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GRUE.

Grue, July 7—Mr. and Mrs. Kulberg of Irving spent Saturday and Sunday at the C. A. Halvorson home.

Rev. E. O. Larson will conduct services in the school house next Sunday forenoon at 11 a. m.

A surprise party was given on Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Sands last Wednesday evening by a number of young people. A very pleasant evening was spent but a good deal of them could not come on account of the rain.

Mrs. Pete Erickson and daughter, Miss Minnie, were Sunday afternoon callers at Gunderson's.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Risdal and Mr. and Mrs. E. Hoine visited at L. Wickre's in Kandiyohi Saturday.

Mrs. Axel Nelson called at C. A. Halvorson's Sunday.

Miss Vivian Halvorson of Willmar is spending the week at her home here.

Willie Olson and Bennie Gunderson spent Sunday evening at Spicer, A. Bruke and family of Nest Lake were Sunday visitors at the A. Fagerland home.

J. Sandwee from near Raymond called at Risdal's Sunday.

An ice cream social and sale of fancy articles will be held at Ole Pederson's next Saturday evening, July 12 by the Ladies' Aid of the Eagle Lake church.

Mr. and Mrs. Gust Swanson and Mr. and Mrs. L. Larson and families of Tripolis spent the Fourth at Risdal's.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Hoines departed Monday afternoon for their home at Langford, S. D., after visiting relatives and friends for a week in this vicinity.

A. Langager arrived from Vebler, S. D., last Wednesday to join his family who has been visiting at Fagerland's for a couple of weeks. They left for their home today.

When you have your picture made by Simons they are right.—Adv.

NORWAY LAKE NIBBLES

Norway Lake, July 7th—Services were conducted in the East Norway Lake church by Rev. Solendahl.

The Y. P. S. of the Synod church will meet at Hans Engen's Sunday afternoon, July 12th.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Henjum returned from Warroad, Sunday where they have been visiting with relatives.

The announced ice cream social which was to have been held at D. Swenson's will not come off.

Rev. I. A. Johanson will conduct services in Hauge's church at 3 p. m. next Sunday.

WEST LAKE

West Lake, July 7th—Miss Julia Hagen of Willmar and John Johnson of Penock visited at Lewis Evenson's Friday and Saturday of last week.

Olaus Jorgenson and family visited with the Braaten family on the Fourth of July.

Miss Alma Rogan assisted Mrs. J. E. Otterness with the housework the first of the week.

B. O. Otterness visited relatives in Willmar last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Evenson and Mrs. W. L. Aasen visited with Erick Paulson's of New London last week.

Edward Reigstad was looking after his property interests in New London last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Aasen visited relatives in Colfax Sunday.

The Colfax and Warner baseball teams played a game Sunday, Colfax winning by a score of 23 to 0.

Chas. March of Litchfield was a Willmar caller Monday.

Dr. H. F. Porter, Dentistry, Carlson Block, Willmar.—Adv.

DOVRE.

Dovre, July 8th—Last Tuesday, the Dovre Ladies' Aid had their annual "Missionsfest" at L. L. Thorpe's grove. Rev. E. O. Larson and Rev. M. B. Michaelson spoke. A sum of about \$56 was realized.

Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Holland spent Sunday with Nels Anderson's and C. Gunderhag's near Priam.

Mr. and Mrs. Lebar and baby from Minneapolis are spending a few days with Albert Hanson's. Mrs. Lebar is a sister of Mrs. Hanson.

Last Wednesday, the Vikor Ladies' Aid had their meeting at Mrs. Skaffedahl's, this being their "aars mote". Mrs. T. Dengerud was elected president. Mrs. Albert Hanson, Vice President; Mrs. P. P. Alvig, cashier. Their next meeting will be held with Mrs. K. O. Axness, the 16th.

Fred and Eddie Nelson of Minneapolis are spending a few days with their uncles the F. B. and J. B. Swalin's.

Albert Johnson and sisters Annie and Dinah and several others spent Sunday at O. J. Tveit's.

Hans Tveite has returned from Norway where he spent the winter with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. K. T. Rykken from New London attended the picnic at L. L. Thorpe's last week.

C. C. Birkeland has purchased Melvin Nordin's driving team.

Ellick Erickson from Rutland, N. D., and Mrs. Tveite from Abercrombie, N. D., are visiting with their mother, Mrs. Gertrude Erickson.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Holland attended the Staverlaget at Canton, S. D. Mrs. C. Gunderhag accompanied them.

Prof. Swalin is spending his vacation at the Swalin home here.

Mrs. Martin Axness and son from Minneapolis are visiting at the K. O. Axness home.

The Western Dovre Y. P. S. will have their monthly meeting at I. C. Holland's next Sunday evening, July 31st.

The Vikor Ladies' Aid will give an ice cream social at T. Dengerud's Saturday evening, July 12th.

Ole Swalin came up from Minneapolis to assist his brother during the busy season.

Mrs. Ludvig Rykken and children from Willmar have spent a few days with Mrs. Rykken's mother, Mrs. Ingeborg Nedland.

Miss Josephine Holland spent a few days with friends near Cyrus last week.

Mrs. Nels Alvig and baby, Mrs. C. C. Birkeland and Sigrid Flaten were among those from here who attended the Sigdalslaget.

Solomon S. Plateboe is reported to be ill.

P. P. Alvig's received the sad news this week that their daughter Laura is very ill at the home of her sister, Mrs. A. Nasset near New England, N. D.

The Misses Carlson from Emery, Wis., are visiting their aunt, Mrs. J. Björk and uncle Henrik Carlson and other friends.

Chas. Bjorkman and family of Willmar, the Swalin and Albert Hanson families and a few others had an outing at Lake Florida, last Sunday afternoon.

O. B. Otterness from Sunburg called on his brother J. Otterness last week.

Jennie and Effie Otterness spent the Fourth of July with relatives.

At the social held at J. Otterness' some time ago, the sum of \$23 was realized, which was given to the Bethesda Homes.

TRIPOLIS NEWS.

Tripolis, July 7—High mass services Sunday, July 13, at 11 a. m., Sunday school at 10 a. m.

The Vest Route of the Ladies' Aid will be entertained at the C. O. Peterson home Thursday afternoon.

The Y. P. S. will have their regular meeting Friday evening, July 11. Program commences at 8 p. m. Atty. Chas. Johnson of Willmar will give an address, and there will also be other numbers given by the society.

Ice cream will be served by Fred Hegstrom and Walfrid Shoberg. All are welcome to come and enjoy the evening.

Mrs. Clarence Lindblad and daughter visited for a few days last week at August Lundquist's.

Miss Violet Johnson returned home to Wakefield, Neb., last Wednesday evening, after a 3 months' visit with her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Blomquist.

Mr. and Mrs. Axel Croonquist and daughter of Minneapolis visited for a few days last week at the F. E. Croonquist home.

Mr. V. E. Engman came up from Minneapolis Thursday to spend the Fourth here with relatives. He will be accompanied home by Mrs. Engman and son, Norris, who have been visiting with relatives here for a couple of weeks.

Mr. John Nelson, who has been teaching a two months' term of Swedish parochial school which closed last Friday, will leave for Ceko today where he expects to work for a couple of months before school opens in the fall.

Miss Edith Nelson came out from Willmar Saturday evening for a visit at the August Lundquist home over Sunday.

Mrs. Hilda Broman and daughter Ada and Ed Lundberg of Willmar visited at Ernest Johnson's home Sunday afternoon.

There was quite a large crowd here at the picnic the Fourth of July in the afternoon although it

SPECIAL SHOE SALE

Commencing, Tuesday, July 15th, and Closing Wednesday, July 23rd

OWING to the very crowded condition of our store, we have found it necessary to place on special sale, our large stock of shoes to make room for a big stock of fall goods that will shortly arrive. We shall not attempt to make any comment on the stock for this sale. It is of the same high grade goods that we have for over ten years been selling in Willmar. Not a single pair has been purchased for this sale and nothing in the store will be reserved.

Sale will last only eight days as we believe at the prices we make, for this sale, goods will go fast.

The shoes on sale are mostly the well known Walk-Over Shoes for men and women, W. L. Douglas Shoes for men and women, Nettleton Shoes for men, Krippendorf-Dittmann Shoes for women and Pat Bogaris Shoes for boys and girls.

Mens Shoes and Oxfords

\$6.00 at	\$4.58
\$5.50 at	\$3.98
\$5.00 at	\$3.68
\$4.50 at	\$3.38
\$4.00 at	\$2.98
\$3.50 at	\$2.68
\$3.00 at	\$2.29
\$2.50 at	\$1.98
\$2.25 at	\$1.79

Boys Shoes

\$3.00 at	\$2.29
\$2.50 at	\$1.98
\$2.25 at	\$1.79
\$2.00 at	\$1.59
\$1.75 at	\$1.39

Ladies Shoes and Oxfords

\$4.00 at	\$2.93
\$3.50 at	\$2.65
\$3.00 at	\$2.29
\$2.50 at	\$1.89
\$2.25 at	\$1.78
\$2.00 at	\$1.57
\$1.50 at	\$1.17

Girls Shoes

\$2.25 at	\$1.78
\$2.00 at	\$1.58
\$1.75 at	\$1.38
\$1.50 at	\$1.18
\$1.25 at	\$1.04

Children's Shoes in Sizes 1 to 8
..... 18c to \$1.00



Our stock is most complete in all lines, but we call special attention to large assortment of men's and women's Oxfords and Pumps in patent, tan and gun metal, in button and ties. A large assortment of POLISH at one-third off. MEN'S HOSE at reduced prices. Now is your chance to get high grade footwear at reasonable prices. Sale is for cash only. Sale begins at 8 o'clock, A. M., Tuesday, July 15th, and closes at 9 P. M., Wednesday, July 23rd. Store will be open evenings.



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Lincoln Wirt, F. R. G. S., Spent Three Years in Eskimo-land



NO REGION of the earth retains so much of absorbing interest for the human mind as the Magnetic North.

Lincoln Wirt, the Arctic Explorer and Chautauqua Lecturer, after three eventful years spent in penetrating Eskimo-land, has returned to tell the remarkable story of his life and adventures.

With snow-shoes and dog-team he explored the vast terra incognita from the Arctic to the Pacific Ocean.

As Guide and Pathfinder he led a relieving party 1,200 miles across an unknown wilderness, in mid-winter, to bring succor to an imperiled camp.

As Superintendent of Education, he established the Public Schools which today are nearest the North Pole.

As Government Commissioner he founded a modern "Hospice of St. Bernard," for the relief of distressed whalers, miners and Arctic travelers.

His flight by night (for daylight there was none), in the dead of an Arctic winter in quest of relief for his sick, ice-imprisoned companions; the almost human intelligence of his dogs; the Igloo villages never before visited by a white man; the strange customs, fetich dances and heathenish orgies of the Eskimo; the treachery of false guides; the awful silence and loneliness; the Auroral splendors; his study of Arctic bird and animal life; the escape from wolves; the attack of a whale while at sea in an open kayak—and the final escape—all this, and much more, combine to make the most unusual and fascinating lecture today before the American public.

But it is a misnomer to call this a lecture, rather it is the graphic and romantic recital of personal adventure and achievement in that silent and mysterious land bordering the circum-polar sea.

Lincoln Wirt's "Conquest of the North" has stirred the heart of the Nation. Again and again return engagements have been demanded. In one city of half a million the same audience would not be satisfied until it had listened to the same wonderful story on three different occasions.

There is not one dull or commonplace moment. Laughter and tears are never far apart. Bubbling humor, dramatic situations and descriptions of exquisite beauty fairly crowd one another.

Few explorers have the gift of popular speech. Mr. Wirt has it.

Five Native African Boys Create Sensation as Singers



MIDLAND CHAUTAUQUA CIRCUIT

UNLESS you have heard the Kaffir Boys' Choir, a musical and entertainment number upon our Chautauqua program, it is hard to understand the character of the program they present. It is indeed a most remarkable combination.

The Company consists of five native African boys, all of different ages. They are from four separate tribes and speak four distinct languages. Mr. Balmer, the trainer of these boys, or, more correctly speaking, the teacher, is an Englishman, a member of the Royal Geographical Society and has traveled widely in South Africa, which is the home of these boys.

He says that the boys are not picked out on account of any particular aptness, as he aims to show more particularly what it is possible to accomplish with the ordinary African boy. These boys offer a splendid example of the possibilities of the African when properly educated. Bishop J. C. Hartzell, Methodist Episcopal Bishop of Africa, says of the boys: "To see and hear them is at once to silence forever a thousand queries which the civilized world is asking as to the possibilities of the native African." Mr. Balmer is assisted in the care and teaching of the boys by Miss Elsie Clark, a lady of English parentage, but born and raised in South Africa.

Mr. Balmer has been before the public with this company for eight years, during which time the personnel of the company has changed from time to time as the members of the company grow up. They have traveled from one end of the United States to the other, as well as in England and the Continent. They have met with universal cordial reception and have been recalled time and time again for return dates. The past winter has been spent in England. They closed their English tour with a series of five concerts at Manchester, England, just before sailing to America to appear in the great world-wide Mission Pageant of the World in Chicago, on which program they appeared each day. At their last concert at Manchester three thousand people were turned away from the doors and the police had to be called in order to control the crowd.

No printed program is needed to follow the entertainment. Mr. Balmer and Miss Clark weave into the program most fascinating stories of the wild life of Africa as they have seen it in their wide travels. Tales of witchcraft, of amusing wedding scenes, of King Solomon's mines, of the mysterious ancient ruins, of lion hunts, the haunts of the elephant, the rhinoceros, etc. How the boys were found, their tribal modes and customs.

The Musical part is as varied as could be wished. Songs, duets, trios, quartets, part-songs and choruses—all blended into one continuous and unique whole. Selections are given in four languages, but the selections are almost all in English. Mr. Balmer sings bass and has trained the boys to sing soprano, tenor and alto, thus forming a completely balanced chorus. The boys are each dressed in the costumes of their different tribes, thus adding to the novelty and attractiveness of their program.

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REGARDING SCHOOL MEETINGS

The date for the next annual school meeting is Saturday, July 19, at 7 o'clock p. m., unless a different hour was fixed by vote at the last annual meeting. The clerk shall give at least a ten days' posted notice in three public places in the district. The day of posting cannot be counted as one of the ten days.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

School officers must be elected by ballot, the polls to remain open not less than ONE HOUR. Plurality vote elects. If the vote results in a tie a second ballot cannot be taken. The office is vacant and can be filled by appointment by the other members of the board.

QUORUM.

Five legal voters constitute a quorum. Less than a quorum can neither organize nor adjourn the meeting. In such a case a special meeting should be called in the usual way by posting notices. All the business of the annual meeting can be transacted at this special except the election of officers. The old officers hold over to the next annual meeting.

COMPENSATION OF DISTRICT OFFICERS.

The Clerk in a common school district is entitled to two per cent of the disbursements during the year but not to exceed six dollars. The Treasurer, after his annual report has been approved by the board, may be allowed by the voters at the annual meeting any compensation not to exceed two per cent of the amount disbursed by him during the year. The chairman by vote at the annual meeting may be allowed a compensation not to exceed six dollars. By an act of the Legislature last winter the compensation of the clerk may exceed six dollars, but not to exceed fifty dollars, if upon due notice the question of increase of compensation has been voted at a meeting. Likewise the treasurer's compensation may be fixed, but in no case to exceed twenty-five dollars.

REPORTS.

Within three days preceding the annual meeting, the treasurer shall submit a financial statement of the district to the clerk, showing all receipts and disbursements and the nature of the same, the moneys on hand and the purpose to which the same is applicable. Such report, together with the vouchers, shall be examined by the board, and if found correct, approved by resolution entered in the records. In some districts this provision of the law has not always been complied with. The clerk should call the attention of the treasurer to this report as it is too important to be neglected.

The clerk should read the minutes of the preceding annual meeting and also of any special meeting held during the year. He should also submit a statement of the proceedings of the board during the year.

SPECIAL STATE AID SCHOOLS.

There are four classes of special state aid schools in common school districts:

Semi-graded—Two teachers, not less than eight months of school will get \$300.00 special aid.

Class A—A first grade teacher and not less than eight months of school will get \$150.00.

Class B—A second grade teacher and not less than eight months of school will get \$100.00.

Class C—A first or second grade teacher and not less than seven months of school will get \$75.00.

All of these classes of state aid schools must have about the same equipment as to heating and ventilation, blackboards, books, etc.

Hope this year ALL the clerks will have their reports to the county superintendent sent within the time allowed by law—not later than August 10th.

Finally see that your school is well equipped with books, maps, globe, blackboards, that the outhouses are in good condition and that water is supplied to the children.

Respectfully submitted,
W. D. FREDERICKSON, Co. Supt. of Schools.