

"THE FAIR" COMMENCED A CLEARANCE SALE FRIDAY LAST WEEK

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Sale continues another week. In order to make room for Spring stock everything in Winter goods must go regardless of price.

BREVITIES

A son was born last Friday morning to Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Campbell. Thomas H. Olson is now chairman of the county commissioners of Kandiyohi county. Mrs. John M. Downs entertained the Y. W. Club at her home last Thursday afternoon. Miss Florence R. Porter entertained the members of her Sunday school class at her home last evening. A marriage license was issued last Thursday to Alfred J. Soland of Roseau county and Julia B. Ramstad. Miss Lettie Nelson has accepted a position as saleslady at "The Fair" and entered upon her new duties there last Thursday. Central Lodge No. 83, Knights of Pythias, held its annual installation of officers for the ensuing year, last Thursday evening. A party of young lady friends of Mrs. Oscar L. Nelson were entertained last Thursday evening at her home, 1027 Litchfield avenue west. Isaac Nordstrom was again appointed by the county commissioners as janitor of the court house. His salary was fixed at \$55 per month. John P. Quan was released from custody in the county jail last Wednesday, after serving a sentence of forty days on the charge of drunkenness. The TRIBUNE was designated as the official paper of the county for the year 1907, by the county commissioners, at their meeting held last week. Ben Miller, late of Cokato, is among the new employees in the Great Northern shops here, and the family will become permanent residents of the city. Miss Nellie M. Robbins entertained a number of her little girl friends at a party given at her home last Saturday afternoon. About sixteen girls enjoyed her hospitality. Mrs. J. W. Kent and Mrs. H. McGregor, of the Episcopal Ladies' Guild, will serve coffee at the Guild Hall on Friday, Jan. 18, from 3 to 6 p. m. Everyone is most cordially invited. Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Erickson, of Whitefield, will sympathize with them in the loss of their infant son who passed away shortly after his birth, last Friday morning. N. P. Holmberg has charge of the J. J. Ekander tailor shop during Mr. Ekander's absence in Hot Springs, Ark. Mr. Ekander left on Monday and expects to be gone about a couple of months. Harry Odell and Elmer Peterson will remain in the service of the new administration at the Willmar post-office. Peter Lovig resigned as assistant postmaster and is succeeded by Ole Lundquist. Coffee, cake and sandwiches will be served tomorrow (Thursday) afternoon and evening at the basement of the Swedish Lutheran church by Misses S. B. Carlson and G. Peterson for the benefit of the Ladies' Aid Society. A change in the time of arrival of No. 9, the late night train from the east, was made some time ago which will not be generally known to the traveling public. This train now arrives here at 11 o'clock, about half an hour earlier than the former time. The Kandiyohi County Horticultural society will meet at Bonde Hall, Willmar, on Wednesday, Jan. 23, 1907, at 10 o'clock a. m. and will continue in session throughout the day until the work is finished. All members and all interested in horticulture are invited. Frank Rose and family are planning on removing to New London, where Mr. Rose will go into the meat market business. His son William and a gentleman from Rolette, N. D., will have the management of the meat market while Mr. Rose will be the cattle buyer for the concern. Rev. E. Bjorkquist, traveling missionary for Northwestern Minnesota, will preach in the Swedish Baptist church here next Sunday, both morning and evening. In the morning he will speak on temperance, with special reference to county option. Rev. J. O. Larson, who is assisting in the services during Prayer Week, will also participate. Golden Rule Lodge No. 82, I. O. O. F., and Hopeful Rebekah Lodge No. 146 held a joint installation of officers on Tuesday evening, Jan. 8. B. G. Covell, Grand Master of the Minnesota jurisdiction, was present and acted as installing officer and also made an address to the two lodges. After the installation a delicious turkey supper was served by the Rebekahs. Chief of Police Boudette has some particularly wary friends in the Willmar Hardware Co. Members of that firm presented him last Monday with a handsome gold star, which he now proudly wears. The gift is a belated Christmas present, being made some time ago by Wm. O. Johnson, who takes this method of showing his appreciation of courtesies extended to him by Mr. Boudette. J. C. Koerner and family will become residents of Havre, Mont., where Mr. Koerner takes a position as chief dispatcher in the Great Northern office at that point. Mr. Koerner has been located here for some time and held the position of trick dispatcher in the local office of the company, so the change comes in the way of a promotion. The family will move to their new home last week. (Ole) An Olson is home from Portland, Me., with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Olson, who are both engaged in the repair and maintenance of machinery establishments there. He has returned to some extent, and is suffering from the dullness of the season. He is now in the office of business at the Willmar Hardware Co. here for some time.

Annual Church Meeting.

The congregation of the Vinje Lutheran Synod church held its annual meeting on Monday, the session beginning at ten o'clock in the morning and continuing thru part of the afternoon. It was shown from the different reports of the various societies of the church that the church was in a flourishing condition as a result of the labors of the members during the past year. The report of the treasurer, L. O. Thorpe, which was printed in pamphlet form, showed that the sum of \$1,759.14 had been collected during the year from the congregation and thru the various societies of the church. This sum does not include the amount contributed by the congregation to the Synod or the expenses of maintaining the parochial schools, which is in the neighborhood of \$500. The different organizations reported receipts during the year as follows: Ladies Aid Society, \$433.16; East Vinje Ladies Society, \$49.58; Young People's Society, \$151.63; Sunday School, \$11.59.

The officers for the ensuing year are as follows: C. E. Lien, secretary; O. Thorey, treasurer; Paul Hanson, Frederick Bredeson and I. C. Olson, trustees. Mr. Hanson succeeds Ole Kiland, who was obliged to resign on account of absence from the city a great part of the time. Mr. Bredeson's predecessor was Nels Tallakson, whose term of office had expired. Prof. H. S. Hilleboe is the assistant superintendent of the Sunday School, the pastor being the regular superintendent. Alfred Markhus is the secretary and Miss Inga Olson the treasurer. The church auditing committee is composed of Prof. Hilleboe and A. O. Sathre.

At this meeting the matter of making improvements at the church cemetery was brought up and as a result there will be much done to this property that will transform it into a most beautiful burial place. I. C. Olson and J. B. Boyd were appointed as a committee and they have already received subscriptions amounting to about \$170, which will be used in the beautifying of the grounds.

Presbyterian Services.

Next Sunday morning at 10:30, the pastor will speak on the subject: "Religion, a Load or a Lift?" The subject for the evening service will be: "Christian Stewardship." The Sabbath school at 12 m. Intermediate C. E. at 3:30 p. m. and Y. P. S. C. E. at 8 p. m. Topics: "More than Conquerors"; the Victory over Temptation. Leader: John Styles, Jr. Thursday evening of this week at 8 o'clock, a Neighborhood Bible Study Circle will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Curran, 402 Eighth St. The pastor will lead the meeting and the study of the Sunday school lesson for next Sunday will be taken up. Home Dept. members especially are invited to attend.

Pastor and Wife Remembered.

Rev. Andersen and wife were pleasantly remembered by the Vinje Ladies Aid society of the Synod church last Thursday afternoon, when they were presented with two handsome rugs—an art square and an oriental rug. The presentation was made after the regular meeting of the ladies, Prof. Hilleboe having been chosen as the spokesman for the society. He made the presentation speech in his own happy vein and the pastor responded most feelingly. The gifts were a little late for Christmas presentation, but were nevertheless fully appreciated by the recipients.

FAMILIES OF TWO BROTHERS BEREFT OF WIVES UNDER SIMILAR CIRCUMSTANCES IN A WEEK



FAMILY OF ALFRED BLOMQUIST OF KANDIYOHI. WIFE AND MOTHER DIED JAN. 11.



FAMILY OF JOHN BLOMQUIST OF GREEN LAKE. WIFE AND MOTHER DIED JAN. 4 AND YOUNGEST DAUGHTER JAN. 15.

Another Blomquist family in the Valley of the Shadow of Death. Other Kandiyohi News Items. KANDIYOHI, Jan. 15.—The Angel of Death has again visited our locality and has claimed as its victim the wife of Alfred Blomquist. Her death occurred last Friday morning at five o'clock. A child had been born to them two weeks ago, and the mother had been getting along nicely until about a week ago, when she was again taken sick and the doctor was called and found her to be suffering with blood poison. She kept on getting weaker and finally death came and relieved her of all earthly suffering. The funeral was held on Sunday at one o'clock from the house and at 2:30 at the Tripolis church. The remains were interred in the cemetery near the church. Rev. S. A. Lindholm officiated in the last sad rites and preached the funeral sermon. The funeral was held at the home of Mrs. Alma (Jodin) Blomquist was born in Herringburg, Sweden, Aug. 23, 1878, and had attained the age of 28 years, 8 months and 19 days. January 15, 1898, she was married to Alfred Blomquist and in the same year they moved on the farm where they have lived since. Her death is extremely sad, as she leaves her bereaving husband and six small children, the oldest being only 9 years, to mourn her loss. The children are Annie, Adolph, Edith, Rudolph, Florence and the youngest child, who never knew what a mother is and will never have her kind and affectionate care. She also leaves her parents, one sister and one brother, who are now living in North Dakota, her father being the only one present at the funeral. The many friends of the family will heartily sympathize with the grieving husband and children.

Installation of Officers. The Modern Woodmen and Royal Neighbor camps held a joint installation of officers last Wednesday evening. Mrs. Mary Ward acted as installing officer for the Royal Neighbors, and Emanuel Christenson for the Woodmen. The ladies degree team entertained the members with the R. N. A. march in full regalia and won generous applause for the perfect work displayed in the many intricate figures. A fine lunch was served by the Royal Neighbors, after which a couple of hours were spent in dancing. There will be special meetings in the Swedish M. E. church every evening next week. The services will be in charge of Rev. Lindstrom of Atwater and the local pastor.

Death Again Visits Home. The Angel of Death has again visited the home of John W. Blomquist in the town of Green Lake and again the family has been called to mourn the loss of a favorite member. Close following the death of the mother, who passed away on Jan. 4, comes the death of little Florence Goldie, the six-year-old daughter. She passed away yesterday morning, death being due to appendicitis. The little one had been ill only a short time and her passing away so soon after her mother's death makes it a hard blow for the surviving members. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at three o'clock. Services will be conducted at the Tripolis Lutheran church by Rev. Lindholm and the remains will be interred beside those of the mother, in the church cemetery. The deep sympathy of the entire community is extended to the father and the seven surviving children, all of whom now have a double affliction to bear. Prof. Hilleboe Honored. Prof. H. S. Hilleboe received a life teachers diploma last week from the Department of Public Instruction of the state of South Dakota, in recognition of his work as teacher in the summer schools of that state.

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Attended State Fair Meeting.

Hon. A. E. Rice and Messrs. E. C. Wellin and O. R. Berkness were in Minneapolis last week in attendance at the annual meeting of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society, which was in session Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at the court house in that city. The gentlemen went there in the interest of the Willmar Street Fair Association, of which Mr. Wellin is the president and Mr. Berkness the secretary. The two last named gentlemen being regular delegates to the county and street fair associations throughout the state were represented by delegates and their meeting with others interested in fair matters resulted in the obtaining of helpful suggestions for all. A meeting will be called by the local fair association in the near future for the purpose of getting the sentiment of the business men as to the advisability of holding a fair of the coming fall. It is suggested that a street fair be held this year which will eclipse all previous efforts and in order to make it a success arrangements for the affair should be begun at an early date.

Elected Officers.

Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1 held its annual election of officers last Friday evening and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: A. M. Olson, foreman; Chris. Paulson, 1st assistant; N. P. Nelson, 2nd assistant; J. J. Ekander, secretary; John Selin, treasurer. Arrangements are being made by the company for a dance in the near future, some time before Lent, and a committee was appointed at the meeting to have the affair in charge.

Arctander Articles

ARCTANDER, Jan. 14.—Mr. and Mrs. Bengtson of Granite Falls are visiting with their daughter, Mrs. Sotendahl, at present. Julia Ramstad and Alfred Soland were united in the Holy Matrimony last Sunday. The ceremony took place at the bride's home in Arctander in the presence of a few relatives and friends. Rev. Sotendahl officiated. Misses Hilda and Emma Soll left for Sisseton, S. D., some time ago. The Ladies Aid society will meet with Mrs. E. H. Hauge next Thursday, Jan. 17. The farmers are busy now-a-days hauling ice for the West Lake Creamery. John A. Henjum returned home from Minneapolis last week, where he had been visiting with his sister, Mrs. Larson. We are glad to see you among us again, John. Miss Alida Kochen is visiting at Henry Hough's at present. Miss Thea Lesteborg is working at Martin Syverson's at present. Albert Anderson returned from Fargo, N. D., last week, where he had been visiting with his sister, Mrs. Christ Olson. If you want to see a broad smile call on Martin Syverson, as he is wearing one now on account of the arrival of a baby girl, who made her appearance last week. "Elsa" is what we want, Martin. Iver Reigstad of Willmar Seminary visited at his home in Arctander over Sunday. The farmers are all smiling now, looking at the fine sleighing, and they will undoubtedly make good use of it. Mrs. G. Hough attended the funeral of Per Nelson at Benson last week. Andrew Stone and Erica Peterson were among the couples that took out licenses to wed at Willmar last week. We extend our heartiest congratulations. TALLFELLOW.

ORATOR AND HUMORIST

Dr. James B. Watson Will Entertain Patrons of Citizens' Entertainment Course on Jan. 26. Dr. James B. Watson, orator and humorist, of Cleveland, Ohio, will be the next attraction in the series of entertainments provided by the Citizens Entertainment Committee. The date for his Willmar appearance is Saturday evening, Jan. 26, and it is safe to say that the Willmar opera house will be the Mecca on that evening of one of the largest audiences that ever attended an entertainment there. The inimitable Watson is a gifted orator and humorist. His talks are steeped in the embodiment of truth, culture, eloquence, wit, wisdom and pathos. When lecturing to an audience he catches their ear, wins their favor, steals into their graces, retains their attention and carries away their richest blessing. He was born in the old Quaker community of Pickerington, Canada; has seen a wide traveler both in foreign and home lands. His wonderful dramatic power enables him to accurately impersonate the various characters introduced in his lectures, retaining the native dialect in a humorous and instructive way. His thorough-going education and his wide experience in travel have given him a cosmopolitan spirit, but have not killed his warm-hearted Quaker nature. While instructing and entertaining, he also gets at the hearts of his audience and makes each individual feel immediately his lofty purpose and high ideal in delivering a message which tells for culture and character building. His oratorical power was splendidly manifested in his Decoration Day address at the tabernacle in Canton, Ohio, where, in his closing peroration, he paid an eloquent tribute to the memory of the martyred President, McKinley, with such effect that the entire audience of five thousand people arose to their feet in a spontaneous outburst of applause, expressing their appreciation of his lofty sentiments and paying tribute to the memory of the martyred President. Dr. Watson's lecture will be on one of the following subjects: "Pluck, Patience and Perseverance;" "The 'Unmarked' or 'Houses with no Fronts';" "The Evils We Wink at as Greater than Those We Stare At;" "The Eleventh Commandment;" "An Evening with the Scottish Poets;" "An Evening with Irish Orators;" "Struggles Which Win."

New London News

NEW LONDON, Jan. 14.—Dr. Newman was called to the home of Peter Olson in Colfax Sunday. Clara Bremson, an employe at the Great Northern hotel, went to Willmar one day last week to consult a physician regarding treatment for her eyes. A social was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Nordstedt last Saturday evening. Games were played, after which supper was served to about 30 people. An enjoyable evening of Mr. and Mrs. Nordstedt very much. We have between two and three feet of snow on the level. The last two snowfalls are lying loose on top of a hard crust. A high northeast gale is expected, of course, which will make things interesting. Estella Quam visited in Willmar on Sunday. Agent Wanous has an assistant at the depot. The Ladies Aid society of the Presbyterian church gave a social at W. W. Knight's place last Saturday evening. Frank Rose and R. Sastrom of Willmar were callers in town Friday and Saturday. Mr. Rose, we understand, bought the butcher tools used by Boyce & Wik last Friday and is going into the butcher business at this place. Jno. Hoen, our former meat cutter in the city meat market, is now doing chores for us at the farm near the village. John says John is the best barn manager he ever had. The ladies of the Norwegian Lutheran church served coffee and cake in the church basement Thursday of last week. The sum of eight dollars was realized. Nordstedt & Son will begin their ice harvest this week. They have engaged Wilson Bros. of Spicer to do their ice sawing. We understand that the Wilsons have an automatic ice cutting machine. The ice on the pond is now about 25 inches thick. Johnson & Peterson shipped a carload of hogs to South St. Paul Monday a week ago. Paul Peterson went along to the unloading point. Edward E. Hallson, general merchant at Streeter, N. D. came down last week for a short stay here and at Norway Lake. The M. W. held their monthly meeting last Tuesday. Elmer Thorne, mail carrier on Route No. 1, had a little fun with himself and his horse the other day. Elmer's feet were getting frostbitten and he stepped out walk behind. The horse kicked up its heels and started off on a run and gave Elmer a lively chase for a while. Preparations are being made for the entertainment of a church convention at the Lebanon church next week. The annual meeting of the Pacific District of the Minnesota Conference of the Swedish Lutheran Church convenes here next Monday, with opening services at 7:30 p. m., and will continue throughout Tuesday and Wednesday. Fifteen pastors and about thirty lay delegates, representing the congregations of this church denomination in Wright, Meeker, Kandiyohi, Swift and Stevens counties, are expected. All matters to come before the Conference must first be passed on and recommended by one of the mission districts. Ole Mankel returned from a business trip to the cities today.

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