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The public schools will be closed on Good Friday.

Mrs. W. Snyder is ill with typhoid fever.

The report of the public schools was received this week, but too late for this issue.

Lewis Moline made a business trip to St. Cloud yesterday morning, in the interest of the Willmar Brick Co.

Revs. A. N. Osterholm and John Johnson wtil hold services in the Mission church Friday evening.

Miss Emma Ellingson has taken a position at Johnson, Fridlund & Moline's.

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The bell has been placed on the High school building, and its familiar sound is again heard.

Another contingent of Lake Lillian people left this morning for Bowbells, N. Dak.

The State Board of Pardons remitted the fine of $100, imposed upon Noble Schagel at Willmar for illegal sale of intoxicating liquors.

The populist county committee held a meeting Monday and decided upon the 28th inst. as the date for the county convention.

Mrs. T. Lindland and son Albert have moved into the village, having purchased the old Nordin place in the First ward.

Miss Johanna Anderson, missionary from Burmah, will conduct the meeting at the Swedish Baptist church tomorrow (Thursday) evening the 12th at 7:30. It will be announced at this meeting whether she can stay over Friday and hold meeting. All are cordially invited to come.

J. F. Branton filed his oath of office as alderman from Third ward and attended the meeting of the new village council. He was turned down however, and the former action of the council in declaring the place vacant and ordering a special election was ratified.

The Argus says there is talk of the populists entering village politics as a party and nominating a candidate for the needless election in Third ward next Tuesday. This talk is all confined to the republican politicians who traded off their party name for a little mess of pottage and now want an excuse to give their people for so doing.

The Willmar Seminary Band will give a concert at the opera house on Saturday evening, April 21 The program will consist of selections by band, orchestra and mandolin club, vocal and instrumental solos, quartettes, Indian club drills, pyramids, and other features. The band has secured the assistance of some of the best talent in town and a good and varied entertainment is guaranteed. 1p

The TRIBUNE believes that the special election called for next Tuesday is entirely unnecessary, a needless expense to the village and that it will be difficult to get out enough voters to make the result a general expression of the peoples wishes. It further believes that had not the party elected been particularly objectionable to the crowd that is now running the city no special election would have been called.

Passion Song Service.

A Passion Song Service will be held Good Friday at 7.30 p. m. in the Lutheran Tripolis church. All are invited to join in with us in adoration and praise of the Crucified One, who died for us, that we may live.

S. A. L.

Seeking New Pastures.

Bud Miller, Ole Barnstad and other Willmar parties were in Atwater Wednesday, some of them looking up prospects of putting in a saloon at this place. We understand that it will be difficult to secure a building for that purpose.—Atwater Republican Press.

The New Lumber Yard.

Willmar's business enterprises are steadily on the increase, the latest addition being a new lumber yard to be established by the New London Milling Co. and run in connection with their other enterprises here. The New London Milling Co. is composed of Marcus Johnson and Wm. J. Pinney. Mr. Pinney being the local manager, and has mills, elevators and lumber yards in a number of our surrounding towns. Taking notice of Willmar's forward march, the company decided that its present and future warranted the location of another enterprise of this kind here, and will put in a large and complete stock. The new yard will be located on the vacant ground east of their elevator. We do not hesitate to state that we believe the new enterprise will be appreciated and rewarded by a share of the community's large trade in that line. We wish to call our readers attention to their ad. elsewhere in this issue.

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KANDIYOHI.

April 9.

Mr. G. P. Holm has purchased a house and lot in Atwater, and will locate there in the near future.

The Enblom young folks visited at John Gabrielson's Sunday.

Miss Helga Broman spent last week at J. Wicklund's.

Mr. A. Johnson, a former Kandiyohi youth, has been around in our midst making arrangements for organizing a Woodman Lodge. We understand he was quite successful.

An auction sale will be held at F. L. Holm's, Friday, May 4.

Mesdames H. Broman and P. E. Lundquist were guests of Mrs. Otto Isaacson one day last week.

Mrs. Chas. Bloomquist visited with her parents a couple of days the first part of the week.

Miss Esther Norman was a guest of Miss Hattie Barker last Friday.

Miss Cora Peterson returned home from Svea Saturday where she has been teaching in Dist. 68.

Mrs. Carl Anderson is very sick.

Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Holm Sundayed at J. Bengtson,s.

We noticed, in the Kandiyohi correspondence to the TRIBUNE of last week, some very cute statements about the basket social at 41 in which it was called a "ticket social." To be sure tickets were used in disposing of the baskets but that is no reason why it should be called a ticket social. We do, in fact, console ourselves by thinking that muddy roads was one great cause of the small attendance and we could give the names of quite a number that would have been present had the roads been in passable condition, but that was not all. A rumor that the scool house had been closed on account of small-pox kept quite a crowd from town at home and then, one of the most influential members of the society and in this community, had worked so hard in opposition to this social. Under such circumstances, we think that we have great reason for pronouncing this social, such as it was, a success both socially and financially.

Love at Long Range

Charles O'Meara was an operator in New York on one side of a quadruplexed wire running to Chicago. The operator on the corresponding side in Chicago was Miss Amy Davidson. Both were expert, and the manner in which they kept their message hooks clear excited the admiration of the chief in their respective offices. O'Meara was a handsome and intelligent young Irishman, with jet black hair and mustache and great, soulful blue eyes—one of the kind of men who seem almost unconsciously to possess the power of fascination over women.

After having worked the wire together a few months O'Meara and Miss Davidson became well acquainted, although, of course, neither had ever seen the other. They had abundant opportunities for conversation in the early morning before the rush of business for the day began and in the late afternoon when the rush was over.

There is a sort of telepathy in telegraphy, as all telegraphers admit, and there certainly was in this case. Long before any word of love had passed over the wire between them each had become conscious of a tender regard for the other. O'Meara could recognize in an instant the touch of a strange hand on the key in Chicago, and Miss Davidson was as quickly conscious of the change when any other than O'Meara's hand manipulated the transmitter in New York. There is as much that is distinctly characteristic in the manner in which telegraphers form the dots and dashes as there is in the manifold forms of chirography.

One morning Amy complained of feeling ill. "I am afraid," she said, "that I will have to give up and go home. I would do so surely if I could afford to lose the time. My head aches dreadfully. Dear me! What would my mother and sister do if I should become really sick? They have nobody to take care of them but me."

There was a tremulousness in the dots and dashes which plainly indicated to O'Meara that the girl, a thousand miles away, was weeping softly, as indeed she was, with her head resting wearily against the resonator containing the sounder. He replied:

"Try to stick it out today, dear. We will take it easy, and perhaps you will feel better by tomorrow. At any rate, don't worry."

It was the first time he had used any term of endearment in their intercourse, and she was much affected. But she brightened up a little and managed to struggle through the day's work.

Next morning O'Meara found a strange operator at the Chicago end of the wire, and when he inquired for Miss Davidson he was told that she was very ill. The poor fellow realized now, if he never had before, that he was deeply in love with a woman he had never seen. He became so fretful and irritable as to excite comment among the others in the office.

"What on earth is the matter with O'Meara?" asked one of the operators on the opposite side of the "quad" of the man who sat at the next instrument.

"I guess he's in love with that Chicago girl who is sick," was the reply.

One morning the answer made by the Chicago operator to O'Meara's inquiry as to Miss Davidson's condition contained but one word—"Dead!"

O'Meara uttered a kind of moan, and his head fell upon his desk. When one of the chiefs aroused him, he found the young man's face flushed and his eyes bloodshot. O'Meara was sent home, where he remained for weeks suffering from a severe attack of brain fever. When at last he had recovered and returned to the office to report for duty, the chief told him to take his usual seat at the Chicago quadruplex.

"If you'd just as lief give me another wire, I'd rather have it," O'Meara said. "I don't think I care to work with Chicago any more."

There was a twinkle in the eye of the chief as he said:

"You used to do some fine work on that Chicago wire."

"Perhaps so," O'Meara replied sadly, "but I had a fine operator to work with."

"Well," said the chief, "that's a fine operator there yet—the same one, I believe, that was there before."

"That cannot be—for she is dead." This with a great sob.

"I think you had better return to the old wire, for the present at least," the chief said. "Then, if you are not satisfied, I will transfer you to some other circuit."

O'Meara walked slowly over to his old place to relieve the man who was at the moment receiving some messages from Chicago. As he neared the instrument and heard the characters coming with a dearly loved and familiar sound his heart almost stopped beating so overwhelming was the surge of emotion. He listened a moment until at the beginning of another message came the signal of the sending operator, "A. D."

"Who, in heaven's name, is there in Chicago," he almost shouted, "that dares to sign 'A. D.?'"

"Amy Davidson, of course," was his friend's reply.

"Don't trifle with me," O'Meara cried. "Amy Davidson is dead!"

"Not by a long shot," said the operator, making way for O'Meara. "It was only a rumor that some chuckle headed ass accepted as a fact. She has been back at work for two weeks or more. From the manner in which she has inquired about you every day I should imagine that she takes an interest in you.

When he sat down before the instrument, his hand trembled so that he could scarcely form the dots and dashes to ask:

"Is that really you, Amy?" He gave his own signal, "O. M."

"Yes, Charlie, and I'm so glad you are well again." Her reply was as fluttering as his question had been tremulous.

Some of the operators in the New York office wondered at seeing a young man sitting at an instrument with tears of joy streaming down his face, while in the Chicago office there was surprise because a girl was crying and smiling at the same time.

When he recovered his quanimity, O'Meara said:

"They told me your were dead, and I believed it. The shock nearly killed me."

"It was merely a rumor, I'm happy to say, but when I came back to work I was greatly depressed at hearing you were so ill. Now we will both be well and happy again."

"I will never be thoroughly happy, my darling," O'Meara replied, "until you are my wife. I'm coming out there soon to claim you. May I?"

"Dear me! How can you wish to marry a girl whom you have never seen?"

This was another instance of tremulousness in transmission.

"That's all right," O'Meara said. "I'm willing to risk it if you are. I've known and loved you a long time, even if I haven't seen you. Can I come for you?"

"I may be so homely that when you see me you may be terribly disappointed. I may have red hair and freckles, a cast in my eye and a terrible hump on my back. Could you stand all that?"

"Yes," replied O'Meara, "if you could stand my bald head and red nose."

There was more of this pleasantry, and then Miss Davidson seriously agreed to marry her distant lover. After many more conversations on the wire it was agreed that Miss Davidson and O'Meara should meet at a half way point, Pittsburg being finally selected, where they should be married. This course was chosen in the hope that the consummation of their peculiar courtship could be accomplished secretly, thus avoiding the good natured but embarrassing chaffing of their fellow operators.

But that wire on which they made their arrangements ran through the Pittsburg office, where there were automatic repeating instruments. An operator standing beside the repeaters one day overheard the final arrangements, heard the description each gave the other by which to insure identification at the depot, and told all about it to the Pittsburg operators, who thereupon determined to make the occasion of the wedding interesting. A committee was appointed to watch the meeting of the couple and to prepare for a reception.

O'Meara arrived at Pittsburg a day ahead of Miss Davidson, as had been agreed upon, and was at the station on the following day when her train pulled in from the west. His heart was beating wildly as he scanned the alighting passengers, and he was too preoccupied to notice that he was being watched by half a dozen young men.

Nor did he notice that he was observed closely by a tall, bronze haired and decidedly handsome young woman who had alighted from a Pullman car and was standing in the shadow of a baggage truck loaded with trunks. There was a smile on the young woman's face as she finally stepped forward and touched O'Meara on the shoulder.

"How d'ye do, Charlie?" she said.

"Are you really Amy?" he cried, grasping her outstretched hands in both of his. "You told me to look out for a short, curly haired girl, with a limp in her left foot, and I gave you an accurate description of myself."

"Not so very accurate, though," she laughingly replied. "You didn't tell me half how good looking you are."

It was evident to the watchers, who now came forward, that they were pretty well satisfied with each other. The committee introduced themselves and announced that the couple were to be conducted forthwith to a hotel, where, at 8 o'clock that evening, they were to be married. This arrangement was carried out, and during the evening the Pittsburg operators and their wives and daughters attended the wedding reception and supper at the hotel.

O'Meara is now an officer in the signal corps and has distinguished himself in the war with Spain.

Lake Andrew, April 10, 1900.

Mr. Editor:

I admire your good sense in being careful as to the church controversy at this place. Still sometimes justice demands right and I ask for answer to the Arctander correspondent of last week in as much as Mr. Hatlestad said at a regular meeting, referring to me, "Let him speak all he wishes." I am thankful to Mr. Hatlestad for the privilege, and just wish to avail myself of the opportunity.

The Arctander cor. says that the church affair has wisely been kept out of the papers. This is not according to Hatlestad and his friends actions at the 5th of March meeting. That meeting was called purposely for the selection of those ministers and to fix the day for the meeting; we, the Fjelstad friends, did not care. The committee was selected and the day set for March 14. We chose to have a private meeting at the personage, only enough present to argue the case while the opponents stubbornly insisted on having the meeting public in the church—as public as it could be; this was voted upon and carried and they got things their way and they got it so public I think that they are sorry for it themselves after getting a crushing verdict against them, seven ministers being present, representing four different churches and the church pack full. Now what wrong was there in giving a public report of a public meeting and I believe the Lake Andrew reporter was not much off. He says the ministers were under the influence of the pastor. This is to much of an insult thrown at the ministers called here by themselves and intrusted to perform that duty. He states farther that the members were tired of wrangling and did not organize the argument; what was then the object of sending to Stoughton, Wis., for Rev. T. H. Dahl and other ministers to come here to investigate; when they were tired of wrangling and had no argument organized? Was it only to make fun of the ministers? Looks that way. And he says they had no one to argue their case; what an argument! They called the meeting, they selected the investigating committee, they brought in the complaint, and come to the point they were tired of wrangling and had no arguments organized and no one to plead their case. If such a complaint was brought up before a District Judge and Jury that had no arguments and none to plead the case it would have been dropped. He says 3rdly the minister was sparingly vindicated. He certainly was vindicated according to arguments and they were not organized by them, he says fourthly the verdict was evidently a compromise. There was no appearance of a compromise about it but a straight verdict, and very creditable to these men whose duty it was to do it selected by the opponents as they were claimed to be the majority.

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