

American Legion Corner

When Leon Heath Legion Post of Pine City elects its officers, it uses the Australian ballot system.

"We are not cranks on Flag observance but we insist that all due respect be shown Old Glory.

Legion State Commander Van Dyke is willing to wager that in all America there are no finer Legion post officers than those of Minnesota.

Parcel postmen of Minneapolis often wonder whether Minnesota Legion Auxiliary Headquarters, 900 Plymouth Building is the headquarters of a patriotic society or a wholesale fruit, candy, knitted goods and merchandise center.

CHIEF CLARK SPOTTED AS 'SUSPICIOUS CHARACTER'

Local police always seem to come in for trouble at the hands of the officers of the law in St. Cloud.

It seems that Chief Clark had changed shifts with Patrolman Boyes Sunday evening and had spotted a suspicious looking character while on duty.

EFFORT TO OBTAIN HIS SWEETHEART THROUGH COURTS FAILS

Habeas corpus proceedings instituted against Fets Lempe of Bowler by Joseph York of Stearns county to gain possession of Lempe's daughter Helea were dismissed at a hearing Monday afternoon before N. N. Bergheim, district court commissioner, and the defendant was discharged.

HUSBAND OF FORMER LOCAL GIRL A SUICIDE

William Downey, 22, of St. Paul, an ex-soldier, is dead from self-inflicted wounds and his bride of six weeks, formerly of Little Falls, is missing, according to word received by W. I. Manley of this city from his brother, E. F. Manley of Minneapolis, father of Mrs. Downey.

PROPRIETARY STAMP TAX REPEALED

L. M. Willcuts, collector of internal revenue for Minnesota, calls attention of druggists and other dealers in cosmetics that the federal stamp tax on proprietary medicines, cosmetics and perfumes has been repealed, effective January 1, 1922.

J. M. Totten has been designated to collect the subscriptions from local business people this year to give the orphans at St. Otto's orphanage a merry Christmas.

Mrs. C. H. Werner and H. M. Logan of Royalton were in Little Falls Saturday morning and took the examination for the office of postmaster at Royalton.

Christmas Merry Thoughts

By Christopher Mazard

WHO can speak of Christmas care? Merry thoughts are everywhere: From the chimney nook they run With a smile for everyone.

GOLD is good for Christmas Day. Boys and girls care more for play. Fun is good for girls and boys, Happy fun and joyful noise.

OH the Christmas and the snow! And the ruddy winter glow! Heap the table and the fire, Christmas joy should never tire.

GIVE your heart with all you give, Then your gifts with love will live. Love can live when gifts are small, Love himself is best of all.

TAKE this little gift from me, May the season gladsome be. Holly red and evergreen Twining everywhere are seen.

SETTING UP THE TREE

AT ALMOST every corner grocer's stands can be purchased very cheaply that will hold the Christmas tree firmly in position.

The simplest of these consists of a crosspiece of wood raised a little from the floor by wooden supports and having a hole in the center to insert the trunk of the tree.

More elaborate ones take the form of a wooden square, painted a bright red and surrounded by a low wooden railing.

The easiest way to do this, if the tree is not too large and heavy, is to insert the trunk into the hole through the bottom of a wooden box, and either paint this box green or red or cover it with green or red paper.

A starch box will hold up a small tree perfectly, but a somewhat larger box must be chosen for one of larger growth.

Country dwellers who cannot purchase these trees at the corner store, but have to cut them in the nearest wood lot, must devise some other way of holding the Christmas tree in position.

The Child Interest club held its last pre-holiday meeting Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. E. V. Wetzel.

ELKS TO INITIATE BIG CLASS DECEMBER 21 Arrangements are being made for a big time at the next meeting of the local Elks lodge next Thursday evening, December 22.

SCHOOL REPORTS District No. 21 for the month ending December 9: Number days taught, 18; number enrolled, 37; average daily attendance, 28.

District No. 59 for the month ending December 2: Number days taught, 18; number enrolled, 37; average daily attendance, 18.

District No. 140 for the month ending December 9: Number days taught, 13; number enrolled, 21; Those neither absent nor tardy for month are: Ella and Hazel Hoglund, Paul Feder, Nellie Pierce, Alice and Mildred Smith, Cecil and Harry Hoglund, Anna Pierce, John Koval, Mary Koval, Stephen Koval, Ruth Carlson and Baby Johnson.

District No. 56 for the month ending December 2: Number days taught, 18; number enrolled, 33; average daily attendance, 28.

W. E. Curtis is at St. Gabriel's hospital for medical treatment. He is suffering with a severe case of pneumonia.

LOCALS TRIM LONG PRAIRIE AND LOSE TO WADENA The basketball team of the local high school won one game and lost one last week.

ERROR BELIEVED RESPONSIBLE FOR ROBBINSDALE TRAGEDY St. Cloud Journal-Press:—Just the omission of the figure 8 on the address of a letter may have been responsible for a sad tragedy.

The attendance at the high school gymnasium last Friday evening, the second time it was thrown open to the public, exceeded 250, and O. L. Borhe, supervisor, found it quite a problem to handle the crowd so that all got a chance to enjoy the gym work.

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CONTRACT LET FOR PAVING FROM ST. CLOUD TO ROYALTON At a meeting of the board of county commissioners of Benton county on Friday, the contract was let for the hard-surfacing of Trunk Highway No. 27, the Jefferson Highway, from where it now ends just below St. Cloud to the Morrison county line near Royalton.

USE HERALD WANT ADS

Authorized Securities The law says that trust funds can be invested only in authorized securities. What are they? 1. Bonds of the United States. 2. Bonds of any state which has not defaulted in the payment of any bonded debt within ten years. 3. County, city, town, village, school, drainage or other bonds of Minnesota. 4. First mortgages on Minnesota real estate and certain other estates. 5. Notes secured by collateral of above securities. 6. Certain railroad bonds and debentures. Thus the law safeguards the investment of your trust funds. AMERICAN SAVINGS & TRUST COMPANY of Little Falls, Minnesota Capital and Surplus \$110,000.00 Affiliated With AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK of Little Falls, Minnesota Combined Resources \$1,250,000.00

Candles and Yule Log CHRISTMAS gifts were common in Medieval times. Accounts tell of the chandlers' guild sending out gratis to every home a special sort of big, flat candles which were burned with the Yule log to light the houses for the coming of a supernatural Christmas visitor. The bakers also sent out "Yule cakes," or "Yule babies," which were little images of Christ. This custom, in fact, seems to be even older, it being recorded on the old Roman calendars that on the Vigil of the Nativity little images of the Christ Child were made in great numbers and presented to the fathers in the Vatican. Gradually the sentiment of "Peace on earth, good will to men" and the celebration of the spirit by general gifts seems to have spread through the other guilds, and finally to have become general. In England today there is a survival of the ancient custom practiced by landowners of setting big sacks of grain or other products outside the gate that whoever came might help himself. It is said that an extra Christmas eve feed is also still given to the cattle. DADDY SAID SANTA WOULD SOON BE HERE

Everything for A Merry Christmas Christmas is an event of real rejoicing this year. Prices have slipped back to normal. The values offered by the J. C. Penney Company are making shopping a pleasure. Good substantial savings are enjoyed. Gift Suggestions! 12c to \$4.98 Women's Blanket Bath Robes—some plain and others trimmed with satin bindings, girdles and novelty buttons—\$2.98 to \$4.98 Smart sweaters—gray colors and prettiest weaves; both Tuxedo and slip-over styles—\$2.98 and \$3.98 Novelty Wool Scarfs—with belts and pockets, plain and contrasting colors—\$2.98 Box stationery—Full line of handsomely boxed stationery; white, cream and tints of pink and blue; a box—23c to \$1.49 Bath Towel Sets—boxed for gifts, with one towel and one wash cloth; blue, pink and gold patterns—79c to \$2.49 Women's Fashioned Silk Hose with lisle top. Excellent quality; black, navy and brown. Sizes 8 1/2 to 10—98c Handkerchiefs! 5c to 49c Women's Handkerchiefs, soft fine cambric 3c and 5c All Linen Handkerchiefs, exceptionally fine quality—23c Initial Handkerchiefs, two in box—23c Colored Handkerchiefs—embroidered, each—10c Men's Mercerized Handkerchiefs, 2 in box 49c Men's Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, each—29c to 39c Embroidered Handkerchiefs, novelty patterns, each—5c and 10c Men's initial Handkerchiefs, two in box—49c and 69c Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 3 in Christmas box—39c and 49c Children's Handkerchiefs, in attractive novelty folders and boxes; a charming gift for girls and boys, each—10c Also 2 for 25c Dainty Gifts for the Baby Even the tiniest baby must have its Christmas celebration and here you will be certain to find exactly the right gift at a low price. Our displays embrace carriage straps, robes, combination toilet sets with comb and brush, teething rings, infants' knit saques, ivory novelties, rattles, baby's first playthings, blankets for the crib, and many daintily boxed novelties. Christmas Greeting Cards 4c, 8c and 12c Greatest variety of attractive Holiday novelties—beautiful designs with appropriate sentiments. Neckwear Prettiest of Lace Collars in all the new shapes. 49c and 69c Batiste and Organdie Sets 98c Collar and Cuff Sets Collar and Cuff Sets, with eyelet embroidery and new novelty sets with bright wool embroideries. 98c Women's Handbags 98c, \$2.98 \$4.90 The new swagger Handbags are especially desirable. Smartly lined and furnished with all the fittings that make a bag useful as well as beautiful. Gray, Brown and Black, finely grained Leather. Store Open on Thurs. and Fri. eve., Dec. 22-23, until 9:30. Close 6 p. m. Saturday, December 24. J.C. Penney Co. A NATION-WIDE INSTITUTION - 312 DEPARTMENT STORES Little Falls, Minnesota BROADWAY and FIRST STREET Store Closed All Day Monday, December 26.