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Christmas Week a Special Bargain Counter will be run at

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ELFSTRUM & Co DRUGGISTS, WILLMAR

JANSSEN GETS A NEW TRIAL

Court Order in Damage Suit is Reversed By the Supreme Court of the State.

Among the cases decided by the supreme court last week was that of Edward Janssen, appellant, vs. Great Northern Railway company, respondent. Janssen sued the road for \$10,000 damages for injuries received in loading rails November 2, 1907, at St. Cloud. He claimed that the accident was due to the fact that the work was done with unusual haste, thereby increasing the danger, and that the company was liable in as much as his case came within the statute under the construction of the employer's liability act. The case was tried here on January 26th last, and Judge Qvale instructed the jury to return a verdict for the defendant. Janssen asked for a new trial but this was denied, whereupon he appealed to the supreme court, which reversed the order of Judge Qvale, holding that the question whether the plaintiff was exposed to a hazard incident to the operation of a railroad was, on the evidence presented, a question of fact for the jury, and that the order and direction by the foreman in charge for expeditious work, and the fact that the order is complied with and the work performed with unusual haste, create a hazard incident to the operation of railroads, within the fellow servant statute, and not the necessity in fact for such haste. In the syllabus the case of Tay vs. the Great Northern was cited. This was tried by Judge Qvale in July 1906, and at that time he entered an order dismissing the case without submitting it to the jury. The order was reversed by the supreme court and the case was settled out of court. Tay asked \$15,000 for injuries received in an accident similar to that which befell Janssen.

BURNED TO DEATH WHILE STARTING FIRE WITH OIL.

While building a fire with kerosene oil on Wednesday morning, Ole Hoilan's nightgown caught fire and the victim received burns which resulted in his death yesterday morning. Mr. Hoilan is a life-long bachelor and is about 60 years old. The discovery of the accident was made by Bennie Grove, a neighbor, who had been trading in town Wednesday afternoon and on his return home at dark, failed to see a light in the old gentleman's house, and thought he would stop to say "Hello." Upon entering the house he was struck with awe when he saw Mr. Hoilan lying naked on the floor with a quilt around him and suffering un-speakable agony. The floor was wet and frozen. Aid was at once called, and medical attendance, but all was to no avail. The terrible burns and the intense cold had conquered all his vitality and capacity of endurance. He gained consciousness for but a short time, during which time it was learned that he extinguished the fire by rolling himself in the snow and was completely exhausted when he had crawled back into the house, so that he was unable to get up into bed. Mr. Hoilan is a pioneer settler of Wang township, having come to Renville county in 1872. He was prosperous, owing to the farm on which he lived, and having money in the bank. His father is reported to be still living in Norway. The funeral will take place tomorrow at the Wang Lutheran church of which the unfortunate man was a member.—Maynard News.

Moves to Texas.

Albert Rodelius of Lake Lillian was in Willmar Monday making arrangements to have his household goods shipped to Texas the latter part of this week. Mr. Rodelius will go with the car to Matagorda county, Texas, and his family will join him after a visit in Omaha, Nebraska.

Mr. Rodelius has been farming in Lake Lillian for 19 years. He has now rented his farm to his brother-in-law, Ed Sestedt. In Texas he has purchased a 100 acre tract of land on which he will raise fruit and cotton. His many friends in this county will wish him and his family all kinds of health and prosperity in their new location.

You can make your gift-appropriation an "elastic currency," stretching over a multitude of needs and plans, by studying the ads.

C. J. Odell returned to his home in Minneapolis Friday after month's visit at the home of his nephew, C. W. Odell.

LAKE LILLIAN LETTER

Lake Lillian, Dec. 13.—There was a meeting at P. H. Hanson's Sunday of last week conducted by a layman from the cities. Last Sunday the Free Baptist church Sunday school met at the home of Albert Rodelius and the children received their recitations

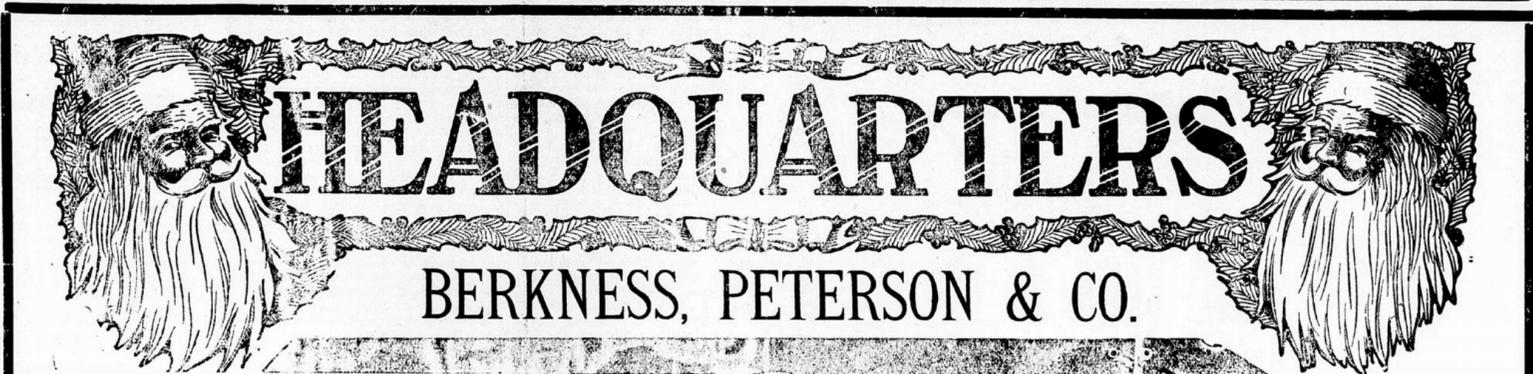
for the Xmas tree festival which will be held at that church some time during Xmas. Mr. Ernest Hoglund has accepted a position as clerk at the store of the Olivia Mercantile company and he will begin his duties the first week of the new year. There is much corn yet unhusked out here. The corn crop was the best ever, some yields being as

WILLMAR GRAIN MARKET IS THREE CENTS ABOVE MILWAUKEE TOWNS, SAY THE FARMERS. high as 75 bu. per acre. Good for Kandiyohi county. What is the matter with the Olivia grain markets this year? They are 3 cents behind the market on wheat. Who is all right? Willmar is all right now. Some of the patrons on route 2, Olivia, received mail only two days last week, but Svea route 1 and 2

received mail 6 days. The Svea mail carriers are all right, don't be afraid to donate feed to them. The Christine congregation held a special meeting Saturday, and called a pastor in conjunction with the Olivia-Fridsberg congregations. Mr. and Mrs. E. Danielson have bought the so-called Peter Larson

farm of 240 acres here. They will move there in the spring. O. L. Erickson is busy helping the farmers with their gasoline engines around here. Ole is a good hand at it. Dist. No 5. will hold an entertainment and social Saturday evening Dec. 18. A good program is assured.

The Rodelius family will leave this week for sunny southern Texas. Ole Erickson, who has been sick with appendicitis, is now improving slowly. We hope he will soon be up and around again. A. Rodelius sold over 800 bu. of corn last week at 35 cents a bu. The pupils and teacher in Dist. 83 tendered the Rodelius children a surprise party some time ago.



Christmas Sale Now in Full Swing AT BERKNES, PETERSON & CO.

Everything in readiness and everything open right before you where you can inspect and examine it. It makes it easy to select Christmas Goods where you find the articles spread out before you and have a chance to look and select just what you want. No effort has been spared to select the Newest and Very Best Values that Money can buy, and we feel confident when you see our most complete lines and the extremely low prices at which they are offered, you will appreciate our efforts.

Here are a Few Things Suitable for Christmas Gifts



ALL OUR LADIES' MISSES' AND CHILDREN'S Winter Coats 25 Per Cent OFF FROM OUR FORMER LOW PRICES.

Furs are one of the Handsomest and Most Appreciated X-mas Gifts. We invite you to look over our line of Fur Neckpieces and Muffs Also Children's Sets. From the Lowest Price and Up. **Dolls! 15c to \$2** FROM We have a beautiful line of Dressed Dolls ranging in price from 15c to \$2.00. And our prices are far below what you pay elsewhere. Call and bring your children in to look them over. LANPHER FURS

HANDKERCHIEFS. Everybody Wants Handkerchiefs Handkerchiefs for Everybody.

We have them in endless variety, from 5 cents each up to \$1.00. We will put you up half dozens in handsome gift boxes of your own selection.

- Silk Petticoats.** A large and handsome line in black and colors; excellent values **\$5.00 and up.**
- Silk Umbrellas.** The kind you usually pay \$5.00 for; gold and coin silver handles, **only \$2.50.**
- SILK HOSE.** There is nothing more appreciated than a gift of this kind. Let us show you some of the handsomest made.

Table Linens, Napkins, Fancy Towels, Doilies

We are proud of our assortment of Linens, and the prices we ask for them are appreciated by every one.

SPECIAL SILK SALE! For the benefit of our Christmas Shoppers we will put on a Special Silk Sale. Silks are always highly appreciated as Christmas Gifts and here are values that you will not be able to duplicate anywhere.

- 36 inch Guaranteed Black Taffeta Silk, worth \$1.25 **Only 89c**
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- 36 inch Black Guaranteed Taffeta, \$1.50 and \$1.75 quality **Only \$1.25**
- Peau de Crepe Washable Silks, suitable for Mufflers and Scarfs; plains and fancies; usually sold at \$1.00 per yard **Only 50c**
- A large and handsome line of the Newest Waistling Silks in all colors and weaves ranging in price **Up from 50c**

GLOVES.

Our Glove Department contains a large variety of Kid Gloves and Mittens, Lined and Unlined, in the very best styles and qualities. We issue Glove Certificates that can be exchanged for Gloves at our store any time.

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We have a large line of all the Latest Novelties in Bags and Purses from the very lowest priced up to the Genuine Alligator.

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A new and complete line of Ladies' and Men's Mufflers, Neck Scarfs and Ladies' Fancy Collars in endless variety ranging in price from **25c and up.**

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