

WILLMAR

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Fire at Pennock.
Last Saturday fire destroyed the general store owned by Benson & Morris at Pennock. The origin of the fire was peculiar. A young man was in the store, playing with an air gun. He put a match in the gun and tried to hit the stove pipe but missed it, and the match flew into a pile of cotton batting on the top shelf. The match ignited from the friction in flying out of the gun, and in a moment the cotton batting was in a blaze. The fire spread so rapidly that nothing could be saved in the store. The families of the proprietors lived up stairs, and part of the furniture was saved. The assembled crowd had to turn their attention to saving Berglund's store, just east of the burning building. As there was no apparatus for fighting fire this was a hard task, and would have been impossible if the wind had not veered at the critical time and turned the flames in another direction. As it was that building was slightly scorched. The loss on stock and building will amount to nearly \$8,000. There was some insurance, but not enough to cover the loss.

The Willmar fire department was called on for aid, and the Hook and Ladder company went up on a car attached to the passenger train, but they arrived too late to render much assistance.

Attend Dedication.
Among those who went from Willmar yesterday to attend the dedication of the new Augsburg building were the following: Rev. E. E. Gyll and wife, Miss Kersti Gynlid; sv. M. M. Midhoun of New London, Mrs. Arne Embertson and John Samulson from Eagle Lake, Sam Rasmussen, Miss Annie Swanson, Albert Johnson, Christian Johnson, J. B. Nygaard, C. A. Backlund, Mr. Sogge, John C. Strand, Lars Erickson, Andrew Bjorli and M. Syverson.

Will be Married Today.
Frank J. Stansberry, the popular salesman in Peterson, Larson & Welin's store, and Miss Pauline Sampson will be united in marriage at 7 o'clock this evening. The ceremony will take place in the Sandbo house in the Second ward, which the groom has rented. Rev. Joseph Berg will officiate. A small gathering of relatives and intimate friends will witness the ceremony. The TRIBUNE joins the numerous friends of the couple in wishing them happiness and prosperity in their married life.

Go to Naval Hospital.
A copy of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer under date of Dec. 27, contains the following item which will be of interest to friends and relatives of the young man in this county:
"C. Edgar Greene, of this city, who formerly lived at New London, Minn., has been appointed a medical attendant in the United States navy by the surgeon general of the bureau of medicine and surgery. He will leave immediately for San Francisco, where he will be assigned a position in the naval hospital."

Miss Gilkey at Methodist Church.
Miss Maude Lizette Gilkey will appear at the Methodist church Wednesday evening, Jan. 8, and will render some of her finest selections. She is a graduate of the Cumcock School of Oratory, Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., and ranks high as an elocutionist. A musical program under direction of Mr. and Mrs. Cairns will be given in connection with Miss Gilkey's selections. See press notices elsewhere. Concert begins at 8 o'clock p. m.

Ice Is Treacherous.
While Jake Olson was driving across Foot Lake with a load of sand Saturday one of the horses broke through the ice with his hind legs, and the ice began to settle. Jake managed to get out with the rig, but on going back to the place he found that he could drive a cow bar through the ice anywhere. This shows that the fine weather has made the ice unsafe for traveling.

Silver Wedding.
As we stated last week a gathering of relatives and friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Gabrielson last Thursday to help them celebrate the 25th anniversary of their wedding day. Dinner was served and the host and hostess received the congratulations of the guests. They also received a number of valuable presents in silverware.

Telephone Lines Connected.
The connection between the Union Telephone Co.'s line and the local exchange was made near the Eagle Lake church, where the lines come close together. The lines will be connected in the city after the frost goes out of the ground, making the labor of digging holes lighter.

Y. P. S. Entertainment at Spicer.
The Y. P. S. of the Swedish Lutheran Lebanon church of New London will hold an entertainment at Spicer this New Year's evening. Prof. J. S. Carlson of the state university is expected to be present and make an address.

Local and Personal.

Write it 1902.
Turn over a new leaf.
John Dalziel took the train for Spicer yesterday.
Hilma Henchlen of Colfax is visiting in the city.
Peter Sherman returned yesterday from a visit at Colfax.
Rev. and Mrs. Larsgaard went to Grove City yesterday.
John Dahlberg returned from his visit to Colfax yesterday.
Arnold Erickson went to New London yesterday for a visit.
Albert Fritz went to St. Cloud yesterday for a visit with his folks.
Miss Izorra Maynard of Long Prairie is visiting at P. L. Johnson's.

Otto Mankel is spending New Year's Day at his home in Norway Lake.
The Synod church coffee takes place at L. O. Thorpe tomorrow afternoon.
Miss Nettie Benson returned to her school at Kerkhoven Sunday evening.
School in Dist. No. 60 opens next Monday. Albert S. Nelson is teacher.
E. H. Walters, the hustling Kimball piano man, was in town yesterday.

Messrs. H. J. Ramsell and O. J. Paulson made a trip to the cities yesterday.
A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Nels Nelson of the Third ward last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Hodgson of Ferguson Falls spent Christmas at the home of Mrs. Haley.
Joseph Nelson, wife and child went to Kerkhoven yesterday for a visit with relatives.
Miss Carrie Larson returned to Holloway Sunday night to resume her duties as teacher.

Dr. Harold Frost was called to Benson Sunday night in consultation on an important case.
Mrs. John S. Robbins goes to St. Paul this week with her daughter who attends school there.

A grand sacred concert will be given at the Methodist church Jan. 12. See particulars next week.
Thos. Crawley from Morris moved into Mr. Grandhill's residence on Second street last week.

Charles Dahlheim and daughter Rosa went to St. Cloud yesterday to visit with daughter, and sister.
Henry G. Hanson of the Academic department of the "U." arrived last Monday for a short vacation.

Magnus Olson of Doyle went up to Rolling Forks, Pope county, last Monday for a visit with relatives.
Miss Anne Olson, who is attending the Minnesota School of Business, is at home during vacation time.

John Dahlin, teacher in District No. 66, Irving, is spending his vacation at his home in Kandiyohi.
The Free Lutheran ladies society met in Mrs. P. Rasmussen's commodious house last Friday afternoon.

M. O. Anderson, a layman of the Free Lutheran church, was in town yesterday en route for Minneapolis.
Misses Margaret and Martha Haley left Thursday morning for the cities, where they are spending the holidays.

Miss Hilda Anderson of Frank Lake, Swift county, came down here last Monday for a visit with relatives.
Lewis Rodlum went to Milaca last Thursday to take charge of the store while his son Lawrence was visiting here.

Miss Mabel Halvorson of Norway Lake is making her brother Herman Halvorson and family a several day's visit.
The Misses Jessie and Lillie Korthe gave a party to about thirty of their young friends the first evening of the week.

E. E. Othy, one of the substantial farmers living near Negord, was in Willmar Friday and Saturday of last week.
Lawrence, Scriver and Edith Thorpe gave a party to their young friends Saturday evening from 7:30 to 11 o'clock.

Dr. P. Learn of Litchfield visited here with his son, J. E. Learn, during the holidays, returning home last Monday.
Joe Thompkins, who has been employed by A. N. Lewis as tinner, left with family last Saturday for Winona, Minn.

G. A. Erickson went down to the cities last Thursday on business, returning Saturday via Stillwater and St. Cloud.
The Chase-Lister Theater Co. opens its engagement at the Opera House next Monday, Jan. 6, in "The Senator's daughter."

Elmer Martinson's little boy who severely scalded his arm in a kettle of boiling water and lye last week, is recovering nicely.
Ole Dahlstrom and wife of Minneapolis came up Saturday to visit with relatives. Mr. Dahlstrom lately arrived from Sweden.

The yearly business meeting of the Swedish Lutheran Bethel church of Willmar takes place next Friday afternoon at two o'clock.
Rev. T. G. Crump will conduct services and administer holy communion at the Episcopal church next Sunday forenoon at the usual hour.

Miss Hulda Holmgren, teacher in the public schools at Wadena, S. D., is spending her vacation with her sister, Miss Minnie Holmgren of Willmar.

Old paper for sale at this office.

Lake Andrew.

Dec. 28.—Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Oterness of Arcander made Lake Andrew friends a pleasant visit. The young folks sprang a very pleasant surprise on Miss Otella Skaslerud, and of course had a jolly time. She was the recipient of a snug little sum of money. Peter Bengtson and Rev. Simon Gustafson of Spicer were among the guests at the cosy home of Otto Hedlin for dinner last Friday. Santa Claus came in from the southeast direction this year and took possession of the Florida church, where he had a tussle with Rev. N. Frykman and others. Everything went off lovely in the same old style as usual. After some singing and speaking by Rev. Frykman the beautiful song by the Florida choir with Miss Anna Ryken at the helm rang through the church with great credit to the singers and pleasure to the audience. The next evening Frykman and Santa Claus met at the Lundy church and went the whole thing over again. From there Santa went through Jericho, looked at the padlock on the East Norway Lake church, but not having the key, he proceeded to the Synod church, whose doors were wide open. An immense crowd was in waiting, and peace and harmony prevailed. After delivering many and beautiful presents, he went north, and the last heard of him was at that season.

Priam.
Dec. 31.—J. A. Kepner went to Willmar Monday evening. Two little sisters of Mrs. P. Larson from Willmar are now visiting with her. John Hagerman visited with A. J. Larson's Friday and Saturday. G. A. Leibold and J. Dobson drove to Raymond Monday evening. Jens Anderson spent Christmas eve with Larson's. Mrs. Christestad of Willmar came out to visit friends Saturday. Hay baling is again in full blast. The weather during this Christmas was about as nice as it has ever been at that season.

Mamre.

Dec. 30.—Christmas's over and the year 1901 is drawing to its close. We wish the TRIBUNE, its office, its correspondents and its readers a happy new year. Ferdinand Johnson returned home last week, after a four months' stay in Kitsop county and surrounding country. We are glad to see you again, Ferd. "Julotta" services were held at East Salem church at 6 o'clock Christmas morning by Rev. N. Kyrkman, and at Lundy church by Rev. A. T. Frykman. Messrs. Lars Ostlund and O. O. Bergstrom left on Saturday for Hector, Minn., to visit with relatives. O. F. an August Johnson will leave for St. Peter after New Year, to attend Gustavus Adolphus College.

John E. Oman and Leonard Mein will leave on Wednesday for Minneapolis, where they will enter one of the best business colleges in the city. Au revoir, boys. Rev. A. T. Frykman of Minneapolis is spending the holidays with his parents here. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Amundson is on the sick list, and has been in Willmar seeking medical aid. We hope for his speedy recovery. Another surprise was sprung on Johan Thorson, and those present became so interested that they did not think of home till broad daylight. J. S. Christensen's choir at the Hauge church last Friday was highly appreciated by the listeners.

Death in Fahlun.

Lars J. Nordstrom, an old and respected citizen of town of Fahlun, died last Saturday morning, after a long period of suffering from cancer of the neck and throat. Deceased was born in Dalarna, Sweden, August 18, 1832. He had been a resident of this county twenty-four years. He leaves a wife and six children—Louis G. Nordstrom of Kenmare, N. D.; Mrs. Christine Carlberg of Hector, Minn.; Mrs. Annie Engquist living in Minneapolis, and Andrew, Axel, Mary and Edna, all living at home. One son, Olof, died about a year ago. The funeral takes place today (Wednesday) from the house. Services will be held there at 9:30, after which the remains will be taken to the Svea cemetery for interment.

Mckinley Memorial Fund.

Chairman Rice reports additional contributions to the McKinley memorial fund as follows: Nobel Schagel, 50c; K. Baklund, 50c; S. S. Glarum, 50c; C. Hennings, 25c; Dr. J. M. Rains, 25c; A. C. Stansberry, 25c; Peter Freeseberg, 25c; Halvor Halvorson, \$1; A. E. Mossberg, 25c.

M. E. Services.

There will be services at the Methodist church next Sunday morning. Subject—"Song of the Lord began also." Reception of new members will take place at this service. In the evening the Rev. Hogg will discourse on the subject—"The open heaven."

Farewell Sermon.

Rev. A. Larsgaard preached his farewell sermon to the Vinje congregation of the Norwegian Synod church last Sunday morning. His remarks were based upon Acts 20:32 and those who heard him say the address was a strong one and deeply touched his hearers.

Taken to Ferguson Falls.

Emma Bonstad was brought down from Fargo, N. D., last Saturday morning and was taken before the Judge of Probate. She was adjudged insane and was taken to the hospital at Ferguson Falls the same evening.

Roseland.

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Miss Lydia Olson, 1st prize.



Miss Esther Soranson, 1st prize.



Miss Lillie Embertson, 2nd prize.

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STATE FARMERS' INSTITUTE

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A day spent in attendance at a farmers' institute may result in the adoption of methods, the value of which cannot be estimated. At the farmers' institute you will meet those who have traveled the rough and rocky road of experience, and they will try to aid you in avoiding some of the many difficulties they had to encounter.

Thousands and thousands of dollars are annually lost in Minnesota to the masses, by not being familiar with the practical methods of the most successful farmers. The actual experiences of the successful farmers make splendid "guide boards" to all others, when heeded. All methods that have proven failures should be set up as "danger signals," to prevent others from falling into the same errors. The practical experiences of just one individual (when known) may be of incalculable value to the whole country; while the glowing theories of another (not practically demonstrated) may be the means of great damage.

The State Farmers' Institute is our traveling school of agriculture, which brings to our very doors the experiences, means and methods for the best known practical results. IT IS ALL FREE, NO COLLECTIONS and NO CHARGES. Tell all your neighbors. Bring your friends and get all the benefits. Remember the time, place and date. BE SURE YOU ARE ON TIME!

GIVEN AWAY!
At the close of the first forenoon session, a very valuable book of over 350 pages (the Institute Annual) devoted to agriculture, stock raising, horticulture, dairying, sheep husbandry, poultry raising, domestic economy, etc., etc., will be given FREE. This book is estimated by those who have carefully examined it to be well worth from \$5.00 to \$25.00 to those interested in the subjects therein contained. No farmer should miss this FREE GIFT.

Ladies and young people specially invited. All the Institute work will be at the courthouse.

CARE AND CULTIVATION OF THE SOIL.

Hon. T. B. Terry, Ohio.—Increasing fertility by growing clover; increasing fertility by tillage; growing good crops in a dry season; how to prevent disease, and how to prevent it; how to prevent growing old. Mr. Terry has a national reputation.

SELECTION OF THE DAIRY COW AND POULTRY.

Henry Van Dresser, N. Y.—Improvement in dairy stock; breeding and care for the preservation of the essential qualities; observation of the characteristic points in the selection of dairy cattle; poultry raising on a large scale for increase and profit, etc., etc.

HORSE BREEDING AND REARING.

Dr. C. D. Smead, of N. Y.—Prevention of diseases.

DAIRY TOPICS.

B. Walker McKee, Superintendent Farmers' Institutes, Maine.

FARM TOPICS.

Cal Hesselman, Indiana.—A balanced ration and how to produce it on the farm; can we produce 100 bu. corn to the acre; how to use the corn crop; enclosed barn-yards; birds, bees and blossoms (evening); swine (evening).

CORN CULTURE AND SOYBEAN RAISING.

Forest Henry, Chaffed, Minn.—A Minnesota farmer's experience with the above combination; importance of the corn crop; selecting and keeping seed corn; selection of the ground for a corn crop; preparing corn ground properly; methods of planting in relation to the character of the soil; cultivation of corn and its effect on succeeding crops; harvesting the corn crop; why I began hog raising; failures and successes in pork production; selections of breeding stock and proper management; care of the brood sow and her litter; hog pastures an important item; feeding hogs for market; diseases of the hog, etc.

POTATO GROWING AND SHIPPING.

Mr. S. J. Fairfield has had a great amount of experience along this and other lines that every farmer is interested in, and questions upon which information is desired may be submitted to him.

HORTICULTURE AND THE FARMER'S GARDEN.

Hon. A. K. Bush, Dover, Minn., who is so well known over the state, will deal with the above and kindred subjects to the advantage of institute attendants.

QUESTION BOX.

Many hesitate to ask oral questions, and for all such the question box is the source of information. Prepare your questions in writing at your leisure on what you want to know, and put them in the question box; then at the proper time the questions will be distributed to the parties in whose department they properly belong, and they will be read and answered, so the whole audience will get the benefit.

INSTITUTE HOURS.

The hours for holding Institutes are from 10:00 a. m. sharp to 12 m., and from 2:00 p. m. sharp to 4:00 p. m. Every hour will be rich in instruction, and should not be missed.

There will be no fixed program, but the work will be confined largely to the wants of the locality, consequently the importance of being continuously present.