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## Personal Mention.

E. H. Olson is spending a few days in Spicer this week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Green and H. C. Miller autoed to Murdock Sunday.

Mrs. Harry Odell and little son have returned from their visit in Mamre.

Miss Hannah Nelson came home from Minneapolis yesterday for a short vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Anton Sunberg and little daughter, Myrtle, spent Sunday in the Twin Cities.

Mrs. Clarence Carlton and three children returned Monday from their visit in Minneapolis.

Eiffil Holm is enjoying his vacation from his duties at the Willmar Co-operative store.

Ole Nickelson and two children attended the Barnum-Bailey circus at Sioux Falls on Monday.

Miss Hannah Norin returned Saturday from her vacation spent at Lake Andrew and New London.

Miss Augusta Johnson spent several days last week visiting at the Oscar Johnson home in Whitefield.

Mrs. Ernest Person and children left Saturday for a visit with relatives at Minneapolis and Mankato.

O. K. Severinson and family and G. Hegness and family autoed to Green Lake Sunday and spent the day.

Little Miss Gertrude Chaika of St. Cloud is expected this week for a visit with her friend, Miss Olive Kaskell.

Mrs. M. O. Axness returned to her home at Minneapolis Monday, after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. K. O. Axness.

The Misses Myrtle Anderson and Effie Rannestad left Monday for a few days' visit with friends at Kandiyohi.

Mrs. E. Kennedy of Kerkhoven visited relatives in Willmar over Sunday on her way to Minneapolis for a visit.

John Schaefer arrived Monday from Minneapolis for a visit at the home of his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Gerstle.

Mrs. H. K. Nelson and children of Lake Florida visited at the home of her sister, Mrs. A. Sunberg a few days last week.

Mrs. O. G. Marlow and daughter, Miss Nettie, left Monday for a month's visit a New Ulm, Mankato and the Twin Cities.

Miss Irene Frederickson has returned from her visit at Berthold, N. D., and resumed her duties at Dr. H. F. Porter's office.

The Misses Emma Sommerville, Stella Norin and Anne Elfstrum have returned home, after attending summer school at the St. Cloud Normal.

Mrs. F. O. Swanson of Edenwood Farm, came to Willmar Monday for a visit until today at the homes of her brothers, V. E. and E. E. Lawson.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Sommerville of Raymond, were in this city Monday, enroute for a visit with Editor and Mrs. Earl M. Chesbrough at Herman, Minn.

Miss Inga Wiggin returned to her home at Minneapolis Monday, after a couple of weeks' visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Nelson at 524 4th St.

Miss Theresa Lundquist returned to her home at Graceville Monday, after a visit at the home of her sister, Mrs E. W. Hanson and family. She also attended summer school.

Miss Fern Magnuson is enjoying her vacation from her duties at the Willmar Co-operative store, and left Monday for Litchfield, accompanied by her two sisters, Edna and Ethel, and brother, Willie.

Mrs. McCune and little daughter returned to Sioux City Monday, after an extended visit at Crescent Beach and at the home of Dr. H. F. Porter in this city. Miss Avias McCune remained for a longer visit.

Rev. and Mrs. A. J. Ostling are enjoying an outing at Eagle Lake, occupying the Bryant cottage. They have for their guest this week, Rev. A. E. Palmquist of St. Paul and Rev. P. B. Wellander of Superior, Wis.

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## DR. JACOBS APPOINTED ON SCHOOL BOARD

### Official Proceedings of the Board of Education of the Wilmar Schools.

Willmar, Minn., Aug. 2, 1913.

The Board met at the office of the Clerk at 7:30 o'clock p. m., on above date, for the purpose of organizing. Present: Oberg, Peterson, Lawson, Carlson and Forsberg. V. E. Lawson and C. B. Carlson, the new members having qualified, the Board proceeded to the election of officers, and the following were elected by unanimous vote: President, C. E. Oberg; Clerk, A. O. Forsberg; Treasurer, P. C. Peterson.

There being a vacancy on the Board on account of the failure of Jos. O. Estrem to qualify, the Board proceeded to fill such vacancy. Dr. John C. Jacobs was nominated and unanimously elected to serve until the next annual meeting.

On motion meeting adjourned until Aug. 4, 1913, at 7:30 o'clock, at the Commercial Club rooms.

A. O. FORSBERG, Clerk.

Willmar, Minn., Aug. 4, 1913.

Adjourned meeting of the Board held at the Commercial Club rooms at 7:30 o'clock p. m. Present: Oberg, Peterson, Lawson, Carlson, Jacobs and Forsberg.

Minutes of meetings held July 7 and 18 and Aug. 2, and of annual school meeting read and approved.

The President announced the following committee appointments:

Finance—P. C. Peterson, A. O. Forsberg, C. B. Carlson.

Buildings and Grounds—J. C. Jacobs, C. E. Oberg, A. O. Forsberg.

Supplies—C. B. Carlson, P. C. Peterson, V. E. Lawson.

Teachers, Books and Curriculum—V. E. Lawson, J. C. Jacobs and Supt. Foster.

The following bids for cleaning the High School, Central, Industrial and Lincoln buildings before opening of school were received and read: Joel Thunstedt, $75; C. S. Johnson, $80. The bid of Joel Thunstedt, being the lowest, was on motion accepted.

The following bills were read and allowed: Fargo Seed House, seeds, $4.57; Lewis Hardware Co., supplies, $17.53; Walter Bergman, two mos. labor on school farm, $80; Republican Gazette, publishing and job printing, $4; Willmar Milling Co., oats, $5.16; Peterson & Qvale, lumber, $86.14; F. H. Wold, water for Garfield building, $3.00; Carlson Bros., supplies, $29.48; C. G. Hoglund, erecting fence at Lincoln building, $12.00; Lundquist Bros. & Co., fence wire, staples and nails, $16.95; W. E. Somerville, cleaning vaults at Lincoln and Garfield buildings, $15.00; M. V. Wakefield, labor with team on school farm, (assigned to A. O. Forsberg), $17.55; Eben E. Lawson, lettering diplomas, $7.40; Northwestern School Supply Co., supplies, $7.14; Kandiyohi County Bank, interest on overdraft, $441.94; The National Geographic Society, subscription to magazine, $2.50; A. O. Forsberg, taking school census, 1913, 874 names of children 6 to 16 years, at 3c each, $26.22.

Resignations of Elizabeth McLaughlin, Eva E. Sorenson and Elizabeth Crandall, were read and accepted, and the above named teachers were given an honorable release from their contracts.

On motion George Wilson was elected janitor for the Lafayette and Garfield buildings for the ensuing school year at a salary of $50 per month.

On motion, the Treasurer's bond for the ensuing year was fixed at $10,000.

On motion the salary of the Clerk was fixed at $10.00 per month, and the Treasurer's salary at $15 for the year.

On motion the committee on Buildings and Grounds was authorized and directed to make the necesary arrangements for connecting the Central group of buildings with the new sanitary sewer.

Moved and carried that the Clerk be instructed to furnish a carbon copy of the proceedings of the Board to each of the Willmar newspapers, which said papers may publish as news matter, without any charge to the district, if they so desire.

On motion meeting adjourned.

A. O. FORSBERG, Clerk.

### Entertain at Dinner.

Mrs. Fred Kemp, 518 So. 5th St., delightfully entertained at six o'clock dinner last Tuesday evening, July 29. In the dining room, where a fine course dinner was served, were pretty decorations of sweet peas and cut flowers and covers were laid for 12. The remainder of the evening hours were spent socially with music, including vocal solos by Miss Pearl Dugan of Minneapolis.

**Dr. J. R. Petersen wishes to announce that for a short time he will make weekly visits to Willmar and may be found at the Merchants Hotel from 9 a. m. to 6 p. m., next Monday, August 11th.**—Adv.

## SPICER-ON-GREEN LAKE

Spicer-on-Green Lake, Aug. 4—Dan Downs and family of Willmar were guests at the Victor Anderson home the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Skoog and Miss Anna Carlson of Willmar, were entertained at the A. J. Anderson home last Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Johnson accompanied them to Willmar and were their guests until Monday, when they left for their home at Minneapolis.

Miss Alma Carlson, who has been spending about a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. France Carlson, departed Monday for Fargo.

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Peterson and son were guests of Spicer relatives Sunday.

Mrs. Emma Anderson and daughter, Stella, came over from New London Saturday and visited with Spicer relatives until Sunday, when they went out to Twin Lakes for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Moller.

Mrs. A. J. Anderson enjoyed a visit from her cousin, Mrs. Annette Anderson of Chicago, the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Chalker of Los Angeles, Calif., left for their home Thursday, after a visit of several days with Dr. and Mrs. Healy.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Adler, who have been spending several weeks by Green Lake, left last week for their home at Chicago, Ill.

John Hagge and son Elgin, departed Monday for their home at Palermo, N. Dak., after a week's visit with the former's sister, Mrs. Pauline Holt and family.

Miss Esther Holt returned home Wednesday from Willmar, where she has attended the summer school.

Mrs. Mary Parker from Eyota, Minn., arrived here the later part of the week and is visiting with her son, John Parker and family.

Mr. Strand and family from Eagle Lake, who have rented the John Carlson residence moved here Saturday.

The Northwestern Telephone Co., has a crew of men here working at their line. They are having some new poles put up and other improvements are being made.

I. L. Graven left for Dawson Saturday, for a few days' visit with his parents.

Miss Viola Howard arrived Thursday from St. Cloud, where she has attended the summer school.

Mrs. Fred Strange and children returned to Sioux City Thursday, after spending a month in the Geo. Otterness cottage on Green Lake.

Mrs. D. Dittmonson and Miss Alma Thorpe left Wednesday for Superior, after a few days' stay here.

T. J. Anderson of Belgrade was at Spicer Wednesday and moved the Tri-State Telephone Booth from Orred & Anderson store to L. Z. Thompson's confectionery store.

Messrs. Joseph Swenson and Albert Peterson and Miss Kiland and Miss Jennie Swenson autoed over from Willmar Monday evening in the former's new Ford, which he recently purchased.

Rev. I. A. Johanson will speak in the Zion church in Irving next Sunday morning, Aug. 10, at 11 o'clock. Young People's meeting will be held in the afternoon of the same day at 4 o'clock. Everybody welcome to these meetings.

Mrs. Olaus Thorvig will entertain the Willing Workers at her home next Friday evening.

A surprise was sprung on Mr. and Mrs. Casper Johnson at the Knut Kloster home last Sunday, by their friends. They were presented with a neat sum of money.

Will Weaver visited his brother, D. Weaver the past week.

Mrs. N. Hendrickson and son, W. C. Hendrickson returned Wednesday evening from a few days' visit with relatives at Minneapolis and Anoka.

Dr. Simpson and family from Sioux City arrived Monday to spend some time at Interlachen Hotel.

Mrs. O. Sonderson is enjoying a visit from her aunt, Mrs.. W. Adams of St. Hilaire, who arrived Saturday.

G. Guttormson and Oscar Strand made a business trip to Willmar Monday evening.

The Great Northern carpenter crew are making some improvements on the stock yards this week.

Mrs. Claude Larson and little daughter of Duluth were guests at the Brant cottage the first of the week.

Ed. Erickson from Alexandria arrived here last week for the purpose of purchasing land in this vicinity.

### Kerkhoven People Wed Here.

Mr. Ernest Eckman and Miss Tillie Adamson, both contracting parties of Kerkhoven, were quietly married at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hans Garstad last Saturday evening. Rev. C. E. Oberg read the service. Following the ceremony a wedding dinner was served.

John G. Plesscher returned to his home at Clara City Saturday, after attending summer school here.

### Entertain.

Last Friday evening, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Hanson, 502 South 11th St., Miss Hannah, eldest daughter, was given a pleasant surprise by the members of the Rebecca lodge. The surprise had been carefully planned and was well carried out and complete. Light refreshments were served and the evening hours were spent in conversation and music. A number of pleasing vocal solos were rendered by the Misses Pearl Dugan and Karen Hanson. Miss Hanson's coming mariage to Mr. Erickson of Mankato was announced in a very pretty way by A. O. Forsberg who presented the guest of honor with two handsome gifts, a meat fork and berry spoon which she gracefully acknowledged.

The outside guests were Miss Pearl Dugan of Minneapolis, Mrs. H. B. Lidstone of Wahpeton, Master Lypen Lodgerson of Hutchinson, Mrs. Martin of Hope, N. D., and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Stoddard and Mrs. Jane McDonald of this city.

### Ice Cream Social.

An ice cream social will be given by the Y. P. S. of the Swedish Lutheran church, Wednesday evening, August 13th at 7:30 o'clock on the church lawn. Everybody welcome.

Committee.

## DESPONDENT YOUNG MAN TAKES HIS OWN LIFE

### Young Lake Lillian Farmer's Mind Deranged by Long Siege of Severe Illness.

The shocking news arrived last Friday that William Larson, a young farmer living south of Big Kandiyohi lake, in the township of Lake Lillian had committed suicide during the noon hour. Mr. Larson suffered from a severe attack of rheumatic fever last winter. Since then he has never recovered his full health nor good spirits. The rash deed was committed in one of these spells of severe mental dejection. After eating his dinner he made no move to get back onto the harvest field, but instead went to the granary, where he took off one of his shoes, placed the muzzle of a gun against his breast and pulled the trigger with his toes.

The unfortunate young man was thirty-one years of age. He was born at Lake Lillian Nov. 6, 1882. He leaves a wife and five small children, three sisters and many others to bitterly mourn his untimely end. The funeral occurred last Sunday afternoon from the late residence, Rev. A. J. Ryden of Svea officiating.

### Dancing Party at Crescent Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Tallman, at their summer home on Crescent Beach, entertained at a dancing party Friday evening complimentary to County Attorney and Mrs. Geo. Tyler of Elk River. A large number of guests were present. Those from Willmar were: Mr. and Mrs. Russell Spicer, Mrs. G. A. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Hicks, Dr. and Mrs. B. J. Branton, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Tyler, the Misses Ida, Mabel and Daisy Sanderson, Eva Sorenson, Gertrude Palm, Margaret Hicks, and Olive Crosby, Messrs. Frank Palm, Harrison Sherwood, Phillip Gates, Ben Ash, Harold Handy and Dr. Foshager.

### Selling Many Fords.

The following have purchased Ford automobiles thru the agency of Paul M. Peterson recently: Joe A. Swenson, Father C. McDevitt, S. L. Chapin, C. P. Holm, M. J. Spicer, J. A. Curran, Arthur Sjoberg, J. P. Johnson, H. Zimmerman, G. P. Karwand and Oscar Lindman, all of Willmar, A. Lindgren, H. P. Jensen, Lynn Anderson and A. W. Bergstrom of Pennock; C. W. Hanson and Ernest Olson of Raymond and Paul Nordin of New London.

Frank Palm made a business trip to Granite Falls yesterday.

## CHILD FATALLY INJURED KICKED BY A COLT

### Two-year-old Herman Backer Lives Thirty Hours after Receiving the Fatal Blow.

Herman, the two year old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Backer who resides five miles south of Raymond, was fatally injured as a result of being kicked by a young colt last Saturday afternoon while playing about his home. The child was at once taken to the Bethesda hospital where all that medical aid could do was done but to no avail. The skull had been fractured. The little fellow bore his suffering patiently until the end, which came at 11:45 Sunday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Backer accompanied the remains to their home on Monday, where the funeral takes place today. The sorrowing family have the sympathy of the entire community in their hour of sorrow.

### Showers for August Brides.

The home of Mrs. H. C. Hansen was the scene of a very pretty "Shower Party" last Wednesday evening given for Miss Hannah Hansen and Miss Ida Lorentzson. The first part of the evening was spent with a musical program given by Ellen and Esther Larsen, Miss Lillie Noren, Karen Hansen and Ida Lorentzson. The rooms were one mass of cut flowers, sweet peas being used in the dining room, where delicious refreshments were served from little tables, all the menu was in heart shapes. The two brides' places were marked with bouquets of pink and white sweet peas tied with pink and white ribbons, the place cards were handpainted baskets of sweet peas. At the close of the evening, the brides were each presented with a clothespin apron and basket by two little girls, Katherine Michaelson and Helen Marie Hanson, and told to take their washing down, the doors to the north room were opened where clotheslines had been tied up and a number of beautiful and useful articles had been hung like a big washing. The brides took their washing down which created a lot of amusement and all departed having spent a very delightful evening.

Mrs. Hansen was assisted thruout the evening by Mrs. Henrietta Larsen and Miss Harriet Lorentzson.

## OBITUARY.

### OLE P. WANGSNESS.

Ole P. Wangsness died at his home in St. Johns township Sunday morning, July 27th, after a long illness.

He was born in Fillmore County, Minnesota, October 15th, 1865, at which place he spent his earlier years and moved to this county fourteen years ago, and has resided here since.

He leaves to mourn his sad death, a wife and four children. The latter are Mrs. I. M. Nelson, who resides a short distance from home and Samuel, Alma and Edwin, who reside at home. He also leaves an aged mother and one sister and brother besides many relatives and friends. The funeral services were held at St. Johns Lutheran church, Rev. M. B. Michaelson officiating. Hans H. Hanson, Peter Rasmussen, George Anderson, John Hamnes, John Roslund and Peter Greenfield acted as pallbearers.

Relatives from a distance present at the funeral were, a sister, Mrs. R. K. Fjelstad of Minneapolis; a brother, C. P. Wangsness and wife of Wendell, Minn.; a niece, Miss Helen Hatlestad; and nephew, Mr. Evan Wangsness of Cottonwood, Minn.; a nephew, Rev. R. M. Fjelstad of Minneapolis.

### The Editor's Outing at Glenwood.

The Seventh District Editorial Association will have its annual outing at Glenwood and Lake Minnewaska Aug. 15, 16 and 17. On Friday evening a banquet will be tendered by the Glenwood Commercial Club at which Gunnar Björnson, President of the Association, will respond to the welcome, H. E. Hoard will discuss "Elephants, Donkeys and Moose," and Theodore Christianson will speak on "The Newspaper as an Exponent of Community Progress." On Saturday there will be shop talks by S. E. Farnam, Gunnar Björnson, Joe Whitney, V. E. Lawson and J. S. Morrison. With the splendid hospitality of that live town calling and the uncorked enthusiasm of a live bunch of West Central Minnesota pencil pushers in store, the newspaper-man of these parts who don't break away from business cares and make for Glenwood makes a sad mistake.

### Salespeople's Ass'n.

The Salespeoples' Association will meet at the Carlson Hall, Thursday evening at 8 o'clock, August 7th. Members all present.

Miss Minnie Ostlie returned to her home at Montevideo Thursday after a visit with relatives here. Miss Lena Botnen accompanied her to remain over Sunday.

## LOCAL BREVITIES

J. F. Holmdahl spent Sunday at Murdock.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Brown on Monday, a son.

Miss Abbie Edgren has resigned her position at the Leading store.

Dr. J. C. Jacobs made a professional visit to Kandiyohi yesterday.

Miss Christine Helgeson returned yesterday from an over Sunday visit with her uncle in Minneapolis.

Mrs. John Anderson is doing nicely from her surgical operation performed at the Willmar hospital Monday.

Miss Amanda Erickson is at the Willmar hospital, as substitute for Mrs. Jane McDonald during the latter's vacation.

Miss Amy Fridlund has resumed her duties at the Leading store after a vacation spent with Miss Linnea Bergstrom at St. Cloud.

Miss Caroline Moss has returned from her visit with relatives in Minneapolis and begun her duties at the County Treasurer's office.

Miss Bertha Ramsett returned home Thursday from her visit in Wahpeton, N. D. Her sister, Mrs. H. B. Lidstone accompanied her to remain for a visit here and at Crescent Beach.

Mrs. Lars Liliehogan returned to her home at Benedict, N. D., Saturday, after a pleasant visit with her aunt and uncle, Hon. and Mrs. L. O. Thorpe at their summer home at Eagle Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Monson left Sunday for New London and Nest Lake to visit relatives. Mr. Monson will enjoy a week's vacation from his duties as bookkeeper for the Willmar Hardware Co.

Miss Phoebe Paulson, who is on her vacation from her duties at the J. F. Branton office, and spending it at Glendive, Mont., writes to her many friends in this city of her enjoyable trip and visit.

Remember the concert and social at the First M. E. church Friday evening. Program in the auditorium. Refreshments in the church parlors after the program—all for 25c. You will miss it if you miss it.

Mrs. F. F. Hanes and three children of Seattle, Wash., who have been visiting relatives in the state of Iowa arrived at Willmar Saturday for an extended visit with Mrs. Hanes' mother, Mrs. Isabelle Sanden.

Dr. H. F. Porter attended the West Central Dentists' Association outing at Alexandria last week, and reports a very good time. Besides valuable new professional demonstrations, the entertainment provided by the Alexandria Commercial Club was immense. Dr. C. E. Gerretson of this city was also in attendance.

THE FARMER'S BANK BALANCE

The farmer's bank balance is money awaiting his use in the bank instead of in a wallet.

He can do more with his bank balance than with wallet-money. He can pay out money miles away without leaving the farm, by sending a check. He can have safety for his money while wallet-money is always in danger. His bank balance is creating an obligation on the part of the bank to help him when he needs help. If he isn't going to need his balance right away, it can earn more for him until he wants it.

Farmers, keep your balance at the

Kandiyohi County Bank
Willmar Minn.

## AN ADVENTURE AMONG THE PINES.

### A Ballad Relating a True Story on Two Buffalo-Fish County Officials.

By UNCLE SILAS BLUESTEM.

TWO county officials with each his wife
—Their names I won't mention, upon my life—
Made decision one day without dissent or appeal
On a trip to Bemidji in an auto mobile.

And 'twas nothing so slow the way that they spun;
To beat them, I fear, at the speed that they run
Over hill, over vale, over stone, over stump,
Would put Jim Hill's fast mail quite on the hump.

For Doc is much noted quite far and quite wide
For the way that he lets his gas wagon glide.
"Doc!" did I say? Now what will he say?
I've done gone and given him dead away.

I only hope now that before I am thru
I will not disclose his side partner too;
If I did, and in doing, got little too cute,
As County Attorney he might prosecute.

Now all went real well to Bemidji town
Where the pine trees and spruce trees and tamrock aboun',
Where the porcupines saunter about on the street
And throw their sharp spines at whom they might meet.

So here our officials they spent the long day
A seein' the sights as all strangers may,
And a sippin' the soda at the corner drug store
For their wives were along, as I said once before.

But when toward the night as the long shadows fell
Across the red clover in yon verdant dell
They boarded their car with spirits still gay
To hurry along on their far homeward way.

Thru the rough lonely wilds of the Beltrami trail,
The motor car sped like a northwestern gale.
She scales the trees; the ruts she jumps;
She twists and turns to dodge the stumps;

Her goggles glare like a demon's eyes
As on thru the dark deep woodland she flies.
Fantastic shadows dance before them like ghosts
To the merry "chunk, chunk" of the engine's exhausts.

And on, on she sped with a tuneful whir
When—some twenty miles from any old where—
There something most suddenly snapped, and kerchunk
Her hind-axle dropped to the ground quite kerplunk.

Now our surgeon you know has set many a limb
But this broken ax seemed to be "one on him;"
No doubt he could set it so the breaks would fit,
But they'd all starve a waitin' for the ends to knit.

So here was a case, 'twas easy to see
That needed somebody other than a fuming M. D.
So he bid them farewell and off in the night
Doc started for succor, as a true hero might.

So he hiked down the pike about two miles or so back
Where he woke up a squatter that lived in a shack;
But it was bitter luck and it most made Doc groan
When the squatter informed him he had not a 'phone.

But Doc clinked the coin and without much delay
The squatter hitched Dobbin to the old one-horse shay,
And off they started to some few miles beyond,
Where a house with a telephone was to be found.

But to Doc 'twas an hour that tries men's souls
For Dobbin was old and quite shot full of holes,
With ring-bone and spavin on both of his shins
And equally lame on all four of his pins.

'Twas hard for our coroner, that you can know,
To sit on a seat and move so blamed slow;
But at last they arrived and after much grief
He called up Park Rapids for an auto relief.

"HELLO! XYZ HELLO! ZXY HELLO! IS THIS SKUNK RIDGE SWITCH? TELL MOOSE TOOTH HOLLOW TO CALL UP PARK RAPIDS. HEY, HELLO, CANT YOU HEAR? SAY, SKUNK RIDGE, CALL UP TOOTH MOOSE HOLLOW. HELLO THERE, IS THIS SKUNK SWITCH RIDGE? CALL UP HOLLOW MOOSE TOOTH. I WANT RAP PARKIDS, PLEASE CANT YOU HEAR, HELLO SAY SKUNK MOOSE CAN KEEP OFF THE LINE' ETC. ETC.

But out in the timber, sad victims of fate,
The lawyer and women had to sit there and wait
While the night owl hooted and the she-wolf cried;
While the night wind moaned and the tall pines sighed.

To this story of mine much more I could add
Of the fight with mosquitoes and other things sad

Of how when at last the livery came
They could not agree on the next in game.

For the one would go on, from what I could learn,
While the other insisted that they all should return.
'Tis something most strange to a layman like me
That professional minds on things can't agree.

Now the medical man vented thots that he thunk
And said the attorney's diagnosis was punk.
And lawyer expounded the nine points of law
And held 'twas no use the rag more to chaw.

So the doctor returned to the north with his spouse
While the others they waited at the good squatter's house
For the livery's return from the far Bemidjay
And arrived at Park Rapids at the dawn of the day.

But in closing my tale let it suffice to say
They both returned home very late the next day.
And I've got it, believe me, 'straight on the q.t.
One came o'er the Great Northern, one on the N. P.