

Personal Mention.

Martin Berg left for Bemidji last Friday on business. J. S. Lee made a business trip to New London Monday. H. E. Johnson made a business trip to the Cities Thursday. Miss Ellen Skoglund returned to her home in Fahlun last Saturday. Mrs. Carl Bjorkman went to the Cities last Wednesday, returning Saturday. Geneva Hess of Winona came up last Wednesday for a visit with her sister, Elsie. Martin Erlanson was in the city between trains last Thursday enroute for Clinton. Mr. Marcus Johnson of St. Paul attended to business matters in this city Tuesday. Mrs. Martin Berg left last Thursday for Clinton, where she will visit her parents until Christmas. Miss Elsie Larson returned last Wednesday after spending a few days with relatives in the cities. Arthur Johnson and George Schaefer of St. Paul visited at the Alfred Johnson home Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Wakefield came home from Morris Monday after a few days' visit with friends. A. Nordgren returned Saturday from a visit at Fargo and at other points in northern Minnesota. Arthur Martinson of Clinton left Thursday for his home, after a few days' visit with relatives here. Smith Botnen and Albin Kannik-keberg spent Sunday visiting at the E. L. Thorpe home in Penock. Mr. and Mrs. Victor H. Olmberg of Kandiyohi spent Sunday visiting at the home of Mrs. Victor Nelson. Miss Mayme Rasmussen, who teaches at Svea came home Sunday evening to spend her Thanksgiving vacation. Misses Stella Hoglund, Esther Rodlund and Carey Elfrstrom left for the Twin Cities Saturday, returning Sunday morning. Miss Bessie Frye who has been visiting at the H. P. Frye home east of this city, left last Wednesday morning for Capron, Ill. Miss Gena Berg left Monday of last week for Casselton, N. Dak., where she will spend three weeks visiting at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Lear.

POULTRY SHOW HERE NEXT WEEK

The Aristocrats Among Domestic Fowls Will Crow and Cackle at Willmar Show.

The Third Annual Kandiyohi County Poultry Show takes place early next week. After some difficulty in securing a place for the show, the store room formerly occupied by Dale's grocery in the Ruble building on Third street, and which is just being restored after the fire, has been designated as the show room. On account of receiving special State aid this year's show will be bigger and better than any of its predecessors. The show is going to be open daytime and evening to the general public and it is hoped that a large number of people will avail themselves of the opportunity. Already entries have been made from many points outside the county and the promise is for a very successful show. The price of admission has been reduced to 10 cents.

The Poultry Show. The big fashionable event of the season will be open next week from Dec. 2nd to 4th. This event is the 3rd annual exhibition of fancy poultry from Kandiyohi and adjoining counties.

This is the fashion show of the aristocratic Plymouth Rock and the stately Wyandotte. There will be found the beautiful Rhode Island Red and the restless Leghorn, and the giant Brahmas; in fact, birds of all sorts and sizes and all will be adorned in their best finery and gayest plumage. Don't miss this fashion show, if you aim to keep up with the latest fashions.

Everybody in the City should aim to make this show a visit at some time during next Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday.

For Steamship Tickets to Europe by Christmas Excursions on the Leading Lines, Inquire of Hans Gunderson, Agent, Cor. Litchfield Ave. and 6th St., Willmar, Minn. Adv. 21

HARD GAME TO LOSE

Windom Institute Defeats Locals in Close and Hardfought Game Last Saturday Afternoon.

Fighting with all the spirit they could muster, the local high school football team practically tied the heavy and fast team representing Windom Institute of Montevideo, last Saturday afternoon. Although the final score was 14-12 in the visitors' favor, the locals can look with pride on their work, as they outplayed their opponents during the greatest portion of the game. Each team scored two touchdowns, and the winning points were scored on goals from touchdown. This point is usually overlooked in high school football as it seems quite easy to boot the ball over the cross bar from the 15 yard line, and anyway, what's a point or two. In this case the point or two proved the locals undoing. The field was in wretched shape and it was almost impossible to secure footing of any kind. Both teams fought hammer and tongs during the first half and each team could gain plenty of ground in the center of the field, but as soon as the ball was worked down near one of the goal lines the defense immediately stiffened and further gaining was impossible. Neither team was able to score during this half. The second half opened with the locals playing a little more advanced football and they pulled off several good forward passes. However, one of these went astray and a Windom man clasped one of Erickson's choicest passes in his arms and dashed down the field for the first score of the game. Goal was kicked. Windom scored once more in this period and kicked goal. With the beginning of the last quarter the locals played desperately and pulled off a bewildering series of forward passes that proved the best ground gained of the day. Pass after pass was reeled off, most of which were successful and finally Styles went across for the first Willmar score. Soon after this Erickson ripped thru the line for another score, but both goals were missed. The high school team have put 'n hard practices this week for the big game tomorrow. Norling will be at center and MacDonald at tackle; outside of these changes they will line up as usual.

Former Belgrade Resident CONVICTED OF MURDER

Louis A. Larson is Found Guilty of Murdering His Wife at Los Angeles.

Louis A. Larson who was accused of having slain his wife in the Verdugo hills, Los Angeles, on June 23, was found guilty of murdering his wife after but forty minutes deliberation by the jury. The first degree verdict calls for the death penalty which was imposed Tuesday of this week. No news as yet has been received here what sentence will be imposed.

The witnesses in the trial were Miss Lulu Carpenter and the daughter of Larson, Miss Luella. The evidence of Miss Carpenter with whom Larson was intensely in love did not prove damaging. M. D. Yale, a conductor testified of seeing Larson and a woman on his car on Sunday, June 22, and J. H. Burns, a carpenter, testified of finding Mrs. Larson in the hills and that he also saw Larson getting through a wire fence and spoke to him. Another witness called during the trial was a saloon-keeper who testified that he sold Larson two bottles of beer on the day before his wife met her death. There were still other witnesses but the most damaging testimony was that given by Larson's own daughter, Luella. Her voice was filled with bitterness and she glanced contemptuously at her own father and eager to answer all questions. She told of the double life Larson was living while the family resided in San Francisco and also of her mother telling her that if anything ever happened to her, to never let her father go free. Many other things were testified to by Miss Luella but her father denied all charges.

During the trial Larson displayed little worry, anxiety or emotion and even when he heard his fate he showed no concern and seemed entirely at ease. Larson expressed the hope that he may have a second trial as he proclaimed that he was innocent.—Belgrade Tribune.

Svea, Nov. 24—Miss Ellen Lindberg of Willmar is dressmaking at M. R. Swenson's. Mr. and Mrs. Walfred Blomquist and daughter Pearl visited at John Bjork's Sunday. Messdames A. P. and P. P. Johnson visited with relatives in Willmar a few days the past week. Mrs. Jons Olson is seriously ill. Miss Esther Hegstrom of Willmar visited at the Washington school, Thursday. She also gave some instructions in music while here. Messdames Monson, Nordstrom and Olson visited at the Jons Olson home Thursday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Strandburg and daughter Loraine visited at the August Bjelkengren home Sunday. P. N. Olson's entertained the August Norman and A. O. Nelson families for dinner, Sunday. The agricultural meeting held in Dist. 55 Saturday evening was well attended. A farmers' club was organized. Henry Johnson was elected president; J. G. Freeberg, vice presi-



MISS ESTHER PEARSON SOPRANO At Opera House Friday Night.

LAKE WAGONGA

Lake Wagonga, Nov. 24—Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Ellingson and son, Norman, left Monday afternoon for Minneapolis, where they will visit relatives. They also expect to spend a few days in St. Paul. Mr. Ludvig Carlson spent Sunday and Sunday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. P. Carlson in Willmar. Miss Hilda Johnson is at present housekeeping at the C. J. Ellingson home, during their absence. The agricultural meeting held at Pleasant View school house, Dist. 57, last Tuesday night was well attended and a good time was enjoyed by all. Miss Josie Carlson of Willmar spent Saturday and Sunday at the Carlson Bros. farm. Emil Nelson and Wm. Gabbert visited at the Carlson home Sunday evening. Misses Josie, Millie and Freda Carlson visited at Arbor Hill farm Sunday afternoon. Oscar Norrell was the new scholar at Dist. 57 Monday. Fred Carlson is spending this week in Willmar. Miss Myrtle Thille Olson spent Sunday at Arbor Hill Farm.

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MUSICAL EVENT FRIDAY NIGHT

The Grand Concert by Miss Esther Pearson and Assistants Occurs at Opera House.

The musical treat of the season, which has been looked forward to for some time, will occur at the Willmar Opera House next Friday evening, when Miss Esther Pearson, of Chicago, will appear in grand concert, assisted by her brother, the Rev. W. E. Pearson, Prof. Swain, the Bethel chorus and orchestra. The following is the program as it has been arranged.

PROGRAM. Part I. "Gloria".....Buzzi Peccia Miss Pearson "The Lord is My Light,".....Dudley-Buck Miss Pearson, Rev. Pearson. "Den Forsta Vårblomman,".....Palm "Bland Fjällarna".....Von Heland "Tang imod krasen".....Söderman "Mazurka de Concert".....Ovidemus N. B. Swain. "Infammatius," from "Stabat Mater".....Miss Pearson and Bethel Chorus Intermission. Part II. Aria, "He is Kind," from Herodiade,.....Masselet "I Waited For the Lord,".....Mendelssohn Miss Pearson, Rev. Pearson. "Songs My Mother Taught Me".....Dvorak "My Task".....Ashford "The Rosy Morn".....Ronald Miss Pearson. "The Heavens Are Telling" from Oratorio, "creation".....Haydn Bethel Chorus.

The advance sale of tickets has been large, which indicates that the people of our city and community will encourage the effort by giving it liberal patronage. The tickets sold may be exchanged for the regular house seat tickets at Elfrstrom's beginning at nine o'clock a. m., on the day of concert. After seven o'clock p. m., the seats may be secured at the box office. The concert begins at 8:15 p. m.

Miss Pearson is a young singer who has made rapid progress in her profession. On the occasion of her debut in musical circles of Chicago last April, when she gave a recital at the Fine Arts Theatre of that city, she pleased the audience and received many gratifying press criticisms. From a number of these we call the following: "It is pleasant to be able to set down words of commendation concerning Miss Pearson's singing. The voice of this artist is not of great sonority, but it carries well. The higher compass is brilliant. There is that in this recitalist's singing which is more appealing than her voice. She has endowed herself with the power of translating emotion into vocal sound, and by that token not a little of the work she set forth was of appealing charm."—Chicago Record-Herald.

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"The voice is a soprano of wide range. \* \* \* Miss Pearson's performance was so good, which is something of a hint. \* \* \* Wagner's 'Träume' was beautifully done."—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

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LUTHERAN FREE. Thanksgiving services Thursday at 10:30 a. m. with offerings for the Home Missions, and "Mands og Kvindeforenings" will meet in the evening at 8 o'clock. Bassebo, Martinus Hanson and Svær Johanson will serve refreshments. Services with holy communion next Sunday at 10:30 a. m. Bible Class at 7, and evening service at 7:45. Several of the young people will take part in the evening service.

O. M. Anderson of Minneapolis will begin a series of Gospel meetings Monday evening, Dec. 1. St. John young people's society will have its next meeting Friday evening at the church in Penock. The Ladies' Society in the City will have its next regular meeting Wednesday, Dec. 3, and Mrs. S. S. Glarum, Mrs. G. O. Sand and Mrs. H. T. Olson will serve refreshments. The Ladies' Society north of the city meets Thursday afternoon, Dec. 4, at Mrs. Anderson Johnson's.

FIRST METHODIST. Fourth St. and Trott Ave. J. L. Farmer, Pastor. Services 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Epworth League, 6:45 p. m. Prayermeeting Wednesday nights, 7:30.

No S. S. next Sunday at request of Board of Health. The Epworth League will have a social Friday night, Nov. 28, in the church parlors. Everybody cordially invited. Thanksgiving self-denial of fervor. Good time assured by the social committee. The First Quarterly Conference of this church was held by Rev. Dr. Jordan Thursday night. The church was found to be in the best general condition of its history. The new year opens with every prospect of success.

SWEDISH M. E. Thursday (Thanksgiving Day) services at 10:30. Sermon by the pastor. In the evening the Epworth League will give an entertainment (see program elsewhere).