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THE COUNTY BOARD

Proceedings of Commissioners Kandiyohi County at Regular Session Last Week.

State of Minnesota. County of Kandiyohi. ss.

County Auditor's Office. January 2nd. 1906.

The county commissioners of said Kandiyohi county met in regular session on said date pursuant to law. Present, Commissioners John Feig. Th. H. Olson. John J. Week. N. B. Johnson. and Aug. Anderson. The meeting was called to order by the county auditor, after which the board organized by electing John Feig chairman of the board for the ensuing year.

Th. H. Olson was elected vice chairman of the board for the ensuing year.

Petition of John M. Spicer to be set off from school district No. 49 to school district No. 88, which was set for hearing at this session, was taken up; proofs of posting and serving of notices filed were read and interested parties present were heard relative to the matter.

On motion final action was deferred until 10 o'clock a. m. Jan. 3rd. 1906.

Petition of Soren C. Mikkelson for a change of county road in town of East Lake Lillian, which was set for hearing at this session, was taken up and read; proof of posting of notice in the matter was read; committee's report in the matter was presented and read, and after the said petition had been duly considered, the committee's report was accepted and the petition granted, and the following order was thereupon issued and adopted:

FINAL ORDER ON COUNTY ROAD.

State of Minnesota, County of Kandiyohi } ss.

Whereas, A petition signed by twenty-four freeholders of said County, praying for the change of a certain highway in said County, running into more than one town, and not within the corporate limits of any incorporated city, as hereinafter described, was presented to this Board at its session on the 20th day of September, 1905, and this Board having determined by the judgment of a majority of its members that said petition is reasonable on its face, and having by its order made at said session, appointed Tuesday, the 2nd day of January, 1906, at two o'clock p. m., at the County Auditor's office in Willmar, in said County, as the time and place for a hearing upon said petition, and having by said order appointed a committee of its members to examine said proposed change of said road and designated Friday, the 15th day of December, 1905, at two o'clock p. m., at the residence of Aug. Anderson, Sec. 20, Town 117, Range 33, in said County, as the time and place for said committee to meet on the route of said proposed changed road, for the examination of the same, and having caused notices of said hearing and said meeting of said committee embodying a copy of said petition, to be posted in the three most public places of each town through which said proposed change of said road runs, or affected thereby, at least thirty days before the day of said hearing upon said petition, and being satisfied that said notices were so posted, and proof of said posting duly made, and the said committee having met at the time and place designated in said order and said notices, and examined the same and made its report in writing to this Board, and recommended that said petition be granted, and said Board having met at the time and place designated in said order and said notices, to wit: at the County Auditor's office, in said County, on Tuesday, the 2nd day of January, 1906, at two o'clock p. m., and duly heard all that anyone had to say in favor of, or against, the granting of said petition, and considered said petition and the report of said committee thereon, and a majority of said Board having agreed that said petition should be granted;

It is Hereby Ordered, That the prayer of said petition be and the same is hereby granted, and said highway is hereby changed so as to run according to said committee's report, by courses and distances as follows, to-wit:

That portion of said road which is hereby changed runs as follows: Beginning at a point on the town line between the towns of Colfax and Norway Lake, seven rods south of the northwest corner of Section eighteen (18), Township one hundred and twenty-two (122), Range thirty-five (35), and running thence north along the said town line between the towns of Colfax and Norway Lake to the northwest corner of the southwest quarter of section six (6) township one hundred twenty-two (122), range thirty-five (35), thence east along the quarter section line of said section six (6) to the center of said section six (6), Township one hundred twenty-two (122), Range thirty-five (35), and there ending. The portion of the above described high way which is hereby changed runs as follows: Beginning on the highway at a point 16 rods south of the northwest corner of the southwest quarter of Section seven (7), Township one hundred twenty-two (122), Range thirty-five (35), and running thence south along the west line of said section seven (7), to the southwest corner of said section seven (7), and terminating on said line on the highway, so that the same when changed runs as follows: Beginning at a point sixteen rods south of the northwest corner of the southwest quarter of section seven (7), township one hundred twenty-two (122), range thirty-five (35), and running thence in a south-easterly direction twenty-six (26) rods to a point, thence running in a south-westerly direction about twenty (20) rods to the west line of said section seven (7) about twenty-five (25) rods north of the southwest corner of the said section seven (7).

It is Further Ordered, That the County Auditor notify the Town Supervisors of each town through which said road is established as changed of the fact of said change, and that they shall cause to be opened so much of said highway as lies in their respective towns.

And, Whereas, At the said hearing, upon said petition and said report of said committee, certain persons over whose lands said change of said road will pass, did set forth that they would be damaged in a sum therein mentioned by the change of such road, and said Board has determined from said report and the evidence before them the amounts of the damages sustained by said persons, and that said proposed change of said road is of sufficient advantage to said County to warrant the paying of the damages assessed by this Board, the said Board proceeded to assess said damages at what is deemed just and right to each land owner, taking into account the advantages and benefits of said change of said highway, as well as the disadvantages and damages.

It is Ordered, That said damages be and they are hereby assessed to be paid to each person by said County, as follows, to-wit:

Name of Owner—H. E. Hanson. Description of lands—nw¼ of sw¼ and sw¼ of nw¼, Section 7, Township 122, Range 35. Damages $50.00.

In Witness Whereof, The Chairman of this Board has hereunto set his hand and affixed our seal at Willmar, in said County, this 2nd day of January, A. D. 1906.

The Board of County Commissioners of Kandiyohi County, Minn.

[Seal.] By JOHN FEIG, Chairman.

Attest: LEWIS JOHNSON, County Auditor.

On motion a recess was taken until 9 o'clock a. m., Jan. 3rd. 1906.

Jan. 3rd. 1906.

The Board met at 9 o'clock a. m., all members present.

Application of J. S. Anderson for an auctioneer's license was presented, read and considered, and on motion the same was granted.

Moved and seconded that the county auditor be instructed to order seven copies of the revised laws for the county. Motion carried.

Application of town of St. Johns for an appropriation from county road and bridge fund to aid in repairing and improving a certain public highway in said town was presented, read and considered, and on motion the same was granted in the sum of one hundred dollars.

Commissioner Olson was elected as a committee for said appropriation.

The petition of J. M. Spicer to be set off from school district No. 49 to school district No. 88 was taken up for further consideration, and on motion action on same was deferred until 10 o'clock a. m., Jan. 4th. 1906.

On motion a recess was taken until 2 o'clock p. m.

The Board met at 2 o'clock p. m. Present, Commissioners Olson, Week, Anderson and Johnson.

The chairman, Mr. Feig, being absent, Vice Chairman Olson took the chair and presided over the meeting.

The board proceeded to select jurors, and the following lists of grand and petit jurors were selected:

CERTIFIED LIST OF JURORS.

State of Minnesota, County of Kandiyohi. } ss.

I, John Feig, Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners of Kandiyohi County, State of Minnesota, do hereby certify that the following is a correct list of the names of persons, properly qualified, selected from the qualified electors of the several election districts of said County by said Board of County Commissioners, at their regular session, held on the 3rd day of January A. D. 1906, to serve as Grand Jurors in the District Court of the Twelfth Judicial District, in and for said County of Kandiyohi according to law.

Dated this 3rd day of January, A. D. 1906.

(Seal) JOHN FEIG, Chairman Board of County Commissioners.

Attest: LEWIS JOHNSON, County Auditor and ex-officio Clerk of Board.

	NAMES	TOWNSHIP
1	D. J. Price,	Burbank
2	S. J. Carlson,	"
3	E. O. Nordrum,	Colfax
4	P. O. Johnson,	"
5	Claus Olson,	"
6	Erick Ellefson,	Irving
7	P. J. Williamson,	"
8	Byron Hagen,	"
9	Andrew Quam,	New London
10	John Bengtson,	"
11	P. J. Nelson,	"
12	Ove Shipstead,	"
13	Oscar Nyberg,	Roseville
14	F. H. Smithson,	"
15	Wilhelm Johnson,	Lake Lillian
16	Andrew E. Latt,	"
17	Peter Anderstrom,	East Lake Lillian
18	Erick Olson,	"
19	C. A. Berg,	Kandiyohi
20	August Lundquist,	"
21	Edward Bredeson,	"
22	Frank Hokanson,	Fahlun
23	A. Lunden,	"
24	Frank Nelson,	"
25	August Broman,	Lake Elizabeth
26	Bennie Bomsta,	"
27	A. T. Bjur,	"
28	J. A. Skataas,	Dovre
29	M. Sonderson,	"
30	Albert Grorud,	"
31	Peter Bengtson,	Lake Andrew
32	John A. Halvorson,	"
33	A. H. Gordhamer,	Arctander
34	Christian M. Engen,	"
35	John A. Henjum,	"
36	P. J. Ytterboe,	"
37	C. S. N. Peterson,	Norway Lake
38	C. J. Rustad,	"
39	Anton Palmeson,	"
40	N. O. Nelson,	Willmar City
41	A. C. Crawford,	"
42	Thos. Christenson,	"
43	Hans Gunderson,	"
44	O. B. Swalin,	Willmar Township
45	John J. Larson,	Mamre
46	Gust Melin,	"
47	Ole T. Olstad,	St. Johns
48	Henr. P. Rhoda,	"
49	Peter Lindquist,	Roseland
50	Chas Ostman,	"
51	John Englund,	Whitefield
52	Albin Freeberg,	"
53	A. Falk,	Holland
54	H. Hoogevin,	"
55	Martin K. Breems,	"
56	E. W. Dittes,	Raymond
57	A. J. Aultman,	Edwards
58	Lewis Hirman,	Raymond
59	Peter Berglund,	Harrison
60	Wm. Kieff,	"
61	J. A. Masters,	"
62	P. D. Ringstrom,	"
63	J. W. Dudly,	Atwater Village
64	Hover Mickelson,	"
65	S. B. Peterson,	"
66	Hans Flyzare,	Gennessee
67	August Malschger, Sr.	"
68	John G. Porter,	"
69	O. N. Grue,	Green Lake
70	Theodore Thompson	"
71	F. O. Swanson,	"
72	John Dougherty,	"

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Dated this 3rd day of January, A. D. 1906.

(Seal) JOHN FEIG, Chairman Board of County Commissioners.

Attest. LEWIS JOHNSON, County Auditor and ex-officio Clerk of Board.

	NAMES	TOWNSHIP
1	G. B. Benner,	Burbank
2	J. S. Andrews,	"
3	J. P. Johnson,	"
4	Erick Dahlberg,	Colfax
5	August Lundgren,	"
6	Oscar L. Osberg,	Irving
7	John C. Olson,	"
8	T. J. Lawson,	New London
9	Gustaf Green,	"
10	A. J. Erickson,	"
11	A. J. Smithson,	Roseville
12	P. I. Peterson,	"
13	Charles Liebrantz,	"
14	P. S. Aspass,	Lake Lillian
15	Andy H. Anderson,	"
16	Albert Frankson,	"
17	J. Summerlet,	East Lake Lillian
18	W. Wallento,	"
19	S. Johnson,	"
20	John Wicklund,	Kandiyohi
21	Ludvig Johnson, (Section No. 21.)	"
22	C. O. Bergquist,	"
23	Chas. Brosman,	Fahlun
24	Andrew Hegstrom,	"
25	John A. Johnson,	Lake Elizabeth
26	Andrew Peterson,	"
27	Lewis Rosenquist,	"
28	August Soderholm,	Dovre
29	Gustaf Nordin,	"
30	Henry S. Olson,	"
31	Frank Soderberg,	Lake Andrew
32	John Nelson,	"
33	Peter Bengtson,	"
34	Carl Syvertson,	"
35	Otto Hedin,	Arctander
36	Edward E. Rood,	"
37	John A. Skare,	"
38	Syvert S. Reigstad,	"
39	John Iverson,	Norway Lake
40	Christian Peterson,	"
41	Ole Sagedalen,	"
42	George E. Wilson,	Harrison
43	Charles Backman,	"
44	Elmer Halverson,	"
45	John Moll,	"
46	Edward Toensing,	Atwater Village
47	Andrew Nelson,	"
48	Erick Swedlund,	"
49	J. S. Anderson,	Gennessee
50	Henry Bright,	"
51	Henry Heining,	"
52	O. S. Sondreson,	Green Lake
53	Ole Haverly	"
54	Louis Tait,	"
55	W. E. Roberts,	City of Willmar
56	A. A. Anderson,	"
57	C. A. Nelson,	"
58	C. H. Anderson,	"
59	Asa J. Abbott,	Town of Willmar
60	J. W. Erickson,	Mamre
61	Aug. Holmgren, Jr.	"
62	J. A. Olson,	St. Johns
63	John Banks,	"
64	Aug. W. Anderson,	Roseland
65	C. Christenson,	"
66	Henry Bjelkengren,	Whitefield
67	Lewis Benson,	"
68	B. B. Bruns,	Holland
69	G. J. Brink,	"
70	John Johnson,	Edwards
71	J. H. Stoll,	Raymond
72	J. W. Wagner,	Edwards

On motion a recess was taken until 8:30 o'clock a. m., Jan. 4th. 1906.

The board met at 8:30 o'clock a. m. on Jan. 4th. 1906. all members present.

Petition of John M. Spicer to be set off from school district No. 49 to school district No. 88, was taken up for further consideration, and an additional certificate of the county auditor showing service of notice in the matter on the clerks of each district affected was read and considered. On account that the proof of service of notice of hearing in the matter on the clerks of the districts affected, did not show personal service of notice on said clerks, the said petition was upon motion rejected.

A committee from the library board of City of Willmar, composed of Rev. A. N. Osterholm, Sen. L. O. Thorpe and Editor Alton Crosby appeared before the Board and represented and showed that whereas there is an increasing demand for books from the Willmar library by people throughout the county, and that in order to sup-

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WEST HOTEL IS BURNING.

A dispatch to the A. J. Cummings Commission Co., this morning gives the news that the West Hotel at Minneapolis is burning. The fire was discovered at 7:30 a. m. A fireman was killed while trying to rescue a woman. Nine dead and twenty injured were reported.

Firemen's Annual Meet.

The joint meeting of the Willmar Fire Department was held last Monday evening at the engine house and both Chief Jonas Lundquist and Assistant Chief Wm. O. Johnson were honored with a re-election for the ensuing year. Hose Co. No. 2 held its annual meeting the same evening and elected the following officers: Ben Benson, foreman; H C. Hanson, first assistant foreman; Swan Larson, second assistant foreman; Emanuel Christenson, secretary; M. D. Manning, treasurer.

On Friday evening the following officers were elected to serve for Hook and Ladder Co. No. 2: J. J. Ekander, foreman; Wm. Lundberg, first assistant foreman; Algot Peterson, second assistant foreman; C. C. Selvig, secretary. I. C. Olson treasurer.

A meeting of the Willmar Fire Department Relief Association was also held on Monday evening, when the following members were chosen to serve for the ensuing year, all being re-elected: Ole Lundquist, president; J. J. Ekander, secretary; M. D. Manning, treasurer; Ole Barnstad, member of finance committee for three years.

The affairs of the fire department are in excellent condition, as was shown by the different reports. A much-needed addition to the equipment is a team of horses and a new hose wagon, a matter which has been laid before the city council by a committee from the fire department. The present condition of the engine house is not of the best and several repairs are necessary if the building is to be maintained for the same purposes for which it has been used these many years.

It has been customary in former years for the fire laddies to enjoy some kind of a spread at the conclusion of their annual meeting. This year Chief Lundquist did the honors by distributing choice cigars among his fellow workers and the meeting resolved itself into a smoke social.

Editor Smith Married.

Announcements of the marriage of Frank E. Smith, editor of the Raymond News, to Miss Mary A. Walberg, of Detroit, Minn, have been received by Willmar friends. The wedding occurred on Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 3, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Walberg, near Detroit, Rev. McKee of the M. E. church officiating. The bridal pair left for a wedding tour to Casselton, N. D., where they spent several days with relatives. They passed thru Willmar Sunday night enroute to Raymond, where they will be at home to friends after Feb. 1st.

The lady of Editor Smith's choice is a former New London girl, her parents residing near that village until ten years ago, when they moved to Detroit. She taught school at New London and Paynesville and for the past three years has been teaching in the Raymond schools. The groom is so well known in Willmar that he needs no introduction. After working at the newspaper business in this city for several years he went to Raymond to take charge of the News, of which paper he is now editor and proprietor. Both the bride and groom have a host of friends in the county who will extend to them best wishes for a happy married life. The TRIBUNE joins in extending hearty congratulations.

The bicentenary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin occurs the 17th of January. This is an apt time to read this most interesting life. His autobiography and "The Life of Benjamin Franklin" by J. T. Morse and "Four Great Americans" by James Baldwin are in the Willmar library. The last magazines contain some interesting articles on different phases of his life. In Century there is an article by the late Secretary Hay, "Benjamin Franklin in France." "Franklin, America's First Self-made Man," is treated in Success and "Franklin, the Citizen," in American Illustrated Magazine.

Attorney R. W. Stanford, who has been associated with Ludvig Arctander in his law business at Minneapolis for the past several years, is at present assisting Attorney J. M. Downs in his law office in this city. Mr. Stanford will remain here until after the session of the January term of court.

The Madison-Willmar High school debate will take place in the opera house Jan. 26. The admission has been fixed at 35 cents. The opposing team is composed of three young ladies and the Willmar boys will have to look well to their laurels.

The ladies of the Synod church will meet in the church parlors tomorrow (Thursday) afternoon. Mesdames Hilleboe and Botnen will entertain and serve coffee. All are cordially invited.

Lecture was Appreciated.

Dr. J. S. Carlson, of the State University, lectured to an appreciative audience at the Swedish Lutheran Bethel church last Friday evening. Dr Carlson made an eloquent plea for the preservation of the Swedish language among the Swedish people of this country. Without the language, the young American born of Swedish parents loses the key to the great storehouse of Swedish literature and culture which represent centuries of progress in the old land of his fathers, and he is unable to appreciate for himself or contribute to his own country the best qualities of his race. The learning of Swedish is the great privilege of the Swedish descendant which he should appreciate instead of forgetting and even despising the same. The younger generation has a better opportunity to acquire the knowledge of Swedish than their parents, who in most cases were born in abject poverty and after their arrival here had the great struggle for existence during the pioneer period. The program included a violin solo by Arthur Anderson, a vocal solo by Miss Hilma Johnson and selections by the mixed quartette. Dr. Carlson also declaimed a selection. The storm kept away many country people who would have otherwise attended the lecture.

Shall We Have a County Fair?

The question of whether or not the old time county fair should be revived in Kandiyohi county is being discussed by some of our citizens. The question has arisen on account of the probable sale of the old fair grounds for farming purposes unless some action is taken towards organizing and re-purchasing the same. The grounds include twenty-five acres, and the old race track, which alone cost $1,800 to grade. The present owner, J. P. Madison, is willing to sell to a fair association for $2,500 and take some stock. It is pointed out that conditions are quite different than they were twenty years ago. Then the struggle for existence rendered it difficult for many farmers to attend the county fair, and even then the fair association paid its expenses and had some balance over each year. If Willmar were placed upon the racing circuit now, there would be entries sufficient to pay the racing purses and a number of outside people would be attracted to the city. Montevideo, Marshall and other western Minnesota cities draw immense crowds to their annual county fairs. Pretty soon the question of a street fair will come up for decision and it may be well to discuss the county fair proposition in connection therewith.

Resolutions Adopted.

At a meeting held by the W. C. T. U. of this place Jan 2, it was decided to let the public know the principles of the organization, and the following resolutions were adopted:

1. Total abstinence from all intoxicating liquors.

2. No license in any form, or under any circumstances, for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

3. The absolute non-importation and sale of intoxicating liquors in our city.

4. The creation of a healthy public opinion upon the suject, by the active dessemination of truth in all the modes known to enlightened philanthropy.

5. Persistence in efforts to save individuals and communities from so direful a scourge against all forms of opposition and difficulty, until our success is complete. This is our motto: "Through the help of God we shall gain the victory."

Mission Church Notices.

Meeting every evening this week.

Tomorrow evening the Sunday school lesson for next Sunday will be expounded.

Friday evening is the regular evening for the Young People's meeting. The Young Peoples society has this year taken up the study of the history of the Apostolic church. Subject for next Friday evening is the Outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Hymnbooks used by the society is the new book known as "Sions Glädjebud." All young people who understand our language should make it a point to attend these meetings.

There will be no service, except Sunday school next Sunday, as the pastor is then at Spicer in the morning and at New London in the afternoon.

Next Tuesday evening Rev. Osterholm will lecture in the church. Subject: St. Paul's Epistle to the Philippians.

Not Quite so High.

In last week's issue it was stated that the rate of taxation for the city of Willmar was 7.3 mills more than that of the previous year. The figures should have been 2.3 mills, the former rate being 38.5 mills as compared with the present rate of 40.8 mills. The same mistake in figures also crept into the Gazette.

Lutheran Free Church.

Morning service with holy communion at 11 o'clock. Sunday school and Bible class at 3 p. m. and evening service at 7:30. You are cordially invited to attend these services.

Messrs. L. J. Lundvall and V. E. Lawson will serve refreshments at the Bethel church parlors Friday evening. See program elsewhere. All invited.

Become Willmar Merchants.

A change has been made in the grocery and feed business of Sletten & Strand, Mr. Sletten retiring from the firm and being succeeded in the business by Messrs. A. O. Borgan and Thos Christenson. The two gentlemen each buy a third interest and the new firm will be known as J. C. Strand & Co.

Messrs. Borgan and Christenson are both well known in the city and their friends will wish for them a successful career in their new venture. The former has for the past three years been employed as salesman in the grocery department at the store of Berkness, Peterson & Co. Mr. Christenson's occupation before entering into the present business was that of stationery engineer, which he has followed for the past twelve years. He is at present one of the city's aldermen.

Mr. Sletten, who disposes of his share in the business, will, we understand, again attend to his farm interests. He will remove with his family and locate on his farm near Pennock.

Lectures Next Tuesday.

Rev. Osterholm announces that he will deliver his lecture on the Epistle to the Philippians in the local Mission church next Tuesday evening. He has lectured on that subject in a number of places during this season and in all places has his handling of the subject been highly spoken of.

It is his intention to give a series of four lectures on the Pauline Epistles here in Willmar during this winter, and the one on the Epistle to the Philippians is the first in that series. He will in due season tell you the reason for chosing that particular Epistle as subject for the first of these lectures. Those who bring their testaments along will appreciate the latter part of the lecture more.

Invite your friends to come along. Admission is free. A contribution will, however, be taken up, and the proceeds will go to the "building fund." The lecture will be in Swedish. You are welcome. The time set is 7:30 o'clock.

Holds Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Masonic Building Association was held last Monday forenoon at the office of Secretary Ramsett. A stone sidewalk will be built along the association's property on the corner of Litchfield avenue and Fourth street, during the coming year. Officers elected were: Samuel Garver, president; James Sanderson, vice president; H. J. Ramsett, secretary; Russell Spicer, treasurer. Other directors are: G. P. Karwand, H S. Peterson and S. B. Qvale.

Fractured Collar Bone.

Emerson Adams, who lives on a farm west of Spicer, suffered the fracture of his collar bone last Thursday by falling down in his barn. Dr. Johnson was called out to attend to the injuries of the aged gentleman, who it is feared will be laid up for some time on account of his advanced age.

Twenty-five persons were welcomed into church membership at the Presbyterian church last Sunday morning, among them being several young people who received the rite of baptism. The following adults had their membership transferred from other congregations: Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Triplett from Witchita, Kansas; Mrs. Frank J. Bigham from Tracy, and Miss Clara Allen from Minneapolis.

SURPRISED ON 77th BIRTHDAY

Active Literary Society.—Farmers Twine Meeting.—Other Prinsburg Items.

PRINSBURG, Jan. 8.—A merry crowd of relatives gathered at the home of H. Roelofs to celebrate Mr. Wibbles' 77th birthday. They presented him with a fine fur coat. May father Wibbles live many winters yet to enjoy that warm coat.

The literary society is doing good work this winter. They will have a box social on Jan. 19, the proceeds to be used for buying books. All should turn out and help the good work along. Girls, let each one of you endeavor to bring the prettiest box. Last week the society debated the question: "Resolved, that Washington did more for the good of this country than Lincoln did." The affirmative won.

A meeting was held last Saturday by the farmers to talk over twine and farm machinery.

The schools have all started on their rounds of duty again, with Miss Cora Fischer in the lead with an enrollment of 54. There is a great deal of talk of making this a semi-graded school, and we think it would pay in more ways than one.

Mr. R. Molenaar and Miss Cora Fischer took in the football reception at Renville last Tuesday.

W. Molenaar is home again after a hunting trip in the woods.

Miss Ethel Knott returned last Tuesday to St. Cloud, where she is attending the normal school.

Rolf Roelofs has returned from his visit to Fillmore county, where he spent the holidays.

If you want to see an up-to-date store just step this way, for Mr. Stob is right in it. He has lately put in a fine glass counter in the dry-goods department.

Misses Marion Hanscom and Lillie Noren entertained thirty of their friends New Year's night at a "cobweb" social.

RINGVILLE CORRESPONDENCE.

RINGVILLE, Jan. 6.—Simon Stenerson, who has for the past few months been employed as associate editor of the New London Times, has resigned his position and is now at home. Simon is not in the best state of health, and cannot stand much work indoors.

Olof Sonstegaard returned to the Agricultural school last Tuesday to resume his studies. He will graduate from the school the coming spring, and will undoubtedly return home with his head filled with good farming ideas. He has been awarded a brand new corn cultivator for efficiency in his studies. This is another headmark for the many Ringville boys, who seem to always get their full share of the honors.

It will be interesting to many to know that Emil Erlandson, who left for Duluth about five years ago to try his luck in the world, is now employed at Cass Lake, Minn., as grain inspector. Emil always was faithful as the day is long, and will surely make his mark in the world.

Miss Caroline Stenbakken is sewing for Mrs. J. P. Johnson this week. Miss Stenbakken is a very skilled dressmaker, having taken several courses at Glenwood, and certainly knows her trade.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sill entertained a few of their friends Monday evening.

Carl Trulson, who has been giving us excellent service as mail carrier ever since route No. 1 from Georgeville was started, will engage in the livery business in a town on the Soo line between here and Minneapolis. Carl has now had experience enough to know how to handle horses.

Rudolph Newgord, from here, and Carl Quistberg and Lillie Knutson, from near Belgrade, are now enrolled as students at the Willmar Seminary.

Rena Halvorson assisted for a few days in the store at Georgeville, taking invoice. She says it's a job and a half.

Almost three inches of snow fell here last Tuesday night, according to the report of our weather prophet. At this writing a heavy northwest wind is raging, which is mix ing the snow with the cream of our lands. We expect to have some good sleighing after things get settled.

Anders Erickson, a representative of the firm of Olson & Iverslie of Belgrade, was around Tuesday buying hogs. It is said that Anders combines business with pleasure when he comes out this way.

Misses Tena Larson, Elma Thompson and Carrie Quam are taking a course in the dressmaking art at the Peterson Sisters' parlors in New London.

A bridge-building expert from Minneapolis was up here this week consulting with our town board about putting up a steel bridge over Crow river from Gilbertson's to Larson's place. The structure was to cost $500 complete. The board thought it more advisable to build one of their own accord, which will certainly be the cheapest way.

We regret to state that next week our beloved pastor, Rev. T. O. Tolo, will leave for the cities to undergo an operation. We have not heard the cause of his ailing, but earnestly hope that it will not prove serious, and that he may return with health completely restored.

Those who are unfortunate enough to have corn standing out in shock will find it a mighty hard job to pull them out. The shocks are now about covered with snow, besides being frozen to the ground.

Mr. and Mrs. John Stenerson entertained a number of their friends last Saturday evening. Refreshments were served and a good social chat indulged in. MAX.

ARCTANDER ARTICLES.

ARCTANDER, Jan. 8—Johnny Aasen arrived from Langenburg, Canada, last week for a couple of weeks' visit. Johnny says Canada is alright and that the climate is better than here. To prove what he says, Johnny has put on several pounds of flesh since he left Minnesota.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Roisum of Minneapolis visited with the Mrs. L Njos family during Christmas.

N. L. Aasen made a trip to Minneapolis recently for a visit with a dear old friend.

A number from here attended a surprise party tendered Mr. and Mrs P. Holmberg of Kerkhoven last Friday evening.

Miss Guri Erickson returned home from Minneapolis last week after an extended visit.

Peter Holmberg of Kerkhoven visited with his parents over Sunday.

Quite a number of young people from here are attending the Willmar Seminary. UNCLE ED.

SUNBURG SUNBEAMS.

SUNBURG, Jan. 7.—Mrs. Erick Paulson of Sunburg has left for Hudson, Wis, where she went to take medical treatment.

Peter Paulson left last week for Willow City, N. D., where he will tend to some land business.

M. A. Ellingboe and Carl and Ole Hollen have left for Willmar to attend the Seminary there this winter.

Miss Thea Tollefson has been on the sick list for some time, but is now reported as being better.

Mrs. C. Paulson of Holum has been ill for some time. We hope she will soon recover.

Bennie Wig left for the cities last week, where he will undergo an operation. We learn that he is suffering from appendicitis. We hope he will soon be able to be with us again.

The Rasmusson young folks entertained a number of friends New Year's Day, and a capital time was had. SWEET SIXTEEN.

The girls society will give a basket social for the mission at I. C. Holland's place town of Dovre, on Saturday evening, Jan. 13. Coffee and cake will be served. All are invited to come.

An eight-pound son was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. Emil Melin on New Year's Day at their home at Sheyenne, N. D.

LAKE ELIZABETH LETTER.

LAKE ELIZABETH, Jan. 9.—Mrs. Maggie Bergquist, who has been working for Bergquist Bros. near Willmar, is at present visiting friends in this locality.

School in Dist. 79 commenced last Monday, and we learn that there will be some old pupils in attendance.

Nels Peterson has been afflicted with eye trouble and has been treated by Dr. Nielsson of Lake Lillian. He is now improving, but may decide to go to the cities to have glasses fitted.

Bernard Forsberg came home Friday from Litchfield, where has been visiting his brother Fred.

James Peterson had an operation performed on his throat last week and is now alright.

Mary Forsberg, who has been staying with her brother George in Tripolis for some time, returned home last Monday.

Miss Christine Lund is at present staying with her cousin, Mrs. Carl Uner.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bowman entertained a host of their friends Saturday evening. Among the guests were Fred Stenberg and Mr. and Mrs. Hilmer Stenberg of Harrison.

As this is the week of prayer we wish a shower of God's blessings over our homes, county, state and nation.

Ed Boom, who is attending school in Atwater, was home over Sunday.

Roy Stenberg went to Harrison Sunday to attend school. He will stay with his brothers and will have only a quarter of a mile to school, instead of two miles as is the case here.

There is considerable talk of building a schoolhouse near the creamery. There is quite a number of children in that neighborhood that now have two miles to any schoolhouse.

It is rumored that a party from Cokato is figuring on putting up a feed-mill at the creamery. Our blacksmith has also been thinking of such a venture as soon as circumstances would allow him.

We can report news from our former merchant, Mr. Engberg. He is now in Colorado, and says he is fairly well. Edwin Norin, who went along with Engberg, has so far written only once. He was then feeling well.

We have heard the wedding bells at Kenmare ringing for Olive Bowman, formerly of this place. We wish her good luck.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Stenberg enjoyed the company of a large number of friends Sunday.

Subscribe for the TRIBUNE, and also buy one of the grand county histories before the price advances. PEN.

FAHLUN FINDS.

FAHLUN, Jan. 8.—Hello, TRIBUNE staff and readers! A glad new year to you, one and all.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Anderson of Willmar spent a few days visiting relatives here.

Victor Holm returned to New London last Tuesday, after a two weeks' vacation spent with relatives and friends here. Victor is employed as bookkeeper for Monson Bros.

Mrs. C. A. Green of Willmar is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. A. Broman.

Rev. A. E. Lind conducted prayer meetings at the different residences this week.

Ernest Ereed and Teddy Granquist are among the students at the Willmar Seminary this winter.

Miss Ella Bengtson of Whitefield visited at Aug. Klint's place for a week during the holidays.

Miss Florence Johnson went to Minneapolis Monday to resume her school duties. Clarence Johnson accompanied her for a visit to the twin cities.

The Epworth Leagne met at the home of Elias Johnson last Friday evening.

L. J. Bolin was here one day last on telephone business.

Prof. Albert Hegstrom left on Tuesday for Fergus Falls, where he is instructor in a school.

School re-opened in Districts No. 39 and 68 Monday, with Misses Ella Boyd and Elphia Jacobson as teachers.

Miss Amelia Jones is planning to leave in the near future for Kenmare, N. Dak.

Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson entertained a few intimate friends on Saturday evening.

Willie Jones of Kenmare, N. Dak., is visiting at his parental home. He will return in a fortnight.

Chester Holm is reported seriously ill with pneumonia. Dr. H. E. Frost is in attendance.

Annual Temperance Meeting.

The next meeting of the Minnetoga Temperance League will be held in the schoolhouse in District No. 58, next Friday, Jan. 12, at 8 o'clock p. m. A good program will be rendered. This is our annual meeting. Election of officers. Reports will be read. All are cordially invited. Members are requested to be present.

MARTIN A. ANDERSON, Pres.

Word has been received here to the effect that a valuable ore deposit has been discovered on a claim belonging to Chas. Lindberg, Sr., near Mahtowa, in the northern part of the state. We have been told that Mr. Lindberg has had an offer of $40,000 for the land but refused to sell. Up to a few years ago, the Lindberg's lived in the town of Mamre, moving from there to Mahtowa. Their many friends hereabouts will be glad to hear of their good fortune.—Kerkhoven Banner.

The Warner Comedy Co. is billed for the Willmar opera house all of next week. The opening play, on Monday night is "A True Kentuckian." Prices 25 and 35 cents. Ladies free the first night.

Don't fail to read the advertisement, "How to get a Farm Free" to be found in this paper.

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