor	90.83
W. M. Cox, work	1.75
Geo. Willard, work	1.75
Joe Kuka, work	9.00
John Peka, work	10.00
John L. Peka, work	18.00
Wm. Burkel, work	27.00
P. H. Hartman, supplies	16.30
Rich Prairie Milling Co., supplies	39.40
Barney Burton, supplies	16.80
Wm. Trampe, supplies	18.00
Kasper Thommes, blacksmithing	8.45

Town of Two Rivers, filling approach

Wm. Neiman, work	22.50
Guy Buskirk, work	24.00
Frank Withiam, work	35.00
Frank Paquin, work	9.00
Edward Meyers, work	16.87
Homer Paquin, work	13.50
Alfred Green, work	20.25
W. M. Oberton, work	29.25
Albert Schwanke, work	6.75
Lester Thommas, work	11.25
F. P. Farrow, work	46.58
Jas. LaFond, work	29.03
George M. Hoffman, work	34.50
Ben Olson, work	6.75
John Burowski, work	11.25
Roy Probasco, work	12.60
Theo. Hoheisel, work	18.00
Frank Eckson, work	3.37
Chas. Wood, work	3.37
Victor Bruber, work	54.00
John Fischer, work	88.30
Math. Schuerer, work	12.00
Jos. Gruber, filling grade	50.00
Herman Boser, work	14.88
John Schmidbauer, work	49.95
Jobb Sontag, work	26.10
John L. Boser, work	8.10
Adam Virmig, work	23.10
John Donck, Sr., work	43.75
Mike Thommes, work	6.30
Swanville Hdw. Co., supplies	34.65
E. W. Kallier, supplies	1.00
Wm. Unger, work	47.25
Otto Fritz, work	29.12
Chas. Dietrich, work	29.25
Aug. Hartwig, work	23.12
William Rasmann, work	23.12
Herman Strochein, work	31.50
Chas. Vanselow, work	34.02
Gust Schulz, work	11.25

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## RESOLUTES ON LIGHT RATES

### COUNCIL IN RESOLUTION SAYS 'NOT AVERSE' TO COMPANY GIVING THEM A TRIAL

The city council held a regular monthly meeting at the city hall Monday evening which broke all previous records for brevity. It lasted only 55 minutes. Aldermen Hall, Moeglein, Blake, Peterson, LaFond and Farrow were present.

The reports of Municipal Judge Lyon for October and November with receipts for \$24 and \$46 attached, were accepted and ordered filed.

Street Commissioner LaFond was given power to fix up a ditch on the west side which is filled up in several places.

F. J. Kopacz was granted a permit to remove the front in the Perm building and to replace it with a new plate glass front.

A resolution opposing the present rates of the Water Power company for current as being unsatisfactory both as to the manner of charge and in amount, and wherein the council expressed itself as not being averse to the Water Power company giving the proposed rates a fair trial, was unanimously passed, a number of the councilmen stating before the vote was taken, that as they understood the resolution the council was not getting behind the proposed rates. The resolution is as follows:

"The common Council of the City of Little Falls, Minnesota, being in session duly assembled on the 4th day of December, 1916, adopted the following resolution: Whereas, This Council appointed a so-called electric rate committee to investigate and report to this Council a schedule of electric rates that would be more satisfactory than the rates heretofore charged by the Little Falls Water Power company of Minnesota, and

Whereas, Said committee has rendered to this Council a majority and a minority report now on file with the city clerk, and

Whereas, This Council believes that the rates heretofore charged by said company are unsatisfactory both as to the amount of the charge and as to the method of making the same, and

Whereas, This Council is advised that it does not have the power to establish and enforce rates for electric service rendered by said company, and

Whereas, This Council is not in possession of sufficient facts to know whether the amount of charges now made by said company are in reality excessive or not, and

Be It Resolved, That this council is not averse to said company giving the rates and the method of making the same set forth in said majority report a fair trial, without, however, prejudicing the right of the city at any time to assert or to show that such rates are unreasonable.

"Adopted December 4, 1916" President Hall announced that Mr. Gordon had stated that P. J. Vasaly, a member of the light rate committee and who made a minority report on this question, had made the statement that only 13 of the commercial patrons of the company would receive reductions under the proposed rate. Mr. Vasaly, who was present at the meeting, denied having made this statement, saying that he had stated at the previous meeting of the council, that five of the commercial patrons would take up two-thirds of the decrease and that eight more, making a total of thirteen, would wipe out the decrease, all the other reductions being offset by increases. Mr. Hall agreed that this was what Mr. Vasaly had said.

The letter from Mr. Gordon, stating that the rate asked for in the petitions, had to be refused, was read. This letter should have been read at the previous meeting but in some manner was omitted.

Upon motion by Alderman LaFond the building committee was instructed to purchase a linoleum covering for the rostrum on which the council president's desk is stationed. The same committee was also asked to investigate the advisability of purchasing a covering for the floor in the city clerk's office or of putting in a new floor, and to report at the next meeting.

Adjournment was taken to December 11, when the application of Peter Posch for a transfer of liquor license will be taken up.

Bills allowed:

Water Power Co., street lights	\$487.00
Water Power Co., hydrant rent	495.83
Adams Hdw. Co., catch basins	210.00
G. F. Ferrell, plumbing, etc.	26.55
L. F. Iron Works, Mdsce.	2.50
Burton & Greisch, street sprinkling	34.81
Adams Hdw. Co., Mdsce.	1.90
Water Power Co., water rent city hall	2.44
Transcript Pub. Co., legal ptg N. Dumont, M. D., auto hire	38.60
Morrison Co. Lbr. Co., wood city hall	2.00
L. C. Smith, police services	60.65
Morrison Co., board, prisoners	17.00
Simonet Fur. & Car. Co., Mdsce.	1.08
Herald Ptg. Co., printing	8.75
Marion Roberts, janitor	37.92
F. W. Lyon, M. J. judge	15.45

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## COMMITTEE ON HORSE RACING

### APPOINTED BY COUNTY FAIR SOCIETY—OFFICERS ELECT FOR ENSUING YEAR

Horse racing promises to be a part of the program of entertainment at the next county fair here, a committee having been appointed by the fair society at its annual meeting Tuesday to organize a racing association and to build a race track.

In the election of officers for the ensuing year George Kiewel was chosen president, to succeed T. C. Gordon. N. N. Berghem was re-elected secretary on the same terms as for the previous year and W. H. Ryan was re-elected treasurer. A. C. Gordon, M. M. Williams, Charles Sylvester, A. Simonet, Victor Beckman, David Moran, Sam Hammerbeck, A. F. Koslosky and John Vertin were elected as the board of directors. Mr. Gordon and Mr. Beckman are the new members of the board.

The action of the board to borrow \$1400 from the First National bank with which to pay premiums was approved and the secretary was instructed to pay this back to the bank as soon as the state aid is received.

The question of insuring the buildings on the grounds came up and on account of the high rate in the city, the secretary was instructed to communicate with some Farmers' Mutual insurance company and see whether the buildings could be insured in such Farmers' Mutual company.

Samuel Hammerbeck was elected delegate to the annual meeting of the State Fair society to be held in the month of January.

The secretary reported that in conformity to instructions of the board of directors the officers had purchased the Miller lots and that they had paid for the lots and the moving of the buildings approximately \$500.00. The meeting approved the action of the officers.

The question of securing two and one-half acres more land and preparing a race track was discussed and the following committee was appointed to see what assistance can be secured in the organization of a horse race association at Little Falls: Charles Sylvester, Sam LaFond, Barney Burton and J. K. Martin.

This committee was instructed to organize such a Horse Race association as the public sentiment seemed to be in favor of and to raise a sufficient amount of cash, from persons interested in horse racing, to pay for the additional land necessary to be purchased, the moving of fences and buildings and the making of a track, it being understood that the fair society will not itself go into horse racing but that the society will furnish the necessary track and buildings and lease the same to the Horse Race association, and that they work together for the holding of good races at the time of the fair. The committee was instructed to make investigations and report to the board of directors as soon as possible so that a track can be prepared for next year's fair. In connection with this the secretary was instructed to negotiate with Mr. Vertin for the purchase of about two and one-half acres south of the present fair grounds and as soon as said land was purchased to proceed to bring an action in court to quiet title to all the land held by the society so that the title may be in proper shape in case of the placing of a loan on the same.

Albert Johnson made application to become a member of the society, which application was granted and a certificate of stock issued to him.

Following is society's financial report:

Balance as shown by report, Nov. 22, 1915	\$ 94.46
State aid	973.00
Commercial Club donation	100.00
Morrison Co. donation	200.00
Little Falls donation	250.00
Women's Bldg. Com. donation	69.75
Use of grounds	35.50
Subscriptions	73.50
Advertising	165.00
Concessions	64.00
Loan receipts	875.25
Loan, 1st Nat'l bank, two notes, \$2200, \$1400	3600.00
Total	\$7220.36

Fair supplies	\$ 142.97
Amusements	805.00
Merchandise	22.42
Miscellaneous	18.46
Advertisement	272.37
Express & Drayage	19.71
Feed for stock	45.58
Labor during fair	46.00
Judges' and clerks' expenses	85.65
Serj's salary & office help	425.00
Stationery and postage	47.07
Premiums paid out	1394.45
Cost of mailing premium lists	39.25
Total	\$3355.82

Disbursements Account Grounds	\$3111.16
Insurance	145.92
Taxes	45.96
Light and telephone	36.68
Lumber	135.37
Labor, acct. grounds	129.70
Labor, acct. moving bigs	252.45
Total	\$3857.24
Total Amt. of receipts	\$7220.36
Total disbursements	7213.06

Balance, Dec. 5, 1916	\$7.30
Herald Printing Co., premium	202.75
list and advertising	202.75
Note to John Vertin, date Nov. 11, 1916, due Jan. 10, 1917, at 6 per cent	200.00
Note to 1st Nat'l bank	\$200.00
Int. to Jan. 10, 1917	132.00
Premium note	1400.00
Int. to Jan. 10, 1917	16.50
Total	\$4151.25

## BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETS

### PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT OF LITTLE FALLS, MINN.

(Official)  
Little Falls, Minn., Dec. 6, 1916.

The Board of Education held its regular meeting at the high school building at 4 o'clock p. m. Members present were: Mrs. L. D. Brown, Carl Bolander, S. C. Vasaly, L. E. Richard.

On motion, duly seconded and carried, Carl Bolander was elected president pro tem. Minutes were read and approved.

On motion, duly seconded and carried, the reports of A. H. Larson with check of \$43.06 and that of George Jester for \$11.87, were accepted.

On motion, duly seconded and carried, the following bills were allowed: Beekley-Cardy Co., books...\$ .95  
The Personal Record Press, books... 1.09  
The MacMillan Co., books... 10.90  
Silver, Burdett & Co., books... 78.91  
St. Paul Book & Stationery Co., books... 1.37  
C. C. Birchard & Co., books... 4.62  
McKnight & McKnight, books... .70  
Ginn & Co., books... 14.59  
Little Falls Cornice & Roofing Co., toilet ventilation... 55.06  
A. W. Anderson, work on farm... 1.50  
T. J. Mathieson, care of horse... 26.00  
Miss Fanny Jodoin, expense to conference... 8.60  
Herald Printing Co., printing and publishing proceedings... 9.00  
F. W. Dobbyn, postage, express, telegrams, etc... 54.36  
E. M. Leblanc, washing towels... 5.91  
Mrs. D. Malburn, work as transient officer... 43.75  
J. S. Pearis & Bro., music... .49  
Western Union Telegraph Co., messages... 1.34  
Thomas Charles Co., supplies... 1.31  
McClain & Hedman Co., supplies... 17.55  
Northwestern School Supply Co., supplies... 3.00  
P. W. Blake, supplies... 3.98  
The Golden Rule, supplies... 3.98  
United Chemical