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Personal Mention.

John Monson of Maynard spent Thursday in Willmar.

Miss Agnes Beltzer spent Thursday in Granite Falls.

John Hildahl went to Granite Falls Friday for a short stay.

H. R. Walbon of Chicago, Ill., was a Willmar caller Saturday.

Arnold Ryden of Svea visited friends in Willmar Friday.

Geo. Larson of St. Paul is visiting at the John Olson home in Whitefield.

Mrs. Henry Winblad of Spicer was a Willmar visitor between trains on Friday.

Robert Anderson spent Thursday in Madelia, a guest at his parental home.

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PASSES A MILESTONE

Lutheran Free Church of Willmar Celebrated Important Anniversary Sunday.

The exercises at the Lutheran Free church last Sunday and Monday, arranged in commemoration of the fortieth anniversary of the founding of the church, proved a very interesting occasion to all who attended.

Sunday morning the church proved too small to house the large congregation that assembled. Rev. M. H. Hegge of Stoughton, Wis., a former pastor of the church, preached the morning sermon using as his text John 1-35:52 His subject was "Come and See." In the afternoon Rev. E. E. Gynild of Fargo, N. D., another former pastor of the church delivered an historical address of the congregation. This was very much to the point and was thoroughly enjoyed by all his former parishioners.

Rev. Gynild not only reviewed the history of the church but also the conditions in the city of Willmar, in the improvement of which this congregation has been a vital element.

Rev. Hegge made an address in English comparing the city of Willmar of twenty-two years ago to the present, as he found it. Rev. Jens Strand of Minneapolis, who had been brought up in this community, being identified with the now defunct Hardanger church of Whitefield, also made an address. The afternoon services closed with communion.

On Monday night a festival was given by the young people. The program was given in the church, at which Revs. Hegge, Strand and H. O. Lee, the latter of Eddy, S. D., spoke. A number of selections were given by the splendid church choir and at the close refreshments were served by the Young People's Society in the basement of the church.

The meetings were attended by a large number of people outside of the local congregation. There were some here from Duluth and Minneapolis, and quite a number motored in from neighboring congregations.

The Norwegian Danish Evangelical Lutheran church was organized in 1872 thru the efforts of Rev. T. H. Dahl. The first church building was erected in 1874. The fine new solid brick church edifice was built in 1903. The first resident pastor was Rev. Ole Paulson, who served from 1873 to 1885, when he was succeeded by Rev. M. H. Hegge. In 1890 Rev. Gynild became the pastor and served the congregation for sixteen years, when Rev. M. B. Michaelson, the present pastor, succeeded him. In 1877 the congregations joined the "Conference." In 1889 the congregation joined with the United Lutheran church, the "Conference" being one of the church bodies to form that organization. When the trouble arose regarding the disposition of the Augsburg Seminary, the Willmar congregation voted to stand by Augsburg. This action has been consistently followed since that time and the church is now affiliated with the Lutheran Free church of America.

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REV. M. H. HEGGE.
Former Pastor who Took Prominent Part in 40th Anniversary Celebration.

Tax League Organized.

The call of a meeting of citizens of Willmar to organize a tax league drew a crowd of about seventy-five to Carlson Hall last Friday night. The meeting was called to order by Dr. C. Johnson who stated the object of the meeting and the necessity of an organization to look after the interests of the tax-payers. City Attorney Stanford addressed the meeting telling of the conditions as found by the board of equalization. He gave as his opinion that with all property listed as it should be, the rate would be materially lessened. Criticisms of the Board of Education brought President Russell Spicer to his feet, and he made a statement regarding the purchase of land for the Agricultural Department substantially as stated in the communication from A. A. Anderson in another column, and he also maintained that the buying of land and erection of building had secured over \$4,000 annual State aid, which otherwise could not have been secured. He defended the employment of a clerk for the principal as a good business policy, saying that it didn't pay to have a \$200 man spend his time with work that could be done by a \$40 clerk. He concluded with saying that Willmar gets more for its school money than any of the neighboring cities. Dr. Johnson then followed with an impassioned speech in which he condemned the Industrial and agricultural departments of the school. This led to some pointed question and answers. Those present were then asked to sign the roll which everybody did. The League then proceeded to elect officers. Dr. C. Johnson was elected president, Hon. A. E. Rice, vice president, Dr. J. C. Jacobs, secretary and Hon. T. O. Gilbert, treasurer. The president then appointed a committee, headed by the notorious C. F. Spencer, to draft constitution and by-laws. The gathering was a decidedly mixed meeting, different motives actuating the participants.

A petition signed by about sixty representative citizens has been received by the Board of Education, asking that the Scandinavian languages be taught in the public schools. The following is the body of the petition:

"We respectfully petition your Honorable Body to cause to be submitted at the coming annual school meeting to the voters of the District the question of whether or not to add the Scandinavian languages to the subjects taught in the Willmar High School and in the grades of the Willmar Public Schools, as soon as the teaching forces can be re-adjusted so that there need be little if any additional expense to the taxpayers by reason of adding such classes."

"More than seventy-five per cent of the population of the city and district is of Scandinavian extraction, and we believe that the children are making great losses culturally by reason of the failure to properly learn the languages which they inherit and hear in daily use, hence we are in favor of giving them the fullest possible benefit in this respect as permitted under the State School laws."

The school meeting occurs Saturday, July 20, and all interested in this language question should be on hand to vote for it.

A correspondent calls our attention to the fact that when the Panama Canal bonds were sold to the bankers in New York, that the purchasers were required to put up only 25 per cent of the amount of their bid. The bonds were then turned over to the bankers who in turn deposited the bonds with the treasurer of the United States as security for an amount equal to the face value of the bonds. In other words, the bankers of the United States put up twenty-five cents for a bond worth \$1; deposit the \$1 bond with the treasurer who obligingly handed to the banker a \$1 national bank note out of which the banker takes seventy-five cents and pays to the government in full for the bonds.

The banker is now the owner of the bond on which the American people must pay a yearly interest charge of 2 per cent. Talk about the sub-treasury plan for the old populist party being wildcat banking, what would you call this? You can begin to understand why the bankers take such a fatherly interest in who is elected to congress and to the senate. Without their friends in power they could not possibly pull off such a colossal steal.—Park Region Echo.

Mrs. Anna Nelson entertained a number of relatives and friends at her home last Saturday evening in honor of the birthday anniversary of her brother, Mr. Joseph Holmberg. The evening was spent informally and at ten o'clock a dainty luncheon was served. The table was decorated with cut flowers and ferns. The guests numbered twenty.

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Mr. Victor Holmberg and Miss Hilma Thulin of Kandiyohi spent last Saturday evening with friends at Willmar.

Misses Mildred and Ebba and Mr. Rudolph Lundquist returned to their home at Kandiyohi last Friday morning, after a several days' visit with their aunt, Mrs. Anna Nelson.

Miss Caroline Hodgson is attending the National Educational Association meeting at Chicago this week. She will sojourn among friends and neighbors near Peoria, Ill., about a month before returning to her home here.

Miss Mata O'Neil is enjoying a month's vacation from her duties at the D. N. Tallman office. She left last week for an outing at Crescent Beach, being a guest at the Samuel Popper cottage.

Last Sunday morning at the First M. E. church of this city, seven new members were united with the church. At the evening services Rev. H. C. Muehlenberg of St. Paul, who is spending his vacation in Willmar, preached a very interesting sermon.

Friends at Willmar, visited at the Oliver Blomquist home last week.

Mrs. L. D. Nelson visited a few days last week at the J. Elmquist home.

Mr. Harold Walters returned to St. Paul last Friday, after a week's visit with his brother, Rev. B. E. Walters.

Ice Cream Social.
The Ladies' Aid of St. Mary's Catholic church will give an ice cream social on the church grounds next Tuesday evening, July 16. All are cordially invited.

Present Ground for a Park.
Hon. A. E. Rice and Hon. N. O. Nelson have made the city a present of half a block of ground in Fourth Ward to be used for park purposes. This handsome gift was accepted by the council last Monday night. With the completion of the sewer this plot of ground can be made a beautiful spot, which will be much appreciated by the residents of Fourth ward and that neighborhood. It is the intention to make provision for a pavilion on the ground that will be serviceable at social gatherings of church and societies, and it is to be hoped that the plans will be carried out as expected. The city cannot have too many parks and play grounds if they are properly cared for, and it is not more than right that every part of the city should have its share of good things. The Tribune is confident that the public spirit of these gentlemen will be very much appreciated by the people of Fourth Ward especially.

Joseph Isaacson's called at Ernest Johnson's Sunday afternoon.

Willmar Loses Two.
Last Thursday, the 4th of July, the local base ball park was the scene of the closest and most hard-fought struggle witnessed here in several years, when after 15 innings of desperate combat, the Kandiyohi base ball team defeated Willmar by a score of 4-3. The game was a close pitchers' battle from start to finish, with Joe Holmberg, of Kandiyohi, pitching one of the best games of his career, having a shade over "Melly" Johnson of the locals. Holmberg allowed Willmar but 4 little hits in all the 15 innings and struck out 19 of our local sluggers. Johnson was found for 10 softies but succeeded in keeping them very well scattered in all but the 9th and 15th innings. Both teams played good baseball, Kandiyohi especially backing up Holmberg in faultless style, while Willmar, altho greatly weakened by the absence from the game of the regular out field, never-the-less gave "Melly" good support. Willmar scored first in the opening frame when a pass, an error and a slashing two bagger by M. Johnson, which came when it was most needed, netted the locals 2 runs. They scored one run again in the 2nd and that ended the run-getting for Willmar. Kandiyohi scored one in the 8th and tied up the score in the 9th on clean hits. From this time on until the 15th, neither team could score, but in that last inning, the visitors with 3 clean hits sent a man across the plate and broke up the game. Altho Willmar was defeated, the large holiday crowd that was present were satisfied with the good showing made by the home team.

The Sunday following the Fourth Willmar went to Belgrade and were defeated there by a score of 4-1. The Willmar team out hit Belgrade 7-5 and except for one bad inning played fine ball. In that unlucky frame 2 errors, a base on balls and 2 hits gave Belgrade all their 4 runs and with them the game. Willmar scored their only run on a single, a stolen base and a long fly which two Belgrade fielders dropped between them. Belgrade plays a return game here next Sunday and all who care to see a good game, and at the same time help the boys along, should attend.

The engineer of the Great Northern train said that he did not see the automobile and its occupants until within 30 feet of them. Then he did everything in his power to stop the engine but was unable to do so until after the fatal crash, he said.

Many persons hurried to the scene of the accident and the injured form of the younger Mrs. Hawkinson was placed on the train and hurried to the hospital.

The Litchfield Independent gives the following particulars:

There had been a party or gathering at the Nels P. Nelson home on the day of the accident. The Hawkinson family with others attended. In the evening it was arranged that Mr. Nelson was to take them home in his car. They live south of track in Grove City village. He ran the car into town and was about to cross the track at the crossing just east of the depot, when the smoke of the rapidly coming train which does not stop at Grove City, was noticed by Mr. Hawkinson, who remarked to the driver of the car that a train was coming. Nelson replied that he thought he could make the crossing in time and went on. As he came to the rails, he either attempted to stop the car before he went over, or he became excited and lost his head, for he stopped the machine just as it was on the track. Mr. Hawkinson, sitting in the front seat and holding his little son, saw the impending crash and got out a second (Continued on page 4.)

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Dr. E. S. Frost and Dr. and Mrs. Harold Frost and family visited last Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tait at Diamond Lake.

Mrs. H. S. Gorchhammer and children returned to their home at Benson Monday after a visit since the Fourth with relatives here.

Messdames Richard, Phil and Dan Halesy and children went to Diamond Lake last Wednesday and spent the Fourth with Robert Tait's.

A social will be given both afternoon and evening at the home of Elias Johnson in Fahln next Friday, July 12. Everyone cordially invited.

The Tri-Mu Class of the Baptist church very nicely entertained the other classes of the church at a picnic Wednesday, June 19, east at Willmar.

Miss Caroline Moss is enjoying a month's vacation from her duties at the court house, and will spend part of it in the Twin Cities visiting relatives.

Edward Youngberg, representative of the Strong & Warner Wholesale Millinery, St. Paul, spent a couple of days last week in this city, a guest of his parents.

F. B. Swalin of Spicer, brother of Prof. Swalin of this city, was in Willmar Monday and purchased, thru the Handy & Lewis Motor Company, a 6-cylinder Mitchell touring car.

Miss Elsie Fisher of Boston, Mass., arrived here last week for an extended visit at the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Parmeter. Miss Fisher's former home was at Bird Island, Minn.

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