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Mamre, Feb. 19—Services next Sunday forenoon at half past ten o'clock by Rev. A. W. Franklin.

Mr. Dave Stanley of Minneapolis has been spending the last week at his home in Dovre. He returned on Monday.

Messrs. G. Bratberg and G. Bjork from near Long Lake were entertained at Sunday dinner by Mr. and Mrs. N. Abramson.

Mrs. Alb. Nelson of Penock visited with Miss Lizzie Nelson last week.

Mr. K. A. Krantz was taken quite sick on Friday night. Dr. Johnson from Willmar attended him.

Mr. Fred Bergren left for Watertown, S. D., about a week ago.

Miss Ruth Hagman very pleasantly entertained at her home twenty-five of the neighboring young people in the afternoon and evening of Feb. 6th.

Messrs. Elmer Hedman and Oscar Anderson, the former of LaBolt, S. D., and the latter of St. Lawrence have been visiting friends around here for a few days.

Don't forget the Y. P. meeting next week on Wednesday evening, the 28th. A number of young fellows spent Sunday evening with Amos Abramson.

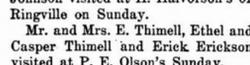
Mr. Mathias Kallevig is at present working for his brother-in-law, Ed Thonvold.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Nordin had their baby girl baptized and given the name of Lydia Constance at the Solomon Lake church last Sunday forenoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Rodman, and Mr. and Mrs. N. Abramson spent Sunday afternoon with Ole Soderholm of Dovre, who is quite poorly.

Mrs. Ruth Zell Kempell and baby daughter arrived at her parental home here from Minneapolis last week.

Mrs. Dahlman and children were guests of J. A. Eklundson's Sunday.



Colfax, Feb. 19—Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Johnson visited at H. Halvorson's of Ringville on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Thimell, Ethel and Casper Thimell and Erick Erickson visited at P. E. Olson's Sunday.

The young folks met at S. J. Carlson's Thursday evening and arranged for a program to be given in the near future.

The Misses Katie and Florence Halberg and Ethel Thimell visited at E. Dulberg's Monday evening.

Mr. Oscar Odland lost a valuable horse last week.

A party for the young folks was given at P. O. Johnson's last Sunday evening. A pleasant time was spent and a fine supper served.

Mr. Otto Hedlin from Norway Lake visited at E. Thimell's Friday.

Messrs. G. Harlander and E. Thimell called at the Thompson Bros.' home Thursday.

Laura and Oliver Larson Sundayed at P. O. Johnson's.

Olof Mattsson called at Thimell's Wednesday.

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Harrison, Feb. 19—Tom McCrimmon was a Monday-evening caller at Henry Horne's.

The warm weather we have been having for the past week has put the roads in a bad condition for hauling.

George Wilson was an Atwater caller last Tuesday.

Miss Elsie Monson returned home last Saturday after spending a few weeks with friends at Willmar and vicinity.

A number of farmers from this locality delivered stock to Spicer last Wednesday.

Earl Martin assisted F. H. Harris a couple of days last week.

Harry Martin was an Atwater caller last Saturday.

Leonard Harris hauled butter for the creamery company Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Henderson of Spicer Sundayed at the Wm. Lester home in Irving.

F. H. Harris shipped a carload of sheep to South St. Paul last Wednesday.

Will Monson is busy hauling lumber for the new barn which he will erect on his place in the spring.

Richard and Harry Olson assisted Mr. Gertzen haul hay to Atwater last Friday.

Harry Martin Sundayed at John Olson's.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Monson and family were Wednesday visitors at Mrs. Monson's parental home near Spicer.

Mrs. C. M. Halverson visited at the Peter Johnson home one day last week.

George Wilson and son Roy were New London callers last Thursday.

S. M. Dahl shipped a carload of stock to South St. Paul last Wednesday.

Peter Olson visited at Albert Dahl's a few days last week.

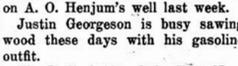
Mrs. J. H. Parsons was an afternoon caller at Henry Martin's Friday.

Thos. Scotton of Willmar assisted Rev. McHenry with revival meetings last week.

One of A. E. Dahl's horses was taken suddenly sick while returning from Spicer last Wednesday. Peter Henderson of Spicer was called to attend it and at this writing it is somewhat improved.

Mrs. G. E. Wilson was an Atwater visitor from Saturday until Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilmer Stenberg of Kokato are visiting old friends in this vicinity this week. It will be remembered that Mr. Stenberg is the former buttermaker of the Harrison creamery, and we understand that he is again an applicant for the same position.



Arctander, Feb. 19—There was no service at the West Lake church yesterday as the pastor could not get there on account of the bad roads.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Reigstad have spent the past few days at New London with Mrs. Reigstad's parents.

The Y. P. S. of the Synod church held their annual meeting at the church yesterday afternoon.

Miss Josie Henjum of the Willmar Seminary spent last Sunday at her parental home.

Charley Carlson has rented the John Moen farm for a number of years, and the latter will have an auction some time in March.

Winfred Aasen did some repairing on A. O. Henjum's well last week.

Justin Georgeson is busy sawing wood these days with his gasoline outfit.

The Ladies' Aid of the East Norway Lake church will meet on Thursday, Feb. 29, at Rev. M. Stendahl's.

The West Lake Creamery Company got their ice house partly filled last week. On account of the early snow the ice is not of the best quality.

A program will be given at the East Norway Lake church next Sunday at one o'clock by the Hauge and East Norway Lake school children.

Lake Elizabeth, Feb. 19—Reuben Ekboim visited with friends at Grue last week.

Olga Isenberg made a pleasant call at Jens Larson's Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. D. N. Danielson and Richard Danielson spent Sunday at Louis Moline's.

Charlie Erickson and Albin Bjur spent Wednesday at Axel Bjur's.

Andrew Paulson's entertained a few of their friends and relatives last Sunday.

Mrs. Frank Moline spent the week end with Levin's.

The auction sale at Mrs. Charlie Hedlund's was very well attended.

Mrs. M. E. Jackson, Mrs. Harris Johnson and Edith Anderson of Rosendale were pleasantly entertained at Reuben Broman's Thursday.

Swedish Mission Ladies' Aid.

The Ladies' Aid of the Swedish Mission church will meet in the church basement Friday afternoon of this week. Refreshments will be served by Mrs. Nels Anderson and Mrs. G. A. Erickson. Everybody is welcome.

W. B. Crosby was in the cities Friday and Saturday on business.

Here and There From the Woolly West.

Amor, N. D., Feb. 5, 1912.

Between McLaughlin on the Reservation near Mahto in the Indian Agency burying ground, is the grave of Sitting Bull, the old Sioux warrior and Medicine chief—of the Reservation. A branch line from this point extends in a northwesterly direction through Morton and Hettinger counties to New England, North Dakota, its terminal point. It will be extended in the near future. The main line of the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound railway starts at the town of Moberg on the Missouri River, near the boundary line between North and South Dakota, and runs west near the boundary until it enters Montana. The country on both sides of this line was about four years ago almost exclusively a ranch and stock country, the nearest railroad about 75 miles to the north—Dickinson on the N. P. R. R. Here on this wild range cattle men accumulated big fortunes, but they now have to give way for homestead settlers and the country on both sides is now dotted with settlers' shacks as far as the eye can see.

Shall mention just a few of the many stations on the road westward. McIntosh, county seat of Carson County, and the first division point of the C. M. and P. S. R. R., looks healthy and progressing. Its population is about 600. Lemon, a station founded in 1908, boasts a population now of about 1400, and is situated right on the state boundary line. Hettinger, a beautifully situated town of about 1300 population, is the county seat of Adams county. Seranton, population about 500, is one of the towns on the line. Worth mentioning is the well known Seranton coal mine. This entire region is underlain by a body of the finest lignite coal, is easy of access and of good quality. Bowman, the county seat of Bowman county, has a population of 1000, and is a healthy and thriving place. Then we reach Rhome, our destination point and home market. Its population is about 500. We have two elevators, three general merchandise stores, two banks, two hardware stores and machine establishments, two lumber yards, two blacksmith shops, one meat market, equipped with a line of groceries, one barber shop, two hotels, two restaurants, one drug store, one soft drink stand, and I am ashamed to say, but rumor has it that remnants of a blind pig can be found by those who look hard for it. A few miles north can be found some Kandiyohians, but south of town about ten miles is found the genuine Kandiyohi colony, somewhat thinned out at present on account of some leaving for the east last fall, but reports are favorable for a reunion. I was located by P. P. Lien on Sec 25-130-104, on the arrival here in Oct., 1909. I could see the finest crops I have ever seen anywhere in all my life, up to the top notch in both quantity and quality, and also fine grain trucks. I took home with me one rutabaga from P. P. Lien's that weighed 13 pounds, two ears of corn from C. E. Bergquist's measuring 15 inches, one carrot from John Quam's measuring 22 inches and a potato weighing 3 1/2 pounds. One man threshed out 73 bushels of oats out of one load of bundles, and all the grain in proportion.

There are immigrants coming in from all directions and where they all come from or where they all went to is a conundrum to me—a puzzle I could not guess. I had to say like the lady in the old country, who, after an exploration of three miles along the sea coast (3 miles being equal to 21 English) said, "This must be a great world we are living in. I walked fully three miles on the sea shore and still could see smoke arising further on." Great were the imaginations and unflinching the hopes of all these robust and sturdy new settlers on these wild prairies, dreaming of golden fields, well filled granaries, with everything in abundance, and wealth in a short time. But—like the ancient Jonah weeping over his gourd, which sprung up in one night and died in one night, they fold their arms and with a sigh walk along their well pulverized and seeded fields to meet with unfavorable surprise and disappointment and total crop failure, owing to drought. No binders in motion, no threshing machines to be seen or heard. All agree that this country was no paradise in 1910 and 1911, and the reason for this failure was laid to the passing Halley comet, but as to the confirmation of this theory—I must leave that to some one knowing more about it than I do. It is a well known fact, however, that this is not the only place hit with these adverse conditions, but it has been visiting every part of the country in one way or another. In some places it is in the way of drought, in some places it is too wet, and also by storms, tornadoes, lightning and furious storms. Conditions here, however, seem to be changing, and the prospects are brighter. The county has again decided to furnish seed grain. We had quite a little rain last fall and the heavy snow this winter reminds the farmers of the bouncing crop year of 1909 and a change is anticipated by all. This certainly is no desert. It has done well and no doubt will yet. Times here are hard now and conditions pressing and we cannot deny it. Anyone can imagine the result when fields are properly worked, seeded in grain and not one bushel of grain received from all the labor, but it is a total loss. Troubles never come single but doubles

up, has proved true many times. For the benefit of those who thoughtlessly and foolishly mock hard times and poverty by the so-called "Hard Time" dances and "Poverty" dances and run chances of having a fine imposed upon them for wearing too stylish clothes, we suggest that they come out here and they will escape the fine. The following may serve as a reminder that real poverty and not sham poverty knocks at the door.

A young homesteader, who was responsible for the care of a grandmother and an orphan niece, and who came here in poor health himself with little money, clothes and food, realizing the fact of meeting poverty face to face, did not yield to the soothing "Hard Time Dance" proposition, but in a fit of despondency sent a gun charge thru his breast and ended this earthly strife.

Another family—the husband and wife had business in town, presumably on account of the hard times, and got their married daughter, who was also their neighbor, to keep house while they were away. While in the act of making a fire in the stove, using kerosene to start it, the same exploded. The young mother wrapped her baby in a quilt and deposited it safely outside, but she wanted to save the house, if possible, and sacrificed her life for her heroism. After four weeks of great suffering she was relieved by death—leaving a husband and an eleven months old baby with grandma. The young man was so prostrated that he decided to quit farming. He disposed of his property, rented his farm, and went back to Minnesota.

In four months he returned, to meet nothing but hard times and total crop failure. Becoming desperate, he walked over to the store on Aug. 18, bought shells for his gun, returned to his father-in-law's place, and seating himself on the same bed where his wife suffered and died, he sent a discharge thru his heart. He now rests beside his wife in the cemetery of Bowman County.

Another neighbor went, like the others, to seek work, the wife and children making the best of it at home. One day she sent a ten year old boy to the store on horse back with a pair of eggs. The horse shied and the boy fell to one side and hung in one of the saddle stirrups in such a way that he was trampled to death by the horse, who brought him back home in that condition.

Another young homesteader went into Rhome to work on a gravel train to make a little money, needing it badly on account of the hard times. He fell under the train and was literally cut in two, part of the body lying on the outside of the track and the other part being run over by seven cars. He was buried in the Hauge church cemetery.

Another young homesteader went to work with a gasoline breaking outfit, running day and night. During the night he was run over by the engine, the large hind wheel running over him lengthwise. The same week another was killed by a train in Rhome.

Another young man left his homestead to go north far enough to find a threshing machine in operation to secure work. In moving he had just climbed one of the stacks, and when the engine passed thru it was set afire. In shouting fire he tried to hurry down, lost his balance and fell in such a way that the back wheel of the engine passed over him and killed him instantly.

These accidents would undoubtedly be avoided had there been no crop failure to drive them to seek work elsewhere. These are hard time propositions versus hard time dances—and the name hard time and poverty should not be used in vain. It would be well to use names more suitable for their dances, me thinks.

GABRIEL STENE.

Amor, N. D., Feb. 15, 1912.

The readers of the Tribune might by this time have the opinion that this is a gloomy and God-forsaken country, judging from my previous writing, and may have come to the conclusion that I am giving a mite towards its death blow. But this is not a fact. My aim is to hold forth the truth and real facts and the prevailing conditions of the country. On the contrary, will say that I don't know of any country where I would rather live than right here. Taken in the first place from a physical standpoint, the climate is exceptionally good. The atmosphere is clear and pure, with the altitude about 3,500 above sea level. There are no ponds or sloughs of stagnant water to poison the air, but running water in streams, creeks and rivers. Several people have come here in poor health, some of them merely walking skeletons whom you might think were on the verge of the grave, and I don't know of any instance but what they have picked up and improved from the very first day. Just aid nature a little bit by good care and that is all that is necessary. Nature and the climate do the rest. Change of climate was the main reason that I came out here, and I have been greatly benefited. Nearly every winter for the last fifteen years I was laid up with a complication of diseases and would often be bed-ridden for weeks. Out here I don't know what sickness is, no tooth ache, no headache, no neuralgia, no rheumatism. What more can I wish? There are many who talk about heavy doctor bills back east and out here they never have occasion to call a doctor, so I would not advise doctors to come out here in very large numbers because

they would surely become charges on the county, as their profession would not support them. People run down in health and with weak lungs would be greatly benefited by coming out here to this country.

The country is dotted with homes occupied by a set of first class people, as good a selection as could be produced in any old eastern country. Good feeling, brotherly tokens and friendly accommodations are the prevailing element. They are divided into two religious denominations, the Bethania church of Hauge's Synod and the Zion's of the United church, who are very friendly toward one another. Each have a flourishing Ladies' Aid, who, in spite of the present adverse conditions, are carrying on their work with good success. One quit at a Ladies' Aid auction sold for \$22.00. Beat that if you can! Such is the result when buyers look more to the good cause than the value of the article. A basket at a social went to \$7.50. The Hauge's congregation has erected a fine little church, which is a credit to the country. Among the visiting ministers may be mentioned the veteran, Rev. A. O. Oppegard. The minister in charge of the congregation is one of the renowned twelve men who ventured across the ocean in the Viking boat from Norway to the Chicago World's Fair. Anyone having the picture of the famous Viking's boat and crew will find him over the name R. Rasmussen. The church property was considerably improved last fall when a fine enclosure was added to same. The Zion congregation of the United church also secured a church lot last spring with the intention of building, but on account of drought, it was postponed until later on. The minister in charge of the congregation is Rev. K. E. Froland, a well educated young man who speaks both languages fluently and keeps the American speaking people and the Norwegians under the same roof, so to speak. Their Ladies' Aid is composed of both Americans, Norwegians and Swedes. Rev. Froland has a hard and strenuous field of labor, having hundreds of miles to travel by team in all kinds of roads and weather. He is also supported by the Inland Mission. So far everything in church matters is pleasant. The Wildman weed seed, so destructive and destroying for churches, (commonly called Heim foding) has not appeared on the scene as yet.

The school district has been organized gradually and common schools are progressing nicely. So far no rebels, such as tax dodging cranks, have put in their appearance. They are not rich enough for it as yet, perhaps. At any rate educational work and promotion in that line seems to be everybody's hobby, which reflects credit upon the intelligence of the new settlers of this community.

The soil in this country is very rich, of good quality, and is hard to excel as a crop producing soil under ordinary circumstances. The country is rolling prairie, probably too much to suit everybody's fancy, but I think it is just right to make out full and large acres. The native grass is very rich and nutritious, the same as eastern grass and feed combined. It cures in the ground in the fall and furnishes excellent winter grazing. Horses and cattle run at large all winter. Some of the farmers have not seen their horses since before Christmas and don't know where they are. It is surprising to see in what condition they come out in the spring after having been without shelter, feed or water. This method, tho, is not to be recommended and would not exist under ordinary circumstances, but on account of last year's severe drought they had to resort to cowboy style. Never saw stock fattened so nice on grass anywhere as here, which is fairly demonstrated in the bunches of cattle and sheep in the fall by the thousands. One herd, especially, numbering 800 four-year-old steers, fat, round and



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chunky fellows, was a sight worth seeing by the easterners, who think fifty is a mighty big concern. Any close observer can readily see that this region has once upon a time been the subject of earthquakes and volcanic eruptions. This has once been a great cedar forest. Logs and the bodies of large cedar trees can be found in the ground in the shape of lignite coal in such abundance that it will furnish fuel for this country for hundreds of years. The quality is very good and it can be had for the digging, and this forms a remarkable list of assets. Nobody has a right to refuse anyone. Everyone and anyone has a right to dig wherever he pleases. This right is reserved by the Government. At first this seems cruel and wrong, but on second thought it is clear to see that the plan is good. The idea is to prevent the coal mines from being turned over into the hands of great corporations which in time would monopolize the whole thing and make it a hardship to farmers, the community and others.

GABRIEL STENE.

Real Estate Transfers.

Town of St. Johns.

Feb. 17—Thea Olson and husband to Beret A. Jensen, 1/2 of 1/4, SW 1/4 of 1/4, sec 19, 120 a., \$620.

Feb. 17—L. C. Jensen and wife to Beret A. Jensen, 1/2 of 1/4, SW 1/4 of 1/4, sec 19, 120 a., \$1.00.

Feb. 17—Jens A. Jensen and wife to Beret A. Jensen, 1/2 of 1/4, SW 1/4 of 1/4, sec 19, 120 a., \$635.

Feb. 17—Mary O. Nilsson to Beret A. Jensen, 1/2 of 1/4, SW 1/4 of 1/4, sec 19, 120 a., \$635.

Town of Green Lake.

Feb. 13—Jens K. Anderson and wife to Charles O. Sands, 1/2 of 1/4, sec 28, 40 a., \$1800.

Feb. 13—Alma Anderson and husband to Charles O. Sands, und. 1-6 of 1/2 of 1/4, SW 1/4 of SW 1/4, sec 20 and 21, 160 a., \$1285.

Feb. 17—St. P. M. & M. Ry. Co. to Andreas Olson, SW 1/4 of SW 1/4, sec 11, 40 a., \$240.

Town of New London.

Feb. 13—Anna Hendrickson and wife to Henry G. Girby, 1/2 of lot 3 of lot 3, sec 34, 2.38 a., \$95.

Town of Lake Andrew.

Feb. 17—John A. Newstrom and wife to Frank A. Erickson, 1/2, sec 12, 160 a., \$4800.

Village of Raymond.

Feb. 17—May Ford and husband to Candace L. Clough, lot 2, bl 4, Leighton's 1st add'n., \$375.

City of Willmar.

Feb. 13—Florida H. Wellcome to Anton Knoblauch, commencing at southeast corner of lot 22, bl 4, Paulson & Sundes subdivision, thence east along north side of Litchfield avenue to 1/4 line, thence 273 feet west to northeast corner of lot 1, bl 4, thence southwest along east line of lots 1, 2, 3, and 22, of said lot to beginning, being unplatted parts of Paulson & Sundes add'n., \$1.00.

Feb. 17—J. Emil Nelson, single to Swan Anderson, lot 5 and south 10 feet of lot 4, bl 101, 1st addition, \$1.00.

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Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Peterson went to Benson Thursday for a few days' visit with the latter's brother, Henry Olson.

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