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GLORIOUS VICTORY

Willmar Remains "Dry" for the Third Consecutive Year By a Vote of 425 Against 394.

VOTE FOR GOOD GOVERNMENT IS OVERWHELMING

The Entire Citizens' Independent City Ticket Elected With Magnificent Majorities, with Three Out of Four Aldermen.

The following table tells the story of yesterday's municipal election at Willmar:

	1st W.	2nd W.	3d W.	4th W.	Totals	Majority
For Mayor:						
S. B. Qvale, Ind.	110	152	159	131	552	262
H. J. Ramssett, "Rep."	66	98	97	29	290	
For Treasurer:						
C. W. Odell	144	202	201	120	667	
For City Clerk:						
John T. Otos, Ind.	105	134	121	119	479	126
W. O. Johnson, Rep. (2)	68	118	129	38	353	
For Assessor:						
G. C. Haines, Ind.	120	98	114	94	426	38
August Johnson, Rep. (2)	50	145	133	60	388	
For Constables:						
Peter Bonde, Ind.	109	143	124	131	507	195
Geo. H. Stephens, Ind.	92	125	116	111	444	185
Hans Engelstad, Rep. (2)	67	104	111	30	312	
J. L. Hanscom, Rep. (2)	40	84	107	25	259	
For Alderman, First Ward:						
O. K. Severinson, Ind.	100				100	38
O. A. Jacobson, Rep. (2)	62				62	
Second Ward:						
Frank B. Ledell, Ind.	93				93	53
Thomas H. Olson, Rep. (2)	146				146	
Third Ward:						
Erick Holt, Ind.	123				123	12
Ole Ahlstrom, Rep. (2)	111				111	
Fourth Ward:						
Frank E. Holmberg, Ind.	96				96	39
G. J. Bjornberg, Rep. (2)	57				57	
In Favor of License:	79	135	139	41	394	
Against License:	87	115	108	115	425	31

"Three times and out!" After one of the warmest campaigns in the history of the town, no-license carried for the third consecutive time. The gain in the no-license vote since last year is 37, the total vote cast against license last year being 388.

The administration of city affairs during the past year and the policy of law enforcement was given a splendid endorsement. Two to one the vote stood for Mayor Qvale. The result is a crushing defeat to the forces who attempted to regain control of the city by the misuse of the Republican party name.

Hogg's Election Day Valentine. The Louisiana Purchase Exposition souvenir \$1 gold coin is on sale at the First National Bank in this city. Three dollars is the price of the little "gem of numismatic excellence," as the exposition management calls it. The souvenir is a little thing, some with the face of Jefferson and some with that of McKinley on one side, and 1803-1903 and a wreath on the other. It is sold in the form of a coin, a scarf pin, bangle, charm, brooch, double coin brooch and triple coin brooch. The souvenir has been struck off under a special act of congress.

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Jubilation Meeting. At the prayer meeting in the Swedish Mission church last evening prayer for divine guidance of the council-elect was general, and as the report of the election returns came in the meeting became one of jubilant thanksgiving. Rev. Osterholm was delegated to inform the mayor and chief of police that the constant prayer of the congregation follows them in their efforts for righteousness and social purity. Tears shone in the eyes of many of the citizens present when they told of injustices that had witnessed during the day and how glad they were that the dirty machinations of the whiskey element would be speedily exposed.

Rev. Osterholm will conduct services at New London next Sunday morning and at Colfax in the evening. No services will be held in the Willmar church except Sunday school at the usual hour.

Misses Ada Johnson and Helen Scofield, of Benson, were guests last week of Miss Helen Jenness.

COUNTY NEWS RELATED BY TRIBUNE CORRESPONDENTS

Kandiyohi. April 4. Geo. Sanderson made a trip to Willmar Tuesday.

Erick Erickson was at Litchfield last Tuesday to see Dr. Cassel.

Fred Flygare of Atwater was in this vicinity one day last week in the interest of the Jewel Nursery Co.

Mr. Hendrickson and family of Spicer spent a few days of last week visiting at the home of Peter Burns.

Albert Bengtson spent a few days of last week visiting at the home of Jones Lundberg in town of Norway Lake.

Mrs. S. B. Glader returned home last Saturday, after having spent all of last week visiting with friends in Minneapolis.

The Jenkins Hagen Lumber Co. received a carload of lumber last week. F. A. Erickson was kept busy a few days unloading the same.

Joe Isaacson was taken sick with pneumonia last Saturday evening. A doctor from Willmar called to attend him. He is at this writing improving.

Ole Lewis was stricken with paralysis last Tuesday. Dr. Peterson of Willmar was called and found it a very bad case. He is at this writing very low. As he has not been well for many years, hopes for his recovery are very poor.

Pennock. Miss Jennie Leslie has closed a successful term of school in Dist. No. 94. Ed. Kempf, of Kenneth, Rock county, is visiting with his parents south of town.

Miss Emma Olson of Willmar is visiting here with her sister, Mrs. C. A. Bergman.

Geo. W. Hanson spent several days in New London last week visiting his brother Albert.

Peter H. Peterson left for Estevan, Canada, Thursday evening, where he expects to find employment.

Aug. Kock left for Rock county Friday. He has been employed on the Spicer farm during the winter.

Mrs. J. L. Jarrett's aged mother passed away Saturday evening, after an illness of one week. She died of old age, being about 90 years old. We failed at this writing to learn the particulars of the funeral. The bereaved family have the sympathy of the community.

Ringville. April 4. A party will be held Tuesday at W. H. Sill's.

Peter Stenerson is working for H. Halvorson.

Mrs. Coyne and family will move back on their farm this week.

Henry Halvorson commenced work as assistant buttermaker at the Georgeville creamery today.

Miss Josie Larson is teaching the Georgeville school this week in place of John O'Keefe, who is spending the week at home.

G. Oppen will have an entertainment in the Shipstead schoolhouse Wednesday, April 13, which is the last day of the term of school.

P. L. Peterson, who has been clerking for M. Bros. & G., came home today, and F. S. Thorgard will have charge of the store for some time.

Lake Florida and Vicinity. April 4. Miss Alma Olson terminated her school in Dist. 82 last Thursday evening by giving a well prepared entertainment.

The stock has made two visits in our neighborhood lately—one at O. O. Rykken's the other at L. Larson's. Congratulations.

A surprise party was given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. P. Ekblad last Sunday afternoon, the occasion being their 30th wedding anniversary. A handsome couch was presented to the worthy couple.

A social was given by I. Holland Friday evening. The Young Ladies' society held an auction and disposed of a few fancy articles. The returns will be awarded to E. O. Boen, missionary in China.

Town of Lake Andrew will rebuild the Lake Florida bridge this spring, to be built only from rocks and steel. Will be guaranteed to carry even the

fat man from Princeton, if he should manage to come around.

We read in the St. Paul Daily News that the Willmar Republican Gazette published a four-page supplement without any inners. Why, if they had left the outside blank also, it would have been the best issue they ever got out.

We hear about great wonders that happen around the world from time to time. Now that one should happen here is more than any one could have dreamed of. It runs in this way: A certain party speared a pickerel about six inches long. The day after it happened, that same fish turned out to be a muscalonge weighing close to 20 pounds.

A party which was to come off last Thursday at G. Rogers' had to be given up on account of the rainy weather.

Olof Sonstegard came home from Minneapolis Wednesday, where he has been attending the School of Agriculture the past six months.

John Rusted's oldest daughter, Anna, is staying at home at present, while her husband is building a house on his claim near Stanley, N. D.

We hope that the temperance people's great work to keep the saloons out will not be in vain this year either, but be even more successful than before.

Dr. Ridgeway was hunting for a patient, who had sent for him Friday, but was unable to find same on account of insufficient information as to where he resided.

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Sorkilmoe is Brought Back to Dakota by Deputy Sheriff from Dell Rapids.

Deputy Sheriff D. H. Richardson, of Dell Rapids, S. D., arrived here last Thursday morning and returned in the afternoon to that city in charge of P. M. Sorkilmoe, the man who had been detained here awaiting the arrival of the South Dakota officials.

Sorkilmoe will have to stand trial on a charge of seduction preferred by Miss Josephine Anderson, of that place, whom he had promised to marry. He discarded his first love and on the same day that he left for other parts he was married to another woman. The latter he deserted in order to get away from woman No. 1, who made things so lively for the unfaithful lover that he at once decided to bid adieu to familiar scenes and came to Willmar on Conductor Tew's train Wednesday morning, having boarded the train at Rubicon. The man's strange actions aroused the suspicions of the train crew and upon their arrival here the local authorities were notified of the fact and the proper clue was given which soon afterwards led to Sorkilmoe's arrest by Chief of Police Bonde. Armed with a good description of the much-wanted man a search was made about the city that morning, and the man who had succeeded in getting off the train without being captured was finally rounded up. He had planned to take the afternoon train for St. Cloud, where he would go in hiding and would probably seek employment. Sorkilmoe stoutly denied his identity, an: at first gave a fictitious name, but when a response came to a telegram sent to the Dell Rapids authorities stating that he was undoubtedly the right man, the prisoner "caved in" and he was furnished the proper lodging at the county jail until the arrival of the deputy sheriff from Dell Rapids.

Sorkilmoe is a man of about 30, and is a Scandinavian. He claims that the affair is all a scheme concocted by the family of woman No. 1 and expressed his confidence that all would turn out well in the end. He is undoubtedly still meditating upon the cleverness of the city police in accomplishing his arrest and will "cut out" Willmar hereafter should he again be unfortunate enough to have to resort to another flight.

Met a Tragic Death. A telegram received here last Friday announced the death of John Rohlen, of Cottagewood, Lake Minnetonka. The deceased is a brother of Chas. Dahlheim, who left here the following day in response to the message and was present at the funeral, which was held on Monday. The deceased met a tragic death, the following particulars of the sad affair being taken from the Minneapolis Journal.

Excelsior, Minn., April 1.—John Rohlen, a middle-aged man, was drowned about 10 o'clock last night while driving to his home from Excelsior. He drove into an open place left by ice cutters.

Searchers started out this morning when he was missed, and soon found his hat and robes floating on the water. Later his body was brought up from the lake. His horse also was drowned. He was a stone-mason by trade. The coroner will come from Minneapolis and may hold an inquest.

City Officials Banqueted. The city officials enjoyed a pleasant session last Thursday evening at the Park Cafe, where they sat down to a well prepared banquet as the guests of Aldermen Markhus and Williams. The occasion was in the manner of a farewell greeting to their fellow-workers in city affairs, Messrs. Markhus and Williams being the retiring aldermen whose term of office expires with the incoming of the new administration. All were present at the banquet except Aldermen Nelson and Holt and City Assessor Rice, and although the unlucky number 13 recorded the size of the gathering, nothing was experienced that marred the joyfulness of the occasion. It was a most happy re-union, and the best of feeling prevailed while the elaborate menu was discussed and the program of toast-making carried out.

Will Wed at Larimore. A wedding will take place in Larimore, N. D., on Wednesday, April 20, which will unite the destinies of Chas. H. Cryser and Miss Ethel Henry, one of the popular young ladies of that city. The announcement does not come as a surprise to the groom's many Willmar friends, who have been looking forward to the happy event for some time and who will be ready to offer hearty congratulations.

The wedding will be one of the elaborate events in Larimore's social circles and it is expected that several of the groom's Willmar friends will plan to attend. Mr. Cryser is at present at his old home at Sioux Falls, S. D., and is expected here about the 17th inst, on his return to the North Dakota city, where he will now establish his new home.

Former Willmarite to Wed. A wedding will occur in St. Paul on Tuesday, April 12, which will be of interest to a number of Willmar people, inasmuch as the groom is quite well known here. The contracting parties are Mr. Archibald G. Clark, son of Mrs. C. F. Clark, former residents of this city, and Miss Ethel Mortier Taylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Courtlandt M. Taylor. The marriage will be solemnized at the Church of St. John the Evangelist. Mr. Clark and his estimable bride will have the best wishes of a host of friends.

The annual parish meeting of St. Luke's church was held on Monday evening and the following vestrymen were elected: Russell Spicer, D. N. Tallman, T. H. Olson, C. H. Johnson, Dr. Harold Frost, C. H. Johnson, F. Knox and Dr. C. E. Johnson. A. F. Nordin was elected as senior warden and J. H. Wiggins as junior warden. All were re-elected with the exception of Mr. Knox and Dr. Gertelson, who are new members of the vestry.

R. W. Munro, special agent for the rural free delivery service, has been in the city this week looking up affairs in his department.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL NOTES

A. L. Rodlun returned yesterday to Milaca, after a brief visit at his home here.

Mrs. Edward Johnson left yesterday for New London, where she will enjoy a visit at her old home.

There were six applicants who took the rural mail carriers' examinations held in this city last Wednesday.

Miss Mabel Rodlun, teacher in the Pine Island school, is spending her Easter vacation at her Willmar home.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Osterness returned last Sunday night from Minneapolis, where they enjoyed a visit over Easter.

W. P. Buckingham and family are expected home this evening from a three weeks' visit with relatives in Beaver, Winona county.

Horton Burr returned last Thursday from Butte, N. D., where he spent a couple of weeks attending to matters on his mother's farm property.

Hereafter Willmar postoffice patrons will be enabled to get their mail on all holidays from 7 a. m. to 3 p. m., as the lobby will remain open during those hours.

The attention of property holders is called to the annual notice from the board of health published elsewhere. Give it a careful perusal and act accordingly.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Synod church will meet with Mrs. M. T. Sandbo on Thursday afternoon, April 7th. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

The Young People's Society of the Synod church will meet tonight at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Sather. A program has been prepared and refreshments will be served. Everybody is welcome.

The date of the concert by the Willmar Choral Club has been changed to Wednesday evening, April 13. The club is busy with rehearsals for the event and a very good program may be expected.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Swedish Mission church will give a sale in the church this evening (Wednesday). Refreshments will be served for 10 cents a plate. The affair is to begin at 7 o'clock.

The W. C. T. U. will meet at the home of Mrs. Galliford on Thursday afternoon at three o'clock, to hold a prayer and thanksgiving meeting, for the good returns of election. All are welcome to be present.

N. B. Carlson and wife spent the latter part of last week in Benson, where they enjoyed a visit with friends and also attended to matters in probate court regarding the estate of Mrs. Carlson's father, deceased.

Lars Arthun and family are now residents of Spicer, having removed there to take charge of the Green Lake Hotel property, which was purchased a short time ago. The hotel is now again open to the public.

Miss Annie Lien went to Kandiyohi yesterday, where she had been called to attend a patient in the capacity of a nurse. The afflicted person is Ole Lewis, who was stricken a short time ago with paralysis and whose condition is reported to be quite serious.

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Miss Florence Porter returned to Rush City last Saturday to resume her work in teaching, after spending the Easter vacation at her home here. She was accompanied by Miss Mary Nelson, also a member of the Rush City corps of instructors, and who had been her guest in Willmar.

A series of special meetings opened at the Swedish M. E. church last evening and will continue up to and including next Thursday evening. There will be no services on Saturday evening, however. The meetings will be addressed by Rev. Axel Anderson, of Litchfield, and Rev. J. A. Wagner, of Atwater.

Miss Emma Haines spent last Saturday afternoon and evening at Litchfield, where she attended a meeting of the executive committee of the Meeker-Kandiyohi district of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor. Arrangements were made for a program for the coming annual convention, which is to be held in Willmar in June. Miss Haines is the recording secretary for this district.

W. W. Knight and family will again become residents of the town of Burbank. Mr. Knight leaves today for that place to make the necessary arrangements for the removal of the family, and they will soon be domiciled at the farm home. Mr. Knight plans to visit Willmar each week after the work of seeding is finished, for the purpose of looking after matters in his line of business.

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BACK YARD SESSIONS

Now Being Advised by the Local Health Authorities to Get Rid of the Filth.

Now that spring is here and with it the melting of accumulated snow and ice it is well nigh time for the man of the house to get busy with his spade and wheelbarrow and rake. The warm sun and mild breezes have begun to release the filth and accompanying bacteria and this will soon breed disease if not removed. The street commissioner's department is already doing its part, which consists in the main of cleaning up the public thoroughfares. To the citizens becomes the duty of cleaning up their own premises. It is safer for him anyhow, else he will find himself in the midst of trouble in the home, for—

Man that is married to woman during house-cleaning time, which is near at hand, is of few days and full of carpet cakes. A cloud of dust obscures his vision and in the language of the poet "great gobs of dark brown possesseth his soul. He rieth up at bed-time and sniffeth the air. He snatcheth a raw pan-cake from the griddle and rusheth to labors depressed in spirit and saturated with dyspepsia. He returneth at noon and falleth kerplunk over a mop. The dull sickening thud of the belarrupped carpet is heard in the land. The queen of the household crowneth herself with a dirty towel and a fierce look. Her sceptre is a broom and the carpet fuzz clingeth to the salvage of her nose. Large quantities of real estate setteth among the dimples of her swan-like neck. Her eyes glareth with the fury of enterprise and her spouse eais his dinner off 'the ironing board in the kitchen. He findeth a cake of soap beside his plate and a portion of the scalp of the scrubbing brush in his butter. At night-time the field fragrance of moth balls sifteth through the lid of the clothes chest and the family dog howlth neth the window like the wail of a damned soul, and "Notre Dame" soul in the house sleepeth.

Who hath woe? Who hath sorrow? He who monkeyth with house-cleaning.

Nevertheless it, like the cleaning of the streets and backyards, has got to be done. So to the work!"

The many friends of Miss Mathewson regret to learn of her illness, which is of such a nature that she was obliged to give up her school work. Her place in the Fifth grade of the Central School is being filled by Mrs. Elton C. Saeger, who came here from Minneapolis. Miss Mathewson is suffering from a severe attack of inflammatory rheumatism. Her mother arrived here a short time ago from Kasson and is now attending the patient.

Miss Josephine Jenness, of the Elbow Lake public school, is enjoying her Easter vacation at her home in this city.

Blaze in First Ward. The overturning of a lamp at the home of O. K. Severinson last Thursday evening was responsible for a fire which destroyed property amounting to something like eighty dollars. The fire originated in the front bedroom on the second floor, which was occupied by the children, and but for the timely arrival of the fire department the blaze would have quickly spread to other parts of the house.

S. J. Flecken arrived here last Wednesday from Kenmare, N. D., and is again occupying his farm home in the town of Kandiyohi. Mr. Flecken has just finished "proving up" his North Dakota claim and will again settle down to farm life in good old Kandiyohi.

Wm. Frost and Misses Cella and Marion Frost have been enjoying their Easter vacation at their home in this city. Will has been appointed as one of the internes in the city hospital at St. Paul, and will assume his new position on the staff of doctors there the 10th of June.

John Lundquist, the hardware man, has under consideration the erection of a fine new dwelling house on his lots on the corner of Becker avenue and First street. It will occupy the site vacated by the old building, which had been used for rental purposes and which was sold some time ago.

Ludvig Glarum returned last Saturday evening from Minneapolis, where he had gone to undergo medical treatment. The young man's health has been quite poorly and it was deemed advisable to consult a specialist. His friends hope to hear of a steady improvement in his condition.

Died in Minneapolis. The sad news was received here yesterday morning of the death of Miss Emma Anderson, of Atwater, which occurred at a hospital in Minneapolis, as the result of an operation. The intelligence of her death was conveyed to Willmar friends through a telegram received from Atwater by Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Vik.

Miss Anderson had been in poor health for some time, being stricken with quick consumption, and a short time ago she was taken to Minneapolis for treatment at a hospital. We understand that an operation was performed last Thursday for the purpose of removing an abscess from her side, and that it proved successful, but owing to the patient's weak condition she was unable to survive the operation more than a few days and the end came yesterday morning.

Deceased is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Anderson, well known and highly respected residents of Atwater, and the news of her death will be received by her many friends with much regret. The funeral is announced for tomorrow afternoon.

The Little Helpers of the Swedish Baptist church will celebrate their 14th anniversary Friday evening, April 15, at 7:30 o'clock. An interesting program has been prepared. Coffee and cake will be served for 10 cents