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BREVITIES

Rev. P. Lovene of Maynard will preach in the Swedish Baptist church next Sunday, both morning and evening.

The members of the Woodmen Camp enjoyed a smoke social last Wednesday evening at their lodge rooms in Bonde hall.

Sheriff Bonde went to Red Wing last Thursday in charge of Joseph Benjamin Taylor, who was committed to the state training school.

The Ladies Aid society of the Mission church will meet in the church basement Friday afternoon, Feb. 22. Refreshments will be served. All are invited.

The senior class of the Willmar high school will give a class play on Friday evening, Feb. 22, when "Fanchon the Cricket" will be presented at the opera house.

Rev. A. N. Osterholm, of West Superior, Wis., will be here for a visit with his former congregation and will preach in the Mission church next Sunday morning and evening.

The funeral services over the remains of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Boyd were held last Thursday afternoon at two o'clock from the family residence. Rev. Horatio Gates officiating. The interment was in Fairview cemetery.

The Ladies Guild will meet with Mrs. Nordin on Friday, Feb. 22, at two o'clock to decide on the work for the Lenten season. The making of broom covers will be the work of this week. Donations of gray Canton flannel are solicited.

There will be services in the Swedish M. E. church next Sunday evening. There were no services last Sunday on account of the illness of the pastor, Rev. Axel Anderson. The Epworth League meets at 7 o'clock. Emma Swenson is the leader.

Music lovers will be pleased to learn that the Skovgaard Concert Co., which appeared in Willmar last season, will again favor our city with a visit. The company will be here the latter part of April. The concert is to be under the direction of Miss Marie Railson and Prof. Swalin.

We have been requested to state the time when the franchise expires for the Willmar Telephone Exchange. This franchise for a period of ten years, was conveyed to John Williams and Ole Barnstad, their heirs or assigns, by Ordinance No. 58, passed May 11, 1897, and hence will expire May 11 next.

Wm E. Tew took his three children this week to Marshall, where they were placed in St. Joseph's Academy and will become students at that educational institution. They were accompanied by Anna Meehan, sister of the deceased mother, who has been staying with the Tew family, and who will also attend the same school.

Every farmer in the county should attend the farmers' institute to be held in this city on March 2 Come and bring your wives and be the guests of the business men at dinner. You will profit by your trip to Willmar in both the knowlege received at the meetings as well as the social re-union with our citizens Come early in the morning and stay thruout the entire day.

A delightful social affair of the week was given by Mrs. A. Bakke at her home on Fifth street yesterday afternoon, when she entertained a party of lady friends in honor of her cousin, Miss Ruby Olson, of Atwater, who was the guest of Willmar relatives. Covers were laid for twelve at a delicious luncheon. The place cards were little George Washington hatchets, which were given to the guests as souvenirs. Miss Olson will leave soon for Bismarck, N. D., and the occasion was a farewell party for her.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Spicer entertained about thirty friends on Thursday evening of last week at a progressive cinch party. For tally cards unique favors were used, which were given by the losers of the game to the winners, the winning lady having the choice of favoring any gentleman she wished to play the next game with. The favor table was presided over by Miss Ruth Spicer and Miss Celia Frost served frappe thruout the evening. At the close of the evening delicious refreshments were served and the hostess was assisted by Misses Edith and Celia Frost and Misses Florence Cantieny and Ruth Spicer. The rooms were prettily decorated in red carnations.

Twenty lady friends of Mrs. H. C. Hanson enjoyed her hospitality at a "dress-up" party given at her home last Wednesday evening in honor of Mrs. Ed Railson, who has been the guest of relatives and friends in the city for some time. The guests all appeared in character costumes, some of them being decidedly funny, and this created much amusement during the evening. Mrs. Cramer and Miss Anna Erlandson were awarded prizes for the best characters. Among the features of the evening's entertainment were vocal solos by Miss Karen Hanson and piano selections by Miss Grace Ramsett. Delicious refreshments were served. The table decorations were in white and blue, and white primroses formed the centerpiece. On the place cards and napkins was a windmill painted in blue. The hostess was assisted thruout the evening by Mrs. H. P. Hanson and Mrs. Ramsett.

FARMERS' INSTITUTE

Big Meeting of Farmers to be Held in Willmar Saturday, March 2 Able Instructors Will be in Charge. Business Men Will Give Free Dinner.

A State Farmers' Institute will be held in the Court House at Willmar on Saturday, March 2, beginning at 10 o'clock a. m. The afternoon session will begin at 1:30 and close at 4 o'clock. Competent instructors will be in charge and every farmer who believes in progressive methods should make it a point to attend the entire day. With the present high values of land and the high cost of labor the old-fashioned hap-hazard style of farming will not pay. The farmer must learn to raise the most profitable crops at the least expense. These men who are paid by the state to study and disseminate the results of their studies, can give you information based on actual experience. You can well afford to spend a day listening to them. You can thru the question box, get answers to just such questions as are puzzling you now. In short, you cannot afford to miss any part of this institute. Come and bring your wife with you. There will be information of interest to the housewife as well as to the husband.

The business men of Willmar at a meeting held at the Commercial Club Rooms last Thursday decided to give a dinner to all farmers and their wives who attend the institute. The dinner will be given in Bonde Hall at 12 o'clock on the day of the institute. The dinner will be given under the supervision of the Housekeepers' Club.

The following committees of ushers and waiters have been appointed:

Committee on General Arrangements—Messrs. A. E. Rice, O. R. Berkness and E. C. Wellin.

USHERS.

Head usher, Alton Crosby; assistants—A. Hedin, J. F. Branton, John Williams, Ole Lundquist Hans Gunderson, W. L. Norin, John Feig, H. J. Ramsett, L. J. Boudette, Peter Bonde and O. Jorgen Olson.

Table 1. Judiciary. Head waiter, Judge G. E. Qvale; assistants—Judges Muller, Nordin and Porter and Messrs. Otterness, Gilbert and Stanford.

Table 2. Medical. Head waiter, Dr. E. S. Frost; assistants—Drs. Rains, Johnson, McLaughlin, Peterson and H. E. Frost.

Table 3. Real Estate and Investments. Head waiter, M. O. Thorpe; assistants—Adams, Anderson, Brown, Cramer and Nordtoef.

Table 4. Newspapers. Head waiter, V. E. Lawson; assistants—L. Crosby, Spencer, Forsberg, Johnson and Taylor.

Table 5. Municipal. Head waiter, Mayor Qvale; assistants—Tallman, Christenson, Gratz, Johnson, Holt, Pinney, Holmberg and Strand.

Table 6. Banks. Head waiter, Andrew Larson; assistants—Handy, Odell, Spicer, Markhus, Millard, Vik, Wold, Swenson, Selvig and Berg.

Table 7. Great Northern. Head waiter, Supt. Bowen; assistants—Winney, Adams, Hornbeck, Hess, Connelly, Taylor, Townsend, Herberg, Tyler and Larson.

Table 8. Dry Goods and Haberdashery. Head waiter, Einar Wellin; assistants—Berkness, Sand, Bakke, Wolpert, Rodlun, Peterson, Williams, Lonn and Magnuson.

Table 9. Groceries. Head waiter, S. S. Glarum; assistants—Bjornberg, Dale, Hanscom, Telstad and Cervin.

Table 10. Lumber Coal and Grain. Head waiter, J. S. Robbins; assistants—Harris, H. S. Peterson, N. O. Nelson, Erickson and Martin.

Table 11. Hardware. Headwaiter, C. C. Selvig; assistants—Olson, Johnson, Jonas Lundquist, John Lundquist, Neuberger, Ohsberg and Hoglund.

Table 12. Watches and Diamonds. Head waiter, C. A. Nelson; assistants—Sman Anderson, Carl Anderson, Larson, Elmquist and F. P. Nelson.

Table 13. Farm Implements. Head waiter, Gudmund Karwand; assistants—Stansberry, Geo. Robbins and Ekander.

Table 14. Retired List. Head waiter, Michael Davitt Manning; assistants—Tom Olson, Knox, J. A. Hedin, M. Jorgenson and August Anderson.

Table 15. Unadulterated Drugs. Head waiter, Ed Mossberg; assistants—Swan Carlson, C. B. Carlson, N. B. Carlson and A. F. Elfstrum.

HOFF-VORSCHNEIDER, Frank Strecker; assistants—O. J. Nickelson and Swan Anderson.

PRINSBURG

PRINSBURG, Feb. 16.—It is our sad duty to report the death of Mrs. A. Weberdink, which occurred at 8 o'clock Sunday morning, after a lingering illness of ten weeks. Funeral services will be held at the home on Tuesday afternoon at one o'clock. The bereaved family have the heartfelt sympathy of the entire community.

John Roelofs and Henry Prins came here from Greenleafton, Minn., last Saturday.

Mrs. Dick Edzinga and daughter are visiting with the former's mother, Mrs. Knott.

Mrs. B. D. Knott will have an auction sale March 1, as she intends to leave for North Dakota in a few weeks.

Tillie Edzinga, who has held a position as "Hello girl" in Clara City the past few months, is at home again

Mrs. Ralph Roelofs is laid up with the asthma but a speedy recovery is hoped for.

Abe Noteboom has returned from Iowa for a visit with old home friends before joining the rest of the family in Lyden, Wash.

NORWAY LAKE NIBBLES

NORWAY LAKE, Feb. 18.—A surprise was sprung on Esther Larson last Thursday by the young people in the neighborhood, and a good time was reported.

L. H. Larson shipped a carload of hogs today.

Mr. Ostlund of Plaza, N. D., formerly in the hardware business at New London, called on friends here today.

Bennie Halvorson came up from St. Paul Saturday to spend Sunday at home, returning today.

Oliver Halvorson, traveling agent for the De Laval Cream Separator Co., spent Sunday at home.

Services were conducted at the Florida church last Sunday by Rev. N. Frykman.

Magnus Olson returned home last Wednesday, after spending a few days at the home of M. L. Rustad.

Edna Mankell has been visiting for some time with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Gunder Swenson.

C. H Engen, who has been very sick for some time, is reported to be on the road to recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Skindelien of Arctander mourn the loss of a three-year-old son, who died after several weeks' illness with typhoid fever.

Mrs. Elizabeth Mankell is still sick, but is on the way to recovery.

George Stene, who was taken sick and had to leave school, is improving. One of his classmates, who was taken to the hospital, was reported yesterday to have died from typhoid fever.

SVEA SIFTINGS

SVEA, Feb. 18.—The Svea congregation held a special meeting last Tuesday to consider the resignation of their pastor, Rev. J. O. Lundberg. As Rev. Lundberg has been an earnest and efficient worker here for nearly twenty years it would be hard to part with him, and therefore his resignation was not accepted. "Man vet hvad man har men inte hvad man får."

The Svea sewing society met at Carlsgrove last Thursday.

The auction sale at George Forsberg's place last Wednesday was well attended and everything was sold at a fair price.

The fine weather has brought more sicknes than the cold weather did.

Entertainment in Roseland.

All are invited to attend an entertainment and basket social that will be given Thursday evening, Feb. 21, at eight o'clock in the schoolhouse of Dist. No. 90 in the town of Roseland.

CARL L. GOULSON. Teacher.

Lake Elizabeth Bits

LAKE ELIZABETH, Feb. 18—The Young People's society of the Norwegian Lutheran church gave a social at Anton Larson's home last Sunday. A good program was rendered.

Mrs. Fred Forsberg of Litchfield is visiting with her folks, the Rosénquists. We are informed that Fred Forsberg and his brother George, of Svea, are going to start a meat market business at a point somewhere near St. Cloud. We wish them success.

The Lake Elizabeth Cowbell Band will be heard soon, we understand.

Meline & Johnson, our merchants, are right there with the goods when it comes to the necessaries and delicacies of the table, and they all comply with the pure food laws.

The Ladies society of the Swedish Baptist church will meet at the home of Rev. A. Nilson on Thursday, Feb. 21.

There will be services in the Swedish Baptist church every evening this week, beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

Miss Clara Carlson left for Minneapolis last Friday.

Miss Ellen Norine left last Friday for Willmar, where she will be employed in a family place.

Emil Edmund, mail carrier on Atwater Route 6, is enjoying a 15 days' vacation.

Fannie Danielson entertained some of her relatives and friends last Sunday, it being her birthday.

M. E. Jackson donated a sack of oats to the mail carrier on Route 7. Good example to follow.

The milk delivery at our creamery is increasing, and prospects are good for a large run the coming summer.

PEN HOLDER.

FAHLUN FINDS

FAHLUN, Feb. 18—Quite a number from here attended the auction sale at George Forsberg's place at Svea last Wednesday.

Victor Knutson made a trip to the county seat last Tuesday.

Alfred Trulson was a county seat visitor last Tuesday.

Albert Johnson of Lake Lillian is working for Oscar Lundberg at present.

It is reported that August Young has rented John Freedholm's farm for three years.

Harry Wahlstrand has been on the sick list for some time but is better at this writing.

A large number from here attended the funeral of Victor Mattson at Tripolis last Sunday.

Miss Gunhild Lundin entertained a number of her schoolmates Sunday.

Some of the young people of this town attended the rag social given in town of Kandiyohi last Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. August Lindblad visited with Christ Christianson's family in Roseland Saturday and Sunday.

The Svea band boys met at S. J. Walgren's place for rehearsal last Thursday.

Ellen Skoglund left for Willmar today.

In the final contest between the spelling teams of Dists. 83 and 68 last Tuesday evening the latter came out victorious by 24 points and won an easy victory over their worthy opponents.

The Fahlun evening school gave their musical and literary entertainment in Dist, 82, Roseland. They were greeted by a small audience, on account of the bad roads. The program was very well rendered, and those present speak of it as the best entertainment ever given in this part of the country. After the program the evening school pupils were invited to the home of Martin Johnson, where they partook of a delicious supper.

Richard Freedholm of Svea spent Sunday with his parents here.

Dr. C. E. Gerretson, dentist. Office in New Buble block, Willmar. 22tf

WANT A CITY HALL

Voters of City are Strongly Appealed to by Members of Willmar Fire Department.

To the Voters of the City of Willmar:

We, the undersigned, members of the fire department of the city of Willmar, do urgently request that you consider the proposition to be submitted to the voters in relation to the voting of bonds for the purpose of the erection of a city hall for our city. We ask you for your support for the reason that we believe it is for the best interests of our city that a city hall should be built, as it will give the city recorder an opportunity to protect the records of this city, inasmuch as there will be a good vault constructed: it will give the municipal court a suitable place for meeting; it will give the Water and Light board a place for meeting and the keeping of their records: it will give sufficient room for the city attorney and other city officials to have their offices, and a chamber for the meetings of the city council as well as a large city hall where the people of the city can get together from time to time. But in addition to that, and above all reasons so far enumerated, it will give your fire department what is sorely needed—a place where it can keep its fire apparatus in such a condition that it will be in readiness at any and all times to be used at a moment's notice. As it is now we have practically no apparatus for fighting fires as the hose and other apparatus we now have are not in condition to be of any particular use.

If the city hall is built we can get a hose wagon and chemical engine, and in all probability we can get a team of horses, which the city can use at all times—except in cases of fire when the firemen could put the team of horses to use in hauling the apparatus, and when they then arrive at the scene of the fire they will be in shape to do some service, but if during the present winter, when the weather is so cold, the fire department should be called out to go any distance, when they arrive at the scene of the fire they are not in condition to do much work as they have used their strength in pulling the dilapidated apparatus we now have.

In addition to the above we wish to appeal to those who now live beyond the water limits. If we get the city hall, a new apparatus and a place to keep it, these people would have more fire protection, as with the new chemical engine we will be in a good position to fight fire even on the outskirts of the city. There is no protection now afforded to those living beyond the water limit.

We also wish to advise that your fire department has for some time past been thoroughly discouraged, and unless this proposition receives favorable consideration at your hands on election day, we naturally will feel that you do not want a fire department, as you will practically have none with the equipment afforded.

Swan Larson	Peter Rasmusson
Ben Benson	H. C. Ward
Severt Benson	T. C. Torkelson
Chas. J. Freeberg	P. Pearson
John Selin	Peter Freeberg
Peter Bonde	E. Christenson
P. C. Peterson	S. P. Johnson
John C. Freese	N. W. Larson
Wm. O. Johnson	Geo. W. Tyler
Jonas Lundquist	Gilbert Sorenson
A. M. Olson	P. O. Anderson
A. F. Hanscom	Martin Gilbertson
Ole M. Johnson	Sam'l Osmundson
Ole Barnstad	Joseph Williams
Algot J. Peterson	F. H. Wold
C. C. Selvig	C. J. Jorgenson
E. Ohsberg	Oscar Settergren
A. J. Ekander	P. L. Johnson
J. C. Strand	C. K. Robinson
Olof T. Sandbo	L. A. Wold
Christ Paulson	J. L. Hanscom
Alton Crosby	John Williams
Ole Lundquist	E Holt
Willie Lundberg	P. L. Peterson
A. N. Lewis	Harry Odell
F. L. Smith	N. P. Nelson
M. D. Manning	

Seminary Stockholders.

Remember the stockholders' meeting to be held at the Willmar Seminary tomorrow (Thursday) afternoon at three o'clock. All interested in the welfare of the school should make a special effort to attend, as business of great importance will come up for consideration.

Housekeepers' Club.

There was a large attendance at the regular monthly meeting of the Housekeepers' club held last Saturday afternoon in the Odd Fellows hall. The program as previously announced was carried out and there was an interesting discussion regarding bread-making and the growing of pansies.

The members of the club accepted the invitation to serve the dinner for the farmers' institute to be held in Willmar Saturday, March 2. The president appointed the following committee: Mesdames Sanderson, L. O. Thorpe, John Haley, Smith, Stansberry, Stanford, T. H. Olson and Ramsett. The committee will meet on Wednesday, Feb. 20, at 3 o'clock in the Commercial Club rooms.

The following committee was appointed to serve refreshments at the next regular meeting, March 9: Mesdames P. J. Haley, Gratz, Gillette, Green, Garwell, John Haley, Hengstler, Hess and Sanderson.

C. S. GEER DEAD

Prominent Early Settler of Colfax Passed Away Last Sunday Morning.

Charles S. Geer, an old and respected citizen of the township of Colfax, died at his home last Sunday at 11 o'clock in the forenoon at an age of nearly sixty-nine years. Death was caused by Bright's disease with complications. Mr. Geer had not been hale and hearty since nearly six years ago, when he suffered a light sunstroke. He had been bedridden about six months.

Charles S. Geer was born at Bloomfield, Pennsylvania, March 10, 1838. He was one of the ten sons of Alphonso and Mary M. (Phillips) Geer. Two of his brothers, Elisha and Orlando, enlisted in the 9th Minnesota Regiment and died in rebel prisons. Four of the brothers came to Colfax and Burbank townships, Horatio P., Charles S., Orange S., and Marion D. The land office records show that Charles S. Geer in company with his brother Horatio O Geer and a cousin Charles W. Geer, first selected preemption claims in the town of Burbank, June 23, 1864, and were the vanguard of the large Geer family that afterwards settled in that community.

Charles S. Geer became a prominent figure in the early organization of Monongalia county. He was the first town chairman of Burbank township, which was organized in August, 1866, and comprised the present townships of Burbank and Colfax. In 1871 the present township of Colfax was organized as a separate town and it was Mr. Geer who suggested the name of Colfax in honor of Schuyler Colfax, then vice president. He was elected as the first justice of the peace and has held the position until the time of his death, a period of thirty-six years. He has also been one of the school officers of Dist. No. 10 during the same period, the last fourteen years as clerk. He took a lively interest in the organization of the Presbyterian church at Burbank in 1889, and was elected the ruling elder and one of the trustees. In the demise of Mr. Geer, one of the worthiest representatives of the early pioneer period has passed away, and the Eastern native-born settlement of Burbank and Colfax has lost one more of its few remaining honored fathers. May he rest in peace, and the influence of his kindly and upright life leave its impress upon the community which he help to found.

He was married to Betsey Lavina Amy in 1860, and his wife survives him. Nine children were born to them: Welcome, now of Collinsville, Illinois; Mrs. Mattie E. Smith, deceased; Jennie, residing at the old home; Mrs. Jessie Finch, of Vallard; Mrs. Sadie Knight, of New London; Melvin U., residing at home; William L. Geer, of Willmar; John L., residing at home, and the youngest son died in infancy. The griefstricken widow and children have the profound sympathy of all.

The funeral services are held today at one o'clock at the Presbyterian church, Burbank. Rev. Baskerville of Spicer will officiate. A number of his relatives from distant points were expected to attend.

GRUE GRIST

GRUE, Feb. 18.—Rev. E. E. Gynild made a pleasant call at H. C. Gunderson's last week.

Miss Mary Olson returned to St. Paul last Wednesday, after a couple of months' stay at home.

Misses Agnes Nelson and Minnie Erickson of Willmar Seminary Sundayed at home.

About twenty young people around here attended the surprise party given to Mr. and Mrs. Jens Anderson of Green Lake Saturday evening. The evening was spent in a pleasant way, and they all left at a late hour, leaving the hosts a nice little sum of money.

Arnt C. Carlson assisted E. T. Gunderson sawing wood last week.

Quite a few attended the auction sale at C. Erickson's near Willmar Saturday.

Ray Nelson, the grain commission man of Hector, Sundayed at home.

The Ladies' Aid society will meet at Mrs. Magnus Olson's next Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Miss Sina Borgan of Willmar is visiting at Nels Casperson's.

There will be "samtalemöde" in the Eagle Lake church Feb. 26, 27 and 28. Everybody is cordially invited.

Miss Clara Kleven is busy sewing for Mrs. Pete Erickson.

M. O. Erickson is working for his brother Ole.

Arthur Kleven is working for Pete Erickson for a few days.

BLAZE AT RAYMOND

Big Fire Early This Morning Totally Destroys Three Business Buildings in Neighboring Town. Origin of Fire Is Not Known.

The fire fiend has again visited the village of Raymond. At 2 o'clock this morning a destructive fire resulted in the loss of three buildings in the business district. They were as follows:

Old Merchants hotel building owned by August Wenzel. The occupants were Frank Smith, who had his Raymond News printing establishment on the first floor, as well as E. Meyer, who conducted a meat market on the same floor. The upper floor was used by the Wenzel family, the members experiencing a narrow escape and succeeding in getting out of their rooms in only their night robes.

The other two buildings were owned by G. Stob. One was occupied as a saloon by Serlet & Walker and the other by Wm. Knott, dealer in farm produce.

The buildings and contents were a complete loss. We understand that the only property that was saved was some bed clothing in the rooms of the Wenzel family, which they managed to take with them in their hasty flight.

The loss to the Raymond News will be heavy and will seriously interfere with the publishing of this week's paper. At this writing we have not learned the amount of insurance carried by the losers in this serious blaze. The origin is a mystery, but it is thought to have started in the rear of the saloon building.

ARCTANDER ARROWS

ARCTANDER, Feb. 18.—It is our sad duty this time to report the death of Einar Hanson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ingvald Hanson. whose hearts are filled with grief over the loss of their only remaining child. Einar was born at the home of his parents in Arctander in March, 1885, and was thus 21 years and 11 months old. His life has, so to say, been a burden to him, as he has had a lame foot and some other defects, but regardless of this he always tried to look on the bright side of the world and was as happy and contented as any youth. He had been a student at the Willmar Seminary the past few winters and his aim was to finish the Commercial course of that institution, but his health failed and he had to quit school Last fall he had a severe attack of tuberculosis of the hip bone and the disease gradually worked up thru the stomach and finally to the lungs and resulted in his death, Sunday, Feb. 10. He was buried last Thursday at the East Norway Lake cemetery, Rev. Sotendahl officiating. The sympathy of the community is extended to the bereaved parents, who are mourning their loss but hoping he has gone to a better home in heaven, where grief and sorrow is unknown.

Edwin Hauge, accompanied by his cousin Otto Hjelle of Marshall county, returned last Saturday from Minneapolis, where they have taken the Farmers' short course at the Agricultural school.

John Roisum is working at Ytterboe's at present.

H. J. Henjum was a Willmar visitor Friday.

A deal was made last week whereby Hedlund Bros. became the owners of the Negord store, which has been conducted by O. A. Klopp.

We made a mistake last week in saying that services were to be held in the East Norway Lake church on the 17th, instead of the 24.

The Njos and Foshager families visited at the Hauge home Sunday.

Peter Ytterboe has been on the sick list the past week.

MAMRE MELODIES

MAMRE, Feb. 18.—Nels Gilbert of Minneapolis came up Tuesday on business in connection with his farms

A child was born to Mrs. John Carlson some time ago.

Mrs. Alex Johanson is on the sick list.

Mrs. Pete Rodman left Wednesday for Dawson for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Fondell.

The sale at Arvid Swanson's was well attended. Good prices were paid for the horses.

John Johnson, who has rented the Nels Gilbert farm the past year, has sold his horses to A. Benson for a consideration of $250, including the harness.

Oldrick Tengval is sick with chicken-pox. The doctor was out to his home Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Erickson are rejoicing over the birth of a daughter born to them a week ago Saturday.

Some of our people have been fishing at Swan Lake the past week and some of them have taken a dip in the cold water, but fortunately they have all been able to crawl out again.

Hjalmar Johnson and his mother visited at the home of Magnus Magnuson, Thursday.

A. J. Lindgren has bought the confectionery store at Pennock from Peter Swensen.

George Lofgren assisted Alfred Holmgren with butchering, Thursday.

Martin Egerstrom is assisting Arvid Swanson with his work.

Fred Anderson will rent the farm of Johan Erickson for three years.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Lofgren visited at the home of Edmund Hanson, Friday.

August Holmgren is visiting in Irving with his daughter, Mrs. Erick Erickson.

C. Gustafson has been sick but is improving.

Richard and Eddie Edlund visited at the home of Alfred Holmgren Sunday.

Charlie Lund and wife of the town of Hayes visitdd at the home of Theodore Johnson Sunday.

Martin Egeristrom and Arvid Swanson made a business trip to Willmar Saturday.

Miss Tillie Broberg visited at the home of John Bodin Sunday.

Prof. D. Magnus of Minneapolis delivered a sermon at the Salem church Sunday forenoon. Services next Sunday: Lundby 10:30 a.m.; Salem 3 p.m.

LAKE LILLIAN LETTER

LAKE LILLIAN, Feb. 18.—A number of our people are badly afflicted with the grippe.

Lost o stolen, on Sunday evening of last week, a pair of gloves. Finder please leave with Miss Ella Hedin.

Mrs. Andrew Lof is on the sick list but is reported getting better.

Miss Christine Erickson visited at the homes of Peter Blomgren and Ole E. Erickson last week.

Dr. Puffer attended a sick child at Flann's place last week.

Fred Rains and wife of Olivia visited at Susens' home on Sunday of last week.

Ole E. Erickson was around last week posting notices of an auction sale of Mrs. Peter Lundquist's property.

A magic lantern exhibition was given in the Lofgren schoolhouse last Thursday evening to a good-sized crowd.

Mr. and Mrs Emil Peterson were pleasantly surprised by a number of their friends last Wednesday evening. All enjoyed a good time until a late hour.

Miss Esther Johnson, the teacher in Dist. 5, visited in Willmar Saturday and Sunday.

O. N. Brekken, teacher in Dist. 64, made another trip home ouer Saturday and Sunday. enjoying a nice little walk of 64 miles.

J. O. Erickson took in the sights of Willmar Saturday and Sunday.

Rev. Hustvedt received a telephone message Sunday from the Julson home in Windfield, Renville county, announcing the death of one of Mr. Julson's daughters and asking Rev. Hustvedt to come out there Wednesday to conduct the last sad rites.

Some from here attended the Fahlun evening school entertainment in Dist. 82 Saturday evening, and all speak very highly of it.

A mistake was made in setting up our items last week, making the price of hay in Olivia $6 40 per cwt. It should have read HOGS instead of hay.

A large crowd attended the entertainment and basket social given in Dist 5 last Friday evening. The program was exceedingly fine, and so were the girls and their baskets, too. John Larson acted as auctioneer. A good price was paid for some of the baskets, Emil Johnson having to put up $2.60 for the particular basket he wanted. Altogether it would have been one of the most enjoyable events of the season had it not unfortunately been marred by the presence of a lot of young fellows who had indulged so freely in Bird Island booze that they had lost all sense of decency and respect for the rights of other people and kept up such an incessant noise that the fine program was practically lost to the people It is a shame that after a teacher and her pupils have worked hard to make up a successfut entertainment and people have come out to enjoy it. the whole pleasure of it shall be destroyed by such a gang. There is considerable missionary work to be done in this country before we can justly claim to be a civilized nation. The trouble is that the saloons are giving a liberal education in savagery about as fasl as the forces of enlightenment are educating up to a true civilization.

The last attraction in the Citizens' Entertainment Course tonight. Go and hear the pictorial story of "Hiawatha" at the opera house.

District Court.

Judge Qvale adjourned district court last Friday afternoon until Tuesday of this week at 10 o'clock a. m. The following cases were disposed of since our last issue and up to Friday's adjournment:

O. R. Sletten et al vs. Louis N. Smith: jury awarded plaintiff a verdict of three dollars and a stay of 40 days was entered.

Ing. Johnson vs. Willmar Milling Co.; on trial Thursday afternoon, evening and Friday morning. Tried by the court and submitted.

William Gilger vs. City of Willmar: to be tried in March by Judge Qvale. This is a case in which the plaintiff appeals from a sewer assessment.

August Peterson vs. Frank G. Carlson and Sara C. Carlson: tried by court and submitted.

Attorney Gilbert appeared with his client on Friday morning and moved for a new trial in the case against Nels P. Nelson, who was convicted on the charge of selling liquor to a minor. The motion was set for hearing on Tuesday (yesterday) at 10 o'clock.

In the Peter Freeberg case Attorney Stanford asked for a 60 days stay of sentence, which was granted. Sentence was suspended until the June term.

A full jury could not be obtained from the special venire drawn by Coroner Frost last Wednesday. for the second trial of Frank A. Magnuson, charged with selling liquor to a minor. The coroner was instructed to make another "draw," which he did Wednesday evening, and finally the trial began Thursday morning with the following jury in the box:

Asa J. Abbott, W. Gabbert, Peter O. Sletten, John O. Floren, John M. Olson, Nels A. Elgeraas, Iver J. Berg, Nels N. Flykt, W. M. Chase, Peter A. Eklund, W. J. Phare and Ralph Telstad. The two last named were the only members out of the first jury drawn who succeeded in remaining in the box.

The Magnuson trial was on all the morning and went into the hands of the jury at 11:30. After deliberating until Friday afternoon Judge Qvale finally ordered the jury to report, when Foreman Abbott announced that no agreement could be reached. It was just 3:20 when the tired jurymen filed into the court room. With a second disagreement in this case, the case was continued to the June term.

The above virtually cleaned up the calendar for the present term.

At the adjourned session yesterday Nels P. Nelson's case was up again before the court. The defendant's attorney withdrew his motion for a new trial and Judge Qvale sentenced Nelson to pay a fine of $50 and costs—$11.00—and that he be committed to the county jail for a term of 30 days.

In the matter of the dissolution of the Raymond Real Estate Co., a corporation, testimony was taken regarding the condition of affairs in the concern. The court ordered a levy of an assessment of 100 per cent against the capital stock, which will still bea loss of at least 25 per cent to the creditors. There are eleven stockholders in all, owning a total of ninety shares, amounting to $9,000. H. J. Dale is the president of the corporation and C. E. Fouts the secretary. J. S. Robbins and Dr. Rains are interested to the amount of six shares each and the Willmar stockholders were represented by Samuel Porter as their attorney. C. M. Mattson of Renville appeared as the attorney for the receiver, H. J. Dale.

Court adjourned sine die after an hour's session, all business for the January term being disposed of.

Dovre Doings

DOVRE, Feb. 18.—A party of young people gathered at the home of Carlson Bros. Saturday evening, and all present report a good time.

Gust Rydeen was in Willmar last Saturday.

A. F. Johnson of town of New London visited friends in Willmar and Dovre Saturday and Sunday.

Sivert Holsetter is busy hauling lumber for his new barn.

Victor Carlson, who has been working for J. J. Bjork the past year, and Edward Carlson, who has been staying with Willie Monson near Nest Lake, will leave today for their home in Kittson county, Minn.

Attended Atwater Social.

A large delegation of ladies went down to Atwater last Thursday afternoon and attended the Presbyterian "coffee" given at the home of Mrs. Martin Olson. In the party were the following; Mesdames Lewis, Sanderson, Bakke, Harold Frost, Branton, Mantor, Neuberger, Palm, Ives, John Williams, G. M. Robbins, Bingham, Tyler and Geo. E. Johnson. In the evening a valentine social was also held at the Olson home, which proved to be a very interesting and enjoyable affair. Several of the ladies remained for this and returned home on the late train. Roy Bingham was a lone gentleman who accompanied the party of ladies on the trip and enjoyed a visit in Atwater with his friend, Dr. Branton.

Ditch Mass Meeting.

A meeting will be held in the sceoolhouse in Dist. No. 55, on Saturday, Feb. 23, for the purpose of discussing the matter in regard to County Ditch No. 6. All those interested are requested to be present.

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